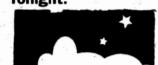
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August 6, 2003

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KOUNTRY KIDS CONTEST

The Kountry Kids contest sponsored by the Howard County Fair will be held at 10:30 a.m. at the fair grounds on Saturday, Aug. 23. Boys and girls up to age 5 are eligible to enter.

Entries must turned in to the Howard/ County Extension office by Friday, Aug. 22. Entry fee is \$10.

LIBRARY PROGRAM

The Howard County Library will welcome representatives of the South Plains Wildlife Rehab Center and their friends many Thursday. In the past, the group has brought owls, golden eagles. hawks and possums in an entertaining and educational- program aimed at children.

The program will get under way in the County Library's Community Room, located in the facility's basement, at 4:30 p.m. and is expected to last approximately 45 minutes. The event is free to the public, although donations are certainly welcome and encouraged.

COMING SUNDAY



well when they go back to school needn't be difficult. With a little planning, you can get kids involved in choices about what to eat that are both good for them and a learning experience.

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Future of offender work program uncertain

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

What's going to happen to the offender work program which has helped Big Spring with projects while saving the city a bundle of money in labor costs?

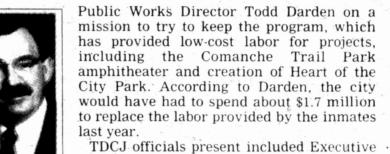
That's the question discussed at a meeting in Colorado City Monday between city officials from Big Spring and Sweetwater and officials from the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ).

"It was a very good meeting," said Mayor Russ McEwen. "There was a desire on both sides to see what we can do to allow the

"It will be different than it is right now, but as far as totally losing the program, I would be absolutely shocked."

offender program to continue.

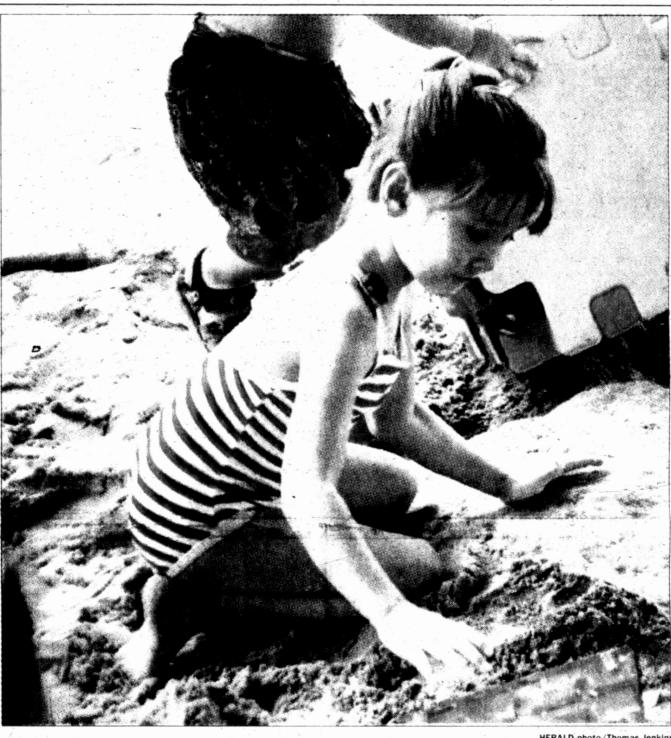
McEwen was joined in Colorado City by Big Spring City Manager Gary Fuqua and



Director Gary Jones and Pierce Miller, a board member from the San Angelo area.

"Different alternatives are being discussed

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Five-year-old Kelli Ruth helps build a sandcastle during Howard Cottage's "Kids Olympics." Howard Cottage provides childcare for Howard College student-parents, and is now serving non-student-parents as well.

Howard Cottage youngsters enjoy having fun in the sun

by THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

Students at the Howard College Child Development Center got a chance to "go for the gold" Tuesday afternoon during the Howard Cottage Kid's Olympics.

"We decided a field day during the summer would be appropriate," said Howard Cottage Director Becky Moughon. "We've really been blessed with some good cloudy weather to help with the heat, and the kids are having a lot of fun.'

Moughon said the "Olympic" events included everything from building sand castles to lots of wet and wild activities, but there

was no question what was the children's favorite.

"We actually had to go find a second swimming pool for them," said Moughon. "They always enjoy the swimming the best. I don't know how well that's going to stand up though, because we're going to have a watermelon seed spitting contest in a little while.

Moughon said that although the day is a lot of fun for the children, it also helps teach them such things as gross motor

Howard Cottage is a statelicensed childcare center, located on the Howard College campus. It was designed to provide student-parents with much need ed childcare, and at the same time provide children with a head start on their education.

"During the day we have 18month-olds through five-yearolds, and we have a preschool program," said Moughon. "We're partners with Greater Opportunities of the Permian Basin and follow the head-start curriculum for our 18 head start positions, ages three and four."

"We're open five days a week, and we also have a night program that begins about 5 p.m.

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CARES: Proposal calls for possible shut down of local **VA Medical Center**

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

The draft plan to restructure the Department of Veteran's Affairs health care services may have a drastic impact on the city of Big Spring.

Part of the proposal by the VA's Capital Asset

Realignment Enhanced Services Commission (CARES) released Monday recommends not only closing inpatient surgical care at the Big Spring facility but also a study that would essen-

tially research the possibility of

closing the entire facility. "Some of the facts released in vesterday's report were a total shock and news to all the staff and management of the Big Spring medical center," said Iva Joe Hanslik, the hospital's community relations coordinator.

Although news of closing the facility's surgery services was not unexpected, the recommendation of the feasibility study was, Hanslik said.

"The fact that inpatient surgery was identified - yes that was part of the recommendation (was expected) because we've done very little in patient surgery in the last few years." she said. "We're agreeable because the facts go with that decision.

"When they came out with a feasibility study to relocate services to Midland and Odessa area - that was a big shock," she continued.

Employing 508 full- and parttime workers with an annual payroll of \$32.5 million, the VA Medical Center's closure could dramatically 'hurt the city's economy.

The recommendations drew fire from Congressman Randy Neugebauer, R-Lubbock.

"I'm extremely disappointed

See VETS, Page 3A

Autopsy: Infant died from too much heat

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

Preliminary autopsy results show a Big Spring infant died of hyperthermia Friday when he

was left inside a parked vehicle. The autopsy on 4-month-old Isaiah Lee Valdez Castillo was performed Saturday by the County Medical Lubbock Examiner's Office.

Hyperthermia is the medical term meaning extremely high body temperature.

Castillo was unresponsive when he was discovered in a vehicle in the 2400 block of Alabama shortly after 5 p.m.

The infant was rushed to Scenic Mountain Medical Center where he was pronounced dead by Justice of the Peace Bennie Green at 6:10 p.m.

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Adopting tax rate on tap for Coahoma ISD trustees

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Trustees with the Coahoma Independent School District will meet briefly Thursday to adopt the proposed tax rate for the 2003-2004 fiscal year.

The meeting will be held at 6 p.m. in the administration building board room, 600 Main Street in Coahoma.

Coahoma ISD taxpayers will not be seeing any relief this year as trustees for the district,

faced with more than \$500,000 inlost tax revenue, plan to keep the rate at the state cap of \$1.50 per \$100 valuation. The district also faces another \$300,000 in added expenses for the coming

At their meeting on Thursday, July 31, trustees were able to pare the expected \$800,000 shortfall to about \$350,000. CISD Superintendent Dr. Bill

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Obituaries

Louise Coleman



Louise Coleman, 98, of Ackerly, died on Tuesday, Aug. 5, 2003, in a local nursing home. Graveside funeral service will be held at 4:30 p.m. today, Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2003, at the Peace Chapel at Trinity Memorial Park with the Rev. John Bill Headrick officiating.

She was born on Feb. 25, 1905, in Swann and married V.J. Coleman on July 4, 1925, in Anson. He preceded her in death

Mrs. Coleman moved to Ackerly after marrying in 1925 and had lived there since that time. She and her late husband enjoyed traveling and were active in the Air Stream Club.

She was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Ackerly and active in the United Methodist Women.

Survivors include one son and daughter-in-law, Dudley Ray and Zula Coleman of Ackerly; one grandson, Dudley Michael Coleman and wife, Sharon, of Ackerly; one granddaughter, JoAnne Coleman Welling and husband, Mike, of Ackerly; one greatgranddaughter, Kimberly Hughes and husband, Wes, of Ackerly; and one great-great-grandson, Colten Hughes of Ackerly.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, three sisters, two brothers and two half-brothers.

The family suggests memorials to: Lubbock Childrens Home, P.O. Box 2824, Lubbock, 79408.

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

Woody Crow

Woody Crow, 50, of Odessa, formerly of Stanton, died on Sunday, Aug. 3, 2003, in Odessa. Services were held at 10 a.m. today, Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2003, at the Downtown Church of Christ in Stanton with Deral McWhorter, minister of Cedar Ridge Church of Christ in Gatesville, officiating. The family will receive friends from 7 to 8 tonight at the Scott Morris Funeral

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 7. 2003, at the Scott Morris Funeral Home with Dwayne McClure officiating. Interment will be at the Nocona

Mr. Crow was born on April 17, 1953, in Nocona.

He had lived in Stanton since 1972, before moving to Odessa in 1997. He worked as a pumper for Schlumberger and Coastal Oil Companies.

He was Church Of Christ member

Survivors include two sons, Woody W. Crow II of Stanton and Danny Clayton Crow of London; one daughter, Cari Lee Walser of Odessa; his mother, Gladys Crow of Stanton; two brothers, Danny Crow of Tomball and Eddie Dale Crow of Big Spring; and one grandson.

He was preceded in death by his father, Eddie L.

Memorials are suggested to the Texas Brain Injury Association of Texas, 1339 Lamar Square Dr., Suite C Austin 78704; The Allison Cancer Center, 301 North N 79701: or The American Heart St., Midland Association, Regional Office, 3205 W. Cuthbert Midland 79701.

Arrangements under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton.

Dr. John Glenn Allen Jr.

Dr. John Glenn Allen Jr., 78, of Arkadelphia, Ark., who practiced dentistry in Big Spring for many years, passed away Aug. 4, 2003.

He is survived by his wife Wanda; five children, Joann and Bob Decker of Evanston, Ill., Julie and Gary Bailey of Addison, Catherine and Tims Edwards of Oden, Ark., and John Allen III and Martha and Paul Bryant, all of Arkadelphia; nine grandchildren. Camille, Glenn Allen and Meredith Decker, Chris, Katie Bailey and Caryn Hill and Sara, Eric and Emily Bryant; one great-grandchild, Stacie Hill; two sisters, Evelyn and Ralph McQueen and Sue and Jack Riggins; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Dr. Allen graduated from Arkadelphia High School, Henderson State College and the University of Texas Dental School in Houston. He practiced dentistry in Big Spring for 30 years and moved to Mount Ida, Ark., to establish a dental practice in 1980. He retired there in 1985 and moved to Arkadelphia where he was active in his church, the Clark County Historical Society and Lions Club. In addition, he was a retired lieutenant colonel in the Army Reserve.

A memorial service will be held Thursday at 4 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church in Arkadelphia with the Rev. Gail Perkins officiating, following a private bur-

Memorials may be sent to the Clark County Historical Society, P.O. Box 516, Arkadelphia, Ark., 71923; or the First Presbyterian Church, 1220 Pine St., Arkadelphia, Ark., 71923.

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Weather

Tonight...Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 70s. Light

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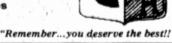
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Police blotter

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

• BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 1200 block of Wood Street. \$100 damage was reportedly inflicted on the structure. Electronic equipment worth \$250, computer hardware or software worth \$2,500 and other items worth \$150 were reported stolen.

BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported:

- In the 600 block of North Gregg Street. Electronic equipment worth \$1,100 was reported stolen. Items worth \$200 were later recovered.

- In the 100 block of Airbase Road. Tools worth \$407 were reported stolen from a red 1989 Chevrolet.

• THEFT was reported:

- In the 1800 block of South Gregg Street. Items worth \$100 were reported stolen.

In the 2600 block of Fairchild Drive. Tools worth \$100, vehicle parts or accessories worth \$140, clothes worth \$213 and other items worth \$310 were reported stolen.

• CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported:

In the 600 block of Northwest Seventh Street. A blue 1994 Nissan reportedly sustained \$30 damage.

In the 500 block of Westover Road. A silver 1996 Chevrolet reportedly sustained, \$1,200 damage. Items were seized by police as evidence.

· MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 300 block of State Street, the 1300 block of South Gregg Street. the 300 block of South Birdwell Lane, the 500 block of South Birdwell Lane and the 200 block of West FM

• DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 600 block of Northwest Seventh Street and the 1300 block of Sycamore Street.

· DISTURBANCE OR FIGHT was reported in the 1600 block of Settles Street and the 1100 block of South Gregg Street.

 LOUD PARTY/NOISE was reported in the 500 block of Westover Road.

Sheriff's report

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

• LOOSE HORSES were reported in the 600 block of Davis Road

• LOOSE COWS were reported in the 200 block of Davis Road.

Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Tuesday night: Winning numbers drawn: 11-15-30-33-34. Number matching five of five: 0. Next Cash 5 drawing: Wednesday night.

Results of the Texas Two Step drawing Tuesday

Winning numbers drawn: 1-10-19-35 (numerical

order). Bonus Ball: 25. Number matching four of four, plus Bonus Ball: 1.

Prize: \$200,000 (estimate). Estimated jackpot for Friday night drawing:

\$200,000.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 1-6-3

Take note

□ A FUND HAS been set up to help defray the medical expenses of KBYG News Director Brian Michaelz that occurred from complications of appendicitis. The fund is set up at Woodforest National Bank located in Wal-Mart.

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

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

□ BIG SPRING AND SURROUNDING counties are in critical need of foster families.

Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglect-

For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Servicés office at 263-9669.

□ ROAD TO RECOVERY DRIVERS WANTED.

Volunteer drivers are needed to transport cancer patients to and from treatments. If you can spare a few hours each month, please consider volunteering to drive somebody along the Road to Recovery. For more information about volunteering or if you are a cancer patient in need of the service, call La Wanda Hamm, 263-7827.



Bulletin board

If you have items for the Bulletin board, contact the Herald Features Desk at 263-7331 or email editor@bigspring herald.com or newsdesk@crcom.net

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

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

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

THURSDAY

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

Coffee Club, 10 a.m., Gales Sweet Shoppe, 1712 E FM 700.

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

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

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

Masonic Lodge 1340, 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster.

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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

SATURDAY

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

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

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

Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry, 10 a.m.-2 p.m, featured display is the Caboose Watercolor Society.

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

Howard County Texas A&M Club Scholarship Auction, 5 p.m., Big Spring Country Club, Driver Road. Featured auction items include an autographed 1992 Dream Team basketball which includes signatures by Larry Bird, Magic Johnson, Michael Jordan and Karl Malone; autographed items by Pete Rose and Nolan Ryan and Dallas Cowboy tickets.

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

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

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

Evening Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., La Posada, 206 NW Fourth Street.

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

Big Spring Comandery, No. 31, 7:30 p.m., Masonic

Temple, 221 Main, 6:30 p.m. dinner. Big Spring Assembly No. 211, Social Order of

Beauceant, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Temple, 221 Main, 6:30 p.m. dinner.

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

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Learning the show: Area marching bands begin tuning up

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

While football fanatics around the state are sizing up area high school squads, marching bands are hitting the fields and sweating in preparation for another year of competition.

Big Spring "We've High School got two Band Director Rocky weeks Harris said before our one of the greatest chalfirst game, lenges facing the group and basieach year is a cally a month before very fundamental one: our first contest, and Learning the it takes time to get all show.

"It's always pretty tough getting the show taught before our first football game," said

Harris. "That's why we always start before school. We have to get everything organized, and once school does start, things move really quick. We've got two weeks before our first game and basically a month before our first contest, and it takes time to get all of the new people adjusted.'

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adjusted."

Harris said the BSHS Marching Band's formula for success is the same every year, regardless of state competitions. "We don't change the way we teach or anything when it's a state competition year," said Harris.

The 2003-2004 band is expected to have 150 students on its roster, with roughly 100 of them returning to the program from last year. With that many students under his supervision, Harris said there are always problems to deal

> with. "The pass, no-play will rule become a factoward the end of September," said Harris. "We monitor their grades throughout

the school year, keep them in touch with their grades, especially through BSHS band director | September,

and we'll make any necessary changes. We have alternates ready in case the need arises, so it doesn't hurt our show or prevent us from getting ready."

Harris said the group received all "ones" at marching contest last season, and is looking forward to a successful year

Forsan's band kicked off its practices earlier this week, beginning with sectional rehearsals. Band Director Jim Rhodes said he is very happy with the group he have returning, as well as the new students joining the program, and all of them Forsan High School Marching Band students begin their 2003-2004 school year early with

sectional rehearsals. Forsan hopes to keep adding to its sweepstakes streak of five in a

another award-winning year.

"Of course last year wasn't a state year," said Rhodes, "but we were really happy with what we did at UIL, winning the fifth sweepstakes in a row. Now that it is a state (contest) year, however, the kids are getting really fired up and excited about competing.'

Rhodes said although Forsan placed high in the running for a state title in 1999 and 2001, a state crown eluded them in the 2A division, something they hope to change with the coming season.

"We've just started our summer band program," said Rhodes. "Everyone is

have their sights set on extremely excited about the chance to go back and take another shot at state. We've got a good number of students coming back this year and there's plenty of leadership from our seniors — something that can really make a difference in how your year

> Rhodes said he's proud of his marching band's accomplishments, but the Forsan string of success has been evidenced in more than one way.

"I just got back from the Texas Bandmasters Association (TBA) meeting in San Antonio," said Rhodes. "We entered a concert band tape with the State Honor Band Competition, and we

came in fifth place in that competition which is a real big deal. The TBA recognized our school during a banquet with about 4,000 band directors, and this really makes me feel like our program is a little better rounded. The marching program has done so well. and now the concert band is doing really well, too."

The Forsan Marching Band's program will feature a medieval theme this year, drawing from. the legendary days of King Arthur and Camelot for its musical inspira-

"We're performing three pieces in all, including Excalibur 'Scarburough Fair.'" said

process of holding section rehearsals and checking out uniforms, but the kids are really excited about the program and competing, so we're anticipating a really solid year.

Coahoma High School also began its summer program on Monday, and according to school Band Director Jerry Barker, this year will be a time of rebuilding.

"We have about 45 kids returning from last year." he noted. "Several of those will be seniors this year and we're really rely ing on them to be our leaders.

"What I'd really like to see this year is for then to be able to pull off a sweepstakes. They work really hard throughout the year and they really deserve something like

Barker said one of the biggest challenges facing the band program in the coming year will be

"Last year we had nearly two dozen students made ineligible because of grades," he said. "That really hurt us and it's something we're going to work hard this year to avoid.

Barker said this year's songs will revolve around a Texas theme, with songs such as Alamo" and "How The West Was Won" among

"It's going to be rather patriotic," said Barker...

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with the undersecretary's recommendation, Neugebauer said. "I will be contacting Secretary Anthony Principi to emphasize the importance of the Big Spring facility to veterans of the

Permian Basin. While this is a preliminary recommendation, he added, "now that this facility is under closer scrutiny, perhaps the VA will recognize the vital

role it plays in veterans' health care.'

The proposed feasibility study will research developing a critical access hospital in the Midland-Odessa area to provide health care services for the region.

The study would also and expansion of an existing clinic to a multi-speciality outpatient clinic.

Both of these services are provided at the Big Spring facility,

The report rationalizes

its decision based on the city's failure to develop during the past 50 years.

"Big Spring is a relatively old facility in a location that was formerly a regional population center," stated appendix F, page 8 in the report. "However, Big Spring has include a nursing hone failed to develop over the past 50 years. ... Projected workload credited to Big Spring was felt to be inflated due to the proximity to other population centers and to the use of VISN-level reliance in

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McEwen

and looked into," the

"Obviously, there are

budget considerations on

everybody's part right

now with what the state's

going through, and local

economy and so forth. So

we're kind of in a 'wait

and see' attitude, but I'm

very optimistic that the

Darden said the meeting

was primarily a brain-

storming session to

explore options for the

"They gave us the bud-

get dilemma that they're

under," he said. "We were

brainstorming on possi-

bilities as to how we can

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projections....Exploring relocation of services elsewhere in West Texas appears to be more consistent with improving access to care for veterans

in this area." Yet, the CARES market report of the West Texas/New Mexico region shows a projected increase in services at the Big Spring facility. Hanslik said.

"The feasibility study should drive the facts and the facts should drive the decision that are made

ship would be that we

could still keep part of the

program. We are under

review of how we can

make that partnership

While neither Darden,

nor McEwen would dis-

cuss the options under

consideration, Darden did

say keeping the offender

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"We're going to have to

kick in some money," he

said. "How much at this

point, we're not sure.

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number of trustees that

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looking at kicking in is

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McEwen added that

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'Hanslik cautions the El Paso. recommendation are only a part of a draft and the community has time to voice its opinion.

"That is a draft plan. Everyone has a 60-day window of opportunity to

some changes to the pro-

"I would be extremely

surprised if we lose the

program," he said. "It will

be different than it is

right now, but as far as

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> A public hearing is scheduled on Sept. 18 in

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Juanita Gonzales, 59 died Sunday. Funeral Mass was at 11:00 AM Wednesday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church Burial was at Tringty Memorial Park.

George Lujan, 79, died Saturday, Vigil-Service will be 7:00 PM Wednesday at Myers and Smith Chapel. Military Graveside Services will be at 1:00 PM "M.D.T. Thursday at Fort Bliss National Cemetery in El-Paso, Texas.

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Kingston said tweaking of the budget is not quite complete. "We're still looking at

some things in the budget," Kingston said. "We're refining our numbers. We not identifying any more larger cuts but in the small areas we're making adjustments, too. We're shooting for a deficit budget of around \$300,000."

The proposed deficit

would dwindle the district's fund balance of around \$2.7 million down to as low as \$2.5 million at

lic comment on both the tax rate and budget before taking final approval of meeting set for Aug. 21.

the end of the fiscal year.

Despite those cuts, trustees are still looking at augmenting the state's health insurance flowthough, which this year either decreased or vanished, depending employee.

Trustees will hear pub-

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just for students all those

years, and now it's open

Moughon said childcare

in the evenings is more

laid back to emulate what

they consider to be a

"home atmosphere," and

is perfect for children

that attend school earlier

"We're not as structured

Police expect to present the case to District Attorney Hardy

Wilkerson this week. The child was under the

care of his mother, 20year-old Jamie Valdez. Detective Jim Rider is currently investigating

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kids might do at their

home like playing video

games, or maybe some

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with them and we have a

lesson plan, but it's less

structured than during

During the fall and

spring semesters, the day

program runs from 7:30

a.m. until 5 p.m., Monday

through Friday, and is

the day."

maintain some sort of the case. partnership. The partnerhave already been to school or another daycare earlier," said Moughon. "We have sort of a family,

available to ages 18 months through 5 years of age. The evening program is available from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and serves children ages newborn to 13 years old.

"We're currently revising our fees," said "It's very Moughon. affordable though, so we're hoping parents will look into it even if they don't attend classes here at Howard."

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OUR VIEWS

Time to begin thinking about the county fair

thether you enjoy admiring art or creating it, taking pride in antiques or collecting them, displaying crafts or making them, the Howard County Fair will have something to make you smile.

The fair doesn't begin until Aug. 20, but it's just the right time to think about getting involved. There are all types of categories to enter — baked goods, creative arts, photo and painting contests and much more. The sky is literally the limit. For instance, categories under creative arts include hobbies and crafts, dolls, jewelry, ceramics, woodworking, afghans, quilts, toys, and, well... you name it.

And there are all types of age groups, too, from elementary age youngsters through senior citizens. Speaking of seniors, Thursday, Aug. 21, will be Senior Citizen Day. All seniors will be admitted free from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. that day

Evenings will be filled with toe tapping and hand clapping. Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys will headline the first night of the fair. Thursday's big entertainment will be the Colgate Country Showdown, a chance for budding musical performers to hit the big time.

On Friday, the stage will feature Karl Shiflett and the Big Country Show. And on Saturday, there will be the annual Battle of the Cheerleaders.

Scattered in between will be the Kountry Kids contest, an antique tractor pull and bingo.

A variety of booths set up by businesses, civic organizations and individuals will offer products and information for fair-goers. Organizers say there are still some booth spaces open for those who would like to reserve them.

As usual, there will be plenty of food and drink to go along with the fun and excitement.

We hope you'll take advantage of what promises to be a great family-oriented good time. Make plans to make the Howard County Fair part of your week and weekend Aug. 20-23. We'll see 'ya at the fair!

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

When you want us to go in a certain direction. Lord, there is no hurry in our getting there, for you will provide the way.

What I did at my high school reunion

ll the guys named Richard has 46 names. were now called Dick. All Bobbys were Bob. All Williams were Bill. All Tommys were Tom. All Freddies Fred. All

Donalds were Don. Some of the people I wouldn't be caught dead with in high school are now my

newest best friends. I attended a reunion of my class at Arlington Heights High School in Fort Worth. Some members of the class hadn't changed much.

Some of the others I didn't even recognize. Thank goodness for name tags.

Our class has become closer and friendlier since graduation. We have two dinners a year in different cities plus full scale reunions every five years.

This year's event was a doozy. About 150 people showed up. Not bad for a class that had 242 graduates. The list of dead classmates

During the past year, class members were sent e-mails containing forms to fill out, telling about their lives and the lives of their spouses and children. We were asked to make any comments about how things had changed since we were in high school.

At registration we were all given loose leaf notebooks full of information about the reunion itself, biographies of fellow students, special memories, facts, songs and yells of AHHS and a complete listing of everybody in the class with current addresses, telephone numbers, and e-mail addresses. We had a web site that listed names of people who would be at the reunion.

One of my good best high school friends who lives in Las Vegas, Nevada couldn't be there, but a letter from him was delivered to me at the reunion.

I couldn't believe he sounded so old. His letter was full of stuff like "if you ever get to Vegas (better hurry with our age) please look us up." It went on to list all his ailments. Sorry, Gabby.

The class has done well. There is

a handful of doctors, lawyers and accountants and a whole bunch of engineers and people with their own businesses. I interviewed only one of my classmates for my radio program: a folk singer and storyteller who sells legal insurance for most of her income.

One guy (who wasn't at the reunion) wrote speeches for Jimmy Carter and Bill Clinton and lived at the Playboy mansion while helping Hugh Hefner write a book. Several classmates have lived in foreign countries or at least traveled there.

The reunion was fun! We hardly spoke of old times, though. We were interested in getting up to speed on what everybody was doing or had done. There were no stars, no cliques. Everybody was glad to get together.

During the weekend we had Mexican Food at Joe T. Garcia's, free time to explore Fort Worth attractions and a lazy afternoon at a class member's lake home. After a barbeque meal, a few of us took a leisurely boat ride around Eagle Mountain Lake at sunset.

We left looking forward to the next reunion in five years.



Lieberman's mixed messages confusing

egislators often stumble when they run for president. They come from a different world, and they have a hard time adjusting.

A presidential candidate is far better off putting things simply and starkly, even at the risk of

oversimplifying, than to constantly try to explain the shades of gray that exist around

any issue. Legislators live in a grayish world, however, and they try to avoid absolutes. (If you take an absolute position, you might alienate someone whose vote you might

someday need.) Legislators live in a world of compromise and logrolling, a world of "on the one

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hand" and "yet, on the other." This can be fatal in a presidential campaign, however - especially a primary campaign in

which the field is crowded. In a crowded field, a candidate has to leave voters with a clear impression. Otherwise, voters simply won't remember which one he

Howard Dean, a former governor, is a good example. If you have to sum him up in just a couple of words (which is the way most voters end up thinking about candidates), he is the "antiwar guy." Sure, he is about other things and sure other Democrats in the race oppose the war, but Dean, by speaking out clearly and simply, has staked out his territory. He can expand from there he must expand from there — but at least people know where he stands on an important issue.

Joe Lieberman is having a tougher time. He is probably the most hawkish candidate in the Democratic race, and you'd think he'd want to stake out that territory. But Lieberman, a longtime legislator, lives in a world of nuance, which makes him want to qualify the things he says.

And so it is a lot tougher for him to make a clear impression. Take Lieberman's position on

George Bush: Sometimes he likes George Bush. He likes the George Bush who launched the Iraq war, and he even likes some of the things Bush has been doing during the occupation of Iraq.

"The end was just, and the means were fitting to the test," Lieberman said of the Iraq war in a speech this week, "as was the killing of Saddam Hussein's two sons and the encouraging search going on now in Iraq for Saddam Hussein himself."

On the other hand, there are things Lieberman doesn't like about Bush and the occupation. He thinks by including those 16 false words in his State of the Union speech about Saddam Hussein seeking uranium, Bush exaggerated the justification for the war.

On the third hand, however, Bush was still justified in pursuing that war.

On the fourth hand, though, Bush should have been much more prepared to find the weapons of mass destruction, and he should have built more international support, according to Lieberman.

"By its actions, the Bush administration threatens to give a bad name to a just war," Lieberman

If you want to put some of these hands together in one sentence, there is this statement, which exemplifies the difficulty Lieberman has in putting things in clear, unqualified terms:

"There's a danger that in expressing the justified questions about the 16 words in the State of the Union, and the stunning lack of preparedness of the Bush administration for post-Saddam Iraq, that we obscure the fact that this was a just war.'

Got that? Or do you have to go over it two or three times to find out just which hand Lieberman is using at the moment?

"I think the mixed message is too confusing," Bill Kristol, editor of The Weekly Standard, said of Lieberman's speech.

And if Bill Kristol is confused, what are ordinary voters to make

When Lieberman attacked his fellow Democrats in his speech, he was more clear — up to a point.

"By their words, some in my party threaten to send a message that they don't know a just war when they see it," Lieberman said, "and more broadly, are not prepared to use our military strength to protect our security and the cause of freedom.'

But which Democrat is not prepared to use our military strength to protect our security or the "cause of freedom?" And what does "cause of freedom" actually mean? There are many countries where people are denied freedom. Does Lieberman advocate using America's "military strength" to overthrow the regimes in each of those countries?

Most thought Lieberman was chiefly attacking Howard Dean. Except that Dean has said he would use the American military to invade another country under any of three conditions: If America is attacked (on that basis, Dean supported the invasion of Afghanistan), if the hostile country is an "immediate threat" to the United States, or to stop genocide (Dean supported President Clinton's use of troops in Bosnia and Kosovo, and he supports the use of American troops in Liberia.)

Lieberman and Dean do disagree on whether the Iraq war was a just war. "Every day," Dean said in response to Lieberman's speech, "it becomes clearer this was the wrong war at the wrong time." (A clear, stark statement. You can accept it or reject it. But at least you can understand it.) Joe Lieberman is betting the

Democratic Party is not as antiwar as some think and is confident that people can be won over to his positions.

And he may be right. If people can just figure out what his positions are.

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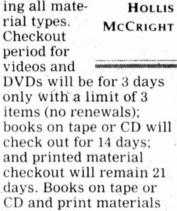
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What's new at the library... Hollis McCright

ue to increasing losses of materials, Howard County Library must regretfully change the check out policy on materials from the Library. As many of you know, we have books on CD or tape,

books, videos and DVDs available for use. You will

now have a limit of 15 items per card, including all material types. Checkout period for



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will now charge \$2 per item for all Interlibrary Loan transactions. This fee will be due when the ILL request is made. This charge is necessary because of increases in postage and the cost of materials used in mailing the item. When requesting an item through ILL, you must have a title of the item you are asking

The library's Saturday hours will also change. Beginning Aug. 15, the library will be open on Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Our Monday to Friday hours will remain the same. We regret that these changes are necessary.

New books on CD that have just recently come in are "Fortune Rocks," (14 hours) by Anita Shreve; "The Hoo," (7 hours) by Donald Westlake; "Revenge of the Middle-Aged Woman," (10 hours) by Elizabeth Buchan; and "Full Tilt," (7.5 hours) by Janet Evanovich and Charlotte Hughes. I am

getting ready to place another order from Landmark Audio with the rest of the LoanStar money. They should be here by the middle of September. This is direct aid money from the Texas legislature. Texas is one of the few states wherein most public libraries are supported by county, city or (in a few cases) by a library district. This is the second year that Howard County Library received direct aid from the state.

New Non-Fiction books just in: "Can You Pass This Test?" (331,7007 BRA A) by Allen D. Bragdon; "The Backyard Astronomer's Guide,' (522 DIC T) by Terence Dickinson; "The Purpose Driven Life," (248.4 WAR R) by Rick Warren; "The Lobster Chronicles, (639.5409 GRE L) by Linda Greenlaw (she wrote "The Perfect Storm"); and "God: Discover His Character," (231.4 BRI B) by Bill Bright. Bright is a colleague of Billy Graham

and founder of Campus Crusade for Christ.

Edward Klein has written a book on the Kennedy family (another one!). In "The Kennedy Curse" (929.7097 KLE E) he explores the underlying reasons that tragedies have seemed to dog this family. It has been on the best seller list and is a wellresearched book. Another

"topical" book is "Under the Banner of Heaven: A Story of Violent Faith," (289.33 KRA J) by Jon Krakauer. This is the story of fundamentalist Mormons who believe that their church has deviated from the teaching of Joseph Smith and Brigham Young. It is believed that Elizabeth Smart was kidnapped by a member of one of the sects.

With mortgage rates so low, why not build your own home? The library has received several new books of house plans for you to look at, plan for and dream. They are all located at this call num-

ber: 728.37. Some have cabins or cottages, vacation homes, traditional, one-story, farm houses updated for modern times and one is devoted only to garages or outdoor buildings. After you build your house, the library also has books on landscaping, call number 624.15 and building decks, 721.84.

How about some Westerns? Several paperback donations have been added to the collection. Titles are: "Blood on the Plains," by Walter Lucas; and five of them are by Terry C. Johnston: "One-Eved Dream." "Cries form the Earth." "Sioux Dawn," "Devil's Backbone" and "Dying Thunder.'

When John McGowan responds to a letter informing him that he is the sole beneficiary named in a mysterious will, he embarks on a quest that leads him, his wife and several others to change their lives. The will is that of his father, who disappeared when

John was five. Bill McGowan was one of the discoverers of three stone tablets fashioned by the hand of God that absolutely promise the Messiah's coming in 2000; he became the stones' guardian until he was killed in 1967. Now his son is called to take up the guardianship; how he comes to accept that mission is this inspirational novel's story. "The Messiah Stones" by Irving Benig is an exceptional novel even the most avid disbeliever can enjoy.

Howard County Library is open from 9 to 6, Monday to Friday and, beginning Aug. 15, 8 until 1 on Saturday. The Internet/Video room closes 1/2 hour before closing. The library is located at 500 Main St. Our phone number is 264-2260. Web site is www.howard-county.lib.tx,us; the online catalog is on line; our e-mail address is hmccright@hotmail.com.

Longneck: It's in the dictionary

Dot-commer, McJob make the new list, too By Scott Gold

Los Angeles Times

HOUSTON Alamo is remembered, a favorite son is president and now the legacy of Texas, once and for all, is secure: The word "longneck," as in cold, bottled beer, has been added to the newest edition of the best-selling Merriam-Webster dictionary.

Though San Antonio beer brewers pushed the word into the public lexicon in the early 1970s, and though it was tossed around in bars in one form or another for decades before that, the word has only now been included in the collegiate dictionary. The 11th edition, the first complete revision since 1993, was released in stores last month. It includes, on Page 734, this definition, which holds true to the direct, sparse language of its origins: "Longneck, n., beer served in a bottle that has a long neck."

"I think it's about time the rest of the world caught on," Allen Hwang, director of marketing at San Antonio-based Pabst Brewing Co., said with a laugh.

The word is one of 10,000 new ones that made the latest cut. Since the release of the new dictionary, most lexicographers and etymologists have spent their days tracking trends that, in truth, speak to societal issues that weigh more than 12 ounces.

The emergence of baby boomers, for instance, and their descent into midlife crises and bifocals have led to a host of new additions, such as "combover" and "male pattern baldness," said Tom Pitoniak, an associate editor at the Springfield, Mass.-based Merriam-Webster. Reflecting the rise-and-fall-and-mayberise-again saga of the tech industry and the lousy economy, "dot-commer" and "McJob," the definition of low-wage, deadend work, made the new edition, too.

"These are all words that have become established in the language," Pitoniak said. "You can make a lot of interesting inferences about culture

by looking at the course of its language.'

of the words are as appreciated as "longneck."

At an online store called UniquelyTexas.com, sales manager Marcos Serrano fancies the longneck so much he has begun selling a product known as "Bottle It" - a mechanism that fastens a fake longneck bottle top to a can of beer. The product allows thereby the drinker to fantasize that he or she is drinking a edition was printed in longneck, even when one 1898, said company publiis not available.

imagine not getting that Around these parts, few metallic taste, it is etched into the savoring of a retails for \$25.95. beer," said Serrano, who was born in Galveston, Texas, raised in San Antonio and now works in Boerne, Texas, in the Hill Country.

Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary is the best-selling hardcover dictionary, and the privately held company has sold more than 55 million copies since the first cist Arthur Bicknell. The

"Even when you can new edition, which is packaged with an electronic version on CD,

What is billed as the largest full-time staff of lexicographers in the country — more than 50 people - keeps a close eye on language developments. Pitoniak said. Editors wait until a word moves from a "linguistic

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The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

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Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is \$1.587161. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of \$1.587161.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

> Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s) \$1,561,663 Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s) \$96,748

Company to build ethanol plants in Texas

\$40 million plants located in Dumas, Sunray

DUMAS (AP) - A Louisiana-based company has announced plans to build two \$40 million ethanol plants in West

Plans to build plants in Dumas and Sunray — and possibly a third in Perryton - were announced Monday by the Dumas Economic Development Corporation.

Robert Worley, Dumas EDC executive director, said each plant will pro- sons we're going to Texas

duce 40 million gallons of ethanol per year, with the capability to expand to 80 million gallons. He said that each is expected to employ 36 people, with a \$1.3 million payroll ini-

He said that the plants would be the first for ethanol in Texas.

Pylant Panhandle Energies LLC, a Shreveport, La., corporation, said the family business is owned by his father, Jack, and himself, and he will move to the Texas Panhandle to serve as general manager.

"One of the primary rea-

is the location of the feedlots. We have a byproduct, distillers dried grain (DDG), that is primarily fed to the dairy and beef herds. The less you truck it, the better off you are," he told the Amarillo Globe- News.

State Rep. David Swinford, R-Dumas, a major proponent of getting ethanol production located in Texas, said 72 ethanol plants are operating in the United States.

Congress is working on a mandate to phase out the current additive to gasoline, methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE), in the next five years.

The replacement must comply with the renewable fuel standard and ethanol or bio-diesel are the safest, cleanest-burning, and most cost-effective of the replacement products, Swinford said.

"This means we will need approximately 70 more of these plants to make the amount of ethanol that will required," he said.

Worley said that an optimistic plan would have ground-breaking place within the next six months on the first plant and it would be operational with a year from

Episcopalians approve gay bishop, moving church closer to possible split

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Episcopal watching nearby, leaders voted to approve the election of their first openly gay bishop, risking a possible exodus of conservatives who said their grief over the decision was "too deep for words.

Episcopal General Convention on Tuesday took the final vote needed to confirm the Rev. V. Gene Robinson as bishop of the Diocese of New Hampshire.

Monday, but was delayed after lastminute misconduct allegations emerged. Robinson was cleared just before Tuesday's vote.

Presiding Bishop Griswold, head of the church, said the vote places "squarely before us the question of how a community can live in the tension of disagree-

partner of 13 years, Mark Andrew, in tears,

expressed his love for the church. "God has once again brought an

Easter out of Good Friday," he said. But Robinson acknowledged that many in the church would be upset by the decision, saying, "That is the only thing that makes this not a completely joyous day for me."

Griswold said the bishops voted 62-45 to confirm Robinson's election. Two bishops abstained, but The vote had been scheduled their ballots under church rules were counted as "no" votes.

Immediately after results were announced, more than a dozen conservative bishops walked to the podium of the House of Bishops, surrounding Pittsburgh Bishop Robert Duncan who read a statement saying he and the others felt "grief too deep for words.

Some convention delegates who With his daughter, Ella, and his opposed Robinson left the meeting

"This body willfully confirming the election of a person sexually active outside of holy matrimony has departed from the historic faith and order of the Church of Jesus Christ." Duncan said. "This body has divided itself from millions of Anglican Christians around the world."

The Episcopal Church, with 2.3 million members, is the U.S. branch of the 77 million-member global Anglican Communion. American conservatives and likeminded overseas bishops who represent millions of parishioners have said confirming Robinson would force them to consider breaking away from the denomina-

The American Anglican Council, which represents conservative Episcopalians, planned a meeting in Plano, Texas, in October to decide their next move.

NEWS BRIEFS

Gov. Davis gets boost from AFL-CIO

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Gov. Gray Davis got a boost from one of the nation's most powerful labor groups, a day before actor Arnold Schwarzenegger planned to announce whether he would join the list of Republicans hoping to replace him.

The AFL-CIO on Tuesday called on Californians to oppose the Oct. 7 recall and urged Davis' fellow Democrats to keep their names off the ballot.

"We call on all state leaders in the Democratic Party to stand united with the governor and stay off the recall ballot," according to a resolution adopted by the AFL-CIO Executive Council.

The vote in Chicago came a day after California's AFL-CIO sent a letter to state Democrats with the same message.

It was a crucial victory for Davis, who believes keeping the name of any prominent Democrat off the Oct. 7 recall ballot will reduce the chances of his

The labor backing comes amid crumbling public support from Davis' fellow party members. Some have called for a strong candidate on the two-part ballot to ensure the governorship remains in Democratic hands if Davis is recalled.

Bush meets with Secretary Powell

CRAWFORD (AP) - President Bush welcomed Secretary of State Colin Powell to his ranch in the first of several visits this week by senior members of his national security team.

Powell and Deputy Secretary of State Richard Armitage flew into nearby Waco at mid-afternoon Tuesday and went to the ranch for dinner.

They planned to talk Wednesday about a range of international issues, including the Middle East and North Korea, said Bush spokesman Scott McClellan.

On Thursday, Vice President Dick Cheney arrives at the ranch before a meeting Friday with Bush and Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld. National security adviser Condoleezza Rice flew to Texas with Bush when he began a monthlong vacation Saturday.

The visit by the State Department leaders came a day after The Washington Post reported that Powell and Armitage intend to leave the administration at the end of Bush's first term, even if Bush should win

Verizon, unions continue talks

WASHINGTON (AP) — Regional phone company Verizon and two unions are continuing talks for a ninth day under a federal mediator as workers remain on the job without a contract.

Company spokesman Eric Rabe was hopeful as talks were winding down Tuesday night. He said progress had been made.

"But you still have to get the agreement," he said. 'Until you do that, you're not finished. That's where

Earlier in the evening, Communications Workers of America spokeswoman Candice Johnson said the day's talks had "not moved us closer to a settle-

Longer lines at airports anticipated as electronics get closely scrutinized

Travelers may encounter longer lines at airports as screeners focus extra attention on CD players, cameras, laptops and other electronic gadgets that terrorists might try to use to conceal weapons or bombs.

The Homeland Security Department on Tuesday sent an advisory to law enforcement personnel nationwide alerting them to the possibility al-Qaida could use electronics to carry out attacks.

"Al-Qaida operatives have shown a special interest in converting a camera flash attachment into a stun gun type of weapon or improvised

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subgroup."

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Texans, beer drinkers or

fans of country music star

Garth Brooks, into "gen-

eral vocabulary," he said.

Bar patrons began refer-

ring to certain styles of

whiskey bottles as "long-

neckers" back in 1907,

Pitoniak said. But the

word really caught on

after Jerry Retzloff, a rep-

resentative of Lone Star

beer, one of Pabst's

brands, heard it in 1973.

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WASHINGTON (AP) — explosive device," the set for its screeners. advisory said. David Stempler, presi-

dent of the Air Travelers Association, said longer lines will be a small price to pay for extra security. "There's one thing

worse than being slightly inconvenienced — it's being permanently inconvenienced," he said.

Redhead. spokesman for the airport trade group Airports Council International, said the more intense scrutiny of electronics may at first lead to longer lines. But, he said, airports wouldn't put up with waits that last more than 10 minutes, the standard the government has

beer to a Dallas-area bar

when two women referred

to his bottles as "long-

necks," Hwang said. At

the time, Lone Star was

losing the beer war to

canned brands, and

Retzloff suggested to com-

pany executives that the

word could be used to

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Later that year, the

bumper stickers that said

"Long Live Longnecks."

They were a hit. Pabst

tied the word "longneck"

to a comic armadillo beer

produced

"We're not going to use as a potential excuse," Redhead said.

The advisory was the latest effort to tighten security since the government publicly warned on July 28 that terrorists may try more suicide hijackings of airplanes.

The departments of State and Homeland Security suspended two programs that allowed foreigners to stay in U.S. airports without visas while awaiting flights to other countries. The State Department also revised an existing caution for American travelers to reflect the perceived hijacking threat.

Tuesday said "depending on location, placement and configuration of the device, the amount of explosives that could be contained within even the smallest camera could cause collateral damage." Among the items that

will prompt increased scrutiny at airports are remote keyless door or lock openers, automatic camera flash attachments, cellular phones and multi-band or dualspeaker radios. The advisory also said

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IN BRIEF

CGA to host Knights of Columbus tourney

The Chicano Golf Association and the Knights of Columbus will be hosting the Fourth Annual Father Delaney Tournament this weekend at Comanche Trail

Golf Course. The event will be played under a four-

man scramble "A-B-C-D" format. For more information contact, Billy

Pineda at 264-7116.

BSHS season tickets now on sale at ATC

Big Spring High School football season tickets are now on sale at the Athletic Training Center.

Current season ticket holders can renew their tickets from Aug. 4-15 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.. Tickets will go on sale to the general public on Aug. 18.

Tickets to individual games can purchased the day of the contest at the ATC from 8 a.m. to noon.

For more information contact Kay Cook at 264-3662.

BSCC to hold 2-day, 2-person scramble

The Big Spring Country Club will be hosting a two-day, twoperson gold scramble on Aug. 9-10.

Teams competing in tournament will consist of one male and one female member. Entry fee is set at \$135. excluding the cost of the carta

For more information, call 267-5354.

ASC's golf pass is now available locally

The American Cancer Society's Texas Golf Pass entitles golfers more than 670 rounds of golf at 281 courses in the state.

For more info call 1 800-ACS-2345 or go online at www.texasgolfpass.com.

Peloteros tourney, HR bash scheduled

The Texas Peloteros Softball Tournament and Home Run Derby will be held Aug. 8-9.

Entry into the event is set at \$115 per team. Class D and E squads finishing first through third in the overall team standings will receive trophies and tshirts.

For more information, contact Manuel Gonzales Jr. at (432) 816-6465 or Pete Carrillo at (432) 263-8219.

Brownfield Jamboree slated for Aug. 23

The annual Brownfield cross country Jamboree will be held Aug. 23 at Coleman Park.

The event is open to all junior high and high school athletes.

For more information call (806) 637-4523.

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Hambrick getting his shot as Cowboys' top back

By STEPHEN HAWKINS

AP Sports Writer

SAN ANTONIO (AP) -Troy Hambrick no longer has to try to prove himself in the shadow of Emmitt Smith. Now he has to impress Bill Parcells.

Hambrick has never been shy about his desire to be the No. 1 running back for the Dallas Cowboys, even when the NFL's career rushing leader was still on the

chance, and is already figuring out the best way to be the starter for the new

the home runs, that they'll come," Hambrick said. "He told me to run for first downs. All of that shakin' and bakin', I don't have in my system."

expected to start Saturday ironically against Arizona

about the running back position and that the job is far from settled.

"We're going to give "He told me not to go for him the ball enough to where we'll have a good sense." Parcells said.

During camp last year, when Smith was just 540 yards shy of breaking Walter Payton's rushing While Hambrick is record, Hambrick said he was the best running night's preseason opener, back on the team. He and Smith, Parcells said until after Smith broke agency or the draft.

team. He's getting his he still has concerns the record, then admitted it had been hard to bite his tongue.

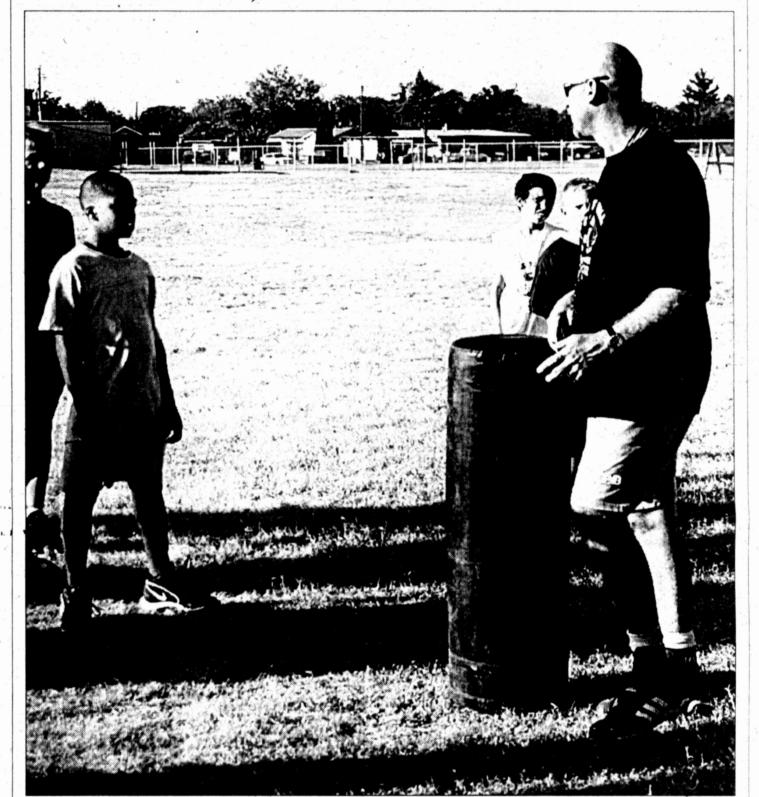
The Cowboys released Smith in February, primarily because of the \$10 million he counted against the salary cap.

Hambrick, the fourthyear back out of NCAA Division II Savannah State, was the obvious choice to replace him, especially after the team didn't add another runstayed relatively quiet ning back through free

Still Parcells won't say the job belongs to Hambrick. And he hasn't dismissed the possibility of a running back-by-committee approach.

Michael Wiley is the only other back who had carries last season. *Aveion Cason spent the past two seasons in Detroit, acquired on the second day of the April draft for a seventh-round pick, and undrafted rook ie ReShard Lee was signed.

DOWN, SET ... START





Like their high school counterparts, players in the Crossroads Little Football League began preparing for their upcoming season this week. Players from throughout the Crossroads began preseason drills Tuesday evening. (Above) Steers' running back Dayvion Young listens as assistant coach Bradley Garrison talks to his players during a blocking drill. (Below) Zach Dykes runs through a footwork drill as coach Abe Juarez watches. Crossroads teams will practice in t-shirts and shorts for the next two weeks before putting on their pads to begin the 2003 season.

Stern critical of Cuban's thoughts

NEW YORK (AP)

commissioner NBA David Stern criticized Dallas Mavericks owner Mark Cuban on Tuesday after Cuban said the league can't help but benefit financially from the Kobe Bryant sexual assault case.

"Any suggestion that there will be some economic or promotional benefit to the NBA arising from the charge pending against Kobe Bryant is both misinformed and unseemly." Stern said in a statement issued by the league office.

"That idea does not reflect the views of the NBA, NBA owners gener ally, or others associated with our sport," Stern said.

Cuban, the most outspoken of the "league's 29 owners, has said the NBA is bound to get an economic boost when Bryant returns to the court for the Los Angeles Lakers because it will draw the interest of casual fans and non-fans

Bryant is due to appear in court today in Eagle, Colo., where he will be formally informed of the charges against him

Cuban appeared on the television show "Access Hollywood" on Monday night and said of the case: "From a business perspective, it's great for the NBA. It's reality television, people love train wreck television and you hate to admit it, but that is the truth, that's the reality today.

He made similar comments to The Associated Press for an article published last week, and he expounded on his belief Tuesday in a 35-minute radio interview in New

York. Cuban said that the Bryant case is a tragedy for everybody involved, along with their families. He also acknowledged that the economic effect of the Bryant case is a difficult subject to discuss.

"It will draw viewers," Cuban wrote. "I'm not saying this a good thing. I'm not saying it's a positive reflection of who we are as a country. It's just reality. It sells papers, it increases TV ratings. The NBA will benefit from that."

Clemens, Yankees stifle Rangers

each of the first two innings and Hideki Matsui and Jason Giambi also hit home runs, leading Roger Clemen's and the New York Yankees over Texas 6-2 Tuesday night.

Jeter hit a leadoff homer in the first and a

NEW YORK (AP) - two-run shot in the sec-Derek Jeter homered in ond. It was his first multihomer game of the season and fourth of his career.

Matsui added a two-run homer in the first and Giambi hit his AL-leading 32nd home run in the fifth.

Clemens (11-7) earned his 304th career victory,

allowing one run and five hits in seven innings. He struck out four and walked two.

Antonio Osuna started the eighth for the Yankees, allowing Hank Blalock's RBI double.

Osuna also flattened Texas star Alex Rodriguez with a highand-tight fastball.

Mets batter Villone, Astros

HOUSTON (AP) -Vance Wilson's threerun homer keyed a seven-run fifth inning, one run, five hits and and Al Leiter had another strong outing as the New York Mets beat the Houston Astros 10-1 sion in a row.

Tuesday night. The Mets' 19-hit team's

against St. Louis on

Sunday. Leiter (11-5) allowed four walks in six innings, striking out six as he won his third deci-

Astros starter Ron barrage Villone went four-plus came on the heels of the innings and allowed six effort runs on seven hits.

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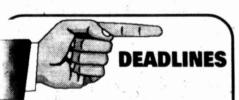
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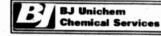
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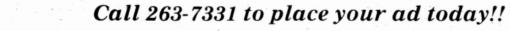
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY JOYCE JILLSON Mercury and Mars oppose one another, and it's easy to sound flinty and perturbed

and not be quite sure why. If you're on the receiving side of a tone of voice that's not as respectful as you think you deserve, don't take it Joyce Jillson too personal

ly. If you blow it off, there's a chance for real problem solving

and humor to come through. ARIES (March 21-April 19). Start with the fundamentals. An important theme of your life keeps

popping up again and again, and it's time for you to connect with its basic meaning. Your big picture changes when you discover its significance. TAURUS (April 20-May

20). Timing is everything. At work, take on a responsibility that will put you in a well-informed position. A meal shared with a wellheeled set helps you break past current social and financial boundaries.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You'll be confronted with a situation that requires you to disconnect your sentiments from your logic. You are tempted make a major life shifts. Hold that thought. Try rearranging your furniture instead or dumping old clothes

CANCER (June 22-July 22). A defining moment comes today. Many paths will lead you where you're going. Make your choice with conviction. Something interesting will be discovered as you drive around your town visiting places you've overlooked.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Words flow out of your mouth clearly and with an eloquence that impresses people. You wind up with a new admirer. Expect fireworks. Singles: The more comfortable you are with your body, the more attractive it becomes.

TOMORROW'S BIRTH-(August 7). In this adventurous year, the more you learn, the better your choices and the happier you are. A partnership formed in August adds to your life

in a profound way because it creates room for more to happen. You are shown the proper respect on the job in September and could get paid well for something you've been doing all along for no money. Your lucky numbers are: 1, 9, 33, 38 and

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Your mind is keen for math in the morning, so pay the bills or balance your books. A minor tiff is just that: minor. Remove items from your bedroom that don't have to do with nocturnal activities.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). A big sale or new client falls into your lap effortlessly. Have patience with relationships that aren't as close as they once were. Gestures of kindness are essential to maintaining your connection. Take vourself out on a date:

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You'll notice the ways your job asks you to grow today. Hard work will be required, but you feel deeply satisfied at the end of the afternoon. Do the tedious stuff around 4 p.m. when you'll breeze through.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Send a card or an e-mail to a relative with whom you may have lost touch. Love tip: Open up the confines of your relationship. Breathing room gives both of you heightened awareness of what you really want.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Psychic powers deepen your understanding of the motives of others. Your insights help your financial bottom line. A walk alone helps you work out a problem. You are connected to all the people you

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Connect with your physical side today by sweating out any tension you may have accumulated. Your best bet is anything that involves water. Make sure you drink enough of it,

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Let a pressure-cooker situation push you to new heights. Stress can be an incredible motivator. You can offer the boss something that nobody else is taking the time to do. Smart thinking gets you ahead at work

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Annie's Mailbox:

Dear Annie: This is in response to "Nameless in Michigan," whose husband refuses to call her by name. My husband did the same. I found it increasingly upsetting, but he didn't care. He would just laugh and continue his practice of refusing to acknowledge me as an individual. Because that's what it was, a conscious cruelty, designed to make me feel like a nobody.

When our marriage finally ended, he admitted that he took pleasure in "withholding every satisfaction" from me, including calling me by name. If a man values his marriage, he should make an effort to say his wife's name. Even if the omission is meaningless to him, it is painful to her. — Not a Nobody in New Mexico

Dear New Mexico: We were amazed at the number of people who don't use their spouse's first names, for whatever reason. Read on for more:

From Anywhere, USA: My husband stands in front of me and sniffs loudly to get my attention. He's an

engineer, so I don't find his behavior odd. I believe he didn't get enough attention as a child, which is why he still acts like one.

died, slowly and painfully, of pancreatic cancer. My grandfather stayed by her side, calling her name. When she died, he stopped using the names of anyone he cared about. His grief shaped the family's habits.

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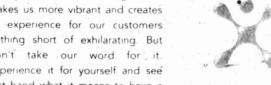
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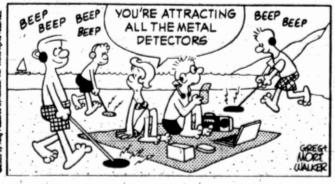
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This Date In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Aug. 6, the 218th day of 2003. There are 147 days left in the year.

Highlight in Today's History:

On Aug. 6, 1945, during World War II, the United States dropped an atomic bomb on Hiroshima, Japan, killing an estimated 140,000 people in the first use of a nuclear weapon in warfare. On this date:

In 1787, the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia began to debate the articles contained in a draft of the United States Constitution.

In 1806, the Holy Roman Empire went out of existence as Emperor Francis I abdicated.

In 1825, Bolivia declared its independence from

In 1890, convicted murder-William Kemmler became the first person to be executed in the electric

chair. He was put to death at Auburn State Prison in New York. In 1914, Austria-Hungary

declared war against Russia

and Serbia declared war against Germany. In 1926, Gertrude Ederle of New York became the first American woman to

swim the English Channel, in about 14 1/2 hours. In 1962, Jamaica became an independent dominion

Commonwealth. 1965, President In Johnson signed the Voting

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Rights Act. In 1978, 25 years ago, Pope Paul VI died at Castel. Gandolfo at age 80.

In 1986, William J. Schroeder died after living 620 days with the Jarvik Seven artificial heart.

Ten years ago: The U.S. Senate joined the House in passing President Clinton's budget plan, 51-50, with a tie-breaking vote cast by Vice President Al Gore: Louis Freeh won Senate confirmation to be director. of the FBI. Morihiro Hosokawa was elected the new prime minister of Japan by the country's

lower house of Parliament. Five years ago: The House

Government Reform and Oversight Committee voted to cite Attorney General Janet Reno for contempt of Congress for her refusal to turn over reports recommending that she seek an independent counsel to investigate campaign fundraising.

Today's Birthdays: Actress-singer Abbey Lincoln is 73. Actor-director Peter Bonerz is 65. Actor Michael Anderson Jr. is 60. Actor Dorian Harewood is 53. Actress Catherine Hicks is 52. Rock singer Pat McDonald (Timbuk 3) is 51. Country musician Mark **DuFresne** (Confederate Railroad) is 50.



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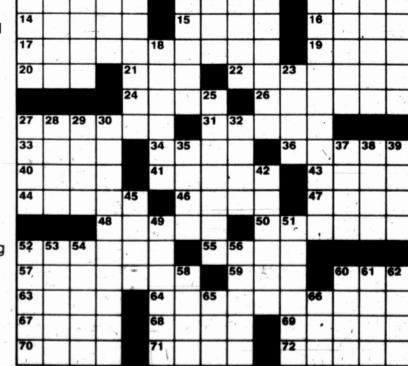
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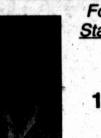
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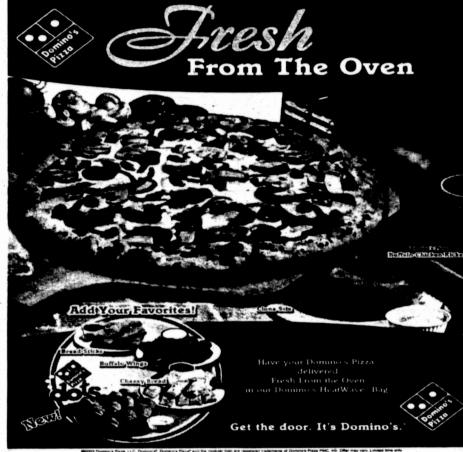
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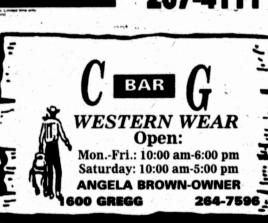
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