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BRIEFLY

Campaign tour

Ana Lee Sanchez, daughter of gubernatorial nominee Tony Sanchez, will be at the Blue Room

Coffee House at 3 p.m.

Sanchez, 25, is cam-

paigning on behalf of her father in 15 cities across

the Panhandle and West

She will be discussing

the campaign's Women

addition to her father's

for Sanchez effort in

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The Blue Room Coffee

House is located at 109 E.

The National Weather

Service is calling for a 40

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derstorms today and

tonight. Some storms

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large hail and damaging

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TONIGHT TOMORROW 64°-67° 87°-90°

Tonight:

"Reflecting a Proud Community"

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County taxes to take a 5-cent hike

ing

this year.

By ROGER CLINE Staff Writer

valuation.

Howard

rollback rate," she said. "If we go over the Howard County comrollback rate, then we missioners approved are subject to a rolltheir first tax increase back election." since 1995 Monday A public hearing on

morning, voting to the increase will take adopt the rollback rate place during commisof 47.358 cents per \$100 sioners' next regular meeting set for 10 a.m. The approximate 5.3-Monday, Aug. 26, in cent increase over the commissioner's the current rate of 42.074 courtroom located on cents per \$100 of valua-

the second floor of the tion will not trigger a Howard County rollback election, said Courthouse. County Each year since the Auditor Jackie Olson.

"We can go up to the "There's not going to be any raises, there's not going to be any extra spending. It's going to be a lean year. We hate it but it's all we can do."

> county tax rates have cut last year is haunteither dropped or remained the same. Commissioner Jerry

Kilgore said a 3 cents last increase in 1995, per \$100 valuation tax that plus what we



would be short this have somewhat of a tax a bad effect on us."

drop in the county's tax base.

"The biggest thing is that the property valu- do. ations have gone down tremendously. Kilgore said. "It really of the budget and we're

year, too," he said: "It increase. There's just is really going to have no way around it. There's not going to be The main problem, any raises, there's not however, is a sharp going to be any extra spending. It's going to be a lean year. We hate it but it's all we can

According to figures provided by Olson, the value of the county's since last year, from to

Jerry Kilgore, county commissioner hit us hard. It has all tax base has dropped commissioners the taxing entities. We more than \$51 million have worked on the "It is going to really budget, we cut a lot.out \$1,183,268,960 be hard to make up still going to have to See HIKE, Page 3

BSISD gears up for start of classes

Lots of changes taking place this year at Marcy and Goliad campuses

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

sands of Big Spring Independent School District students will be returning to classes with hundreds of students adjusting to new campuses.

Kindergarten Center campus and subsequent redistricting of school zones resulted in relocation of hundreds students and numerous teachers.

School and Marcy Elementary School were most impacted by the shift. Along with losing its elementary title and four grades, Goliad will gain all the district's fifth-graders while continuing to be the sixth-grad center. "The transition has been very smooth for us here at Goliad." said Principal Brenda Gainey. "We hired a few new teachers to replace teachers that have moved.' The school will have 14 fifth-grade classes and 22 sixth-grade classes while averaging a 21 to 1 student/teacher ratio, Gainey said.

"The fifth grader teachers can see what the sixth

grader teachers are teaching and the sixth grade teachers can see what fifth graders

are learning." Brenda Gainey Goliad principal

"We expect to have a little



In less than a week, thou-

The closure of Anderson Goliad Intermediate

Though today's high is expected to be 90 to 95, temperatures will cool off to the mid 60s tonight and upper 80s on Wednesday.

INSIDE

Teacher honored

LENORAH - High school seniors love getting showered with graduation gifts. Now they can do the same for their teachers, thanks to a pipeline company. Grady Independent School District math teacher Carl Krug is going to receive \$500 cash based on the recommendation of Blythe Long, a 2002 graduate. Page 3

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more than 600 students,' she said Sixth grade curriculum will continue to be depart-

mentalized, with students moving from classroom to classroom for each subject. "Fifth graders will remain self-contained," Gainey said. "If they are in the hall, they must be with a teacher.

The change has offered some positive educational benefits. Gainey said.

"This is a great opportu-

Fifth grade teacher Aimee Hill puts up a display of the solar system in her classroom at Goliad Intermediate School. Hill is entering the second year of her teaching career.

"It wasn't a massive under-

taking but it took every

department in the district."

The move began the day

after school ended in May

and continued through the

summer vacation months.

Owen said the transition

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School announcements... Page 2

nity for curricular alignment," Gainey said. "The fifth-grade teachers can see what the sixth-grade teachers are teaching and the sixth-grade teachers can see what fifth graders are learning.

Marcy Elementary will gain 100-plus students when school starts on Monday

went smoothly with the aid of the district's transportation, technology and food "Every teacher at Marcy service departments. had to move classrooms, Marcy will have five said Principal Dee Owen.

classes each of kindergarten through fourth grade and 25 teachers. One class in each grade will be bilingual as the school takes over the bilingual elementary program for the dis-

See SCHOOLS, Page 3

Coahoma ISD faces deficit budget whether trustees raise taxes or not

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer COAHOMA Coahoma Independent School District trustees will mull over raising the tax rate Monday to help bridge the gap of a deficit budget for the 2002-2003 fiscal year.

"Trustees may consider raising the rate to the state cap (\$1.50 per \$100 valuasaid Coahoma tion)," Superintendent Dr. Bill Kingston. "Even with cuts in the budget we are looking at a deficit.

Depending on where the tax rate is set, the district's projected budget of \$6.1 million to \$6.2 million will have a potential deficit of \$250,000

FUNDING WOES

A 15 percent decline in enrollment plus flexible property values have left trustees struggling with budget constraints.

to \$450,000. The district's current tax rate is at 1.46 per \$100 of valuation. Coahoma is just one of

many West Texas school districts faced with budget constraints as state funding continues to dwindle and local taxpayers pick up more cost of school financing, Kingston said.

Part of the loss is attributed to a 15 percent decline in the district's enrollment

during the past four years, Kingston said. Flexible taxing property values have also helped put the pinch on the budget.

In the past few legislative sessions, a majority of the state education funds have been designated for much needed and deserved statemandated raises for teachers and health insurance for public school employees,

Kingston said. But in both cases, very little money was left for school districts' discretionary funds, leaving the local taxpayer to pick up much of the increased cost of operat-

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Farm Bill producer meetings set to begin

By BILL McCLELLAN News Editor

Howard County Farm Service Agency Executive Director Rick Liles, will be the calculation of crop acreage bases and yields.

"A producer's eligibility is going to be tied back to what his historical planting and his historical yields have been," explained Liles. "We're going to talk a little bit about this Drocess.

Scheduled meetings are

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of the meetings, held by

City council to mull storm management program

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer The Big Spring City Council will look at requesting engineering services for Environmental an Protection Agency-required storm water management program.

Texas the Through Resource Natural Conservation Commission, the EPA is requiring cities to meet standards and qualify for a permit on their storm water management practices, said Public Works streams.

Director Todd Darden. water permitting is to eliminate hazardous discharges into stream segments," Darden said. "We have to have filed a notice of intent for a permit prior to December 2002. We have to have a permit on-line prior to March of 2003.'

Darden said he doesn't know whether the city has a big problem with storm water carrying runoff pollution into local lakes and

"That is unknown at this "The purpose of the storm point," he said. "Until we get into the evaluation of our city. We have a problem along Beals Creek segment. I don't think that's associated with anything that's happened recently. When we did that project down there within that segment within the downtown area four years ago, we identified some areas that had conta-

> mination." In other business the council will:

• Hear an update on the Texas Department of Transportation's FM 700 project.

• Consider final readings of ordinances amending and *****adopting the city's building code, structural standards code and the 2000 editions of International the Residential, Plumbing, Mechanical, and Fuel Gas codes

· Consider awarding a contract for \$13,777 to Morrison Supply of Odessa for 460 feet of 24-inch PVC See COUNCIL, Page 3

pipe. Morrison, the low bid der, offered the pipe for \$29.95 per foot. The PVC will be used in the city's water treatment plant backwash basin project.

· Consider leasing city property, sections 10 and 16 of block 33, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. survey, covering 93.36 acres, for oil and gas exploitation. The city mailed out eight bid packets and received one response, from Kerry E. Blair of



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Obituaries

Dott Darlene Bacus



Dott Darlene Bacus, 80, passed away peacefully Saturday, Aug. 10, 2002, in Fort Worth, surrounded by her loving family. A celebration of her life will be held at

1:30 p.m. Wednesday at Greenwood Chapel. The Rev. Danny Whitt and the Rev. Jason Whitt, longtime family friends, will officiate. Burial will be at Greenwood Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in her honor to American Cancer Society, 3301 West

Freeway., Fort Worth 76107.

Known as "Mamadott" by her family and many friends of her children and grandchildren, she was born in Seagoville, Feb. 6, 1922, the middle child of parents Thomas and Mollie Greenwalt. Mamadott was a retired floral designer and a long time member of Westcliff United Methodist Church in Fort Worth and the "One With Others" Sunday school class. She was dedicated to her closely-knit family and in her final months celebrated the arrival of her two new great-granddaughters, 3-month-old Audrey Madison Davis and 3-week-old Kamryn Elizabeth Bacus. Mamadott will always be remembered for her youthful spirit, sense of humor, and service to others. She will be greatly missed. The family expresses its gratitude to the VITAS hospice staff team four and the many caregivers at Stonegate Nursing Center for their kind support. Her husband, Wilford Hays Bacus, preceded her in death.

Survivors include her children, Candis Barber of Fort Worth, and Judge Tom Bacus and his wife, Karen, of Wichita Falls; grandchildren, Kimberly Barber Davis and her husband, Ian, of Arlington, Michael Barber and his wife, Caryn, of Fort Worth, Greg Bacus and his wife, Richelle of Coppell, Kristen Bacus of Coppell, and Kent Bacus of Wichita Falls; great-grandchildren, Audrey Madison Davis and Kamryn Elizabeth Bacus; brothers, Jess Greenwalt of Austin and Bill Greenwalt and his wife, Shirley, of Boerne; nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends.

Arrangements are under the direction of Greenwood Funeral Home in Fort Worth.

Paid obituary

Lucille Salling

Lucille Salling died at 2:30 a.m. on Sunday, Aug. 11, 2002. Lucille was born Oct. 29, 1915, in Blue Ridge to G.M. And Linnie Young, She began her education in Blue Ridge, finishing High School at Commerce. She received her BA degree from East Texas State University and Masters degree from Soul Ross State University. She started her teaching career in Miles where she met her husband. Fred Salling. They married on May 29, 1940, at the Trinity Lutheran Church. They then moved to Ralls to teach until the outbreak of World War II when they moved to Philadelphia and worked for the university while her husband was in charge of the Naval ROTC Unit. After the war she taught school in Brady, Coahoma and Miles. She received her counseling certificate from Western State College of Colorado at Gunnison. She then served as youth counselor at John Glenn Jr. High the last 10 years of her

Police Blotter

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

• **DANIEL MENDOZA**, 32, of 3912 Hamilton Street was arrested on a Midland County warrant.

• **TERRY SPEARS**, 35, of 709 Lorilla Street was arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct — language.

• BRANDI HUTCHENSON, 18, of West Highway 80 was arrested on a charge of forgery.

• CLARA RANGEL, 22, of 2911 West Highway 80 was arrested on a Howard County warrant.

• DARRELL DEWITT TATE, 36, of P.O. Box 801 was arrested on a charge of assault class C.

• **THOMAS RIOS**, 20, of 1208 S. Main was arrested on a charge of minor in consumption of alcohol.

• **ROBERT LEE ALDRIDGE JR.** 18, of 1507 E. Sixth St. was arrested on a charge of minor in consumption of alcohol and possession of drug paraphernalia.

• LIZA LEIGH OVALLE, 18, of 1105 Lamar Ave. was arrested on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia and assault class C/family violence.

• **ROBERT DALE HUTCHESON,** 40, of 106 Algerita was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 600 block of South Aylesford Street. Tools worth \$100 were reported stolen from the home.

• **TERRORISTIC THREATS** was reported in the 600 block of McEwen Street.

• FORGERY OF A CHECK OR CREDIT CARD was reported in person at the police station. The offense reportedly occurred at a department or discount store, and involved \$50 in forged negotiable instruments.

• **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 400 block of East Fourth Street and the 400 block of East FM 700.

• DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 100 block of Lockhard Street, the 2100 block of South Johnson Street and the 3300 block of West Highway 80.

DISTURBANCE OR FIGHT was reported in the 800 block of Creighton Street, the 900 block of Willia Street and the 600 block of West Interstate 20, the 100 block of Algerita Street.
LOUD PARTY/NOISE was reported in the 2600 block of Fairchild Drive.

Bulletin board

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

TODAY

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

□ Big Spring Band Boosters meets at 6:30 p.m. at the high school band hall.

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. Eagles Lodge meets at 7 p.m. at the Lodge

located at 703 W. Third. THURSDAY

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

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.

□ Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association meets at 5:30 p.m. at the RSVP office located at 501 Runnels.

American Legion Post 506 meets at 6 p.m.
 Call 263-2084 for more information.

□ Rackley-Swords 379, Vietnam Vets of America meets at 7 p.m. at the Sparenberg building located at 309 S. Main.

□ Masonic Lodge 1340 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 2101 Lancaster.

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.

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career.

Aside from her professional career, Lucille loved to travel, camp and fish for rainbow trout with her family. She continued fishing in Colorado even into her later years. After retirement she pursued a 'second' career in art, specializing in stitchery. She became nationally renowned for her cloth crèche (nativity) sets and her angels. Some of her wall hangings are on display in the Trinity Lutheran Church where she was a lifelong member.

Lucille is survived by her husband of 62 years, Fred Salling; two sons, Terry Wayne Salling and wife, Renee, of San Angelo and their children, Angela Michelle and husband, Michael Byers, and their daughter, Allanah Clarise of Tulsa, Okla., Brian Scott Salling and wife, Joy, of Fort Worth and Sharon Salling, their mother and dear friend of San Angelo; other son, James Michael Salling and wife, Susan, and their children, Jackson Lee and Cara Leanne of Austin and one brother, Billy Mac Young, and wife, Sumiko, of Hendersonville, N.C.

Services will be held on today, Aug. 13, 2002, at 2 p.m. at the Trinity Lutheran Church of Miles with the Rev. Chester McCown officiating. Burial will be in the Miles Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Max Eschberger Jr., Robert Harsch, John Caudle, Andrew Salling, Brian Salling and Jackson Salling.

In lieu of flowers family requests memorials to the Trinity Lutheran Church, 201 Grove St., Miles 76861.

Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson's Funeral Home in San Angelo.

Paid obituary

Alliene M. Gregg

Funeral service for Alliene M. Gregg, 85, of Lubbock is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Mrs. Gregg died today, Aug. 13, 2002, at a Lubbock nursing home.

Earl Samuel Walden

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Records

Monday's high 99 Monday's low 74 Average high 96 Average low 70 Record high 107 in 1946 Record low 58 in 1920 Precip. Monday 0.00 Month to date 0.02 Year to date 8.16 Sunrise Wednesday7:10a.m. Sunset Wednesday 8:31p.m.

Lottery

Monday's Texas Lottery game results:

--- Results of the Cash 5 drawing Monday night: 11-15-17-26-28

--- Pick 3 numbers drawn Monday night: 0-6-8

--- Pick 3 numbers drawn Monday afternoon: 3-0-8

Announcements

□ Forsan Elbow Elementary will host a back to school party 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday. Parents and students will have an opportunity to meet teachers, put away school supplies, pay for meal tickets and ask about bus schedules. For more information call 398-5455.

□ Coahoma elementary and junior high campuses will host a Meet the Teacher night on Thursday. Parents of elementary students can meet their child's teacher from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. The junior high school teachers will be avilalbe from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

□ Marcy Elementary will host a meet the teacher event from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday.

□ 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.

Kentwood will host a meet the teacher night at 6 p.m. Thursday in the school's cafeteria. Parents and students are encouraged to come and enjoy a free hot dog supper.

□ Goliad Intermediate School orientation for incoming fifth- and sixth-graders is set for Friday in the Goliad gym. Parents must accompany their children to student orientation. Sixth grade orientation and schedule pick up will be held from 9 a.m.-10 a.m. followed by fifth grade at 1:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m.

□ Big Spring Junior High School student orientation will be held on Thursday and parents are encouraged to accompany their children. Seventh grade orientation, schedule pick up and open house will be held from 4 p.m.- 5:30 p.m. followed by eighth-grade orientation, schedule pick up and open house from 5:30 p.m.- 7 p.m.

□ Big Spring High School freshman orientation and schedule pick-up will be held on Thursday, 6:30 p.m.-8 p.m., at the high school auditorium.

SATURDAY

□ 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.

□ 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 Squares. Call 267-7043 or 263-6305 for more information.

□ Eagles Lodge Pot Luck supper at 7 p.m. Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third.

□ Big Spring Shrine Club meets at 6:30 p.m. with meal and meeting to follow Goliad and First.

Correction

In Monday's edition, the *Big Spring Herald* erroneously ran student orientation for the Big Spring Junior High and freshmen orientation for Big Spring High School will be held on Friday.

The correct day is Thursday.

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Teacher, student benefit from pipeline company's achievement program

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LENORAH – High school seniors love getting showered with graduation gifts. Now they can do the same for their teachers, thanks to a pipeline company.

Grady Independent School District math teacher Carl Krug is going to receive \$500 cash based on the recommendation of Blythe Long, a 2002 graduate.

Long won a \$1,000 college scholarship from Tulsa, Okla.,-based Williams this spring through the company's Seminole Pipeline affiliate. She plans to study nursing at Texas Tech.

Under the program, scholarship winners are asked to choose a teacher who influenced their educational career. The company refers to the honor as its teacher achievement award. Long picked Krug.

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about students, teachers and life-long learning," said Dennis Andrews, a manager Williams. for "These awards come from the heart and are given to some very gifted people who are making positive contributions in our schools and community.'

A total of 201 students and their teachers have earned approximately \$300,000 since the scholarship program started eight years ago.

Twenty-five Texas graduates and their teachers were honored by Williams this vear

> avoid the alternative, he said. Without making any cuts, the district could have faced a \$600.000 to \$700,000 deficit,

Kingston said. Last year trustees raised the tax rate to \$1.46 with the anticipation of facing difficult times in the next few vears.

"This board had foresight to recognize we've going to face budget cuts this year and budget cuts the next year," he said.

With the extra tax levy and prudent budgeting, the school district expects to end the 2001-2002 fiscal year with a surplus of \$250,000 to \$300,000 to be put back into thé fund balance.

"This will help give us an extra year to make the necessarv adjustments,"

lessor realty of three-sixteenths. The lease would be limited to depths below 5,000 feet. • Call for a public hearing

Construction worker Porfilio Padron scales a two-story apartment as he helps in framing

a building. The completion date for the Limestone Ridge Apartments complex is expect-

ed to be close to the end of the year. The complex is located near the intersection of

U.S. Highway 87 and Interstate 20, just south of the Texas State Veterans Home.

on the annual budget for FY 2002-2003. • Consider a resolution

authorizing a compromise agreement between the city and TXU Holdings Co. By the terms of the agreement,

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bv the TXU Holdings Company ALLAN'S FURNITURE

or Oncor will pay the city \$16,940,86 and the city will agree not to sue TXU or Oncor for claims related to payment, calculation or rendition of franchise fees by TXU Electric on or before Dec. 31, 2001.

HERALD photo/Braden Wegner

Contact Staff Writer Roger Cline at 263-7331 ext. 232 or e-mail newsdesk@crcom.net



FSA

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• 8:30 a.m. Wednesday at the Knott Fire Station, • 10 a.m. Wednesday at

the Big Spring Co-op Gin. · 8:30 a.m. Thursday at

the Big Spring Gin, • 10:30 a.m. at the Mustang Farmer's Gin. Lomax.

All area producers and other interested persons are invited to attend.

"We are just now getting to the point where we can talk about signing up for this new farm program." said Liles, who attending Phase I of the 2002 Farm Bill training last week in Lubbock.

"These meetings will be Phase I of the training. I expect to receive additional training the latter part of September. At that point, we will talk about executing contracts for the sixyear program," he added.

For more information, contact the FSA at 267-2557.

Contact News Editor Bill McClellan at 263-7331, ext. 235, or by e-mail at newsdesk(a crcom.net



The busing zone will be Continued from Page 1 located on Wasson Road, so parents are encouraged to drop off and pick up their Increases in insurance costs are also a factor in the rate hike, including a 14.5

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tricts have been faced with higher utilities and property insurance costs and the

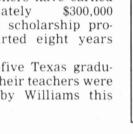
teacher raises didn't included raises for support staff.

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ing expenses, he added. Over the years, school dis-

mandated





pickup truck to 87 Auto Sales for \$1,569. The 1993 vehicle, previously used by the county's road and bridge administrator Eddy Jameson, needs a new transmission

• Decided not to purchase a road striping machine for \$33,750. Instead, contractors will be hired to restripe county roads.

· Decided not to use county equipment or personnel to blade private driveways in the county.

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"We want all the students to know they are welcome and we encourage anyone who has questions to call or come by and visit Marcy," Owen said.

Both Marcy and Goliad will have full

time guidance counselors and each will have a school nurse that works four days a week. Because of

the growth, Marcy added two more

buses and an 'new busing zone. Buses will start dropping students off at 7:38 in the morning and pick them up at 3:15 in the afternoon.



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tain the tax rate." Kingston said.

Trústees and administrators are trimming down the budget to meet the financial constraints. This year's proposed budget includes cuts in supply, capital items and travel.

Extra curricular programs have been also felt the pinch with cuts across the board in these activities, Kingston said. The district is attempting to schedule more home games to help reduce travel expenses.

With payroll consisting of 70 to 75 percent of the district's budget, staffing considerations become a weighty factor in reducing expenses.

"Whenever we have a resignation, we are looking closely at whether we need to replace that person or not," Kingston said.

The district reduced three teaching positions and eliminated some support personnel through attrition during the past year.

Reducing staff also increases the workload and class size for Coahoma teachers. Kingston added, but taking proactive cuts now will help avoid having to face reducing staff size by other means.

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a similar situation next near, Kingston warns.

"We hope to have a smaller deficit budget because you can't budget deficits for long," he said.

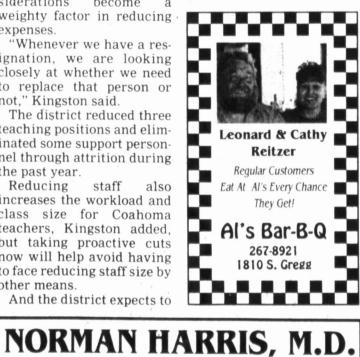
Trustees meet to hold budget and tax hearings at 7 p.m. Monday in the board room at the administration office, 600 N. Main. Coahoma.

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Bill McClellan

News Editor

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OUR VIEWS

September 11 contest entries are encouraged

ach of us knows just how the events of Sept. 11, 2001, affected our lives. What we don't know is what effect the most shocking terrorist attack ever on American soil will have on the future.

That's a point worth pondering, however.

That's why Wells Fargo Bank and the Herald are inviting Howard County students to participate in an art and essay contest to help commemorate the one-year anniversary of the 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.

Life is more interesting than the news

o demonstrate yet again how superficial - how fixated on politicians and entertainers - the general news media are, I'm going to list the names of five

important people. See if you can recognize them. The names are Paul MacCready, Brad Parkinson, Geoffrey Ballard, Ray CHARLEY

Tomlinson REESE and Patrick O. Brown.

Maybe you recognized all or at least some of them. I confess I didn't, and I read several newspapers a day, in addition to monitoring radio and television broadcasts. Alas, these are the kind of people who don't have new movies to promote, who aren't running for office, who aren't sports performers and who aren't involved in scandals. What they have done, however,

already affects our lives. MacCready is the designer of the first human-powered aircraft; Parkinson is the creator of the Global Positioning System, which we now find everywhere from boats to cars to hikers' and hunters' backpacks; Ballard developed a practical hydrogen fuel cell which probably will mean in a few years the demise of the internal-combustion engine; Tomlinson is the inventor of e-mail; and --Brown is the visionary of the DNA microarray chip. a device that is helping to decipher the human genome

These men are the recipi ents of Discover Magazine Innovation Awards, which recognize geniuses who revolutionize science and technology. In a better-edu cated world than the one we have, the names of these men and others would be commonplace; and instead of talking about Brad Pitt's hairstyle we might find people won dering aloud what Patrick O. Brown is working on at the moment and what is the latest on the growity experiment being planned by Parkinson

Ho, ho, ho, At the point, we are still working on teaching children how to read and hopefully serve

thing about the history of their own country and culture. At the same time, the massive entertainment industry fights parents for every spare minute of their children's time, not to mention any loose dollars lying around.

We can improve the situation by de-emphasizing mindless entertainment and recreation, most of it passive. There are some pretty good magazines like Discovery - that cover science in a way most of us nontechies can understand. There are some wonderful museums and, of course, public libraries, and even the Internet – which, believe it or not, has more on it than auctions, games, political discussions and pornography

As much as my Celtic soul rebels at the idea, we do live in a scientific and high-technology world that will only become more so. There's a greater need for people who can understand calculus than there is for people who can ride horses. Knowing computers is more important for today's children than shooting a rifle or throwing a knife. The heroes of tomorrow

will be those people Hollywood likes to mock as nerds.

Actually, the stereotype of the dumb athlete and the skinny nerd are misleading. High IQ is often accompanied by physical fitness and good social skills. The motor of all human achievement is energy, and it takes a highenergy person to accomplish a goal, whether it's excelling in golf or laboratory experiments. There again, the movie theater and the television set are without question the poorest sources of information, and all the more harmful because they present their falsehoods in a powerful, visual manner. We tend to believe what we see, especially if we are in a passive state. But Hollywood can wait

until we get good science courses at all levels. One recent article reported that a physicist who reviews middle-school textbooks found one that showed the equator running through Florida. That's only about . 1,500 miles off.

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

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

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

We think it's important to give the young people in our community an opportunity to express their feelings concerning a watershed event in all our lives.

Chance are we'll all learn something.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

Dear Lord, let us see the long-term implications of our short-term actions. Give us a peaceful outlook and attitude. Amen



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About stock options for politicians

he end of the line is approaching for the love fest between corporations, unions and their

client politicians because the new campaign finance law will take effect after the upcom-November

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election, Or ANDERSON will it? An

instrument. stock options — made famous by corporate executives in the 1980s - may have a significant impact. Politicians are busy gathering up – albeit through their respective parties all the unlimited soft money they can get. After the election, soft money in its present form will end, though contributions to state parties will continue to be legal.

But for the present cor porations hit by stock declines are less willing to dig deep for contributions. to the political parties. Or so it would seem After all. what is the long term bene fit for them once the parties and politicians are no longer beholden to their wishes?

With the stock market trading so low, some companies could choose to sup port their favorite party with stock options. Then when the market rises, the party could cash in those options at higher prices and dole out the money just as they did before cam paign-finance reform. It's a good way to buy long-term influence at bargain prices

But stock options are cur rently under fire. The concept has been around as long as capitalism, but it took root as a primary method of compensating executives of publicly traded companies during the 1980s after stockholders rose up against high execu-

tive salaries. Stock options provided companies with a means of tying compensation to performance, and all without expense to the company.

Here is how it works. A company's stock is trading at \$20 per share. A new CEO is given an option to buy 1 million shares at that price for a period of five years. At some point during those five years, the stock trades at \$40 per share. The executive sells the stock, pays \$20 million to the company and takes home \$20 million for himself. Of course, if the company does not perform, and the stock falls, his compensation from stock options would be zero. It made sense

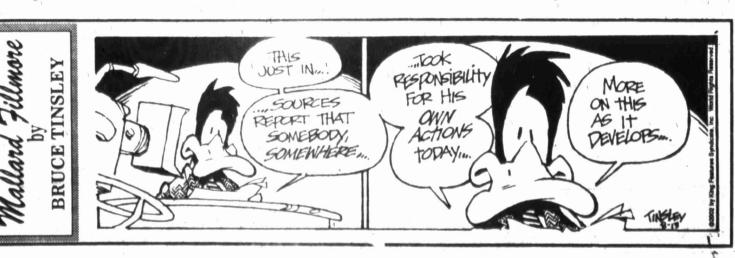
Then came the corporate earnings scandal of 2001-02, and all of a sudden the specter of executives cashing in stock options just before their companies' stocks tumbled put the concept in new light. Enron CEO Kenneth Lay comes to

mind, because he collected millions just before his company went broke.

Even so, stock options are a valuable mechanism for executive compensation, and one that politicians are sure to figure out before the November election. A publicly traded company could issue options to purchase 10 million of its shares to a political party for the benefit of its favorite politicians. It could even break the option terms up into one, two, three, etc. years as a means of reminding the politicians where their bread is being buttered.

It's an interesting loophole in the new campaign finance law, and one that, if it has been discovered, is being kept as a closely guarded secret by both the giving companies and the recipients.

Prediction: Look to thirdand fourth-quarter earnings reports for the issuance of stock options to political parties.



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IN BRIEF

BSHS cheerleaders

to host mini-camp The Big Spring High School cheerleading squad will be conducting a Mini Cheerleading Camp on Aug. 31 in the **Big Spring Junior High** School gymnasium.

The camp is open to all students in grades K-6. The camp costs just \$20 per person.

For more information contact Kris Larson at 264-3641 or 264-6941.

BSHS varsity cheerleading squad include Casey Tunstall, Kristine Vassar. Stormie Huff, Carli Wise, Cheridan Gelty, Timmi Blackshear, Krystal DeLeon, Lindsay Phillips and Andrea Torres.

Non-denominational tourney is scheduled

The inaugural Nondenominational 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 thirdplace teams will receive trophies. The top two squads will also earn tshirts. Overall, 10 alltournament 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 tourney slated for Aug. 23 The New Breed Softball

now, baseball players are holding back on setting a strike day.

Citing progress and sensing an agreement could be close, baseball players sprang a surprise Monday and backed off. However, they could set a date as soon as Friday if there isn't progress toward a labor contract.

Atlanta pitcher Tom Glavine, a senior member of the union's executive board, said after a 3 1/2-hour meeting that players were prepared to give the negotiating process "every chance to succeed.'

willing to explore that," he said.

Talks were to continue Tuesday in New York. The union had been expected to schedule a walkout that could have wiped out the rest of the season — including the playoffs and World Series.

"There has been progress on a number of issues over the last several days," union head Donald Fehr said. "It would be very nice if that progress continued and we reached a deal in short order. That's the goal."

By delaying setting a deadline, the union increas-"We feel like there's a es pressure on the owners window of opportunity to without the threat of an get something done in the imminent walkout. Unlike

PREP FOOTBALL

CHICAGO (AP) - For next several days and we're the failed negotiations of 1994-95, both sides have had dozens of bargaining ses-

Baseball players back off setting strike date

sions in recent weeks and have narrowed their differences.

"You establish a date when you believe it is essential to reach an agreement, bearing in mind that a strike is the last thing the players want. And we are not at that point yet," Fehr said.

Fehr said the board will hold a telephone conference call Friday to review the status of talks once again. That gives negotiators three days to make sure the talks are still progressing.

Rob Manfred, the owners' top labor lawyer, thought it was possible to get an agreement "in the very near future.

"We look forward to getting back to the bargaining table, and hope we can reach a negotiated agreement without any need for the interruption of the season," he said.

A strike date seemed inevitable once the executive board scheduled a meeting. Making it seem even more ominous was that exactly eight years ago, baseball came to a halt, laid low by labor issues that eventually cost fans 921 games and a World Series. The 1994 strike lasted 232 days and was the longest stoppage in the history of U.S. major sports.

Twenty of 30 teams were high-payroll clubs.

off Monday, and about 50 players attended the meeting, with more listening in on a conference call. Fehr said players didn't want to have a public confrontation so close to the anniversary of last year's terrorist attacks.

"Sure it's a factor," he said. "Players understand Sept. 11. Half were on the road when it hit."

Last week, both sides agreed on a \$100.000 raise in the minimum salary to \$300,000 and to mandatory random testing for steroids. But they are still apart on the key issues of increased revenue sharing among the teams and management's desire for a luxury tax on

Oswalt, Ward U power Astros past Chicago

Astros 9, Cubs 6

CHICAGO (AP) - The packed house at Wrigley Field went wild every time Sammy Sosa appeared in the on-deck circle, cheering and whistling until his atbats were over.

It didn't matter that he went 0-for-3 his first three trips to the plate Monday night. After the monster weekend he had at Coors Field, they were happy just to show their love for Chicago's favorite slugger.

But the latest installment of the Sammy Sosa Slugging Show isn't over yet. He went deep for a third straight day in his last atbat, hitting his major league-leading 40th homer

Astros' Lugo out for six weeks

CHICAGO (AP) Houston Astros shortstop Julio Lugo will be out six weeks with a broken left forearm after being hit by a pitch from Chicago's Kerry Wood on Monday night.

Batting with one out in the third inning, Lugo was struck in the left forearm by a pitch from Wood and sustained a broken bone that will sideline him for up to six weeks.

Wood leads the majors' with a career-high 15 hit batters this season.

Lugo is hitting .261



Members of the 2002-03

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 tourney is \$115.

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

BS Quarterback Club to hold pep rally

Big Spring The Quarterback Club will hold 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.

'Hawk Talk' to debut Aug. 14 on KBST

Howard College's "Hawk Talk" will make its 2002 debut on Wednesday, Aug. 14 on KBST - 1490 AM. The show is scheduled to be broadcast every second Wednesday the month from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. "Hawk Talk" is a live radio show featuring the Howard College athletic department. The show is hosted by Sam Stephens.

BSHS spikers will

scrimmage Bronte The Big Spring High School Lady Steers will scrimmage Bronte on Friday, Aug. 16, in the BSHS gym.

The Lady Steers' final scrimmage of the year will be in Snyder on Aug. against Snyder, 17 Colorado City and Lamesa

Big Spring opens the 2002 year at home on Aug. 20 with bouts against Midland Greenwood and Brownfield.

Herald photo/Tommy Wells

Area high school football teams will get their first chance to meet a live opponent this weekend. In all, four of the area's seven local teams will take to the field this week, including the Big Spring Steers. Big Spring is scheduled to scrimmage its former Class 5A rival Midland Lee on Saturday, Aug. 17, in Midland. The scrimmage is slated to begin at 11 a.m. with the freshman squads. The JV and varsity teams will follow. The Coahoma Buildogs will also be visiting Midland for their first scrimmage. The Buildogs will face Midland Greenwood beginning at 8:30 a.m. Forsan is scheduled to scrimmage Christoval and Grape Creek, while Sands will square off against top-ranked Whitharral beginning at 10 a.m. in Ackerly.

Doctors expect Priestly to make full recovery from crash

pital to Methodist Hospital

in Indianapolis late Monday

afternoon, and was in seri-

Priestley crashed during

practice for an Infiniti Pro

Series race Sunday. He suf-

fered a broken back, a mod-

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and a host of cuts and bruis-

Priestley was fitted with a

back brace Monday to deter-

mine the stability of the

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ous but stable condition.

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) -Monday.

As Jason Priestley recovered from slamming his race car into a wall at about 180 mph, Kelley Racing general manager Jim Freudenberg said he had no doubt the actor would drive again.

"He's a fighter, one of the toughest little guys I know," Freudenberg said less than 24 hours after the former "Beverly Hills 90210" heartthrob was seriously injured during practice at the es on his face and neck. Kentucky Speedway.

Priestley, 32, faces weeks of healing and rehabilitation but is expected to fully doctors recover. said

showed no immediate signs He was airlifted from the of paralysis or permanent University of Kentucky Hos-

neurological damage. Dr. Andrew Bernard, a UK Hospital trauma surgeon, said he probably would not need spinal surgery but would require surgery to repair the bones in his feet.

"I'd say it's going to be many weeks before he's back up and doing some of nose. fractures in both feet the things that he likes to do," Bernard said.

> Hospital officials said family members, friends and members of the Kelley Racing team stayed with Priestley day and night to offer support.

and No. 490 of his career in the Chicago Cubs' 9-6 loss to the Houston Astros.

He now has five homers and 16 RBIs in his last three games

The two-run shot made Sosa only the third player in NL history with five straight 40-homer seasons. Hall of Famers Ralph Kiner (1947-51) and Duke Snider (1953-57) also accomplished the feat.

In the only other NL games, it was: Colorado 1, Florida 0 and St. Louis 10, Pittsburgh 6.

Sosa has six 40-homer seasons in all, topping Cubs Hall of Famer Ernie Banks. "I don't worry about that,"

Sosa said when asked if he can appreciate his career milestones. "I just keep continue playing. I don't talk about myself.

There wasn't much else for the Cubs to talk about. In a game in which Cubs ace Kerry Wood and Houston pitcher Roy Oswalt were both ejected, the Astros took a 9-2 lead and held on.

Daryle Ward led the Astros with three RBIs and a career-high four hits, finishing a triple away from hitting for the cycle. Jeff Bagwell and Ward hit consecutive homers, and Brad Ausmus added a pair of **RBIs** for Houston.

eight homer and 35 RBIs.

Todd Hundley hit a tworun homer in the seventh for the Cubs, and Alex Gonzalez and Corev Patterson hit back-to-back homers in the fifth.

Wood (9-6) was tossed in the sixth after arguing about the strike zone with plate umpire Mark Carlson.

"I went in today telling myself not to blow up about anything and I got my first ejection," said Wood, who was unhappy about being pinch-hit for after six innings in his last start.

"So that worked well for me.

Oswalt (14-6) was ejected in the seventh after hitting Gonzalez in the back in the seventh. Oswalt had already hit Fred McGriff in the second.

Wood allowed five runs and nine hits in 5 2-3 innings, striking out 10 and walking none. Oswalt gave up three runs and four hits in six-plus innings, striking out seven. Billy Wagner pitched the ninth for his 26th save.

Sosa had one of the more impressive two-day stretches in baseball history Saturday and Sunday, homering four times and driving in an NL-record 14 runs at Colorado.

Autopsy finds cocaine in former catcher's system

- Former All-Star catcher Darrell Porter had cocaine in his system when he died, according to autopsy results released Monday. Porter, 50, had a level of cocaine in his system "typical of someone who uses (cocaine) recreationally," Jackson County medical examiner Dr. Thomas Young said.

Young would not be more specific, saying measurements of cocaine in the body after death can be unreliable and can vary depending on where blood is drawn.

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) overdose, Young said, but of a condition called excited delirium, which causes "behavior that is agitated, bizarre and potentially violent," and stopped Porter's heart.

> Porter, who played for four teams, including the Texas Rangers, and was the MVP of the 1982 World Series with the St. Louis Cardinals, was found dead Aug. 5 next to his car in a

Young said "heat exposure" and an enlarged heart, common among drug users or those with high cholesterol, con-Porter did not die of an tributed to Porter's death

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CANCER (June 21-July 22) ***** Your imagination "forbidden" path. A partner might be reading you loud and clear, letting you know how he or she feels. Schedule an important discussion for later in the day, once you move out of your revelry. Tonight: Only fun. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) *** are

Going back to the basics helps you sort through what could be a difficult problem. Though your perspective might easily change because of input later on, you come up with a sound idea. Use your finances to enhance your domestic life and security. Tonight: Happy at home.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ***** You speak, and others listen. However, don't make the assumption that associates understand, especially this morning. Verify data, information, messages and meetings. Eliminate confusion through communication. Tonight: Visit with a friend.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) *** A risk might be quite appealing but could lead to distinct problem. Postpone any blind leaps of faith for a day or two! You realize later on what might be a stronger action. Talk to an adviser about a money matter. The more information you get, the sounder the decision. Tonight: Your treat.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ***** Trust yourself to make solid decisions, even in what appears to be a confusing personal matter. If you're questioning your decision, list your goals. Prioritizing will help you clarify. A friend and/or a meeting spews yet more possibilities. Tonight: What would make you happy?

APARTMENTS SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22atively marks your success. 1904 East 25th Street made we will gladly correct the ad and run it Tonight: Add more spring Dec. 21) ** You might like 267-5444 again for you at no at no 263-5000 to your step. to believe what you hear. additional charge. If your but your better sense tells you otherwise. Stall a decision, taking your time. Not everything needs to be decided right now. Your perspective changes radically as the day ages. A parent or boss shares interesting Elmo understand this coninsights. Tonight: Get a cept when his mother, his aunt and everyone else CAPRICORN (Dec. 22keep bailing him out? Dad in Monroeville, Ohio **UNFUR. HOUSES** Dear Dad: Elmo is headed FOR RENT for serious trouble if he doesn't learn how to take Rent to Own 4/2 carport-den /FP responsibility for himself. \$450/15yrs Your wife and relatives are 4/2 fenced \$300/15 yrs doing him no favors. A/C \$240/10yrs 264-0510 However, if Elmo cannot TOO LATES come up with \$97, jail might be a bit harsh. Offer CASA MOBIL ABANDONADA to pay half if he will work it off by doing chores Buena, bonita y barata Con pago y enganche around the house, running bajo 915-563-9000 errands, whatever. Do NOT ALREADY SET-UP let him off the hook. IN COMMUNITY Whatever he agrees to do, Cute 3/2 Home, with make sure he does it. And from deck storage building & fence. remind him he's an adult 915-9000 now. Next time, he takes TAKE OVER his lumps. PAYMENTS!! Dear Annie: I am engaged On my Gorgeous 3/2 Home to "Lilly," a terrific woman. Only \$179.00 month. Unfortunately, she lives 500 Owner will finance. 915-9000 miles away and wants me 5% dwn, 300 to move near her. I am in mon.,8.0%APR, w.a.c no position to do this. My 1203 Stanford father has been gravely ill 2 Bdrm - 1 bath for several months, and the \$300/mo. \$150/dep 263-1792 or 264-6006 doctors don't expect him to 806 E. 12th live another year. I will not 1 Bdrm - 1 bath abandon him. However, Water paid Lilly has custody of her 2-\$255/mo. \$100/dep 263-1792 or 264-6006 year-old child, and the Need older lady to divorce agreement will not PT allow her to relocate out of laundromat. Work 7 days on 7 days off. state. Pick up application @ Should I convince her to move, even if it means giv-Part Time Delivery ing up custody of her child? person must have Or should I move to her Economy Car & Ins. Leave message at 664-7307. town and leave my father in the hands of a caregiver? **Carriers Needed For** Please help me out. the Big Spring Confused in Missouri Herald. Dear Confused: Why must Come by 710 Scurry you do either? Your father for an application. Don't throw those unwanted items away! Sell them! Call 263-7331 and place your garage sale in the Herald U Classified section and eceive a Garage sale kit Free! Call Today!

Jan. 19) *** Choose to not reveal your thoughts this could take you down some morning, especially those involving money and a personal matter. What you can be sure of is that more information will come forth. Seek out experts. Return all calls, especially to someone at a distance.

> AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) *** Trust that you aren't seeing a situation clearly. The more information you get, the better off you will be. Schedule a discussion with a trusted associate later in the day. This person gives you the scoop. Refuse to be scammed. Tonight: A must show.

Dad wants son to take responsibility

Dear Annie: Our son, "Elmo," recently turned 18. He immediately moved out of the house and is now living with his aunt. He said I was "too strict" and he needed his freedom. He's been a bum ever since, but his aunt doesn't mind supporting him.

Several months ago, Elmo got a speeding ticket. The fine was \$59, but he never paid it. Somehow, all his extra cash was used to take his girlfriend out, get his ear pierced and have a tattoo put on his shoulder. Every time I asked Elmo about his responsibility to the court, he blew me off.

The fine is now \$97, and if he doesn't pay it within the next 11 days, he will go to jail. Suddenly, it has dawned on him that this could be a problem. My wife wants to give him half the money, but I think it's time Elmo learned a hard lesson. He has been mooching off everyone in the family for years. I think jail will do him good.

I believe that, in this world, you must accept the consequences of your actions. How can I make

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ***** Sometimes another's perspective helps you understand where others come from. Taking a strong stand might not benefit you. Listen, exchange ideas and detach. Given time, you will stumble onto the proper solution. Tonight: Take in a movie.

BORN TODAY

Basketball player Magic Johnson (1959), actor Steve Martin (1945), novelist and dramatist John Galsworthy (1867).

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ANNIE'S MAILBOX

does not have much longer to live. Please don't abandon him when he needs you most. And under no circumstances should you ask Lilly to give up custody of her child. Wait until your situation resolves itself, and then, decide if you want to move or not. I'll be rooting for you.

Dear Annie: How can I answer people who ask, "Where did you buy that outfit?" and "How much did you pay for that dress?" I don't want to tell people I found the blouse at the local thrift shop or that the "new" sweater is a handme-down from my sister. And I'm not sure these people are asking in a complimentary way. Sometimes, I get the impression they disapprove of my clothing and are pointing it out to me. How can I handle these inquiries without being impolite? - Southern Belle Dear Belle: These questions are rude, and you do not have to answer them. However, you sound defensive and ashamed of your clothing. Instead of assuming they are criticizing you, these comments may be compliments in disguise. Plant a sly smile on your face, and whisper, "I consider my shopping excursions to be top-secret." Then change the subject. Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the Ann Landers column. Please e-mail your questions to anniesmailbox@creators.com, or write to: Annie's Mailbox, c/o Creators Syndicate, 5777 W. Century Blvd., Suite 700, Los Angeles, CA 90045. To find out more about Annie's Mailbox, and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate Web page at www.creators.com.

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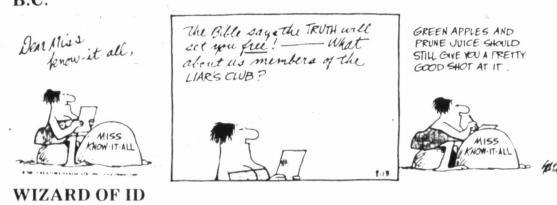


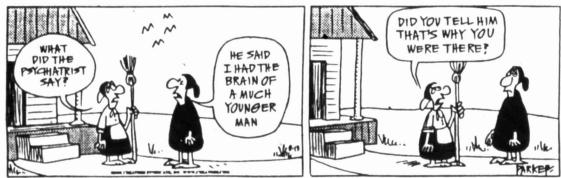
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"We picked sides to play soccer, but we didn't have a ball so I came home."

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THIS DATE **IN HISTORY**

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Today is Tuesday, Aug. 13. the 225th day of 2002. There are 140 days left in the year

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 13, 1961, Berlin was divided as East Germany sealed off the border between the city's eastern and western sectors in order to halt the flight of refugees.

On this date: In 1521, Spanish conqueror Hernando Cortez captured present-day Mexico City from the Aztec Indians.

In 1624, French King Louis XIII named Cardinal Richelieu his first minister.

lor of Germany, saying he Allen). was prepared to hold out for all or nothing.

In 1934, the satirical comic strip "Li'l Abner," created by Al Capp, made its debut. In 1942, Walt Disney's animated feature "Bambi" premiered at Radio City Music Hall in New York.

In 1960, the first two-way telephone conversation by satellite took place with the President Fidel Castro is 76. help of Echo One.

In 1981, in a ceremony at his California ranch, historic package of tax and budget reductions.

In 1995, baseball Hall of Famer Mickey Mantle died at a Dallas hospital of liver cancer. He was 63.

Ten years ago: President Bush announced that Secretary of State James A. Baker III was leaving his diplomatic post to be White

Five years ago: U.S. envoy Dennis Ross wrapped up a four-day mission to the Middle East, during which he'd persuaded the Palestinians to resume security cooperation with Israel.

Today's Birthdays: Television evangelist Rex Humbard is 83. Cuban Actor Pat Harrington is 73. Singer Don Ho is 72. Former U.S. Surgeon President Reagan signed a General Joycelyn Elders is 69. Blues singer-musician Son Seals is 60. Actor Kevin Tighe is 58. Actress Gretchen Corbett is 55. Opera singer Kathleen Battle is 54. Singer Dan Fogelberg is 51.

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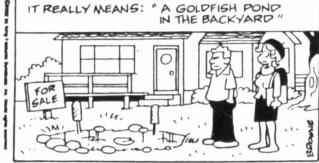






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In 1910, Florence Nightingale, the founder of modern nursing, died in London In 1932, Adolf Hitler reject-

House chief of staff in a shakeup designed to energize his re-election campaign. Comedian, actor and director Woody Allen began legal action against actress Mia Farrow to win custody of their three children (a

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