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ROCK THE DESERT

The sounds of Christian rock will blow through the Permian Basin this weekend with the help of more than 19 religious bands and an expected 50,000 concert goers.

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MOORE DEVELOPMENT

Moore Development for Big Spring will convene at 5:15 p.m. today at 215 W. Third St.

Items on the agenda include a request from the city to help clean up hazardous materials at the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark.

AFTER HOURS

Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce's Business After Hours get-together will be held from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. today at Western Container Corp., 1600 First Ave.

There will be door prizes, refreshments and tours of the facility. Everyone is invited.

RAIN

Big Spring got some much-needed rain Wednesday night — 1.7 inches according to the National Weather Service (See Page 1) — but no more is forecast for the weekend.

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BEST SPORTS TAB EVER

The Best darned fall sports tab — period! will roll off the presses and into the Big Spring Herald on Thursday, Aug. 28.

This 48-page special edition will include information on all area high school fall sports activities with schedules and features. Big 12 football teams and Texas' pro teams will be featured as well.

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Curtiss tenders resignation, effective immediately

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

After barely six months on the job, McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark Manager Jim Curtiss has tendered his resignation, effective immediately. Curtiss, who came to Big Spring



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from Davenport, Fla., was hired Feb. 11 after a nationwide search for candidates. Curtiss was the first full-time airpark manager at McMahon-Wrinkle. The creation of the position caused much controversy during the city council's deliberations on the 2002-2003 city budget and was a major factor in a failed attempt to recall Mayor Russ McEwen. City Manager Gary Fuqua said the resignation was unexpected.

"Up until the time we do find a replacement I'm going to act as interim airpark manager similar to the way Hal Boyd did when he was city manager."

Gary Fuqua, city manager

"I certainly didn't expect it," Fuqua said. "It was something of a surprise. We certainly wish Jim well.

He's a great guy. I wish him and his family well and hope it works out for him, his future endeavors."

Curtiss cited personal and family reasons, as well as possible plans to return to Florida, as reasons for leaving, Fuqua said.

"Jim came in a little bit before 5, 4:30-ish or so, and turned in his letter of resignation and said it dealt with personal reasons," the city manager said. "It specifically mentioned his family. Of

course, we talked in confidence on some things and he explained some situations to me. He's just decided at this point, from what I understand, I think he and his family are talking about possibly going back to Florida."

Fuqua said there had been no animosity between Curtiss and the city.

"Not on the city side," he said. "I know there were

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Storms curtail attendance at county fair

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

Ominous storm clouds and the fact that Wednesday was a school night conspired to keep attendance small for the opening night of the Howard County Fair.

Those who did attend had fun perusing the exhibitors' booths in the fair barn, riding the rides and playing the games at the carnival, or listening to good old West Texas country music played in the H-E-B pavilion by Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys.

"The crowd is never as big as you'd like, but we've had a good crowd and I think everyone is having a good time," said fair organizer Tom Koger. "It doesn't take a very big cloud to keep people at home."

The dark clouds looming to the west of the fairgrounds didn't worry Lee Garcia, 9, a student at Kentwood Elementary, or his parents, Sandra and Oscar Garcia.

"No, I wish it would rain

now. I wouldn't mind getting wet," Sandra said. "Right now it's good because it's cool."

Lee enjoyed an attraction at the fair called "Iceberg Challenge." The inflatable

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Tom Koger
fair board member

monstrosity depicts a sinking ship which has just struck an iceberg. Lee, along with other eager children, climb up one side of the iceberg and slide down the other before climbing up through a tunnel on the tilted deck of the ship, and sliding down again.

"It's fun to slide down,"

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Storm clouds loom as Ashley Ferguson and her mother Stephanie of Coahoma enjoy the carousel at the Howard County Fair Wednesday night. The fair continues through Sunday.

HERALD photo/Roger Cline

FAIR SCHEDULE

Today

4 p.m. Moore's Greater Shows
Carnival
7 p.m. Colgate Country
Showdown
7 p.m. Domino Tournament

Friday

9 a.m.-12 p.m. Free tours
1 p.m.-3 p.m. Pre-k - 5 grade
1 p.m. Classify Steers
1 p.m.-7 p.m. Receive lambs
4 p.m. Moore's Greater Shows
Carnival
7 p.m. Weight Cards due for
Lambs
7 p.m. Showmanship Lambs
7 p.m. Bonnie & Nick Norris
9 p.m. Bonnie & Nick Norris

Saturday

8 a.m. Lamb Show
10:30 a.m. Kountry Kids
1 p.m. Steer Show -
Showmanship immediately
after show

1 p.m. Antique Tractor Pull
3 p.m. Goats arrive
7 p.m. Battle of the
Cheerleaders

9:45 p.m. Quilt Drawing

Sunday

1 p.m. Goat Show



Linda Berry, student activities director for Howard College, looks over a scrapbook with cheerleaders Nicole Payne, left, and Kacie Acri. Berry heads the Battle of the Cheerleaders competition at the county fair.

Courtesy photo

A bit of rah-rah, a whole lot of fun

By NANCY KOGER

Special to the Herald

Linda Berry is ready for the battle. She's not a lady warrior; she's the lady in charge of the Howard County cheerleaders and the Battle of the Cheerleaders at the Howard County Fair, which takes place Friday night.

Her official title at the college is student activities director, which gives her responsibility for the cheerleaders, intramural activities, student government and "other duties as may be assigned."

"I get to do whatever anyone else doesn't want to do," she says cheerfully.

She came to Howard College from Coahoma High School, after interviewing for the position.

Amy Burchett, her predecessor at the post, also passed on the job as coordinator of the 16-year cheerleading competition.

Linda has been overseeing the contest between the area yell squads for seven years. She notifies area schools about the event, sets up the schedule, acquires judges and

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KOGER

Howard County experiences rare downpour Wednesday

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

A reported 1.7 inches of rainfall in the Big Spring area Wednesday night

caused flooding on some county roads but area farmers aren't turning their noses up at the much-needed moisture.

"It's going to help (the agricultural crop) drastically," Michael Brooks, County Extension Agent for 4-H and Youth Development said. "The cotton we do have, if most had held on to it now, will go ahead and mature out. The squares and bowls of cotton that have shut



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down, the rain may help mature out the bowls."

The rainfall is expected to dramatically help with other area crops such as peas, Brooks said.

The Lomax area received an estimated .75 inches to 1.5 of moisture, according to D.V. Cook, manager at the Mustang Farmers Gin.

"It will help some of the younger cotton more than the older cotton," Cook said. According to the National Weather Service in Midland, Wednesday night's micro bursts of moisture poured down a reported 1.7 inches of rain.

Early area rainfall reports indicate Garden City received .5 inches of rain and Snyder received .35 inches of rain, Michael Young, a spokesperson for

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Mystery cat

Howard College instructor seeks evidence that jaguarundi were in Big Spring years ago

By ANDREIA MEDLIN

Features Editor

The Howard College Biology Department is in the process of conducting a mammal survey of Howard County and has collected evidence of all the area's existing species except one, the jaguarundi.

In 1996, what was described as two large black cats resembling mountain lions, were spotted in the Highland area and between Barcelona Apartments and the VA Medical Center.

"There were several eye witness accounts and we need a photograph to prove they existed here," said Howard College's Director of General Studies Lynn Simpson.



WILLIAMS



Courtesy photo

In 1996, two large cats similar to this one were spotted in Big Spring. The Howard College Biology Department is seeking photographic evidence of their existence for a mammal survey.

Although there were several sightings of the feline pair and their cubs, there have

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A BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

Obituaries

Marguerette Lou Ellen Walker

Funeral service for Marguerette Lou Ellen Walker, 82, of Stanton will be 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 22, 2002, at the First Baptist Church in Stanton with the Rev. Bobby Walker officiating and the Rev. David Harp assisting. Graveside service will be at 4:30 p.m. at Lone Wolf Cemetery in Loraine.

Mrs. Walker died Tuesday, Aug. 20, at a Stanton nursing home.

She was born on May 10, 1920, in Dunn. She was an accountant and a member of the First Baptist Church in Stanton. She married William A. Walker on May 15, 1939, in Colorado City.

Survivors include her husband, William A. Walker of Stanton; one grandson; and two great-grandchildren.

Arrangements are under the direction of Stanton Memorial Funeral Home and Chapel.

Felipe Romero Moron

Funeral service for Felipe Romero Moron, 84, of Coahoma, will be at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 24, 2002, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Greg Taylor, pastor of Miracle Revival Center, officiating. Burial will be at Coahoma Cemetery.

Mr. Moron died on Wednesday, Aug. 21, at his residence.

He was born on Aug. 23, 1917, in Brady and married Martina Ramirez on Oct. 11, 1952, in Big Spring. He had lived in Coahoma since 1950. He had farmed for over 60 years and played saxophone in the family band. He had attended St. Joseph Catholic Church in Coahoma.

Survivors include his wife, Martina Moron of Coahoma; four sons, Joe Moron of Big Spring, Fred Moron of Coahoma, Clemente Moron of Brazil, Ind. and Felipe Moron, Jr. of Midland; five daughters, Anita De La Cerda of Palmdale, Calif., Lynn Young of Brazil, Ind., Beatrice Dickens of Canon City, Colo., Gloria Moron of Austin and Olga Strassler of Terre Haute, Ind.; two sisters, Virginia Lopez of Lamesa and Isabel Moreno of Muskegon, Mich.; 13 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

The family suggests memorials be made to a favorite charity.

The family will receive friends from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

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

Becky Jeanne (Cooper) Valdez

Funeral service for Becky Jeanne (Cooper) Valdez, 45, of Laurel, Miss., formerly of Big Spring is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Mrs. Valdez died Tuesday, Aug. 20, 2002, at a hospital in Hattiesburg, Miss.

Jerry Polson

Funeral service for Jerry Polson, 59, of Midland is pending with Gilbreath Funeral Home. Mr. Polson died Wednesday, Aug. 21, 2002, in Stanton.

Take note

□ The Fraternal Order of Eagles 3188, Aerie and Auxiliary is having a coat drive for school children in the community. The coats will be given away Oct. 14, at the Eagles Lodge. The Lodge will accept jackets, sweaters, coats, and sweatshirts of any size, color or style. Bring them by the Eagles Lodge at 703 West Third or contact any Eagle member to have them picked up. Call the Eagles Lodge at 263-6862 after 3 p.m.

□ 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 TexasLSTs@aol.com

□ Valets needed for Webb Reunion Exhibits. Wooden, personal men's valets with a place to hang pants and/or a tray for jewelry are needed for uniform displays planned during the October 11 and 12 event.

They will be needed for a two month period for use at the Hangar 25 Air Museum.

Permanent donations of these items are welcome.

□ Forsan Community Pep Rally will be held Aug. 23 following the junior varsity and varsity scrimmage. For more information call 457-2223.

□ The Democratic party will meet Saturday, Aug. 24, at 10 a.m. on the second floor of the Howard County Court House to discuss plans for the candidate's caravan.

Police Blotter

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

- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported:
 - In the 2500 block of Gunter Circle. The home at the location reportedly sustained \$49 damage.
 - In the 3600 block of La Junta Drive. Someone reportedly inflicted \$80 damage on a blue 2000 Kia and \$125 damage on a black 1999 Mazda.
- **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported:
 - In the 800 block of Creighton Street. Computer equipment worth \$510 was reported stolen in the incident; a rear window was reportedly left unlocked.
 - In the 1400 block of West Second Street.
- **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 1000 block of West Eighth Street and in the 700 block of South Birdwell Lane.
- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 2500 block of Gunter Circle.
- **LOUD PARTY/NOISE** was reported in the 400 block of Ryon Street.

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following recent activity:

- **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported near the Vincent cutoff on Highway 350.
- **LOOSE LIVESTOCK** was reported near the intersection of U.S. 87 and County Road 33.
- **TRAFFIC LIGHT OUT** was reported at the intersection of FM 700 and State Highway 350.
- **FLOODING** was reported about five miles north of Big Spring on U.S. Highway 87 and on the 11th Street Extension.
- **STRANDED MOTORIST** was reported near Interstate 20 mile marker 176.

EMS

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

WEDNESDAY

- 11:45 a.m. — 1500 block of W. 11th Pl., medical call, service refused.
- 12:50 p.m. — 2500 block of Hunter, medical call, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- 6:49 p.m. — 3200 block of Parkway, trauma call, one patient transported to SMMC.
- 9:05 p.m. — 3200 block of Fordham, structure fire, false call.
- 9:09 p.m. — 2400 block of Robb, structure fire, false call.
- 9:59 p.m. — 1100 block of N. Gregg, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.
- 6:12 p.m. — Freecom at Airpark Drive, structure fire, smoke scare.
- 9:25 p.m. — 1900 block of N. 87, structure fire, cancelled en route.
- 9:26 p.m. — 2800 block of Cactus, structure fire, smoke scare.
- 9:50 p.m. — 1500 block of Lorilla, public service, extinguished.
- 10:05 p.m. — 300 block of W. Fourth, public service, extinguished.
- 10:18 p.m. — Frazier and Airport, public service, stand by downed power line.
- 10:34 p.m. — 1800 block of Donley, public service, stand by downed power line.

Take note

MONDAY

- TOPS Club TX 21 (take off pounds sensibly), weigh in at 5:30 p.m. and meeting at 6 p.m. at Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 West Third.
- TOPS Club TX 1756 (take off pounds sensibly), weigh in at 5:30 p.m. and meeting at 6 p.m. at Birdwell Lane Church of Christ, 11th and Birdwell.
- Military support group meets at 6 p.m. at the VA Medical Center in room 212 the first Monday of every month. Contact Wanda Gamble at 263-7180 or Holly Moore at 263-8106.
- Project Freedom, Christian support group for survivors of physical/emotional/sexual and/or spiritual abuse. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241 for dates and times of upcoming groups.
- Bereavement Support Group meets at 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. the first Monday of each month at Community Care Hospice.
- Surviving Pregnancy Loss meets the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Howard County Library Committee Room. Call 631-4430 for more information.
- Alcoholics Anonymous meets from noon to 1 p.m. at 615 Settles. Open meeting on fourth floor at VA Medical Center from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

TUESDAY

- AA Open discussion meeting, 615 Settles 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. Closed podium meeting, 615 Settles 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- Gamblers Anonymous, 7 p.m., St. Stephen's Catholic Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. Call 263-8920.

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

□ Genealogical society meets at 7:15 p.m. in the Howard County Library.

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

FRIDAY

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

□ AMBUCS meets at noon at the Brandin' Iron.

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

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

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

SATURDAY

□ The 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.

□ The Hangar 25 Museum is located at the McMahon-Wrinkle Air Park and is open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and Sunday, 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

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

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

MONDAY

□ Senior Circle meets at 4 p.m. at Scenic Mountain Medical Center for Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics. People 50 and older are invited to participate. For more information call 268-4721.

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

TUESDAY

□ Intermediate line dance classes are held at 9 a.m. at the Senior Citizen's Center. For more information call 267-1628.

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

□ Evening Lions Club meets at noon at the Senior Citizen's Center.

WEDNESDAY

□ Line dancing, 1 p.m. at the Senior Citizen's Center in the Industrial Park. For more information call 398-5522 or 267-1628.

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

If you or a loved one is serving in the military, fire department, CIA, FBI, or other law enforcement — be a part of the Herald's Sept. 11 commemorative edition coming Sept. 11, 2002. Call 263-7331 for more details.



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Fuqua will manage the airpark until a replacement can be found, he said.

"Up until the time we do find a replacement I'm going to act as interim airpark manager similar to the way Hal Boyd did when he was city manager. He kind of split those duties," Fuqua said. "I'll be of course getting some support from the staff."

Some of Curtiss' plans will continue until a replacement is hired, Fuqua added. "The things we can do while we're short handed, of course," he said. "When the new person is hired, they'll review that list and make recommendations on what should be kept and what should be done differently. Jim had a lot of good ideas, and certainly we want to take advantage of those."

Airpark Development Board Member Bobby McDonald said he was surprised and saddened by the resignation. He pointed out that with the resignation of longtime airport operator Nelda Reagan in June, the airpark has lost two valuable employees.

"He was a very exciting person," McDonald said. "He certainly captured my admiration when he came. In my opinion we lost a mighty fine one before him, and now we've lost another good one."

City council member Greg Biddison also said he was surprised by the sudden resignation.

"I was informed of it yesterday afternoon or evening. I wasn't expecting it, I'll put it that way," he said. "I guess he's got personal reasons and needs to do something different. That's all I know."

Curtiss, Reagan, McEwen and Airpark Development Board Chairman Jim Little were all unavailable for comment this morning.

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

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Lee said, who said both the iceberg and ship segments of the attraction are fun.

Several of the fair games proved challenging for those trying to win animals, some stuffed, some not.

Richard Gaitan was trying to win a prize for his friend, Rebecca Valencia, by tossing a table tennis ball into one of several glass bowls floating on a swirling pool.

"You're playing with ping-pong balls and you're kind of far away from it, and it bounces off the bowls a lot," Gaitan said.

Valencia said the two were enjoying the fair and looking forward to the rides.

"We haven't ridden them yet, we're about to," she said.

Had Gaitan been able to sink a ball into a bowl, Valencia would have been able to choose between live rabbits or the more traditional stuffed animal prize fare.

Booth operator Stephanie Lerma said most people are attracted to the game by the bunnies.

"They usually won't play if they don't want a rabbit," she said. "These (stuffed animals) are up here just so a parent can say, 'No rab-

bit."

Festivities continue through the weekend, Koger said. The Colgate Country Showdown, a contest between seven local country singers in which the winner moves on to further competition and could possibly win the \$100,000 national prize, takes place tonight. Saturday night comes the annual Battle of the Cheerleaders.

BATTLE

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helps order the actual happening.

"The most nerve-racking part of the battle is when the music or the sound system doesn't work right or the judges don't get here — something I have no control over," she says.

The earlier date for the fair also causes some hardship because schools just started this week, and the college cheerleaders have to report a week earlier than they would, as well.

"The best part of this for me is seeing how the cheerleaders work as a team, the spirit they reveal," asserts Linda. "Each year, they seem to get better, more competitive."

The Howard College squad, captained this year by Nicole Payne from Pecos and Kacie Aciri of Big Spring, helps put on the event and showcases some of their own routines. They see the competition as a great recruiting tool for them.

"It gives us a chance to meet area high school cheerleaders and let people know about things we do such as the mini cheer camp we're having for first through eighth graders on Sept. 7," say the co-captains. "The camp is a fundraiser to get things our budget doesn't cover."

Linda says that she gets help from her husband, Glenn "Ace" Berry, a research tech for USDA, and son Cash, who is beginning to work on his master's degree at Texas Tech.

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the National Weather Service in Midland said.

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Thousands expected for Rock the Desert concert

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
Staff Writer

The sounds of Christian rock will blow through the Permian Basin this weekend with the help of more than 19 religious bands and an expected 50,000 concert goers.

Rock the Desert, a nondenominational religious concert, will be held Friday through Sunday at Beal Park located at the corner of West Loop 250 and Business I-20 in Midland.

"It's awesome," Courtney Johnson, youth minister for First United Methodist Church in Big Spring said. "It's one of the best activities we do during the year. All the top Christian bands come and they do it for free. This year we are going to camp out at the park."

The local church plans to take 46 youth to the event. This is the second year church members have attended the concert, Johnson said. "Ever since last August, the kids have looked forward to it," Johnson

"I volunteered last year to take pictures and I couldn't help but wipe the tears of joy out off my eyes."

Manuel Ribera



said. "They have been invited all their friends to come. Last year we took 12."

"We have more than 19 live bands performing during the three days and games for the children," Manuel Ribera, a volunteer for the concert said.

Local band Crimson Soul is on the schedule to perform.

Other events include performances by the Christian Wrestling Federation and demonstrations with Manna Skateboarding Company and Jedidiah

Boarding Company.

"The kids can bring their skateboard and skate with a couple of Christian skateboarding teams," Ribera said.

The annual event began three years ago at Trinity Episcopal, a Midland Church, Ribera said.

"About 400 people came," he said. "The second year it was held at Beal Park. To our surprise about 30,000 people showed up. We are expecting 50,000 this year."

The growing event will be broadcast nationally.

Ribera said the concert can be a very emotional experience.

"I volunteered last year to take pictures and I couldn't help but wipe the tears of joy out off my eyes," Ribera said. "There was laughter everywhere and joy everywhere and endless excitement throughout the concert."

For more information about the three day event, call (915) 697-4548 or visit the Web site at www.rock-the-desert.com.

The downpour also resulted in a flash flood warning in Howard County.

"The sheriff's office reported numerous roads flooding with several roads closed," Young said.

Young warns in times of flash flooding not to travel. Howard and Scurry counties have the highest reported fatalities from flash flooding in the area, Young said.

"However inconvenienced you are, it's best to wait a couple of hours than risk your life or the life of your family or your property by driving through a low water crossing," Young said. "Wait a few hours or find another route."

The Crossroads area may see a return of rain but not until early next week, Young reports.

"By first part of the week may see a chance of thunderstorm but it looks to be dry through the weekend," Young said.

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been no more reported sightings since April of 1996. However, the group

believes (based on descriptions) that the animals once lived here and are optimistic that someone may have a photo of the elusive mammals.

"Someone must have taken a picture of this animal and we would appreciate any help we can get," Simpson said.

The animal, also known as the Mexican panther, is described in "Mammals of Texas" as small, slender bodied with a long tail, no spots and weasel like in appearance. The book goes on to say that the jaguarundi is somewhat larger than the ordinary alley cat, can be either black or dark gray and has short legs.

Simpson added that the cat "has small ears, is low to the ground with an almost crouching gate." It is said to live only in the southern most counties of Texas — Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr and Willacy — and was disputed by animal authorities to have migrated as far as Howard County.

The descriptions given of the animals at the time closely matched the characteristics of the species and were speculated to have been someone's pets due to the distance of their known habitat and their venturing

close to human population.

The information obtained will be added to the survey and will be published in an updated edition of the Texas Journal of Science publication "Noteworthy Record of Native Howard County Mammals" on Sept. 1, 2002. The survey being conducted by the college is funded by a grant from the National Science Foundation which supports math, science and engineering.

For more information or to submit photographic evidence of the jaguarundi, contact Simpson or Candice N. Cerda at 264-5159 at the Howard College Biology Department.

To contact Features Editor

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OUR VIEWS

Perhaps you could make that special difference

Empathy. Sometimes that's all the victim of a crime needs — the simple touch of a hand and or an attentive ear while one relates an emotional experience can make all the difference in the world.

The bottom line is that a person's life can change in an instant and someone needs to be there for the victim.

That's what Victim Services volunteers do and they are an invaluable resource for our community.

Volunteers for the non-profit, independent program serve victims of all crimes and their families, offering assistance in finding financial help, counseling programs and much, much more on occasion.

More than anything else, Victim Services volunteers simply offer the message that someone cares.

The organization is now accepting applications from volunteers to complete its 40-hour training session. The sessions will be held Monday through Friday, Sept. 16-20, from 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. and on Saturday, Sept. 21, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Volunteers must complete an interview and screening process, be able to work as a team member, accept supervision, have the ability to empathize with others, have good listening skills, maintain confidentiality, complete the training sessions and commit to two 12-hour shifts per month.

At present the organization's five-county area — Howard, Borden, Glasscock, Martin and Mitchell counties — is served by 13 volunteers and four staff members.

That's simply not enough to do the job that needs to be done.

If you believe you have what it takes to be a Victim Services volunteer, we encourage you to step up and be counted.

Anyone interested can call Linda Perez at the Victim Services offices at 263-3312.

YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

We would like to extend a very special thank you to all of the businesses and people who donated publicity, merchandise, food, music, equipment, and time to the Terry Fortson Benefit Barbecue and Dance.

The benefit raised more than \$6,000. Your support

and generous contributions made this success possible.

Donations can still be made to the Terry Fortson Benefit Fund, c/o State National Bank.

ALAN PARTEE,
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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

We can improve our future, Lord, and not waste our present by getting to know you today through your word. Amen

Is tolerance the lesson of September 11?

Should American school-children be taught to reserve judgment about who was to blame in the Sept. 11 attack on the United States? If the National Education Association, the nation's largest teachers union, has its way, that's exactly what millions of youngsters will learn this fall.

The NEA, with help from the American Red Cross and Johnson and Johnson Company, is distributing free lesson plans to help teachers incorporate instruction on the terrorist attack in their regular curriculum. But the plans bend over backward not to cast blame against any group or country, except perhaps the United States. The guides encourage teachers to "discuss historical instances of American intolerance," suggesting the "[i]nternment of Japanese Americans after Pearl Harbor and the backlash

against Arab Americans during the Gulf War" as "obvious examples."

The lesson plans also discourage teachers from making important moral distinctions. "Be aware that you will not be effective if you purposely or inadvertently take one side over another in controversies of a political, religious or other nature, including taking the side of one student over another," a section on Guidance for Teachers warns. "When you model respect for and tolerance of all the views and feelings that your students share, your students will try to do the same," the guide says.

But is this really the lesson of September 11? Tolerance is a distinctly Western attribute, a value not shared in most of the Islamic world, much less by those individuals who attacked the United States last year. As important as religious and political tolerance are to American values, tolerance, too, has its limits. It's important to take sides sometimes.

Should we teach children that there is no difference between societies that guarantee equal rights to men and women and those that

deny women education, force them to undergo painful and dangerous genital mutilation, and sell little girls as child brides to men who can mistreat them and abandon them with impunity?

Should we teach children that there is no difference between those nations that allow individuals freedom to worship — or not — as they choose and those that jail, torture and even kill individuals who do not share the religious or anti-religious views of the regime?

At a time when many of the students in our school systems now come from countries that promote intolerance, should we be teaching children not to be judgmental about prejudice, ignorance and bigotry? If a student says that it is not only permissible but obligatory for a believer to destroy an infidel, should a teacher treat this opinion as acceptable?

By promoting a radical, value-neutral approach to thorny issues, the NEA may actually be encouraging the very intolerance it finds so objectionable. Intolerance is far more widespread in parts of the

world from which most immigrant students come these days than it is in America. Part of the assimilation process has always been to promote Western, democratic values, which includes the notion of tolerance itself. All American children, especially new immigrants, should be encouraged to embrace these values. This is what it means to become an American.

If teachers want to help students commemorate September 11, why not focus on how special the United States is in its respect for the rights of individuals, in its guarantees of political and religious freedom, in the opportunities it provides for every person to achieve his or her dreams? These are the attributes that our enemies detest and tried to destroy — and they receive far too little attention in our public school curriculum. For years we've been too busy exploring what's wrong with America. The best honor we could pay those who died a year ago would be to teach our children what makes this nation so great.

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Underdogs are coming to the rescue.

Nobody looks out for the underdog anymore.

Everyone is darn certain he's going to become filthy rich any day now — either with a stock portfolio or a lotto ticket. Nobody identifies with the normal working man, the Ordinary Joe.

That wasn't always the case. In the good old days, before the 1980s, there were at least a few who realized the truth. And the truth is, most of us are born naked, die broke and struggle in between.

Today, everybody wants to walk around with a Wall Street Journal tucked under one arm and a cell-phone snug to the ear. Everybody wants to be important and associate only with those who are.

Which is why this story is so sad. One of the last great defenders of the underdog is ailing.

I once had a little boat named the Willie and Joe.

The boat got its name from cartoon characters created by Bill Mauldin. Mauldin first found fame in World War II, when he drew cartoons from the perspective of two homesick and muddy dogfaces, Willie and Joe.

The characters resonated with ordinary soldiers. The cartoonist, who started in the war as an Army infantry private, used his pen to deflate the notion that war was all glory and heroics.

Mauldin won his first Pulitzer Prize in 1945 at age 23, before he even knew what the P-Prize was. He was on the cover of national magazines, and he wrote best-selling books. But more importantly, he gave the brass hell and the ordinary GI something to laugh about. Even Patton — not a fan — couldn't stop Mauldin.

He didn't quit after the war, either. Mauldin drew editorial cartoons that made his own syndicate nervous because they didn't match the postwar conservatism of this country. He later worked for the St. Louis Post-Dispatch and the Chicago Sun-Times, where his take-no-prisoners

approach won him another Pulitzer. He retired in 1991.

I was privileged to talk to Bill Mauldin three times. He was accessible, funny, irreverent and profane. Once our conversation was about the great World War II scribe and Mauldin's friend, Ernie Pyle. Mauldin believed the beloved Ernie's work, also, would have been far too "liberal" for the masses if he'd made it home from the war.

Bill Mauldin, 80, today languishes in a California nursing home. Injured in a household accident last year, Mauldin's mind isn't as sharp as it once was. He doesn't talk much.

Gordon Dillow, a columnist for The Orange County Register, heard about Mauldin's predicament. At the request of family members, Dillow has organized a schedule for World War II veterans to spend a few minutes with the famous Bill Mauldin. The visits from vets seem to cheer him.

"The response has been overwhelming," Dillow says. "Not only do the old soldiers remember specific cartoons, they remember where they were when they saw them."

The columnist also solicited cards. Again, the response was staggering. Gordon sent me some sample letters:

"When the stuff was hitting the fan, it helped to see Willie and Joe sharing the same moans and groans that we were expressing."

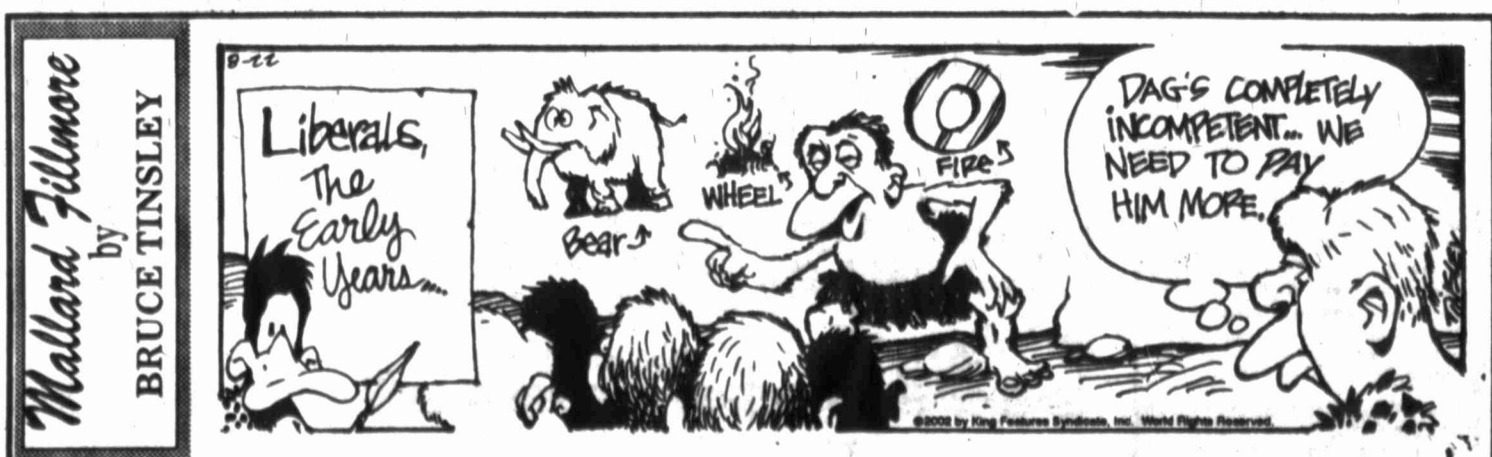
"My favorite was during the liberation of Paris. ... The generals were leading the parade, and the ladies were throwing flowers down from the balconies to them. Willie and Joe were in the Jeep behind the generals throwing tomatoes at them."

"You were able to convey the feelings and miseries of the ordinary dogface with a picture and a short sentence — with humor yet."

I told my own father, a World War II veteran, about Gordon Dillow's campaign. My father asked where to send his card. I've never known him to mail a get-well card before.

But, then, Willie and Joe once were awfully good friends of his.

To mail a letter or card to Mauldin, send it in care of Gordon Dillow, P.O. Box 11626, Santa Ana, CA 92711-1626.



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Four generations
Pictured are back
are Jim Bob Par

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On a corner
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I've got to get
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I only get one
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I must be
there on time"

When he left
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Four Generations of Allen Meet



Courtesy photo
Four generations of the Allen family gathered during a visit to Big Spring this summer. Pictured are back row, Sue Phiffer of Hamilton, Lawrence Allen of Big Spring, and in front are Jim Bob Paring and Susanne Partin of Hamilton.

O'Donnell Golden Trowel Awarded

On Friday, Aug. 2, the O'Donnell Lodge 1187 met to honor Mr. Pete Stricklin with a Golden Trowel Award. This award goes to a Mason for outstanding service.

In April 1, 1958 he was raised to a Master Mason. Mr. Stricklin is a 32nd degree Scottish Rite, A Shriner, Chapter and

Council, Commandry, and Eastern Star.

Mr. Stricklin is an Endowed member of O'Donnell 1187, Tahoka 1041, Lamesa 909, Stake Plains of Big Spring 598, and Tranquility 2000, and Eastern Star 61.

He has held every office more than once in all the

lodges, was District Deputy '89-'90 for district 80, District Educational Officer '91-'94, Worth Patron in '77.

A supper was served to his family and a host of friends.

The lodge regularly meets the 4th Thursday of the month at 7 p.m.

Family focus

Recipe for Taco Casserole

Taco Casserole

1 lb ground skinless chicken breast
1/2 c onions, chopped
1/2 c bell peppers, chopped
1 clove garlic
1 pkg taco seasoning mix
8 ozs taco sauce
1 c fat-free sour cream
1 c fat-free cottage cheese
1 c low-fat tortilla chips, crushed
1 c low-fat cheddar cheese, shredded
Heat oven to 400.

Spray cooking spray on bottom of a 2-quart casserole dish; set aside.

In a skillet, cook chicken, onion, peppers, and garlic clove until tender.

Add seasoning mix and taco sauce; set aside. In a medium bowl, combine sour cream and cottage cheese; set aside. Place half the crushed chips in the bottom of casserole dish.

Add meat mixture to cover the chips, then cover the meat with sour cream mixture.

Sprinkle with cheese and remaining crushed chips.

Bake, uncovered, for 30 minutes or until cheese has melted.

8 servings; 287 Calories; 4g Fat (13% calories from fat); 25g Protein; 34g Carbohydrate; 43mg Cholesterol; 1002mg Sodium



KATIE WALKER

Katie Walker writes a regular column for the Herald.

READER'S CORNER

Cafe on the Corner

On a corner by a cafe a man I chance to meet
He was so cold and hungry
It's a hard life on the street

His clothes were worn and ragged
And he hadn't shaved in weeks,
but something quite familiar about this man
there on the street

Then he said "I must be going
I've got to get in line
I only get one meal a day
I must be there on time"

When he left I felt so lonely
my heart in

deep dismay I stood there on the corner there by that old cafe

Slowly then he walked away he looked so sad and beat
this man that I had met today
on the corner of the street

But he just kept on walking
way down that lonely street

And I stood there on the corner by the cafe
on the street
Bernice Reed Jones

Only God Can
Magical snowflakes
Swirled all around
Glistening snowflakes
Drift to the ground.

They're covering everything —
Oh my, what a sight!
What once was bright colors
Now is pure white.

Like Jesus' sweet spirit
So tender, yet bold.
A treasure more precious
Than jewels and gold.
And all that it touches
Though I cannot say how,
Are exquisitely changed
With His Sweet Spirit somehow.

There are some things, like snowflakes —
That only God can do,
And the Sweet Spirit of Jesus
That rebuilds me and you.
That's why we hunger for
More than just man.
There are some things
That only God can.
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AUSTIN (AP) — Her fishing report from the Texas Parks Department for August also available at www.txfishing.com.

CENTRAL
BROWNWOOD: Water 80 degrees; Black bass 10-12 inches. Rat-L-Traps and crankbaits. Striped bass on live minnows and Channel and blue catfish on Canadian nightcrawlers in 8-14 feet. Yellow perch on shad and minnows.

SOUTH
AMISTAD: Water 80 degrees; Black bass spinnerbaits and jigs 15 feet early. Striped bass on live minnows near the Rio Grande. White bass on live minnows and blue catfish are fair on shrimp and minnows.

WEST
ALAN HENRY: Water 80 degrees; Black bass are fair on poppers, jugs and minnows. Striped bass on live minnows. Crappie on minnows and jugs.

ARROWHEAD: Water 85 degrees; Black bass to 7 pounds on minnows and jugs. Crappie on minnows and jugs. White bass on minnows and jugs. Hybrid striped bass on minnows and jugs. Catfish are fair on minnows and jugs.

COLORADO CITY: Water 85 degrees; 9.5 low; Black bass are slow. Redfish are slow. Fishing is expected to be toxic golden shiner.

FT. PHANTOM HILL: Water 86 degrees; 5.8 low; Black bass are fair. White bass are fair on minnows.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water 85 degrees; Black bass are good on minnows and jugs. Crappie are fair on minnows and jugs. Hybrid striped bass on minnows and jugs. Catfish are fair on minnows and jugs.

NASWORTHY: Water 85 degrees; Black bass are fair on minnows, spinners and jugs. Crappie are fair on minnows and jugs. White bass and striped bass are good on minnows. Catfish are fair on minnows and jugs.

OAK CREEK: Water 84 degrees; No boat. Black bass are fair on minnows and jugs. Crappie are fair on minnows and jugs. White bass and striped bass are good on minnows and jugs.

OH. RIVER: Water 85 degrees; 19 low; Black bass are good on minnows, dark jugs and minnows. Crappie are good at night and dawn. White bass are good on minnows at dawn and under lights. Smallmouth bass are good on minnows and jugs. Goldfish, chicken liver.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water 82 degrees; Black bass are fair. Crappie are fair. Striped bass on minnows and jugs. Catfish are good on minnows and jugs.

SPENCE: Water 85 degrees; 5.6 low; Black bass are fair on minnows and jugs. Crappie are fair on minnows and jugs. White bass and hybrid striped bass are good on minnows and jugs. Catfish are fair on minnows and jugs.

STAMFORD: Water 84 degrees; 2.5 low; Black bass are fair on minnows. Crappie on minnows and jugs. Striped bass on minnows and jugs. White bass and minnows are good on minnows and jugs. Catfish are good on minnows and jugs.

SWEETWATER: Water 84 degrees; Black bass are fair on minnows. Crappie on minnows and jugs. White bass are good on minnows and jugs. Catfish are good on minnows and jugs.

WHITE RIVER: Water 85 degrees; 2 bass fair. Crappie are fair on minnows and jugs. White bass are good on minnows and jugs. Catfish are good on minnows and jugs.

WICHITA: Water 86 degrees; Black bass are slow. Crappie are slow. Catfish are slow. White bass are slow. Shiners, worms, live minnows near the Wichita Park area.

IN BRIEF

BSYSA registering players for season

The Big Spring Youth Soccer Association is now registering youngsters for the upcoming season.

Registration is being held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Friday at All District Printing, and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at the Big Spring Mall.

The cost is \$25 for the first child and \$20 for each additional child.

The 2002 season begins in mid-September and runs through November.

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 BSJHS 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.

CLFL late registration set for this week

The Crossroads Little Football League late registration period for all local athletes will be held through Thursday at the Big Spring Mall.

Persons registering will need to bring their birth certificates and a copy of their report card.

For more information call Steve Decker at (915) 520-7373 or (915) 699-5409.

BS Quarterback Club to hold pep rally

The Big Spring 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.

Forsan to host pep rally for community

A community pep rally will be held Friday, Aug. 23, at the Forsan High School football stadium for members of the public.

The pep rally will be held following the Buffaloes' scrimmage with Reagan County. Blue Bell ice cream will be served. Also, the Forsan cheerleaders will be holding a bake sale.

CHS Band Booster sets 'Tailgate Party'

The Coahoma Band Booster will be hosting the first "Bulldogs Tail Gate Party" on Friday, Aug. 30. Advance tickets for the event can be purchased from Band Booster members. Tickets are \$5 each.

CHS boosters set 'Meet the Bulldogs'

The Coahoma Athletic Booster Club will hold a "Meet the Bulldogs" gala on Monday, Aug. 26, in the Coahoma Elementary School cafeteria. The event is scheduled to start at 7 p.m.

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Event	Time	Station
Rangers vs. BoSox	5:40 p.m.	1490
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Tech vs. Ohio St.	12:45 p.m.	1490
Rangers vs. Yankees	Noon	1490
Astros vs. Padres	2:40 p.m.	1490
Cowboys vs. Jaguars	6:40 p.m.	95.7
Rangers vs. Orioles	6:40 p.m.	1490
Steers vs. Odessa	6:06 p.m.	95.7/1490
Baylor vs. California	2 p.m.	94.3
Texas A&M vs. La-Lafayette	6 p.m.	95.7
Texas vs. North Texas	6 p.m.	1490



Roy and Beverly Beauchamp will be trying to raise funds for BSHS athletics on Sept. 21 when they hold a celebrity memorabilia auction at the Dora Roberts Community Center. Funds from the auction will be divided among the school system's boys and girls athletic programs. Larry Mantle, the brother of Mickey Mantle, will be the keynote speaker.

GIVING BACK

Beauchamps hoping to help Big Spring sports programs with all-star fund-raiser

By TOMMY WELLS
Sports Editor

Roy and Beverly Beauchamp are hoping Britney Spears can do it again next month. And they're really hoping Alex Rodriguez and Michael Jordan can put some money in the Big Spring athletics coffers.

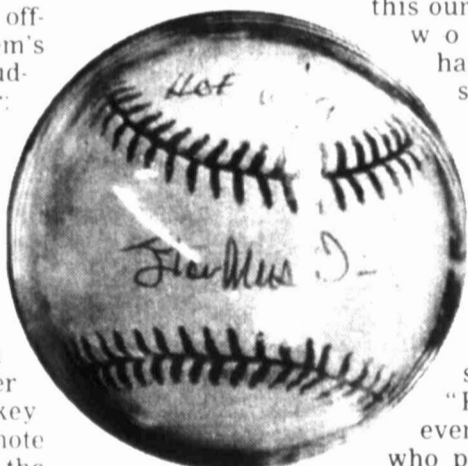
Not physically, mind you. Just through the appeal to the public. In an effort to help create funding for the Big Spring athletic departments, the Beauchamps have taken it upon themselves to wage a 2-person fund-raising effort they hope can offset any losses the school system's athletic budget may incur to budgetary cutbacks. Their answer: Give the stars — or their likenesses and signatures — to the masses.

The Beauchamps will hold a celebrity memorabilia auction from various sports and entertainment figures on Sept. 21 at the Dora Roberts Community Center. Larry Mantle, a veteran high school coach and the brother of former Yankee great Mickey Mantle, will serve as the keynote speaker at a chili supper prior to the auction.

Among the items up for grabs are a signed photo of Spears, a bat autographed by New York Yankees' star Derek Jeter and a Tiger Woods golf ball. Items from such stars as Mel Gibson, Liv Tyler, Stan Musial, Madonna, Shaquille O'Neal, a football signed by Green Bay's — and for-

mer Big Spring standout — Bubba Franks, a volleyball signed by Rose Magers and a huge stuffed AFLAC duck are also among more than 100 items offered.

"We just want to help," said Beverly Beauchamp, who along with her husband are BSHS graduates. "It's a fact of life everywhere that athletic budgets everywhere are going down so we decided we would do this and try to give something back to the community."



"Maybe if we do this our kids won't have to suffer," she said.

"Plus, everyone who participates gives money to a great cause and walks away with something that could be worth more money than what they gave to get it."

The idea of staging a fund-raising auction isn't a sour of the moment thing for the parents of Big Spring linebacker Dustyn Beauchamp. The couple actually began collecting

Crossroads Little Football League

What: Celebrity auction
When: Saturday, Sept. 21
Where: Dora Roberts Community Center
Of Note: Items from sports and entertainment stars will be auctioned to help raise funds for the BSHS athletic departments. Among the items available are an autographed photo of Britney Spears, an autographed bat from New York Yankees' Derek Jeter, a Tiger Woods golf ball. Items also from such stars as Mel Gibson, Liv Tyler, Stan Musial, Madonna, Shaquille O'Neal, Bubba Franks, Nolan Ryan and Rose Magers. More than 100 items will be auctioned.

items for the event several years ago. "We've wanted to do this for three or four years," said Roy Beauchamp. "As business owners, we know the local shops get hit all the time for sponsorships. We're hoping to help in that if we can raise enough money through this it will make it easier on the businesses and the school programs."

"We're hoping we can make enough money that we can give the school a check that can be divided up among all the school's sports programs," Beverly Beauchamp said.

The Beauchamps' efforts haven't gone unnoticed by BSHS officials. Athletic director Dwight Butler commended them for their effort and dedication to the community.

"I think what they're doing is tremendous," said Butler, who indicated that all school budgets, not just athletics, were being downsized. "You can't thank people like that enough because they've taken the initiative to help."

"For someone to think enough of the kids to do something like this is incredible," he added.

Vizcaino powers Astros past Cubs, 4-0

HOUSTON (AP) — Jose Vizcaino went 2-for-5 including a home run on Mark Prior's third pitch — as the Houston Astros beat the Chicago Cubs 4-0 on Wednesday night.

It was the 27th time Vizcaino has led off for the Astros this season, including nine times in the last 12 games. He has 11 hits in his last 20 at bats, but he still would rather hit lower in the lineup.

"I don't like it," Vizcaino

said of leading off. "I'm not a guy who walks a lot. A leadoff hitter needs to walk more than I do. I'm not patient. I'm aggressive. I don't take a lot of pitches."

"I'm hitting the ball good and making good contact. That's (2-for-5) what happens when you do. I'm happy I'm doing a good job."

Vizcaino's first inning shot marked the second time in four days he led off a game with a homer.

Carlos Hernandez scat-

tered four hits over six innings in his second start since returning from the disabled list on Sunday.

"We really didn't know how he would pitch. Even though he told us he felt good, you never really know," Houston manager Jimmy Williams said. "I was glad he was able to go so deep in the game."

Hernandez (6-4) tied a career high with eight strikeouts and walked three.

Garcia parra spurs BoSox past Rangers

BOSTON (AP) — The effect Nomar Garcia parra had on his teammates was evident in the sounds coming from the Boston Red Sox's side of the field.

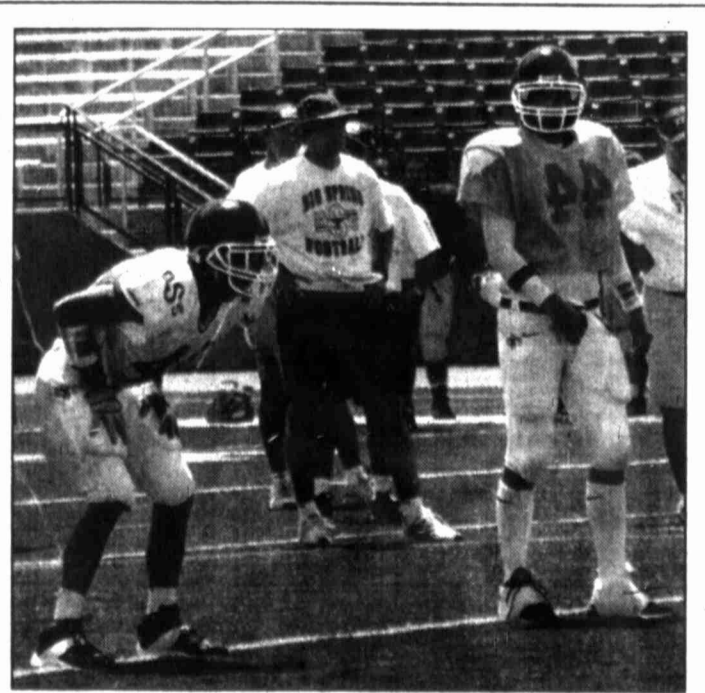
Garcia parra rallied his teammates in the dugout when the team fell behind

early, then got four hits — including a tiebreaking two-run single in the eighth inning — as the Red Sox beat the Texas Rangers 5-3 on Wednesday night.

Boston trailed 3-0 after four innings and was well on its way to dropping

another game back in the wild-card standings.

Boston started the comeback in the fifth on Lou Merloni's RBI double and tied it on RBI singles by Manny Ramirez and Shea Hillenbrand in the sixth inning.



The Big Spring Steers will close out their 2002 pre-season slate this evening with a scrimmage against Lamesa. The two teams are scheduled to begin at 7:15 p.m. at Memorial Stadium.

FISHING REPORT

AUSTIN (AP) — Here is the weekly fishing report as compiled for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for Aug. 21. (Report also available on Web as www.txfishing.com.)

CENTRAL
BROWNWOOD: Water clear; 86 degrees; Black bass are good on Rat-L-Traps and deep-diving crankbaits. Striped bass are slow on Rat-L-Traps and silver spoons in 20 - 25 feet. White bass are good on live minnows and jigs in 10 feet. Channel and blue catfish are good on Canadian nightcrawlers and minnows in 8 - 14 feet. Yellow catfish are slow on shad and shrimp in 25 feet.

BUCHANAN: Water clear; 86 degrees; 1018.10'; Black bass are fair on pumpkin Carolina-rigged 4" Sliding Weight Craw Fish, 1/2oz. watermelon Terminator jigs with BBB crawfish trailers, and Fat Free Shad crankbaits along ledges in 12 - 25 feet. Striped bass are good on chrome/blue Rat-L-Traps and threadfin Berkley topwater walkers on the surface over 40 - 50 feet at daylight. White bass are fair jigging 1/4oz. Pirk Minnows, 2" Lit'l Fishie Shads, and Spin Traps over 20 foot main lake points. Crappie are slow on minnows. Channel catfish are good on liver and minnows. Flathead and blue catfish are good on trotlines.

SOUTH
AMISTAD: Water fairly clear; 85 degrees; Black bass are fair on spinnerbaits and jigs over grass in 15 feet early. Striped bass are fair on striped jigs near the dam and up the Rio Grande. White bass are fair on striped jigs and slabs. Crappie are slow on live minnows. Channel and blue catfish are fair on cheese-bait in 5 - 20 feet. Yellow catfish are slow.

WEST
ALAN HENRY: Water clear; 85 degrees; Black bass to 5 pounds are fair on poppers, and Carolina-rigs in 15-20 feet - smaller bass are very good on worms. Crappie are fair on minnows, and jigs under lights.
ARROWHEAD: Water stained (from wind); 85 degrees; 6.5 low; Black bass to 7 pounds are fair on jigs at night. Crappie are very good on minnows and jigs fished around derrick. White bass are good on Rat-L-Traps while trolling. Catfish are fair on shrimp drifting near the dam.

COLORADO CITY: Water clear; 85 degrees; 9.5 low; Black bass are slow. Crappie are slow. White bass are slow. Redfish are slow. Catfish are slow. Fishing is extremely slow due to a toxic golden algae bloom.

FT. PHANTOM HILL: Water clear; 86 degrees; 5.8 low. Black bass are fair. Crappie are fair. White bass are good on minnows and jigs. Catfish are fair on minnows.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water lightly stained; 85 degrees; 14 low; Black bass are good on worms, crankbaits, and Rattle-L-Traps. Crappie are fair. White bass and hybrid striped are good on chrome Rat-L-Traps and under lights at night. Catfish are fair.

NASWORTHY: Water lightly stained; 85 degrees; Black bass are fair on minnows, spinnerbaits, and topwaters. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs. Redfish are fair. White bass and striped bass are fair on minnows. Catfish are good on minnows and perch.

OAK CREEK: Water lightly stained; 84 degrees; No boat ramps open. Black bass are fair. Crappie are good near docks on minnows and jigs. Catfish are fair on trotlines baited with minnows and stinkbait.

OH. LIVIE: Water lightly stained; 84 degrees; 19 low; Black bass are fair on minnows, dark jigs, and topwaters. Crappie are good under lights at night and dawn. White bass are good on minnows at dusk and dawn, and under lights at night. Smallmouth bass are slow. Catfish are good on trotlines baited with goldfish, chicken liver, and perch.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water lightly stained; 82 degrees; 1.5 low; Black bass are fair. Crappie are fair. White bass are fair. Striped bass are fair on under lights. Catfish are fair.

SPENCE: Water stained; 79 degrees; 56 low; Black bass are fair on jigs and red shad plastics. Crappie are fair. White bass, striped bass and hybrid striped are fair on minnows. Catfish are fair on trotlines baited with shad. Fishing is generally slow due to golden algae bloom.

STAMFORD: Water lightly stained; 84 degrees; 2.5 low; Black bass are fair on minnows. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs. White bass and striped bass are fair on crankbaits and minnows. Catfish are good on trotlines baited with shad and stinkbait.

SWEETWATER: Water lightly stained; 84 degrees; 19.5 low; Black bass are fair on topwaters and minnows. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs. White bass are good on minnows and chrome Rat-L-Traps. Catfish are good on trotlines baited with minnows and chicken liver.

WHITE RIVER: Water murky (from wind); 85 degrees; 20 low; Black bass fair. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs. Walleye are fair. Catfish are good on minnows and shad.

WICHITA: Water stained (from wind); 86 degrees; .3 low; Black bass are slow. Crappie are slow. White bass are slow. Hybrid striped are slow. Catfish are fair on large shiners, worms, liver and shrimp near the Wichita Park area around the cattails.

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By BETTY DEBNAM

How We Love to See Those Smiling Faces!

Have a Cool School Morning



You can help the rest of your day go well if you start it with a smile... and keep on a happy face all day long.

You have a job - you go to school. Whether you have a good year is up to you. How you behave will help decide what kind of year it's going to be.

Getting yourself ready in the morning is part of your job. Setting off on the right foot each morning will help your day go much smoother.

Do you plan to do these cool things?



1. Get up right away when called. Don't make your parents have to call you again and again.

2. Make your bed. Don't make your mom have to remind you.

3. Wash your face and comb your hair. Wipe up the sink after you use it. Hang up your towel and washcloth.

4. Get dressed quickly. It's a good idea to lay out your clothes the night before. Put your dirty clothes in the hamper.

5. Help your younger brothers and sisters if they need it.

6. Help fix breakfast if your mom or dad asks you to. Remember, eating a good breakfast helps you think better. Put the dirty dishes in the sink or dishwasher.

7. Brush your teeth after breakfast. If you can't brush during the day, switch out your mouth with water.

8. Check your backpack to make certain your homework is finished and ready to turn in. Check to see if you have your snack or lunch money. How about your books?

9. Now you are ready for the day. Don't horse around at the bus stop. Don't tease others. If you walk, look out for traffic. Pay attention. BE COOL.

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MIGHTY FUNNY'S Mini Jokes

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

Sam: What do you get when King Kong steps on a glacier?
Sally: Crushed ice!

Harry: What is the difference between the law and an ice cube?
Hannah: One is justice, the other is just ice!

Jack: Did you hear the joke about the icicle?
Jessie: Never mind; it would leave you cold!

School Manners TRY 'N FIND

Words and names that remind us of school manners are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. See if you can find: MANNERS, POLITE, TALK, NICE, GREET, SCHOOL, FRIENDS, STUDENTS, KIND, HELP, RESPECT, OFFER, PLEASE, GIVE, CARE, AGREE, PRAISE, OBEY, QUIET.

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Mini Spy ...

Mini Spy raises her hand in class to be called on when she has something to say. See if you can find: • exclamation mark • cat

- umbrella
- feather
- football
- muffin
- key • ruler
- letter D
- number 7
- sock
- carrot
- letter A
- pencil
- man in the moon
- number 2

Goldie Goodsport's Report

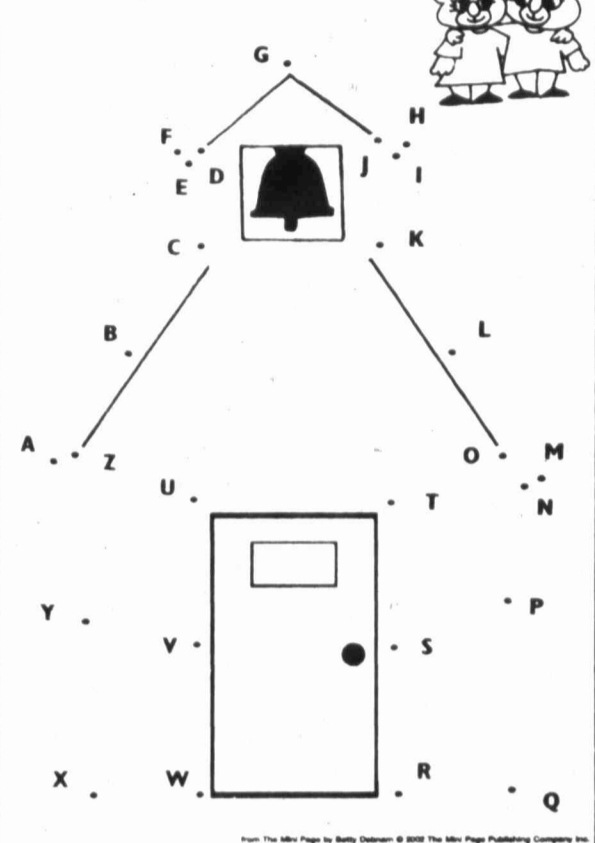
Supersport: Charmaine Hooper

Height: 5-7 Birthdate: 1-15-68
Weight: 155 College: North Carolina St.
Charmaine Hooper plays soccer in two countries. She plays forward for both the Atlanta Beat and the Canadian national team.

Last season she led the Beat in goals (12) and points scored (27) and was named the team's most valuable player. She is one of only three players in women's pro soccer history to score three goals in a game. She did that last year in a game against the San Jose CyberRays.

Charmaine was born in Georgetown, Guyana, and later lived in Nepean, Ontario, Canada. Her brother played for Canada's men's national team. Her favorite foods are salmon and anything Mexican. She likes watching basketball.

Go dot to dot and color.



Rookie Cookie's Recipe Yummy Yogurt Pie

You can make this for a back-to-school party.

- You'll need:
- 1 (8-ounce) package cream cheese
 - 1 cup plain yogurt
 - 1 cup brown sugar, packed
 - 1 graham cracker pie shell

- What to do:
1. Place cream cheese in a large, microwave-safe bowl. Microwave on high for 1 minute or until softened.
 2. Stir in yogurt and brown sugar. Mix well. Microwave 3 minutes. Stir well after cooking.
 3. Pour into pie shell.
 4. Refrigerate until firm. Serves 6.

Meet Johnny Kassir

Johnny Kassir can be seen acting and also heard doing voices. He is best known for being one of the stars of "The Amanda Show." He is also known for being the voice on many animated movies and TV shows.

He has been the voice of characters in such movies and shows as "Pocahontas," "Casper," "Hercules" and "CatDog."

Johnny, 40, was born in Baltimore, Md. He got his start by acting in theater in New York. He is also a comedian and can juggle, plus do puppetry and magic. In his free time, he likes horseback riding.



Ah, how teachers love those long, straight lines. Note the kids are watching where they are going, have their arms at their sides, and there's no pushing and shoving. Notice the teacher's smile. Love those smiling faces!

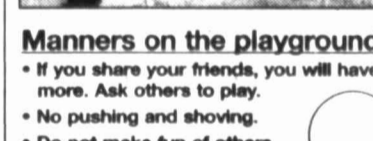
Advice From the Experts Cool School Manners

HERE'S MY ADVICE... The Mini Page asked a group of third-graders what cool school manners tips they would pass on to younger kids just starting school. Here are some of their suggestions.

Read these tips over. Whether you have a cool school year is up to you. Draw a smiling face if you think you can do these things.



- Sit in your seat - don't jump around, stand or be rough.
- Be courteous. Say "Good morning" and "Goodbye" to your bus driver.
- Pay attention to the signals of the bus driver.
- Don't talk when the driver is talking to you.
- Use the trash can for litter.
- Never write or draw on the walls or seats.



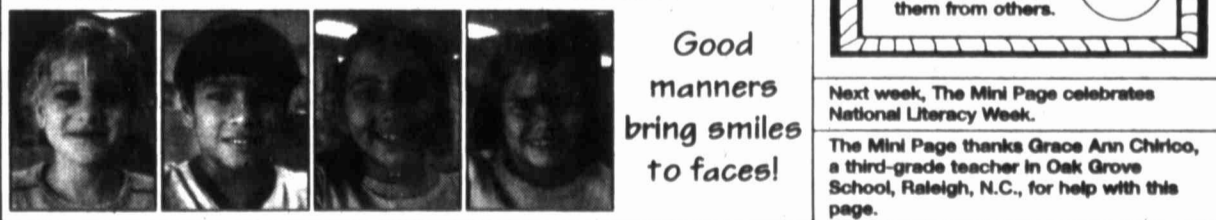
Manners on the playground

- If you share your friends, you will have more. Ask others to play.
- No pushing and shoving.
- Do not make fun of others.
- Always remember safety first.

- Lunchroom manners**
- Don't play with your food.
 - Chew all of your food carefully so you won't choke.
 - Do not talk with food in your mouth.
 - Do not race or pig out while eating.
 - Keep the lunchroom neat and clean.
 - Listen to lunchroom workers.
 - Say "Excuse me" if you burp.

- Manners in the halls**
- Walk at all times.
 - Remember, loud voices distract students in the classrooms.
 - Do not bounce balls or touch the students' work on display.
 - Walk in an orderly way. No shuffling of feet, please.

- Classroom manners**
- Be a good team member.
 - Listen to your teachers.
 - Respect the desks and textbooks of others.
 - Use your own ideas. Don't take them from others.



Good manners bring smiles to faces!

Next week, The Mini Page celebrates National Literacy Week. The Mini Page thanks Grace Ann Chirico, a third-grade teacher in Oak Grove School, Raleigh, N.C., for help with this page.

The Mini Page/NIE

Tomorrow's workforce is in today's classrooms.

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


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Others play a significant role in your decisions this year. You often feel as if you juggle way too many concerns. Decide what you want to handle, and establish boundaries accordingly. Reject a tendency to give too much and then feel resentful as a result. You will want to spend a lot of time alone centering, but your popularity will tug on you. If you are single, carefully check out someone you want to be involved with. This person could be unavailable. If you are attached, schedule special time away together. Start creating more romantic interludes. PISCES challenges you.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19) *** Dig into work. The less you integrate with associates and network, the more you accomplish. Right now you need the sense of being able to plow through your work. You're getting into work mode, even if it isn't fall yet. List your priorities. Tonight: Relax at home.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) **** Your efforts make a difference, especially during meetings. Though you might have work as a priority, your mind drifts to the weekend. A child or a relationship will start taking greater priority. Know what you want here. Tonight: Romp into the weekend!

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) **** Take charge at work, if you have any thought of clearing out the day. Your sense of humor marks your interactions. If you can, delegate as much as possible or bring work home. In the next few weeks, you might be more comfortable working from your pad. Tonight: A must show.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) **** If you can take today off, do so. You need some time to let your mind drift. Creativity surges

when you establish this type of special time for yourself. Communication in the next month could get rather intense. Kick back and relax. Tonight: Out and about.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) **** Others seek you out. Deal with each person individually. Groups don't work as well right now. Use your enormous resourcefulness in the next few weeks to enhance your position both financially and emotionally. Tonight: Let another lure you!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) **** Others might not mean to challenge you. They are only doing their thing! Your personality might awe someone close to you. Know when to lay back and when to take action. Use your birthday month to aim for greater success. Tonight: Where the action is.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) **** Review a personal matter that might be close to your heart. Still, focus on your work, and you'll accomplish a lot. Right now, you are your own best friend. Take plenty of private time to think through decisions. Close your door to get your work done. Tonight: Work as late as need be.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) **** Spice up your life. Consider what you would like to change. Add more imagination and forge a new path. Your fun ways delight others. Spread some of this magic in the workplace. Others love the lighting up. Tonight: No one can romp like you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ** Stay close to home, if possible. You might be able to work from home, extending your downtime. In the next few weeks, work becomes unusually demanding. Take a break while you can, before the pace overwhelms you. Tonight: Make it easy.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) *** You might need to clear your head more often. Learn new

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ways to distance yourself from the immediate. Clear your desk. Return calls. Start thinking weekend. Schedule a minivacation or perhaps a workshop. Expand your options. Tonight: You don't have to go far!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) **** Deal with others individually. You find that a financial matter could be resolved quite easily if you just start talking. Sometimes you underestimate yourself. An associate will do everything possible to help in the next few weeks. Tonight: Go out and indulge.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March

20) **** Others quickly seek you out. You'll see that you have very little to be concerned about. Relax more, using your skills to clear out work or to create more of what you desire. The next few weeks favor networking. Go to it! Tonight: Ask.

BORN TODAY

Dancer Gene Kelly (1912), King of France Louis XVI (1754), historian Arnold Toynbee (1852) Jacqueline Bigar is on the Internet at http://www.jacquelinebigar.com.

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Hubby's demand unreasonable to wife

Dear Annie: I am 40 years old, married for three years. I have a 2-year-old boy and work full time outside the home. Before I married "Ethan," we talked about having several children. We both wanted at least three. The reality of my life, however, has made me question that decision.

Ethan rarely helps out at home and pays no attention to our son. I have tried overcompensating for Ethan's lack of interest, but his behavior makes me angry. What's worse, Ethan sulks a lot when things don't go his way. He wouldn't think of taking me out for dinner and a movie.

Yesterday, Ethan told me he wants another child because we have "nothing else in common." He says if I don't agree, he will divorce me and find a woman who wants a bigger family.

I do not have the energy for another child. I did not enjoy my last pregnancy and would not want to endure it again without better emotional support from my husband. The idea of raising two kids while Ethan naps on the sofa is more than I can take.

Ethan insists I made him a promise to have more kids. I say it is unfair to hold me to something I said before I knew better. I don't want my son to be a child of divorce, but I truly don't want another baby. What should I do? — Madison, Wis.

Dear Madison: Any man whose attachment to his wife is based solely on her willingness to have another child is selfish and controlling. You and Ethan need professional help to determine if your marriage is worth saving. Holding it together for the sake of your son could backfire in the long run.

Dear Annie: I have always been a slow eater. I like to take my time with a meal and enjoy it. My husband, "Horace," and teenage son, however, finish their meals in record time.

Horace will sometimes eat the food off my plate if I linger. He doesn't ask first; he just sticks his fork in my food. He also gets up from the table before I am finished and starts clearing things away while I am still eating. I find this rude.

We recently took his mother out for brunch. I thought we were having a lovely meal, and then



ANNIE'S MAILBOX

Horace started eating my eggs and nibbling on my toast. I gave him a look and he stopped, but not before his mother noticed. Now, he is upset with me, and we aren't speaking.

I have asked Horace not to eat off my plate, but he forgets. If you think I am being silly, I will apologize for giving him "the look." I'm hoping you will take my side. — Frustrated in Ft. Wayne, Ind.

Dear Ft. Wayne: You don't need to apologize for "the look." Horace should not be rushing you to finish your meal and helping himself to the food you haven't gotten to yet. Your husband needs to be told more forcefully that his behavior is rude and annoying. Mention that people who take the time to eat slowly tend to digest their food better and maintain their weight. Whenever possible, sit farther away from him so he cannot reach your plate. Engage him in conversation so he talks a lot, giving you a chance to catch up. If he sticks a fork on your plate, you have our permission to poke your fork into the back of his hand — gently, of course — so he gets the message.

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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8 PM	Tribe (CC)	Pulse (CC)	NFL Preseason Football	Tribe (CC)	Will & Grace Just Shoot Me	...	El Privilegio de Amar	Seventeen Again (CC)	Movie: Top Secret! (CC)	Movie: Shaft (CC)	Stand Up	Movie: Me, Myself & Irene (CC)	Light of the Southwest	Movie: Tootsie (CC)	Blue Planet: Seas of Life	Movie: Jaws (CC)	Treasures
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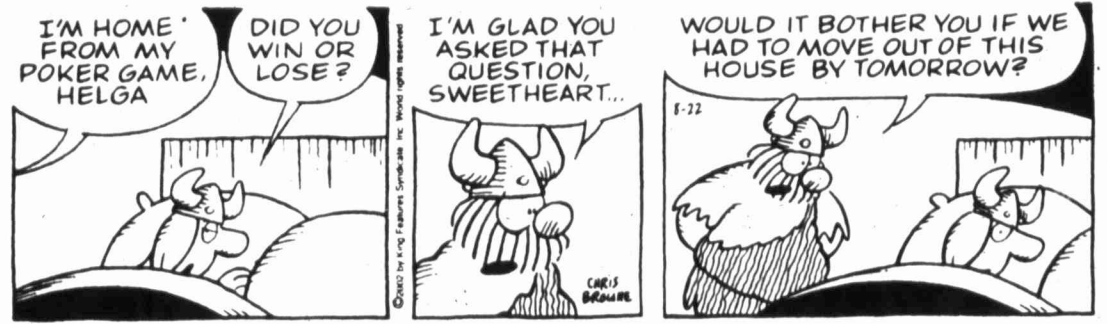
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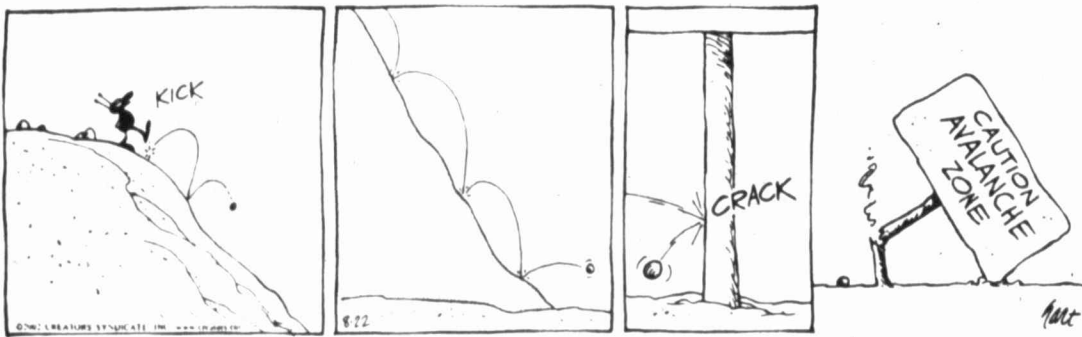
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Today's Highlight in History:

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On this date:

In 1485, England's King Richard III was killed in the Battle of Bosworth Field, ending the War of the Roses.

In 1775, England's King George III proclaimed the American colonies in a state of open rebellion.

In 1787, inventor John Fitch demonstrated his steamboat on the Delaware River to delegates of the Continental Congress.

In 1846, the United States annexed New Mexico.

In 1851, the schooner America outraced the English Aurora off the English

coast to win a trophy that became known as the America's Cup.

In 1911, it was announced in Paris that Leonardo da Vinci's "Mona Lisa" had been stolen from the Louvre Museum the night before. The painting turned up two years later in Italy.

In 1950, Althea Gibson became the first black tennis player to be accepted in competition for the national championship.

In 1956, President Eisenhower and Vice President Nixon were nominated for second terms by the Republican national convention in San Francisco.

In 1968, Pope Paul VI arrived in Bogota, Colombia, for the start of the first papal visit to Latin America.

In 1989, Black Panther co-founder Huey P. Newton was shot to death in Oakland, Calif. Gunman Tyrone Robinson was later sentenced to 32 years to life in prison.

Today's Birthdays: Nazi-era filmmaker Leni Riefenstahl is 100. Author Ray Bradbury is 82. Heart

surgeon Dr. Denton Cooley is 82. Retired Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf is 68. ABC newsmen Morton Dean is 67. Baseball Hall-of-Famer Carl Yastrzemski is 63. Actress Valerie Harper is 62. Football coach Bill Parcells is 61. CBS newsmen Steve Kroft is 57. Actress Cindy Williams is 55. Musician David Marks (The Beach Boys) is 54. Country singer Holly Dunn is 45. Rock musician Vernon Reid is 44. Country singer Collin Raye is 42. Rock singer Roland Orzabal (Tears For Fears) is 41. Rock musician Debbi Peterson (The Bangles) is 41. Rock musician Gary Lee Connor (Screaming Trees) is 40. Singer Tori Amos is 39.

Answer to previous puzzle

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- ACROSS
- 1 Bud of baseball
- 6 tree (trapped)
- 9 Prima evidence
- 14 Seaport in Jordan
- 15 André ou Pierre
- 16 "Stein Song" town
- 17 Sensational
- 18 Some songbirds
- 20 Breakfast buy
- 22 Malt drink
- 23 Restriction
- 24 Bony
- 28 Body lines
- 31 Soprano Gluck
- 32 operandi
- 34 First name in spydom
- 37 Mil. rank
- 38 Staring contest loser
- 41 Nonaffiliated: Abbr.
- 42 High-hatter
- 43 q's (manners)
- 44 Appear
- 46 Haphazard
- 48 Eclipse phenomenon
- 51 MSN rival
- 52 Sports grp. since 1888
- 55 "Be" and "seem"
- 59 Most stealthy
- 62 Castle or Curie
- 63 Bristles
- 64 Chemical suffix
- 65 Forty-
- 66 Signs of emotion
- 67 Scoreboard nos.
- 68 Transmission options
- DOWN
- 1 Latin dance music
- 2 Like some partners
- 3 Lash of oaters
- 4 Wading bird
- 5 Ramblers
- 6 Straight as an arrow
- 7 Consolidate
- 8 It means "both"
- 9 "That's all, ___!"
- 10 Grain appendage
- 11 Issue side
- 12 Publicity
- 13 Aurora alias nos.
- 19 "Sail ___ Ship of State!"
- 21 Oscar winner as Mrs. Miniver
- 25 Baylor of basketball
- 26 Fix
- 27 Very thin
- 28 Paid spots
- 29 Protozoan
- 30 Didn't play
- 32 Exodus actor
- 33 Religious group
- 35 Alpha male
- 36 Holding blameless
- 38 State treasury
- 39 Likewise not
- 40 Flight
- 45 Liliom playwright
- 47 Edict site
- 49 Some sneakers
- 50 Singer
- 51 DiFranco
- 52 Boxers' place
- 53 Bewitched neighbor
- 54 Patrons
- 56 Board and lodging
- 57 "It ___ Right" (Platters tune)
- 58 Part of HOMES
- 59 Sleek plane
- 60 Protected side
- 61 "Make ___ double!"

