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### COMING SUNDAY



Cover Story: When Marty Stuart grew up he listened to country music where he could find it — at church picnics, on front porches and at county fairs. Now, he and Merle Haggard are taking music back to its roots, to the rural areas where it all began for them.

Hometown Spotlight: Oriental is the sailing capital of the state — and where boats outrank the population 2:1.



### SUMMER GRILLING

Steaks, chicken, ribs and side dishes — summertime grilling at its best. Sunday's Life! cover features some can't-miss recipes, like 6666 Soppin' Sauce and quick and simple Zesty Grilled Potatoes.

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# Police receive grant to purchase vests

By ROGER CLINE  
Staff Writer

The Big Spring Police Department will receive \$1,913 in matching funds to purchase bulletproof vests this year.

The funds are a renewal of an annual 50-50 Department of Justice grant which allows the department to replace 10 vests each year.

"Every officer has a vest, but the life expectancy of a vest, or the length of time that the manufacturer warranties it for, is only



CHAMNESS

five years," said Big Spring Police Department spokesman Lt. Terry Chamness. "So every five years we have to replace the vests."

This year for the first time, all \$59 million of the grant nationwide is going to smaller communities. The legislation authorizing the grant mandates that priority be given to jurisdictions with populations

less than 100,000.

"They had so many applications from smaller jurisdictions this year that the entire grant this year went to small communities," said a spokesman in U.S. Sen. John Cornyn's office.

The news comes shortly after the Howard County Sheriff's Office announced it will receive \$2,944 through the same grant to help defray the cost of 16 vests.

Cornyn said Texas' law enforcement is the finest in the United States.

"I've been honored to work

closely with so many of them, and appreciate all they do," the senator said.

"Through my travels in the state, and the roundtables I've held with first responders in cities large and small, I'm confident that local, state, and federal authorities must work together as partners to support and protect this critical layer of our homeland security."

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# BOUND FOR THE BORDER

BSISD's outdated computers to find welcome home in Mexico schools

By LYNDEL MOODY  
Staff Writer

A thousand silent blue-black monitors, outdated computer processing units and technological accessories will soon be revitalized for educational use in rural Mexico.

Trustees with the Big Spring Independent School District have approved the donation of the school's mounting collection of incompatible technology to the Junction Independent School District's Care Program.

"This is a program started by a teacher in Junction," said BSISD Superintendent Michael Downes.

Piles of old, seemingly useless computer equipment currently fill room after room in the old Runnels Junior High School building, but Junction High School Spanish teacher Maria Ojeda sees a gold mine among the dusty arti-



HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody  
Iris Thayer, a Big Spring Independent School District employee in the administration office, sorts through outdated technology equipment stored in the old Runnels Junior High School building. About 1,000 of the dusty monitors, old computer processing units and accessories will be revitalized for use in rural Mexican schools.

facts.

"These computers will be used for rural areas in Mexico," said Ojeda. "My husband and I gather any material of no use to the United States. All districts, we work with it and we donate to the schools in Mexico."

Ojeda was 2 years old when her father moved his family from the small town of San Jose in Coahuila, Mexico, to the United States. All through the years, the family kept close ties with relatives back in the

old home town.

After Ojeda married, she and her husband began volunteering at a San Jose elementary school.

The three-year-old care

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# \$13.3 million sought in suit filed by former county worker

By ROGER CLINE  
Staff Writer

A former Howard County Sheriff's Office dispatcher will ask a federal jury to award her \$11.33 million in a wrongful termination lawsuit against Howard County and Sheriff Dale Walker.

The suit, filed by Gerlinda Cruz on June 25 in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Texas in Abilene, alleges that Walker retaliated against her because she politically supported Walker's opponent — former sheriff Bill Jennings — by harassing her and firing her from her dispatcher's position Oct. 28, 2002.

"It had nothing to do with it, and really it doesn't even make sense," Walker responded. "She worked for me 18 months or something like that."

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# Two Howard County grads are National Merit Scholars

By LYNDEL MOODY  
Staff Writer

Two Howard County youths are among 8,000 nationwide who've been designated as National Merit Scholars in the prestigious 48th annual National Merit Scholarship program.

National Merit Scholars are eligible to receive one of three types of scholarships: A National Merit \$2,500 scholarship; corporate-sponsored merit scholarship; and college

sponsored merit scholarship.

Both Chris Wigington, a 2003 Big Spring High School graduate, and Austin Barton, a 2003 Coahoma High School graduate, received college-sponsored scholarships, two of only 4,400 given in the nation.

Barton, the son of Don and Debra Barton, will attend Austin College in Sherman next fall and plans to pursue a career in the medical field.



BARTON WIGINGTON

According to Coahoma Independent School District Superintendent Dr. Bill Kingston, Barton is the first Merit Scholar from Coahoma High

School that anyone can remember.

"We are very proud of that. We're very proud of him and we're also proud of his parents," Kingston said. "Obviously, for a young man to reach that level of academic performance, he worked very hard and was dedicated to his activities."

"It also requires a great deal of encouragement and support from his parents and from his teachers," Kingston continued.

Recovering from a recent major automobile accident, Wigington still plans to attend the University of Texas in the fall. The bright, dark-haired youth expects to major in radio, television and film.

"I'm happy to be alive," Wigington said. "I'm really looking forward to school this fall and kind of wish I could skip ahead and be there."

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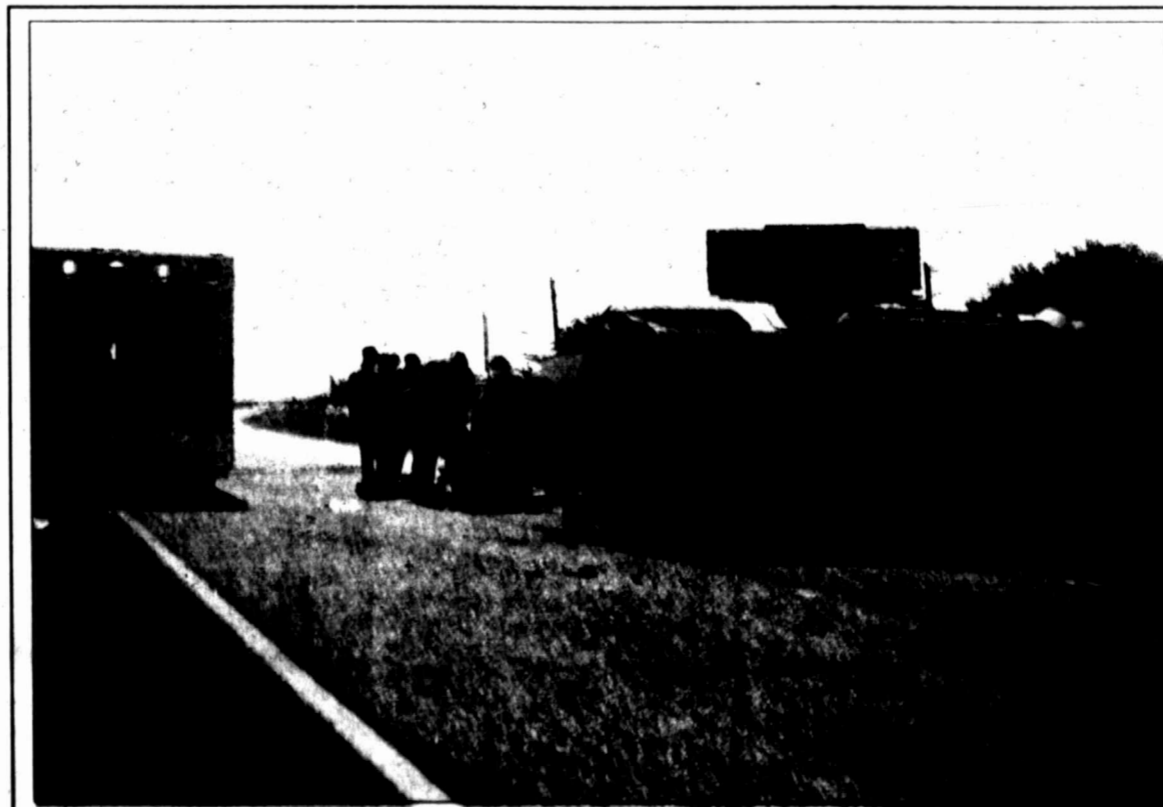
# Glasscock to vote on weevil zone

By ROGER CLINE  
Staff Writer

Cotton producers in the northern third of Glasscock County will decide in August whether to join the Permian Basin Boll Weevil Eradication Zone.

Ballots on the issue will be mailed to cotton growers no later than Aug. 1. The ballots must be returned to the Texas

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Big Spring EMS personnel assist a victim injured in a vehicle rollover that occurred Thursday afternoon on Interstate 20 near the Moss Creek Road exit. At least one person was taken to Scenic Mountain Medical Center with injuries. The accident prompted the Texas Department of Transportation to close a section of I-20's westbound lanes, diverting traffic to the service road. Attempts to reach troopers with the Texas Department of Public Safety for more information this morning were unsuccessful.

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BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

Obituaries

Melba Jean Rorick



Melba Jean Rorick, 74, of Coahoma, died on Thursday, July 10, 2003, at her residence. Funeral services will be held at 4 p.m. Saturday, July 12, 2003, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Private family interment will follow at Coahoma Cemetery.

She was born on Dec. 29, 1929, in Perrion and married LeRoy W. Rorick on March 8, 1952, in Fort Worth.

She had worked as a teacher's aide for the Big Spring Independent School District from 1970 to 1978. She and her husband had owned and operated R&R Pool Service in Coahoma for 15 years.

Survivors include her husband, LeRoy W. Rorick of Coahoma; two sons, Dr. Michiel K. Rorick of Houston and Dr. Billy D. Rorick of Coahoma; two daughters, Patricia A. Wood of Houston and Sharon E. Dockrey of Colorado City; three sisters, Colleen Sellers of Fort Worth, Lattrell Porter of Hurst and Carolyn Henkel of Arlington; three grandchildren; and one great grandchild.

The family has requested donations be made to Home Hospice, 600 Gregg St., Big Spring, 79720 in lieu of flowers

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at: www.npwelch.com

James Franklin Monteleone

James Franklin Monteleone, 81, of Midland, died on Wednesday, July 9, 2003, at his residence. A memorial service is planned for 11 a.m. Saturday, July 12, 2003, at Pipkin Funeral Home Chapel in Midland.

Mr. Monteleone was born on Feb. 17, 1922, in Clarksburg, W.Va. He served in the Air Force for 30 years as a master sergeant. He had lived in Midland for more than 10 years.

Survivors include his wife, Iona Monteleone; three sons, Rick Lance Monteleone of Big Spring, John Urfer of Corona, Calif., and Carlton Sanderson of Midland; two daughters, Rita Hanlan of Midland and Janine Delgado of Rancho Cucamonga, Calif.; two sisters, Theresa Cooper of Cappel and Frances Conge of Middleburg Heights, Ohio; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Services are under the direction of Pipkin Funeral Home.

Lottie Fay McDaniel

Lottie Fay McDaniel, 92, of Big Spring, died Friday morning, July 11, 2003 at Comanche Trail Nursing Home. Services are pending at Myers and Smith Funeral Home.

Johnnie Stockstill

Johnnie Stockstill, 75, of Stanton, died Thursday, July 10, 2003, in a Stanton nursing home. Her services are pending with Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton.

Lorena Flowers

Lorena Flowers, 82, of Midland, formerly of Stanton, died Thursday, July 10, 2003, in a Midland nursing home. Her services are pending with Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton.

Support groups

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 Roberts 1725 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.

TUESDAY

The Multiple Sclerosis Support Group meets the last Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Texas RV Park meeting room. For more information, call 263-4948.

Police blotter

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

- JEFFERY WALLECK**, 24, of 4901 Wasson Road was arrested Thursday on two local traffic warrants.

- LEO PENA**, 24, of 1002 N. Main St. was arrested Thursday on a charge of assault causing bodily injury/family violence.

- STELLA CANTU**, 32, of 3000 W. Highway 80 was arrested Thursday to hold for the Howard County Sheriff's Office.

- ARLETHA BROWN**, 42, of Garland was arrested Thursday to hold for the Howard County Sheriff's Office.

- ASSAULT CAUSING BODILY INJURY/FAMILY VIOLENCE** was reported in the 1000 block of North Main Street.

- ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE** was reported in the 1700 block of South Johnson Street.

- UNLAWFUL RESTRAINT and TERRORISTIC THREATS** were reported in the 2500 block of Langley Drive.

- MAJOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 600 block of Northwest Fifth Street.

- MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 1500 block of South Gregg Street, the 1900 block of Thorpe Street, the 400 block of South Owens Street, the 400 block of Ryon Street, the 1100 block of West Fourth Street, the 2000 block of South Gregg Street.

- DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1000 block of North Main Street, the 1800 block of State Street, the 600 block of South Johnson Street.

- NEIGHBOR DISPUTE** was reported in the 600 block of South Johnson Street.

- LOUD PARTY/NOISE** was reported in the 1000 block of North Main Street, the 1400 block of North Highway 87.

- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 2500 block of Langley Drive. Reported stolen from the home were a purse or wallet worth \$15 and \$10 cash.

Sheriff's report

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

- MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 500 block of North Birdwell Lane.

- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 200 block of Merrick Road.

- DOG BITE** was reported in the 1600 block of Martin Luther King.

- MAJOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the westbound lane of Interstate 20.

- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 200 block of North Main Street.

- PROWLER** was reported in the 5300 block of Walter Road.

Lottery

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday afternoon by the Texas Lottery, in order: 4-8-5

Weather

Tonight...Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 70s. Light winds.

Saturday...Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 90s. South winds 5 to 15 mph. Saturday night...Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 70s.

Sunday...Mostly clear. Highs in the upper 90s.

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

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

Wednesday...Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 70s. Highs in the Lower 90s.

Take note

**THE MOBILE MEALS PROGRAM**, which delivers to the elderly and homebound, needs volunteers to deliver meals.

If you can spare one hour per week to deliver eight or 10 meals, you are needed.

About 85 to 90 meals are prepared, packaged and delivered to recipients within the city limits of Big Spring.

If you can volunteer, please call 263-4016 before 3 p.m.

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TODAY

Signal Mountain Quilting Guild, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad, call 267-7281 or 267-1037. Bring a lunch.

St. Thomas Catholic Church Mid-Summer Festival, 11:30 a.m. until late, intersection of Northwest Sixth and North Main streets. The event will feature live entertainment and games.

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

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

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

SATURDAY

Howard County Scottish Rite, 7:30 a.m., Masonic Lodge, 21st and Lancaster. Breakfast is served.

St. Thomas Catholic Church Mid-Summer Festival, 11:30 a.m. until late, intersection of Northwest Sixth and North Main streets. The event will feature live entertainment and games.

Xtreme Summer Fest, noon to 8 p.m., Miracle Revival Center, 600 E. FM 700. Paid In Full in concert; eight inflatable interactive games; food and fun. Proceeds go to youth group PDY's effort to build a youth center.

Free eye glasses, 9 a.m.-noon, Bob's Custom Woodwork, 409 E. Third.

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.

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

Sr. Circle Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics, 4 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center, 1601 W. 11th Place. People 50 years old and older are invited to participate, call 268-4721.

Evenings Lion's Club, 6:30 p.m., La Posada, 206 Northwest Fourth St.

Encourager's Support Group (All widows and widowers are invited) Monday, July 21, 6 p.m., covered dish dinner, First Presbyterian Church, 7th and Runnels (enter through north door). Bring covered dish. Call 398-5522 for more information.

Coahoma Lions Club, 6 p.m., Coahoma Community Center on North Avenue.

Concerned Citizens, 7 p.m., 610 Main Street.

Archeology Society for Howard and Borden counties, 7 p.m. Howard County Library, 500 S. Main.

Big Spring Commandery No. 31; 6:30 p.m., for dinner, meeting to follow, Masonic Temple, 221 Main Street.

Big Spring Assembly No. 211, Social Order of Beauceant, 6:30 p.m., dinner, meeting to follow, 221 Main Street.

TUESDAY

Intermediate Line Dance class, 9 a.m., Spring City Senior Center, 1901 Simler, 267-1628.

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

WEDNESDAY

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

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

Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.

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SUIT

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Every sheriff, who come into office, our employees sense: If I thought about it, I have hired her beginning. That crous, and it's a not true."

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SCHOLARSHIP

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In September, 1000 students nationwide

ZONE

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Department Agriculture no later than Aug. 1. Currently,

Glasscock County St. Lawrence Weevil Eradicator a zone not currently eradicating Glasscock

Extension ent Warren Multer

Senate

AUSTIN (AP) - Members taking redraw congressional Thursday take some time posed new map. The Senate approved a resolution Tuesday. See Arlington, said putting a map would stand.

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**SUIT**

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Every sheriff, when we come into office, we have our employees re-apply. This is what makes no sense: If I thought anything about it, I wouldn't have hired her from the beginning. That's ludicrous, and it's absolutely not true."

Cruz's suit requests recovery of compensation for her loss of income and earning capacity and mental anguish under her retaliation claim in the amount of \$7.75 million. The suit further requests \$3.5 million in punitive or exemplary damages against the Walker and the county.

"Plaintiff would show that the conduct of all defendants rises to the level of intentional conduct or grossly negligent

conduct," the lawsuit alleges. "Said defendant acted contrary to well-known rules of employment law and said conduct was done knowingly."

The lawsuit also asks for \$75,000 in attorney fees and court costs and "pre-judgment and post-judgment interest as allowed by law and in the manner calculated by law."

Cruz's attorney, Steve Hershberger of Midland, offered little comment on the suit.

"I think the pleadings speak for themselves," he said. "It's a retaliation case under section 1983. We believe that Ms. Cruz was terminated due to her support for the (then) current sheriff. That's what it is."

Hershberger said Cruz is seeking reinstatement or damages or both.

"We'll try to move it along pretty quickly," he said.

According to the suit, Walker harassed and tormented Cruz in an effort to force her out of the job before firing her "in retaliation for her exercise of her First Amendment rights of freedom of speech and/or freedom of expression."

Walker said Cruz was disciplined several times for various problems with her work.

"She violated departmental policies," he said. "She was disciplined several times and put back on a probationary status and she failed to meet that because she turned right around and violated some more policies. I believe this is a frivolous lawsuit and I believe a summary judgment will be issued to kick it out."

**TECHNOLOGY**

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program started simply enough; the seeds were laid from a conversation between Ojeda and her high school principal, Larry Lee, who is now superintendent of the Junction ISD.

"We started talking about it and kicking the idea around, that it would be a good thing for our students not only to learn about reading, writing and arithmetic — the three Rs — but a community service program," she said.

Ojeda's students began writing students in Mexico. Soon the American youths progressed to sending Christmas gift packages. Next, teachers started donating leftover materials, coaches contributed outdated athletic equipment and end-of-the-year locker drives were being held.

"That's how the program started getting momentum," Ojeda said.

The flourishing program received a boost when several neighboring school districts began contributing.

Lee gives Ojeda's commitment as the primary reason for the program's success.

"It's mostly because of Mrs. Ojeda and her passion," Lee said. "She is the one who organizes this and makes sure the donations get across the border. She takes care of

the legal end and makes sure everything is in good shape. We don't take any school expense for the program."

The BSISD donation will be the largest contribution of equipment yet for the program, Ojeda said. It's so large, in fact, that she's had to request the help of a Coahuila congressman with the import approval process.

"What we're sending is not compatible with what we're working with," Downes said. "It is a huge advancement for them and they're appreciative. It's all because of the efforts of one woman that all this seems possible."

"Most of these computers are very old ... but whatever we get, it's like you have walked into a gold mine," Ojeda said. "They don't have anything."

Lee, who has visited the small community of San Jose, said the experience is eye opening.

"In our situation, we'll gripe and complain about what we have and what we don't have but it (visiting Mexico) gives you a

reality check on the situation," Lee said.

Ojeda said every donation makes a difference.

"Some 150 miles away from Menard (Ojeda's current residence), we have a Third World situation and it effects us in one way or another," she said. "You can say we're in Texas and we need to take care of people in Texas because we have needs. Yes, we have needs, but the needs here are so small compared to those in Mexico."

**SCHOLARS**

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In September, 16,000 students nationwide were

declared semi-finalists in the program, based on their Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT)/National Merit Scholarship test scores.

Semi-finalists represent less than 1 percent of high school seniors.

About 50 percent of the semi-finalists advanced to finalist status.

**ZONE**

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Department of Agriculture postmarked no later than Aug. 15.

Currently, all of Glascock County is in the St. Lawrence Boll Weevil Eradication Zone, a zone not currently pursuing eradication.

Glascock County Extension entomologist Warren Multer said the

St. Lawrence Zone is coordinating voluntary suppression efforts to keep the numbers of boll weevils down.

A spokesman for the Texas Department of Agriculture in Austin said the TDA expects to receive between 80 to 100 votes on the issue. Anyone who is entitled to a share of the profits from grown cotton — such as landowners, tenants or sharecroppers — are eli-

gible to vote.

"Most of these guys farm in Howard and Martin counties, too," said Multer.

If the transfer is approved, it will most likely take place by fall and the transferred producers will be subject to the PBBWEZ payment plan of no more than \$12 per irrigated acre or \$6 per dry-land acre of cotton.

**Senate committee working on redistricting**

AUSTIN (AP) — After days of hearings on the road, Senate committee members taking testimony on plans to redraw congressional boundaries indicated Thursday they were planning to take some time before voting on a proposed new map.

The Senate Jurisprudence Committee approved a resolution saying it would not vote on a map before at least noon Tuesday. Sen. Chris Harris, R-Arlington, said he had planned to start putting a map together Thursday and would stand strong for a map with

which he is comfortable.

Sen. Mario Gallegos, D-Houston, said he wanted senators to have a chance to review the transcripts from the hearings the committee held across the state before a vote is held.

"The Senate cannot break its word to the people of Texas by proceeding with this issue before the entire Senate has had an opportunity to review the testimony received in committee," Gallegos said, adding that a majority of the people who testified were opposed to redistricting.

**CINEMA 4**  
\*League (LXG) (PG-13)  
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## OUR VIEWS

## We salute:

Each week, the Herald salutes individuals and groups from our community and area who have been recognized for special achievements or accomplishments.

We recognize these special people for working to help make our region a better place to live, work and play

This week we salute:

Organizers and participants in the **HIGHLAND SOUTH FOURTH OF JULY PARADE** and the **COAHOMA FREEDOM PARADE**. You did a great job.

The **DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION ASSOCIATION** on another fantastic **FUNTASTIC FOURTH FESTIVAL**. We also congratulate all of the winning bands, washer tossers and others who made it a great experience.

**MARK OWEN**, Goliad Intermediate assistant principal on being named principal at Bauer Elementary.

Big Spring Fire Marshal **CARL CONDRAY**, whose poem "Winter Stampede" was named one of the top nine cowboy poems in the world by CowboyPoetry.com.

**H-E-B GROCERY**, on its donation of 800 pounds of food to the Howard County Humane Society.

**MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY ASSOCIATION** Lock-Up volunteers, including the **BIG SPRING FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION**, who generated \$27,000 in an annual fund-raiser here Wednesday.

Is there an individual or organization in our community that you feel should be saluted? If so, please send us their name and why you think they should be recognized. We must have your name and telephone number and you must provide it in writing.

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## A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

Dear Lord, you offer us unlimited opportunities to know you through your word.

Amen

## Coming face to face with stress

I have met stress face to face. A few years back, I told a doctor I had chest pains. Listen up. You might learn something here.

Telling a doctor you have chest pains is like stepping on an airplane and screaming "I HAVE A BOMB!" You are going to get a lot of attention.

But I was naive. I expected the doctor to say, "Oh really? It's probably just stress. Maybe gas. Nothing to worry about, I'm sure."

Instead, they threw me on a stretcher in the emergency room, stripped me half naked, stuck an IV in my arm and an oxygen tube in my nose. Then they sent in a girl working her way through junior high to stick little pads all over my body for something called an EKG. A bald-headed man began X-raying my chest.

And all I could think of was: Why he is bald, and did he have hair before he started fooling around with radiation?

After three-and-a-half hours I was told I needed to stay in the hospital overnight and have tests run the next day. In the nicest way possible, I let them know that hell had not yet frozen over and I was not going anywhere except out the same door I walked in. I had to sign papers saying I was leaving against medical advice and not only could I not sue them if I fell dead, but they would acquire the rights to my CD collection.

Later, I went for some tests. The first test indicated there could be a problem. So, of course, I needed a second test.

"Are you aware you can't have any food or drink? And no smoking for 12 hours?" said the nurse. Yes.

"Ok, then show up at 11 a.m. Friday for your test."

Show up for the test? I thought going without food, drink and smokes WAS the test.

The second test indicated there

"might be" an abnormality. Better take a third.

Can you spell angiogram?

An angiogram is where they stick this thing up an artery in your groin and look at your heart. The reason they put it through your groin is because it hurts more that way.

So far, I'd handled this pretty well. I was dealing with the stress. But common sense said have the procedure done as quickly as possible. Don't give yourself time to fret.

But if I was in a hurry, my HMO wasn't. After a delay of several days, a switch in hospitals and the blessing of my "primary care physician," the angiogram was scheduled.

I arrived at the hospital at 7 in the morning. Eight and a half hours later and bald as a newborn in places unmentionable, they did their thing.

Good news. No need for angioplasty. Yes, I learned, I do have a heart and it is fine. There was no blockage. Whatever was causing my pains, it wasn't my heart. Was I glad? Oh yes, I was very, very glad.

The doc warned though, that if I didn't quit smoking, I'd be going through this again in another 10 years.

He was wrong by nine years, 362 days. Three days later, my legged swelled and turned black and blue. The seal used to block off the hole in my artery had somehow unsealed.

Ultrasound showed I had internal bleeding. But there was good news, according to the technician. I was not pregnant. Ha ha. I laughed. A little.

Surgery was required this time. I went into the hospital that day at 7 a.m. The wait began again.

Tension. Apprehension. Stress. I was stuck in a cold hospital room along with a metal bed and one chair. I kept the TV on, but didn't pay much attention. Judge Judy was holding sue-you court, chiding some poor sap whose dog got under the fence and bit a neighbor. Next month, they were on the Jerry Springer Show con-

fessing how the whole incident drove them to pierce their bodies and cheat on their spouses.

The only reading material was and copies of documents I signed telling the hospital which one of my relatives was authorized to pick up my dead body in case there were complications.

I was miserable. They dress you in a gown — a term loosely used as its whole purpose is to humiliate you and to make it easier to peek at your privates.

I had 'em fooled by then. It was my second time to be in the hospital in a week. I'd already displayed my groin area to so many doctors, nurses, aides and interns that I had absolutely no modesty left at all. I wouldn't have cared if an entire biology class made a video of it. Out of boredom, I flashed the elderly woman down the hall. She flashed back — a toothless grin. I ran back to my room and hid.

I was apprehensive about this "simple procedure" as they call it. I was anxious, afraid, fearful even.

It's stressful, you know, not knowing when they will come for you. It could be any minute. It could just as easily be tomorrow. You cannot drink anything. You cannot eat anything. You cannot smoke.

"This might be a good time to consider quitting smoking," an aide suggested. Yeah, I was thinking, and this might be a good time to slug you in the mouth. Sanity did not exist.

Finally, they wheeled me in at midnight. Rock and roll blaring out of a jambox. Shades of MASH, or something, I trembled. They stuck a needle into my arm. It was welcome.

The "simple procedure" went well. I missed some work but mended soon enough.

So what's the point. I just wanted you to know I met stress face to face and survived.

OK, so I blinked first.

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## Politician for people who hate politics

Just outside this city, in a place they call America, most people go about their daily lives without giving politics a second thought.

Take Ashland, Ore., which I visited recently on vacation. Ashland, a town of about 20,000 located approximately 15 miles north of the California border, is home to a famous Shakespeare festival, lots of B&Bs, a hundred-acre park and people who spend entire afternoons without ever saying things like "electability" or "momentum" or "political viability."

Which is why I was surprised one morning to come down to the lobby of the inn I was staying at to find two women wearing large "Howard Dean for President" buttons.

This was a shocker for two reasons: First, campaigns don't really do political buttons anymore. They are too expensive and have been replaced by peel-off stickers. (Which is a shame. What kid is going to start a peel-off sticker collection?)

Second, how many people are walking around wearing political buttons in the summer of 2003? Most people don't even realize there is a presidential campaign going on.

Unless, of course, they support Howard Dean. People who support Howard Dean are excited by Howard Dean.

Only a few months ago, some political experts were saying that the end of the war in Iraq would

also spell the end of Dean, as it would rob him of his chief issue.

Instead, Dean is the Democrat making Democrats proud to be Democratic again.

His scathing, unrelenting attacks on George Bush (as well as on his fellow Democratic candidates) have convinced a number in the party that Dean is unafraid to be himself, that he is uncompromising and authentic.

He, like John McCain before him, is the politician for people who hate politics.

Though McCain rarely pandered to the crowd — he would sometimes challenge questioners in the audience — he had an uncanny knack for winning people over on a personal level. For all McCain's rumored hair-trigger temper (rumors fueled in some part by the George Bush campaign), McCain was a very likable candidate.

Likability is not Dean's strong suit, however — especially the warm and fuzzy variety. Dean is a doctor, and it sometimes shows: He can be arrogant, dismissive and abrupt.

Stuart Rothenberg, a nonpartisan analyst, wrote of Dean a few months ago that "it's only a slight exaggeration to say that he has the personal warmth of an empty fireplace on a frigid night in Novosibirsk."

"The single most important attribute a candidate brings to a campaign is not his record but his personal qualities," Rothenberg told me. "Issue voters are mostly ideological voters, but the voters in the center think first not about a candidate's stand on trade or abortion, but is he a war bag? Is he arrogant? How is his bearing? How does he carry himself?"

Andrew Stern, the president of the Service Employees International Union, the largest union in the nation, said: "To become president in this era, you have to go to a bar or a bowling alley or a diner and have people feel you belong there. The question is, can you hang out with them?"

And one could argue that from the election of Ronald Reagan to the present, the more likable candidate has won the presidency each time.

The Democrats have a number of candidates who are strong on likeability — Dick Gephardt, Joe Lieberman, Bob Graham and John Edwards — and one who is working hard to become more likeable — John Kerry, who jokes about having his "aloof gland" removed. But Dean is not the first guy who comes to mind when you imagine hanging out with somebody in a bar or bowling alley.

Which may be one reason why George Bush's chief political strategist, Karl Rove, was overheard recently telling a companion that Dean is "the one we want." (Dean's liberal record would be another reason.)

Bush does very well on likeability, so well that in the last campaign his aides spent almost all their time getting him over the "competency" hurdle in the public mind, a battle they now believe is won.

I believe in the power of likeability, but Dean may also be redefining what likeability is: After all, how many other candidates have followers making their own political buttons?

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## Isn't

The Constitution of the United States guarantees us the right

"pursue happiness." But how do we pursue happiness?

It would seem we are appropriately called "sheep" by Jesus when you understand that sheep can be pretty stupid sometimes. I will follow the lead of other sheep to jump things that are not there simply because lead sheep did. And back to pursuing happiness.

Time after time, that there are certain roads by which we pursue happiness and find those roads to dead ends. And yet pursue them still.

How about this —

## First United Methodist Church

Larry B. Russell time music and singing evangelist in the Quinlan area, in concert at Sunday evening. Public is invited.

Russell, who has recorded 13 albums and performed in more than 860 revivals in 30 states and seven foreign countries, will also bring the special

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Ten members TX 21 met on July 7, at 6 p.m. Dora Roberts Center, 206 W. T.

The meeting was to order by Carol Smith and singing prayer was by Cherry Sechels. Members then sang TOPS pledge and fellowship song.

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# Isn't it time to stop chasing the wind?

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"pursue happiness." But how do we pursue happiness?

It would seem we are appropriately called "sheep" by Jesus when you understand that sheep can be pretty stupid sometimes. Sheep will follow the lead of other sheep to jump over things that are not even there simply because the lead sheep did. And so, back to pursuing happiness.

Time after time, we see that there are certain roads by which we can pursue happiness only to find those roads to be dead ends. And yet we pursue them still.

How about this — true

happiness is when you have enough money to be comfortable. Repeatedly we see this as a dead end road when we hear of yet another celebrity or very rich person who gets into trouble with the law. A dead end pursuit. So if money isn't the answer then our pursuit takes us to drugs and alcohol or debauchery or material possessions or games and sports.

That's it — pursue happiness through activities and sports. Use all of our free time to pursue activities. What happens when the fun wears off? We pursue another game that requires more or different toys and off we go again to pursue our happiness.

Another road we often pursue is "religion." Notice I said "religion." We religiously pursue all kinds of spiritual experiences thinking that if we feed our spiritual nature we will finally find true happiness. We pursue everything from mysti-

cism to wicca and everything in between, only to find yet another dead end road. Oh, I know some will testify to finding true happiness and "oneness" with one's self through these various methods of spirituality, but I know of those who will testify that even in those practices there was an emptiness and dissatisfaction that sent them on yet another search.

No, the only truly happy people I have found in life are those who have found the needs of their "total" person met in a personal relationship with the Creator of our world, the author of our very nature, the One in whose likeness we were in fact created — Almighty God...Jesus Christ.

Ecclesiastes 2:24-26, "There is nothing better for a man, than that he should eat and drink, and that he should make his soul enjoy good in his labour. This also I saw, that it was from the

hand of God. For who can eat, or who else can hasten hereunto, more than I? For God giveth to a man that is good in his sight wisdom, and knowledge, and joy; but to the sinner he giveth travail, to gather and to heap up, that he may give to him that is good before God. This also is vanity and vexation of spirit." KJV

This passage becomes even clearer in The Living Bible Paraphrase — "So I decided that there was nothing better for a man to do than to enjoy his food and drink and his job. Then I realized that even this pleasure is from the hand of God.

For who can eat or enjoy apart from him? For God gives those who please him wisdom, knowledge, and joy; but if a sinner becomes wealthy, God takes the wealth away from him and gives it to those who please him. So here, too, we see an example of foolishly chasing the wind." TLB  
How many people chase

the wind every day in hopes that one day the wind will blow some happiness their way? Why not quit chasing the wind and start chasing God? How many more dead ends do we have to endure before we realize the pursuit of happiness — which is guaranteed to


us — is finally and only fulfilled in a passionate pursuit of Almighty God, Creator of Heaven and earth — and — YOU!

Roger Huff is pastor of the Community of Hope Church of the Nazarene.



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## CHURCH NEWS

### First United Methodist Church

Larry B. Russell, a full-time music and preaching evangelist living in the Quinlan area, will be in concert at FUMC Sunday evening. The public is invited.

Russell, who has recorded 13 albums and performed in more than 860 revivals in 30 states and seven foreign countries, will also bring the special music at



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the 8:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. worship services. The concert will begin at 6 p.m.

Russell was licensed to the ministry in 1964 by Coady Baptist Church in Baytown and was ordained in 1980 by the First Baptist Church in Greenville. He received his bachelor's and master's degrees in music from Midwestern State University.

He has sung or led music for the Texas Baptist Evangelism Conference in Fort Worth, the Baptist General Convention of Texas, the Texas Baptist Pastor's Conference, the

Southern Baptist Convention Evangelist's Conference and the Southern Baptist State Convention.

He is involved in a number of organizations and is currently staff evangelist with the First Baptist Church in Greenville.

Russell was previously in concert at FUMC in April 2001.

The public is invited to the worship services and concert.

On Sunday, come and hear Pastor Dave Ring deliver his message from Scripture text: Isaiah 31:1-3. The sermon topic will be "God or Egypt." At 4 p.m. Sunday,

babysitting will be provided for "Parents Night Out." Also on Sunday, baritone bass soloist Larry Russell will perform a concert in the church sanctuary at 6 p.m., and at 7 p.m., there will be a youth concert event in Garrett Hall.

Spanish class continues on Tuesday evenings at 7.

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## CLUB NEWS

### TOPS TX 21

Ten members of TOPS TX 21 met on Monday, July 7, at 6 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Rehab Center, 206 W. Third.

The meeting was called to order by co-leader Carol Smith and the opening prayer was led by Cherry Sechelski. The members then recited the TOPS pledge and sang the fellowship song.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read by secretary Linda Schmidt and the roll was called by Genay Bertran.

The one KOPS present recorded a small gain and the nine TOPS each answered with either their loss or gain. Genay Bertran was the best loser of the TOPS. She received her certificate and weekly best loser award.

During an awards ceremony, Wanda Lee was presented a charm for being the June best loser and will receive the gainer's fines if she keeps that

weight off for an additional month.

Three-month perfect attendance charms were presented to Joyce Chelette and Hughetta Roberts.

A treasurer's report was given by treasurer Shirley Jenkins.

A new contest starts with tonight's weights and ends on Aug. 18. Each member put in \$1 and the member losing the most weight during the six-week period of the contest will win the money.

Olnee Menges presented a question and answer program taken from the

TOPS monthly magazine.

Anyone interested in TOPS can call 1-800-392-8677 or locally 263-0391 or 263-1758 for more information.

### Sand Springs Lions Club

The Sand Springs Lions Club met Monday, July 7, with Fred Franklin, president, presiding.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Bend Boadle and the opening prayer was worded by Fred Franklin.

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Please contact Mary Ann Marquez at 267-6689 for additional details.

**Children's Day Out** is on Wednesdays and Fridays at 9 a.m. For more information, call Loryne Colette at 267-7511. Additionally, Noon Bible Study is conducted every Wednesday in Garrett Hall. The Bible study is open to the community for a great time of food and fellowship. The cost of the lunch is \$2 and the study usually lasts approximately 25 minutes.

A noon Prayer Time will be held on Thursday and a morning Prayer Time is set for 7 on Friday.

First United Methodist Church is located at 400 Scurry. For more information on any of the programs at the church, call the church office at 267-6394.

**First Baptist Church**

If you are not currently involved in a church, we would welcome you to come and worship with us this Sunday at 10:50 a.m. as we welcome our pastor, Rev. Dennis Teeters, back from a week with our youth at Missionfuge Camp in St. Louis, Mo. He will conclude his series on "Close Encounters of the Jesus Kind" with the sermon "Making an Appointment." We will worship again at 6 p.m. and follow the service with a pie fellowship in our Family Life Center. For information concerning any of the pro-

grams of our church, call 267-8223.

**Midway Baptist Church**

Come Celebrate Jesus with us!

This week, hear Bro. Jim Binnix continue his series of messages "For The Hurting People." This week's title is "God's Nearness To Us" from Acts 17:15-32.

Midway Baptist Church is located at 6200 S. Service Road, just east of the refinery. If you have any questions call 263-6274. Sunday School is at 9:45 and worship is at 11. We look forward to seeking you this week.

**Friends of Unity**

Friends of Unity are seeking to be available to persons who believe there is only One Presence and One Power in the universe, God the Good, Omnipotent, Omniscient and Omnipresent. Meeting at 2 p.m. on Sundays and 5:30 on Wednesday in their Center in the East Boxcar in the Railroad Plaza at 100 S. Main, they welcome all inquiries.

**St. Mary's Episcopal Church**

St. Mary's summer time change continues this Sunday with Holy Eucharist celebrated at 9:30 a.m.

An ushers' meeting is scheduled for Sunday at 10:15 a.m. Anyone interested in serving as an usher and those already serving are encouraged to participate.

St. Mary's Vestry meets on Monday at 5:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

The Parish Outreach Task Force will have its first meeting on Wednesday at 6 p.m.

Evening prayer is said Monday through Friday at 6 p.m. in St. Mary's Chapel.

For more information about St. Mary's Episcopal Church, call 267-8201 or visit our Web site at www.stmarysbt.org. St. Mary's is located at 1001 South Goliad.

**First Christian Church**

Jo Whitten Prison Ministries presented His Children, 2003, in concert at First Christian on Sunday. The program was very enjoyable and everyone is looking forward to a repeat performance next year.

The Fifth Sunday Sing-Along was well attended on June 29, and everyone had a really good time. It is hoped that area churches will help to host these singings in the future.

The next fifth Sunday is in August.

Each Sunday morning, Bible study is at 9:45, with worship service starting at 10:50. An informal prayer meeting is held in the church parlor each Sunday evening at 6. Everyone is invited. Since this meeting is informal, you are urged to come as you are. You don't need to dress up-just come!

May the Lord bless you through the summer months. Our door is always open.

**Miracle Revival Center**

Purpose Driven Youth, Miracle Revival's youth group, presents Xtreme Summer Fest from noon to 8 p.m. Saturday at the church, 600 E. FM 700. There will be a Paid In Full in concert; eight inflatable interactive games; food and fun. Proceeds go to youth group PDY's effort to build a youth center and attend summer camp.

**CLUB**

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Secretary/Treasurer Madeline Boadle read the minutes from the previous meeting. Minutes were approved as read.

The treasurer asked for an audit of the books to begin the new year. This was approved and audit done.

There being no previous business, the meeting continued with new business.

President Franklin gave a short report on the Coahoma Parade held on July 5. The Sand Springs Lions had two floats in the parade with Jarrell Barbee, Ben and Madeline Boadle, Fred and Betty Franklin and guests Jim and Jenny Archer, Hunter and Chandler Hyatt, participating.

Betty Franklin made a motion to have Buck

Turner make us four magnetic signs that have Sand Springs Lions Club on them. Motion seconded and approved.

Jarrell Barbee will see to having this done.

A workday was set for July 19 at 8 a.m. to work on the building. The upkeep of the Lions Community Building is an on going project of the Sand Springs Lions Club.

It was reported the two family reunions were held in the building in June and July. For more information on this use of the building, contact Fred Franklin at 393-5390.

The Sand Springs Lions Club meets the first and third Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Lions Community Building on Scout Hut Road in Sand Spring. All interested persons are invited to attend.

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**Recipe finder**

By ELLEN HAWKS

The Baltimore Sun Rose Henry of Columbia, Md., writes: "I hope you can help me find a lost recipe for Spanish rice. It was in Woman's World magazine, possibly about 1997 or '98. The magazine couldn't help and copies were not in the library, so you are my last resort."

Mary Peterson of Ellicott City, Md., responded. "I hope my Spanish rice recipe will solve Rose Henry's request. I've no idea how old this recipe is, nor where I got it, but I know it is good - especially to make stuffed green peppers. Just fill them with Spanish rice, top with a slice of cheese and bake. I can still do this - for me a one-dish meal - at age 80-plus!"

**SPANISH RICE**  
1/4 cup olive oil  
1 cup long-grain or converted rice  
1/2 cup chopped onion

1/2 cup chopped green pepper  
1/8 teaspoon garlic powder (or 1 clove, crushed)  
1 can (1 pound) tomatoes, not drained  
1/2 cup stuffed olives, chopped  
1/2 cup water  
1/8 teaspoon cayenne pepper

Heat oil in a 10-inch skillet. Add rice, onions, green pepper and garlic powder and cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until rice is lightly browned, about 10 minutes.

Add tomatoes, breaking them up with a wooden spoon. Stir in olives, water and cayenne. Heat to boiling, cover and simmer over low heat, about 25 minutes, stirring occasionally. Remove from heat, uncover and fluff.

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**CGA, HWP to host golf tourney July 20**  
The Chicano Golf Association will hold a benefit golf tournament for Hispanic Women for Progress on July 20 at Comanche Trail Golf Course.  
The tournament will be a pick-your-own-team 4-man scramble. The event will begin at 10 a.m. with a shotgun start. Persons interested in participating should register prior to 9:30 a.m.  
For more information contact the Comanche Trail pro shop at 264-2366.

**Las Balas softball touney to be July 19**  
The first Las Balas Softball Tournament will be held on July 19-20 in Stanton.  
The tournament is open to Class D and E teams. Entry fee is set at \$115 per squad.  
The deadline for teams to enter is July 17.  
For more information, contact Jr. Landin at 816-1396 or Henry Villa at 263-6698.

**Couples tournament slated for Saturday**  
The Senior/Seniorita Couples Golf Scramble will be held this Saturday and Sunday at the Lamesa Golf Club.  
Private carts are welcome.  
For more information, call (806) 872-3059.

**All Americas Open slated for July 23**  
The All Americas Open, which is open to the general public, is scheduled for Wednesday, July 23, at the Comanche Trail Golf Course in Big Spring. The 18-hole tournament will begin at 8 a.m. with a shotgun start. The cost for entering the golf tournament is \$35 per person, including green fees and cart.  
For more information contact Tommy Wells at 816-6336.

**Crossroads cheer sign-ups nears end**  
Registration for the 2003 Crossroads Little Football League cheerleading squads will end this Monday.  
Registration for cheerleaders will be held from noon to 4 p.m. this weekend and from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Monday. A copy of each child's birth certificate and report card will be needed at the time of registration.  
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 at the Big Spring Country Club.  
The four-man scramble will have teams consisting of three players paired with a Steers coach or player.  
Green Bay Packers tight end Bubba Franks will make a guest appearance.  
The tournament is set for an 8 a.m. start.  
For more information, call 264-6600.

## No change is good for Lance Armstrong's team

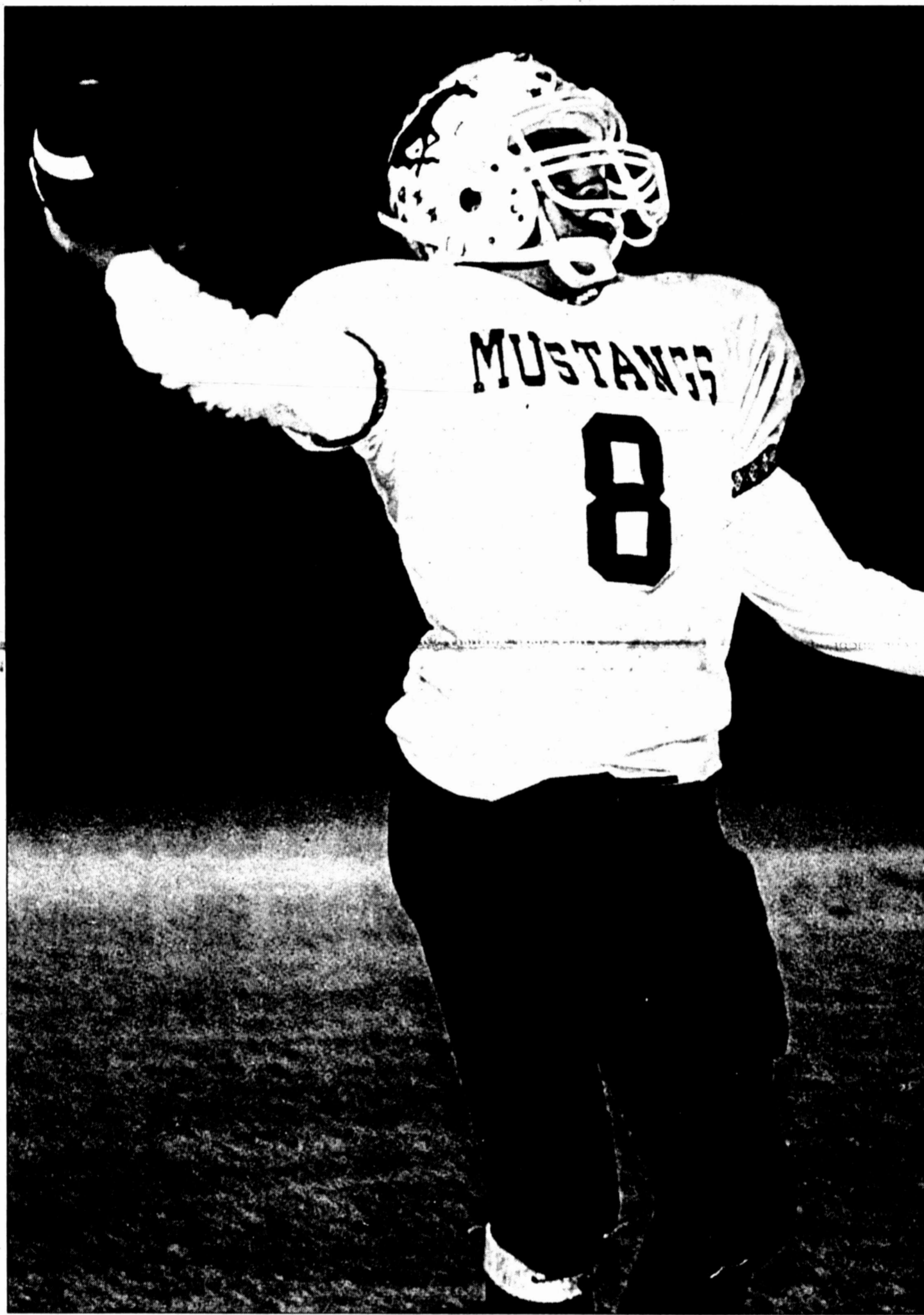
NEVERS, France (AP) — All is quiet on the U.S. Postal front. That's good.  
No accidents, no drama, no effort wasted and, significantly, four-time champion Lance Armstrong is looking fresh, with the menacing mountains looming.  
"Fortunately there is nothing to report on a day like this," said team spokesman Jogi Muller. "The team took care of themselves, avoided crashes. It was close to what we had hoped for."  
Thursday's fifth stage of the centennial Tour de France fea-

tured a relatively docile 121.52-mile route from Troyes to Nevers. It was a far cry from the previous day's team time trial.  
The Postals won their first team time trial Wednesday, sparking off mass celebrations in their camp. The smiles were still etched on the riders' faces before they raced Thursday, when the aim was more to shield Armstrong from danger than to go flat out for another victory.  
Mission accomplished.  
Armstrong, looking to tie Spain's Miguel Indurain as the only cyclist to win the event five

straight times, crossed the line in 53rd place. Anonymous — but purposefully so.  
As the Texan dismounted his bike, he looked composed and barely out of breath. The sweat flooding off his brow was more due to the sweltering heat than to exertion.  
"Lance is in good spirits," Muller said. "But we try to be very cautious and not to get overexcited."  
Italy's sprint king, Alessandro Petacchi, won the stage, his third win in five stages, in a time of 4 hours, 9 minutes, 47 seconds. He

raced at an average 29 mph in 90-degree heat.  
"A sprint is a question of centimeters ... You need just a little problem for it to go badly," he said. "But things are going positively."  
Petacchi edged Estonia's Jaan Kirsipuu and Australia's Baden Cooke with an astounding burst of acceleration in the last 200 yards.  
Meanwhile, some distance behind, Armstrong of Austin, Texas cruised over the finish line, flanked by teammates  
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## Getting ready ...



Sands High School's all-state quarterback Jeremy Renteria will join some of the world's top six-man football athletes in Big Spring later this month to participate in the All Americas Bowl. Renteria, who guided Sands to the state semifinals this past season, will join players from United States, Canada, Australia and Norway in the annual all-star matchup, which will be played at Memorial Stadium on July 26.

## Buffs hires coach

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

STANTON — The Stanton Buffaloes spent more than a few weeks mulling over their options for the vacant head football coaching position before deciding the right man for the job was already in place.

The Buffaloes promoted Lee McCown from assistant to the role as head football coach earlier this week. McCown, who has been with the Stanton program for two years, replaces former head coach Larry Tate, who retired last month after one season as head coach.

McCown, who will be making his head coaching debut this season, played a key role in the Buffs' system last season. He was Stanton's offensive coordinator and tight ends coach. He also served as the school's head track coach.

In Stanton, the 26-year-old McCown takes over a Buffalo program that has struggled over the past two years — going 3-17 in their last 20 outings, including 1-9 last fall.

Stanton principal Mark Cotton said he was pleased with the selection of McCown as head coach. The former SHS head coach said McCown energy and enthusiasm would be a plus for a program used to success. Stanton, under Cotton, won the 1997 Class 2A state title.

joins a series of new faces on the sidelines in District 3-2A. Crane and Forsan will also be sporting new head coaches.

Crane's Allan Cherry resigned earlier this year to take a post at Class 4A Bay City. Forsan head coach Steve Park stepped down to become a principal at the school.

## Gonzalez hits 2 homers in Rangers' 9-4 win over Twins

ARLINGTON (AP) — Minnesota Twins manager Ron Gardenhire prides himself on having his team ready to play.

That's why he was so upset about a first-inning play by shortstop Cristian Guzman that opened the door for the Texas Rangers' three-run inning Thursday night.

Juan Gonzalez homered twice, including a three-run shot in the first, and the Rangers hit four home runs to beat the reeling Twins 9-4 and complete a three-game sweep.

Michael Young and Hank Blalock opened the games with singles of Rick Reed. Two outs later, after Alex Rodriguez avoided a double play by beating Guzman's throw to first, Gonzalez homered into the left-field seats.

**Astros continue tear, shell Cincinnati — see Page 2B**

Gardenhire said he'll bench Guzman and start either Denny Hocking or Chris Gomez at shortstop in the three-game series at Anaheim that begins Friday night.

"We expect him to be ready to play and he wasn't so we're going to sit him down," Gardenhire said. "We expect certain things out of him. We can use him if we have to, but we're going to give him a chance to watch a few games."

Minnesota has lost five in a row and 12 of 17 to fall to 44-46. After 90 games last season the Twins were 51-39 and had a 7

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## Baylor trying to move on while police investigate

WACO (AP) — As police continue their investigation into the disappearance of Baylor basketball player Patrick Dennehy, Bears coach Dave Bliss said Thursday it's time for his program to get back to work.

Bliss and his staff have kept a low profile the past three weeks since the mystery surrounding Dennehy began. They skipped an event in Indianapolis this week featuring many of the nation's top high school players, but they plan to resume recruiting this weekend. An on-campus

basketball camp for 12- to 18-year-olds begins Friday.

"We feel we have to move forward," Bliss said in his first extensive interview with newspaper reporters since reading a statement June 28, three days after the school announced that Dennehy was missing. "We feel that we've tried to do everything in the appropriate manner."

Bliss said he's convinced that police are not considering any of his current players as suspects, and he reiterated  
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# Biggio nets 500th double in Astros rout of Cincinnati

HOUSTON (AP) — As Houston pounded out run after run in a record-setting first inning, no one was happier than Astros starter Ron Villone. Villone got his first win after four no-decisions with Houston when the Astros put together the biggest first inning in team history in an 11-2 victory over Cincinnati on Thursday night.

"It comes in waves a lot of times," Villone said. "Last night, the guys were kidding me saying they weren't going to save any runs for me tonight."

The Astros scored 12 runs against the slumping Reds the night before, and outscored them 36-8 during a four game sweep. Cincinnati has lost eight in a row.

Geoff Blum had two hits in the big inning, including a two-run single. Jeff Bagwell, Brad Ausmus and Adam Everett added RBI singles as the Astros chased Paul Wilson before he got an out.

Craig Biggio hit his 500th career double in the fourth inning, becoming the first Astros player to reach the milestone.

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**National League Standings**

**East Division**

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	50	31	.616	-
Philadelphia	50	39	.562	8 1/2
Montreal	48	43	.527	11 1/2
Florida	47	45	.511	13
New York	39	51	.433	20

**Central Division**

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	48	43	.527	-
Chicago	46	45	.505	2
St. Louis	46	45	.505	2
Pittsburgh	40	48	.455	6 1/2
Cincinnati	40	50	.444	7 1/2
Milwaukee	37	53	.411	10 1/2

**West Division**

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	55	36	.604	-
Arizona	51	40	.560	4
Los Angeles	48	42	.533	6 1/2
Colorado	48	46	.511	8 1/2
San Diego	35	58	.376	21

**Thursday's Games**

Pittsburgh 5, Milwaukee 4  
Atlanta 13, Chicago Cubs 3  
San Diego 14, Arizona 2  
Philadelphia 7, N.Y. Mets 2  
Houston 11, Cincinnati 2  
Los Angeles 9, St. Louis 4  
Colorado 11, San Francisco 3

**Friday's Games**

Atlanta (Hampton 4-5) at Chicago Cubs (Pino 8-4), 2:20 p.m.  
Florida (Perry 7-6) at Montreal (Vazquez 6-6), 6:05 p.m.  
Philadelphia (Wolf 9-4) at N.Y. Mets (Helman 0-1), 6:10 p.m.  
Cincinnati (Dempster 2-6) at Milwaukee (Sheets 7-6), 7:05 p.m.  
Pittsburgh (D'Amico 6-8) at Houston (W.Miller 5-9), 7:05 p.m.  
San Diego (Lawrence 5-9) at St. Louis (W.Williams 11-3), 7:10 p.m.  
Los Angeles (Homo 9-8) at Colorado (Stark 0-0), 8:05 p.m.  
San Francisco (Schmidt 8-4) at Arizona (Batista 6-3), 9:05 p.m.

**Saturday's Games**

Atlanta at Chicago Cubs, 12:15 p.m.  
Philadelphia at N.Y. Mets, 12:20 p.m.  
San Francisco at Arizona, 3:05 p.m.  
Philadelphia at Montreal, 6:05 p.m.  
Cincinnati at Milwaukee, 6:05 p.m.  
Pittsburgh at Houston, 6:05 p.m.  
Los Angeles at Colorado, 7:05 p.m.  
San Diego at St. Louis, 7:10 p.m.

**Sunday's Games**

Florida at Montreal, 12:05 p.m.  
Philadelphia at N.Y. Mets, 12:10 p.m.  
Cincinnati at Milwaukee, 1:05 p.m.  
Pittsburgh at Houston, 1:05 p.m.  
San Diego at St. Louis, 1:10 p.m.  
Los Angeles at Colorado, 2:05 p.m.  
San Francisco at Arizona, 3:35 p.m.  
Atlanta at Chicago Cubs, 7:05 p.m.

happen," Biggio said. "It was special to have it happen at home in front of the fans of the only organization I have ever played for. I still enjoy the game as much as I did when I started playing."

Biggio is the 40th major leaguer to reach the mark.

It was the Astros' most runs in any inning since they scored nine in the sixth at Pittsburgh on Sept. 8, 1999. Houston's biggest inning ever was a 12-run eighth against Philadelphia in May 1975.

"Scoring those nine runs in the first inning got contagious. Everybody was hitting," Williams said.

Villone (1-0) pitched six innings and gave up two runs on four hits.

Ricky Stone got his first save of the season with three innings of relief.

Biggio started Houston's first inning by reaching base on a throwing error by shortstop Ray Olmedo and moving to second on a single by Blum. Bagwell drove in Biggio with a single, and a walk to Lance Berkman loaded the bases for Hidalgo, who hit a three-run double.

After a single by Morgan Ensberg, Hidalgo scored on a single by Ausmus and Everett drove in Ensberg with a single to bring on John Riedling in relief.

# RANGERS

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1 1/2-game lead in the AL Central.

The Rangers have won four straight and 11 of 16. "Juan, my gosh, and he didn't get all if it," said Rangers manager Buck Showalter of Gonzalez's first-inning homer. "He hit it down on the barrel of the bat. But he's such a strong man."

Rangers starter John Thomson (6-9) allowed two runs and eight hits over seven innings. He struck out four and walked two.

Gonzalez also had a solo homer in the fourth, his 23rd.

Late last month the Rangers tried to send Gonzalez to Montreal, but he exercised the no-trade clause in his contract. The Rangers are still trying to deal Gonzalez to open up playing time for their young outfielders, and he's making himself attractive to contenders with five homers in his last six games.

Gonzalez refused interview requests following his 47th career multi-homer game, and fourth this season. He has 428 homers, moving past Billy Williams for 31st place on the career list.

Teixeira went 2-for-4 and made several outstanding defensive plays at first base. Laynce Nix, a Midland native, singled and scored in his major league debut and also played strong defense in center field.

"I like having the young guys in the lineup," said Texas' Michael Young, who had a three-run

**American League Standings**

**East Division**

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	55	35	.611	-
Boston	53	37	.589	2
Toronto	48	44	.522	8
Baltimore	40	47	.460	13 1/2
Tampa Bay	31	58	.348	23 1/2

**Central Division**

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Kansas City	48	41	.539	-
Minnesota	44	45	.494	4
Chicago	43	47	.478	5 1/2
Cleveland	39	51	.433	9 1/2
Detroit	23	65	.270	24

**West Division**

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	56	33	.629	-
Oakland	41	39	.513	15 1/2
Anaheim	46	43	.517	10
Texas	37	52	.416	19

**Thursday's Games**

Detroit 1, Chicago White Sox 0  
Oakland 5, Tampa Bay 2  
Anahem 7, Kansas City 1  
Boston 7, Toronto 1  
Cleveland 3, N.Y. Yankees 2, 10 innings  
Minnesota at Texas, 8:05 p.m.  
Baltimore at Seattle, 10:05 p.m.

**Friday's Games**

Boston (Burkett 6-4) at Detroit (Maroth 4-12), 6:05 p.m.  
N.Y. Yankees (Pettitte 10-6) at Toronto (Washin 0-0), 6:05 p.m.  
Chicago White Sox (Wright 0-3) at Cleveland (B.Anderson 6-6), 6:05 p.m.  
Kansas City (R.Hernandez 4-3) at Texas (Dickey 4-3), 7:05 p.m.  
Minnesota (Santana 4-1) at Anaheim (Ra.Ortiz 10-6), 9:05 p.m.  
Tampa Bay (Gonzalez 3-4) at Seattle (Moyer 11-5), 9:05 p.m.  
Baltimore (Lopez 2-4) at Oakland (Hudson 6-3), 9:05 p.m.

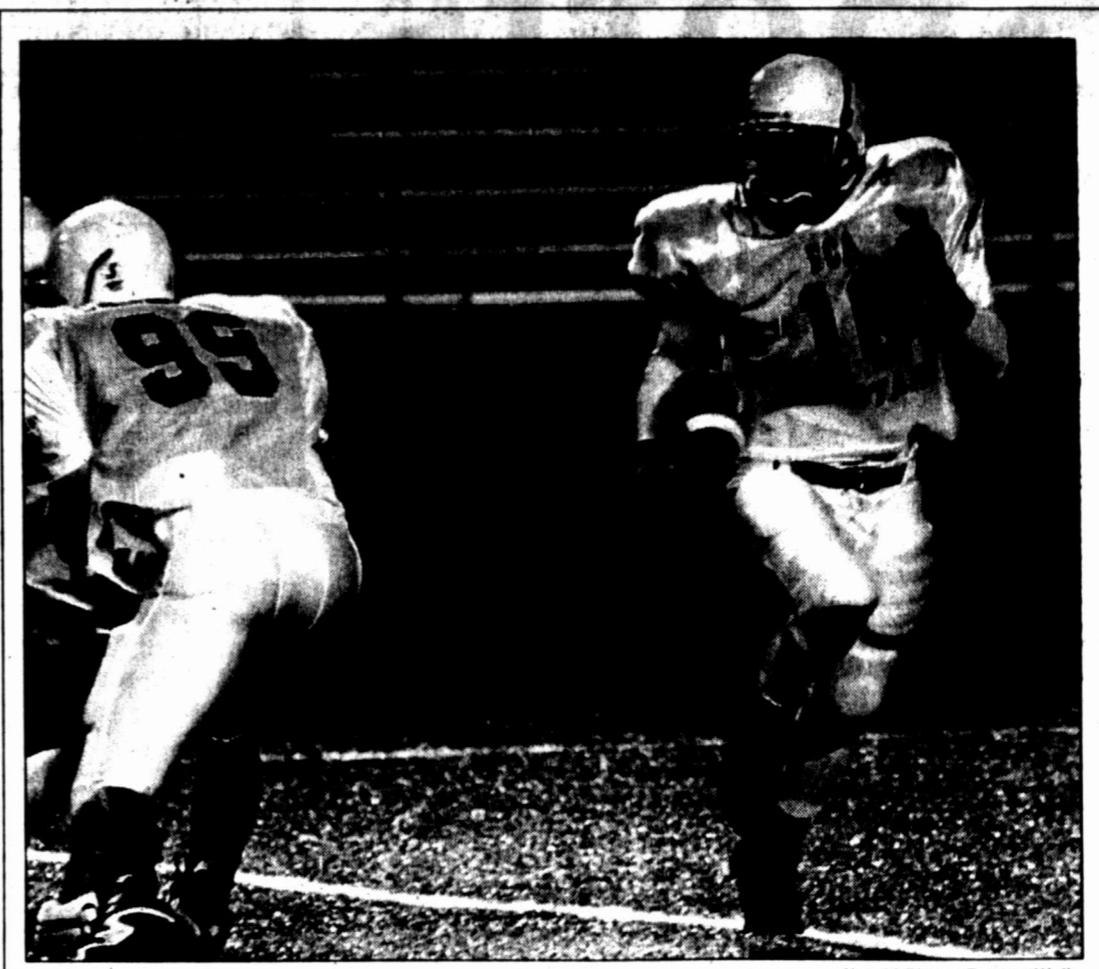
**Saturday's Games**

Chicago White Sox at Cleveland, 12:05 p.m. (1st game)  
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N.Y. Yankees at Toronto, 3:05 p.m.  
Minnesota at Anaheim, 3:05 p.m.  
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Kansas City at Texas, 7:05 p.m.

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Big Spring's Brandon Mendoza scrambles for a few extra yards while returning a kickoff at the recent FCA All-Star Game in Abilene. Mendoza, the Steers' top receiver last fall, is one of a handful of Big Spring standouts scheduled to begin their collegiate careers next month. He will be playing at Navarro Junior College this fall.

# North beats South in all-star basketball games

AUSTIN (AP) — 79-54 in the small-school all-star game.

Butler made both her free throws when she was fouled. After Dominique Thomas of Angleton missed an NBA-range 3-pointer that would have put the South ahead, the North rebounded and Savant made two free throws with eight seconds left to ice the game.

Savant was named the MVP of the Division II game. She had 17 points, 10 rebounds, three steals and two blocked shots.

Carlynn Savant of Eules Trinity and Psyche Butler of Fort Worth Wyatt each made two free throws in the final 35 seconds as the North beat the South 64-60 Thursday night in the Texas Girls Coaches Association large-school all-star basketball game.

Earlier, Kenzie Cole — a standout for the Brock High School Lady Eagles — scored 16 points to lead the North past the South

homer. "They're contributing to us winning games."

Reed (4-9) gave up three homers, seven runs and eight hits over 4 1-3 innings.

Minnesota took advantage of Blalock's throwing error at third base for a third-inning run on Doug Mientkiewicz's single.

The Twins made it 4-2 in the fifth on Torii Hunter's RBI groundout.

Einar Diaz hit an RBI single and Young hit his ninth homer in the fifth to make it 7-2.

In the sixth, Teixeira's leadoff homer and Diaz's sacrifice fly made it 9-2.

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ed that he and his staff were not aware of any threats against Dennehy. Dennehy's family continues to assert that the 6-foot-10, 230-pound forward had told coaches he feared for his life.

Dennehy was last seen in mid-June. Police still consider him a missing person, but they are also investigating the case as a possible homicide.

"What we have is one of the most unusual situations ever possible," Bliss said. "Police continue to reinforce with us that at no time do they consider any member of the Baylor basketball team to be a possible suspect in the case."

Some of Dennehy's friends have said he told them that he and former teammate Carlton Dotson were being threatened and that the pair obtained guns.

Dennehy's mother, Valorie Brabazon of Carson City, Nev., said when she talked to Baylor coaches after her son disappeared, they told her that he had complained about being stalked. Bliss said the player never made such claims to the coaches.

"At no time did any of our staff ever receive from Patrick any inference or any feeling whatsoever that he had been threatened or was in a position of any threat," Bliss said. "We had conversations with Patrick during that period, and at no time did he mention even the slightest involvement with a threat."

An unidentified informant told Delaware authorities that Dotson told a cousin he shot Dennehy in the head as the two argued while shooting guns near Waco, according to court documents.

That affidavit also lists a player named as "Harvey." Bliss said incoming player Harvey Thomas and other players on the roster weren't suspects in that case.

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George Hincapie and Pavel Padrnos.

Hincapie said the team's focus is now very much on preparing Armstrong for Saturday's opening mountain stage, a 142.91-mile route from Lyon to Morzine-Avoriaz.

"Lance is one of the best climbers in the world," Hincapie said. "Our main strategy is to keep Lance out of trouble, and let him do the least work possible."

The Alps are a challenge to relish for the likes of Armstrong.

Saturday's climb to the ski resort of Morzine-Avoriaz is the first of three days of alpine ascents. The riders face two mammoth climbs in the last 12 1/2 miles of the stage.

The Col de la Ramaz, which peaks at 5,342 feet, is followed by a 3,897-foot grind on the Cote des Gets.

In Thursday's stage, Armstrong's teammate, Colombia's Victor Hugo Pena, celebrated his 29th birthday by retaining the overall leader's yellow jersey.

Angel Vicioso of the ONCE team fell in the dash toward the finish. He completed the race, cradling his left arm in front of him and with a bloodied right knee.

Friday's sixth stage, from Nevers to Lyon, was a 142 1/2-mile trek ending in France's second-largest city



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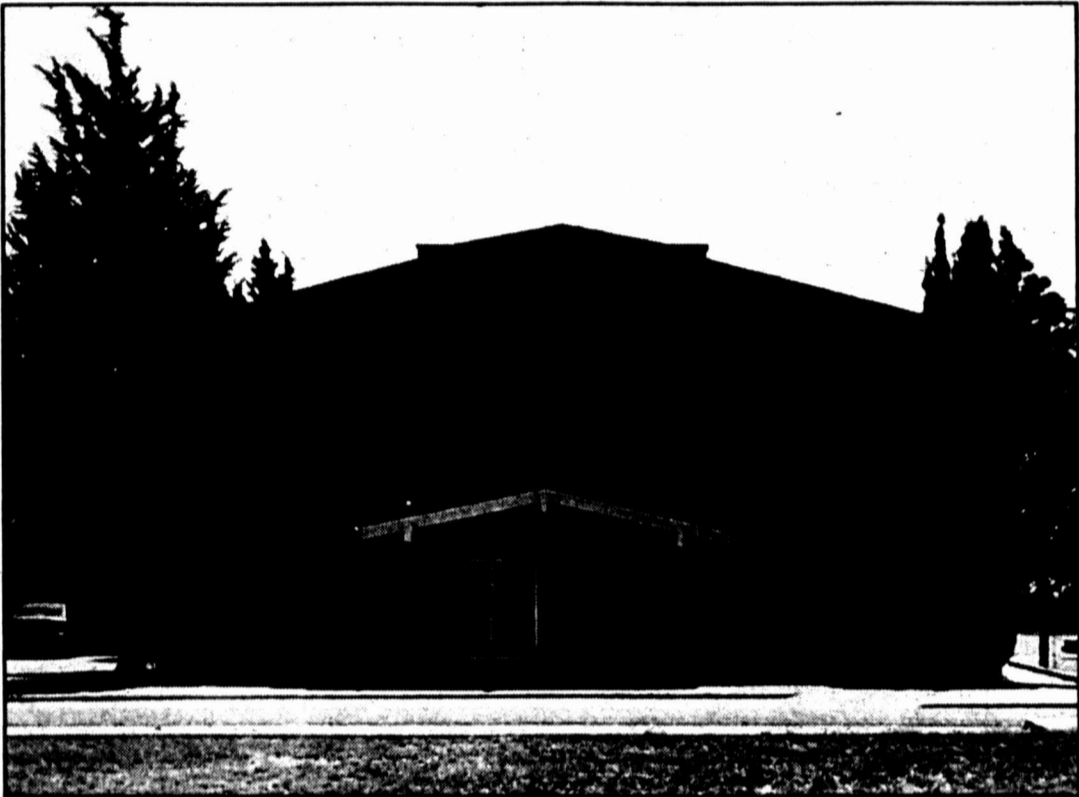
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**Horoscope**

**BY JOYCE JILLSON**

**A R I E S**

(March 21-April 19).

One would think that it's easier to coast through life without being challenged much, but for you, this is actually a definition of torture. Underutilized talents only lead to feelings of exhaustion and worthlessness.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). Life will expand to the level you believe it can. It's as good a time as any to adopt a larger belief. Maybe it's not too late to become a rocket scientist, champion horse rider or best-selling author.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Someone with a great need to be noticed gravitates toward you. Maybe it was your easy laughter or your open smile, but you might find yourself wishing you didn't have a tag-along. Continue to be polite.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). Early to rise and late to bed has been your modus operandi lately, and it's starting to catch up with you. Rev things up by walking down the block with a colleague to get coffee. Dancing is favored tonight.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Your creativity is blossoming at the workplace, whether or not there is a practical use for it. A difference in your appearance is featured. Going out with a sweet Capricorn or Scorpio will be heavenly tonight.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (July 11). You've got moxie, charisma, personality — that's your major defense against obstacles. Your career yields generous results in the next two months. Important news changes your lifestyle for the better in the early winter. Socially, May is your hot month, and if single, you'll have non-stop choices.

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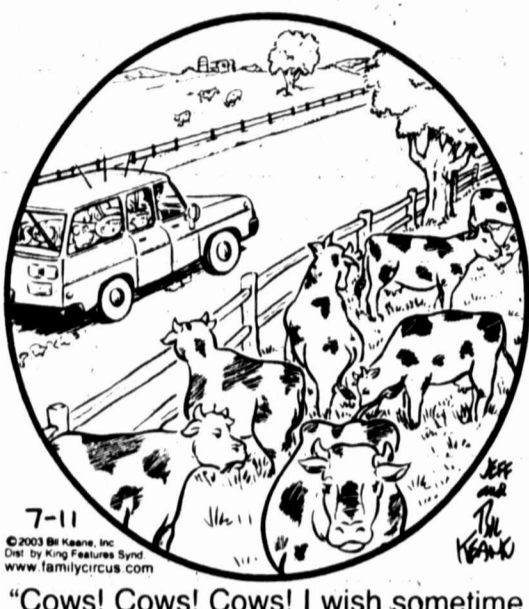
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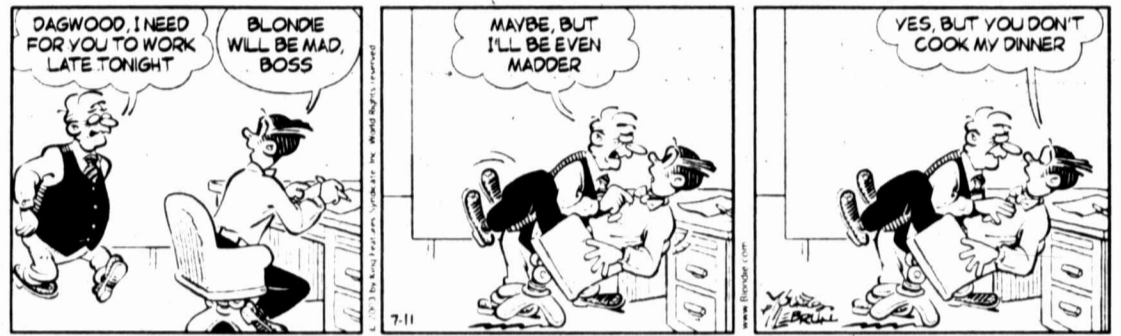


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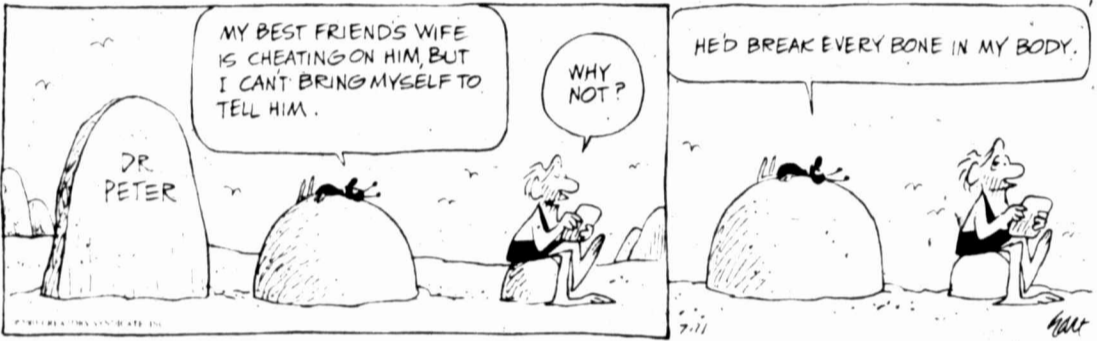
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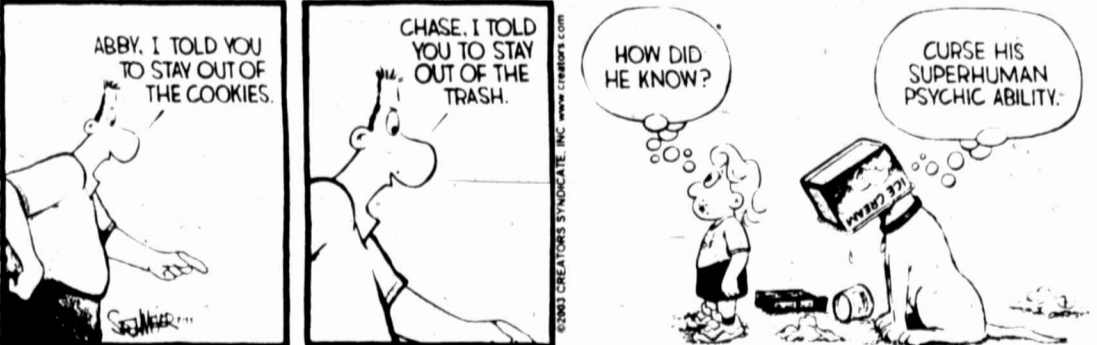
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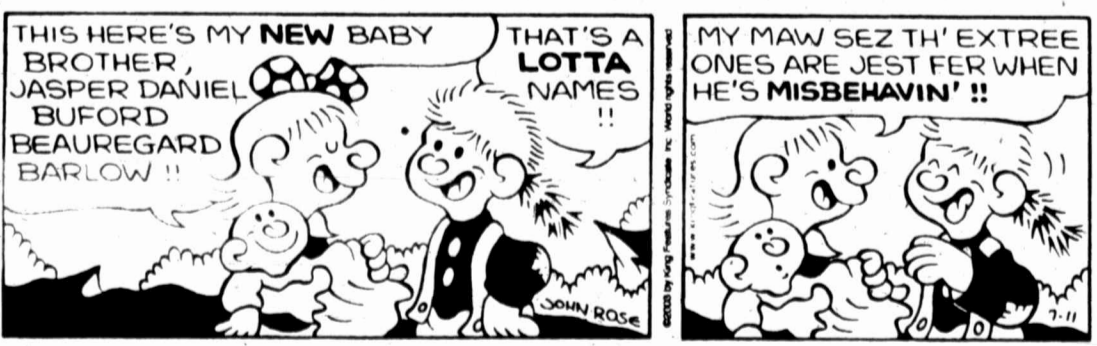
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This Date In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, July 11, the 192nd day of 2003. There are 173 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On July 11, 1798, the U.S. Marine Corps was formally re-established by a congressional act that also created the U.S. Marine Band.

Early began an abortive invasion of Washington D.C., turning back the next day. In 1934, President Franklin Roosevelt became the first chief executive to travel through the Panama Canal. In 1952, the Republican national convention, meeting in Chicago, nominated Dwight D. Eisenhower for president and Richard M. Nixon for vice president. In 1955, the U.S. Air Force Academy was dedicated at Lowry Air Base in Colorado. In 1977, the Medal of Freedom was awarded posthumously to the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. In 1979, the abandoned U.S. space station "Skylab" made a spectacular return to Earth, burning up in the atmosphere and showering debris over the Indian Ocean and Australia. In 1989, actor Laurence Olivier died at age 82.

Singer Jeff Hanna (Nitty Gritty Dirt Band) is 56. Actor Bruce McGill is 53. Singer Bonnie Pointer is 53. Actor Stephen Lang is 51. Boxer Leon Spinks is 50. Actress Mindy Sterling is 50. Actress Sela Ward is 47. Reggae singer Michael Rose (Black Uhuru) is 46. Singer Peter Murphy is 46. Actor Mark Lester is 45. Jazz musician Kirk Whalum is 45. Singer Suzanne Vega is 44. Rock guitarist Richie Sambora (Bon Jovi) is 44. Rock musician Scott Shriner (Weezer) is 38. Actress Debbi (correct) Dunning is 37. Actor Michael Rosenbaum is 31.

Answer to previous puzzle: A crossword puzzle grid with letters filled in.

Newsday Crossword

AIR PLAY by Fred Piscop Edited by Stanley Newman

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down.