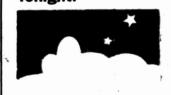
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July 23, 2002

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Teacher insurance

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"Our employees seem to be happy with the insurance," said Sandra Waggoner, the district's business manager.

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Support groups

Do you need help with a drug or alcohol problem or know someone who does? Interested in losing weight but don't want to "go it alone"? Big Spring has a number of support groups for anyone in need of help.

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BRIEFLY

Stock market

NEW YORK (AP) -Wall Street struggled to hold steady today, giving up early gains despite encouraging earnings reports from companies including Gillette and Texas Instruments.

In morning trading, the Dow Jones industrials were off 25.06, or 0.3 percent, at 7,759.52, pulling back from an early advance of more than 100 points. The Dow tumbled nearly 758 points over the previous three sessions.

Broader indicators also retreated. The Nasdaq composite index fell 5.95, or 0.5 percent, at 1,276.70, while the Standard & Poor's 500 index lost 9.41, or 1.2 percent, at 810.44.

Financial stocks slid for a second straight session as a congressional subcommittee investing the Enron collapse prepared to hear testimony from J.P. Morgan Chase and Citigroup officials.

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Kight resigns as Howard County ag agent

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

Howard County commissioners didn't have to hold an executive session during their meeting Monday to decide what to do about Cooperative Extension Agent David Kight.

Kight, free on \$10,000 bond in Glasscock County for alleged insurance fraud, resigned his post as Howard County's agent late Friday.

"I received a call this morning from Charles Neeb, who is the area supervisor for the county agents in Fort Stockton," said Howard



KIGHT

County Judge Lockhart. "He advised me that late Friday he received the resignation of David Kight as county extension agent here."

Lockhart

Service is responsible for replacing Kight.

"They'll start advertising within a few days. After that I don't know how long it will be," he said. "The extension service is the one that actually does the advertising and selects them. A lot of times they'll bring us a choice, or there may not be a choice.'

Kight is accused of falsifying the theft of a farm tractor and illegally filing insurance claims. According to a before spokesman for Glasscock County Sheriff's

Extension Office, Kight collected \$11,500 on the claim.

Kight has been Howard County's extension agent since June 1997 when he worked as the county extension agent for Glasscock, Lubbock, Yoakum and Young Agent in 1982 and worked with beef cattle and small grains operations starting his the Cooperative Extension

career.

commissioners:

· Were alerted to a recall on Crown Victoria policemodel automobiles. "The replaced Don Richardson in city of Big Spring received the position. He previously some information and forwarded it to us," said Sheriff Dale Walker. "I believe they're making cor-Gaines counties during his rective measures on their 18-year career. He won cars and now that the comrecognition as Outstanding missioners are aware of this problem, we'll probably also move forward to get these corrections made on our cars. We have, I believe, six

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New ER draws praise from staff, community

6,000 square feet added to existing emergency room

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Danny Whitehead, an emergency room charge nurse for Scenic Mountain Medical Center, is itching to get "It's been talked into his new digs.

nearly finished with a \$1.8 million renovation of emergency room, a project that will update and more than double the facility's space.

"It's been needed for a long time." said

talked about for a number of years and now it's done. All the nurses are really excited about it."

many of the hospital's employees showing off the new facility to the 300 or so community members that attended an open house on

Monday. The event was held in conjunction with the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce

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eight

ed into what used to be a said. "We'll have double the space than the old ER."It may be overwhelming for

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Registered nurse Danny Whitehead, right, chooses an hors d'oeuvre from the refreshment table while visiting with Jonetta Sweatt during Scenic Mountain Medical Center's emergency room open house Monday. The emergency room has undergone a \$1.8 million renovation that included adding 6,000 more square feet to the facility.

Fire Chief Brian Jensen is given the grand tour of the Scenic Mountain Medical Center emergency room by ER Director Judy Roever during a reception Monday. The department now has 10,000 square feet compared to the previous 4,000 and now has state of the art equipment. It will officially open July 31.

Technology updates will lead to fewer transfers, department head believes

By ANDREIA MEDLIN

Features Editor

The only casualties at the newly renovated emergency room at Scenic Mountain Medical Center Monday night were the jumbo shrimp and cocktail

Several hundred people crowded the halls of the emergency room at a reception and ribbon cutting ceremony held in celebration of the facility's near completion. The event was held simultaneously with the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce's Business After Hours program.

Visitors and guests were treated to hors d'oeuvres, petit fours, a virgin champagne fountain and the hapless shrimp. Tall City Trio was also in attendance and provided background

Eight new beds, an obstetrics/gynecology room, a room for pediatrics and four patient care rooms are among the many new features.

Adding eight new beds. an obstetrics/gynecology room, a room for pediatrics and four patient care rooms are among the many new features bringing the emergency room up to date, but that's not all. "Each room will have an

X-ray and overhead surgery light," said Judy Roever, director of the emergency department.

The new central monitoring station, telemetry sys-

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College to request \$750,000 for SWCID vocational center

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

As part of its legislative appropriations request, Howard-College will request \$750,000 to build a vocational building on the SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf campus.

"We know we are going into a tight legislative session," Dr. Cheryl Sparks told trustees Monday during their monthly meeting. "We are going to request that SWCID receive the same amount of money

as last year's total appropriations.' The request for SWCID, which is considered a special item under the

"We believe until we get a vocational building, we won't be finished with our construction project."

Dr, Cheryl Sparks Howard College president

Howard College proposal, will include budgeting for increased

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Adopting amended codes among items on city agenda

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

At its meeting this evening, the Big Spring City Council will consider adopting amended city construction codes.

The council meets at 5:30 p.m. at its chambers, 307 E. Fourth St.

On the agenda for discussion are the city's building and structural standards codes and adoption of the International residential, plumbing, mechanical and fuel gas codes instead of the Southern Standard

"The city was under the the Southern Standard codes and has

INFORMATION

What: Big Spring City Council

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When: 5:30 p.m. today

been since the early '40s.," said Public Works Director Darden. "(The Legislature) didn't recognize the Standard codes as an approved adopted code for the state

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Obituaries

Myrtle Kilgore Keele

Funeral service for Myrtle Kilgore Keele, 99, of Big Spring is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Mrs. Keele died today, July 23, 2002, at a local nurs ing home.

Jesus Ruiz Esparza

Funeral service for Jesus Ruiz "Raymond" Equarza, 67, of Big Spring is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Mr. Esparza died Monday, July 22, 2002, at a Midland hos-

Records

Monday's high 96 Monday's low 74 Record high 104 in 1974 Record low 64 in 1942 Average high 94 Average low 70 Precip. Monday 0.00 Month to date 2.07

Year to date 7.44 Sunrise Wednesday 6:56

Sunset Wednesday 8:49

Sunrise Sunday 6:54 a.m. Sunset Sunday 8:50 p.m.

Support groups

- . TOPS Club TX No. 21 (take off pounds sensibly), weighin 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.

- 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.
- Al-Anon support group, noon, 615 Settles.

SATURDAY

• Open Discussion Meeting, 615 Settles 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. Open Podium/Speakers Meeting 615 Settles 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. Open Birthday Night No Smoking Meeting Celebrating AA Sobriety Yearly Birthdays, 615 Settles the last Saturday of every month covered dish supper at 7 p.m. Birthday meeting at 8 p.m.

- Closed discussion meeting, 615 Settles 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. Open discussion meeting, 615 Settles 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- Narcotics Anonymous 8 p.m., St. Mary's Church, 1001 Goliad. Call 268-4189 (pager).

Texas lottery

Cash Five: 3-11-12-32-34

Pick 3 (night): 3-4-3

Pick 3 (afternoon): 1-4-5

Police blotter

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

- LATORANCE MARTAWANN BLAKELY, 21, of 102 Martin Ave. was arrested on a county warrant from Mississippi.
- ROBERT CARSON, 34, of 1401 Scurry was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- AMELIO YANEZ, 49. of 2209 Chanute was arrested to hold for the Veterans Administration police.
- JESSE HERNANDEZ, 18, of 538 Westover Road was arrested on two local warrants.
- MATTHEW AARON GILLIAM, 20, of 510 S. Benton was arrested on two local warrants. • BENITO SMITHWICK, 34, of 7131 W. 21st St. in
- Odessa was arrested on a charge of public intoxica-
- INTERFERING WITH CHILD CUSTODY was reported in the 1100 block of East Fifth Street.
- ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in the 2900 block of West Highway 80.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 4200 block of Muir. Someone reportedly used a knife or other cutting instrument to inflict \$60 damage on a purple 1998 Kia Sephia.
- MAJOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 1100 block of North Lamesa Drive.
- MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 300 block of South Lancaster Street and the 600 block of McEwen
- DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 2700 block of Cindy Lane, the 1000 block of North Main Street, the 2400 block of Carleton Drive and the 2900 blóck of West Highway 80.
- DISTURBANCE OR FIGHT was reported in the 500 block of North Birdwell Lane and the 1500 block of Wood Street.
- LOUD PARTY/NOISE was reported twice in the 500 block of Westover Road.

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operating expenses and the construction project without asking the state for more money than the last legislative

The college secured funding for two other large-expense projects for the SWCID campus but failed to procure monies to build the workforce training center during the last legislative session.

"We believe until we get a vocational building, we won't be finished with our construction program," Sparks said. Currently, SWCID is using a facility built in the 1950s for the Webb Air Force Base to house its vocational programs. In other business, Michael Yeater, institutional researcher, reported summer school enrollment figures for 2002. For the mini-session the Big Spring campus had 73 enrolled; San Angelo, 118; the Federal Correctional Institute — Big Spring, 13; and Lamesa, none.

In Summer Session I, Big Spring had 266 students enrolled; San Angelo, 394; Lamesa, 125; and the Federal Correctional Institute — Big Spring, 4

For Summer Session II, Big Spring had 128 enrolled; San Angelo, 189; Lamesa, 101; and Federal Correction Institute Big Spring, none.

- Trustees approved: • A \$155,000 bid by ABC companies of Grand Prarie for a 1996 Van Hool touring bus with 246,000 miles on it and a \$60,000 bid by Lasseter Bus Company Inc. of Lewisville for a 1999 Eldorado National mini-bus with a rear luggage
- Funding as much as \$65,000 for a \$250,000 matching grant from Telecommunications Infrastructure Funds grant for a community network project to link several local

entities to broadband Internet access. Other entities would have to contribute an additional \$185,000 combined. The proposed project would connect the college, Moore Development of Big Spring, Howard County, the Howard County Library, the city of Big Spring and the Texas

Workforce Network via one fiberglass line that would provide broadband Internet access.

• a \$181,010 bid from Tangent Computers of Burlingam, Calif., to purchase two Medallion 4000 units at \$2,180 each, four Medallion 4000 units at \$1,789 each, 26 Medallion 4000 units at \$1,319 each and 160 Valera D AMD units \$800 each.

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Darden said the International codes are similar to the

Southern Standard.

There's not any large changes," he said. "We have a report that was submitted to the Texas Municipal League from a registered architect who did a comparison of the codes that the Legislature recognized as approved codes. In his opinion there were not significant changes for cities in the adoption of the International codes.'

Darden said the city staff chose the International codes for consideration mainly because most Texas cities are choosing them.

"It appears that most Texas cities are choosing the International." he said. "It certainly makes it easier for contractors and people who do work in other areas throughout the state to have one uniform code.

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Bulletin board

TODAY

- ☐ Big Spring Municipal Swimming Pool will be closed all day for maintenance.
- ☐ Big Spring City Council convenes at 5:30 p.m. in council chambers.

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

- ☐ 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.

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

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By LYNDEL MOOI Staff Writer

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By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

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"Our employees seem to be happy with the insursaid Sandra ance,' Waggoner, the district's business manager.

Spiraling insurance costs prompted teachers across the state to lobby for a state plan. Last December, BSISD employees faced a 30 percent increase in premiums on already high insurance

In the TRS plan, the Texas Education Agency contributes \$75 per employee.

Employees have the option to forward the \$83.33 contribution from TRS toward the insurance premiums or take as compensa-

"We have employees who are on their spouse's insurance," Waggoner said. "Many may want to put their money toward more insurance."

The district's portion for insurance is \$150 per month per employee. In a 6-1 vote last week, trustees approved lowering the district contribution by \$30 from \$180.

Administrators made the recommendation to reduce district's portion because of liability for potential claims on the old insurance, Waggoner said. Also even with the \$30 decrease, employee premi-

RECEPTION

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ums will still be reduced across the board. The new coverage will

allow some district employees who have not been eligible for insurance coverage in the past to participate. New insurance rates

including the optional TRS contribution includes:

 No cost to employees who chose the Active Care 3. State, district and TRS contribution takes care of the cost. The district portion of \$150 also covered costs for employees only on the low plan.

· Employees that include their spouse on the low plan will save \$155.80 per month with an out of pocket expense of \$231 per month. On the district plan, employees pay \$386.80 per month.

· Those insuring dependents will pay \$69 per month, a \$216.73 drop from the district plan cost of \$285.73 for similar coverage. Employees that insure the entire family can expect to pay \$285 per month, down

· Employee only cost for the Active Care 2 program will be \$7 per month on. insurance, a \$147.93 savings. Employee only insurance on the district's medi-

um plan are paying \$154.93 · To insure a spouse on Active Care 2 will cost \$409 per month, down \$87.23. Insuring dependents will cost an employee \$176.49 less per month than the district plan. Currently, employees play \$370.49 to add dependents to their insurance on the medium plan but TRS plan will cost the employee \$194.

· Employees that insure the entire family on Active Care 2 can expect to pay \$481, down from \$568.09 on the district's medium plan.

· Employee only insurance on the district high plan is currently \$250.65. Those who have chosen the Active Care 1 plan will be paying \$91 per month, a savings of \$159.65.

· To add a spouse, employees will be charged \$599 per month on the new Active Care 1 package compared to cost of \$684.84 per month on the district plan.

 To insure a dependent will cost \$327 per month on Active Care 1, a \$192.19 savings from the district plan.

 Employees who insure their entire family on Active Care 1 will see a decrease of \$59.16 per month. The state plan charges \$689 per family down from similar coverage on the district plan of \$784.16.

The new insurance coverage for the district begins

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than a ride in an elevator,"

he said. "They used to be

the easiest thing in the

world to spec and bid and

now they're one of the hard-

Heard a report on collect

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from Howard County's tax

attorney, Drew Mouton.

Mouton said the \$602,274

collection was down about

\$130,000 from last year due

to some large collections

"There's nothing safer

elevator service difficult.

HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Jan Hansen, left, and Charles Warren visit during the Scenic Mountain Medical Center emergency room open house Monday.

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ws."
Whitehead and other

emergency staff will also have \$200,000 of added equipment to work with when the emergency room doors open on July 31

Each exam room will have a mobile monitor that tracks a patient's vital signs, Whitehead said. The monitor transmits the vital signs via wireless technology to a central computer located at the nurses sta-

If the patient is taken to another part of the hospital for testing while in emergency care, the emergency room nurses can continue to monitor the patient's vital signs at the central nurses station, Whitehead

Each exam room is an enclosed area separated by walls instead of curtains

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and will give patients more privacy and confidentiality.

"We've needed it for a long time," said Linda Perez, Victim Services volunteer coordinator, who attended the open house. Other community leaders

say the community should be proud of the new addi-"It's great for the commu-

nity," said Debbye ValVerde, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce executive director. "This is something the

community can take pride in," said Irene Bustamante, a member of the hospital's board. "I think this is going to make the community more proud of the hospital.'

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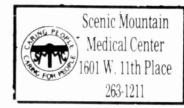
Lloyd Mcleod, 85, died Saturday. Services were 10:30 AM today at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Burial will be in Mt. Olive Memorial

Jesus Ruiz "Ramond" Esparaza, 67, died Monday. Services are Pending.

NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH **Funeral Home** Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory







pressure) and all we have to do is push a button to inflate it," she explained.

one location.' Other additions include a large trauma room, a decontamination room and a neg-

"This can all be done from

ative pressure room. Updating the technology of the department and bringing in cutting edge equipment will mean less transfers to Lubbock or other facilities according to Roever.

"We will be able to do more here like minor surgeries and suturing," she

While the department will be able to handle most traumas, those that are considered the most critical will continue to be transferred to other facilities.

"Multi-system traumas will have to transfer; severe head injuries and neurological injuries will be sent to Lubbock," Roever said.

Multi-system traumas are those injuries that involve two or more organs such as heart, liver and kidneys. Severe head injuries may involve the exposure of gray matter and damage to blood vessels and surrounding tissues. Neurological injuries involve the nervous system which can result in paralysis and brain damage.

Six thousand square feet was added to the already existing 4,000 feet in the emergency room which should be in full swing by

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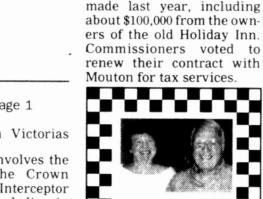
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OUR VIEWS

SMMC's new ER facility rates kudos

t's been needed for a long time ... talked about for many years and now it's a reality. Scenic Mountain Medical Center unveiled its expanded emergency room Monday.

In fact, completion of the project that more than doubled the size of the hospital's ER was so highly anticipated that several hundered people showed up to see the result of a \$1.8 million ren-

The project added 6,000 square feet to the existing 4,000 square-foot facility and includes eight exam rooms, a triage area, a decontamination room, a central nursing area and a more spacious waiting room — all of which have been sorely

Doors to the new emergency room will open on

There is no doubt that the new ER will be a facility our community can take pride in, and SMMC officials deserve kudos all around. They have taken an already excellent facility and made

And in the long run, we believe those efforts will improve the quality of life for everyone in the community

OTHER VIEWS

Someone needs to tell Michael Jackson to shut up. If he hadn't already made enough damaging career and life moves, his actions over the past two weeks certainly seem to be the final nails in the coffin for the former "King of Pop.

Apparently upset his 2001 album "Invincible" sold only 2 million copies, Jackson launched several tirades against Sony Music (his label) and Tommy Mottola, its chairman.

At the Music Industry Initiative Summit in Harlem, organized by the Rev. Al Sharpton's National Music Network, Jackson said that once he started breaking records set by Elvis Presley and The Beatles, "overnight they called me a freak, a homosexual, a child

molester."

This certainly didn't happen overnight and Jackson can only blame himself. He faced a barrage of child molestation claims in the '90s and his determination to prove his innocence resulted in him paying off his accusers. Before "Invincible"

was released. Jackson held a laughable televised tribute to himself. Add that to his multiple plastic surgeries, bizarre marriages and strange public appearances, and you have all the evidence you need as to why people are turned off.

Perhaps it's time Jackson take his own advice and look at the "man in the mirror." That's where he'll find the source of his problems.

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Least we can do is protect children

t's hard to believe a grown man could brutalize, rape and murder a 5—year—old child, as someone did in Califernia. I hope that by the time you read this, the predator will be dead or in

custody. I've always thought that for those who cannot bring themselves to believe in evil, there is no better refutation than childkillers. One of these

CHARLEY REESE beasts who had murdered a little girl here in Florida was actually on the verge of being paroled. Fortunately, he apparently bragged about it, and one of his fellow prisoners, a far more honorable man

I personally do not see any salvation for these child—killers. I've always

than he was, brained him

with an iron pipe. So he

from his cell to his grave.

got paroled all right

thought that a person who would murder a child qught to be summarily executed. Too many of these predators are given time instead of death, and it seems that, invariably, once they get out, they prey on more children. If legislators cannot bring themselves to pass a death sentence for child murder, they should at least require by law that every child killer wear a tattoo on his forehead that reads: "I Kill Children." That way, his fellow prisoners could do what the state so often lacks the guts to do.

There was a time when I seriously considered swapping journalism for law enforcement, but one of the factors that I considered in making my decision was these child-killers. I know in my heart that I could never arrest one and get him back to the jail alive. You haven't looked at evil until you see one of these children's bodies after the bastards get through with them. For some reason, sadism usually accompanies their perverted sexual preferences.

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So far as I can determine, there is no cure for these pedophile predators, so the best thing to do when one is caught is to kill him or lock him up for the rest of his life. These new laws which some states have adopted — that allow judges to hold these characters beyond their normal criminal sentences are good. Next to killing a child, I can't think of a worse thing to do than for an official to release one of these animals and watch him kill another child. How could anybody live with that? You had a guy locked up, you let him out, and a child facing a good life is murdered.

There is certainly a place for mercy in the criminal justice system, but there is also a smaller place for being merciless, and those who victimize children deserve no break, no treatment, no succor and no nothing except permanent confinement or death. The least — the very least any society ought to do is to protect its children.

Whenever people are murdered, they are robbed of what's left of their lives. In the case of older people, often that's not much, but with children, it's way, way too much. Think of all the pleasures that the little girl in California will never know — so many birthdays, Christmases, school, first loves, marriage, her own children. Everything in her future was snatched away by some self-indulgent monster who needed to satisfy his sick desires for 30 seconds. Folks in Orange County.

Calif., can be proud of their sheriff, though. He sounds extremely determined to get this guy, and I believe he will. I'm willing to bet that when the guy is caught, they'll find child pornography in his background. I'd like to see someone tell that little girl's parents that child pornography is a victimless

Editor's Note: A suspect in the crime to which Mr. Reese refers is in custody.

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'Good' greed versus 'bad' greed

Chairman of the Federal Reserve Alan Greenspan is doing a superb job; however, the same may not be said about

the quality of his stock market predictions. When the Dow Jones Average was in the 6,000 range, he proclaimed it was a result of "irrational

Over the

JACK **A**NDERSON exuberance."

proceeded to nearly double from that level. Now the Fed chairman has announced that "infectious greed" is undermining the market. He is wrong. Greed is not infectious; it's inherent. Greed is

next several years, the Dow

There is, after all, greed and there is greed. In its

not undermining the mar-

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positive form, greed and incentive are synonymous. In its worst form, greed is larcenous. So was Mr. Greenspan referring to all greed or just the larcenous type? He did not say, and it does not matter, because the first is beneficial and the second can and should be controlled by legal prosecutions.

Congress and the president have taken up the call and are on the verge of stifling the market with illadvised and rushed legislation. This includes creation of an oversight board that will look over the shoulders of accounting firms that audit the books of the nation's public companies. Yet the Securities and Exchange Commission is already empowered and obligated to do this.

Stiffer white collar jail sentences are in the works. This is fine, but it involves little more than a restatement of grand theft. Grand theft is grand theft, and there are already substantial penalties on the books to cover the crime.

But the primary systemic

problem is not being fully resolved. The current situation allows accounting firms to act both as auditors and consultants, with the consulting division garnering the most money. The result is that accounting firms have an incentive to favor consulting over auditing, which is what has led to the Enron and WorldCom debacles. This, in turn, has led to a loss of confidence in audited financials, which equates to a loss in confidence in the stock market. This, clearly, is system incentivized bad greed. The solution is obvious: forbid accounting firms to act as both auditors and consultants to the same company.

But what about good greed? If good greed and incentive are synonymous, then incentive is where the concentration of effort should be placed. We want people to be inventive and industrious. We want people to want to make money. This is best accomplished

by fewer, not more, laws and regulations. But it is also accomplished by

enforcing the laws that do exist. Otherwise, it is like playing a football game without referees. This means that the SEC should be adequately funded to police the market. It means that the SEC should be led by civil servants free from conflicts of interest, unlike the current chairman. Harvey Pitt, who has been compelled to recuse himself from more than two dozen cases because former clients were involved.

To function, the stock market needs to be transparent (audited financials and full disclosures by public companies and the other companies, such as stock brokerages and market makers, that trade them) and policed (the SEC's primary, but under-funded function).

Prediction: The wrong laws will be passed and signed. The consultingauditing conflict will go unresolved.

All of this will be remedied at a later day, probably by a different Congress and president.



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For more infe about the Qua Club-or its u events contact (at 267-1069, or P 263-5314, or Ne 267-6998.

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BS Quarterback Club sets pair of events

The Big Spring Quarterback Club has announced that it will hold a golf tournament on Aug. 10 at the Comanche Trail Golf

Course.
The event is scheduled to be a 4-man scramble. In addition to the golf tournament, the BS Quarterback Club will be holding a community pep rally on Aug. 28 at the Comanche Trail Amphitheater. The pep rally will recognize all Big Spring fall sports athletes.

For more information about the Quarterback Club-or its upcoming events contact Clements at 267-1069, or Phillips at 263-5314, or Newton at 267-6998.

PeeWee sign-ups

slated for Aug. 1 Crossroads Little Football League will be having signups beginning Thursday, Aug. 1, at the Big Spring Mall

Players and cheerleaders, grades K-6 are eligible. Grades 3-6 play tackle football with all equipment provided.

Grades K-2 will play flag football. All area school kids in Ackerly, Big Spring, Coahoma, Garden City and Forsan are welcome.

There are 3 divisions beginning with Flag Football. This is a basic program in which the players are taught very basic skills. Division 1 is for third and fourth graders and is organized tackle football stressing the basic football skills.

Finally, Division 2 is for fifth and sixth graders. The division is designed to prepare the kids for junior high football. The ball carrying weight for this division

is 120 pounds. All games will be played on Saturdays.

The first practice will be Aug. 19 and the first game will be Sept. 7. with the Super Bowl games finishing the season on Saturday, Nov. 9.

All children interested will be placed on a team nearest their home or school. No child will be turned away if eligible according to age or grade.

For more information call Sheri at 263-0754 or Steve Decker at 264-0871.

Class D softball

tourney scheduled

The 2002 USSSA Men's Class D State Softball Tournament will be held Aug. 10-11 in Midland. Teams interested in participating can call (915) 699-5559 by 'Aug. 6 Entry fee is \$200 er team.

PeeWee football coaches meeting

The Crossroads Little Football League has scheduled a coaches meeting for 7 p.m. Thursday at 2521 Gunter Circle.

All those interested in coaching cheerleaders, football teams and flag football teams should attend.

For more information, call Sheri at 263-0754 or Steve Decker at 264-0871.

ON THE AIR

Television MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

6 p.m. — Atlanta Braves at Florida Marlins, TBS. 7 p.m. - Milwaukee Brewers at Houston Astros.

9 p.m. - Super middieweights Aaron Davis (48-6-0) vs. Ross Thompson (25-5-1), ESPN2.

Armstrong planning to play it safe in the Alps

VAISON-LA-ROMAINE, France (AP) — The Tour de France heads to the Alps, with Lance Armstrong planning a cautious ride as he closes in on a fourth straight victory.

The Texan took control in the Alps last year. This time, he's in command even before his attack on the mountains, and he doesn't want to take unnecessary risks.

"The smart thing to do is to ride conservative now," said Armstrong of Austin. "This is not a race to win by as many seconds or minutes as possible, it's a race just to win. So there's no need to be aggressive."

The three stages in the Alps come late in the Tour, when riders are tired. Those who race hard and fast during this last week could be in danger of exhausting themselves.

That happened to Armstrong two years ago, when he struggled in the last mountain leg and his overall lead shrank by nearly two minutes.

However, the U.S. Postal Service rider was flawless in every mountain stage last year, and he now says he's most concerned about what happens after the Alps.

"Those are the days that worry you," he said.

One such day is Friday's 18th stage, a hilly 109-mile run from Cluses Bourg-en-Bresse. to Saturday's stage is an individual time trial, which Armstrong is favored to win. Sunday's last stage, which ends on the Champs-Elysees, most likely will be little more than

a victory lap. Armstrong is in excellent position to keep the leader's yellow jersey until the finish in Paris. He leads his main rival, Spain's Joseba Beloki, by 4 minutes, 21 seconds.

Even if Armstrong doesn't ride aggressively in the Alps, Beloki

probably will not cut into the American's lead.

The first three mountain stages two in the Pyrenees and one ending on Mont Ventoux — showed that the Once rider cannot match Armstrong's strength. He will almost certainly be more tired and even weaker in the stretches in the

Monday was a rest day. Today's 140-mile stage — the longest of the three-week Tour - begins in Vaison-la-Romaine in the southern Provence region and ends in Les Deux Alpes, a ski station.

Well remembered:

Left field indeed empty for Williams farewell

BOSTON (AP) — The spotlight shining on the left-field grass where Ted Williams played was empty.

A bugler had finished "Taps," a singer had sung "God Bless America" and the players who stood around the white carnations in the shape of a "9" in left field had departed.

On a night filled with memories and musings about one of baseball's greatest hitters, the final image symbolized the theme of the Fenway Park ceremony - no one could take Williams' place.

"Just saying his name means excellence in baseball," said John Glenn, the former Ohio senator who flew missions on the same plane as Williams during the Korean War.

On Monday night, 17 days after Williams died at 83, fans looked to the sky as four jets did a fly-over at the start of the tribute and nine doves another reminder of Williams' uniform number — were released near the end, soaring first toward the Green Monster in left field then over the Boston Red Sox dugout by the right-field line.

The program was billed as a "celebration" of Williams — a man who didn't want a funeral. It began with dignitaries, including baseball commissioner Bud Selig, and others walking to their seats on the field behind home plate as somber music played.

There were light moments. Humorist Dick Flavin, an acquaintance of Williams, recited "Teddy at the Bat," a takeoff on "Casey at the Bat" and drew laughs and cheers from a crowd of about 20,500 paying fans on a night when the Red Sox were idle.

Highlights of the career of the last man to hit .400 or better were shown on the scoreboard. As the evening was winding down, Sarah McLachlan's "I Will Remember You" was played.

The daylong tribute began at 9 a.m. with a four-hour program in which 12,000 fans roamed the Fenway Park field and saw Williams' Hall of Fame plaque and other mementos.

"We won't see his likes again," said Stuart Eckman, of Haverhill, one of the first fans to walk by a display at the left-field wall.

At the two-hour evening tribute, Williams was remembered as more than a baseball great.

He was a war hero who interrupted his career to serve five years in the Marines during World War II and the Korean War.

"What would his baseball records have been if he had not been called back to active duty? Who knows?" Glenn said. "But I never heard Ted



Ted Williams, pictured here during the 1941 season, was again remembered by Boston Red sox fans at Fenway Park on Monday night. Many say his death earlier this month leaves an unfillable void in the baseball world.

complain about that. Not once. Not a

Williams also supported the cancer research of the Jimmy Fund and visited children with the disease. Proceeds of the evening event were

donated to the charity. All that was discussed on the field by former teammates Dom DiMaggio and Johnny Pesky, ex-Red Sox stars Carl Yastrzemski and Earl Wilson, current shortstop Nomar Garciaparra

The only reference to the dispute among Williams' three children about the disposition of his body was made by DiMaggio. John Henry and Claudia Williams had his body frozen at a cryonics facility in Arizona. Bobbi-Jo Ferrell Williams said her father wanted to be cremated.

All three were invited but did not attend the tribute while a Florida court sorts out the dispute.

"I hope and pray this controversy will end as abruptly as it began and that the family will do the right thing by honoring Ted's last wishes as to his final resting place," DiMaggio said. "And may he then finally rest in

Williams' career ended with one swing of the bat, a homer in Fenway Park on his last trip to the plate in 1960 against Baltimore's Jack Fisher.

As Williams' at-bats from that game on Sept. 28 were shown on the scoreboard and Fisher stood on the mound Curt Gowdy — a former Red Sox announcer and Williams' fishing buddy — did play-by-play while standing at home plate. "What a way to go out," Gowdy

said.

Perhaps the most moving moments came near the end when former Red Sox players, dressed in uniforms, walked one-by-one from the dugout to the positions they played.

Jim Rice, who played left field, stopped near first base rather than walk into Williams' territory.

Then, with a wave from Garciaparra at shortstop, all the players walked to the No. 9 in left-field and placed flowers on it.

"When he spoke, I hung on every word," said Garciaparra. "You listen to every single thing he says and you remember it."

On Monday night, Williams provided one more batch of memories.

Astros thump **Brewers**

HOUSTON (AP) - The losing streak grows, and so does the frustration.

The Milwaukee Brewers dropped their eighth straight game — a season high — with a 3-1 loss to the Houston Astros on Monday night.

Wade Miller again stifled the Brewers. Miller (7-3) improved to 10-1 with a 2.63 ERA lifetime against Milwaukee.

"It's basically the same thing over and over," Brewers manager Jerry Royster said. "We play well and we keep close but we just can't come up with that big hit. They're tired of losing and they know with just a couple of hits, they could end it."

It was an especially tough night for Richie Sexson, who in key situations grounded out and struck out looking. Sexson argued the strikeout and had to be pulled away from home plate umpire Mark Hirschbeck by his manager.

"Everyone is getting a little concerned," Sexson said. We don't want to go through this and I think you do try a little more than normal because of it.' Matt Stairs agreed.

"I think maybe when we need to hit singles, we're trying to hit home runs," Stairs said. "I think we are pressing a little. But we need to realize that it's just a matter of getting bunt singles or moving runners over or whatever to get us out of this funk."

Glendon Rusch (5-10) went six innings, gave up three runs on 10 hits and struck out seven.

"The other team got some big hits but they had to," "Glendon Royster said. pitched well."

Ruscn still wasn't pleased. "I got out of some big jams and I guess that's how you learn to improve," he said. "But anytime you face a guy like (Miller), you know it's going to be tough. He was on top of his game

Schilling wins No. 17 as Diamondbacks top Rockies

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Curt Schilling is winning so consistently, his opponents seem satisfied if they even come close to beating him.

Schilling pitched the Arizona Diamondbacks past the Colorado Rockies 5-1 Monday night for his 17th victory — four more than any other pitcher in the majors.

"We're disappointed because we had a chance to beat somebody like Schilling, but by the same token he's about as good as there is going right now, and we gave ourselves a chance to win," Rockies third baseman Todd Zeile said.

Schilling's numbers are remarkable: He leads the majors with 205 strikeouts and has walked only 18

batters in 22 starts. Luis Gonzalez homered and drove in four runs for the Diamondbacks, who increased their NL West lead to two games over San Francisco and 2 1/2 over the Dodgers. Matt Williams also went deep off Mike Hampton (5-

"We did everything tonight,"

Schilling said.

In other National League games, it was: St. Louis 5, San Francisco 3; Pittsburgh 6, Cincinnati 5; Florida

2, Atlanta 1; San Diego 5, Los the eighth to tie it. Angeles 2; New York 5, Montreal 2; Chicago 7, Philadelphia 6; and Houston 3, Milwaukee 1. In the only American League

games Minnesota beat Chicago 11-6 and Toronto beat Baltimore 6-3. Schilling (17-3) allowed one run

and seven hits in 7 1-3 innings, his 11th consecutive win over a division opponent. He walked three and struck out eight.

Schilling has won seven straight against Colorado in 14 starts dating to a 4-1 loss at Coors Field on June 13, 1996, when he was with Philadelphia.

Cardinals 5, Giants 3

Edgar Renteria hit a tiebreaking, two-run double in the ninth inning as St. Louis beat injury-plagued San Francisco at Pacific Bell Park.

The Cardinals survived a surprise pinch-hit appearance by Barry Bonds with two outs and a runner on in the ninth. Bonds, who has been out since injuring his right hamstring, limped to the plate before striking out on a 3-2 pitch to end the game.

San Francisco's David Bell hit a two-run homer off Steve Kline in

Pirates 6, Reds 5

Ken Griffey Jr. returned to the Cincinnati lineup with two singles and a sacrifice fly, but Brian Giles tripled and homered as visiting Pittsburgh held on to win.

Griffey, out with a pulled hamstring since June 24, jogged after he hit the ball and went 2-for-3 with a walk and a sacrifice fly.

While they waited for Texas starter Kenny Rogers to decide whether he would accept a trade to Cincinnati, the Reds watched Ryan Dempster (5-11) get rocked for the third time since he arrived in a deal with Florida.

Marlins 2, Braves 1

A.J. Burnett (9-7) allowed a run in six innings as host Florida handed Greg Maddux his first loss in 16 starts and snapped Atlanta's sixgame winning streak.

Maddux (9-3) gave up two runs and seven hits in six innings, losing for the first time since April 30. In the following 15 starts, he went 7-0 with a 2.28 ERA.

Andruw Jones hit his team-lead-

ing 22nd homer for the Braves. The Marlins got a run-scoring single from Homer Bush and an RBI double by Charles Johnson to win their fourth straight.

Padres 5, Dodgers 2

Ron Gant had two hits, scored three runs and made two sensational plays in left field as San Diego extended Los Angeles' struggles.

The Dodgers are 2-10 since the All-Star break, a slump that cost them first place in the NL West. The lastplace Padres have won four straight against Los Angeles.

Bubba Trammell hit a solo homer and an RBI double for the host Padres, who have won six of their

last seven. Brian Lawrence (9-5) pitched into the eighth inning to beat Odalis Perez (10-7), and Trevor Hoffman earned his 24th save in 25 chances.

Mets 5,

Expos 2 Pinch-hitter Marco Scutaro made a name for himself at Shea Stadium with his first major league hit, a two-run triple off Tomo Ohka (8-5) that broke a seventh-inning tie and sent New York over Montreal.

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actions. Learn to work with vour partner better. A child invokes tremendous intensity in your relationship. AQUARIUS can challenge

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19) *** Don't forget your objectives in the middle of upset and changes. You also might lose your temper with others who really are trying their best, no matter what you think. Learn more effective ways of handling those around you. Tonight: Let off steam with your friends.

TAURUS.(April 20-May 20) ** You might feel like

you're walking on eggshells with others, because, astrologically, you are. A boss could blow his or her fuse, while you might have had it with a difficult family member. Do remember that this too will pass if you relax with others. Tonight: Work as late as needed.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) **** When others get a bit crazed, you need to distance yourself and understand where the problem might be coming from. Your strong actions can make all the difference between success and failure in your relationships. Start thinking about a minivacation. Tonight: Put on a favorite CD. Escape.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) **** Reach out for a partner or an associate you trust. Don't sell yourself short in a pressured situation. Be willing to regroup and reorganize, if need be. Money could play into this situation as well. An associate can figure a way out of this maze. Tonight: Where the gang is.

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eventually married and had

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cousin I know. I'm fairly

certain our cousin has no

idea that he has two sib-

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aunt is getting older, and

she is the only one who has

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my other cousins and share

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ** Build on your present knowledge, understanding what your expectation is here. You might be overly sensitive right now, easily misunderstanding what others say and mean. Stay cool and explore what someone means. Tonight: Try a swim or a walk.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) *** You tend to go to extremes, and the present moment is no exception. Laughter goes far, but you still need to deal with an irate or pushy friend. You could be forced to make a choice unless you're unusually diplomatic. Tonight: Treat a loved one.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)** You might feel pres-

sured under the present circumstances. Don't have a knee-jerk reaction and go off and overspend or go overboard in another realm of your life. A boss or someone whose opinion you care about lets his or her temper flare. Tonight: Chill out to good music.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) *** You go to extremes right now, trying to compensate for another's reaction or mistake. Communication runs askew, and tempers could flare. Flex, but know when you're uncomfortable and have done too much. Tonight: Have a long-overdue discussion.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ** Treat others as you would like to be treated. When a problem erupts involving finances or feelings, you find out just how volatile another is. Look at the depth of feelings involved here. When making an offer or suggestion, be ready to follow through. Tonight: Treat another to a relaxing dinner.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb.

18) **** Others respond to your inquiries. A partner goes out of his or her way to make you happy, while others create an uproar. Detach and gain understanding about what might be ailing your various associates. Don't take on others' bad moods yourself. Tonight: Smile and enjoy a special person in your life.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ** Use your instincts with bosses and partners. Review an important matter that involves work, especially if you see problems coming up out of the blue. You might need to revamp a project. Do what you think is necessary. Tonight: Get a good night's

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THENCE North 56° 30' West, 1.050 feet a point in the com-Barnett and the Cecil THENCE along the common line between said Barnett and Wasson properties, North 75°

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34' East. 1.128 feet to the point of beginning, containing 13.98 acres, more or less. A tract of land situated in the County of Howard. State of Texas, being part of Section No 10, Texas and Pacific

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Webb Air Force Base THENCE along the boundary line of said existing Webb Air Force as follows: South 01" 39 West, 843 feet to a point; said point being a Southwest corner of Webb Air Force Base and a re-entrant corner of the

Shortes property situated in a

West boundary line of existing

Cecil Wasson property; THENCE South 88°21' East 1.575 feet to a point, said point being a Northeast come of said Cecil Wasson property. said exiting Webb Air Force

THENCE South 01° 39' West, 500 feet to a point being a Southwest corner of existing Webb Air Force Base, a re entrant corner of said Cecil Wasson property THENCE South 880 21 East. 385 46 feet to a point being a

Wasson property and a re-

entrant corner of said existing

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in the common line between said Section Nos. 15 and 16; THENCE along the common line between said Section Nos 15 and 16. South 14" 48 corner of said Cecil Wasson property. and

ner of existing Webb Air Force THENCE departing from the boundary line of said Webb Air Force Base, along the common line between said Cecil Wasson and the Velma I Barnet properties. South 75' 34' West, 1,128 feet to a point; THENCE North 56° 30' West 1,410 feet to a point, said point being 1,100 feet Westerly of and perpendicular

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line for the West N-S runway at Webb Air Force Base THENCE 1,100 feet Westerly of and parallel to the extended center line of said runway North 04" 39' East, 1,622 fee to a point in the common line between said Cecil Wasson and Ray Shortes properties THENCE along the common line between said Wasson and Shortes properties, North 75 of East, 104.37 feet to the point of beginning, containing 60 60 acres, more or less Both of the above-described tracts being set out in a certi fied copy of a Judgment or Declaration of Taking issued out of the United States District Court for the Northern

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Deathbed confession has daughter at loss anything. My sister says D.C. she is going to tell my cousin about the adoption when Aunt Zelda dies, but by then, it will be too late for him to talk to his mother about it. Should we tell him now? — Family Secret

> in Ontario, Canada Dear Ontario: Talk to Aunt Zelda, and tell her what you know. Explain that someday, these adopted children may come looking for her in order to get their medical history, and that would not be the best way for your cousin to find out. Encourage her to come clean with her son while she still can, and before someone else does. I'm sure her son will understand.

bors bought a trampoline and put it in the yard adjacent to my study. Their preparing for the dinner, family on the other side of my house just bought a drum set for their 10-yearold son. The people across the alley have a dog that barks non-stop all day and

night I am losing my mind with all this noise. I need peace and quiet. I like to meditate. I have tried to be patient, but it is impossible to tune out this constant TUNITY! High fence game ranch racket. In the past, whenever I have spoken to a neighbor about a problem, it has 436+ ACRES NEAR Sanderson, wish to confront them again, nor do I want to report them to the police. I'm not even sure they are HIGH FENCE RANCH Liquida breaking any laws. I am so desperate, I have considserve. Trophy Whitetail, exotics, fishered puncturing my eardrums, but that is not a reasonable option. Any LAND BARGAIN: BEAUTIFUL ideas? — Going Deaf in

N.E. Texas piney wood acreage. North Dakota Dear N.D.: If you do not low as \$24,900. Call Texas Land wish to confront your NEW MEXICO MOUNTAINS. neighbors about the noise 140 Acres - ONLY \$39,900. Gor- and are unwilling to go to the police, your only solution is earplugs, headphones or sound-proofing your walls. It seems like it would be worth the investment, dear.

> Dear Ann Landers: I met a wonderful 32-year-old woman online, and after chatting for several months, we decided to meet in person. After dinner together, we wound up in bed. I always use a condom and practice safe sex. When this woman saw the condom, however, she became upset. She said I didn't trust her, and she resented the implication that she "slept around." She then walked out on me.

Should I have let her decide about birth control? Did I somehow insult her by insinuating that she had had other sexual partners? Please clear it up for me. I don't want to make this mistake again.

I am truly confused.

Dear D.C.: Your lady friend should have been grateful that you respected

ty, and your own, into consideration. It would be foolish for either of you to assume your partner has never had sex before especially with someone willing to be intimate on the first date. If this woman believes a condom is an insult, I fear for her future

her enough to take her safe-

health. Dear Ann Landers: My husband works with "Josh," and we have become casual friends with Josh and his wife, "Barb." Last weekend, we invited Josh and Barb to a barbe-Dear Ann Landers: I live cue at our home. We in a lovely house in a won-planned it a week in derful neighborhood. Last advance, and Barb even month, my next-door neigh- asked if she could bring a

I spent hours kids bounce on it for hours, setting the table with my screaming and yelling. The best china, grilling steaks and chicken, and making sure the ambience was just right. As soon as they arrived, Barb said they had stopped at a fast-food place on the way and weren't very hungry. They barely touched the food I cooked, but rummaged through my refrigerator and cabinets looking for snacks. Then they sat down on my sofa while my husband and I

cleared the dishes. I have never been treated so rudely in my life. I want turned out badly. I don't to get revenge on them, but I don't want to jeopardize my husband's job. Any ideas? Trampled in Arkansas

Dear Arkansas: Don't bother coming up with an appropriate act of revenge for these clods. It would take too much of your time and energy, and they aren't worth it. Chalk this one up to experience, and don't invite them again.

Dear Ann Landers: I have been divorced for 20 years and have given up on finding a decent man. Through the Internet, I have "interviewed" hundreds of men and looked at their photographs, and I wouldn't date a single one of them.

Here are some of my objections: Why do balding men have so much facial hair? Is it overcompensation? I do not find this attractive. Some of them look as if they fell face-first onto a porcupine. And what about those guys wearing hats? They aren't fooling anyone. Then there are those with lots of hair but it's limp and looks unwashed. Some men obviously haven't seen a toothbrush in quite a while. Others wear sunglasses, as

their eyes. If these men are serious about finding a date, they should consult their sisters, daughters or other avail-Bewildered in Washington, able adult females before

if they are too cool to show

submitting a photograph. They should ask for advice about their looks and make sure they understand personal grooming and hygiene. A picture is worth a thousand words, and they will never get a second chance to make a good first impression. — Given Up in New Jersey

Dear N.J.: You are right that men (and women) who are having difficulty finding dates should ask their friends and family members to give an honest assessment of their appearance. However, I hope you are interested in more than handsome face. Sometimes it is necessary to look beyond the photo-

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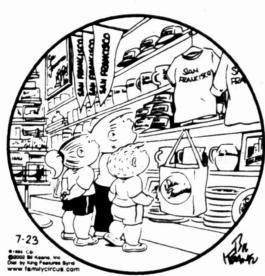
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Today's Highlight in History

On July 23, 1886, New York saloonkeeper Steve Brodie claimed to have made a daredevil plunge from the Brooklyn Bridge into the East River. On this date:

In 1885, Ulysses S. Grant, the 18th president of the United States, died in Mount McGregor, N.Y., at

In 1892, Emperor Haile Selassie of Ethiopia was

In 1914, Austria-Hungary issued an ultimatum to Serbia following the killing of Archduke Francis Ferdinand by a Serb assas-World War I.

In 1942, Harry James and

Records. In 1952, Egyptian military

officers led by Gamal Abdel Nasser overthrew King Farouk I. In 1967, rioting that

claimed some 43 lives erupted in Detroit.

In 1977, a jury in Washington, D.C., convicted 12 Hanafi Muslims of charges stemming from the hostage siege at three buildings the previous March. In 1982, actor Vic Morrow

and two child actors were killed when a helicopter crashed on top of them during filming of a Vietnam War scene for "Twilight Zone: The Movie." (Director John Landis and four associates were acquitted of manslaughter charges in connection with the deaths.)

In 1984, Vanessa Williams became the first Miss America to resign her title, because of nude photographs of her that turned sin; the dispute led to up in "Penthouse" magazine.

In 1986, Britain's Prince his Orchestra recorded "I Andrew married Sarah

Had the Craziest Dream" in Ferguson at Westminster Hollywood for Columbia Abbey in London. (The couple divorced in 1996.)

Today's Birthdays: Actress Gloria DeHaven is 77. Actor Calvert DeForest is 74. Supreme Court Justice Anthony M. Kennedy is 66. Actor Ronny Cox is 64. Radio personality Don Imus is 62. Country singer Tony Joe White is 59. Rock singer David Essex is 55. Actor Larry Manetti is 55. Belinda Actress Montgomery is 52. Rock

musician Blair Thornton (Bachman Turner Overdrive) is 52. Actresswriter Lydia Cornell is 45. Actor Woody Harrelson is 41. Rock musician Martin Gore (Depeche Mode) is 41. Actor Eriq Lasalle is 40.



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