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## WEATHER

Tonight:



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## BRIEFLY

### BUYER'S GUIDE

The Howard County Buyer's Guide will be distributed today at convenience stores, restaurants and motels in Big Spring.

The guide will also be delivered to local residences.

### BLOOD DRIVE SET TODAY

The United Blood Services Blood Mobile will be at the Town & Country in Coahoma today from 4 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

Coahoma Lions Club is sponsoring the drive. For more information or to make an appointment, contact Russ Mullins at 394-4277.

Donors must be at least 17 years of age and show valid identification. They must weight at least 110 pounds and be in good health.

## COMING SUNDAY



Cover Story: The Thompson brothers love to clown around—they are, after all, rodeo clowns—but amid the fun, hijinks, and laughter, they have a serious job to do.

Hometown Hero: Rocío Flores moved to Harbeson, Del., from Mexico City and began a bilingual newspaper. Her work in the area includes volunteering with the a local Hispanic arts organization.

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# POPS!

## Park to explode in red, white and blue

By JOHN A. MOSELEY

Managing Editor  
Red, white and blue everywhere.

As is the case with virtually every community in the United States, Fourth of July celebrations bring out varying combinations of our national flag's colors.

And Big Spring is no exception.

But the colorful extravaganza begins a day early in Big Spring where the "Pops in the Park" concert and fireworks display at the Comanche Trail Park Amphitheater, always set for July 3, is a mainstay of our community's celebration.

Crowds pack the park each year with between 10,000 and 12,000 attending the concert and fireworks program.

And this year there's an added attraction. Not only will the Big Spring

### SCHEDULE

5 p.m., Amphitheater gates open

6 p.m., Air National Guard band performs

8:30 p.m., Big Spring Symphony and Chorus

9:45 p.m., Fireworks

Symphony and Chorus provide its concert Thursday night, but the 45-piece Air National Guard Band of the Gulf Coast will open the evening's festivities and newly-elected Congressman Randy Neugebauer of Lubbock will also help salute the

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## Air National Guard band to open evening's entertainment

By JOHN A. MOSELEY

Managing Editor

There are very few things as patriotic as a military band and organizers of the Pops in the Park concert and fireworks extravaganza have a fine one to open the show Thursday night at the Comanche Trail Park Amphitheater.

The Air National Guard Band of the Gulf Coast, also known as the 531st Air Force Band of the Texas Air National Guard, will begin the first of its two sets at 6 p.m. and is sure to get put the expected crowd of 10,000 or more in the right mood.

Designated the "Official Band of Texas" by Gov. Rick Perry, the 36-member concert band has performed for audi-

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## Patriotic activities planned throughout weekend

From church activities to traditional parades, there's something for everyone

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

Howard Countians are so patriotic that 'round here, the Fourth of July is a week long.

Expressions of patriotic pride always make the first week of July a busy one in the Crossroads area, and this year is

no exception.

Everyone's heard of the area's major red, white and blue bashes, the Pops in the Park July 3 and Fantastic Fourth Festival July 4 and 5, but several other activities are set to commemorate our nation's independence.

The fun gets rolling tonight with activities at a couple of

local churches.

Family Faith Victory Center, 3401 E. 11th Place, will be holding a patriotic-themed celebration of their third anniversary, said pastor Sam Segundo.

"Our event will take place on the church property with a lot of games and food and activities and it will be from 6 to 10 p.m.,"

Segundo said. "We're going to be giving \$8,000, but we're going to split it in two so we're going to give two families \$4,000 apiece in proportion to their debt. Since July 4 is coming right up with independence and freedom, at our church we teach a lot

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Western National Bank has opened its doors at 607 Scurry in Big Spring. Scott Bolton, vice president, invites the public to come by the full-service bank and learn about the financial resources that are available. The lobby is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. The drive opens at 8 a.m. and closes at 6 p.m.

## Funding may be held up for Texas public schools; local officials not worried

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Newly passed legislation may inadvertently place state public schools in a situation of having to foot their August expenditures with-

out any state aid.

In a letter dated June 30, Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn warned Gov. Rick Perry that recently adopted state legislation may cause Texas public schools to go two weeks without major funding.

Strayhorn explained the legislature adopted an \$800 million delay in the Foundation School Program payments as a one-time savings.

"The delay, when it was originally drafted, would have kicked the August 2004 payment - into September 2004, reducing the amount of cash needed to finance the fiscal 2004 budget," Strayhorn wrote. "Ins.ead,

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"The ultimate result could mean some schools will run out of cash and be unable to pay bills (including teacher salaries) at the end of this August."



Carole Keeton Strayhorn, Texas Comptroller

## Some Big Spring VAMC services suspended; Powell relocated

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Big Spring VA Medical Center officials are being tight-lipped about the impact of internal reviews which have apparently led to the reassignment of the chief of staff and suspension of some surgical services.

According to a statement from the medical

center this morning, the facility has been suspended from performing "certain surgical services," following "recent internal reviews."

VA Community Relations Coordinator Iva Jo Hanslik declined to say what services have been suspended, or for how long.

The news release stated that patients with upcom-



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Staff Dr. Darryl Powell to a VA facility in Phoenix,

ing appointments are advised to contact patient advocates.

The statement also confirmed the relocation of long-time Chief of

but noted that no permanent physician staff member has been terminated.

The statement said the issue is under review and the hospital is attempting to address and correct the situation.

"Upon completion of identified action and after ensuring that services can be provided in a safe and competent manner, affected functions will be

reinstated," the release stated.

Patients needing special care not available at the Big Spring hospital will be sent to other VA facilities or, in case of urgent or emergency situations, to medical providers at the VA's expense, the release stated.

Patient advocates can be

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# BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

## Obituaries

### Stella Derington

Stella Derington, 93, of Midland, formerly of Big Spring, died Sunday, June 29, 2003, at her home following a long illness. Funeral services were 2 p.m. Tuesday at Myers & Smith Chapel with the Rev. Bob Porterfield, pastor of the West Kentucky Baptist Church. Burial was at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

She was born Jan. 20, 1910, at Robert Lee. She married Orby H. Derington, Nov. 22, 1939, in Big Spring. She and her husband owned and operated Derington Auto Parts and Garage in Big Spring until 1982. Mr. Derington preceded her in death on June 18, 1990. Mrs. Derington also owned and operated an antique shop in Big Spring. In addition to antiques, her hobbies included sewing and upholstery. She had been a resident of Big Spring for more than 50 years before moving to Midland in 1990.

She is survived by two daughters, Joan Merrifield and Jan McDonald, both of Midland; two sisters, Marie Calvert of Lubbock and Eva McClain of Levelland; five grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Arrangements are by Myers and Smith Funeral Home.

### Jimmie D. Newsom

Jimmie D. Newsom, 67, of the Lomax Community, died Tuesday, July 1, 2003, in a local hospital. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

## Support groups

### WEDNESDAY

□ The Crossroads Group of Cocaine Anonymous meets at 7 p.m. in the office building between Third and Fourth streets on the west side of Lancaster Street. For more information, call 466-3254.

□ AA open discussion meeting from noon to 1 p.m. at 615 Settles. Open 12 and 12 Study meeting, 8 p.m.

### THURSDAY

□ Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 12 noon to 1 p.m.; Women's meeting; 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Non-Smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 to 9 p.m.

□ Fibromyalgia/Chronic Fatigue Support Group meets at noon at the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center.

### FRIDAY

□ AA open discussion meeting from noon to 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Noon Open Big Book Study Meeting, 8 to 9 p.m.

### SATURDAY

□ Open Discussion Meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open Podium/Speakers Meeting 615 Settles 8 to 9 p.m. Open Birthday Night, No Smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m.

### SUNDAY

□ Alcoholics Anonymous meets from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 5 to 6 p.m.

□ 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.

### MONDAY

□ The Military Support Group meets on the first Monday of each month at 6 p.m. in Room 219 at the VA Medical Center. If you have a family member serving in the armed forces, you are welcome to join. For more information, call Treva Hall at 263-8574 or Holly Moore at 263-8106.

□ 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.

□ New Voice Club support group for laryngectomees and families. For more information, call 267-2800.

□ 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.

## Police blotter

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

• **ROBERT SANCHEZ**, 39, of 1023 Stadium Ave. was arrested Tuesday on a charge of public intoxication.

• **RODNEY TUBBS**, 19, of 1322 Wright was arrested Tuesday on two local warrants for theft.

• **MARY RAMIREZ MAGANA**, 43, of 803 Creighton was arrested Tuesday on a charge of public intoxication

• **PATRICIA WILLIAMS**, 34, of 1214 Ridgeroad Drive was arrested Tuesday on a charge of assault causing bodily injury/family violence.

• **TAMMIE SUE HORN**, 34, of 1100 E. 12th St. was arrested Tuesday on four local warrants and three capias warrants, all traffic related.

• **JUDY ESTES**, 41, of 807 E. 16th St. was arrested Tuesday to hold for the Howard County Sheriff's Office.

• **ASSAULT CAUSING BODILY INJURY/FAMILY VIOLENCE** was reported in the 1200 block of Ridgeroad Drive.

• **MAJOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 400 block of South Gregg Street and the 2300 block of West Highway 80.

• **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 300 block of Owens, in the 200 block of West FM 700, the 800 block of East Interstate 20, the 1200 block of Wright Street and the 2900 block of West Highway 80.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 200 block of Circle Drive, the 1200 block of Ridgeroad Drive and the 4200 block of Muir Street.

• **FIREWORKS** were reported in the 2100 block of South Johnson Street, the 1300 block of Tucson Road, the 2600 block of Ent Drive and the 2600 block of Carleton Drive.

• **LOUD PARTY/NOISE** was reported in the 100 block of West 19th Street.

• **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 2700 block of Rebecca Drive. A checkbook worth \$5 was reported stolen.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 1400 block of Wood Street. A bicycle worth \$61 was reported stolen.

• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 1000 block of Stadium Avenue. A black 2003 Chevrolet reportedly sustained \$300 damage.

## Sheriff's report

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

• **SUBJECT LAYING IN ROADWAY** was reported near the intersection of South Highway 87 and Todd Road.

• **POSSIBLE ANIMAL CRUELTY** was reported near the intersection of Loop Road and Birdwell.

• **DRAG RACING FOUR-WHEELERS** were reported in the area of Hughes and Ratliff roads.

• **LOUD MUSIC** was reported on North Anderson Road.

• **ACCIDENT** was reported on South Highway 87 at Ritchey Road.

• **FIRE IN THE MEDIAN** was reported on North Highway 87 about five miles north of Big Spring.

• **NEIGHBORHOOD DISPUTE** was reported near the intersection of Fourth and Central streets.

• **HARRASSMENT** was reported in the 200 block of Avenue H.

• **VICIOUS DOG** was reported in the 3100 block of Sherrod.

## Weather

Tonight...Partly cloudy. Lows near 70. South winds 5 to 15 mph.

Thursday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s. South winds 5 to 15 mph. Thursday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 70s.

Independence day...Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 90s.

Saturday...Partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 70s. Highs in the mid 90s.

Sunday...Partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 70s. Highs in the mid 90s.

Monday...Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 70s. Highs in the mid 90s.

Tuesday...Partly cloudy. Lows near 70. Highs in the mid 90s.

## Bulletin board

If you have items for the Bulletin board, contact the Herald Features Desk at 263-7331, ext. 238 or email [jmoseley@crcom.net](mailto:jmoseley@crcom.net).

### TODAY

Optimist Club, 7 a.m., Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

Sr. Circle Stretch & Tone, 10 a.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center, 1601 W. 11th Place.

Line dancing, 1 p.m., Spring City Senior Center, 1901 Simler, 267-6966 or 267-1628.

Duplicate Bridge Club, 1 p.m., Big Spring Country Club, Driver Road.

Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie, 7 p.m. Eagles Lodge, 203 W. Third St.

### THURSDAY

Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane, 267-6479.

Gideon International Big Spring Camp U42060, 7 a.m., Herman's Restaurant, 1601 Gregg St.

Coffee Club, 10 a.m., Gale's Sweet Shoppe, 1712 E. FM 700.

Genealogical Society of Big Spring, 7 p.m., Howard County Library, 500 S. Main.

Pops in the Park, 5 p.m., Comanche Trail Amphitheater. The annual event features the Big Spring Symphony and Chorus, the Air National Guard Band of the Gulf Coast and will end with a rousing fireworks display. Newly-elected Congressman Randy Neugebauer of Lubbock will take part in the ceremonies.

Mexican Dinner fund-raiser for Muscular Dystrophy, 5 p.m.-6 p.m., Canterbury Retirement Homes, 1700 Lancaster.

Duplicate Bridge Club, 1 p.m., Big Spring Country Club, Driver Road.

### FRIDAY

Highland South Fourth of July Parade, 10 a.m., Highland South.

Freedom Parade, 10 a.m., Coahoma. The parade will begin at Bulldog Stadium and continue down Broadway.

AMBUCS, noon, Brandin Iron Inn., Highway 87.

Greater Big Spring Rotary, noon, Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

Funtastic Fourth, downtown Big Spring.

Country & Western Dance, 7:30 p.m.-10:30 p.m., Spring City Senior Center, 1901 Simler. All area seniors are invited.

### SATURDAY

Hangar 25 Air Museum, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark.

Heritage Museum, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., 510 Scurry.

Potton House, 1 p.m.-5 p.m., 200 Gregg St., a restored historical home. Admission is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizens.

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

### SUNDAY

Hangar 25 Air Museum, 1:30 p.m.-4 p.m., McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark.

## Lottery

Here are Tuesday's Texas Lottery game results:  
Texas Two Step drawing Tuesday night:  
1-12-13-35. Bonus Ball: 17.  
No jackpot winner.  
Estimated jackpot for Friday night drawing: \$550,000.

Cash Five numbers drawn Tuesday: 6-7-23-26-27

Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday night: 9-0-4

Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday afternoon: 7-8-2

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The event is open to the public.

Also starting at 6 tonight will be the annual "Air-Conditioned Hot Dog Fourth of July Celebration" at First United Methodist Church's Garrett Hall, 400 S. Scurry St. The event, sponsored by the church's Senior Adult Ministry, is also open to the public.

"It's just food, fun and fellowship," said a church spokesperson. "They usually give door prizes away. They're not going to do bingo, it's more or less just a fellowship."

Activities continue Thursday with the Mountain View Lodge "Hot Dogs, Apple Pie and Chevrolet" event from 3 to 5 p.m. Mountain View is located at 2009 Virginia.

"We're going to be serving the hot dogs and the apple pie, and the Early Car Club, they're going to have some of their cars here on display," said

Director Sharron Harrell. "This is the first time we've ever done this and I just thought it was kind of an all-American thing: 'Hot dogs, apple pie and Chevrolet' and it was just kind of a brainstorm. I just thought the residents would like having the old cars up here to look at and we could have everybody else come by and look at them too, and have apple pie and hot dogs."

At 5 p.m. on Thursday, Canterbury retirement home, 1700 Lancaster, will hold a fund-raiser for the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

"We will be having stackable tacos," said Assistant Activities Director Pat Edwards. "They start with a corn tortilla and they've got lettuce and tomatoes and onions and cheese and meat and salsa on top. The price is \$3.50 per ticket."

At the event, Canterbury will give away an emergency road kit donated by Advance Auto Parts. Hubbard Meat Company, H-E-B, Wal-Mart and Bargain Mart donated food and supplies for the taco sup-

per. Pops in the Park also gets under way at the Comanche Trail Park Amphitheater at 5 p.m., culminating later that night with the annual spectacular fireworks display and symphony concert.

Don't run out of town when Pops is over with, though, because the patriotic fun in Howard County's just beginning.

The Funtastic Fourth Festival, sponsored by the Downtown Revitalization Association, will run from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday in the Heart of the City Park across Third Street from the Howard County Courthouse.

The centerpiece of the festival will be a three-pronged Battle of the Bands in which area musicians can score \$1,000, \$500 or \$250 prizes in rock and roll, country and Tejano categories.

The Battle of the Bands will feature three hours of music in each category each day, with Tejano kicking things off at 11 a.m., rock and roll picking up at 2 p.m. and country wrapping things up each day from 5 to 8 p.m.

"We now have all our bands signed up," said DRA President Allan Johnson. "We have eight bands in each category."



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Johnson said the event would also feature ongoing gospel music throughout each day.

Other activities and vendors hawking scrumptious carnival fare, arts and crafts and other items will also crowd the downtown area over the holiday weekend. "We've got a block and a half of children's events lined out," he said. "We're going to have a motorcycle show. We're going to have a car show, classic cars and low riders. All kinds of motorcycles. We're going to have a huge washer tournament. The washer tournament is going to be put on by Cornell Corrections. That's big."

The Funtastic Fourth Festival was inaugurated last year as a way to attract attention and create excitement in downtown Big Spring. The initial year of the event drew

thousands of people. The holiday weekend will also feature a tamale sale hosted by St. Thomas Catholic Church at the church parish hall at the intersection of Northwest Sixth Street and North Main Street. Tamales will be on sale from 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and from 10:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday.

The spicy Mexican treats will be available to eat on the scene or to go. For more information, call the church at 263-4337.

Highland South residents will hold their annual Fourth of July Parade Friday at 10 a.m. The parade will start at the intersection of Stonehaven and Highland and head down Highland, all the way to Goliad.

The annual Freedom Parade in Coahoma will be at 10 a.m. Saturday. The parade will start at Bulldog Stadium and make its way down Broadway in Coahoma.

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There will be no mail delivery on Friday except to Post Office boxes. Window service at the Post Office will also be closed Friday. Mail delivery and window service will resume as usual on Saturday.

- Howard County Courthouse will close at 3 p.m. Thursday and reopen Monday morning.
- Howard County Library will close at 4 p.m. Thursday and remain closed Friday and Saturday. The library will reopen Monday morning.
- Big Spring City Water Department Office will close at 4 p.m. Thursday for maintenance. All city offices will be closed Friday.
- The Big Spring Landfill will be closed Friday.
- Garbage collection routes usually run on Fridays will be run today instead. Garbage will be collected Thursday as usual and garbage collection for businesses only will take place on Saturday. The garbage collection schedule will resume as usual on Monday.
- Spring City Senior Center will be closed Friday.

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community's veterans and those currently serving in the military.

There is no admission fee for the concert and fireworks show, thanks to corporate sponsorships and smaller donations from local businesses and individuals.

Presented by the Big Spring Herald, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, the Symphony, the city of Big Spring, KBST Radio and

the Big Spring Convention and Visitors Bureau, the show's major corporate sponsors are H-E-B, Scenic Mountain Medical Center, Wells Fargo Bank, Alon USA and the Worthy Company.

"It is the entire community's celebration," noted Tim Blackshear, who is again serving as the Fourth of July Foundation's chairman for the event. "It's an evening to gather with friends and family at the park and join your neighbors in celebrating the fact that we live in the best nation on earth."

Gates to the amphitheater will open at 5 p.m., and at the same time, numerous vendors' booths will open offering a wide array of food, drinks and novelty items.

The Air National Guard band will begin its first of two sets at 6 p.m. The symphony and chorus will take the stage at 8:30 and the fireworks show will get under way around 9:45.

The symphony and chorus' patriotic music program will include "Fanfare to the Common Man," "Washington Post March," "To the Colors,"

"The Pledge of Allegiance," "The Star-Spangled Banner," "Armed Forces Salute," "The Liberty Bell March," "Light Cavalry Overture," "A Choral Portrait," "Promise of Living, from the Tender Land," "A Cohan Salute" and the "Battle Hymn of the Republic."

Selections for the fireworks display will be "Hoe-down from 'Rodeo,'" "An American Salute," "This Is My Country," "America," "America the Beautiful," "God Bless America," "The Star-Spangled Banner,"

"You're a Grand Old Flag," "Stars and Stripes Forever" and "1812 Overture."

"This celebration is going to have something for virtually everyone," Blackshear noted. "We want to invite everyone in the community to again be a part of the event this year and help us celebrate our nation's birthday."

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**FUNDING**

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the delay was made effective for August of 2003.

"This change will take many Texas school districts by surprise because they will have less than two months to prepare instead of 14 months originally envisioned," Strayhorn continued. "The ultimate result could mean some schools will run out of cash and be unable to pay bills (including teacher salaries) at the end of this August."

The delay will not keep Howard County schools from beginning classes as usual, administrators for all three school districts said.

"We'll have enough money to start the year," said Sandra Waggoner, Big Spring Independent School District business manager.

"The teachers will be paid and we will have all the supplies and things we need."

"We'll have enough money to get through the fiscal year, Aug. 31," she continued.

"We will just not have as much money to end the year as we thought we would."

Dianna Walker, Forsan Independent School District business manager, also agreed the delay will not be harmful to the district.

"This is not really a problem for us," said Dr. Bill Kingston, Coahoma Independent School District superintendent. "That's why we maintain

a large fund balance. It is significant. School districts get one of the largest chunks of their state money in August."

Waggoner emphasized this issue is about the delay in payments, not a loss of funds.

"We're not losing the money," Waggoner said.

"It's more of an accounting tactic. The legislature does this in order to alleviate its deficit for the biennium by keeping the money in the bank until the new biennium," he added.

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**BAND**

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ences around the world. In recent years the band has delivered overseas concerts in Barbados, Bolivia, the Czech Republic, Germany, Greece, Nicaragua, Trinidad and Vanuatu, in addition to performing in Arkansas, Hawaii, Louisiana, New Mexico, Texas and Wisconsin.

The band brings all types of music to its audience with not only the symphonic band, but its jazz band as well. Attached to the 136th Airlift Wing, a C-130 unit based in Fort Worth, the band is under the com-

mand of Capt. Jeffrey C. Mathews. However, the band will be under the direction of Capt. Donald E. Schofield II during the Pops in the Park performance.

Schofield is the director of The United States Air Force Strings stationed at Bolling Air Force Base in Washington, D.C. Originally from Atlanta, he began his Air Force career in 1997.

Prior to his assignment to The United States Air Force Band in 2001,

Schofield served as deputy commander and associate conductor of the United States Air Force Band of Flight at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Ohio.

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-FIRST AMENDMENT

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OUR VIEWS

Looking forward to seeing you at Pops in the Park

One of Big Spring's highlights of summer is virtually at hand as organizers make final preparations for Thursday night's "Pops in the Park" celebration at the Comanche Trail Amphitheater.

The event — a free concert by the Big Spring Symphony and Chorus and a patriotic fireworks display — will be opened by the 45-piece Air National Guard Band of the Gulf Coast. It is being presented by the Herald, the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, the symphony, the city of Big Spring, the Big Spring Visitors and Convention Bureau and KBST Radio.

Major corporate sponsors for the show include H-E-B, Scenic Mountain Medical Center, Alon USA, Wells Fargo Bank and the Worthy Company.

Gates will open at 5 p.m. plenty of time to claim a choice seat. Vendors booths will open at the same time and the military band will kick things off at 6 p.m. The symphony and chorus will begin its presentation at 8:30 and fireworks will get started around 9:45.

While no admission will be charged of those who attend the show, it should be noted that the celebration does carry a significant price tag.

Donations from area businesses, groups and individuals are close to covering the amount needed to put on the show, but every little bit helps.

That's why concert goers will be solicited for donations prior to the show.

We here at the Herald want to take this opportunity to encourage individual contributions at the amphitheater.

If just half of those who attend could donate one dollar, organizers would be guaranteed of having the seed money they'll need for the next edition of what most of us believe is the best Fourth of July celebration anywhere in West Texas.

We'll see you there!

YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

It is an honor to know we have a mayor, Russ McEwen, who really knows and understands what our freedom means.

Everyone has this right, this includes our children.

First the city established a nighttime curfew. Now the council dares to consider a daytime curfew.

Wake up people! Give an inch they will take a mile.

First, lets repeal the nighttime curfew. We need to stop infringing upon freedom; this includes our children.

Watch your neighborhood. If you see someone that doesn't belong, call 9-1-1.

If we don't get involved, we will lose our freedom.

The proposed daytime curfew mentions a fine from \$1 to \$500. Tell me, how insane does that sound?

Do we really believe for

one second someone would be fined \$1 or even \$10? That won't even cover court costs.

I know I will not vote for anyone who continues to support a daytime curfew, as I will not vote for anyone who now refuses to repeal the nighttime curfew.

I suggest we all vote for citizens who value our freedom. The one and only thing we have that is more precious than God and life itself is our freedom; and if we don't stand united, we shall lose it.

Let's demand our city drop this daytime curfew and repeal this nighttime curfew.

Someone once figured out that we have 57 million laws trying to enforce 10 commandments. Don't we have enough laws?

HAROLD HALE  
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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

*Our relationship with you, Lord, is great when we talk with you through our prayers and how well we listen to your answers.* Amen

A dirty smelly pall bearer

Ronny McElroy helps run a Bed & Breakfast just outside of Rusk. He entertains guests on the porch in the evenings by telling stories he swears are true. He told this story not too long ago: "We had a cousin that passed. She was older, so it was hard to get pall bearers. My two brothers were asked to serve.

"This was during hunting season and my youngest brother Tommy had gone off to the woods to hunt. That means he didn't bathe, didn't shave and was wearing a big dose of doe scent

"He got back to the house around lunch time. The funeral was to be at 3 PM.

Just before his wife left to go to a wedding, she told Tommy that the hot water had gone bad and her brother had come by and cut it off.

"Tommy looked the situation over and decided he had enough time to fix it. He went to the

hardware store and got a pop-off valve. When he started working on the hot water heater, water shot everywhere. His brother in law had just turned off the hot water heater, not the water.

"He went outside into the cold November air and dug around trying to get to the water cut off valve. He finally got it cut off but in the process he got mud all over his hair, face, clothes and shoes. Back in the house, water is standing an inch deep. He's trying his best to get it mopped up. He looks up at the clock. 2 P.M. He quickly installed the pop-off valve but didn't turn the water back on.

"His wife had put out his suit, tie and shirt on a chair in his bedroom. He didn't have time to bathe so he dried off the best he could with a towel. He dry shaved, cutting his face several times in the process. He slapped some toilet paper on the cut places.

"When he went to his bedroom to get ready, he found that chair with his clothes on it had turned over and his suit and tie and shirt were in a puddle of water.

"Now Tommy didn't dress up much and that was his only suit.

He found an old polyester leisure suit in his closet and put that on. It was brown-and-white-checked. Tommy is six feet two. The coat fitted fine, but the pants were about 4 inches short. He found a pair of maroon slacks that didn't match the coat at all. He found a yellow shirt that his grandmother made. It had a monkey painted on it. By this time it was five till three.

"When he got to the church they had already seated the pall bearers and he had to walk down the middle aisle. Here he was at this solemn occasion walking down the aisle with toilet paper on his face, his hair with pieces of mud in it and smelling like a deer. People started snickering and commenting.

"The music came up and the preacher went to the podium. After looking over the audience in a reassuring manner, he took one look at Tommy and started laughing. People remember that funeral."

Ronny showed me the yellow shirt his grandmother made for him. His has a peacock painted on it. It's real pretty.



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WHAT MADE YOU DECIDE TO TAKE BILL BACK AFTER HE LIED TO YOU?

HE ONLY LIED ABOUT SEX.



"Plus Factor" for minorities racist

The Supreme Court's decisions on two cases this week left both sides in the affirmative action debate claiming victory, but the real losers were the American people. At issue were two programs at the University of Michigan that gave preference in admission to certain minority students. In one case, Grutter v. Bollinger, the Court upheld a program at the University of Michigan law school that gave preference to black, Latino and American Indian applicants; in the other, Gratz v. Bollinger, the Court struck down a similar program at the undergraduate level. But in both cases, the Court paid homage to the notion that "racial diversity" rather than non-discrimination is the true measure of equal opportunity in this society. In doing so, the Court not only reversed several decades of its own precedents but also, for all practical purposes, abandoned the goal of a colorblind society.

Forty years ago this August, the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., stood at the Lincoln Memorial and gave a speech that galvanized Americans of all races. In his wonderfully stentorian voice, King invoked the image of a day in America's future: "I have a dream that one day this nation will rise

up and live out the true meaning of its creed: "We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men are created equal," he said. "I have a dream that my four children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character."

These words launched a civil rights revolution that was embraced by the American people and led to passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Voting Rights Act of 1965 and the Fair Housing Act of 1968. As a result, America is today a more just nation.

Imagine what would have happened if instead of calling for equal treatment, however, the Rev. King had said, "I have a dream that my four children will one day live in a nation where they will be entitled to a "plus factor" based on the color of their skin." As ludicrous as it might sound, that is exactly the principle a majority of the Supreme Court enshrined in their affirmative action decisions this week. No more should we expect the Constitution to be color-blind. No more should we expect the government to extend equal protection of the laws to all persons without regard to skin color. Henceforth the guiding principle will be race as a "plus factor" for certain — though by no means all — minorities. Asians and Jews need not apply for a "plus factor," despite the fact that both groups have faced significant — and in the case of Asians, state-sponsored — discrimination in the past.

Meanwhile, even wealthy blacks and Latinos may be conferred preferential treatment because, without it, a majority of the Supreme Court implies, they cannot succeed.

Make no mistake, the underlying assumption in the Court's argument, especially in Grutter, is that blacks and Latinos cannot be held to the same high standards we expect of whites and Asians. The justices have sent a very clear message to black and Latino students: "We don't expect you to measure up." Melanin, their argument implies, will be treated as a measurable "plus factor" in order to make up for intellectual or academic deficiencies. It is a view that is racist at its core.

Justice Clarence Thomas in an eloquent dissent in the Grutter decision, recalled a speech by the great abolitionist Frederick Douglass in 1865: "What I ask for the Negro," Douglass said, "is not benevolence, not pity, not sympathy, but simply justice. . . . All I ask is, give him a chance to stand on his own legs! Let him alone! . . . Your interference is doing him positive injury." Douglass's words could not be more prophetic of the Supreme Court's mischief this week.

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THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN — Rep. Gov. Rick Perry expanded the scope of the legislative session to 28 additional days as some Democrats plained Republican pressuring senators backing a congressional redistricting plan.

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Big Spring

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

A Big Spring man was arrested Tuesday night in connection with an assault on a member.

Patricia Williams of Big Spring was arrested at her home in the block of Ridgeroad.

"Two people go



Motorcyclist Mic Center Tuesday at West Highway injuries as "non-li

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# Perry expands special legislative session

## THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN — Republican Gov. Rick Perry expanded the scope of the special legislative session today to 28 additional areas as some Democrats complained Republicans are pressuring senators into backing a congressional redistricting plan.

The redrawing of congressional district lines was the initial reason for the special session, which began Monday amid partisan clashes.

Perry said most of the items he has added to the "call" of the 30-day special session were debated in a government reorganization bill that failed during the regular session.

"By opening the call to these specific issues, I am confident representatives and senators will make efficient use of this time in Austin to make state

government more efficient for the people of Texas," Perry said.

Some House Democrats had a different opinion.

By expanding the agenda, Republicans can make deals with senators on pet issues in exchange for supporting redistricting, said Rep. Garnet Coleman, a Houston Democrat and chair of the Legislative Black Caucus.

"We just don't believe that this process should be corrupted any further by the governor," Coleman said. "Why is it that he's trying to blackmail the senators? ... We know our senators will hold firm and not be involved in that kind of activity."

House Democrats thwarted Republican attempts to redraw the districts during the regular session by leaving the state for Ardmore, Okla.,

for four days in May and blocking a quorum, thus halting debate.

This time, those Democrats say the Texas Senate, where there are enough Democrats to block debate on a bill under routine Senate rules, will have to stop the legislation.

Sen. Rodney Ellis, D-Houston, said he doubted senators' votes on redistricting would be swayed by the passage of other bills now eligible for consideration.

"In the Senate, we tend to be a fairly independent and unpredictable group, and I would be really surprised if anybody was selling their vote on redistricting," Ellis said.

Republican Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst said most legislators have been approached by members of Congress — Republicans and

Democrats alike — about redistricting. He said DeLay and other congressmen have visited him.

"But at the end of the day, we're going to do what we think is right here in this Senate," he said, adding that presidential adviser Karl Rove also has discussed the subject with him.

Even before Perry's proclamation Tuesday, lawmakers were filing bills in anticipation that the Legislature would tackle more than redistricting this month.

Among issues now on the agenda are legislation relating to civil asbestos claims; abolition of such agencies as the Texas Commission on Private Security and the state Aircraft Pooling Board; a study of privately run prisons; and strengthening of the governor's pow-

ers.

One of the items would address whether to exempt from public records laws the governor's office budget proposal working papers. That measure failed during the regular session, which ended June 2.

Meanwhile, bickering continued over congressional redistricting. Democrats again claimed

Republicans are bowing to the wishes of U.S. House Majority Leader Tom DeLay, who has said he would like more Republican members of Congress from Texas.

Right now Democrats hold a 17-15 advantage in the delegation, even though all the statewide elected officials in Texas are Republican.

# Big Spring woman arrested on assault charge

## By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

A Big Spring woman was arrested Tuesday night in connection with an assault on a family member.

Patricia Williams, 34, of Big Spring was arrested at her home in the 1200 block of Ridgeroad Drive.

"Two people got into it

over something we don't know anything about," said Big Spring police spokesman Lt. Terry Chamness. "One of them was arrested for family violence. That's basically it. Two people living together didn't get along."

Chamness said the victim's injuries were not serious.

"There was a cut above his eye," he said.

Williams allegedly used an unidentified blunt weapon in the attack.

"They made reference to a couple of things and he stated it in his statement, but until we do further investigation, it's just a blunt object," Chamness said.

Williams was scheduled to be arraigned in connection with the offense and have bail set by Municipal Judge Timothy Green this morning.

Anyone with information about this assault should call the Big Spring Police Department at 264-2550.

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Motorcyclist Michael Huber, 51, of Midland was taken to Scenic Mountain Medical Center Tuesday after losing control of his bike shortly before 1 p.m. at the intersection of West Highway 80 and FM 700. A Big Spring police spokesman described Huber's injuries as "non-incapacitating."

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# What's new at the library... with Hollis McCright

The library will close at 4 p.m. on Thursday and remain closed until Monday, July 7. Have you gotten a speeding ticket lately? I understand the state troopers really patrol up around Tullia (know what I mean, Lisa?) When I attended the Texas Library Association trade fair, I came across the "Take Home Defensive Driving" booth. They have provided Howard County Library with two sets of VHS tapes and DVDs, of defensive driving classes. It is my understanding that these will work in Texas as a substitute for attending actual defensive driving class. You must have Internet access either at home or (of course) you may come to the Library and utilize ours. The way that I read it, you watch a portion, and then take a test. A \$20 deposit is required, which will be refunded when all materials are returned to the library.

The library has received Hillary Clinton's new book "Living History - Hillary Rodham Clinton" (B CLI H). I won't go into a review of it



HOLLIS MCCRIGHT

because if you have watched any TV at all, you probably have run across her on the promotional tour. If you would like to be placed on reserve for it, please call the library (there are already four people on the list).

The library has also received "Dereliction of Duty: The Eyewitness Account of How Bill Clinton Compromised America's National Security" (355.0335 PAT R). Retired Lt. Col. Robert Patterson carried Clinton's "nuclear football" and had intimate access to the president.

In Patterson's account, Clinton emerges as a careless, disingenuous frat boy, mercilessly hen-pecked by the domineering Hillary, whose tirades leave him looking like a "beat-up puppy." I haven't read the book, and a portion of this review was taken from Publisher's Weekly, a respected periodical. Read it and weep?

I have been trying to "beef up" the Biography section with new (and some not so new) bios of notable men and women. Isaac Newton played a pivotal role in the development of physics and calculus. James Gleick's "Isaac Newton" (B NEW I) moves between a comprehensive historical portrait of Newton to an illuminating

look at his important scientific works. This won't be an easy read but it will certainly expand your mind.

In "My Anecdotal Life" (B REI C) Carl Reiner has written down all those funny stories he tells to his friends. At age 80, Reiner has seen it all, from theater to the golden age of television, the 1950s and '60s. All of us baby boomers may see themselves in his stories.

Remember Robert Redford in his baseball movie "The Natural"?

The figure Roy Hobbs was really Eddie Waitkus, slick-fielding first basemen who played for the Cubs and Phillies in the 1940s.

"Baseball's Natural: The Story of Eddie Waitkus." (B WAI E) by John Theodore, may be found in the Biography section.

Just received New Fiction: "Eat Cake," by Jeanne Ray; "Secret Justice," by James W. Huston; and "Victory," by Stephen Coonts. "Victory" is a compilation of short stories by well known authors - Harold Coyle, David Hagberg, R.J. Pineiro and Harold Robbins - of the men and women who fought during WW II.

"Dawn Over Kitty Hawk" by Walter J. Boyle is a novel about the Wright Brothers and the dawn of aviation.

New Mysteries are: "Lemon Meringue Pie Murder" - a Hannah Swensen mystery by Joanne Fluke; "The Last Witness" by KJ Erickson; "Winterkill" - a Joe Pickett novel by C.J. Box; "Flashback" (Anna Pigeon is a forest ranger) by Nevada Barr; and "The Body in the Lighthouse" - a Faith Fairchild mystery by Katherine Hall Pierce.

New non-fiction books that the Library has received: "Looking For My Country," (070.1950 MAC R) by Robert MacNeal; "The Secret Language of Children," (155.4136 SHA L) by Lawrence Shapiro; "The Older the Fiddle, the Better the Tune," (305.26 SCO W) by Willard Scott; "The Language Police," (371.32 RAV D) by Diane Ravitch; and "The Agenda: Life Inside the Clinton White House," (973.9290 WOO B) by Bob Woodward.

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## Some easy fits for the kitchen

NEW YORK (AP) - Two suggestions for those with precious little space left on their cookbook shelves, but looking for a dash of special flavor: - "The Cornbread Book" (William Morrow, 2003, \$14.95) by Jeremy Jackson is subtitled "a love story with recipes."

This is a compact, light-hearted tribute to what the author calls "a bread of the people, for the people, and by the people." He believes cornbread should be named the official bread of the United States of America. And that it should also be named the unofficial bread.

The book's 132 pages are packed with whimsy, history and plenty of recipes with very personal comments. Jackson, a writer and novelist, lives in Iowa surrounded by corn fields.

"Eat, Drink, and Be Merry" (Everyman's Library, Pocket Poets, 2003, \$12.50) is smaller still in page size but is quite beautifully designed and bound. It has a red satin ribbon to mark your favorite poem of the wide selection of the book offers.

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**IN BRIEF**

**Crossroads cheerleaders sign-ups under way**  
 Registration for the 2003 Crossroads Football League leading squads under way at the Spring Mall. Registration cheerleaders will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. through the week, and ends registration through July 14. A copy of each birth certificate report card is needed at the registration. The cost for leading is \$65 per son. For more information, contact Campbell at 268-4444.

**Booster Club tournament slated for Co.**  
 The second Big Spring Football Boost Golf Tournament has been scheduled Saturday, July 5, at the Big Spring Club. The four-man team will have a total of 16 players paired. Steers coach on the team. Former Steer out and current Bay Packers tight end Bubba Franke will make a guest appearance. The tournament will start at 8 a.m. Entry fee is \$25 per person and cart rental and more information call 264-6600.

**All Americas slated for July**  
 The inaugural Americas Open hole golf tournament will be held at Comanche Trail Course. Entry fee is \$100 per player. The tournament will be held in conjunction with the Americas B man football tournament scheduled weekend. To register for the tournament receive more information about it contact Tom at 816-6336.

**Midnight Madness tournament**  
 A Midnight Madness men's slow-pitch ball tournament has been scheduled July 11-12 at Concho Valley Association. The tournament will be held in San Antonio and entry fee for both divisions is \$100. Class C/D is for industrial teachers. The deadline for entries is July 9. For more information, call Steve at 942-0728. Branran at 816-6336.

### IN BRIEF

#### Crossroads cheer sign-ups under way

Registration for the 2003 Crossroads Little Football League cheer-leading squads is now under way at the Big Spring Mall.

Registration for cheerleaders will be held from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. throughout the week, and from noon to 4 p.m. on weekends. Registration runs through July 14.

A copy of each child's birth certificate and report card will be needed at the time of registration.

The cost for cheerleading is \$65 per person.

For more information, contact Stacy Campbell at 268-9634.

#### Booster Club golf tournament slated

The second annual Big Spring Steers Football Booster Club Golf Tournament has been scheduled for Saturday, July 12, at the Big Spring Country Club.

The four-man scramble will have teams consisting of three players paired with a Steers coach or player.

Former Steers standout and current Green Bay Packers tight end Bubba Franks will make a guest appearance.

The tournament is set for an 8 a.m. shotgun start.

Entry fee is \$65 per person and includes cart rental and a meal.

To enter or receive more information, call 264-6600.

#### Fourth of July event slated for Coahoma

The annual Coahoma 4th July Ragball Tournament will be held at the Coahoma Softball Park, beginning at 5 p.m.

For more information, please call Laura Martin at 466-1950.

#### All Americas Open slated for July 23

The inaugural All Americas Open, an 18-hole golf tournament, will be held July 23 at Comanche Trail Golf Course. Entry fee is \$35 per player.

The tournament is being held in conjunction with the All Americas Bowl six-man football and basketball tournaments scheduled for that weekend.

To register for the tournament or to receive more information about the event, contact Tommy Wells at 816-6336.

#### Midnight Madness tournament slated

A Midnight Madness men's slow-pitch softball tournament has been scheduled for July 11-12 by the Concho Valley Softball Association.

The tournament will be held in San Angelo and entry fees are \$125 for both divisions — Class C/D teams and Class E, church and industrial teams.

The deadline for entries is 7 p.m. on July 9.

For more information, call Steve Mann at 842-0728 or Leo Branran at 855-4292.

## Smiley takes top spot in skateboard contest

HERALD Staff Report

Jake Smiley of Big Spring and Kyle Smith of San Antonio topped their divisions during the Big Spring Family YMCA Skateboard Contest staged Saturday at the YMCA Skate Park.

Smiley, 17, took first place in the Advanced Division, while Smith was the Intermediate Division champion. Josh Hurley, a 21-year-old from Midland, took the Best Trick Contest.

Kris De Leon finished as the runner-up to

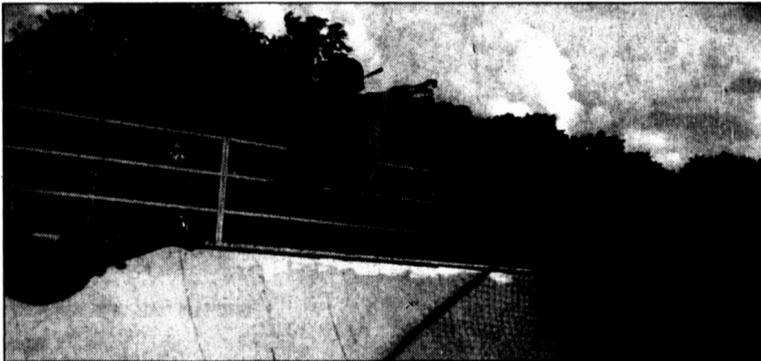
Smiley in the Advanced Division, while Brandon Greathouse was third.

Ed De Leon was also a runner-up, finishing behind Smith in the Intermediate Division, while Junior Ybarra took third-place honors.

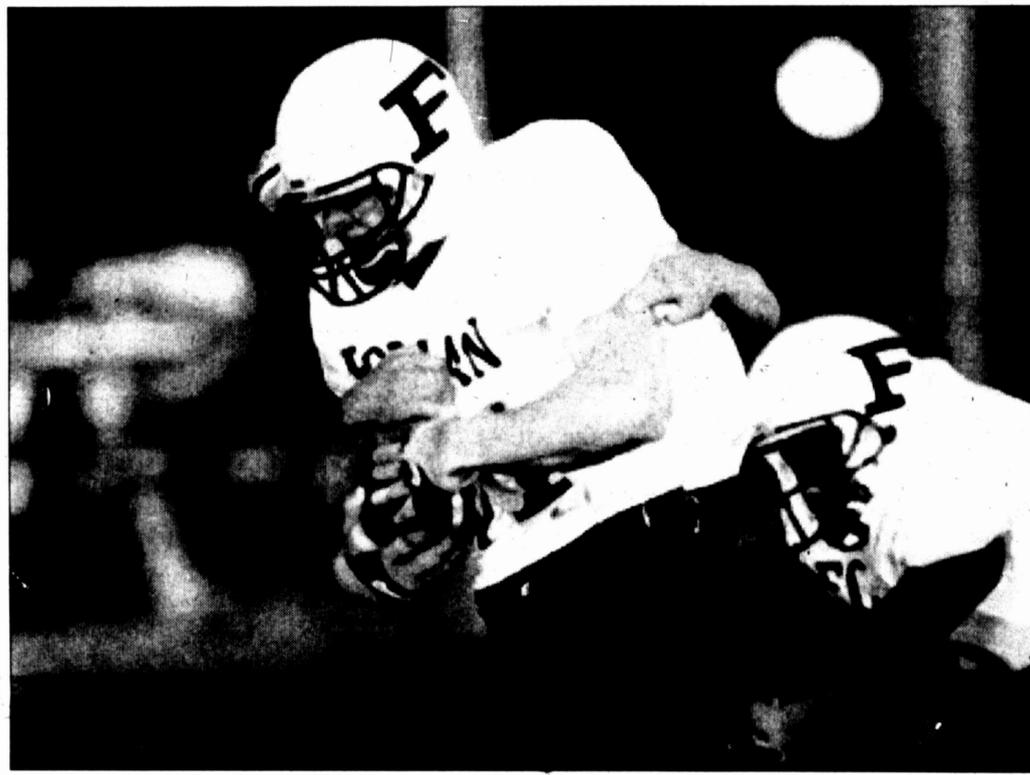
A total of 15 competitors took part in the event.

The skate park is open from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday, according to YMCA Executive Director Pete Thiry.

For information, call the YMCA's offices at 267-8234.



Jake Smiley of Big Spring catches some air as he competes in the YMCA Skateboard Contest staged Friday at the YMCA Skate Park. Smiley won the advanced division. Courtesy photo



Finding a replacement for all-world running back Wes Longorio will probably be the main objective for the Forsan Buffaloes this coming August. Quarterback Josh Helmstetler returns to key a team that came within one game of making the playoffs in 2002. Herald file photo

## RELOADING

### Forsan hoping younger players can pick up Longorio's workload

By TOMMY WELLS  
Sports Editor

Forsan High School football fans will be marking time with a new calendar this coming football season: In Forsan, it's officially Year 1 A.W.

As in, Year 1 After Wes. Forsan fans will find themselves in an unusual situation come August when two-a-day practices get under way. For the first time in years, Wes Longorio won't be the man with the bull's eye on his chest. In fact, he won't even be in uniform.

Longorio's graduation from the high school ranks — combined with the departure of long-time head coach Steve Park from the sideline — weren't lost on preseason prognosticators when they released their predictions. Forsan was picked to finish last in the District 3-2A standings by *Dave Campbell's Texas Football* magazine.

The loss of Longorio will likely be the hardest thing for the Buffaloes to replace in 2003. The speedy running back accumulated almost 40 percent of the team's total offensive yardage last fall and was an all-state selection at defensive back.

In his last 20 regular season games as a member of the Buffaloes, Longorio rushed for more than 2,000 yards and 20 touchdowns. In addition to his rushing duties, he also had 10 receptions for 198 yards and 3 TDs and returned 17 kicks for 415 return yards.

Overall, Longorio amassed 1,553 total yards and scored 13 touchdowns.

Even with Longorio's departure,

#### Crossroads Football

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- Thurs: Stanton Buffaloes
- Fri: Garden City Bearkats
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Forsan's cupboard isn't completely bare. Quarterback Josh Helmstetler blossomed into one of the top players in the district last fall, despite missing several games with a broken hand. In six games, he



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passed for more than 300 yards.

Helmstetler will have a little offensive help returning up front. Four of the five returning offensive starters will make up the FHS line.

Guards Micah Harrison and Mitchell Hooper join tackle Jeremy Bedwell and center Codee Barraza in anchoring a solid offensive line.

Guard Chance Rainer also saw plenty of playing time in 2003, as did tackle Brent Wood.

Like the offense, the Buffaloes main strength on the defensive side of the ball will be in the line. The Buffs return their entire defensive front this fall.

Helmstetler, an honorable mention all-district selection at linebacker, will anchor a young Buffalo secondary.

While preseason experts didn't think the Buffs' youth movement would put them in a position to make a run at the state playoffs, they did like Crane and Colorado City's chances. The two schools were tabbed first and second in the preseason crystal ball.

Crane, despite losing head coach Alan Cherry to Bay City, is the preseason favorite to win the 3-2A crown again. The Cranes bring back six offensive and five defensive starters from a team that went 12-2 and advanced to the Class 2A, Division II quarterfinals. Among the returnees for the Cranes are running backs Devon Zimmerman and Chuy Hernandez.

Colorado City, though not returning the sheer numbers as Crane, brings back two of the district's top rushers in senior Jacobie Russell and sophomore Kenneth Scott, the 3-2A Newcomer of the Year last year.

The Wolves finished the 2003 season at 8-3.

Seagraves, the district's third-place playoff representative a year ago, brings back the bulk of its defense this year. Among the seven starters slated to return are linebackers Jose Bueno and Kyle Wilson.

## Washburn stymies Rangers

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Jarrod Washburn and Ismael Valdes have given new meaning to the term "power pitchers."

Washburn has allowed 13 home runs over 30 2-3 innings over his last five starts with the Anaheim Angels, including three in Tuesday night's 7-5 victory over the Texas Rangers.

Bengie Molina and Troy Glaus went deep against Valdes, who has surrendered eight homers in 12 1-3 innings over his last three starts for the Rangers.

"I heard on the TV before the game that Washburn had given up a lot of home runs in his last four starts, and I'm pretty close to that — or worse than that," Valdes said.

Valdes (6-5) lost his third straight start, allowing seven runs and seven hits in five-plus innings. Two of the runs were unearned, the result of errors by catcher Todd Greene and center fielder Doug Glanville.

"I don't know what it is — I'm just not getting the job done," Valdes said. "It's the worst slump of my life. I was the most consistent guy on the team, but right now I'm the worst consistent guy on the team. I'm not giving my team a chance to win."

The right-hander has allowed 21 earned runs and 28 hits over his last three outings. Before this skid, Valdes was 4-0 with a 3.78 ERA in six starts after spending almost a month on the disabled list because of tendinitis in his shoulder.

"It's even more frustrating for him because he knows what he's capable of, and we've seen it," manager Buck Showalter said. "His health doesn't seem to be an issue anymore, but other teams are an issue."

Molina put the Angels ahead 4-1 in the fourth with his seventh homer after Valdes issued his only two walks.

Glaus, who hadn't homered in 62 at-bats since June 8, chased Valdes with a leadoff homer in the sixth, giving the Angels a 7-1 cushion. It was Glaus' 15th homer, and the first at home by the World Series MVP since May 24.

But Washburn couldn't make out of the eighth after limiting the Rangers to four hits over the first seven — including the first of Michael Young's two homers.

Young connected again with a man on after Donnie Sadler beat first baseman Shawn Wooten in a footrace to the bag.

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### Astros take 6-5 win over Brewers in 10 innings

HOUSTON (AP) — When Gregg Zaun and Geoff Blum came up in a crucial, late-game situation, they both figured the pitcher they were facing was in trouble.

They were both right. Blum's ninth-inning homer tied it, and Zaun's sacrifice fly in the 10th gave the Houston Astros a 6-5 win over the Milwaukee Brewers on Tuesday night.

Blum faced Mike DeJean knowing he had rarely made an out against the Brewers' closer.

"Oh yes, there are very

few guys like that for me," Blum said. "I realize I have a better chance than most against him. It's just one of the key things. He throws a good fastball and slider, but I just know he's a guy who's going to throw strikes."

Blum is 4-for-6 against DeJean with two homers and two RBIs.

Houston's Morgan Ensberg then led off the 10th with a double and went to third on a passed ball by Keith Osik.

DeJean (2-6) intentionally walked Brad Ausmus and Adam Everett to load the bases before Zaun hit

a high fly to the right field corner. Ensberg easily beat Brady Clark's throw to the plate.



Courtesy photo  
Members of the Lady Steers summer volleyball team took the Odessa Invitational championship Saturday. First row: Haley Adams, Clarissa Carrisalez and Maddy Hopkins. Second row: Megan McCormick, Jordan Chesworth, Lydia Teichroeb and Danielle Jeter. Standing behind is Jazz Hopkins.

### In Sunday's Big Spring Herald



Rodeo clowns provide more than laughs

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Never attempt to relight a firework that did not fully function. Instead, contact your fire department for information about proper disposal of "live" fireworks.	Never throw or point fireworks toward people. Always make sure other people are out of range before lighting a firework.
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# Annie's Mailbox: Advice for those in need

Dear Annie: My mother and father have been married almost 50 years. In the early years, my father drank and was abusive to my mother. My mother was no saint, either, and they had some hard times.

Twenty-five years ago, my father gave up alcohol, started going to church and has become a wonderful grandfather to my children. My mother, however, cannot let go of the past, and is a hateful, ugly, cussing 70-year-old woman. There is nothing my father can say or do without Mom making a sour face or nasty comment.

How can I make her understand that the hard times are over? I want them to enjoy their golden years together. — Small Town, USA

Dear Small Town: Your parents have developed a certain pattern of behavior over the past 50 years, and it is hard to alter.



ANNIE'S MAILBOX

Your mother does not see herself as you do and may need to have someone point it out. Have a talk with her and ask if she is happy, or if she would like to make some changes in her life. If she is at all receptive, encourage her to seek counseling (with or without Dad), but don't expect too much. Old habits are hard to break.

Dear Annie: After reading the column about single women over 40 having "too much baggage," I

had to write. My husband and I fell in love 20 years ago, when my children were 4 and 6. He raised my kids as if they were his own.

Recently, some friends were telling us about their engaged son, who is marrying a woman with a child. They expressed concerns about the "baggage" being brought into the relationship. I turned to my husband and asked, "Did you think I had baggage when you married me?" Without missing a beat, he replied with a smile, "No, you had a couple of cute little duffle bags." — Traveler in Thousand Oaks, Calif.

Dear Traveler: Your husband has a charming sense of humor. You sound like a loving couple, and how wonderful for your children that you found each other.

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# Ex-husband causes rift in friendship

Dear Pru: My best friend of many years finally ditched her louse of a husband. He did nothing at home, did not contribute to household finances despite having a good job and ignored my friend except when it was sex time. Then she was told he had



Dear Prudence

another woman on the side! She ditched him, after 15 years. Now he is back in her life. They "see" each other and have spent weekends together. It is very awkward for us because I have made it clear I don't like him. Why would someone who has it so together want such a jerk in her life? I would lose all respect for her if it happens. I fear our friendship may drain away, and I don't know what to do. — Disturbed

Dear Dis: Whatever the reason for the louse's return, you are not the one who has to take him back. Regarding your

relationship with your friend, let her take the lead. If you really can't stand the prodigal louse, there's no use pretending. As for why people have jerks in their lives, Prudie cannot help but think of the old joke: When told her son was wanted by the police, the woman said, "Well, there's no accounting for taste." — Prudie, philosophically

Dear Prudie: My parents were married for nearly 40 years but were divorced last year because of my father's infidelity. Things happened about six years ago when he hooked up with a 19-year-old girl. We (my other two siblings and our mother) struggled to try to rescue the marriage during that period. The final standoff was that if he went with this girl, he wouldn't have us. He made the choice by divorcing my mother. (She was then in her early 60s and just a helpless housewife.)

Just for some sexual pleasure, he gave up his wife and all his children. About three years ago, I

stopped bringing my daughter to see him. The hard part of this ordeal is explaining it to her. She has asked about Grandpa many times, saying that she misses him.

I know that some time I will have to explain it to her in a way that makes sense — but I don't know what to say. Sometimes I think about inviting my father over to see her. What's your opinion about this? — On the Horns of a Dilemma

Dear On: Regarding your little girl, you really only have two options. Your father's association with the nymph is unlikely to influence your child, so you might consider letting them have visits.

If you absolutely want nothing to do with him, then you will have to find a way to explain that you and Grandpa have had a serious disagreement.

If Prudie had to choose for you, it would be to let the two of them get to know each other — Prudie, parentally

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6 PM	News Wheel	King of the Hill	Cyberchase Zoboosafoo	7th Heaven	News Ent. Tonight	News Wheel	News Sinfeld (CC)	Sinfeld (CC)	Las Vegas Amor	Blind Date	The Score		Daring Capers	Sisterhood	Update/Arrest John Hages	American Justice	Now See This!	Law & Order (CC) (DVB)	Sister, Sister Lizze
7 PM	My Wife-Kids George	'70s Show American	National Geographic	Movie: Police Academy 2	60 Minutes II	My Wife-Kids George	Fame (CC)	Sinfeld (CC)	Rebecca	Star Trek: Next	Movie: Changing		Rides	Real Sports (CC)	Sam Peck Jesse Lee	Biography	Unsolved History (CC)	Movie: Days of (CC)	Movie: The Scream Team
8 PM	Drew Carey	Paradise Hotel	West Point (CC)	Their First Assignment	Movie: Perfect	Drew Carey	Law & Order (CC)	Ripley's Believe It or	Entre el Amor	Movie: From Russia With	Movie: Lansa (CC)		Junkyard Wars	Sex and-City Greenlight	Light of the Southwest	American Justice	Moments In Time	(CC)	(CC)
9 PM	Dating Experiment	'70s Show Dharma-Greg		Whose Line? B. Leonard	Perfect Town (CC) (DVB)	Dating Experiment	Law & Order (CC)	Movie: The Crow	Don Francisco	Love	Street Time (CC)		Extreme Machines	On the Record		American Justice	Attack and Capture	Movie: Caesar	Sister, Sister Even Stevens
10 PM	News Nightline	'70s Show Raymond	NewsHour With	700 Club	News Late Show (CC)	News Nightline	News Wimbledon		Primer Impacto	Real TV	Original Sin (CC)		Rides	Wire (CC)	Hour of Healing	Third Watch (CC)	Unsolved History (CC)		Boy World Proud Family
11 PM	Jimmy Kimmel	Sudden-Susan	Movie: Buena Vista Social	Caroline B. Leonard	Late Late (CC)	Ent. Tonight Jimmy	Tonight Show	Ripley's Believe It or	En las Mejores	Blind Date	:35 Movie: Silens (CC)		Junkyard Wars	Elien DeGeneres	Update/Arrest Joseph Good	Biography	Moments In Time		Boy World Smart Guy
12 AM	Paid Program Cowboy	Blind Date Beyond	Club	Paid Program	Show (CC)	Live (CC)	Late Night Oprah	Movie: The Corruptor	Camila	Highlander (CC)			Extreme Machines	Movie: The Godfather	N. McBride John Hages	American Justice	Attack and Capture		Sister, Sister Even Stevens

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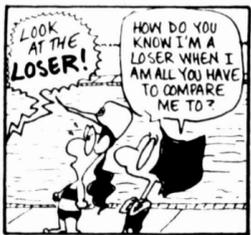
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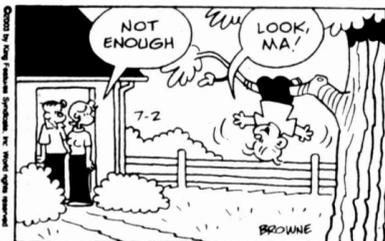
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This Date In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, July 2, the 183rd day of 2003. There are 182 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 2, 1776, the Continental Congress passed a resolution saying that "these United Colonies are, and of right, ought to be, Free and Independent States."

On this date:

In 1881, President Garfield was shot by Charles J. Guiteau at the Washington railroad station; Garfield died the following September.

In 1890, Congress passed the Sherman Antitrust Act. In 1926, the United States Army Air Corps was created.

In 1937, aviator Amelia Earhart and navigator Fred

Noonan disappeared over the Pacific Ocean while attempting to make the first round-the-world flight at the equator.

In 1961, author Ernest Hemingway shot himself to death at his home in Ketchum, Idaho.

In 1963, President Kennedy met Pope Paul VI at the Vatican, the first meeting between a Roman Catholic U.S. chief executive and the head of the Catholic Church.

In 1964, President Lyndon Johnson signed into law a sweeping civil rights bill passed by Congress.

In 1976, the Supreme Court ruled the death penalty was not inherently cruel or unusual.

In 1997, actor James Stewart died in Beverly Hills, Calif., at age 89.

In 2001, Robert Tools received the world's first self-contained artificial heart in Louisville, Kentucky. He lived 151 days with the device.

Ten years ago: The White House acknowledged that it had erred in firing seven

travel office employees and urging the FBI to investigate them. Sheik Omar Abdel-Rahman, some of whose followers were accused in the World Trade Center bombing, surrendered to immigration officials in New York.

Today's Birthdays: Country singer Marvin Rainwater is 78. Actor Brock Peters is 76. Former Philippine first lady Imelda Marcos is 74. Jazz musician Ahmad Jamal is 73. Actor Robert Ito is 72. Actress Polly Holliday is 66. Former White House chief of staff John Sununu is 64. Actor Ron Silver is 57. Actor Saul Rubinek is 55.

Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

OUT OF HAND by Daniel R. Stark  
Edited by Stanley Newman

- ACROSS**
- 1 Autumn pear
  - 5 Made a heap
  - 10 Takes vows
  - 14 Butter substitute
  - 15 Florida city
  - 16 Amo, amas, —
  - 17 Obi-Wan portrayer
  - 18 Hitchhike
  - 20 Hot coffee feature
  - 22 Red ink
  - 23 Untrained, as recruits
  - 24 bene
  - 26 Bad smell
  - 28 Trattoria dessert
  - 31 Goes to a ball
  - 35 Fuel source
  - 36 Breaks off
  - 38 Diego Rivera work
  - 39 Assimilate
  - 40 Hotel offering
  - 42 Dear, to Luigi
  - 43 Pub sign
  - 45 Aquatic bird
  - 46 Had no doubt
  - 47 Croupier's associate
  - 49 Like calico cats
  - 51 Happen upon
  - 53 Expressway
  - 54 Rollover candidate: Abbr.
  - 57 Rockies resort
  - 59 At present
  - 62 Dainty dish
  - 65 Not resist
  - 67 Biting bug
- DOWN**
- 1 Glamorous wrap
  - 2 Earthenware pot
  - 3 Crystal gazer
  - 4 South Seas tree
  - 5 Baked items
  - 6 Freud, to himself
  - 7 Speak well of
  - 8 Bugs' nemesis
  - 9 Applied foundation
  - 10 1914 headline
  - 11 Sultan's cousin
  - 12 Father, to a tot
  - 13 Worry
  - 19 First-stringers
  - 21 Tattoo word
  - 25 Negate
  - 27 Get serious
  - 28 Left Bank
  - 29 Trattoria course
  - 30 Language oddity
  - 32 Wrecking-ball swinger
  - 33 Like some seals
  - 34 Deli side order
  - 35 Trudge
  - 37 Lean forward
  - 41 Qualifies
  - 44 Rub the wrong way
  - 48 Brought up
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  - 52 Rome's river
  - 54 Questionable
  - 55 Get one's dander up
  - 56 Once more
  - 58 Elders' teachings
  - 60 Irish Rose's guy
  - 61 Sudden urges
  - 63 Oil
  - 64 Barrister's wear
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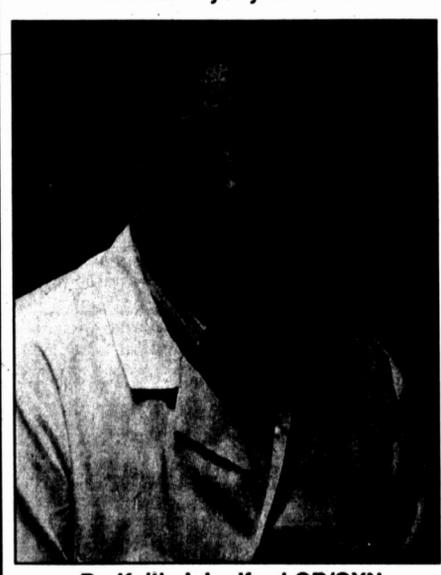
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Call 263-3719</p> <p><b>HELP WANTED</b></p> <p>Food Service For a top management opportunity, see Sodexho's ad under "Health Care"</p>	<p><b>HELP WANTED</b></p> <p>Texas Department of Criminal Justice - Manufacturing and Logistics Division has an immediate opening for a Correctional Transportation Officer-Truck Driver position, posting no. 024381DL, located at the Daniel Unit in Snyder, Texas. \$2,036.00/Monthly. Successful completion of Texas department of Criminal Justice's freight transportation road test must be completed before the closing date of the position. The following must be turned in with application: Class A Commercial Driver's License(CDL) with X endorsement, and a current CDL physical certification card issued within the last two years. To Apply: Job Description, Qualifications and Applications are available at www.tdcj.state.tx.us or contact Manufacturing and Logistics Human Resources at 936-437-6531. Submit a State of Texas Application and Driver's Application for Employment to Missy Atchley, TDCJ Manufacturing and Logistics, P.O. Box 4013, Huntsville, Texas 77342 (overnight thru UPS, Fed-Ex, Airborne - 861 IH45, Rm112, Huntsville, Texas 77320; overnight thru postal service - P.O.Box 4013), by 06/18/03 AT 5:00PM.</p>	<p><b>HELP WANTED</b></p> <p>Fibercom is now accepting applications for the following positions:</p> <p><b>Experienced Administrative Assistant.</b> With basic bookkeeping skills and strong phone skills. Must be computer literate with good working knowledge of word processing and spreadsheets.</p> <p><b>Experienced Accounts Payable Clerk.</b> Good computer skills required and experience with Quick Books a must. Please apply in person. Resume required.</p> <p><b>Fibercom 100 Runnels Big Spring, TX 79720 EOE</b></p> <p><b>Sales Position</b> Bankers has \$50,000+ opportunity for a qualified individual to live and work in Howard County. 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The City of Big Spring is an EOE.</p> <p><b>RN SUPERVISOR POSITIONS AVAILABLE!</b> 12 Hour Shifts w/3 day weekends off every other weekend. 8:00 p.m. - 8:00 a.m. LVN's &amp; CNA's shifts also available Competitive Wages-Health Insurance &amp; Benefits.. Contact Lori Reasoner, RN-DON @ Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home 1809 N. Hwy 87 Big Spring, Texas 79720 (432) 268-8387 (432)268-1987 Equal Opportunity Employer</p>	<p><b>HELP WANTED</b></p> <p><b>DIRECTOR POSITION AVAILABLE!!</b> Did you think your chance had passed you by to be the Director of a Home Health agency? <b>Worry No Longer</b></p> <p>We have a position opening: <b>Branch Agency Director for Big Spring!</b></p> <p>You've got charisma and you yearn for a challenge so wait no longer! <b>This is YOUR OPPORTUNITY</b> to help not only the agency to grow, but also yourself. Health care experience and education required. Must be a RN.</p> <p>Beckie Hinze is eagerly waiting to hear from you. 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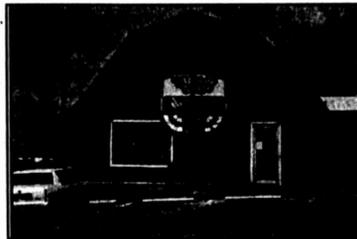
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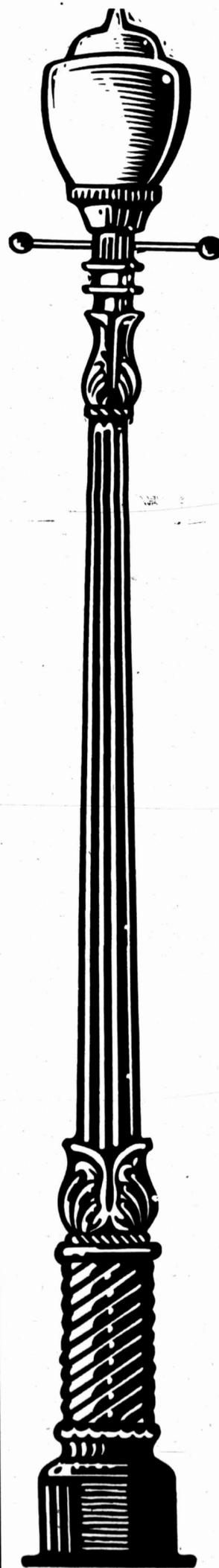
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A good first step is to ask friends and family members who have had good experiences with a physician. Second, contact clinics and hospitals in your area.

A good doctor is a combination of someone with good medical skills and good interpersonal skills the patient can relate to.

The best way to find out if a doctor has these qualities is to ask questions.

Where did the doctor go to school? Where did they do their residency? Where did they intern?

Patients should ask about after-hours coverage. Who handles it and how is it done?

Another important question is how often the doctor wants to see the patient. Do they want to see the patient on a regular basis or just when they are sick?

#### THE INITIAL VISIT

When seeing a new physician, a patient should bring any medication they are taking and should be able to put in writing why they are taking the drugs.

Patients should also know any medications to which they are allergic, and the nature of the allergic reaction. They should also be prepared to give the doctor a good personal medical history.

The history should include any past or present chronic conditions, any family history of disease such as diabetes, cancer or heart disease and a list of surgeries the patient has had.

Patients may also want to write down any questions they want to ask the physician.

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