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INSIDE

THE LIFE OF A FARRIER

Farrier, blacksmith, smithy, horseshoer, all terms that describe a fading and elusive art. If you look up the word farrier in the dictionary it simply states — one who practices the art of horseshoeing and also trains. The art of farriery has been the subject of poetry and romanticized in medieval tales. Tales in which the horse-shoer works in a shack with a roaring fire where a metal shoe is heated in a furnace and then beaten into a custom shape on an iron anvil.

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AMERICAN PROFILE



IT'S QUIET AT SOLITAIRE

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BUSINESS

Since Jim Curtiss, the airpark's new director came on board in February, the airport has been humming with activity. Now, Curtiss and the Airpark Development Advisory Board are showing they recognize the need to work as an integral part of Big Spring by joining the Big Spring Revitalization Association.

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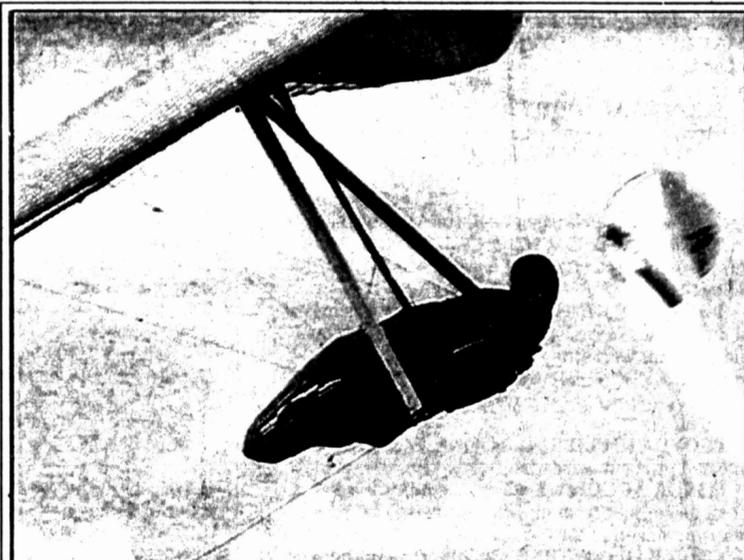


Photo courtesy Flytec USA
U.S. National Hang Gliding Champion Paris Williams is shown here winning the 2002 National Championships in Florida. Williams will be among glider pilots competing at the U.S. Open Hang Gliding competition in Big Spring Aug. 4 through 10.

Gliding away

McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark to be scene for U.S. Open Hang Gliding Competition

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

The U.S. Open is coming to Big Spring.

No, you're not going to see the Williams sisters of tennis or golf star Tiger Woods anywhere in the vicinity of the West Texas Crossroads anytime soon. But some names just as big in the world of hang gliding will be in town for a week Aug. 4 through 10.

Their brightly-colored wings will fill the sky over the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark for the U.S. Open Hang Gliding competition, sanctioned by the United States Hang Gliding Association.

"We're expecting about 35 people from around the

"There's an intersection of geography and meteorology that occurs in Big Spring to allow for excellent soaring conditions, which means being able to make circles like birds and go up."

David Glover,
USHGA spokesman

nation and foreign countries," said USHGA spokesman David Glover. "Some of the best pilots in the nation. They're going to

be taking off anywhere from around 11:30 and 1 o'clock and they'll be doing different tasks. Some of them will bring them back to the airport two or three hours later. Some will be going long distances, some over 100 miles."

The U.S. Open is one of the three top hang gliding events in the U.S. each year.

Glover said the pilots, three past national champions included, will perform mainly timed out-and-return events and distance competitions.

"They're all kind of three-dimensional sailboat races in the sky," he said. "The

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E. coli

Local stores, restaurants aren't affected by recall of 19 million pounds of hamburger, they say

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

Local supermarkets and restaurants are not affected by the recent recall of 19 million pounds of hamburger, the second largest beef recall on record.

The beef, being recalled due to the possible presence of E. coli bacteria, did not reach any of the local supermarkets or fast-food restaurants contacted Saturday.

"There are no Wal-Marts in Texas that were affected," said the manager of Big

Spring's Wal-Mart, Daryl Holley. "They pulled it some out of some Wal-Mart stores that were affected on the east coast."

Holley said the Big Spring Wal-Mart stores did pull some meat patties off the shelf even though the meat was from a different vendor than Agricon.

"We pulled them off in case anyone had a question about it," he said.

Assistant Store Manager of Big Spring's H-E-B,

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Drum and bugle corps to rehearse in Forsan and Big Spring today

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

The sounds of brass and percussion will fill the West Texas sky this afternoon as three drum and bugle corps plan to make a rehearsal stop in Howard County on their nationwide competition tour.

"They're awesome," said Big Spring High School Band Director Rocky Harris. "This is exactly the type our band tries to imitate. They're like a professional football team."

Consisting of brass, percussion and color guard,

Note: There are no scheduled rehearsal times. Those who wish to watch the corps perform are advised they are expected to be on the fields between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

corps composed of performers between the ages of 14 and 21 spend the summer attempting to outscore each other during the Drum Corps International Summer Music Games Tour.

"These will be the older, top-notch people, mostly college kids and high school students," Harris said.

The tour culminates in mid-August with the world championship in Madison,

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Hospital to showcase new emergency room

SMMC, chamber combine efforts for Business After Hours activity

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

After nine months in Big Spring overseeing a \$1.8 million renovation project, all Bernie Wall has left to do is fix the nicks in the wall and sweep up the dust.

"I'm ready to go home (to Dallas)," Wall said. "Nine months is a long job for me. Most of my jobs average three to four months."

Once the construction manager from FJW Group of Arlington leaves West Texas, Scenic Mountain Medical Center will have a more spacious, updated emergency room.

"The hospital was built in the mid-70s and since then no major renovation to it or square footage change to the physical plant had been done," said Tim Schmidt, CEO of SMMC. "Our ER volume has seen a pretty good increase, about 4 to 7 percent on average, over the last several years"

The hospital's emergency room serves from 30 to 50 patients a day, an

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

What: Business After Hours/emergency room open house.

Where: Scenic Mountain Medical Center emergency room, 1601 W. 11th Place.

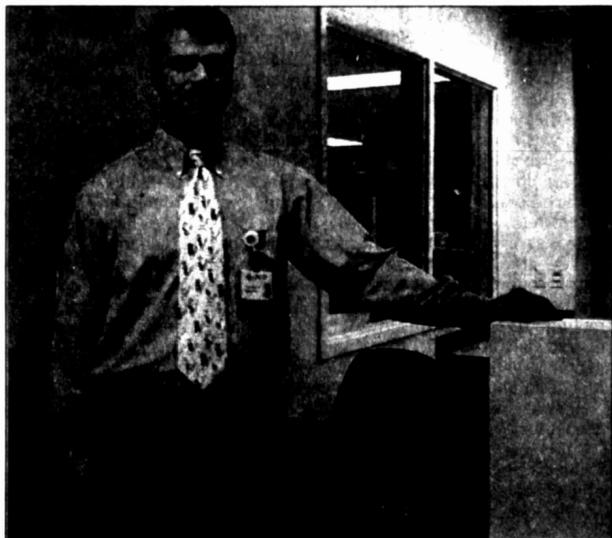
When: 4:30 p.m.-7 p.m. Monday.

average of 1,200 patients a month.

The year-long process for approval of the project began under former CEO Loren Chandler who saw the need to update the emergency room facilities, Schmidt said.

"We began (construction) in January of this year," Schmidt said. "We moved the ER to a temporary location while we added another 6,000 square feet and renovated the existing 4,000 feet. We have a 10,000 square feet ER. It's about a two-and-a-half times larger emergency room."

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody
Scenic Mountain Medical Center emergency room is nearing the finish of its \$1.8 million renovation and expansion project. Tim Schmidt, hospital CEO, stands near one of the processing stations in the updated facility.

Burke's Outlet coming to the mall

By BILL MCCLELLAN

News Editor

Crossroads area citizens will soon have a new place to shop. The Stalworth Company announced Friday that Burke's Outlet has signed a lease at the Big Spring Mall.

"We're really pleased to have them. It's a huge asset for our mall and our community, in my opinion," said Kathy Lusk, certified property manager (CPM) for the mall.

She said the target date for the store's opening is

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Kathy Lusk, mall manager

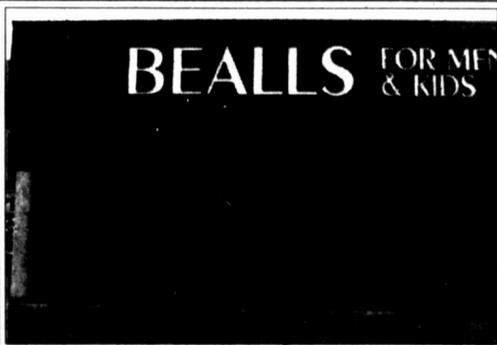
Sept. 29. It will be located between Family Dollar, the Cinema 4 theater and On Cue and will anchor the

opposite end of the mall from Bealls.

"They'll be starting the remodel Monday or Tuesday and begin stocking it. We'd love for everyone to come peek through the windows and see what is going on," Lusk added.

Burke's Outlet stores offer a variety of name-brand apparel, shoes and gifts for the entire family. Merchandise assortments consist of vendor closeouts, private label import and

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HERALD file photo
The former Bealls For Men & Kids/Stage store at Big Spring Mall will become home for Burke's Outlet store later this summer. The lease agreement was announced Friday by mall owner Stalworth Corporation.

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BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

Obituaries

Mary Santiago Rodriguez



Mary S. Rodriguez passed away Friday, July 19, 2002, at a San Angelo hospital. Mary Santiago Rodriguez was born July 25, 1927, to Samuel and Refugia Perez Martinez in New Braunfels, where she was reared and educated. She married Juan G. Santiago in 1949 in Lubbock. After his passing, she married Tomas Rodriguez in September 1991 in Midland.

Mary was preceded in death by her husband, Juan G. Santiago, in 1987 and her second husband, Tomas Rodriguez, in August 1996. She was also preceded by her parents; one son, Eugene Santiago; one brother, Jose Martinez; and two sisters, Santos Hernandez and Victoria Marguez.

Mary is survived by three sons, Willie Garcia and wife, Martha, of El Paso, Gilbert J. Santiago and wife, Andrea, of Tempe, Ariz., and Gerald Santiago and wife, Michelle, of Arlington; and three daughters, Rachel S. Fritz and JoAnn Villarreal and husband, Raul, all of San Angelo, and Gloria S. Correa of Midland.

Also surviving are two brothers, Abram Martinez and Jesus Martinez, both of Kingsland; and four sisters, Dora Berlanga of Lubbock, Anita Tamez of Belton, Virginia Mancha of Big Spring and Alicia Flemins of Houston.

She is also survived by 19 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren and numerous nephews and nieces.

The family would like to give a special thanks to Dr. Raymond Untalan, the San Angelo Community Medical Center third floor nursing staff and the SCCI nursing staff.

A rosary will be held at 7 p.m. on Sunday, July 21, 2002, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel. Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. Monday, July 22, 2002 at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel, with burial to follow at Resthaven Memorial Park. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Pallbearers will be Amarante Lucerro, Ben Mancha, Jesse Martinez, Johnny Martinez, Robert Martinez and Frank Berlanga.

Paid obituary



Pantaleon "Leon" Gonzales

Pantaleon "Leon" Gonzales, 81, of Aransas Pass and formerly of Big Spring, died Thursday, July 18, 2002, at a nursing and rehab center in Aransas Pass, following a long illness.

A vigil service will be at 7 p.m. today at Myers & Smith Chapel with A.G. Martinez officiating. Funer service is at 11 a.m. Monday, July 22, 2002, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Burial will be in Mount Olive Cemetery.

He was born on July 27, 1920 in Carrizo Springs. He married Manuela Valdez on Jan. 7, 1942, in Big Spring. She preceded him in death on Dec. 14, 1994.

He was a catholic and was last employed at Shirley Walker Tractor Company.

He is survived by one step-daughter, Elvita Olague of Big Spring; a step-son, Robert Oliva of Big Spring; two brothers, Raymond Gonzales and Lupe Gonzales, both of Big Spring; three sisters, Paula Martinez, Dora Perches and Juanita Gonzales, all of Big Spring; 11 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Arrangements are under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home and Chapel.

David E. Smith

Service for David E. Smith, 90, of Meridian was conducted Sunday, July 14, 2002, at the Meridian Church of Christ. Burial will be at the Meridian Cemetery under the direction of Lawson Funeral Home.

He died Thursday, July 11, 2002, in Clifton Hospital.

He was born Nov. 30, 1911, in Bowie County. His family moved to the Big Spring area in 1918. He attended school in Big Spring and Highway. He married Gladys Mable Cockrell on Jan. 11, 1931, in Big Spring. She died on June 19, 1993.

He was involved in farming, beginning as a day laborer and eventually owning his own farm land in the Knott and Soash communities from 1929 until 1947 when he moved his family to farm and ranch near Meridian. He supplemented his farm income at several other professions, such as service station operator, county road maintenance, carpenter's helper and woodwork artist. He had lived at Meridian Manor for more than years.

He was involved in many activities of the Church of Christ for over 60 years.

Survivors include three sons, David Lawrence of Lubbock, Robert Lee of Stinnett, and Thomas Dale Abilene; and a special friend, Faye Chambers of Meridian.

Mildred Martin Reynolds



Mildred Martin Reynolds, 87, of Stanton, died on Wednesday, July 17, 2002, in a nursing home in Plano. Funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 23, 2002, at First Baptist Church with Rev. David Harp, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow at Evergreen Cemetery.

She was born on Feb. 2, 1915, in Anderson County and married Clayton Reynolds on Jan. 11, 1936, in Midland. He preceded her in death on April 11, 1970.

Mildred's family moved to Stanton in 1924 where she was a long-time member of First Baptist Church and had taught Sunday School most of her adult life.

Survivors include one son, Carl Ray of Richardson; one sister, Jessie Lee White of Stanton; two granddaughters; four great-grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

The family suggests memorials to First Baptist Church Stanton, P.O. Box 1168, Stanton 79782.

The family will receive friends on Monday, July 22, 2002, from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Arrangements are under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home.

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity from 8 a.m. Friday to 8 a.m. today:

• **AGUSTIN FIERRO JR.**, 35, of 108 E. 24th St. was arrested on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.

• **THOMAS ANTHONY FAY**, 62, of 604 Aylesford was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **LOUI CASSTEVENS**, 23, of 200 E. Settles St. was arrested on local warrants.

• **SHARITA SINCERE TUITT**, 20, of 2605 Langley was arrested on a charge of criminal trespassing.

• **DANNY FRANK WILSON**, 45, of 303 E. Sixth St. was arrested on a charge of assault class A/family violence.

• **TONY RAY BINGHAM**, 21, of Pecos was arrested on charges of resisting arrest and assault class C, and for local warrants.

• **ASHLEY ANN BINGHAM**, 22, of Pecos was arrested of public intoxication and interfering with a police officer.

• **FLOYD PHILLIPS**, 41, of 401 E. Eighth St. was arrested on local warrants.

• **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 200 block of Young Street and the 1500 block of South Johnson Street.

• **LOUD PARTY/NOISE** was reported in the 2600 block of Wasson Road and the 500 block of Circle Drive.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1400 block of East 11th Place, the 300 block of East Sixth Street and the 400 block of East Eighth Street.

• **DISTURBANCE OR FIGHT** was reported in the 2600 block of Morrison Drive.

• **ASSAULT BY THREAT** was reported in the 800 block of Anna Street.

• **POSSESSION OR DELIVERY OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA** was reported in the 100 block of East 24th Street. Drug equipment was seized during the incident.

• **BURGLARY OF A BUILDING** was reported in the 3900 block of East Interstate 20. Someone reportedly entered the building through a front window and stole items worth \$600.

• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 1500 block of Tucson Road. A brown 2002 Dodge Caravan reportedly sustained \$400 damage in the incident.

Support groups

MONDAY

• **TOPS Club TX No. 21** (take off pounds sensibly), weigh-in 5:30 p.m. and meeting at 6 p.m., Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 West Third.

• **TOPS Club TX No. 1756** (take off pounds sensibly), weigh-in 5:30 p.m. and meeting at 6 p.m., College Heights Christian Church, 21st and Goliad.

• **Military support group** meets at 6 p.m. at the VA Medical Center in room 212 the first Monday of every month. Contact Wanda Gamble at 263-7180 or Treva Hall at 263-8106.

• **Project Freedom**, Christian support group for survivors of physical/emotional/sexual and/or spiritual abuse. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241 for dates/times of upcoming groups.

• **Bereavement Support Group** meets from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. the first Monday of each month at Community Care Hospice.

• **Surviving Pregnancy Loss** meets the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Howard County Library Committee Room. Call 631-4430 for more information.

• **AL-ANON** open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open meeting fourth floor at VA Medical Center 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

TUESDAY

• **The Greater West Texas Chapter of the Alzheimers Association** meets the first Tuesday of each month in the community room of the Howard County Library at 2 p.m. Our support groups are for all caregivers of anyone no matter what the disease or disability. All meetings are confidential and are for your support. For more information you can call our office at 264-2397 or go by 501 Runnels (RSVP office).

• **Open Discussion Meeting**, 615 Settles 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. Noon podium closed podium meeting, 615 Settles 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

• **Gamblers Anonymous**, 7 p.m., St. Stephen's Catholic Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. Call 263-8920.

• **Alcoholics Anonymous**, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 7 p.m. 12 and 12 study.

• **AL-ANON**, 615 Settles, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

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• **Al-Anon support group**, 7 p.m. 615 Settles.

FRIDAY

• **AA Open discussion Meeting**, 615 Settles 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. Noon Open Big Book Study Meeting, 615 Settles 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Bulletin board

MONDAY

□ Senior Circle meets at 4 p.m. at the Rose Cafe at Scenic Mountain Medical Center for Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics. People 50 and over are invited to participate. Call 268-4721.

□ Business After Hours will be held from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Scenic Mountain Medical Center, 1601 W. 11th Place, co-hosted by the Center and the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce. A ribbon-cutting will be held at 5 p.m.

□ Concerned Citizens meets at 7 p.m. in the Fiberflex conference room on Bethel Street in the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark. The public is invited.

TUESDAY

□ Big Spring Municipal Swimming Pool will be closed all day for maintenance.

□ Intermediate Line Dance classes are at 9 a.m. at the Senior Citizens Center located in the Industrial Park. Call 267-1628 for more information.

□ Big Spring Rotary meets at noon in the Cactus Room at Howard College.

□ Evening Lion's Club meets at noon every Tuesday at the Senior Center in the Whipkey Room.

WEDNESDAY

□ Optimist Club meets at 7 a.m. at the Howard College Cactus Room.

□ Senior Circle Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics meets at the Scenic Mountain Medical Center Yellow Rose Cafe at 10 a.m.

□ Downtown Lions Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room.

□ Duplicate Bridge Club meets every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 1 p.m. at the Big Spring Country Club.

□ Line dancing class is at 1 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center located in the Industrial Park. Call 398-5522 or 267-1628 for more information.

□ Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie Ladies Auxiliary meets at 7 p.m. at the Eagles Lodge located at 703 W. Third.

THURSDAY

□ Gideons International Big Spring Camp U42060 meets at Herman's Restaurant at 7 a.m.

□ Big Spring Senior Center, located in the Industrial Park, offers art classes at 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. for those 55 and over.

□ Coffee Club meets at 10 a.m. at Gale's Sweet Shoppe located at 1706 East FM 700.

□ Kiwanis Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room.

□ Masonic Lodge 598 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 219 Main.

FRIDAY

□ Signal Mountain Quilting Guild meets from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281. Bring a lunch.

□ AMBUCS meets at noon at the Brandin' Iron.

□ ABC Club meets at noon at the Brandin' Iron.

□ The Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room.

□ Spring City Senior Citizens Country and Western Dance will be 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. All area seniors are invited.

SATURDAY

□ The Heritage Museum at 510 Scurry is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

□ American Legion Post 506 will have a Fish Fry at \$7 per plate on July 20 from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. Delivery will be available from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Carry outs are also available and everyone is welcome. The Post is located at 3203 West Hwy 80. Call 263-2084 for more information.

□ The Potton House located at 200 Gregg, a restored historic home, is open from 1 to 5 p.m. A one-time admission fee of \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizens is encouraged.

□ There will be a dance at 8:30 p.m. at the Eagles Lodge located at 704 W. Third. Members and guests are welcome.

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Month

By BILL McCLELLAN

News Editor

For Garland Gandy, too quiet for a mar business.

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Months after fire, it's still quiet at Solitaire Homes

By **BILL MCCLELLAN**
News Editor

For Garland Gandy, it's way too quiet for a manufacturing business.

"There's no one here except for myself, the production manager and the QC (quality control) manager," said Gandy, general manager for Solitaire Homes. "This is a noisy place when we're up and running. All the hammering and sawing. Right now it's quiet. Deathly quiet."

A little more than two months ago the manufactured homes builder and retailer was racing with activity, boasting a workforce of 171 and on track toward a \$2.4 million annual payroll. That all came to a halt on May 16 when a fire broke out in the mill and cabinet area.

A quick response by firefighters limited blaze to one area, but the rest of the plant received extensive smoke damage. It's been estimated that damage to the plant amounts to \$1.5 million.

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Garland Gandy,
general manager



day after the fire," said Gandy. "We kept 14. Then last Friday (July 12), I had to terminate all of them. It's been frustrating, you know. By this time, I had expected we'd be rebuilding."

Negotiations with the insurance company — Commonwealth — have been the hold-up, Gandy said.

"Last week, we finally received the OK from the insurance company to begin clean-up — they hadn't even let us start cleaning up before that — and said we could spend up to \$76,000," said Gandy. "So we put those 14 employees will still had to work, cleaning up. Corporate gave us

the OK to hire a local contractor for the backhoe and other equipment we needed. Then the insurance company rescinded the clean-up. I had to let those 14 people go."

Insurance adjusters have come out to the plant at 3408 E. 11th Place twice.

"I talked to my corporate office yesterday afternoon," Gandy said on Friday, "and we have another meeting scheduled with the insurance company on the 30th (of July). Maybe something will happen then."

The general manager is still confident Solitaire will rebuild in Big Spring.

"Definitely. We are planning to rebuild," he said. "Right now we're on hold though. We're just waiting on the OK from the insurance company."

Until then, things will remain quiet at Solitaire Homes.

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HERALD file photo
Solitaire Homes manufacturing plant received extensive damage during a fire on May 16. Company officials say they want to rebuild, but have as yet been unable to reach an agreement with the insurance company. Only three employees remain on site now.

Unemployment rate skyrockets for Howard County

Workforce specialists attribute hike to layoffs at manufactured homes facility

By **BILL MCCLELLAN**
News Editor

Unemployment rose sharply for Howard County in June — a fact that workforce specialists had predicted would happen after a fire caused one of the area's largest manufacturers to shut its doors.

"An increase is expected every year at this time, but the situation at Solitaire impacted our employment rate significantly," said Virginia Belew, Workforce Network area manager.

Belew said the layoff of more than employees following a May 16 fire that gutted the manufactured homes builder's mill and cabinet shop is the primary reason unemployment rose from 3.7

percent to 6.5 percent.

"The other thing would be the increase of workers entering the labor market for summer employment, primarily students and educators," said Belew. "But most of it can be attributed to the situation at Solitaire."

The manufacturer laid off more than 150 employees soon after the fire, and another 14 within the last 10 days.

"At this time, the Workforce Network is working diligently to place the affected individuals in other employment," said Belew. "Employers should continue to call in job orders, as it is a good time to recruit employees with very good technical ability and a

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Virginia Belew
Workforce Network area manager

variety of skills and experience." A good sign, Belew said, is that there are still more people employed in the county than there

were a year ago, or even a month ago.

"This indicates that employers continue to create more employment opportunities and have confidence that more individuals will become active in our labor market," she added.

According to the Texas Workforce Commission, Howard County had a labor force of 15,053 for June, of which 14,079 were employed. The 974 citizens unemployed but seeking work amounts to an unemployment rate of 6.5 percent.

In May, when unemployment was at 3.7 percent, there was a labor force in the county of 14,388, of which 13,854 were employed.

And in June 2001, when unemployment was 5 percent, the county had an estimated labor force of 14,287, of which 13,570 were employed.

Here's a look at June unemployment rates for the area: Andrews and Dawson counties, 6 percent; Ector County, 7.9 percent; Glasscock County 2.8 percent; Martin County, 4.6 percent; and Midland County, 5.3 percent.

Statewide, the unemployment rate was at 6.8 percent. For the nation, the rate was 6 percent.

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OUR VIEWS

Let's all make the effort to clean things up

Leaders in our city have been doing a lot of talking lately about community pride. Local merchants have formed into associations to see what they can do about attracting more business and at the same time make our stores more attractive. Our mayor has instituted a "clean and green" campaign. And a city code patrol has been formed.

Community pride and quality of life are two terms that come up often. Pride and quality of life go hand in hand. It's difficult to have much pride when your quality of life is poor. Conversely, if you are pleased with the quality of life around you, it's a good bet you are going to take pride in that.

Most important here though, is the word we just left out — "community." We all have our own families. Our neighbors. Our friends. In today's fast-paced world, we don't often think about what might be going on in a neighborhood on the other side of town. As small as our city is, many of us stick to neighborhoods in which we live, work and normally shop.

Think about it a minute. If relatives or friends come to town, aren't there certain areas you take them to? Aren't there certain areas you avoid? It's not that we're particularly fearful of certain neighborhoods or business districts. No, we're just a little embarrassed. We see weeds three feet high, old couches rotting on porches, junk cars... Bottles and cans in front yards, old tires that are breeding grounds for mosquitos and children's toys scattered.

Poor folks? No. It doesn't take money to pick up after one's self. Some of the nicest yards in our community are owned by people who struggle from month to month to pay the bills. They are people who take pride in what they have, and they show it.

Then, too, there are the people whose idea of keeping their yard or their vehicle clean means tossing their trash for somebody else to pick up. Yes, their place looks great, but go back to that picnic site they just left at Comanche Trail Park and you'll find paper cups and plates, plastic forks and aluminum cans everywhere. It's someone else's problem now.

Here's our point. A trashy town is a problem for all of us. It's a issue we as a community must address. If everyone simply picked up after themselves, there'd be no problem. It's never that easy, of course. And some people may never change. Frankly, we have to pick up for the "other guy" on occasion.

One thing about pride, however, it's contagious. And it all starts with each of us.

Let's get this place cleaned up, Big Spring.

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Jack Anderson and Douglas Cohn

Ineffective solutions to corporate misdeeds

Sen. John McCain (R-Ariz.) is a public servant with strong credentials, intelligence and a commitment to the nation second to none. We often agree with him. Today we do not. McCain and others in Congress are about to throw the baby out with the bath water in their efforts to fix the corporate problems of publicly traded companies.

Specifically, McCain has suggested that corporate officers not be allowed to sell any of their company stock so long as they serve. This is wrong on several levels. First, corporate officers are insiders,



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and as such they are required to file papers with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) fully disclosing their activities. Clearly, such selling can have a dampening effect on the company's stock, which is why executives strive not to sell. And when they do, the public can assess if it is a relatively small amount intended for college educations, weddings and the like.

On the other hand, large amounts of insider selling tend to be sure warning signs of corporate trouble. Most investors understand this and shy away. The other McCain point, shared by many others on Capitol Hill, was that members of corporate boards should have greater liability associated with their positions. This reveals a misunderstanding of the way corporate structures work.

Stockholders elect board

members who in turn elect corporate officers. In many respects, boards act as talent agencies. Their job is to find and hire top managers. However, board members have an additional responsibility, also often misunderstood. From time to time they have to fire managers.

What board members do not do is run the company. They do vote on such things as management pay and other strategic concerns, but for the most part their responsibility is to hire and fire top management. This is why they are paid anywhere from nothing to a few hundred thousand dollars, while the company's top managers receive multi-million dollar packages.

But to hold board members legally responsible for the deeds and misdeeds of corporate managers would mean the end of corporate boards. Who would serve?

Clearly, a board member who engages in illegal activity should be held accountable, but this is far different from holding them responsible for the illegal activity of others.

The usual stockholder recourse has been to oust board members who have used bad judgment in their choices of management. And there it should end. Board members are not corporate policemen. That is the SEC's job. Board members are not auditors. That is the job of accountants.

The current corporate problems cannot be solved by these ideas. They can be solved by a diligent SEC, which oversees professional auditors who decide what will and will not pass accounting muster.

Prediction: The "no-officer stock selling" and "increased board risk" proposals will not pass Congress.

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After surgery: A world just as I had left it

For those who noticed that "golden oldies" have recently been substituted for contemporary columns because of medical leave, I can tell you briefly (more would bore you) that some doctors performed open-heart surgery on me while I did nothing but lie in a blissfully unconscious state.

Bliss leaves as soon as consciousness returns. The aftermath might be described as how you would feel if you barely survived a knife fight in a Detroit bar, only to be knocked flying by the ambulance as you staggered outside. At any rate, as sore, stiff, stitched and wobbly as I am, I'm going back to work. I don't know



CHARLEY REESE

how not to work. Sorry, though, I have no tales of lights, tunnels (lit or unlit) or of angels and passed-on relatives hovering over me. Nor, I add for the sake of my enemies, did I see any devils, either. For all I knew, the University of Florida football team could have been present during my operation and making up for a biology course they had flunked. My anesthesiologist knows how to turn off your lights, and bless his heart for that skill!

As a matter of fact, as soon as I had reacquainted myself with the news, I was tempted to call him up and ask if he had a smidgen of that sleeping potion left. The world seems remarkably the same as I had left it.

The corpses of the Middle East peace process — its most ardent supporters and the hopes and dreams of the less bloody-minded and the hateful — have all been dumped into an open ditch

and had a little lime shoveled on them. The bulldozers will be there soon. Don't worry about President Bush. He didn't understand when the crucifixion of the peace process began two years ago, and he doesn't understand now that it's over.

In Afghanistan, we continue to show the same perverse talent for killing more of our allies than our enemies. It is not a good idea to be the ally of the United States, which has a habit of deciding now and then to shoot itself in the back.

The amateurs are still calling the Philippine raid to rescue American missionaries a "debauch" because two hostages were killed. These critics should spend more time in the company of professionals. If you are in the business of rescuing hostages, you're going to lose hostages from time to time. As in casino gambling, the odds are with the house, which in this

case is the hostage keepers. Meanwhile, glorious summer has come. The leaves have a lovely patina of dust in most places. Down here in Florida, they try to rival the lushness of their relatives that live further south. In the pre- and post-hours of the sun, the air is cool.

Yes, I know parts of the West are on fire. Whose fault is that? What do we expect when we think we can pack more millions of people into an area nature has set aside as a desert or arid region just by stealing water from wherever we can find it? More of the West will burn up so that in the future, the tragedy will be brushed aside as an annual routine. The Romans, it was said, made a desert and called it peace; we seem to make a biological and intellectual desert and call it progress.

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Rolling on in the fight against MS

'Cactus' group stops in Big Spring on 150-mile annual trek

By ROGER CLINE
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About 150 people headed out on a brisk weekend bike ride through the beautiful West Texas Plains Saturday morning.

The group left Midland around 6:45 a.m. and didn't stop until they reached the SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf campus in Big Spring between 10:30 a.m. and about 1:30 p.m., 75 miles from the starting line.

This morning they climbed back on the bikes and headed for Post, where the 14th Annual "Cactus and Crude" Multiple Sclerosis Bike Tour will wrap up after 150 grueling miles.

"It's a fund-raiser and we're trying to raise money to find an end, a cure for MS," said National MS Society Regional Programs Manager Rona Bowerman. "That's our goal. That's the whole purpose of our society."

Bowerman said the fastest biker made the trip in about three and a half hours.

"The first rider got in here about 10:30," she said. "They were averaging about 40 to 50 miles an



HERALD photo/Roger Cline
National Multiple Sclerosis Society workers Patty Kelley, left, and Sue Anne Shahan of Midland, use a cowbell and a noisemaker to welcome rider Kent Dooley of Odessa at Big Spring's SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf. The campus was the first day's finish line in the 14th Annual Cactus and Crude MS Bike Tour.

hour, so they were moving. We leave in the morning and from this place we go to Post."

A party and awards were planned for Saturday night, she added.

Last year's fund-raiser netted \$104,000 for MS research, Bowerman said.

"We hope to surpass that," she added.

The NMSS provides money for MS research, but has other programs as well,

she said. "We spend our money on research, but what we do for our clients is, we help them with education and we find them help and all the different resources that are available," she said.

"We also work really hard at keeping the doctors informed and keeping them abreast of all the new technology that is available." Multiple sclerosis is a condition in which a per-

son's own immune system attacks his or her nerve cells. MS can lead to numbness, paralysis and death.

For more information check the NMSS Web site at www.nmss.org or call 1-800-FIGHT-MS.

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County

Commissioners to consider pay for ag agent who's been charged with insurance fraud

By ROGER CLINE
Staff Writer

The Howard County Commissioners Court will consider Monday morning whether to continue supplemental pay for David Kight, the area's Cooperative Extension Agent.



Kight is free on \$10,000 bond after surrendering to the Glasscock County Sheriff's Office July 12. Kight is charged with felony insurance fraud for allegedly falsifying the theft of a Case 2390 tractor and collecting \$11,500 in insurance money. Kight's salary is jointly paid by Howard County and the State of Texas. Commissioners will consider in executive session whether to continue the county's portion of the agent's pay, which is \$21,448.05, before returning to their open meeting to vote on the matter.

Kight has been Howard County's extension agent since June 1997 when he replaced Don Richardson in the position. He previously worked as the county extension agent for Glasscock, Lubbock, Yoakum and Gaines counties during his 18-year career. He won recognition as Outstanding

Young Agent in 1982 and worked with beef cattle and small grains operations before starting his Cooperative Extension career.

Kight is represented by attorney Rick Hamby of Big Spring.

In other business, the commissioners will:

- Discuss elevator repairs at county buildings.
- Appoint election judges and alternates for the November election.
- Consider the county's Title IV-E contract with the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services.
- Consider renewing the county's contract with Omnibase Services Inc.
- Hear a presentation of the annual tax report and consider renewing the tax contract.

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College board

Trustees to request funding for SWCID, decide whether to accept matching grant

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

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Cheryl Sparks, college president

college for the deaf, is funded through legislative appropriations. Howard College trustees oversee SWCID.

Trustees will review the college district's legislative appropriations proposal during their regular board meeting at 11:15 a.m. Monday in the Dora Roberts Student Union Building, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

In other business, trustees will discuss the whether to accept or turn down a \$250,000 non-competitive Telecommunications Infrastructure Funds grant for a community network project to link several local entities to broadband Internet access.

"We have to match that grant with \$250,000," Sparks said. "The five entities will have to consider what we can do and we need to let

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clouds act like gas stations. We tow them up in the air using ultralight airplanes, sometimes to over 10,000 feet."

Big Spring has excellent natural qualities for hang gliding, Glover said.

"Hang gliding has occurred in Big Spring before where they used to use pay-out winch towing where they pop out the back of a truck and were pulled into the sky like a kite," he said. "There's an intersection of geography and meteorology that occurs in Big Spring to allow for excellent soaring conditions, which means being able to make circles like birds and go up. It's the wind and the weather that allow for these special clouds that a pilot can turn in and go up higher and higher."

The USHGA is looking for people and businesses that can help with the event, Glover said.

"We're looking anyone that can come and volunteer a little bit just to help out with the competition," he said. "They don't need to know anything about hang gliding, but they can show up at the airport every day at about 10 and be part of the action. We're looking for people to drive vehicles to chase the pilots and be part of the chase crew."

Businesses can also get involved, he added.

"We're looking for any businesses that would like to get involved with the event in any way, whether by providing discounts or restaurant coupons or whatever," he said.

A meeting about the event will be at 7 p.m. Aug. 3 at the new airport terminal building at the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark. Those interested in volunteering are invited.

For more information, business owners or poten-

tial volunteers can reach Glover at david@david-glover.com

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RECALL

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Lawrence Brossette, said none of the recalled meat reached his store either.

"None of it is anything that we have received at all," he said, adding that customers can be confident that H-E-B's meat is not tainted. "Very confident. Yes sir, most definitely."

Buddy Anderson, owner and manager of Little Sooper Market in Coahoma, said he has received no notice that any meat shipped to his store has been recalled.

"No, not that I know of," Anderson said. "We have not received any notice. I'm sure we'd have gotten a call if they were concerned we had something like that."

Managers of Big Spring's Whataburger, McDonald's

and Dairy Queen fast food restaurants also said no recalled meat was shipped to their establishments.

The expanded recall was announced Friday after at least 16 people in Colorado were sickened by hamburger processed by ConAgra Beef Co. of Greeley, Colo., which serves chain and independent grocery stores, food service operators and restaurants.

The number of E. coli reports was continuing to rise. At least six other cases of illness have been reported in California, Michigan, South Dakota, Washington and Wyoming, but none have been linked yet to the ConAgra beef.

Most of the hundreds of strains are innocuous, but E. coli O157:H7, which is not naturally present in humans but does occur in the intestinal tracts and feces of livestock, produces a toxin in people that can cause bloody diarrhea, abdominal cramps and in some cases death.

ConAgra's recall is of beef trim used to make ground beef, as well as fresh and frozen ground beef products that may be contaminated.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends all ground beef be cooked to 160 degrees in the center to kill the pathogen.

Company officials and the Agriculture Department warned consumers to be on the lookout for the affected meat, which could have been sold under several

brand names. The 19 million pounds of meat were produced between April 12 and July 11, officials said.

For more information: Agriculture Department hotline about ConAgra recall: 1-866-849-7438

USDA Meat and Poultry Hotline: 1-800-535-4555
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<p>2001 Dodge D3500 Quad Cab Dually SLT - White, cummins diesel, extra clean, one owner. Was \$27,995 NOW \$25,995</p>	<p>2001 Ford Explorer Sport Trac XLT - Red, all power, 32,000 miles. Was \$21,995 NOW \$19,995</p> <p>1999 Chevrolet Suburban C1500 LT - Red w/tan leather, all power, 62,000 miles. Was \$22,995 NOW \$19,995</p> <p>1999 Toyota RAV 4 4-Dr. - Black, all power, 45,000 miles. Was \$15,995 NOW \$13,995</p> <p>1999 Chevrolet Suburban C1500 LT - Tan w/matching leather. Was \$18,995 NOW \$16,995</p> <p>1997 Chevrolet Suburban LT - Black, fiberglass running boards, entertainment center. Was \$15,995 NOW \$14,995</p> <p>1996 Chevrolet Suburban C1500 LT 4X4 - Green/tan, leather. Was \$14,995 NOW \$13,995</p>	<p>2001 Nissan Sentra GXI - Silver, automatic, all power, 12,000 miles. Was \$13,995 NOW \$11,995</p> <p>2001 Ford Focus Wagon SE - Tan, all power, 16,000 miles. Was \$13,995 NOW \$12,995</p> <p>2000 Ford Mustang - Green, automatic, all power. Was \$15,995 NOW \$12,995</p> <p>2000 Chevrolet Monte Carlo SS - Black, leather, all power, 21,000 miles. Was \$17,995 NOW \$16,995</p> <p>2000 Chrysler 300 M - Tan, leather, moon roof, loaded, 31,000 miles. Was \$20,995 NOW \$19,995</p> <p>1999 Buick Century Custom 4-DR. - Tan, all power, only 29,000 miles. Was \$10,995 NOW \$9,995</p>	<p>1999 Buick LeSabre Custom 4-DR - Maroon, great car w/only 60,000 miles. Was \$7,995 NOW \$6,995</p> <p>1995 Pontiac Grand AM Was \$5,995 NOW \$3,995</p>

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Bryant to lead West all-stars Saturday

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

Brittany Bryant will get her chance to shine at the high school level again this coming Saturday night.

Bryant is one of several Crossroads basketball stars scheduled to compete in the inaugural All Americas basketball game on July 27 in Gordon, Texas. Joining the former Big Spring Lady Steers' standout are

Coahoma's Lauren Nichols, Forsan's Candace Gamble, Coahoma's Crystal Atkinson, and Westbrook's Brynn Rich. Sheena Harding and Whitharral's Jaime Hoskins.



ATKINSON

Among the local boys slated to compete in the contest are

Forsan's Zach Johnson, Stanton's Ryan O'Donnell, Westbrook's Adam Roemisch and Loraine's Lee Ybarra.



BRYANT

The boys' all-star game, which will feature players from Colorado, New Mexico and Australia, is scheduled to tip off at 1 p.m. in the GHS gymnasium. The girls' game will follow at approximately 3:30 p.m.

"We're extremely excited about having these players come and participate," said All Americas' director Joe Nash. "It should be a treat to watch them play together."

Players participating in the all-star game will begin practicing on Friday morning, prior to traveling with the six-man football all-stars to Arlington to watch the Texas Rangers' game. Originally, the teams had been scheduled to begin practicing Thursday but hotel accommodations in the community of 500 just west of Mineral. Wells forced organizers to push back the start.

"We intended for everyone to come in Thursday, but a mix up at the resort we were booked into forced us to adjust the schedule a bit," Nash said.

Nash said a few roster positions are still available and that any area senior that graduated in May interested in participating should contact him as soon as possible at (915) 816-6336.

Rangers' Irabu released from KC hospital

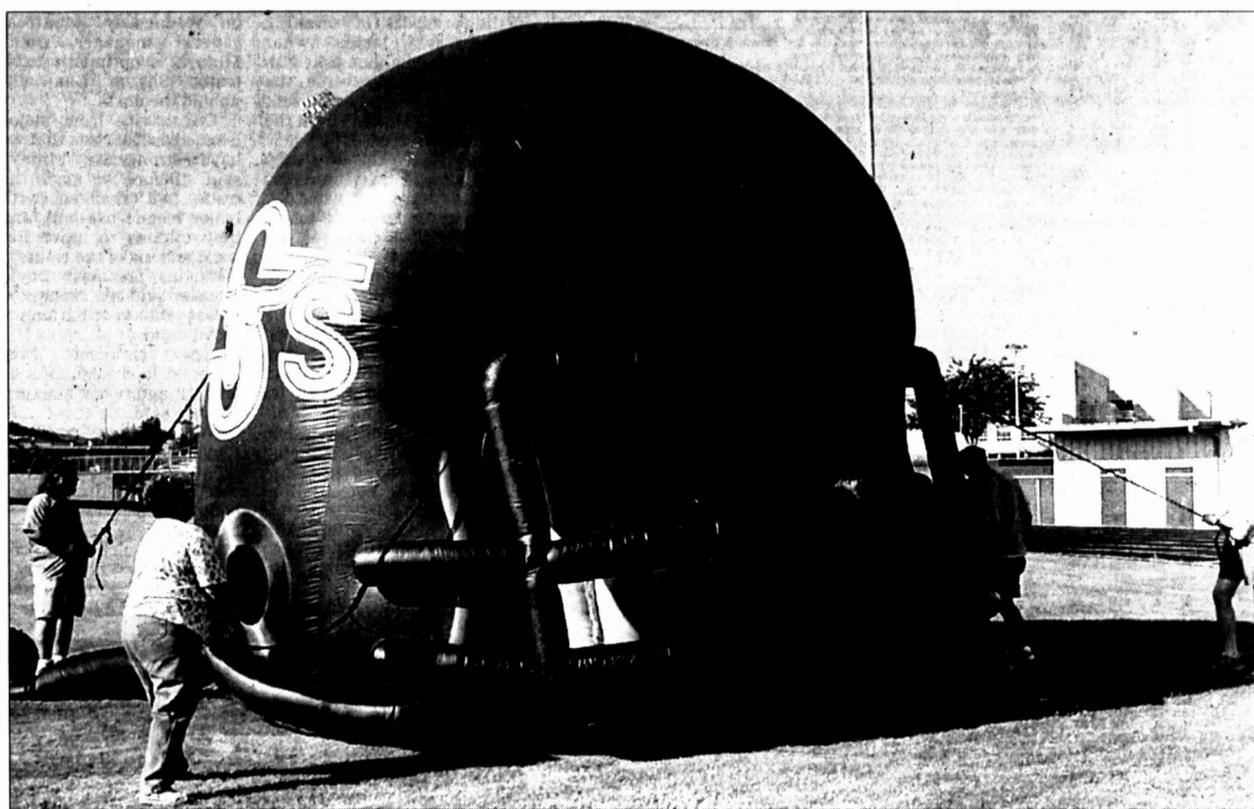
ARLINGTON (AP) — Texas Rangers closer Hideki Irabu was released from a Kansas City hospital Friday, five days after being diagnosed with a blood clot in his lungs.

Irabu was hospitalized at St. Luke's Hospital after complaining of chest pains and shortness of breath Monday night.

Irabu, who leads the Rangers with 16 saves, will return to Arlington for an examination by team internist Dr. Scott Hunter.

The right-handed pitcher had been given medication and blood thinners to dissolve the clots, then scheduled for additional tests to determine where the clots formed.

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Members of the Big Spring Quarterback Club (left to right, Darrell Nichols, Marcia Newton, Jim Clements and Phil Smith, erect the inflatable helmet recently as part of their preseason football preparations. The Quarterback Club, which was founded in the early 1900s, is hoping to attract new members this fall in an effort to boost its overall support for Big Spring athletics.

BUILDING A BETTER BOOSTER

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

For some, the ultimate goal is to build a better mouse trap. For others, like Jim Clements and Randy Phillips, the best thing is to build a better booster club.

A bigger and better Big Spring Quarterback Club, to be more precise.

Clements, Phillips, Marcia Newton and Darrell Nichols decided to put the idea into action last week and began reaching out to local parents and football fans in an effort to give Big Spring one of the premier booster club organizations in the state.

Of course, building a better booster means getting more people involved. Thus, like the United States Navy, club members have taken to the streets telling everyone it's not just a job, it's an adventure ... that helps the athletes.

"We want to encourage everyone — all parents and fans — at every level to come join us," said Clements, the Quarterback Club president. "We don't want to be known as a club for just the varsity. We want to be the club for the varsity, junior varsity and right on down to the seventh grade."

Over the past several years, the Big Spring Quarterback Club members has played a key role in the football program's existence. Two seasons ago, the club donated more than \$2,500 to the athletic department to purchase needed blocking equipment.

Prior to that, the club made Big Spring spirit visible at most of the junior high and high school football games. In 1998, the club spent over \$10,000 to purchase an inflatable football helmet and 30-yard tunnel that it attempts to set up at every game. The spirit and pride the helmet and tunnel bring out in the players as they run through it has made the purchase worth every penny, members say.

"Everything we do is for the kids," said

Big Spring Quarterback Club Schedule

Aug. 10
Big Spring Quarterback Club Golf Tournament
at Comanche Trail Golf Course

Aug. 26
Community Pep Rally
at Comanche Trail Amphitheater

Clements. "This is not for us. Whatever money we raise, we put back into the program, buying what the coaches or players think we need. That, in itself, is why we want the club to get bigger."

"The more parents and fans we have involved, the more we can do for the kids," said former Quarterback Club president Darrell Nichols.

"We're here to support the kids," said Phillips, the secretary/treasurer of the non-profit organization. "As hard as they work during the week to get ready for their games, we try to work and show our support for them."

"Plus, we have a lot of fun ... and eat pretty well, too," added Clements.

According to Marcia Newton, a three-year veteran of the club — which originally began in the early 1900s, the club has encouraged groups and organizations to set up the inflatable displays at various functions.

"We'd like to see this thing up at every Tuesday and Thursday and at whatever other level of game being played," said Newton.

The inflatable helmet has also served as fan entertainment during periods of high winds as it sends club members scrambling to keep the

15-foot air-filled balloon in place.

Although the high school football season doesn't begin for more than a month, the Quarterback Club is already hard at work. Last week, club members announced plans for two preseason events — including a golf tournament and community pep rally — aimed at raising funds and spirit for the coming fall campaign.

The Quarterback Club Golf Tournament is scheduled to begin on Aug. 10 at the Comanche Trail Golf Course. The event is scheduled to be a 4-man scramble. The community pep rally, which is being staged to recognize all Big Spring fall sports athletes, is slated for Aug. 26 at the Comanche Trail Amphitheater.

"This is our way to be a part of the program and help the kids," said Clements.

Joining the Big Spring Quarterback Club is a relatively easy endeavor. There are no membership fees, dues or initiation processes. The only requirement is that one show up at the Monday evening meetings to help plan future events.

"The only thing we want our members to do is come to the meetings and be active. We encourage creativity from all our members. Anything we can do to make it better for the kids we do."

The Quarterback Club holds its meetings every Monday evening at 7 p.m. in the Big Spring Athletic Training Center, located between the high school baseball field and track. During the season, the club will show a replay of the previous week's football game after completing club business. In the past, Big Spring head coach Dwight Butler and other members of the BSHS coaching staff have attended the meetings to show their support.

For more information about the Quarterback Club contact Clements at (915) 267-1069, or Phillips at (915) 263-5314, or Newton at (915) 267-6998.



Despite temperatures in the mid-90s, the high school sports scene will begin heating up in about three weeks. Preseason football drills begin in three weeks.

Baytown Lee advances to 7-on-7 elimination round

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — Quarterback Drew Tate led defending champion Baytown Lee back to the winners' bracket tournament of the 7-on-7 State Championship at Texas A&M Friday evening.

The 6-foot-1 Tate, who has made a verbal commitment to play for the Aggies, helped Lee rebound from an opening 47-41 loss to Georgetown.

After that loss, Lee beat Hebron, 34-32, then beat Marshall, 39-33, to win Pool 5.

Lee won the state title last year, beating Austin Bowie in the final, 34-32.

The top two teams from each of 16 four-team pools advances to play in Saturday's single-elimination championship tournament.

The other 32 teams will compete in a single-elimination consolation round.

Teams qualified from 30 events throughout the summer.

Arlington Lamar was among several teams winning their respective pools with perfect 3-0 records. Lamar scored a day-high 129 total points.

The Woodlands, Colleyville Heritage, Bay City, Burnet, Abilene, Stratford,

San Antonio MacArthur, Tyler Lee and Azle also finished with 3-0 records.

The 7-on-7 state tournament is in its fifth season. Past champions include Southlake Carroll in 1998, North Mesquite in 1999 and Celina in 2000.

The Big Spring Steers advanced to the quarterfinals last year during the 7-on-7 state tournament. The team has qualified for the tournament twice.

The 7-on-7 format is from an off-season workout program for high schools to improve the play of quarterbacks, receivers, secondary players and linebackers.

Former BS star to compete in Oklahoma all-star game

Former Big Spring High School standout LaTrisha Rollins will try and make her mark on Oklahoma all-star history next Tuesday when she participates in the 2002 Oklahoma All-State Volleyball Game in Tulsa.

The game is scheduled for July 30 on the campus of Oklahoma State University.

Rollins helped lead the Owasso Lady Rams to the state volleyball tournament earlier this year. At the state tournament, the Lady

Rams placed fourth in the final team standings.

In addition to being named to the state's all-star volleyball game, the former Big Spring spiker also was selected to the McDonald's All-Star Volleyball team.

SPORTS EXTRA

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct, GB. Rows include East Division (New York, Boston, Baltimore, Toronto, Tampa Bay) and Central Division (Minnesota, Chicago, Cleveland, Kansas City, Detroit).

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NATIONAL LEAGUE

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TEXAS LEAGUE

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TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL: MLB Suspended New York Yankees RHP Orlando Hernandez five games and fined him \$1,000 for intentionally hitting Toronto's Carlos Delgado on July 15. Hernandez has appealed.

Houston Texans begin first training camp

HOUSTON (AP) — Owner Bob McNair's plan to reach the Super Bowl begins Saturday when the Houston Texans assemble for their first training camp as the NFL's 32nd franchise. While McNair preaches patience, expectations already are through the retractable roof of Reliant Stadium, with 57,000 season tickets already sold and fans clamoring to see first round pick David Carr in action.

Sent RHP Juan Rincon to Edmonton of the PCL. TEXAS RANGERS—Recalled RHP Aaron Myette from Oklahoma of the PCL. Purchased the contract of RHP Reynaldo Garcia from Oklahoma.

Assigned RHP Anthony Telford to Oklahoma. NATIONAL LEAGUE: ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS—Placed RHP Rick Heiling on the 15-day disabled list, retroactive to July 16.

HOUSTON ASTROS—Recalled RHP Kirk Saarloos from New Orleans of the PCL. Sent RHP Jim Mann to Round Rock of the Texas League. NEW YORK METS—Placed INF OF Joe Mauer on the 15-day disabled list, retroactive to July 14.

HOUSTON TEXANS—Signed WR Jabar Gaffney to a four-year contract. JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS—Signed K Hayden Epstein. MIAMI DOLPHINS—Released DL Daryl Gardner. Acquired DL Jay Williams from Carolina for DE Al Wallace and a 2003 fourth round draft pick.

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FRIDAY'S GAMES: Charlotte 70, Sacramento 51. SATURDAY'S GAMES: Charlotte 73, Miami 58. SUNDAY'S GAMES: New York 70, Indiana 62. SEATTLE 85, PHOENIX 48. PORTLAND 70, HOUSTON 60.

MLS SOCCER

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SATURDAY'S GAMES: New England at MetroStars, 3 p.m. Colorado at Columbus, 6:30 p.m. D.C. United at Chicago, 7:30 p.m. Kansas City at Los Angeles, 9 p.m.

ALL-STAR: All Americas Bowl. The following is the rosters for the 2002 All Americas Bowl, scheduled for July 27 in Gordon, Texas.

NATIONALS: J.R. Rother, Wobach, Nebraska. Ian Anderson, Ramah, New Mexico.

Texas: Josh Robertson, Folett, Texas. Eric Mask, Richland Springs, Texas.

Nebraska: Neal Brooks, Byron, Texas. Will Kristinek, Whittaral, Texas.

San Antonio: John Kelly, Whittaral, Texas. J.R. Reyna, Whittaral, Texas.

Blaine: Blake Westbrook, Gordon, Texas. Jordan Hicks, Richland Springs, Texas.

Dusty Floyd, Sands, Texas. Richard Sullivan, Woodson, Texas.

Chet Stuart, Whittaral, Texas. John Benavidez, Whittaral, Texas.

Brent Carter, Bynum, Texas. Luke Guerrero, Iredell, Texas.

Beau Robinson, Iredell, Texas. Michael Ballenger, Blanket, Texas.

Bo Johnson, Gordon, Texas. Wesley Glidden, Gordon, Texas.

FOILLET, TEXAS: Josh Robertson, Folett, Texas. ERIC MASK, RICHLAND SPRINGS, TEXAS: Neal Brooks, Byron, Texas.

WHITTARAL, TEXAS: Will Kristinek, Whittaral, Texas. JOHN KELLY, WHITTARAL, TEXAS: J.R. Reyna, Whittaral, Texas.

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WOODSON, TEXAS: Richard Sullivan, Woodson, Texas. CHET STUART, WHITTARAL, TEXAS: John Benavidez, Whittaral, Texas.

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Former Expos pitcher asks for trade to Marlins be voided

MIAMI (AP) — Reliever Graeme Lloyd, appalled by the prospect of pitching again for Florida owner Jeffrey Loria, has asked an arbitrator to reverse the eight-player trade that sent him to the Marlins from the Montreal Expos. Lloyd says the deal July 11 violated a no-trade clause in his contract. It listed the Marlins as one of 12 teams he couldn't be traded to, but his agents apparently missed by one day a deadline to renew the clause.

Lloyd argued his case in a 10-hour hearing in Atlanta on Wednesday. Montreal general manager Omar Minaya is optimistic arbitrator Shyam Das will uphold the deal. "Our advice from major league baseball was that we have a strong case," Minaya said. "Before we made the trade, we checked with major league baseball, and they told us to move forward and make the trade."

major league teams — who own the Expos. Lloyd, 35, is in the final season of a \$9 million, three-year contract. If the arbitrator orders him returned to the Expos, Loria might be forced to compensate Montreal financially to save the rest of the trade. Expos manager Frank Robinson, delighted with the acquisition of Lloyd, winced at the suggestion that a ruling in favor of Lloyd might jeopardize the entire deal.

Loria owned the Expos when Lloyd pitched for them in 2000 and 2001, and at some point their relationship soured. "Do I have a problem pitching for his team?" Lloyd said Friday. "Certainly that's why there's a grievance."

Marlins president David Samson said his team considers the acquisition of Lloyd valid. "His contract was assigned to the Marlins on July 11, and he's a Marlin," Samson said. Five players went to Florida and three to Montreal in the trade. Lloyd was included so the Expos could keep their payroll below the \$39 million ceiling mandated by the commissioner's office, which is running the team this season on behalf of the other 29

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— Henry Wadsworth Longfellow*

Farrier's a dying breed? Not in this part of the equine world

Farrier, blacksmith, smithy, horseshoer, all terms that describe a fading and elusive art. If you look up the word farrier in the dictionary it simply states — one who practices the art of horseshoeing and also trains. The art of farriery has been the subject of poetry and romanticized in medieval tales. Tales in which the horseshoer works in a shack with a roaring fire where a metal shoe is heated in a furnace and then beaten into a custom shape on an iron anvil.

What the definition doesn't explain is the hardships, uncomfortable conditions and danger these men face on a daily basis. And not all horseshoers use a furnace.

Ricky Brown and Milton Rangel are local farriers and both size shoes to the horse on the spot sans fire.

And it just so happens that they are also long time friends.

Rangel has been shoeing, hauling, breaking and training horses for 30 years. "I worked on the Bud Rankin ranch and he had 80 head. I worked with Bob Doss who showed me how to shoe. When he retired I did the 80," Rangel remembers.

Finding someone who appreciates talent and is willing to act as a mentor is almost a necessity for anyone who desires to enter the equine world as a career.

Brown, who has had a long and illustrious career shoeing and training many champion racehorses, says his mother encour-

aged his natural talent at an early age by paying for him to ride a neighbor's horse.

"My mother rented a horse when I was in the first grade," he recalled. Brown's talent and confidence led to an apprenticeship with veteran horseshoer Jimmy Barrier. "He taught me to shoe my first horse and my father-in-law was a horseshoer. I also broke and rode horses," he explained.

A typical day for Brown and Rangel begins before dawn to avoid the heat of the day, but both contend that the conditions are never ideal. "It's always too hot, dry, cold, or there's too many flies," Rangel said. "And there's no such thing as being in shape to do horseshoeing."

In addition to unfavorable conditions the worst experiences are when the horse is wild or has never been handled. "It makes it real hard when people won't work with the horse," said Rangel who described having had broken fingers and an ankle. Brown described being kicked by a less-than-friendly horse in the chest requiring a trip in a helicopter to a hospital in Lubbock where he was on life support in ICU.

But there are ways to deal with a fussy horse as Brown demonstrated during a session with an antsy 2-year-old when he instructed the horse's owner to keep the animal occupied while Brown clipped and rasped (filed down) the hoof before nailing on a shoe.

Other methods include tying up one foot to distract the horse or,

as a last resort, using a sedative. "We try not to do that. It's pretty rare," said Rangel.

Assessing and treating injuries and infections in a horse's feet are also part of the job. Old poultice remedies are tried and true treatments for both men, but antibiotics are also employed when needed.

The harshness of the profession hasn't kept either man away for too long. Rangel has had other professions and has wanted to quit on more than one occasion. "I've worked in construction and I was a barber, but one day several years ago a gentleman asked me to shoe his horse and I haven't stopped since," he explained.

Brown explains that although it is mostly a thankless job nothing compares to the thrill of having a horse he put shoes on win a race. His shoes have graced the feet of a third place Kentucky Derby finisher and he has also shod the horses of some of the leading money winners in the country such as Mike Robbins, for whom he served as assistant trainer, and Steve Van Bebber, the third all time leading race winner.

Brown spent two years in California training and shoeing before returning to Texas where he had 25 horses in training. He worked six years for Kirk Fulton who was the second largest breeder in the United States.

Rangel has had four winning race horses sport his hardware. Later the two met again and they began working together shoeing and training in Bandera.

Although the jobs often have the two on the road most of the time, or on airplanes traveling all across the country, the two say they would definitely recommend the career. But that it's not for everybody.

"It takes getting used to and it's hard if you have a family," said Rangel who is the father of Tim, Ty and Karla Rangel. All of whom have not followed in their father's footsteps.

Brown's wife, Angela, son, Corvin and daughter, BraShara often accompany Dad to his appointments.

The summer months are the busiest for farriers and either man can have as many as seven or eight horses to shoe a day. And if one of them is sick or hurt, which is an occupational hazard, the other will fill in.

A horse's need for



shoes depends on a myriad of circumstances. For horses at race tracks the need for perfection in putting on shoes is critical and the shoes themselves are customized to provide traction as the horse leaves the starting gate. The same is true for other horses' jobs such as barrel racing or for polo ponies.

"Shoes are put on to prevent chipping and to keep them from hurting themselves because a horse will sometimes kick themselves and tear up their legs," Rangel explained. "A barrel and roping horse's shoe is thicker and helps them slide when they stop. A polo pony's shoe helps the horse to turn quicker."

Rangel rode polo ponies at Rotoma in San Antonio to prepare the horses for the game. He currently works for several area ranches, in cooperation with Brown, including the Bill Lain Ranch, the Rod Ranch, D.L. Stewart Three Heart Ranch,

Jimmy Sterling, Miller Ranch, and D and P Blake Abco Ranch.

Fulfilling a dream has been the drive behind the careers of both men. Despite the injuries and separations from family they have few regrets and have lived their dreams which is relatively rare for most. "My dream was to touch those kinds (race) of horses and I lived my dream," said Brown. And for Rangel fulfillment is evident as well. "I wanted to be on the inside looking out," he said.

Given the chance to choose, however, Brown admits he might give a little more thought to his choice.

"I wish God had given me a different talent because if you don't have a knack with animals you can't do this job."

Story and photos
by Andrea Medlin

Clockwise from top — Milton Rangel takes a break between appointments at Kaydee's Convenience Store located on South Highway 87.

Rangel at work on a horse owned by Rusty Newscomb. Ricky Brown, left, and Rangel pause between shoeings on the Newscomb property.

If you have anything to do with horses you probably have spent some time at Kaydee's Convenience Store. Back row — Pete Holfacket, Diane Holfacket, Benny Holfacket, Ky Holfacket, Milton Rangel. Front row — Sherry Fuqua, Bob (Beemer) Davis, and Robert Ragan.

Brown at work cleaning the frog on the foot of Whiskey and shaping a shoe 'cold.' Whiskey is owned by Pete Holfacket.

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Volunteers always busy keeping the patients happy at Big Spring State Hospital

A huge thank you to Wal-Mart for adding \$500 to the Denim and Diamonds fundraiser. We appreciate the store's interest in the Volunteer Program and the ways they are helping our patients, including employee Wilda Langford serving on the Big Spring State Hospital Volunteer Council Board.

The chapel has a constant need for Bibles. This is a great project for a church group or if individuals have any extra Bibles they may be dropped off at the Community Relations Office. Larger print Bibles are also needed.

Sunday worship services are held at 9:30 a.m. Anyone wanting to be a part of this service and

help with music or assist patients in getting to the chapel may call the Community Relations Office at 268-7535.

Volunteer Ruth Stephenson and I recently attended the Volunteer Services State Council meeting in Austin. This gave us the opportunity to learn more about the VSSC. Ms. Stephenson will be keeping the local council informed on statewide activities.

A second craft workday will be held July 23, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Community Relations Office. Craft Chairperson Susan Markwell will be focusing on spring decorating crafts. Volunteers enjoy teaming up to cut, sew and make crafts that will be sold at the fall volunteer luncheon to purchase Christmas items for the patients.

Newcomers are always welcome to join the group. Anyone that does any type of craft that would be willing to donate to our sale,

please call the office or drop your donation off at the Community Relations office.

Don't forget the annual board training will be July 25, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at BSSH. All board members are required to attend this yearly training. Ed Moughon and other hospital administrators will make a presentation for a proposed family visitation center. Fundraising specialist Holly Doggett with the American Red Cross in Austin will be the afternoon speaker.

Family lodge volunteer Karen Brewer requests that board members bring a shower gift for the Family lodge. The lodge is used by family members staying overnight while visiting their hospitalized family. Call Community Relations for a gift list.

There are many volunteer opportunities at BSSH such as baking cookies or donating their recently read books and magazines. They can also make "We

Care Bags," and flower arrangements for the bedside tables. There is also a need for volunteers to assist with inventory of the patient's property, to visit the patients and play cards or dominoes or assist them to classes, etc. Clerical volunteers can quickly be placed in many areas that need a helping hand.

It's summer sale time at The Chalet Resale Shop located at 1107 East 11th Place. Hours are Monday through Friday, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The shop is operated by volunteers and the money goes to the Volunteer Council to help the patients. Donations of clothing, furniture, household items and good garage sale leftovers may be taken to the Chalet during operating hours.

The Optimist Club will bring their annual outing for the patients to BSSH on Aug. 10. For about the last 30 years this group has sponsored a party for the patients with cash prizes

and a hot dog cookout. How about your service organization? The patients love someone from the community coming out to interact and give them a party. It takes little time to do so much to brighten the day of the patients.

Hats off to the Cultural Diversity Committee, Plant Management, Food Service, and other employees who made the Independence Day celebration and hamburger cookout for the patients so enjoyable. Patients and employees turned out to enjoy entertainment from the Hospital Band rockin' and rollin', playing games, visiting, and enjoying the picnic setting with plenty of food.

New volunteers Lida Nanny and youth volunteer Melody McDaniel are helping with clerical tasks, flower arranging, and crafting. Mary Hughes is not new to BSSH. She would resurface from time to time to help out after her retirement from the hospital. We are excited that she is find-

ing time to be more active as a volunteer and a regular at The Chalet.

These new volunteers, as well as Ruth Stephenson and Shirley Bodin have been busy preparing this year's Christmas Appeal. We could use some extra hands typing, folding and stuffing envelopes. More than 1,000 letters will be sent to the surrounding communities in our 76 county catchment area seeking donations to make Christmas possible for those hospitalized during the Christmas holidays. If you get missed in the mailing, please consider this a request to help. Your check made to the Volunteer Services Council can be sent to 1901 North Hwy 87, Big Spring 79720.

Billie Russworm is director of Community Relations for Big Spring State Hospital and can be reached at 268-7535 or send an e-mail to billie.russworm@mhm.rstat.tx.us

WEDDING

Youngblood and Szar

Lt. Ashley Anne Youngblood and Lt. Charles T. Szar exchanged wedding vows July 14, 2001, at Chapel I, Randolph Air Force Base with the Rev. Paul Burrough officiating.

She is the daughter of Bonnie and Skip McKenzie of Big Spring.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Skip McKenzie.

Matron of honor was Joan May, sister. Best man was Lt. Patrick Deirig.

A reception was held at Crumpets in San Antonio.

Both the bride and groom are First Lieutenants in the United States Air Force.



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ENGAGEMENTS

Julie Lynn Gross and Jerry Joe (J.J.) Thompson, both of Stanton will exchange wedding vows Aug. 10, 2002, at Comanche Trail Park with China Long officiating.

She is the daughter of Marvin and Betty Gross of Big Spring.

She is the granddaughter of LoLa and Jackie Thomason and the late Lester Gross.

He is the son of Mickel and Judy Bridge of Stanton and Donnie and Vicky Thompson of Big Spring.

He is the grandson of Mrs. Harry Doshier and the late Harry Doshier.



Amye Peel of Big Spring and Michael Cobb of Coahoma will exchange wedding vows Aug. 10, 2002, at First Baptist Church of Coahoma with Elwin Collum, pastor, officiating.

She is the daughter of Ken and Renee Peel of Seminole.

He is the son of Ken and Shirlye Cobb of Coahoma.



Kara Rebecca Herrley of Snyder and Justin Daniel Smith of Big Spring will exchange wedding vows Sept. 21, 2002, at Jack Greene's Park, the bride's grandfather, in Snyder.

She is the daughter of Keith and Karen Herrley of Snyder.

He is the son of Don and Sandy Smith of Big Spring.



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Introducing Big Spring's newest female Board Certified Family Practice Physician, Dr. Susan Roberts.

Please join us in welcoming her to our community.

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As a new physician at Scenic Mountain Medical Center, Dr. Susan Roberts is looking forward to caring for you and being a part of our community for years to come. Highly trained and educated, she has the special skills, caring attitude, and dedication that make for better care and a better community, as well.

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WEDDING

Willett and Gomez

Shelley Liane Willett and Mark Anthony Gomez, both of Big Spring exchanged wedding vows June 29, 2002, at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad Street, with the Rev. James E. Liggett officiating.



The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Walker of Big Spring and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Junior Ringener of Big Spring.

The groom is the son of Frances Gomez of Big Spring and the late David Gomez.

Organist was Linda Hill. Flutist was Gloria Steelman.

The bride was given in marriage by her father and grandfather. She wore a candlelight, empire style, sleeveless gown by designer Alfred Angelo. The upper bodice and train were covered with pearls and crystal beads. It had a drop back with buttons from the top to the train. She carried a bouquet of candlelight (off white) gerbera daisies, roses and lilies with cascading ivy.

Matron of honor was Julie Puga, sister of the groom, of Big Spring.

Bridesmaids were Jennifer Dominguez and Theresa Fernandez, friends of the bride, and Karla Gomez, sister of the groom, all of Big Spring.

Flower girls were Mai Gomez, niece of the groom, and Sydney Walker, niece of

the bride.

Best man was Louis Puga Jr. of Big Spring, brother-in-law of the groom. Groomsmen were Dickie Kelley of Cleburne, friend of the groom, Scott Ringener of Big Spring, cousin of the bride, and Stephen Young of Driftwood, friend of the groom.

A reception was held at St. Mary's Episcopal Church Parish Hall.

The bride's cake was four tiers, white, with chocolate cake and buttercream icing with pastel flowers.

It sat on three white columns with a cascading fountain in the center surrounded by miniature vases with fresh cut pastel flowers.

The groom's cake was two tier, milk chocolate with buttercream icing depicting Carlos' Restaurant.

The bride is a 1990 graduate of Big Spring High School and a 1995 graduate of Angelo State University with a bachelor of science in education degree.

She is a fourth grade teacher for Big Spring Independent School District.

The groom is a 1987 graduate of Big Spring High School and is self-employed at Carlos' Restaurant.

Following a trip to South Padre Island the couple made their home in Big Spring.

Nathaniel Scott Whitmore, boy, born June 1, 2002, at 10:04 a.m. He weighed 6 pounds, 11 ounces and was 19 inches long.

Parents are Scott and Esther Whitmore. Grandparents are Mary Strain of Big Spring and Merlene Whitmore of Crosby.

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Brylea M'Kell Gordon, girl, born

July 12, 2002, at 8:25 a.m. She weighed 7 pounds and was 19 inches long.

Parents are Brian and Leah Gordon of Big Spring. Grandparents are Larry and Judy Pherigo of Coahoma and John and Vivian Gordon of Big Spring.

Nathan Rayne Rich, boy, born July 12, 2002, at 4:22 p.m.

He weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces and was 21 inches long.

Parents are Kevin and Amber Rich.

Grandparents are Wayne and Janice Stroup and Robert and Sharon Rich.

Great-grandparents are Goldie Anderson, Eula Mae Rogers and Artie and Zoia Rich.

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WHO'S WHO

The following graduates from Big Spring had made the honor's list at University of Texas at Austin — Cori Wilbanks, Ann Thomas, Allison Leigh and Sara Luan Lusk.

NEWCOMERS

Andrew Sanders and son Chris of Ada, Oklahoma. He is self employed as a painter.

Tommy Wells, wife Patty, daughters Whitney and Kayme, sons Bobby and Tommy Jr. of Valdez, Alaska.

He is the Sports Editor at the Big Spring Herald.

She is teacher at Rainbow Christian Pre-School.

Derrick Yu, wife Valerie and son Scott of Amarillo. He is Asst. C.E.O. at Scenic Mountain Medical

Center.

Joe Meridith of Baker, California.

He is employed by Cornell Corrections. Stephanie LeBeau of San Antonio.

She is employed by the Department of Justice.

Frederick Fray and wife Susan of Denison.

He is retired from the U.S. Navy.

She is employed by Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

ANNIVERSARY

Lewis

Dan J. and Billie Jean (Stratton) Lewis of Lubbock, formerly of Big Spring celebrated their 50th anniversary Friday, July 19, 2002, with a combination family reunion and anniversary celebration this weekend.



The couple graduated from Big Spring High School and were married in Big Spring on July 19, 1952. They have four children, Dan J. Lewis III of Terrell, Sheila D. Lewis of San Francisco, Calif., R. David Lewis of Lubbock, and Sheri D. Lewis of Lubbock. The children of the couple all grew up in

Big Spring in the 50s and 60s and remember it fondly and well. They plan on visiting South Mountain, Scenic Mountain, Comanche Trail Park, the golf course, and other old haunts this week, as well as some old friends. The Lewis' also have nine grandchildren. Dan was the head football coach of Runnels Jr. High School HS and Jean was bookkeeper for Fina Oil Company when they were in Big Spring. Dan and Jean are both retired now and enjoy their free time golfing, researching genealogies, and playing with the grandchildren.

BIG SPRING POLICE DEPARTMENT PET OF THE WEEK

Pictured is a female Chihuahua Mix approximately 2 months old and shy.



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Pregnant women's dreams bring questions to surface

NEW YORK (AP) — It makes sense that a woman eating for two and dressing for two also would dream for two.

Expectant mothers, it seems, often have the same dreams at the same points in their pregnancy. This happens, according to the authors of "Dreaming for Two" (Dutton), because the women have similar questions and concerns, and are often without an outlet to express them.

Society's rules say pregnancy should be a happy time and the mothers-to-be shouldn't have any doubts, says Sindy Greenberg, one of the book's three authors, but, in reality, many women are worried about changes in their identity and their bodies, and wonder if they'll be good mothers.

That leaves women to stew about these issues in their sleep.

"Dreams are conduits. They come from the mouths of real women," Greenberg says.

For their book, Greenberg and co-authors Elyse Kroll, a former magazine editor, and Hillary Grill, a psychotherapist, interviewed scores of pregnant women about their dreams.

At first most of the expectant mothers were reticent but once they got talking about their dreams, it seemed as if a veil covering many other topics was lifted, says Greenberg.

And while some pregnant women reported having happy dreams about their new lives with their babies, those were mostly daydreams, says Greenberg. The vivid nighttime dreams were about giving birth to aliens, ex-boyfriends and misplacing a baby in a busy store, she reports.

It might seem as if pregnant women dream more often but they're usually just lighter sleepers and remember more of their dreams, according to the book. The more one's sleep is interrupted, the more likely one will awaken during a dream cycle, making it easier to remember the dream.

Kroll was one of those moms-to-be who had a dream she couldn't ignore. She dreamt that she gave birth to an 18-year-old half-boy, half-camel.

"I was incredibly disappointed that I had missed his whole childhood," she recalls.

Kroll has since analyzed the dream and decided that it was a sign of the conflict she had within herself about being a working mother who might not be there for her child all the time. The fact that he was part-animal likely represented the unpredictability of a baby and his capability to destroy parts of her life.

(Her now 3-year-old son was born "at 7 pounds, not 150," she happily adds.)

"For every woman, becoming a mother is an identity shift," Greenberg adds. In fact, "identity" was only supposed to be the first chapter of the book but it ended up being the focus of

the whole thing. The most common dream among the interviewees was the "I-can't-find-the-baby dream."

Greenberg says the majority of women interpreted that dream as a symbol of the simultaneous joy and apprehension about motherhood.

When expectant mothers thought mostly of their past, it was a way for them to say goodbye to their old, more independent life, according to the book, and if they dreamed about dead relatives, it was a way to seek approval to enter the next phase of their lives.

Dreaming about a child that resembles an alien allows a mother-to-be to wonder what her child will be like beyond the daytime visions of a perfect baby, the authors say.

Another issue is dependency, says Greenberg. Many women, even if they've been with their partner for years, have maintained at least an air of independence but they feel that will end the moment the baby will be born.

The baby will be dependent on the mother, and the mother in turn will be more dependent on her partner and other caregivers.

That issue showed up in dreams about caring for other people's children, partners dying, and the mother being chased by someone in disguise.

The above dreams seem to occur mostly during the first and second trimesters, while the third trimester is often dominated by dreams about labor and delivery — probably because the bulging belly begins to consume a woman's thoughts, says Greenberg.

Concerns about labor and the health of the baby usually are easier to work through, Grill explains, because they are more thoroughly addressed by doctors who can explain the delivery process and about prenatal tests, and the issues are more often discussed in public.

"The stumbling blocks are the identity issues because you can't talk about them. But you need to process (these issues) and have someone validate them," Grill says.

But, she cautions, an expectant mother needs to be careful whom she brings her concerns to.

If her partner is open-minded and a good listener, she should start there, Grill advises, but if he is likely to dismiss it, then turn to a friend who is understanding, not judgmental. If the woman has a doctor who takes time to discuss emotional health besides physical health, that's another option.

Greenberg, Grill and Kroll didn't contact the interviewees after their babies were born to find out if all the dreams ended. But, says Greenberg, the goal was to help relieve anxiety during pregnancy — and acknowledging the dreams was the first step.

Taking your computer hobby to the ultimate limit

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You know you don't have enough to do when you start to think about customizing your Windows cursor, the pointer thingawichy screen graphic that's controlled by the mouse.

But if you're going to slack off and think about it anyway, a Canton, Mich., company called Stardock has some software of interest — at least if your machine is running on Windows XP or Windows 2000.

It's called Cursor XP and it's available in two versions, one a freeware download and the other an enhanced version available for \$10.

I tried the Cursor XP Plus versions, which neatly installed itself from the CD-ROM. The result was three more tabs on my Windows XP mouse control bar.

First off, was changing the cursor graphic itself to something nice and big since type and screen objects seem to shrink every year. (Advancing age is not accepted as an alternative explanation.)

Then there are the options to add a shadow, which Windows will do itself anyway, but Cursor XP allows you to also fiddle with the perceived height of the cursor above the shadow and also shadow's angle, sharpness and darkness.

If you've yet more time to kill, you are now empowered to tinker with the cursor's transparency and color on the fly without having to edit the cursor graphic itself.

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Of course, if you really want to obsess over your

cursor, you can add graphics and animations. Or, if you merely wish to annoy your fellow cubical inmates, you can associate sounds with various cursor events. The one most likely to get you lynched is the water-dripping-into-a-pan sound you can associate with a left mouse click.

Stardock has more ways to fool around with Windows available from its Web site, <http://www.stardock.com>. You'll find the Cursor XP free download link at the bottom of the page.

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Wife still loves child molesting husband

Dear Ann Landers: I am the mother of four young children. My oldest two are from my first marriage, and my 4- and 6-year-old sons are from my second marriage. Last year, I found out that my husband, "Brett," had been sexually molesting my 12-year-old daughter (his stepdaughter) for several months. I had him arrested, and he is currently in jail serving a 10-year term.

The problem is, I still love him. This molestation was completely out of character, and I know he would never do it again. I am in counseling, and so is my daughter, but my family refuses to forgive Brett. I want to maintain contact with Brett, especially for the sake of our two small sons. My marriage vows say, "in sickness and in health," and I intend to see him through this awful time. I want my parents to be more supportive, but they despise Brett and think I should, too. Is there any help for me? — In Love in Virginia

Dear Virginia: Yes. Please contact Parents United International, 615 15th St., Modesto, CA 95354 (http://members.tripod.com/~Parents_United). This organization is for families in which one of the partners has sexually abused a child. Please understand that there may not be a "cure" for Brett. When he gets out of prison, there is no guarantee that he won't molest another child. You must put your children's safety first.

Dear Ann Landers: You have said in your column that age is only a number, and it's no reason to avoid a relationship with someone much younger or older. I am in one of those May-December marriages. My husband is 25 years older than I am. I would like to mention something for your readers to think about before jumping into these relationships.

Women considering marriage to an older man should keep in mind that while Hubby may be younger than springtime and ready to boogie all night, his friends are not. I spend a lot of time with people who listen to old Benny Goodman records and fall asleep at the drop of a hat. We rarely socialize with other couples. He doesn't care for my friends' taste in entertainment, and his friends have to be in bed by 9 p.m.

My husband is wonderful, but sometimes I think

being single isn't all that bad. — Love The Beatles in Washington, D.C.

Dear Washington, D.C.: Thank you for pointing out one of the pitfalls of marrying someone who belongs to a different generation. For the most part, these relationships work out nicely, but people should be aware of the drawbacks. (P.S. I think Benny Goodman is the cat's pajamas.)

Dear Ann Landers: I have been dating "Barry" for two years, and we live together. Next week, we are planning to visit my father. Dad says Barry and I are not permitted to sleep in the same room until we are married. Barry thinks this is ridiculous, and he has no intention of sleeping down the hall from me. He says my father is well aware that we are living together and it makes no sense to pretend otherwise.

I want to respect my father's wishes, but Barry refuses to go to Dad's house if we cannot share a bedroom. What should I do? — Wide Awake in Dallas

Dear Dallas: Your father has the right to set the rules in his own house. If Barry refuses to sleep in a room by himself, I suggest you make a reservation at a nearby motel. If that is not possible, put up with Dad's arrangements, and convince Barry that separate bedrooms will make him desire you even more. How romantic.

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TAURUS (April 20-May 20) **** A close friend, if not a loved one, has plans

just for you! Share more of yourself with this person. You can always get to know someone better. Allow more intimacy to flow between the two of you. A surprise encounter might jolt you. Tonight: Take in a movie or answer e-mail.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) **** Listen more carefully to others who actually have a lot of good ideas. Follow along and worry less about finances. Unexpected news from a distance could send you into a tizzy. Don't hold back; your thoughts mean a lot to another. Tonight: Go for cozy.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) **** Take care of yourself first. Your high energy draws others to you, whether it is playing golf or tennis, or simply lying under a tree. If companionship stars in your plans, you'll find yourself extremely happy. Let others in. Tonight: Where the gang is.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) **** Be your frisky self. Enjoy yourself as well as loved ones. Allow the kid in you to emerge. Don't worry so much about what others will think. A partner could delight you with his or her reaction, which you would not have predicted. Tonight: Slow down and

relax. **VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) **** Though you like the world's ideas, actions speak much louder. Surprise a family member; do something very special with this person. Loosen up with others. Not everything needs to be controlled. Go with spontaneity. Tonight: Tap into the kid in you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) **** Mosey on out the door. When you show up and surprise a loved one with flowers, doughnuts or a special adventure, this person lets you know how very special you are. A friend extends an invitation that might be too good to turn down. Tonight: Happy at home. Put your feet up.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) **** You might need to spend some money on an unexpected purchase involving your home or family. Don't make it a big deal. Simply relax with the situation, but do your best to do a price comparison. Get feedback from someone you trust. Tonight: At a favorite spot.

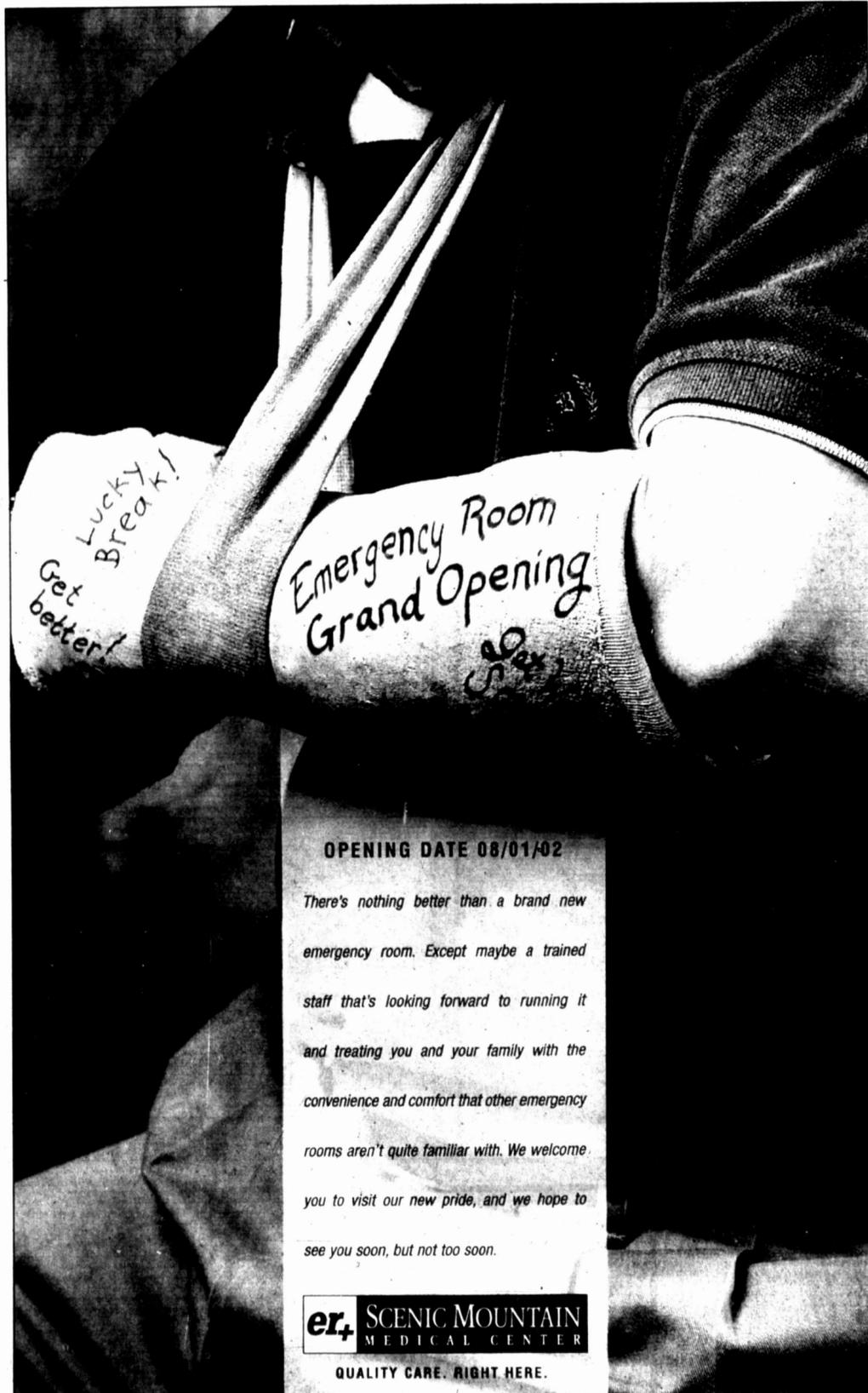
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) **** Your spontaneity feels right to you and delights those around you. Surprises seem to beget new surprises right now. A friend could sudden-

ly blurt out something most unexpected. You might need to ask for a repeat! Tonight: Treat another to dinner.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) **** Someone who usually isn't verbal lets you know exactly what he or she thinks. Respect this person's opinions if you want this pattern to continue. Be careful with expenditures. You might feel as if you cannot control others. Tonight: Beam in what you want, and you'll get a second wind.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) **** Your personality encourages a group of friends to do more of what they like. Give yourself permission to explore a new friendship or a new place. You like different. Use care with a child who might be touchy or who has expectations that aren't possible. Tonight: Take some time for yourself.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) **** Meet your responsibilities. At the last minute, you might decide to do something special for a parent or boss. You might surprise this person, as well as yourself. Before you take on a new project, give it some thought. Tonight: Hook up with your friends.



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Female scholars smash melons to vindicate a detail of Bible history

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Never let it be said that archaeologists studying Old Testament history lack a sense of humor.

Denise Dick Herr, an English professor at Canadian University College in Alberta, and Mary Petrina Boyd, a pastor in Whidbey Island, Wash., with a biblical doctorate, are part-time archaeologists who often join digs in the Mideast.

One day they conducted an experiment at a site south of Amman, Jordan. Nine women on their archaeological team climbed to the roof of an ancient two-story house and threw stones to smash watermelons on the ground below.

The purpose of their David Lettermanlike escapade? To prove the accuracy of Judges 9:50-57. The passage says an unnamed woman in Thebez, standing atop a tower from which defenders would typically aim objects at invaders, threw an "upper millstone" and crushed Abimelech's skull.

The watermelons were stand-ins for Abimelech's ill-fated head.

Herr and Boyd are amused that several Bible scholars, feminists among them, have written that Judges 9 was inaccurate. Such skeptics say a woman wouldn't have had the strength to lug a millstone to the top of a tower or that if the stone was already there, a woman might have dropped it over the side but couldn't have thrown it.

The watermelon derby to rebut the skeptics was described recently by Herr and Boyd in Biblical Archaeology Review, complete with photos.

The first of the modern female hurlers practically obliterated her watermelon, outdoing the ancient woman of Thebez, who seriously wounded Abimelech but left him alive. The Bible says the chauvinistic Abimelech then got a fellow soldier to finish him off with a sword thrust, lest people say a mere woman killed him.

Herr and Boyd complain that Abimelech's death is an all-too-typical example of biblical scholars endorsing skepticism without knowing enough archaeology.

For one thing, they say, ancient women were laborers who developed strength well beyond that of today's scholarly females joining part-time archaeological digs. The ancients carried water, lifted heavy stones for house-building, milked sheep and goats, made textiles and engaged in the strenuous daily "grind" of bread-making.

The chief mistake, they explain, was the assumption that the stone in Judges 9 was one of those monsters for mills powered by donkeys or teams of laborers. For practical reasons, such industrial-size millstones would have been kept at ground level, not in a tower. There was also a medium-size version, weighing around 27 pounds, that

might have been lugged upstairs but couldn't have been thrown by one person.

However, those two models went in use nearly 1,000 years after the era of the biblical Judges, or even later.

No, the authors say, the woman of Thebez obviously was hurling the sort of household millstone that abounds at archaeological sites in biblical times.

These loaf-shaped stones, usually of rough, black basalt, weighed 9 pounds at the most. (For the great Jordanian watermelon toss, a replica was used, not an ancient artifact.)

Also, the Bible specifies that the woman threw an "upper millstone." It was very common for women to make flour for their daily bread-baking chore by grinding a light, hand-held

"upper millstone," which was easily held in one hand, against a larger stone below.

Though the biggest millstones wouldn't have been placed in a tower, archaeologists in 1994 found a 300-pound lower millstone that was used with one of these small upper millstones and apparently sat atop a two-story house.

These common implements were considered so

vital in biblical culture that Deuteronomy 24:6 commands: "A handmill or an upper millstone shall not be taken in pawn, for that would be taking someone's life in pawn."

Thus was vindicated the unnamed woman of Thebez, and the unknown biblical scribe who long ago wrote down her story for the ages.

Note: Biblical Archaeology Review, which

is smartly edited to enlighten non-scholars, is highly recommended to explore such new finds in that field. Its sister magazine, Bible Review, similarly scans non-archaeological research.

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Insurance commissioner issues subpoenas for Allstate, Farmers

AUSTIN (AP) — With their underwriting guidelines under investigation by state regulators, Farmers Insurance Co. said Friday it is changing its new restrictions on writing new homeowners insurance policies.

The move came the same day that Insurance Commissioner Jose Montemayor issued subpoenas for the underwriting guidelines used by Farmers and Allstate Insurance Co.

"I am delighted. I expect good behavior from a market leader and they are in fact a market leader," Montemayor said of

Farmers' decision to change course.

On Thursday, Montemayor warned he would issue the subpoena for Farmers' guidelines and said the company's new restrictions on writing new policies appeared to be unfair trade practices. He did not mention Allstate Thursday and said Friday that he was not alleging wrongdoing on Allstate's part.

Farmers, the state's second largest homeowner insurer, said Friday it was reversing course on its new rule not to write new policies on homes that have had a

water claim in the past three years or homes older than 30 years with certain types of plumbing. It will now offer a basic insurance policy that does not contain water damage.

"We are trying to find some middle ground," Farmers spokesman Mark Toohy said.

The company still will not offer new policies to homes that have certain types of roofing, Toohy said.

Montemayor said he issued the subpoena for Allstate because he wanted to look at the company's information since it is one of the

top homeowner insurance policy writers in Texas, with about 600,000 customers.

"I just want to review it," Montemayor said. "I just want to see what is going on."

Allstate spokeswoman Kim Whitaker said the company would cooperate with Montemayor and said Allstate has shared its underwriting guidelines with the department in the past.

Allstate last month said it will not sell new policies if an individual or property has had a water loss in the past three years.

"We are being cautious in our

growth but we want to stay in the market," Whitaker said.

Montemayor said the Texas Department of Insurance also will be watching State Farm, although it has not issued subpoenas for the company. State Farm, the state's top homeowners insurance writer, stopped writing new policies for new customers in September.

State Farm, Farmers and Allstate sell homeowners insurance to about two-thirds of the market.

The companies all say they have suffered major losses because of mold-related claims.

Beautification, rehabilitation is primary focus at airpark

Revitalization association to be subcommittee of Airpark Development Advisory Board

By ROGER CLINE
Staff Writer

A lot's going on at the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark these days.

Since Jim Curtiss, the airpark's new director came on board in February, it seems like the airport has been humming with activity. Next week, for example, the U.S. Open Hang Gliding competition will take place in the skies over the airport.

Now, Curtiss and the Airpark Development Advisory Board are showing that they recognize the need to work as an integral part of Big Spring by joining the Big Spring Revitalization Association.

Curtiss said the newly-formed Airpark Revitalization Association, planned as a subgroup of the BSRA, will also be a subcommittee of the ADAB.

"It's going to be one and the same," Curtiss said. "The Revitalization Association is going to be a subcommittee."

At their meeting Thursday, Development Board member Joyce Crooker accepted the Airpark Revitalization Association as a part the Beautification Committee she chairs.

Curtiss believes beautification is a big part of getting things moving at the airpark.

"Education, beautification, reestablishing our buildings, what we call 'rehabbing,'" he said. "Basically it falls into those categories."

The airport director explained his short-term

vision for the airpark.

"Out here basically what we're looking at is, we want to clean up the place and make it look nicer," he said. "That makes it more attractive for businesses to come out here, it makes it more professional. We're starting with the terminal building and we're just going to make concentric circles until we get the beautification done."

Landscaped berms along the driveway to the airport terminal and a new fountain in front of the facility are the beginnings of the airpark's beautification efforts, Curtiss said.

Getting buildings fit to house tenants is another step, he added.

"The revitalization of the buildings out here is critical," he said. "We've got some buildings that need to be rehabbed in order to be leasable. We can't do any-



McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark Director Jim Curtiss shows off the new Big Spring fountain in front of the new airport terminal building. Curtiss and the Airpark Development Advisory Board recently joined the Big Spring Revitalization Association in an effort to spark more activity in Big Spring and at the airpark.

Airpark Revitalization Association:

Officers: Joyce Crooker, chairwoman.

Boundaries: The McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark, located in the southwest section of Big Spring and encompassing more than 10 percent of the city's land area.

Airpark tenants: 91 building tenants, 40 T-hanger tenants and 23 bunker tenants leasing 31 bunkers.

view once again, one of the things we want to talk about is landscaping," he said. "Make it look like a professional industrial park so that it's pleasant to come out here and it doesn't look like a run-down Air Force base."

But pilots have needs too, he added.

"What are we doing to facilitate more operations out here, the things that aid us in grants, the things that we're out here for, landings and takeoffs, air freight, manufacturing and more pilot activity," he said.

Even with the success of the Downtown Revitalization Association's Fantastic Fourth Festival, Curtiss said an Airpark event would have a different focus.

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Ask the Agent Suspected West Nile virus cases should be reported

By EDITH A. CHENAULT
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Dead birds, particularly blue jays, crows and hawks, or suspected equine cases of West Nile virus infection need to be reported to the proper state agencies, said Dr. Bruce Lawhorn, who is a veterinarian with Texas Cooperative Extension and the department of large animal medicine and surgery at the College of Veterinary Medicine at Texas A&M University.

Dead birds should be reported to the Texas Department of Health regional zoonosis control offices. (A list of those offices is at the end of this column.)

"It's important that all cases and suspected cases of the encephalitis be reported, so the spread of this new disease throughout our state can be tracked.

"Health officials need to know to be on the lookout for this disease, especially if and when it is diagnosed in humans," Lawhorn added.

Migrating birds are the primary source of the virus, which is transmitted by mosquitos to other

West Nile virus was first reported in Texas in mid-June, having been found in two dead blue jays in Harris County.

birds, animals in the equine family, or people.

According to the TDH Web site, when you call, the technician will ask your name, telephone number, zip code and the location of the dead bird. Also, you will be asked about the number of dead birds and the species. All this information is needed to map the location and the spread of West Nile in Texas.

Whether the dead bird or birds is tested depends on several factors: your location in the state, the bird's species, its condition and whether enough birds from your county already have been tested.

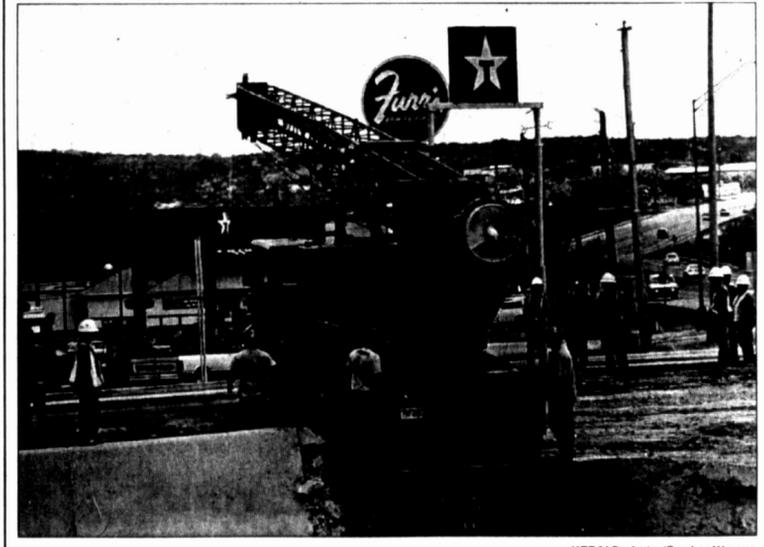
The only domestic animals that seem to be adversely affected by West Nile virus are equines. If you suspect your horse, donkey or mule has West Nile virus infection, con-

tact your veterinarian for a diagnosis. Veterinarians will take the appropriate samples to be submitted for laboratory confirmation and contact the Texas Animal Health Commission at 1-800-550-8242 or 1-512-916-5552 to alert them of this possible West Nile virus case.

West Nile virus is commonly found in Africa, eastern Europe, West Asia and the Middle East. West Nile virus was first reported in Texas in mid-June, having been found in two dead blue jays in Harris County. No human cases have been reported in the state. The first human case of West Nile virus occurred in New York in 1999.

According to the TDH, most people who are infected with West Nile virus show no symptoms. Those who do typically develop mild symptoms of disease, including fever, headache, body aches and skin rashes. Less than 1 percent of those infected with West Nile virus will develop more severe symptoms that include meningitis or encephalitis, an infection of the brain. Death can result.

Only one equine case has



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Mary Kay convention brings 50,000 to Dallas

DALLAS (AP) — With perfectly styled hair and manicures, thousands of diamond-clad Mary Kay sales representatives gathered in Dallas for their annual convention, the first since the death of their inspirational leader and founder.

About 50,000 women from around the world were expected for "Seminar," which started Thursday and ends Aug. 3. Nearly 10,000 of the beauty consultants will attend each of the five meetings.

Mary Kay Ash, whose pink Cadillacs and business savvy made her famous, died in November at age 83. But as the day began Saturday, an enthusiastic crowd filled an auditorium at the Dallas Convention Center to watch a message from Ash taped in 1994.

"You have made my dream for women come true," said Ash, who wore a bright red suit with matching lipstick and nail polish. Music began at the end of the speech, which was filled

with advice like "Remember that anything in this world you can have if you want it bad enough."

Ash, who had a stroke in 1996 that disabled her ability to speak and write, had not attended a convention since 1995. She made an appearance in 1997, a Mary Kay official said.

"This company was always concerned about the eventuality of her passing," said Tom Whatley, president of global sales and marketing.

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Probated Judgment: Anthony George Hernandez Driving While Intoxicated, \$1,500 fine, \$276 court costs, 24 hours community service, victim impact program, 180 days in jail.
Probated Judgment — Melissa Rose, attempted theft more than \$500 and less than \$1,500 \$311 fine, 180 days in jail.
Probated Judgment deferred adjudication — Tony Monroe Gamble, assault/family violence \$250 fine and 80 hours of community service. Judgment and sentence — Kenneth Wayne Banks, driving while intoxicated, \$1,500 fine, \$276 court costs, 60 days in jail.
Probated Judgment — Pio Bustamante, driving while intoxicated, \$1,500 fine, 180 days in jail.
Probated judgment — deferred adjudication, Stephanie Harkness, possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces, 30 days in jail.
Probated judgment — Eloy Casas Leal Jr., possession of marijuana less than two ounces in a drug free zone, \$300 fine and 80 hours of community service.
Probated judgment — Vincent Martinez Jr., driving while intoxicated, \$1,500 fine and 180 days in jail.
Judgment and sentence — Edward Franklin Fischer, dwti, \$300 fine, \$311 court costs and 30 days in jail.
Judgment and sentence — Edward Franklin Fischer, possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces \$300 fine, \$311 court costs, 30 days in jail.
Probated judgment — Isidro Martinez, fail to identify, \$100 fine and 90 days in jail.
Probated judgment — Roberto Gomez Mata, dw, \$1,500 fine, 180 days in jail.
Probated judgment — Roselyn Lloyd Comer, dw, \$750 fine, 180 days in jail, \$251 court cost.
Probated judgment — Correa J. Andrews, assault/family violence, \$500 fine, \$261 court cost and 180 days in jail.
Judgment and sentence — Edward Franklin Fischer, make alcoholic beverages available to a minor.
Revocation of probation and imposition of sentence — Amado Gonzalez Valle III, \$2,000 fine, \$399.25 court cost and 180 days in jail.
Revocation of probation and imposition of sentence — Thomas Wayne Skilton, possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces, \$500 fine, \$334.25 court cost and 90 days in jail.
Revocation of probation and imposition of sentence — Amado Gonzalez Valle III, dwti, \$250 fine, \$384.25 court cost and 180 days in jail.
Revocation of probation and imposition of sentence — Atanasio Gutierrez, dwti, \$400 fine, \$360.25 court cost and 10 days in jail.

Marriage Licenses
Jimmy Dale McDonald, 54, and Linda Gay Fowler, 41, both of Big Spring
Joe Anthony Vera, 28, and Luisa Naranjo, 26, both of Big Spring
Felipe Cruz Jr. 52, and Irma Hernandez Flores, 36, both of Big Spring
Michael Dale Anderson, 18, and Carol Lorraine Vockers, 18
James Patrick Archer III, 21, and Victoria Ann Bennett, 19
Cody Joe Frasure, 29, and Alicia Diane Wood, 22
Juan Paul Garza, 38, and Khriste Lee Christianson, 30
Michael Heath Blair, 23, and Jacy Honan Corzo, 27
Dannny Joe Barbee, 20, and Tandi Jo Casseiman, 19
Manuel Ramirez Jr., 38, and Deborah Lynn Philippe, 37
Rusty Wayne McLouth, 40, Katharine Jean Moore, 27
Ramon Chavarna, 46, and Ester Ortiz, 43
Doyle Edward Rice Jr., 23, and Sara Georgette Mereness, 21
Henry Earl Spears, 45, and Tina Lynn Gaston, 34
Julie Marie Garcia, 36, and Bertha Susan Hingos, 30
Brian Heath Bailey, 22, and Lindsay Dawn Moates, 21
Stephen David Park, 27, and Stacey Lee Massingill, 30
Heidi Ray Ott Jr., 23, and Mariana Nicole Blair, 20
Jake Allen Valencia, 16, and Maggie Nicole Talamantez, 18
Freddy Ramirez Olivarez Jr., 27, and Gwendolyn Nicole Mason, 26
Melinda Kennedy vs. Christopher Vanover, fam po.
Linda Torres vs. David C. Redmon, fam po.
Raymond Castillo and Erma castillo vs. Cnocio Inc., Blankenship Packers Services Inc. and Quality Child Services, ido.
Jim Lee vs. Jim Lee, individually and as trustee of the Margaret A. Lawrence trust vs. F. Don Gammon, Michael Eugene Gammon, Ralph Durwood Linde, Terrie Dee Dunn, Joyce Jean Finley, Madra Jean Caughy, Lawrence Travis Joe Bergan and Wayne Travis, oth.
Guardianship of Henry F. Edwards, oth.

District Court Rulings
Probated Judgment Sergio Ramirez Romero Driving While Intoxicated, \$1,500 fine, \$276 court costs, 24 hours community service, victim impact program, 90 days license suspension, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended and jail time suspended, six months probation).
Probated Judgment James Greenhill Driving While License Suspended, \$250 fine, \$265 court costs, 24 hours community service, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, six months probation).
Probated Judgment — Deferred Adjudication Anthony Sarmiento, Failure to Comply with Duties/Striking an Unattended Vehicle \$250 fine, \$235.25 court costs, 24 hours community service.
Probated Judgment Joshua Rios Possession of Marijuana Under Two Ounces \$300 fine, \$261 court costs, 24 hours community service, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, six months probation).
Judgment and Sentence Manuel Cuellar Driving While Intoxicated, \$250 fine, \$261 court costs, 90 days in jail.
Revocation of Probation: Lisona Lee Jimenez III, Theft \$50 to \$500, \$250 fine, \$411 court costs, 90 days in jail.
Probated Judgment — Deferred Adjudication Michelle Lisa White, Sale of Alcoholic Beverage to an Intoxicated Person \$250 fine, \$286 court costs, 24 hours community service.
Judgment and Sentence Manuel Cuellar Driving While License Suspended, \$250 fine, \$261 court costs, 90 days in jail.

Grantor: Joe A. Clark, D.A. Thurman, Raymond Stukel and Orville Seely, trustees of Big Spring Squares Square Dance Club of Big Spring.
Grantee: Henry A. Thames, Neil J. Thames, Lonnie J. Prater and Gary N. Prater.
Property: One acre in the SW/4 of the NW/4 of the NE/4 of the NE/4 of Sec. 19, Blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co survey.
Date filed: June 19, 2002
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Grantee: Conchita Rodriguez
Property: S/2 of Lot 2, Blk. 1, Clanton Subdivision, Tract 12, Kennebeck Heights, Sec. 12, Blk. 33, T-1-S, T&P RR Co survey.
Date filed: June 20, 2002
Grantee: Park Dwayne Wheat and Bonnie Ruth Wheat
Grantee: George B. Ryan
Property: 1.54 acres in NW/4 of Sec. 34, Blk. 32, T-2-N, T&P RR Co. survey.
Date filed: June 24, 2002
Grantee: Kimberly Coleman
Grantee: Bobby Coleman
Property: Lot one, blk. 6, Western Hills Addition.
Date filed: June 25, 2002
Grantee: Roxanna Waterson
Grantee: Bob and Georgia Lee Harmonson
Property: Certain tracts and parcels of land in Martin and Howard Counties.
Date filed: June 25, 2002
Grantee: Andrew L. Vogel and Steven S. Brown
Grantee: Bob Harmonson and Georgia Lee Harmonson
Property: Four tracts of land totaling 246.338 acres.
Date filed: June 25, 2002
Grantee: Marvin Alfred Wynn
Grantee: Loma Jean Wynn
Property: Three tracts of land in Howard County.
Date filed: June 25, 2002
Grantee: Fannie Myrie Soles
Grantee: Dale Soles, Kenneth Soles and Landon Soles.
Property: Lot 12, blk. 7, Stamford Park Addition, Lot 1, 2 and 3, blk. 2, Ross City Town Site.
Date filed: June 27, 2002
Warranty Deeds With Vendors Liens
Grantee: Leola Newton
Grantee: Larry Alan Newton
Property: 5/100 feet of SW/4 of Blk. 20, College Heights Addition.
Date filed: June 17, 2002
Grantee: Aida Gonzalez, individually and as independent executrix of the estate of Leocadio Gonzalez, deceased.
Grantee: Demetrio and Consuelo Alvarado
Property: Lots 9 and 10, Blk. 106, Original Town of Big Spring.
Date filed: June 17, 2002
Grantee: Terri Jo Davis and Kenny Davis
Grantee: Calisto Carrillo Jr. and Mary Esther Canillo
Property: Lot 2, Blk. 2, Indian Hills Addition.
Date filed: June 20, 2002
Grantee: Howard W. Hornsby
Grantee: Deborah and Julian D. Howe
Property: Lot 7, Blk. 5, Highland South Addition No. 8.
Date filed: June 20, 2002
Grantee: Robert C. Grant and Beverly Grant
Grantee: Freddy M. Gipson
Property: Lots 1-8, Blk. 4, Original Town of Coahoma.
Date filed: June 20, 2002
Grantee: Marcellous Weaver
Grantee: Jorge and Marie Garza
Property: 0.921 acres in S/2 of NE/4 of Sec. 24, Blk. 33, T-1-N, T&P RR Co survey.
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Grantee: Larry Alan Newton
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Grantee: Jorge and Marie Garza
Property: 0.921 acres in S/2 of NE/4 of Sec. 24, Blk. 33, T-1-N, T&P RR Co survey.
Date filed: June 20, 2002
Grantee: Bobby Kirk, Georgia Lee and Kirk Harmonson
Grantee: Outback Adventure Track Inc.
Property: Four tracts of land totaling 246.338 acres.
Date filed: June 25, 2002
Grantee: Marcellous Weaver
Grantee: Kristina Miller and Shane Coffman
Property: Lot 15, blk. 3, Little Acres Addition.
Date filed: June 26, 2002
Grantee: Doyle and Mildred Vaughn
Grantee: David and Janet Higgins
Property: 200.3 acres SE part of survey 12, certificate 2157, blk. 30, T1N T&P Ry Co.
Date filed: June 27, 2002

AIRPARK

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"One thing that we talked about with manufacturers out here and with people from the city is to put on what we call a 'Trade Port Expo,'" he said. "A trade port expo is basically utilizing the airport facility to put on a sales show of everything from R.V.s to boats to mobile homes and motor homes and travel trailers and airplanes. Everything out here would be for sale. Ultralight aircraft, you name it. I'd like to have a whole series of things."
Curtiss said such an undertaking is still a distant goal.
"We're still a year away from that," he said.
No talk of airpark revitalization would be complete without making plans for Hangar 25, the airpark's military aviation museum.
"Hangar 25 is the benchmark out here. People come out here for Hangar 25," he said. "I think we need to constantly look at what we can do to expand it, what we can do to improve it. I'd like

to see them consider new buildings, for example. Get a grant for additional buildings and additional aircraft. There's a whole series of things that I'd like to see happen."
Revitalization also means maintaining and strengthening relations with Big Spring's prisons.
"I couldn't run the airport without the Wilderness Camp," he said. "They built the fountain out front. They did the landscaping. They did all that. I can't pay them for it so it's low-cost labor for me. They clean this building, they clean Hangar 25, they do a lot of work for us."
Cornell's prisons also help out the airport, he added.
"The Flightline Unit out here grew our plants out front," he said. "Flightline is growing trees. They grew those moss roses out there, and I'm working with Mark Webb from Howard College who teaches a course out there in horticulture to develop everything from a tree farm to our annuals and perennials that we use

out here on the airpark."

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VIRUS

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been identified in Texas thus far, Lawhorn said. Equines seem to be a dead-end host, and there is a vaccine available from veterinarians. Two doses of vaccine are administered three to six weeks apart, and protection starts to build at four to six weeks after the second vaccination.
"That means there is a minimum of seven to eight weeks after the start of the vaccine series before any protection can be expected," Lawhorn said.
Much like humans, most infected equines will not show clinical signs. The most frequent clinical signs, though, are a wobbly

gait, stumbling and falling, weakness of limbs, recumbency (lying down), muscle fasciculation (fine muscle movements or twitching of a small area of muscle) and death. Minimizing mosquito exposure is especially important while a horse is building immunity to vaccination, Lawhorn explained.
Dr. Jim Olson, entomologist with the department of entomology at Texas A&M, said to reduce the chance of getting the disease, Texans should practice personal precaution, premise clean-up and mosquito-proofing of homes.
"The first thing people need to do is get rid of all the mosquito breeding sites they can find," Olson said. "Anything that is collecting and holding water for longer than three days needs to be either filled in, thrown away, turned upside down or whatever."
Dog bowls and dishes under flowerpots should be emptied at least every three days. Or, if you are trying to save water, Olson says, put a top or a screen wire

across the container to keep mosquitos from getting in it to breed and lay eggs.
To prevent mosquitos from getting inside your home, make sure screen window frames fit up tight against the windowsills, or fill in gaps with duct tape. Also, make sure there is weather stripping around doors. The use of yellow outside lighting will also reduce the attractiveness of premises for mosquitos.
"Make sure that when doors are closed, they don't allow gaps for mosquitos to get through because they will," Olson said.
When going outdoors, do so during the brighter times of the day and stay away from shadows and wooded areas. However, if you must go out during the evening hours, wear protective clothing and a repellent of your choice. If bitten by mosquitos, Olson said, you should not be too concerned if the bites are infrequent. In order to prevent a secondary infection though, don't scratch the

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Marcus Fernandez, LT 25 BK 1 of Colonial Hills Addition, located at 4057 Vicky, is requesting a variance for a Side Yard Carport.

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Don Finkenbender, SC 6 BK 32 1S, located at 700 W. Marcy Dr. is requesting a 2ft variance for a Side Yard Garage.

Kenny Davis, Chief Building Official #3600 July 14 & 21, 2002

PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF BIG SPRING NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Pursuant to the authority granted by the City Council of the City of Big Spring, Texas, the City of Big Spring will receive sealed bids on the following date/time for the purchase of the below listed items/equipment:

A Date/Time Wednesday, July 31, 2002 at 2:00 p.m., for the following: 1- 460 ft. 24" C905 DR25. 2- ASS-165 PVC PIPE.

Bids are to be opened and read aloud in the Big Spring City Conference Room, Upstairs, City Hall, 307 East 4th Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720, with award to be made at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Big Spring City Council. Bid information and specifications may be obtained from the Office of the Purchasing Agent, 1380 Airpark Drive East, Bldg #19, Big Spring, Texas 79720. All bids must be marked with the date of the bid and a general description of the bid item(s). Handicapped individuals attending the opening that are unable to traverse the stairs must notify the purchasing office at 915-264-2388 a minimum of 48 working hours prior to bid opening.

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The Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission will host the Organizational Meeting for the 2003-2004 Texas Community Development Program (TCDP).

The meeting will be held on Thursday, July 25, 2002 at 10:30 A.M. in the conference room of the Planning Commission offices located at 2910 LaForce Boulevard, Midland International Airport, Midland, Texas. The purpose of this meeting is to develop the review procedures and scoring criteria for the 2003 and 2004 Texas Community Development Program, Community Development Fund. All seventeen Permian Basin counties and all non-metropolitan cities are eligible applicants for this program that has provided almost \$25,000,000 to Permian Basin cities and counties since 1983.

Water system improvements, waste water system improvements, housing rehabilitation and drainage improvements are the types of projects that have been funded in the past. The Regional Review Committee must determine regional priorities for the 2003 and 2004 programs and local participation in this process is encouraged.

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21 Oscar role of '94
22 Monty Python offering
23 X-1 flier
25 Abba tune
26 Charade
27 They're opposite hits
28 Some turkeys
29 See-through material
31 Sister of Melpomene
33 Untroubled
36 Beryl variety
40 Charge
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43 Passed along
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32 Medium blue
34 Rosencrantz or Guildenstern
35 Inventor Rubik
37 Like some protestors
38 Stage-door Johnny
39 Litmus and indigo

41 One of the Seven Sisters
43 Cruel one
44 Olympic games
45 Financial-page acronym
47 "___ Day Will Come"
48 They were on TV last March
51 Step with a kick
52 Crib
54 Pérez de Cuéllar's home
56 Overflow, with "over"
58 Friar Tuck refreshment
60 Two-way preposition

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