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Big Spring native John Mudd knows what serious illness is like, so he's helping promote a book he and the authors hope will raise funds for cancer research.

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ART, ESSAY CONTEST

Wells Fargo Bank and the *Big Spring Herald* are inviting Howard County students to participate in an art and essay contest to help commemorate the one-year anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks in New York and Washington, D.C.

Students will be grouped into five divisions — an art contest for students in kindergarten through the sixth grade; an art contest and an essay contest for junior high school students; and separate art and essay contest for high school students.

Artwork and essays should center on the student's feelings on the day of the attacks and how their lives have been changed as a result.

Artists may use whatever medium they wish. Essays must be no longer than 1,000 words for those in the junior high division, while high school division essays must be 1,500 words or less.

The winners in each division will receive a \$100 savings bond, while second- and third-place finishers will receive \$50 savings bonds.

Winning entries will be announced and prominently featured in the *Herald's* commemorative edition on Wednesday, Sept. 11, 2002. All entries will be published in a special section that day.

To be eligible, entries must be turned into school officials before Aug. 30.

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Adult status sought for juvenile suspects

By ROGER CLINE
Staff Writer

Juveniles allegedly involved in two separate Big Spring murders recently may be certified as adults.

A 15-year-old boy arrested July 31 in connection with the slaying of 70-year-old Harlen Jene Patton and boys 15 and 16 years old arrested Aug. 6 in connection with the murder of 16-year-old Lennon Lane are all being held pending psychological evaluation in Midland juvenile detention facilities.

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and Juvenile Prosecutor Mike Thomas said Wednesday. "With juveniles, once they reach a certain age — and these juveniles are a certain age — and the offense is bad enough, and the psychologicals come back right, then you can try them as adults. That is a possibility and

they are being evaluated for that possibility."

The juveniles can be held without being charged for 10 days. If the psychological evaluations are not complete by the end of the 10-day period, prosecutors can hold a juvenile detention hearing to request the power to hold them for another 15 days.

"Hopefully it's going to be in that first 10-day detention period, but we have to rely on the psychologists and the psychiatrists to get back to us," Thomas said.

If the juveniles are certified and charged as adults, they will be eligible for all rights available through the

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Investigative detention important tool for police

By ROGER CLINE
Staff Writer

Recent violent crimes in Big Spring have highlighted some of the tools law enforcement officials have in dealing with suspects while investigating crimes.

Juveniles suspected of two recent Big Spring murders are currently being held in juvenile detention in Midland without being charged, and an unidentified 19-year-old man suspected of participating in

one of the murders was held several hours without a charge for "investigative detention."

County Attorney and Juvenile Prosecutor Mike Thomas said authorities can hold a juvenile detention hearing to keep juveniles in custody.

"We say, 'Judge, this juvenile, we have reason to believe he is involved in a crime and we think that he is not being adequately

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Garin's getting wish

Sister picks dream trip to Florida

By ANDREA MEDLIN
Features Editor

There are times when a life has to be put in the hands of another — whether it's for medical reasons, through adoption or a tragic set of circumstances.

Whatever the reason, the outcome is sometimes a surprise. Good or bad. Carrie Fox is well aware of life's little surprises. While she was pregnant with her now 6-year-old son Garin, she knew that something wasn't quite right, but was not prepared for what would come later.

"I knew something was wrong," said the mother of three.

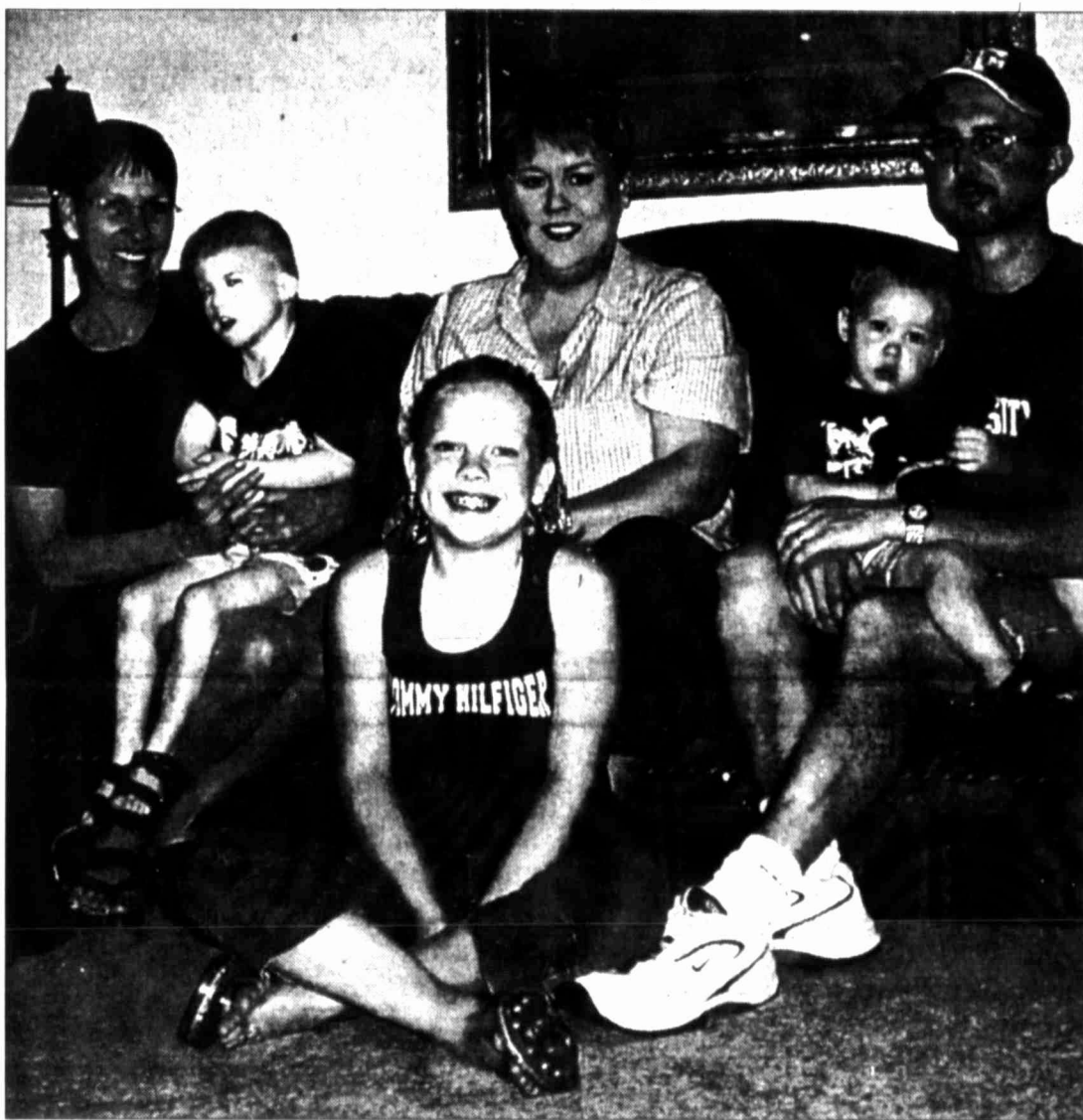
"Four months into the pregnancy I looked full term. We did all kinds of tests, but the doctor couldn't find anything."

Born five weeks early, largely due to a large build up of amniotic fluid in the womb, Garin wasn't breathing at birth and was quickly rushed from the room.

The doctors soon explained that the abnormalities in Garin's ears suggested the possibility of C.H.A.R.G.E. syndrome. He was flown to Lubbock where he remained for three months.

The acronym C.H.A.R.G.E. refers to a specific pattern of birth defects, including heart defects, ear abnormalities and retardation of growth and development.

Garin has difficulty com-



HERALD Photo/ Andrea Medlin
The Fox family was up early today in preparation for a trip to Disney World in Orlando, Fla. The vacation was made possible through the Make-A-Wish Foundation for Garin who has multiple birth defects. From left are: Garin in the lap of his nurse, Marsha Mann; his mom, Carrie; his father, David, holding brother, Gage; and his sister, Baylea, in front.

municating and has to be fed through a tube in his stomach.

Because of the heart defects, Garin has been scheduled for a second open heart surgery. His first surgery was performed at eight months to open pulmonary arteries and correct several other abnormalities in the heart.

"There were so many IVs and tubes — it looked like

he had been in a car wreck," said Fox. "That was the worst day of my life."

In the spring of 2002, Lisa Emerson, a close friend of the family, recognized the strain that Garin's round-the-clock care was putting on the family and suggested that the family contact Make-A-Wish.

The family was visited by Volunteer Wish Granters

and although his condition makes communication challenging, it was agreed with the family that a trip to Disney World would be just the ticket.

"My daughter (Baylea) actually made the choice because my son can't really communicate. We wanted to go someplace special. Garin likes bright colors

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Hike?

Stanton ISD trustees face need to raise tax rate to cap

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

STANTON — Tax payers for the Stanton Independent School District could be faced with a 9- to 14-cent tax rate hike for fiscal 2002-2003.

"We are looking at a (budget) deficit of more than \$210,000 to more than \$390,000 depending on the tax rate," said SISD Business Manager Brad Holland.

Trustees will look at a series of budget options based from a \$1.45 to \$1.50 per \$100 valuation tax rate during their next regularly scheduled board meeting at 7 p.m. Monday.

Last year, trustees attempted to give taxpayers some relief by lowering the tax rate from \$1.45 per \$100 valuation to \$1.36 per \$100. The drop in tax rate along with a declining enrollment while keeping about the same amount of staffing prompting the shortfall, Holland said.

Since 1997 the district has lost 71 students, Holland said, an estimated \$350,000 loss in state funding.

"That's nearly 10 percent of our enrollment," he said.

Holland plans to recommend trustees set a rate at the state cap of \$1.50. That rate would mean a levy of



HOLLAND

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Vets, VA officials confer during town hall meeting

By ROGER CLINE
Staff Writer

About 50 veterans and interested parties turned out at Big Spring's VA Medical Center Wednesday afternoon for a town hall meeting with the director of the Veterans Administration Waco Regional Office and the director of the hospital.

"I think it went very well. Very well," said Carl Lowe, VA Regional Office Director from Waco. "We had a lot of questions, a lot of good questions and interaction with the veterans and that's what we come out for. If they've got issues with the claims or they have issues with other things."

VA Medical Center director Cary Brown agreed.

"I think this meeting went great," he said. "The thing that's good about these town hall meetings that we have is that we bring staff from both the hospital that we have here in Big Spring and from the regional office that

handles claims questions and issues to the veteran in their home town, rather than the veterans having to write letters or go to Waco or wherever."

Recently-elected Veterans of Foreign Wars post commander Joe Hernandez said he was pleased with the meeting as well.

"It went pretty good," he said. "It allowed us to express some information about what's going on with veterans that we've been trying to express."

The meeting started with Lowe sharing information about operations at the Waco office, which serves 164 Texas counties.

Lowe said his office staff is working hard to reduce the number of pending cases in their backlog.

"February 11 it was at an all-time high of 29,700 cases," he said. "Since then it's down to 22,000. We're also working hard to reduce



HERALD photo/Roger Cline
Wanda Ward of Big Spring, wife of a fully-disabled veteran, talks one-on-one Wednesday with VA Regional Office Director Carl Lowe of Waco about her husband's claim. Veterans and their representatives had a chance to speak with officials about claims following Wednesday's VA Town Hall Meeting at the VA Medical Center.

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A BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

Obituary

Mary Elvina Lehman



Funeral service for Mary Elvina Lehman, 76, of Big Spring, will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 10, 2002, at the Nalley-Pickle and Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Don Snipes, pastor of Baptist Temple Church, officiating. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park. Mrs. Lehman died on Wednesday, Aug. 7, at her residence.

She was born on Aug. 31, 1925, in Erath County and married Emiel E. "Lee" Lehman on April 3, 1969, in Beaumont. He preceded her in death on Oct. 1, 1999. She came to Big Spring in 1996 from Carlsbad, N.M. She was a homemaker and was of the Protestant faith.

Survivors include her sisters, Ruth Corley and Margie Ward, both of Big Spring, and Bobbie Buckley of Longview.

The family suggests memorials to Odyssey Hospice, 1510 S. Gregg Street, Big Spring 79720.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Take Note

┐ Kentwood Elementary PTA will be holding a membership drive in conjunction with school registration on Friday, Monday and Tuesday. A representative will be on hand to answer questions and new memberships will be accepted. T-shirt orders will be taken at that time.

┐ A benefit fund has been set up for Chris (Rocky) Tubb at Wells Fargo Bank to help defray the medical bills and assist his wife and child until his long term disability is in effect. He had no short term disability insurance. He was injured in an accident and is in critical condition in ICU in Austin. He is the son of Cindy and David Tubb of Big Spring and graduated from Big Spring High School in 1991.

To make a donation call the bank at 268-6212 or 267-5513.

┐ New student orientation at Howard College continues through Aug. 8. Special sessions are planned for families and non-traditional students and special informational meetings in Spanish are scheduled. Call the dean of students at 264-5028 for more information.

┐ Registration for the fall semester at Howard College is Aug. 19-21. Classes begin Aug. 26 and late registration is Aug. 26-30. A \$10 late fee applies to all students who register late. For more information, call the student assistance center at 264-5083.

┐ The Texas LST/Amphibious Association invites all shipmates, past and present, to the amphibious reunion to be held in San Angelo Oct. 10-13.

For more information contact Bob Garner LST 461, HC 52 Box 362, Hemphill 75948. Send e-mails to TexasLST@aol.com

EMS

The following is a summary of the EMS and Fire Department:

WEDNESDAY

- 2:56 a.m. — 1200 block of E. Sixth, trauma call, service refused.
- 3:14 a.m. — 3700 block of Connally, medical all, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- 6:58 a.m. — 100 block of Lockhart, trauma call, one patient transported to SMMC.
- 11:38 a.m. — 700 block of E. 13th, medical call, one patient transported to VA Medical Center.
- 1:37 p.m. — 400 block of Sunset, trauma call, one patient transported to SMMC.
- 3:33 p.m. — North Hwy. 87, traffic accident, one patient transported to SMMC.
- 3:34 p.m. — 500 block of Birdwell, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.
- 6:15 p.m. — 1000 block of Stadium, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.

Records

Wednesday's high 97	Precip. Wednesday 0.00
Wednesday's low 72	Month to date 0.02
Average high 97	Year to date 8.16
Average low 70	Sunrise Friday 7:06a.m.
Record high 107 in 1952	Sunset Friday 8:36p.m.
Record low 57 in 1989	

Police Blotter

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

• **RANDALL ANDREW AMOS**, 23, of 2314 Roemer was arrested on a charge of driving with an invalid license.

• **JORGE ANTONIO ESCAJEDA**, 26, of 1409 E. Sixth St. was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **KIMBERLY NICOLE HERNANDEZ**, 19, of 907 Wyoming was arrested on three local warrants.

• **TERRY SCOTT DIAZ**, 21, of 1003 N.W. Second St. was arrested on a Howard County Sheriff's warrant.

• **BETTY GILLETTE NEWBERRY**, 34, of 2411 Alabama was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 2500 block of Fairchild Drive. Someone reportedly pried open the front door of the home and stole household goods worth \$400.

• **FORGERY** was reported in the 1500 block of East Fourth Street and the 300 block of South Gregg Street.

• **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 600 block of Holbert Street.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1400 block of West Second Street, the 1000 block of Howell Street, the 500 block of Westover Road and the 800 block of West FM 700.

• **DISTURBANCE OR FIGHT** was reported in the 800 block of Aylesford Street and the 1600 block of Martin Luther King Boulevard.

• **LOUD PARTY/NOISE** was reported in the 1200 block of West Second Street, the 2600 block of Apache Drive, the 1900 block of Wasson Road and the 1500 block of Vines Avenue.

Support Groups

TODAY

• Open Discussion Meeting 615 Settles, 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. Noon Women's Meeting 615 Settles 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Non Smoking Closed Discuss Meeting 615 Settles 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

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.

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.

SUNDAY

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

Note—Closed meeting are for alcoholics only (anyone with a desire to stop drinking). Open meetings are open to anyone. (Friends, relatives, guests, visitors, etc.)

Texas lottery

Texas Lottery drawings Wednesday
Wednesday's Texas Lottery game results:
--- Lotto Texas results Wednesday
3-5-19-42-44-49
No ticket matched all six numbers.
Estimated jackpot Saturday night: \$16 million.
--- Cash 5 numbers Wednesday
3-9-21-27-29
Two tickets matched all five numbers.
Prize per winner: \$18,362.
----- Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday night:
9-6-1
--- Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday afternoon:
1-5-8



Bulletin board

If you have items for the Bulletin board, contact Herald Features Editor Andrea Medlin at 263-7331, ext. 238 or email Johnmoseley@bigspringherald.com.

TODAY

- American Legion Auxiliary 506 meets at 6 p.m. Call 263-2084 for more information.
- Masonic Lodge 1340 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 2101 Lancaster.
- 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

- Free used eyeglasses for adults 9 a.m. to noon at Bob's Custom Woodwork located at 409 E. Third, c/o Big Spring Lion's Club.
- Texas A&M Scholarship Auction will be 5 p.m. Saturday at the Dora Roberts Community Center.
- The Heritage Museum at 510 Scurry is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- 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 703 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.
- Big Spring Commandery 31 meets at the Masonic Temple, 221 1/2 Main. 6:30 p.m. supper.
- Big Spring Assembly 211, Social Order of Beauceant meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Temple located at 221 1/2 Main. 6:30 p.m. supper.
- Concerned Citizens meets at 7 p.m. in the Fiberflex conference room on Bethel Street in the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark. The public is invited.
- Texas Tech Alumni Association monthly meeting will be held 5:30 p.m. at the Sparenberg Building. Plans for fall activities will be discussed.

TUESDAY

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

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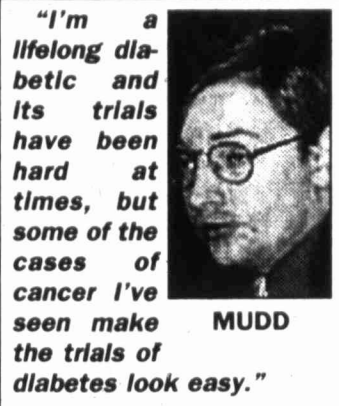
Big Spring native John Mudd working to promote cancer cure book

HERALD Staff Report

When John Mudd was a student at Big Spring High School, all he cared about was skateboarding.

He worked on cars at his step-father Henry's wrecking yard, Ace Wrecking, for extra money and before high school, he would help his cousin Ricky, now president of Mitchem and Sons, hook cars up to be towed.

Now, in what some would consider a strange career twist, he's working in public relations, running his own practice. One of his endeavors is helping a group of virtually unknown authors, including two from Lubbock, get publicity for a



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cancer cure fund-raising book: "The Acorn Gathering: Writers Uniting Against Cancer."

Some may wonder why he's promoting the book for free, especially during

rough economic times. Mudd said he can relate to what cancer sufferers are going through.

"I'm a lifelong diabetic and its trials have been hard at times, but some of the cases of cancer I've seen make the trials of diabetes look easy," said Mudd.

There were approximately 79,700 new cancer cases in Texas for 2002, according to the American Cancer Society.

"The Acorn Gathering: Writers Uniting Against Cancer" authors hope sales of their book will raise a significant amount of money to help victims to become victorious in their fight against cancer. Their dedication is

obvious. "This may be the most important thing I've ever done in my life," said co-author and editor Duane Simolke of Lubbock.

Simolke, who earned his master's degree from Hardin-Simmons University and a doctorate from Texas Tech, has authored several successful works, including "The Acorn Stories," "New Readings of Winesburg, Ohio," and "Degranon."

Other contributors to the book include Jan Chandler, who writes science fiction and poetry; Shawna Chandler, who has written for The Peralta Press, The Journal of the Blue Planet, Coil Magazine and The

Lubbock Magazine; Huda Orfali, author of "Blue Fire," a book of poetry and short fiction and "Flower in the Cold," a collection of short fiction; Bill Wetzel, a published poet working on his first novel; and Timothy Morris Taylor, an educator with a passion for the arts.

All author and editor royalties from the book will go toward funding cancer cure research.

The price is \$11.95 and the book is published by iUniverse, Inc.

For more information on the book, visit the Web site at

<http://acorngathering.gq.nu>

Mudd is a member of the BSHS class of 1993. He received his bachelor's degree in mass communications from the University of South Florida and currently operates Mudd PR and Marketing in Pinellas Park, Fla.

He is the son of Jerry Mudd, Pinellas Park city manager, and Sherry Adams of Big Spring.

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supervised," Thomas explained. "There are a number of grounds that we can keep them, if their crime is bad enough, etc."

Thomas said a first juvenile detention hearing allows the juveniles to be held 10 working days. To continue to hold juveniles without a charge after that time, additional juvenile detention hearings must be held. At each additional hearing, the judge has the option to allow authorities to hold the youth an extra 15 working days. Children in juvenile detention are not eligible for bail, Thomas added.

"But if I just keep going back and back, the judge is going to say, 'Mike, you've got to do something,'" Thomas continued. "He's not just going to let me keep them locked away forever."

The three juveniles currently being held on suspicion of the recent murders of Harlan Patton and Lennon Lane are undergoing psychological evaluation to see if they should be tried as adults, Thomas said.

"The good thing for them if they're tried as adults is that they'll be entitled to bond," he said. "If they're tried as juveniles, we're just going to detain them again. It's kind of funny, but juveniles don't have as many rights as adults when it comes to getting out of jail."

The 10-working-day period ends Tuesday for the 15-year-old suspect in the Patton slaying and Aug. 22 for the 15- and 16-year-old suspects in the Lane murder.

Police also have the right to hold adults up to 24 hours without a charge if they have probable cause to sus-

pect them of a crime, said Big Spring Police Lt. Terry Chamness.

"We use investigative detention when we have enough evidence or probable cause for us to go ahead and take somebody into custody, so they won't leave the jurisdiction where the crime was possibly committed," Chamness said. "We use it to give us time, up to 24 hours, to work on the case and put the information together for the district attorney to get a warrant."

Police can get in trouble if they can't show probable cause before placing a suspect in investigative detention.

"You just can't go out and put somebody in jail," Chamness said. "You better have something to back it up with called probable cause. We have to have probable cause to believe that this person was

involved with this crime, and we have to be able to show that to the district attorney or county attorney."

Investigative detention powers are widely recognized, Chamness added.

"The Supreme Court of the United States has given us that right and most of the states have adopted it," he said. "We don't use it very often here. When I was up north in the Kansas City area, most of the arrests that we made were investigative arrests unless we had a warrant in hand. From there they were charged and the warrant was issued. Down here it's a little bit different the way state law is set up."

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VETERANS

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the number of six-month or older cases we have, so we're not just handling the easy cases to reduce our workload. It's down from a high of 9,000 to just under 6,000."

Lowe also said the office has implemented a "four-signature policy" to help prevent fraud.

"We're paying a rather large amount of attention to security with the awards that we're writing at the Waco office, especially on large payments of \$25,000 or more," he said.

According to the policy, all cases involving large disbursements must be read and signed off on by at least four people, he said.

Brown told the veterans that the VA Medical Center is now employing more than 500 people for the first time ever. The increase in staff is

to handle increased workload, he said.

"Workload is continuing to grow," he said. "We're up with individual veterans about 8 percent this year."

A new teleradiology system — allowing fast reading of X-rays by qualified radiologists based in Phoenix — is right around the corner, and the hospital has hired a second ophthalmologist, who should start work in September or October, Brown said.

Next, veterans asked questions and expressed concerns about everything from calculation of benefits to slow processing of claims to Agent Orange.

One veteran said he was told by his superiors at his discharge from the service not to pursue VA claims.

Lowe promised to speak with him individually and help him if possible.

Hernandez said he once

faced the same situation. "I was told that once, but I still went on," he said. "I signed up for my Agent Orange benefit from when I was in Vietnam because they told me I had a lot of experience and I was in the thick of it. So I filed paperwork on it before they told me not to. Then when I was being discharged they told me, 'Well, you don't have anything to do with the VA because you weren't injured or anything.' I was injured five times."

The meeting was the second of four planned during a three-day tour of West Texas, Brown said.

"We started out in Odessa, a joint effort from the director of the regional office in Waco and myself and staff of the VA hospital in Big Spring," he said. "We went to Odessa last night and we did Big Spring this afternoon. Tonight we're doing

San Angelo and tomorrow night we're doing Abilene. So in a three-day time span we reach out to the majority of the veterans in the West Texas area."

Brown said the VA plans to continue the program in the future.

"Our plans are to continue reaching out to veterans to address their issues or to possibly go to Fort Stockton, or even some of the smaller communities," he said. "I felt like we should hit large population bases before we branch out into the smaller communities around West Texas."

Lowe added that the program has been working quite well so far.

"We have done 46 of these in the last year," he said. "It's been very successful. Each place we go we get information that we need to resolve issues on claims and we are able to explain some

of the decisions that we've made."

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BUDGET

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about \$2.52 million from the district's taxpayers, a \$180,000 increase from last year's levy of \$2.337 million levy.

The district will not be forced to call a roll back election, said Delbert Dickson, Martin County Chief Appraiser, because even if trustees decide to raise taxes to the state cap it will not come close to the effective tax rate.

"The way you figure effective rate is take last year's income levy and divide it into this year's property value," Dickson said.

Holland said the district may be faced with another budget deficit next year.

"We are going to work very hard not to deficit budget in the future," he said. "We are going to have to re-evaluate everything in the future."

Trustees will meet in the school administration build-

ing, 200 N. College St., to discuss the budget during Monday's meeting and have scheduled a budget hearing on Aug. 26.

Following that hearing, the board is expected to adopt the budget and set the tax rate.

Also on Monday's meeting agenda are:

• Consider of change in promotion policy at the ele-

mentary.

• Consider of fiscal 2002-2003 budget.

• Consider fiscal 2002-2003 87-20 special education cooperative budget.

• Consider of 2002 tax rate.

• Consider resignations.

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WISH

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and Disney World seemed like the perfect choice," explained Fox.

Baylea's decision had a deeper meaning as her mother explained.

"They don't really expect my son to make it through his next surgery and my daughter wanted to go

someplace where we could take lots of pictures to remember him by."

Garin left for Orlando, Fla., today along with his mom, this father, David, 11-year-old Baylea, 2-year-old brother, Gage, and his nurse, Marsha Mann.

For more information about Garin's wish, referring a child, or to make a donation contact Executive Director Tracey Stevenson at 550-9474 or send an e-mail to tracey@wish.org.

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OUR VIEWS

Two-a-days: On their way to a job well done

These are truly the dog days of summer. Nonetheless, several hundred high school students throughout the Crossroads area are hard at work toiling in that heat, most taking part in two-a-day drills designed to hone a plethora of skills.

Schoolboy football players have been hard at work in two-a-day practices since Monday, as have volleyball players. They will soon be joined by cross-country team members and tennis players at some schools.

Also hard at work are members of high school bands throughout the area. Just like the athletes in their schools, they have their eyes set on mastering skills that will show up in front of the entire community.

The West Texas sun beats down almost unmercifully in August, even in a year when 100 degree temperatures are less rare than usual.

And while coaches and band directors in the area are scheduling practices at times other than afternoons when the sun scorches most, there's no real escape.

Two-a-days by their nature, even if conducted in air conditioned comfort, are a grueling task.

So why on earth would the young people of this area put themselves through the agony?

It's the desire to be the best they can possibly be at their particular extracurricular endeavor.

We here at the *Herald* believe that's admirable and we want to take this opportunity to salute each and every one of them.

Whatever the upcoming season holds, we believe these young people are clearly on their way to a job well done.

YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:
We really do have a nice Senior Citizen's Center and it was so good to have more than 100 people out there at the dance Friday night.

The folks that come to our dances are the nicest people you would ever want to meet. It makes one very happy to be with such a friendly group.

Cecil Bingham's band "New Company" plays some very good music too.

NORMA PERKINS
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:
We accidentally left a brief case in the parking lot of Wells Fargo Bank on Monday. A very nice woman named Sylvia Smith found it while making a deposit at the bank and Kathy Hernandez left us a note.

Both of these wonderful ladies work at a Town & Country Store here in Big Spring.

If we had not recovered the papers in the brief case, it would have cost us a whole days work. It is people like Sylvia and Kathy that make Big Spring such a great place.

EVE NIETO
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:
I do hope that all of you know what a wonderful country, county and community that you are living in.

In spite of the crime and bad news we read and hear about, there are so many wonderful, caring, kind and thoughtful people here.

We do want to thank all the people and businesses that took part in the golf tournament and made it a success.

Especially do we wish to thank Dale and Denise Coates, Alan and Donna Wright, Jody and Tessa Reid, Jim and Tasha Rinard, Steve and Jean Ann Wolf who worked at the golf tournament, Pops in the Park concession, car wash and arts and crafts booth at Fantastic Fourth. These couples worked and worked endlessly, and we do appreciate it!

Again, we are blessed to have such concerned thoughtful friends, Bob Brock Ford and Hester's Mechanical were great to give the Ford pick-up for a hole-in-one.

We will never forget the love you've shown us.

LOMA JEAN, MARVIN, ELOISE AND MATT WYNN
COAHOMA

A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

When we are feeling down, Lord, please pick us up, put laughter and joy in our life and lead us back onto the right path. Amen

Reward hardship, but not by race

Ever since California voters banned racial preferences in college admissions to state schools in 1996, university administrators have been trying to come up with a way to boost their minority admissions. Now, University of California administrators think they've found a solution.



LINDA CHAVEZ

Give extra points to students who've survived some special hardship. The idea is that black and Hispanic applicants will be more likely to have overcome poverty, discrimination, family breakdown, crime-infested neighborhoods, overcrowding and a host of other barriers to academic success. If the university gives them extra points for having beat the odds, it will help make up for lower average grades and test scores among black and Hispanic applicants.

In principle, there's nothing wrong with a school considering hardship in its admissions decisions, providing the policy really is

race neutral. If a student has truly overcome real adversity, it says something about his character and determination that can be an important indicator of future success, so long as he applies these same qualities to his school work. I've seen firsthand examples of students who did just that.

In the early 1990s, I was chairman of the National Commission on Migrant Education and traveled the country visiting with students whose parents were migrant farm workers. I was always impressed with how hard these kids worked to prevail, despite daunting circumstances. Many of them changed schools two or three times each year, lived in substandard housing, often with several generations and multiple families under the same roof. Yet they stayed in school and earned decent grades. I'm for giving the benefit of the doubt to any student who's managed to thrive under such conditions.

But it's not clear the University of California's new admission policy is aimed at students like these. Instead, the university seems to be inviting all black and Hispanic students to cast themselves as victims of misfortune, with

the explicit purpose of beefing up black and Hispanic enrollment. Even middle class and affluent blacks and Hispanics will search for ways to make their lives appear difficult in the hopes of boosting their admission odds. Meanwhile, some campuses seem to be applying double standards when it comes to judging what constitutes hardship.

The Wall Street Journal reported recently that UCLA apparently gave no special "hardship" consideration to one Korean student who helped nurse his mother through a bout with breast cancer, working after school to pay the family's rent, while admitting a Mexican American student who had a nearly identical story but whose test scores were 390 points lower than the Korean student's.

Although the university refused to explain why it treated the applicants differently, it appears race played some role. The school's admissions figures bear this out. With "hardship" consideration now a formal factor in admissions, the numbers of black and Hispanic students have jumped dramatically for the incoming freshman class, with 9 percent more Hispanics and 19 percent more blacks admitted to

UCLA in the fall, and fewer whites and Asians.

The Pacific Legal Foundation, a public interest law firm, has asked the university for its admissions data to determine whether race is really masquerading as "hardship" in the university's admissions decisions. If so, it would violate the 1996 law that banned racial preferences.

Most of us admire the individual who overcomes great odds, pulls himself up by his bootstraps and succeeds in the face of misfortune. But it shouldn't matter what color the person's skin is.

A few years ago, the film "October Sky" celebrated the story of a group of young West Virginia boys, the sons of coal miners, who built a rocket in the 1950s and won a national science contest and then went on to college, the first in their families to do so. They faced poverty and prejudice, but overcame it. Should we ignore these boys' struggles and achievements just because they were white? If the University of California is really interested in rewarding character in its admissions policy, it shouldn't treat hardship differently depending on the race of the applicant.

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You can't say that business is good

Anybody who believes the bilge that the "basic structure" of the economy is strong must be reading the funny papers rather than the business section.



CHARLEY REESE

Business is bad. In some instances it's terrible, but there are hardly any instances where you would describe it as good. It reminds me of the old story about a monk in a monastery where everyone had to take a vow of silence. Only once every five years were they allowed to speak two words to the abbot.

At the end of the first five years, a monk said, "Food. Bad."

At the end of the second five years, the same monk said, "Bed. Hard."

Finally, at the end of 15 years, the monk said, "I quit."

"Well," replied the abbot.

"I'm not surprised. After all, you've done nothing for 15 years but complain."

I recognize that I was a pessimist throughout the dot com bubble, and I'll be a pessimist throughout the new real-estate bubble. What people had better worry about before buying a house is the security of their jobs, not the interest rate. Even a mortgage payment at 6.5 percent is hard to pay if you're on unemployment, and I don't see any great recovery in the job market in the near future. Furthermore, houses don't appreciate indefinitely. They sometimes depreciate.

In the fine print of most mortgages is a paragraph that allows the mortgage lender to call the loan at the lender's own discretion. If banks and mortgage lenders get into trouble, a lot of them will do that, and most homeowners simply can't cough up the balance on 30 days' notice. That means they will end up in the street.

That happened during the Great Depression, and yes, I know, "everybody" says a

depression is no longer possible in the United States, although nobody has ever satisfactorily explained to me why it is not. They're having a depression in Argentina, and they are close to one in Japan. What magic will protect us if excess supply of practically everything crashes head-on into shrinking demand? What will happen if all those foreigners holding all those dollars decide they would be better off putting their money somewhere else?

It is a good thing that the politicians got scared enough to pass some tougher laws regulating big business. What has been going on is pure and simple theft, though nobody seems to want to call it that. Still, I've complained for some time that our big problem is that the American elite has become corrupt. I just hope fear of new penalties might overcome greed, but I'm not looking for any moral revival among America's elite.

For one thing, lying has become so generally accepted that some people get

indignant if you call them on it (Bill Clinton, for example). And, to use the phrase of Bill Bennett, deviancy had been defined down to normality.

The other night I saw a segment on a TV show about an off-Broadway "play" in which nude men tie their genitals into different shapes. The tenor of the discussion was that this is now the norm and nobody should complain about it. After all, it is amusing, and audiences are paying \$100 a ticket to see it, a critic said.

Why? Well, who knows what people cut loose from all moral standards might find amusing. I would suggest again that you rent the video of Federico Fellini's movie "Satyricon." Clear out the children and keep some anti-nausea medicine handy, as you'll see a clear picture of modern decadence — even though Fellini's film is set in the Roman Empire.

Write to Charley Reese at P.O. Box 2446, Orlando, FL 32802.



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Binge drinking common in college groups

Dear Annie: As children pack for college this month, parents will worry about their safety. An American Medical Association study found that one aspect of college life which parents worry about is binge drinking.

It's true that drinking is often considered a rite of passage for many college students, but it is one that can severely disrupt student life, the college environment and the surrounding neighborhoods. An estimated 1,400 college students die each year from alcohol-related injuries.

For nearly 10 years, research from the Harvard School of Public Health College Alcohol Study has consistently shown the damage a drink can do. Binge drinking is defined as five drinks in a row for a man, four for a woman. At the center of binge drinking are the fraternities, sororities and intercollegiate sports. Here are some startling statistics from our latest survey of 10,000 students at 119 colleges:

75 percent of fraternity and sorority house residents binge drink;

57 percent of male and 48 percent of female athletes are binge drinkers;

54 percent of college students living off campus without their parents were binge drinkers;

48 percent of all the alcohol college students drink is consumed by those below the legal drinking age.

Some would have you believe that the problem isn't widespread and that there have been major successes in curbing it.



ANNIE'S MAILBOX

However, the overall binge-drinking rate has remained at 44 percent for eight years running.

Unpleasant facts are hard to face, but we cannot begin to address this problem until we admit that it exists. For more information on college binge drinking, visit www.hsph.harvard.edu/cas. — Henry Wechsler, Ph.D., Director, Harvard School of Public Health College Alcohol Studies

Dear Dr. Wechsler: Thank you for writing. While some fraternities, sororities and athletic organizations have taken steps to deal with alcohol abuse, many others look the other way and consider it a normal part of college life. Too bad.

Dear Annie: I have been married to "Phyllis" for 16 years. I love her, but I cannot stand the way her family talks about me. What's worse, Phyllis encourages them to think poorly of me. I would never permit my family to say unkind things about my wife, and I don't

understand why Phyllis doesn't feel the same.

We recently spent a week at my parents' summer house. As soon as we returned home, Phyllis got on the phone to her mother complaining endlessly about how I ignored her and spent too much time with my parents. This isn't true. I took Phyllis shopping, for long walks and out to dinner. She told me repeatedly that she was having a wonderful time.

Phyllis bad-mouths me to her folks, and when they criticize me, she doesn't come to my defense. I've asked Phyllis to see a marriage counselor, but she refuses. Now what? — Fed Up in Georgia

Dear Fed Up: Now you see the counselor without her. Phyllis needs to show more respect for you and for your marriage. A counselor can help you work through these issues and make some decisions about your future. Sixteen years is a big investment and ought to be worth saving. Get going.

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Tips on choosing child safety seats

Listed below is some information about safety seats.

• Infants until at least 1 year of age and at least 20 pounds should be in a rear-facing child safety seat.
• Never use a household carrier to transport your



KATIE WALKER

child.
• Toddlers more than 1-year-old and between 20 and 40 pounds can be in a forward-facing child safety seat.

• Children between 40 and about 60 to 80 pounds should be in a booster seat.
• Children over 80 pounds can fit in a lap/shoulder belt.
• Never put an infant in the front seat of a vehicle when an air bag is present.
• Children 12 and under should always ride in the back seat of a vehicle prop-

erly restrained.
During the Howard County Fair which is set for August 21-24, I will have a booth pertaining to child safety seats.

If you have any questions about your car seat or if your seat is installed properly, please contact me at the Extension Office, 915-264-2236.

If you would like to stop by the office and let me look at your child seat to see if it is installed properly, please feel free to do that also.

2002 Property Tax Rates in HOWARD COUNTY

This notice concerns 2002 property tax rates for HOWARD COUNTY. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

	General Fund	Farm to Market Flood Control Fund	Special Road/Bridge Fund
Last year's tax rate:			
Last year's operating taxes	\$4,074,942		\$769,695
Last year's debt taxes	\$134,419		
Last year's total taxes	\$4,209,361		\$769,695
Last year's tax base	\$1,183,268,960		\$1,183,268,960
Last year's total tax rate	\$0.35574/\$100	\$100	\$0.06500/\$100
This year's effective tax rate:			
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$4,199,304		\$767,857
= This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$1,131,577,846		\$1,131,577,846
= This year's effective tax rate	\$0.37110/\$100	/\$100	\$0.06785/\$100
Total effective tax rate	\$0.43895/\$100		
x 1.03 = maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearing	\$0.45211/\$100		

In the first year a county collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, it must insert the following lines unless its first adjustment was made last year.

Sales tax adjustment rate	\$ /\$100
= Effective tax rate	\$ /\$100

This year's rollback tax rate:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$4,065,228		\$767,857
= This year's adjusted tax base	\$1,131,577,846		\$1,131,577,846
= This year's effective operating rate	\$0.35925/\$100		\$0.06785/\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$0.38799/\$100	/\$100	\$0.07327/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$0.01232/\$100	/\$100	/\$100
= This year's rollback rate for each fund	\$0.40031/\$100	/\$100	\$0.07327/\$100
This year's total rollback rate	\$0.47358/\$100	/\$100	/\$100

Statement of Increase/Decrease
If Howard County adopts a 2002 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.43895 per \$100 of value, taxes would INCREASE compared to 2001 taxes by \$6,903.

Schedule A - Unencumbered Fund Balances
The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
General Fund	\$3,000,000

Schedule B - 2002 Debt Service
The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payments
General Obligations S Bond Series 1995	\$70,000	\$71,630		\$141,630
Total required for 2002 debt service			\$141,630	
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A			\$0	
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources			\$0	
- Excess collections last year			\$5,800	
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2002			\$135,830	
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 97.00% of its taxes in 2002			\$4,201	
= Total Debt Levy			\$140,031	

Schedule C - Expected Revenue from Additional Sales Tax
(For hospital districts, cities and counties with additional sales tax to reduce property taxes.)
In calculating its effective and rollback tax rates, the unit estimated that it will receive \$_____ in additional sales and use tax revenues. For County: The county has excluded any amount that is or will be distributed for economic development grants from this amount of expected sales tax revenue.

Schedule D - State Criminal Justice mandate (For Counties)
The _____ County Auditor certifies that _____ County has spent \$_____ in the previous 12 months beginning _____, for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. _____ County Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.

Schedule E - Transfer of Department, Function or Activity
The _____ spent \$_____ from _____ to _____ on the _____ The _____ operates this function in all or a majority of the _____ (Second Year of Transfer. Modify schedule to show comparison of amount this year and preceding year by unit receiving the function.)

Schedule F - Enhanced Indigent Health Care Expenditures
The _____ spent \$_____ from _____ to _____ on enhanced indigent health care at the increased minimum eligibility standards, less the amount of state assistance. For the current tax year, the amount of increase above last year's enhanced indigent health care expenditures is \$_____

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 315 Main (County Annex Bldg) Big Spring, Texas
Name of person preparing this notice Kathy A Sayles
Title Tax Assessor Collector
Date prepared August 6, 2002

Pain sufferers find relief without drugs

BEAUMONT — Most of us know it only once in awhile, like when the flu hits. Achy all over, muscles stiff, head throbbing, fatigued.

But suffering like this for some people is persistent. Doctors and researchers are recognizing an increase in fibromyalgia — pain all the time.

"It's almost like having arthritis in the muscles, so activity can make it worse but so does inactivity," said Jana Windle, director of the pain management program at Health South.

"It's a matter of learning appropriate exercise, and how to pace yourself and deal with the depression that often comes with persistent pain."

Also referred to as chronic pain, the American

Geriatrics Society prefers the term "persistent pain." An AGS experts panel determined that the term chronic pain "connotes negative images and stereotypes often associated with ... futility in treatment, or drug-seeking behavior."

However, fibromyalgia (also spelled fibromyalgia by some medical sources) can hit just about any age, its causes are unknown though there are many suspects in the lineup, and, one does not always need drugs to overcome.

"It started in my back, shoulders and neck about seven or eight years ago. It gradually got worse and began spreading," said Becky Estep, 49, who suffers from chronic headaches.

Because she is allergic to many drugs, even aspirin, Estep's rheumatologist referred her to the Health South Pain Management Clinic in search of a non-pharmacological solution.

It came in the form of biofeedback and stretching.

Before the onslaught of fibromyalgia, Estep went sailing, swimming and played golf with her husband. She was fortunate in that she is a graphic artist who works as a freelancer from home, so could juggle her schedule as the pain came and went.

"It's hard to get people motivated. I have a hard time just getting people up and moving. They don't believe how a little exercise is going to relieve the pain."

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Baseball players agree to steroid testing

NEW YORK (AP) — Baseball players ended decades of opposition to mandatory drug testing Wednesday by agreeing to be checked for illegal steroids starting next year.

Under the proposal, which addresses one of the key issues in contract talks, players would be subjected to one or more unannounced tests in 2003 to determine the level of steroid use. If the survey showed "insignificant" use, a second round of tests would be set up in 2004 to verify the results.

If more than 5 percent of the tests were positive in either survey, players

would be randomly tested for two years.

The union did not say what penalties, if any, would be levied against players who test positive for steroids.

"We had an obligation to bargain on it. It was a serious issue," union head Donald Fehr said. "It took a lot of time and effort and thought."

Rob Manfred, the owners' top labor lawyer, characterized the proposal as "very significant."

"It is the kind of proposal that will put us very easily on the path to a very timely agreement," he said.

He said a counterproposal could be ready as early as Thursday. The plan the owners put forth in February called for far more extensive testing. Players would be tested three times a year for steroids and other performance-enhancing drugs, and once a year for illegal drugs such as cocaine.

Former MVPs Jose Canseco and Ken Caminiti admitted steroid use earlier this year, and Canseco estimated that up to 85 percent of all major leaguers took muscle-enhancing drugs during the years he played, 1985 to 2001.

"As players, we want to be able to clear our name from what Caminiti and Canseco said," Toronto's Vernon Wells said. "Unfortunately, we have to prove our innocence. If none of that happened we wouldn't have to do this."

Fehr wouldn't say how widespread support for testing was among players. USA Today reported last month that it surveyed 750 players in June and that 79 percent of those responding supported independent testing for steroid use.

Player reps discussed the proposal in a conference call Tuesday.

Astros move to within one game of Central lead

HOUSTON (AP) — Roy Oswalt pitched three-hit ball for eight innings and Jeff Bagwell homered and doubled, leading the Houston Astros past the Florida Marlins 7-2 Wednesday night.

Daryle Ward and Geoff Blum each drove in two runs as Houston won its fourth straight and 12th in its last 15.

Oswalt (13-6) allowed two unearned runs, struck out four and walked three. Oswalt is 6-1 in his last seven decisions.

A.J. Burnett (11-8), who leads the National League with five complete games and the majors with four shutouts, gave up five earned runs in six innings.

Bagwell hit his 20th home run to lead off the second inning and give the Astros a 1-0 lead.

In the fourth, Bagwell doubled to drive in Lance Berkman, then scored on Ward's single to make it 3-0.

Oswalt didn't allow a hit the first four innings. In the fifth, Preston Wilson reached on a throwing error by shortstop Julio Lugo that allowed Wilson to go to second. Juan Encarnacion followed with an RBI double and scored on Luis Castillo's infield grounder, making it 3-2.

The Astros scored four times in the sixth. Ward had another RBI single and Orlando Merced reached on a throwing error that let Bagwell score. Blum drove in two more with a triple.

Dobbs among seven to be enshrined in PRCA Hall of Fame this Saturday

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

The wait will finally come to an end Saturday afternoon for Coahoma's Quail Dobbs. Finally, after more than two months of buildup, his Hall of Fame ticket will be punched.

Dobbs is one of seven people being inducted into the Professional Rodeo Cowboy Association's Hall of Fame this weekend in Colorado Springs, CO.

Dobbs, who retired in 1998, starred on the PRCA circuit for 25 years, working some of the top events in the United States and Canada. During his career, he earned numerous accolades, including winning the Coors' Barrel Man of the Year four times and the PRCA Rodeo Clown of the Year on three separate occasions. He worked the National Finals Rodeo in Cheyenne, Wyo., for two decades, and spent a quarter of a century entertaining and protecting cowboys at the Houston Livestock and Rodeo.

Dobbs actually found out he would be inducted into the Hall of Fame in June at the 2002 Howard County Rodeo.

Other inductees are: calf roper Joe Beaver, Huntville, TX; bull rider Gary Leffew, Santa Maria, Calif.; the late Jake McClure, a Lovington, N.M., calf roper; the late Jay Sisler, a rodeo performer from Emmett, Idaho; the late Clyde Vamvoras, a



Quail Dobbs, center, will be one of seven Professional Rodeo Cowboy Association legends to be enshrined in the PRCA Hall of Fame this weekend in Colorado Springs, CO. Dobbs, a Coahoma resident, spent 25 years on the circuit as a rodeo clown.

bareback rider born in Lake Charles, La.; and the late Edith Happy Connelly, a trick rider from northern California.

Beaver, a 36-year-old calf and team roper, has qualified for the Wrangler National Finals Rodeo 17 times and is the all-time career money winner with more than \$2 million in winnings since 1985.

"I thought for a long time that I'd be dead before I made it in," Beaver said Tuesday of the Hall of Fame. "But to make it in now and having my family be able to come is nice."

The ceremony will be held in conjunction with the Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo, continuing through Sunday at the World Arena.

Injuries hitting Cowboys, Texans hard in preseason

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Dallas Cowboys defensive end Peppi Zellner has a strained left groin and could be sidelined for up to four weeks and offensive tackle Flozell Adams could be out even longer with a knee sprain.

Adams and Zellner could miss the rest of training camp and the Sept. 8 season opener at Houston.

Zellner's absence clears the way for Ebenezer Ekuban to regain the starting job he lost when injured last season.

The Cowboys said Wednesday that Adams' right knee sprain is more serious than previously

thought. After an MRI exam Tuesday night, team doctors determined that the team's designated franchise player will be out 4-6 weeks. Initially, Adams was only expected to miss the rest of this week.

"He could be ready for the first game," coach Dave Campo said.

Adams is the third offensive line starter on the injury list. Guard Larry Allen is still recovering from offseason shoulder surgery and guard Kelvin Garmon is being limited after a concussion. Also hurting are reserve tackles Aaron Gibson (sprained left medial collat-

eral ligament), the NFL's first admitted 400-pounder, and rookie Tyson Walter (sprained left ankle).

Adams was an unrestricted free agent during the offseason when the Cowboys tagged him their first-ever franchise player. The 6-foot-7, 357-pound tackle, who is in his fifth season, was given a one-year salary equal to the average of the NFL's five highest-paid offensive linemen, just under \$5 million.

"He was having the best camp he's had since he's been here," Campo said.

Zellner took over the starting job at right defensive end after Ekuban

injured his back in the first half of last year's season opener and didn't play again. Zellner became a solid force, with 51 tackles and 22 quarterback pressures for the Cowboys defense that ranked fourth in the NFL.

Injuries have been a major topic for the Houston Texans, too. Houston lost Leomont Evans for an undetermined time because of a bruised spinal cord suffered in the team's preseason game with the New York Giants.

The Texans also lost offensive tackle Ryan Young for the year because of a groin injury.

Rangers put Chan Ho on 15-day DL

DETROIT (AP) — The Texas Rangers placed starting pitcher Chan Ho Park on the 15-day disabled list with a blister Wednesday and recalled reliever Juan Alvarez from their Triple-A affiliate in Oklahoma City.

Park, who is 4-6 with a 7.14 ERA, left Tuesday's start in Detroit after three innings with a blister on the middle finger of his pitching hand.

Park was also on the disabled list from April 2 through May 12 with a pulled hamstring. He had never been on the DL until this season, his first since leaving the Los Angeles Dodgers and signing a \$65 million, five-year contract as a free agent with the Texas Rangers.



Big Spring High School football coaches continue to put their respective teams through preseason drills this week in an effort to prepare for the team's Aug. 30 season opener. The Steers will don pads for the first time Friday.

Former UT coach in court to defend against defamation suit

AUSTIN (AP) — Former Texas coach Tom Penders is in court this week to defend himself against a charges of libel and slander.

Former UT assistant Eddie Oran sued Penders in 2000 alleging Penders defamed his character in the aftermath of the release of a player's grades to a local radio station.

Testimony began Tuesday before Travis County Judge Susan Covington.

Oran seeks damages for loss of income, loss of his employment at UT, personal humiliation, and mental anguish and suffering.

He also says he lost the opportunity to continue coaching at the major-college level. Oran now works for an Austin-area automobile dealership.

In 1998, the grades of former Texas player Luke Axtell were released to

KVET-AM in violation of the Buckley Amendment, which protects a student's constitutional right to privacy.

Axtell, who transferred to Kansas, sued Capstar Texas Limited Partnership, the parent company of KVET-AM. In statements under oath in the Axtell suit, Oran said he took the blame for the release of the grades to protect Penders.

Oran was disciplined and lost a week's salary. After Penders resigned after taking a settlement from UT, Oran was not retained by new coach Rick Barnes.

Although he initially took responsibility for releasing Axtell's grades to KVET, Oran testified at his deposition that he was merely carrying out Penders' orders by instructing the basketball secretary to fax the report.

IN BRIEF

Hunter Education Course scheduled

A Hunter Education Course will be offered by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department on Aug. 10-11.

Every Texas hunter born on or after Sept. 2, 1971, must successfully complete a Hunter Education Training Course. The minimum age of certification is 12 years of age.

The class will be held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on both days in the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce building, located at the corner of Third and Gregg.

For more information or to pre-register call Boyce Hale at 267-6957 or stop by Dibrell's Gun Shop.

Non-denominational touney is scheduled

The inaugural Non-denominational Softball Tournament is scheduled for August 16-17 at Cotton Mize Field in Big Spring.

The tournament is open to any church-sponsored team.

First, second and third-place teams will receive trophies. The top two squads will also earn t-shirts. Overall, 10 all-tournament spots will be awarded along with one MVP and one gold glove award.

Registration is set at \$110 per team. Entry deadline is Wednesday, Aug. 13.

For more information contact Christy at (915) 268-1677 or (915) 816-3717.

New Breed touney slated for Aug. 23

The New Breed Softball Tournament will be held Aug. 23-25 at the Cotton Mize Softball Field. The tournament is a tune-up for the 2002 LULAC event set for later this year.

Entry fee for the New Breed touney is \$115.

For more information contact Amador Rios at (915) 264-6632 or (915) 263-1391.

New officers elected for basketball club

The Big Spring Steers Boys Basketball Booster Club elected its officers for the upcoming 2002-2003 year Tuesday night during its meeting in the BSHS gymnasium.

Re-elected as president is Myrna Russell. Cindy Grant was selected as the club's vice-president, while Christine Boling and Linda Weaver retained their positions as secretary and treasurer, respectively.

The club also announced plans to repaint the BSHS boys' locker room and to purchase padded chairs for the upcoming season.

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 at 8 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 26, at the Comanche Trail Amphitheater. The pep rally will recognize all Big Spring fall sports athletes.

For more information about the club or its upcoming events contact Jim Clements at 267-1069 or Randy Phillips at 263-5314.

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Ramsey inks 5-year deal with 'Skins

CARLISLE, Pa. (AP) — One day after his rights were nearly traded to the Chicago Bears, first-round draft pick Patrick Ramsey agreed to a five-year, \$5.7 million deal with the Washington Redskins on Wednesday, according to a football source.

The Tulane quarterback will receive a \$3.1 million signing bonus, the source said on condition of anonymity.

The signing ended a 16-day holdout for the last pick in the first round of April's draft. The pace of negotiations so frustrated the Redskins that they contemplated trading Ramsey's rights to the Bears, with discussions extending well into the night Tuesday.

Ramsey's agent, Jimmy Sexton, said he actually had a contract agreement with the Bears in anticipation of the trade.

"It took us about five minutes to get a contract deal with Chicago," Sexton said. "We had our deal in place."

In contrast to the quick negotiations with the Bears, Ramsey and his agent had long, arduous talks with the Redskins. The two sides differed on how Ramsey would be paid if he were to become the starting quarterback.

The final agreement includes escalators that could make the contract worth up to \$15 million should Ramsey become the regular starter. The escalators would start to take effect the first year Ramsey takes more than 50 percent of the regular season snaps.

That's unlikely to happen this season. Coach Steve Spurrier downplayed Ramsey's chances of winning the starting job this year, even before the holdout. Now that Ramsey has missed most of the training camp, he is likely to spend the season watching some combination of Shane Matthews, Sage Rosenfels and Danny Wuerffel.

Even if Ramsey were to practice Wednesday afternoon, Spurrier said he would not play Saturday at Carolina.

"Obviously you can't get four quarterbacks ready to play," Spurrier said. "It's hard to get three. We've been rotating three, and it's worked out pretty well in practice. But now we're getting closer to the season, you start rotating two."

U.S. asks ISU for ethics panel

With the sport reeling from accusations of an Olympic fix, the U.S. Figure Skating Association is calling for an independent ethics commission.

Now, USFSA president Phyllis Howard sent International Skating Union head Ottavio Cincuenta a letter asking that such a commission be formed "with all deliberate speed."

"I am concerned that there is a residual effect here, that people have in their minds that it is a corrupt sport," Howard, a member of the ISU council, said Wednesday.

"I do think it's very important the ISU deal with this in such a way that it puts to rest any perception that skating is a corrupt sport."

Such a board could look into questions about the Salt Lake City Games, but also any future ethical problems.

Burba re-signs with Cleveland

CLEVELAND (AP) — Pitcher Dave Burba, who won 15 or more games for Cleveland in three straight seasons, signed a minor league contract with the Indians on Wednesday.

Burba, 36, struggled with Texas this season and was released by the Rangers last week. He was 4-5 with a 5.42 ERA and allowed 125 hits in 111 innings.

Burba was to join the Akron Aeros on Friday.



By BETTY DEBNAM

The Sunflower State

Kansas From A to Z



The great fields of wheat in Kansas have earned it the nickname Breadbasket of America. It is also one of the top manufacturers of non-military airplanes in the U.S. It also produces oil and gas.

For hundreds of years Native Americans farmed and hunted buffalo there. The Spanish explored the area but did not settle it. Later the French claimed much of the area and sold it to the U.S. as part of the Louisiana Purchase.

In the years before the Civil War, people called it "Bleeding Kansas" because so many battles were fought between pro- and anti-slavery groups. Kansas voted to enter the Union as a free state where slavery was illegal. It became a state in 1861.

Today it is the 32nd most populated state, with more than 2 1/2 million people.



Kansas is also known as the Sunflower State. Millions of these giant flowers grow throughout many areas. The seeds are often made into cooking oil.

Agriculture is a top industry, with about 90 percent of the land area used for farming. It is one of the main wheat-growing and cattle-raising states in the U.S. Sorghum, hay and corn are also top farm products. Buffalo meat is becoming popular.

Kansas has been called the Air capital of the world. Several aircraft companies, such as Cessna, Boeing and Learjet, began there. About 50 companies have built aircraft there.

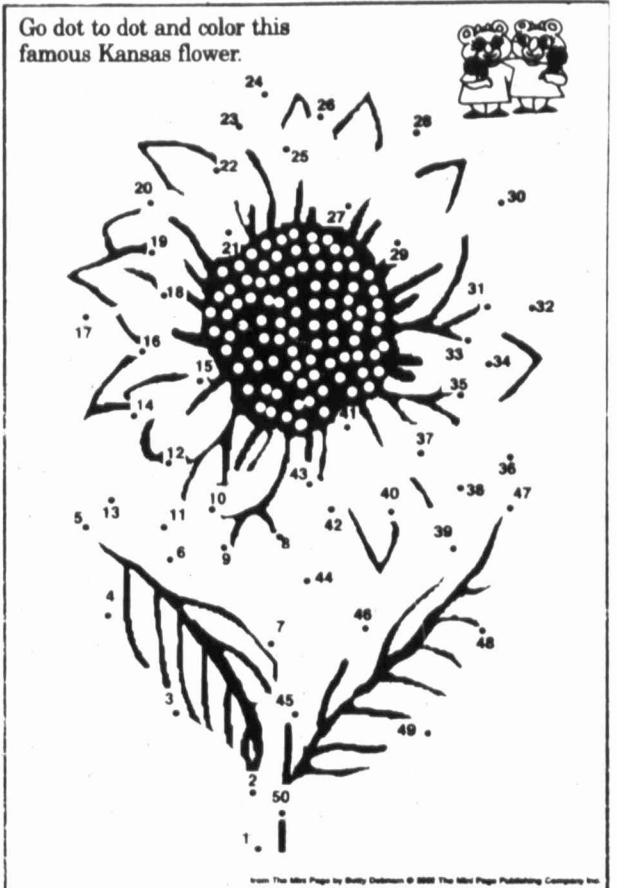
Famous pilots such as Amelia Earhart came from Kansas. The Mid-America Air Museum in Liberal has one of the top collections of aircraft in the U.S.

The Kansas Barbed Wire Museum in La Crosse shows how important this fencing was to settling the Plains.

Cawker City is the site of the world's largest ball of twine.

The Chisholm Trail was built for cowboys herding big cattle herds from Texas to Abilene. From there cattle were shipped by train to the north and east.

Dodge City was legendary for its Wild West cowboys and gunslingers, including Wyatt Earp, Wild Bill Hickok, Doc Holliday and Bat Masterson.



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Gus Goodsport's Report Supersport: Marquis Grissom

Height: 5-11 Weight: 190 Birthdate: 4-17-67 College: Florida A&M

Marquis Grissom has played major league baseball since 1989. He is in his second year playing center field for the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Before joining the Dodgers, he played for the Milwaukee Brewers, the Cleveland Indians, the Atlanta Braves and the Montreal Expos.

His best year was in 1996, when he batted .308 for the Braves. Last year he had 21 home runs.

Marquis was born in Atlanta and is one of 15 children. He and his wife, Daphne, have two sons and a daughter. He donates time to youth baseball teams, the Boys and Girls Clubs, and the YMCA in Atlanta. His hobbies include fishing and drawing.

Meet Toby Keith

While growing up, Toby Keith would listen to musicians perform at a club his grandmother owned. That sparked an interest in country music, and he started playing the guitar when he was 8. Today he is a top country singer.

Toby, 41, was born Toby Keith Covell in Clinton, Okla. Before working on his singing career, he worked in the oil industry and as a pro football player.

He started off by playing in country-rock bands. He then formed his own band. After deciding to become a solo singer, he released his first album in 1993.

Toby and his wife, Tricia, have two daughters, Krystal and Shelley, and a son, Stelen.

Mighty Funny's Mini Jokes

All the following jokes have something in common. Can you guess the common theme or category?

Lucy: What happens when you ask an oyster a personal question?
Larry: It clams up!

Andy: Why couldn't the crab learn to share?
Angela: Because it was shellfish!

Gary: Where did the octopus enlist?
Gina: The armed forces!

KANSAS TRY 'N FIND

Words and names that remind us of Kansas are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. See if you can find: CHISHOLM, EMPORIA, PRAIRIE, GREYHOUND, EISENHOWER, CUSTER, JAYHAWKS, STATE, FORT, NASCART, COWTOWN, QUIVIRA, KANSAS, TOPEKA, SALT, SEDAN, ZOO.

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Mini Spy ...

Mini Spy and her friends are in a prairie grass preserve in Kansas. See if you can find:

- letter C • question mark • button
- fish • strainer • pineapple • spool of thread • three stars
- word MINI
- elephant head
- letter A
- sock
- duck
- banana
- lips
- alligator
- dolphin
- safety pin
- groundhog
- number 3
- frog

More About Kansas

The Eisenhower Center in Abilene is at President Eisenhower's boyhood home. Emporia is the site of the National Teachers Hall of Fame.

The Flint Hills contain the only original tallgrass prairie left in the U.S. The Tallgrass Prairie National Preserve is the only national parkland preserving this type of environment.

The Greyhound Hall of Fame is in Abilene.

Fort Hays was where Gen. George Custer, Buffalo Bill Cody and Wild Bill Hickock served.

Independence was the site of Laura Ingalls Wilder's book "Little House on the Prairie."

Jayhawks is the nickname for Kansans. Jayhawkers were people who came to Kansas to fight against its becoming a slave state.

Kansas was the name of Native-Americans living in the area, and where the state got its name. The name means "People of the South Wind." Other Native Americans include the Iowa, Sac and Fox, Kickapoo, Potawatomie, Wichita, Osage and Pawnee.

Fort Leavenworth is the oldest continuously operating fort west of the Mississippi River. It was built in 1827 and served as headquarters for the Buffalo Soldiers, or African-American cavalry.

Manhattan is the site of the American Museum of Baking. Exhibits include bread baked in Egypt 3,800 years ago.

One of the newest **NASCAR** race tracks in the U.S. opened in 2001 in Kansas City.

Old Cowtown Museum recreates life as it was when Wichita was a wild cattle town along the Chisholm Trail in the 1870s.

The only unchanged **Pony Express** station still at its original location is the Hollenberg Station near Hanover.

The Quivira and Cheyenne Bottoms wildlife refuges, both near Great Bend, are gathering places for hundreds of species of birds, including the bald eagle, whooping crane and peregrine falcon.

Cheyenne Bottoms attracts almost half of the migrating shorebirds in North America.

More Russian space objects than anywhere else in the Western world are at the Kansas Cosmosphere and Space Center in Hutchinson. It also has the world's biggest collection of spacesuits.

One of the biggest **Salt** deposits in the world is in Hutchinson, with more than 300,000 tons of rock salt mined there each year.

Topeka is the capital. It is famous partly because of the 1954 U.S. Supreme Court decision, *Brown v. Topeka Board of Education*. This case brought about the desegregation of all U.S. public schools.

The Underground Railroad, which helped slaves flee to the north, was strong in Kansas. John Brown, a fierce abolitionist, led some of his earliest bloody battles to free the slaves in Kansas.

Visitors flock to the state for pheasant and quail hunting, and for crappie, bass, walleye and catfish fishing.

Wichita is the largest city, with about 345,000 people. It started as a cattle town in the frontier, and grew to become a center for aviation.

The Xiphactinus audux is a fossil of a fish that swam in the oceans covering Kansas about 8 million years ago. It and other fossils can be seen at the Fick Fossil and History Museum in Oakley.

A real **Yellow brick road** goes through Sedan. In the movie "The Wizard of Oz," a cyclone whisks Dorothy away from Kansas to a magical land over the rainbow.

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THURSDAY

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6:30	News Fortune	King of the Hill Raymond	Cyberchase Zoboombaloo	Home Videos Home Videos	News Ent. Tonight	News (CC) Fortune	News Seinfeld (CC)	Janita Braves at Arizona	El Juego de la Vida	Movie: Jumping Ship	Real TV (CC) Real TV (CC)	(15) Slow Burn	Draw Carey's Improv Stars	...	Update With John Hagee	Law & Order (CC)	Chile, Land of Extremes	Law & Order (CC)	Secrets of Forensic Science
7:30	Movie: Excess	Beyond Belief	Antiques: UK	Movie: Mr. Wonderful	Big Brother 3 (CC)	Movie: Excess	Friends (CC) Scrubs (CC)	Diamond-backs (CC)	Salome (SS)	(CC) Movie: Next Gen.	Star Trek: Next Gen.	(CC) ...	Movie: The Queens of	Hard Knocks	Biblical Israel Update	Biography (CC)	Hollywood Haunts	Law & Order (CC)	Medical
8:30	Baggage (CC)	Pulse (CC)	Life 360 (CC)	...	CSI: Crime Son	Baggage (CC)	Will & Grace Just Shoot Me	Movie: Lethal Weapon (CC)	El Privilegio de Amar	Prince for a Day (CC)	Movie: Hoosiers	Movie: Return to Me (CC)	Comedy (CC) Stand Up	Two Can Play That Game	Light of the Southwest	Movie: Armadillo	Haunting-Plantation	Movie: Pale Rider (CC)	Living With Bugs
9:30	Premetime Thursday	Cops (CC) Blind Date	Wide Angle (CC)	Whose Line? Whose Line?	Agency (CC)	Premetime Thursday	ER (CC)	...	Aqui y Ahora	Movie: Parent Trap II (CC)	Star Trek: Next Gen.	Movie: Big Night	Kings of Comedy (CC)	G-String Divas Def Poetry	Hour of Healing	...	Hollywood Haunts	Movie: Pale Rider (CC)	Medical
10:30	News Nightline	Jerry Springer (CC)	News: Lehrer	700 Club (CC)	News (35) Late	News (CC) Nightline	News (35) Tonight	(20) Movie:	P. Impacto Noticiero Univ.	Trap II (CC)	Star Trek: Next Gen.	Movie: Big Night	Kings of Comedy (CC)	G-String Divas Def Poetry	Hour of Healing	...	Hollywood Haunts	Movie: Pale Rider (CC)	Medical
11:30	Up Close Hollywood Sq	Suddenly Spin City (CC)	Children's Hospital (CC)	Who's Boss? Who's Boss?	Show (CC) (37) Late Late	Ent. Tonight Up Close	Show (CC) (37) Late	First Daughter	En las Mejores Familias	So Weird (CC) Jett Jackson	Mad TV (CC) Mad TV (CC)	...	Movie: American	Hard Knocks	Update With Church	Biography (CC)	Haunting-Plantation	Rider (CC)	Living With Bugs
12:30	Cowboy Paid Program	Ricki Lake (CC)	One Man, Six Wives	Paid Program Paid Program	Show (CC) Street Smarts	(12:06) Oprah Winfrey (CC)	Night (CC) Fraser	(CC) Movie:	Tu y Yo	Zorro (CC) Mickey Mouse	Baywatch (CC)	(11:50) Macbeth in Man-	Gigolo (CC)	City on Fire '68 Tigers	Faith Pleases God	Movie: Armadillo	Mystery of Alien Abduction	...	Great Books: Metamorph

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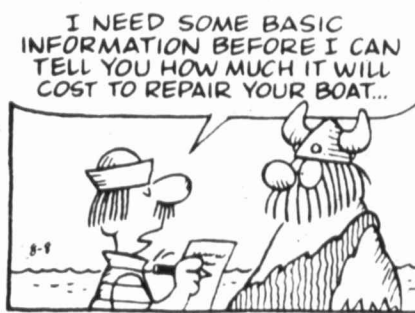
"WHEN I SAID TO STAND ON ONE FOOT, I DIDN'T MEAN MINE!"

FAMILY CIRCUS



"Could we have Japanese SODAS instead of tea?"

HAGAR



I NEED SOME BASIC INFORMATION BEFORE I CAN TELL YOU HOW MUCH IT WILL COST TO REPAIR YOUR BOAT...



NUMBER ONE: ARE YOU INDEPENDENTLY WEALTHY?

BLONDIE



I LIKE ALL THESE!



I'M SORRY BUT THOSE PAINTINGS ARE LIKE MY CHILDREN!

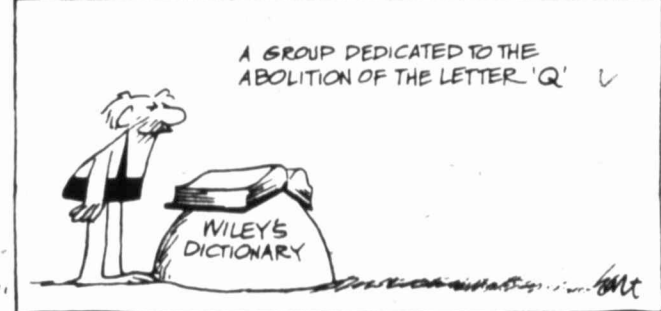


THERE'S NO WAY I COULD PART WITH THEM!

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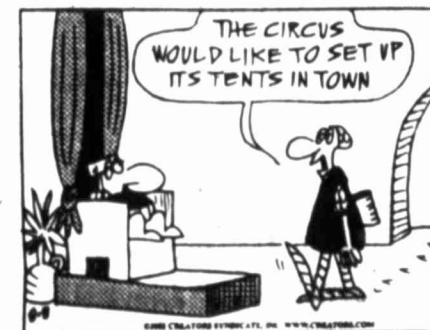


anti-ques



A GROUP DEDICATED TO THE ABOLITION OF THE LETTER 'Q'

WIZARD OF ID



THE CIRCUS WOULD LIKE TO SET UP ITS TENTS IN TOWN



I'LL HAVE TO CHECK WITH MY STAFF



THEY DON'T LIKE COMPETITION

GEECH



UH-OH



MY THOUGHTS EXACTLY.



AND WHAT ARE YOUR THOUGHTS... EXACTLY?

HI AND LOIS



STOP LICKING ME!



THAT'S WHAT DAWG DOES IF HE LIKES YOU!



WHAT DOES HE DO IF HE DOESN'T LIKE YOU?

GASOLINE ALLEY



We can't use these idiotic toys to communicate with each other on the road! Get real!



They're not idiotic! They're official Buzz-Corry Space Patrol issue...



...and why can't we use them?

SNUFFY SMITH

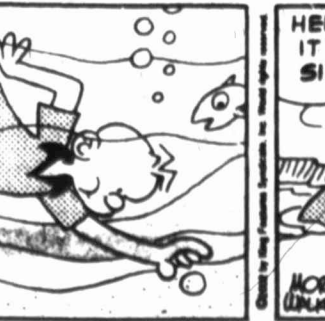
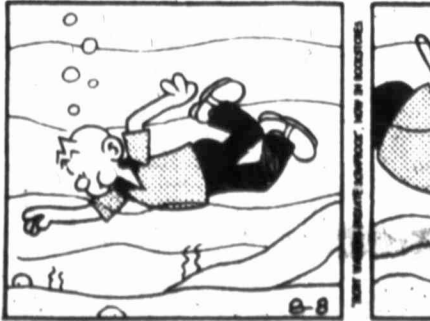


THIS SHORE COULD USE A WOMAN'S TOUCH!!



I'LL GIT RID OF THIS SIGN!!

BEEBLE BAILY



HERE IT IS, SIR

STILL NOT MINE!

THIS DATE IN HISTORY

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Today is Thursday, Aug. 8, the 220th day of 2002. There are 145 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 8, 1974, President Nixon announced he would resign following new damaging revelations in the Watergate scandal.

In 1815, Napoleon Bonaparte set sail for St. Helena to spend the remainder of his days in exile.

In 1876, Thomas A. Edison received a patent for his mimeograph.

In 1942, six convicted Nazi saboteurs who had landed in the United States were executed in Washington, D.C.; two others received life imprisonment.

In 1945, President Truman signed the United Nations Charter.

In 1945, the Soviet Union declared war against Japan

during World War II.

In 1953, the United States and South Korea initiated a mutual security pact.

In 1963, thieves made off with 2.6 million pounds in banknotes in Britain's "Great Train Robbery."

In 1968, Richard M. Nixon was nominated for president at the Republican national convention in Miami Beach.

In 1973, Vice President Spiro T. Agnew branded as "damned lies" reports he had taken kickbacks from government contracts in Maryland, and vowed not to resign. But he eventually did.

In 1978, the United States launched Pioneer Venus II, which carried scientific probes to study the atmosphere of Venus.

Ten years ago: The U.S. basketball "Dream Team" clinched the gold at the Barcelona Summer Olympics, defeating Croatia 117-85. The space shuttle Atlantis returned from a problem-plagued mission.

AIDS activist Alison Gertz died in Westhampton Beach, Long Island, N.Y., at

age 26.

Five years ago: The Teamsters and United Parcel Service completed a second day of federally mediated talks, with neither side reporting progress toward ending a strike.

Today's Birthdays: Jazz musician Benny Carter is 95.

Producer Dino DeLaurentis is 83. Actress Esther Williams is 79.

Actor Richard Anderson is 76.

Joan Mondale (wife of former Vice President Walter F. Mondale) is 72.

Actress Nita Talbot is 72. Singer Mel Tillis is 70.

Actor Dustin Hoffman is 65.

Actress Connie Stevens is 64.

Country singer Phil Balsley (The Statler Brothers) is 63.

Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword FEATHERED FRIENDS by Patrick Jordan Edited by Stanley Newman

- ACROSS
- 1 Wedding reception tableful
 - 6 Punish with the palm
 - 11 TV hosts
 - 14 flu
 - 15 Like most Poe tales
 - 16 Exodus hero
 - 17 John Mahoney sitcom role
 - 19 Fort __, NJ
 - 20 Peacock feather feature
 - 21 James Galway's birthplace
 - 23 Sunrise setting
 - 25 Vitality
 - 26 Piece of rain gear
 - 30 Beyond's partner
 - 33 Young Frankenstein character
 - 34 Strike down
 - 35 Actor McKellen
 - 38 Susan Dey sitcom role
 - 42 College major
 - 43 Parboil
 - 44 Went quickly
 - 45 Unescorted
 - 46 Some printer parts
 - 48 Production allotment
 - 51 Visionary
 - 53 Arises from a stoop
 - 56 Malicious sorts
 - 61 Flexible blackjack card
 - 62 David Spade sitcom role
 - 64 On the (secretly)
 - 65 AOL delivery
- DOWN
- 10 Topple
 - 11 Call Me (Berlin musical)
 - 12 Frosty
 - 13 Massachusetts' statehood rank
 - 18 Genesis mariner
 - 22 Adversary
 - 24 Husk-wrapped entrées
 - 26 River near Yuma
 - 27 Petri dish goop
 - 28 Ill-mannered one
 - 29 Hockey great
 - 31 Aircraft, slangily
 - 32 Mel of Cooperstown
 - 34 Duration
 - 35 Run in neutral
 - 36 Maturing agent
 - 37 One of CNN's Ns
 - 39 Fijian, for one
 - 40 Prefix for friendly
 - 41 Stipulations
 - 45 Downed
 - 46 Sniffer sediment
 - 47 PLO leader
 - 48 Repress, as a rumor
 - 49 "I surrender!"
 - 50 Does the bidding of
 - 52 Manners maven Post
 - 54 Bruce's ex
 - 55 Procedural hitch
 - 57 Green shade
 - 58 Aware of
 - 59 Repeat
 - 60 __-Pei (dog breed)
 - 63 Penpoint

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