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FISH FRY SET SATURDAY

American Legion Post 506 will hold a fish fry at noon Saturday. Delivery will be from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. Carry outs will be available. The post is located at 3203 W. Highway 80. To place an order or for more information, call 263-2084. Everyone is welcome.

VAMC MEETING TONIGHT

The Big Spring VA Medical Center will hold a town hall meeting at 6:30 this evening in San Angelo to discuss the possible changes in medical services at the hospital.

The meeting will be held at Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1815, at 125 South Browning.

Carey D. Brown, medical center director, will give a presentation and then answer questions about a draft plan by the Department of Veteran Affairs Capital Asset Realignment for Enhanced Services (CARES) Commission which recommends not only closing inpatient surgical care at the Big Spring facility but also a study that would research the possibility of closing the facility.

COMING SUNDAY



Ex-rodeo cowboy, now country singer Chris LeDoux has overcome serious health problems that have given his music a new and gentle side.

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Energy costs prompt CRMWD water hike

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

Increases in electrical costs prompted the Colorado River Municipal Water District to approve a new liability contract Wednesday afternoon that will spawn higher water prices in Big Spring.

"The numbers are really self explanatory," said CRMWD General Manager John Grant. "As you can imagine, we use a lot of electricity in delivering



GRANT

increases in the cost of natural gas used to generate electricity

water, and when you realize the magnitude of it, even a slight increase in electrical costs can translate into millions of dollars."

According to CRMWD officials, the increase in electrical costs came as a result of "sharp

and changes to the water district's pricing structure with electricity provider TXU Electric.

"We were under special pricing with TXU, and those prices expired in May," said Grant. "We receive about half of our electricity from TXU, and the other half through co-ops. The co-op prices are still locked in, but even with the increases just from TXU the results are substantial."

According to Grant, in fiscal year 2003 the District's budget included 146,300,000 kilowatt-hour at a cost of 4.3 cents per kwh to pump water. The fiscal year 2004 budget includes a pumping cost of 151,600,000 kwh at 6.2 cents per kwh, an increase of 5.3 million kwh and a cost increase estimated to be more than \$310 million compared to last year.

As a direct result of those

SANE agreement completed



Victim Services Executive Director Shann Thomas signs a multi-county agreement to establish a Sexual Assault Nurses Examiner's program Wednesday while Howard County District Attorney Hardy Wilkerson looks on. Close to 50 people attended the event, including 10 nurses who will begin training in September to become the first SANE nurses for the Crossroads area.

10 area nurses to begin specialized training soon

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
Staff Writer

A six-county effort to provide more comprehensive care to victims of sexual assault reached a pivotal point Wednesday with the ceremonial signing of the final agreement to begin a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) program.

"We all know and recognize far before the existence of any SANE program who did the real work and who did the heavy lifting and who did the supervising ... who did the hands on initial contact with these victims," Howard County District Attorney Hardy Wilkerson said as he made opening remarks at a luncheon held at the Big Spring Country Club to honor the 10 local nurses who will begin

"This program is something that Big Spring has needed for several years. In law enforcement, unfortunately we're seeing a steady increase in juvenile victims."



Lonnie Smith, police chief

training for SANE certification in September. "Anytime you ... get the subtle substance of the testimony from people who were actually doing the work, as opposed to

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WELCOME BACK

BSISD employees mark return with annual luncheon

By **ROGER CLINE**
Staff Writer

What's the deal with Michael Downes' closet?

The Big Spring Independent School District superintendent welcomed district employees back to work Wednesday at an appreciation banquet in the high school cafeteria.

During the program, district department heads



DOWNES

and principals introduced new teachers and other employees.

Before introducing the new Marcy Elementary employees, Principal Carrie Dunnam related a story about a visit to Downes' office.

"As I was getting up to leave, Mr. Downes looked at me and asked me, 'Carrie, do I make you nervous?' I said, 'No, sir,' and started to leave again. He asked again, 'Are you sure I don't make you nervous?'"

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Big Spring Junior High teacher Cheryl Robertson, left, and other Big Spring Independent School District employees help themselves to some barbecue at a luncheon welcoming them back to work Wednesday.

Ag department corrals sweets in state's public school districts

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
Staff Writer

Certain kinds of junk food will no longer be offered on elementary campuses — that's what the Texas Department of Agriculture declared by amending the state's policy on the availability of foods of minimal nutritional value at public schools.

Effective Aug. 1, the policy prohibits the schools from selling or providing carbonated beverages, certain candy and chewing gum to elementary school children at any time during the school

RESTRICTED FOODS

Soda water — defined as any carbonated beverage. No exemptions.
Water ices — any frozen, sweetened water. Products that contain fruit or fruit juice are exceptions.
Chewing gum

Hard candy
Jellies and gums
Marshmallow candies
Fondant — soft, creamy candy and made of sugar.
Licorice
Spun candy
Candy coated popcorn

day. The same is true during meal periods for middle school students.

The change also bars

carbonated beverages larger than 12 ounces from being sold or provided.

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Howard County Fair queen application deadline Friday

HERALD Staff Report

Ever wanted to be a queen?

Applications are now being taken for the Howard County Fair Queen Pageant. Girls in high school in Howard County, or attending Howard College, are eligible to enter if they are unmarried and have no children.

Applications can be obtained and returned to the Howard County Extension Office in the Howard County Courthouse basement, The Master's Touch bookstore on FM 700 and

Athletic Supply in the Big Spring Mall.

There is a \$35 entry fee and the deadline is 5 p.m. Friday.

The pageant itself will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Big Spring Mall, following workshops for contestants Saturday morning.

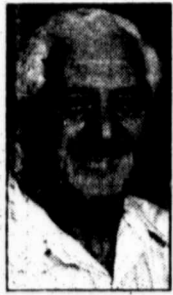
Contenstants are judged on personality, stage presence and knowledge of the Howard County Fair, and model sports-wear and evening wear.

For more information call Katie Walker, County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Science, at 263-2236.

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Obituaries

Arthur L. "Al" Kimbrough



Arthur L. "Al" Kimbrough, 75, died Tuesday, Aug. 12, 2003, in an Abilene hospital.

A graveside service will be at 1 p.m. Friday in Albany Cemetery, directed by Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home. The family will receive friends at a visitation from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Mr. Kimbrough was born on Feb. 19, 1928, in Big Spring to Peel and Millie Evans Kimbrough. He was a longtime Abilene resident, graduating from Abilene High School before serving in the U.S. Army. He retired in 1993 from Hack Drilling Co. after 29 years. He was a member of North Park Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Joyce Kimbrough, and married Anita Gibson on July 5, 2002. He was also preceded in death by an infant son, Mikel Kimbrough, and a brother, Thurman Kimbrough.

Survivors include his wife, Anita Kimbrough of the home; a son, Donald Kimbrough and his wife, Tammie, of Abilene; a daughter, Debra Turner of Abilene; a brother, Bobby Joe Kimbrough and his wife, Muriel, of Abilene; a sister-in-law, Lydia Kimbrough of Abilene; three sisters, Captola Amrein and her husband, Rudy, of Alamo, Kneodah Reynolds and her husband, Ernest, of Dallas and Linda Sheffield of South Carolina; a grandson; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to Hendrick Hospice Care, P. O. Box 1922, Abilene 79604.

Joe Speer

Joe Speer, 53, of Big Spring died Wednesday, Aug. 13, 2003, in a local hospital. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory.

Leon Massey

Leon Massey, 94, of Big Spring died Wednesday, Aug. 13, 2003, at his home following a lengthy illness. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Take note

□ **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 neglected.

For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services 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.

□ **THE BIG SPRING HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1963**

is having their 40th reunion Oct. 3-4, 2003. The following list is the names of classmates for which we do not have current address. If you have information about any of these people please call Judy Jones Plumlee, 432-263-7824.

George Mack Archer, Marcy Ball, Barbara Louise Bennett, Eva Luray Biffar, Jean Anne Black, Rosalinda Blalock, Cecil Conrad Blount, Jr., Jeanne Bolton, Eric Brewster, Robert Browder, Don Lee Brown, Lillie Marie Brown, Jerry Bumgarner, Mary Alice Chavarria, Ronald Max Cheney, Linda Carter, Dan Cone, Louise Cooley, Jacqueline Hazel Dimmock, Edward Leroy Doan, Beverly Dobbins, Alan Bruce Dunn, Aubrey Neal Earp, Sylva Fern Edwards, Pamela Jo Ehlers, Jack Eisenhart, Benita Flores, Judy Carol Hall, Carole Haralson, Dolores Henry, Kandy Hensley, Rosemary Horn, Charles Michael Houston, Roy Conley Johnson, Rex Moss Jones, Brenda Lou Kennedy, Donna Lee Kenning, Kay Kincaid, Sandy Jean Korchenko, Adolfo Larez, Annette Sharon Lebcowitz, Mary Ann Linn, Pat Loudamy, Virginia Lou Mancha, Johnny Leon Martin, Valera Ann Millard, Walter Lee Minter, Betty Morgan, Amado Ray Molina, Randy Ray Moore, Floydene Moss, Sharon Ann Mullens, Janice Lee McQueen, Douglas Napps, Eddy Lee Nelson, John Eric Nichols, Arlene Gailly Nixon, Elizabeth Jane Nobles, Dannie Norrell, Sandra Kay Norris, Sharon Lynn Osburn, Linda Sue Parker, Ireno B. Perez, Donald Allen Phillips, Tommy Phillips, Jack Riley Piper, Benny Frank Pitzer, Sandra Lee Poole, Robert Puente, Virginia Louise Rankin, Camella Ryan, Joyce Ann Seder, Karla Rae Seward, David Maloy Stevenson, Barbara Ann Thompson, Mary Thompson, Larry Tubb, Sheri Andree Voss, Bill Watson, Kendall Webb, Richard West, Sheryl Louise Whiteside, Bobby Williams, Richard Dale Wisner.

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Police blotter

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

- **JIMMY ANDERSON**, 29, of 906 E. 14th St. was arrested Wednesday on a charge of driving while license suspended.
- **JESSICA HERNANDEZ**, 22, of 821 W. Eighth St. was arrested Wednesday on four local traffic warrants.
- **PERRY WHITE**, 39, of 200 Collins was arrested Wednesday on Mitchell County warrants for theft.
- **RICHARD BONHERT**, 30, of Pasadena, Calif., was arrested Wednesday on a charge of driving while license suspended.
- **BOBBY AGUERO**, 21, of 2502 Central was arrested Wednesday on a charge of burglary of a vehicle.
- **FRANK GALAN**, 46, of 1607 S. Main St. was arrested Wednesday on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- **DANIEL MATA**, 20, of 1101 Mesa Drive was arrested Wednesday on a charge of minor in consumption.
- **NOE SOLIZ, III**, 19, of 807 S. Johnson was arrested Wednesday on a charge of burglary of a vehicle and on three local warrants.
- **YVETTE SOLIZ**, 18, of 1206 S. Johnson was arrested Wednesday on a charge of minor in consumption.
- **MARTINA DELOSSANTOS**, 20, of 801 W. Marcy was arrested Wednesday on two local traffic warrants.
- **ZULEIKA SOLIZ**, 17, of 1609 Eubanks was arrested Wednesday on a charge of burglary of a vehicle.
- **ESPERANSA NIETO**, 24, of 1517 E. 17th St. was arrested Wednesday on two local traffic warrants.
- **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 900 block of Willia, the 700 block of South Douglas, the 300 block of West 18th Street, the 2500 block of Ent, the 1600 block of South Gregg and the 1700 block of South Gregg.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 1000 block of East 13th Street. Merchandise worth \$80 was reported stolen.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 4300 Block of Dixon Street. The vehicle reportedly sustained \$1,000 damage.
- **BURGLARY OF A BUILDING** was reported:
 - In the 3300 Block of Sherrod.
 - In the 1400 block of Runnels. \$592 in audio/visual equipment reported stolen and \$638 in damages were reported in connection with the incident.
 - In the 900 block of Johnson. \$350 in tools were reported stolen and \$30 damage was reported in connection with the incident.
- **CREDIT CARD ABUSE** was reported in the 900 block of Mountain Park.

Sheriff's report

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

- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 300 block of West Robinson.
- **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported at the 180 mile-marker of Interstate 20.
- **CIVIL/DOMESTIC DISPUTE** was reported in the 300 block of East Sixth Street.

Weather

Tonight...Partly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 60s. Southeast winds 5 to 10 mph.
Friday...Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms. Highs near 90. Southeast winds 5 to 10 mph..Friday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 60s.
Saturday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 90s.
Sunday and Monday...Mostly clear. Lows near 70. Highs in the mid 90s.
Tuesday and Wednesday...Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 70s. Highs in the mid 90s.

Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Wednesday night:
Winning numbers drawn: 5-13-23-36-37.
Number matching five of five: 0.
Next Cash 5 drawing: Thursday night.
Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Wednesday night:
Winning numbers drawn: 10-13-30-38-42. Bonus Ball: 27.
Number matching five of five, plus Bonus Ball: 0.
Estimated jackpot for Saturday night drawing: \$12 million.
The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 2-0-3

Bulletin board

If you have items for the Bulletin board, contact the Herald news room at 263-7331 or email editor@bigspringherald.com

TODAY

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

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

American Legion Auxilary, 6 p.m., 3203 W. Highway 80, 263-2404.

Arts, Crafts & Quilting Club, 6 p.m., Howard County Library, 500 S. Main.

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

Masonic Lodge 598, 7:30 p.m., 219 Main.

Neighbors and Newcomers Club. For more information call 268-9335.

FRIDAY

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.

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

SATURDAY

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

Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

American Legion Post 506 fish fry at 3203 W. Highway 80. Delivery will be from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. Carry outs will be available. To place an order or for more information, call 263-2084. Everyone is welcome.

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.

Big Spring Shrine Club, 6:30 p.m. for meal with meeting to follow, Goliad and First Street.

Big Spring Squares, 267-7043 or 263-6305.

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

Big Spring-Howard County Retired Teachers Association, 11:30 a.m., Howard College Cactus, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

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.

Encourager's Support Group for all widows and widowers, 6 p.m., covered dish dinner, First Presbyterian Church, 7th and Runnels, enter through north door. Bring a covered dish. For more information call, 398-5522.

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

DAV and Auxliary Chapter 47, 6:30 p.m., 610 Abrams.

TUESDAY

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

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

Evening Lions Club, noon, Spring City Senior Center, 1901 Simler.

Big Spring Art Association, 7 p.m., Howard County Library, 500 S. Main.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Malpractice bill wins support

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — A bill that caps damages received by medical malpractice plaintiffs in hopes of lowering insurance rates and helping the state retain doctors has won the support of lawmakers amid criticism by people on both sides of the debate.

The Legislature on Wednesday approved the measure, which is expected to be signed by Gov. Jeb Bush. Republican legislative leaders agreed to the bill last week after months of fighting over how to set caps on non-economic damages such as pain and suffering.

"I'm confident there will be a reduction in insurance premiums," Bush said. "I'm confident that we'll have a better system to deal with the small number of doctors that commit egregious malpractice."

But doctors whom the bill was intended to help have said they do not support it and insurance companies have said it probably won't lower rates. And malpractice victims said limits on damage payouts make it less likely lawyers will take cases, meaning access to justice could be denied.

The measure limits a doctor's liability for non-economic damages in most medical malpractice cases to \$500,000. A medical facility's liability would be limited to \$750,000 in most cases.

Arrest leads to portable missile

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — The international sting operation that led to the arrest of a suspected arms smug-

gler should serve as a warning that U.S. intelligence is aggressively pursuing terrorist cells and black market weapons dealers, Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge said.

Hemant Lakhani, a Briton described by a federal prosecutor as a "significant international arms dealer," was ordered held without bond Wednesday. According to an FBI affidavit, Lakhani had arranged to sell a shoulder-fired surface-to-air missile he believed was intended to shoot down a commercial airliner, and planned to smuggle 50 more.

The affidavit says Lakhani, dealing with an undercover FBI agent he believed to be a Muslim terrorist, was also recorded as saying Osama bin Laden "did a good thing" on Sept. 11, 2001.

In an interview Wednesday with CBS News, Ridge said the sting should send a message to terrorists that "we'll just keep comin' at you — one arms dealer, one cell at a time."

Lakhani, 68, is charged with attempting to provide material support and resources to terrorists and acting as an arms broker without a license. Lakhani's lawyer, Assistant Federal Public Defender Donald J. McCauley, refused to comment.

Weather gives firefighters a break

WEST GLACIER, Mont. (AP) — The weather has been cooperating with firefighters battling a massive blaze in Glacier National Park, allowing them to complete part of a burnout to protect a historic lodge and houses near the western shore of Lake McDonald.

Crews planned to complete the upper portion of the burnout Thursday, creating a barrier that will rob the 39,750-acre fire of fuel, said fire information officer Marybell Lansford.

Forecasters said a dry cold front would hit the state Friday or later, giving firefighters time to prepare for the expected strong, erratic winds.

The fire forced the evacuation of the western part of Glacier for the second time in two weeks Sunday when it jumped a road that had been used as a barrier.

The park's popular Lake McDonald area, including Going-to-the-Sun Road from West Glacier to Logan Pass, remained closed to visitors.

Bush seeks accord with N. Korea

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration is seeking a new relationship with North Korea but is not offering economic assistance as an incentive for terminating its nuclear weapons program, Secretary of State Colin Powell says.

"We have put no economic proposals forward at the moment," Powell said Wednesday as U.S., Japanese and South Korean officials met at the State Department to forge a common strategy designed to induce North Korea to dismantle its nuclear weapons program.

Powell has offered to put in writing assurances that the Bush administration does not intend to attack North Korea.

The three governments were preparing for negotiations with North Korea that are due to begin Aug. 27 in Beijing. China and Russia also will take part in the six-nation talks.

Taking a hard line, Bush said at his ranch in Crawford, Texas, that the United States and Asian nations "feel strongly about the peninsula being nuclear-free."

FOODS

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ed at any time during the school day at middle school campuses.

"The principals, administration and food services have all met to go over the guidelines," said Joann Knox, Big Spring Independent School District food service director. "We're going to start the procedure to make sure anything in the vending machines meets the criteria set down by the Texas Department of Agriculture."

The previous policy only prohibited the sale of certain items in food ser-

vice areas during meal periods for all grade levels.

"The criteria has been set for quite awhile,"



KNOX

Knox said, "We've not been allowed to have certain things available for sale during lunch. This change is fine tuning the policy."

According to area school district officials, implementing the new regulations poses little problem.

"I believe our policy is stricter than that," Dr. Bill Kingston, superintendent of the Coahoma Independent School

District, said of its middle school policy on junk food. "This won't change things that we've already been doing."

Forsan Junior High/High School banned the sale of carbonated drinks to students last year, according to Principal Keith Stone.

Vending machines at the Big Spring Junior High School are set on timers to lock during lunchtime, said James McFarland, BSISD assistant business manager. And he added that removing all restricted items from elementary schools will not pose a problem.

"We have a clause in the contract that allows us — if changes are made to the guideline for food ser-

vices — to modify the placement of machines and what the machines carry to fit those requirements," McFarland said.

The revised policy will have implications in other areas as well.

Several BSISD campuses use revenue from vending machines to supplement their activity fund.

"Money-wise, I see a little down turn but I'm just not real sure it will affect the elementary level," McFarland said. "The big usage of vending machines is at our secondary level."

Elementary teachers who have used soda parties or hard candy as rewards will have to revise their reward system.

"Will be explaining that to the teachers," said Carrie Dunnam, principal at Marcy Elementary. "We'll have to think harder and longer on ways to reward kids. With the problems we're having with obesity in the nation, we need to be careful not to contribute to that. I think we can find alternative ways to keep kids happy and healthy."

Forsan officials are doing the same.

"We're shuffling reward programs and trying to come up with some new and creative ideas there," said Randy Johnson, principal at Elbow Elementary.

According to Texas Agriculture

Commissioner Susan Combs, school districts must assume a more active role in providing nutritious foods and limited access to minimal nutritional value while in school.

"The state and nation are in the midst of an obesity epidemic that threatens the health of current and future generations," Combs said in a letter to superintendents and child nutrition directors. "It is shocking that young children are developing diseases we find in older Americans."

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SANE

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overseeing it and drawing a conclusion based on your work, I think we have a more accurate picture," Wilkerson continued, explaining that the work of SANE personnel should help make convicting defendants in sexual assault trials easier. "It gives us more truth ... to give to the jury which makes our case that much more compelling."

Almost 50 people, including representatives from agencies in Howard, Borden, Glasscock, Martin, Mitchell and Scurry counties, attended the luncheon and ceremo-

ny.

The SANE program is designed to assist victims of sexual assault through advocacy, reporting, medical examinations and the prosecution of perpetrators.

The first 10 nurses will be specially trained to provide comprehensive care to sexual assault survivors, conduct a forensic exam and gather evidence, testify in court and show compassion for the survivors.

"You all know or maybe you don't that one of the most difficult cases to try nowadays are those cases involving sexual assault," Wilkerson said, speaking to the group of nurses. "And the physical evi-

dence gathered at ERs becomes that much more critical all the time. The better set of eyes, the more training you have and the more you know what you're doing the with the big picture in view of perhaps ultimately having to go to court, the better prepared you're going to be able to do it and the better service you can provide to those victims in the community."

About two years ago, Howard County law enforcement began utilizing the SANE program in Midland after seeing an increase in juvenile sexual assault victims, Big Spring Chief of Police Lonnie Smith explained.

"This program is some-

thing that Big Spring has needed for several years," Smith said. "In law enforcement, unfortunately we're seeing a steady increase in juvenile victims. That's where it's going to be hard on you nurses. You're going to be seeing first hand things that jurors never see."

Smith told the nurses they are accepting a difficult task.

"You all are fixing to take care of one of our more delicate victims, that's victims of sexual assault," he said. "You are going to be the first step in a long process the victim is going to go through. There is going to be a lot, depending on

your contact with them and how you deal with them as far as building up their confidence; so, when ultimately the case gets to Hardy, we're able to get a successful prosecution."

The idea for the program has been batted around for years locally but began to coalesce in February with the lead of Victim Services Executive Director Shann Thomas, who gathered representatives from the various counties for an initial meeting.

The program is supported through local donations and a grant from the Texas Attorney General's Office.

For more information about the SANE program

or to make a donation, call Victim Services at 263-3312.

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Dunnam said she proceeded to explain to the superintendent that he didn't make her nervous at all.

"Then I opened the door and walked right into his closet."

Goliad Principal Brenda Gainey related that she has done the same thing even after working in the BSISD for six years. Big Spring Middle School Principal Ben Neel had to put in his two cents, too.

"Ms. Dunnam, Ms. Gainey, what's bad is when you go to a meeting with the superintendent and you can't even find his office," he said.

In all, more than 80 new employees were intro-

duced at the luncheon, from Downes himself — he replaced retiring superintendent Murray Murphy — to principals, teachers, counselors, cafeteria workers, maintenance and custodial staff and bus drivers.

Downes said the event is a great way to start the year.

"It's very important for the district as a whole to come together," he said. "We've got a common purpose, a common focus, and it's really an opportunity for our board to show its appreciation to the whole staff and faculty for the commitment that they make to the kids in Big Spring. And we've got a lot of new employees to the district and we want to make them feel welcome."

School Board President

Mike Dawson agreed. "It's just important to start the year out with everybody going in the same direction," he said. "Everybody's excited about this year. I think our district has fared well and we're looking forward to another great year."

Following the luncheon catered by Al's and Son Barbecue, the district's teachers split up into groups to receive updates

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OUR VIEWS

Malone and Hogan not closing down despite rumors

Apparently it can't be said too many times... Malone and Hogan Clinic is not closing its doors, regardless of what rumors one may have heard as a result of Covenant Health System's decision to cease operations in a number of rural West Texas communities.

Unfortunately, too much misinformation has been created since Covenant announced that it was seeking to terminate its lease of the Big Spring facility.

The bottom line, according to Dr. Rudy Haddad, a urologist who also has partial ownership interest in the clinic's building, the termination of Covenant's lease is primarily a matter of real estate.

Confusion on the part of many is understandable, however.

After all, there are three entities involved — Covenant, the owners of the building and the group of doctors that have their offices there.

The break in the lease is between Covenant and the building owners, and has very little effect on many of the doctors that practice at the clinic. But for doctors that have been employed through Covenant, like Haddad, it is decision time.

If they want to stay in Big Spring, they have to go into private practice which means assuming the business responsibilities involved in operating their own practices. That's a choice Haddad had decided to make. Others have left or are leaving.

Community Health Systems, the parent company of Scenic Mountain Medical Center, is currently in the process of negotiating with Covenant in hopes of taking over the lease.

What those talks will produce is still in doubt. Further complicating matters is that unless Covenant does manage to negotiate turning over its lease of the building, it will still have a presence in Big Spring after it "leaves" on Sept. 30.

As private practitioners, Haddad and other doctors will have to work with Covenant to lease office space.

Obviously, the situation has been blown somewhat out of perspective. Malone and Hogan Clinic is not closing its doors.

And any of us that spend time gossiping about the clinic's impending doom simply make things more difficult for everyone.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

Dear Lord, thank you for your miraculous interventions in our lives.

Amen

Aussie drug center shooting blanks

When trendy drug programs — such as Australia's Medically Supervised Injecting Centre, which allows junkies to shoot up under medical supervision — are born, they invariably are touted as the savvy new way to address the world's drug problems.

Sydney's center was billed when it opened in May 2001 as a model of the "harm reduction" philosophy — which is gaining momentum in the United States and seeks to minimize the negative consequences of risky drug use. Sponsors said the center would "decrease overdose deaths, provide a gateway to treatment, and reduce the problem of discarded needles and users injecting in public places."

So junkies are allowed to buy drugs on the street — it's against the law for the government to distribute heroin — then inject themselves at the center under medical supervision in case they overdose. Health workers also can refer drug users for drug rehabilitation or other government services.

Junkies, however, can't smoke at the center. Smoking, you see, is hazardous to their health.

News flash: A report released this month on the center's impact shows that letting junkies shoot up in a clinic has failing-to-dubious results.

Did the center reduce drug overdoses? The report found that the

substantial reduction in opioid overdoses "could not be attributed to the operation of the MSIC." Yes, there was a reduction in use because a heroin drought hit Down Under before the center opened. (When I visited the center in August 2001, I was stunned at the bad timing. Shortages were taking care of much of the heroin problem, but the do-gooders were pushing a plan to make it safer to shoot up.)

To answer the question, the report's best guesstimate was that the center prevented at least four deaths each year. (Which a different program might also have done.)

A gateway to treatment? The evaluation said the MSIC provided referrals for drug dependence to 11 percent of the clients. But that doesn't mean junkies followed up. In June, Sydney's Daily Telegraph reported that the Salvation Army announced it had received no referrals to its drug rehabilitation program from the Sydney injecting clinic, ever — even though its drug program has a vacancy rate of 20 percent.

Fewer needles in the neighborhood? Community residents said they saw fewer needles. (No surprise, there's a heroin drought.) Syringe counts of the MSIC's Kings Cross neighborhood showed a decrease when the center opened, followed by a "gradual increase" in syringes.

Here's some not-so-great news: "The available evidence does not suggest that there was a large increase in drug-related loitering in Kings Cross following the opening of the MSIC." Oh joy, not a large increase.



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Religious belief shouldn't bar appointment

The Senate was in its August recess last week, but the Knights of Columbus were meeting in Washington. The world's largest Catholic fraternal organization Thursday passed a resolution condemning opposition to federal judicial nominees because of "deeply held beliefs" stemming from their Catholic faith. That follows intense debate on the Senate floor just before the Senate recessed.

On the evening of July 30, the usually circumspect senators engaged in a rare confrontation over religion. Sen. Rick Santorum of Pennsylvania, third-ranking in the Republican leadership and a daily Catholic communicant, accused colleagues of establishing a prohibition for the federal judiciary of anybody with "deep faith in Catholicism, having to subscribe to the church's teaching on abortion." Sen. Richard Durbin of Illinois, assistant Democratic floor leader and a pro-choice Catholic, responded passionately that Santorum and other Republicans "have crossed a line they never should have crossed" in charging anti-Catholic bias.

It is the Democrats who have gone a bridge too far, in the view of Santorum and the mainstream of Republican senators. Multiple blockages of President Bush's judicial nominees constitute a ticking time bomb in the Senate, and religion is the detonator. The resolution by the Knights of Columbus signals that this is no mere Capitol Hill debate but derives from America's grass roots.



ROBERT NOVAK

Once George W. Bush was elected, Democratic leaders vowed to prevent confirmation of all unacceptable nominations to the federal bench, preparing for the day that Supreme Court vacancies are filled. Filibusters blocking at least six pending nominees produced Republican frustration and now raise the question of a religious test.

At the center of this increasingly noisome debate is the aggressive Sen. Charles Schumer. Elected from New York in 1998 by ousting Republican Alfonse D'Amato in a tumultuous campaign, Schumer has grown in confidence and assertiveness as he nears virtually unopposed re-election next year with a massive war chest. Sen. Edward M. Kennedy is the backroom mastermind of the Democratic judicial strategy, but Schumer is its point man. It is he who has taken the debate into previously forbidden religious territory.

On May 1 in a Senate Judiciary Committee session, Schumer raised religious questions in connection with the nomination of lawyer J. Leon Holmes as district judge from Arkansas. Holmes has the support of his state's two Democratic senators, but not Chuck Schumer. The New Yorker argued that the conservative religious views of Holmes, a devout Catholic, disqualified him because of disagreements interpreting the separation of church and state. Schumer contended that "religious beliefs cannot dictate government policy, even though they can infuse our values."

That was preparation for Schumer's opposition to Alabama Attorney General Bill Pryor for the appellate bench, another conservative Catholic who is the most recent of the filibustered Bush

nominees. In the Judiciary Committee June 11, Schumer said Pryor's beliefs "are so well known, so deeply held that it's very hard to believe that they're not going to influence" him on the bench. Sen. Dianne Feinstein of California, another Judiciary member, also has cited the "deeply held beliefs" standard.

Carl Anderson, chief executive officer of the Knights of Columbus, protested the "deeply held beliefs" description in a July 30 letter to the Judiciary Committee. His organization's resolution passed last Thursday suggested using those words pose a prohibited religious test.

"I think there is a willingness to play to anti-Catholic views by the use of certain code words, and I think there is disproportional impact on Catholics," Anderson told me. He added that Democratic senators "think they can get away with it, but as more and more Catholics find out, it's going to cause a backlash."

At the May 1 Judiciary Committee hearing, freshman Republican Sen. Lindsey Graham of South Carolina responded to Schumer's attack on Leon Holmes with a mild admonition about taking views on a "religious matter" out of context: "I wish we would all (stop) trying to take a quote or a statement or a sentence and construct an image of an individual most of us don't know to basically destroy their career." Three months later, Southern Baptist Graham is furious about religious code words and promises an explosion after Labor Day.

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Perry believes redistricting bill will get approved

AUSTIN (AP) — Even with the Senate chamber at a standstill because of 11 boycotting Democrats, Republican Gov. Rick Perry says he believes the Legislature will approve a congressional redistricting map this year.

Asked if he will call another special legislative session to get it done, Perry said: "If there is work to be done, I expect the Legislature to be here conducting it."

"Let him call it," Sen. Leticia Van de Putte, chairwoman of the Senate Democratic Caucus, said Wednesday in Albuquerque, N.M., where the

Democrats have been staging their boycott and where they were greeted by Colorado Democrats supportive of their effort.

"This is his prerogative" over issues such as school funding and health care for the elderly, said Van de Putte of San Antonio.

Republicans have been pushing for a redistricting bill since the spring, but Democrats have thwarted two attempts and are trying to kill another one through their Senate boycott that started shortly before Perry called the second special legislative session July 28.

Republicans, led by U.S. House Majority Leader Tom DeLay of Sugar Land, say that voting trends show the state should have more GOP representation in Washington. Democrats hold 17 seats in the delegation to 15 for Republicans.

The Democrats say the GOP redistricting efforts would hurt minorities.

If the Democrats can hold out in New Mexico until Aug. 26, when the special legislative session ends, they will have deflected the third attempt.

"I think the people of the state of Texas are frustrated, disap-

pointed that they chose not to do their duty," Perry said.

The Republicans that remain in Austin voted this week to fine the Democrats for their absence starting Thursday if they have not returned.

The fines start at \$1,000 Thursday and double each day until they hit a maximum daily fine of \$5,000, potentially costing the Democrats \$57,000 each.

The Democrats have likened the fine to a poll tax, said it is illegal and that they will not pay it.

Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, who presides over the Senate, said Wednesday that some of the

options for enforcing the penalties include deducting the money from the senators' postage and travel budgets and not allowing the senators on the Senate floor.

Dewhurst, speaking at a transportation summit in Irving, said the attorney general's office has assured him the sanctions are enforceable.

"We don't want our colleagues to have to pay a penny," Dewhurst said. "We want them to come back."

When asked, however, when he thought the Democrats would return, he said he believed it would be September.

Judge denies motions to suppress evidence in Robert Durst murder trial

GALVESTON (AP) — A judge Wednesday denied several motions by defense attorneys seeking to suppress evidence found in trash cans and an apartment rented by Robert Durst, the New York real estate heir who is charged with murdering and cutting up his neighbor and then dumping him into Galveston Bay.

Defense attorneys for Durst had asked State District Court Judge Susan Criss to throw out all evidence found by police when they searched the defendant's Galveston apartment, where investigators believe he murdered his neighbor, Morris Black.

In the apartment, police found blood under the carpet, tiles and on the walls, as well as a 4-inch paring knife. Defense attorney Chip Lewis argued Wednesday that police used the building's landlord to gain access to the apartment without a warrant by calling it a tenant safety check.

The police officer tried "to gain what he could not do by legal means. He used (the landlord) as a pawn," Lewis told Criss.

But Galveston County Assistant District Attorney Joel Bennett said it was the landlord who suggested checking on that apartment's tenant, who he thought was a mute woman named Dorothy Ciner. It was later discovered that Ciner was actually Durst dressed as a woman.

Durst, 60, was in court Wednesday, dressed in a gray coat and brown pants.

Defense attorneys had also asked that evidence found when investigators searched trash cans outside Durst's apartment be suppressed because no warrant was issued to look through the receptacles.

"The trash can is owned by the city of Galveston. There is no way that is his property," Bennett said.

Criss delayed ruling on several other motions by defense attorneys, asking them to present her with more case law on the issues.

Durst's attorneys are asking Criss to keep jurors from learning of items, including a pistol and butcher's saw, found in his vehicle and a hotel

room he was renting at the time of his arrest on Oct. 9, 2001, as well as hair samples obtained from him after he was detained.

Attorneys also want suppressed an identification of Durst by Lorre Cusick, who told police she saw Durst near her home, not far from where Black's remains were found in late September 2001. Cusick said she spoke to Durst the night before the body parts were discovered. Police recovered all of Black's remains, except for his head, which remains missing.

Defense attorneys had argued that Cusick's identification of Durst was tainted because a mug shot police showed her was the same photograph that had appeared in The Galveston County Daily News days earlier.

Police officers who had testified during the hearing, which was delayed from last week, argued the identification was not tainted. Cusick testified last week she never saw the photograph in the newspaper before identifying Durst to authorities.

California recall ballot really big

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — California's historic recall ballot will have 135 candidates who range from the well-known to the offbeat.

Among some full-time politicians, a handful of celebrities and plenty of people from the business world, there is an American Indian tribal chairman, a discount cigarette retailer, a used car salesman, a golf pro, a retired police officer, a bounty hunter, a porn star and a sumo wrestler.

The only name missing from the choices in the Oct. 7 election is the target of the recall effort: Gov. Gray Davis. The state Supreme Court refused to hear Davis' lawsuit to have his name added to the list of those who want his job.

Voters will decide whether Davis should be ousted and then pick who should replace him.

The ballot was certified by the secretary of state Wednesday with little fan-

fare, as election officials feverishly verified the last of the 247 would-be governors who submitted papers to run. By the close of business, 112 were tossed out for failing to file proper paperwork.

Better-known candidates who made the cut include Democratic Lt. Gov. Cruz Bustamante, independent commentator Arianna Huffington, Green Party standard-bearer Peter Miguel Camejo and four Republicans: businessman Bill Simon, who was defeated by Davis in November; actor Arnold Schwarzenegger; former baseball commissioner Peter Ueberroth; and state Sen. Tom McClintock of Northridge.

The field includes 50 Democrats, 42 Republicans and 32 independents. There are four Green Party members, three Libertarians, two Natural Law Party members and one each from the American Independent and Peace and Freedom parties.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Glasscock County Independent School District will hold a public meeting at 6:00 p.m. on August 25th, 2003, in the Administration Building, located at 308 West Chambers, Garden City, TX. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

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.

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rate

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	Local Revenue Per Student
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Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$1.4590	\$0	\$1.4590	\$8,448.00	\$274.00
Proposed Rate	\$1.50	\$0	\$1.50	\$8,830.00	\$274.00

*The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
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Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$1.50	\$1.50
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Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is \$1.50. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of \$1.50.

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)	\$2,987,417.00
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$

Mom of Verizon boss killed in murder-suicide sues for damages

SAN ANGELO (AP) — A wrongful death lawsuit by the mother of a Verizon supervisor who died in a murder-suicide targets the perpetrator's estate, seeking damages from the summer attack.

Tony Smith, the supervisor, died on July 9 after a subordinate, Rodney Monke, called him to his cubicle and shot him four times in the upper torso and head at the phone company's Assignment Provisioning Center. Monke then walked down the hallway from his cubicle and shot himself with a Colt semiautomatic handgun just after police arrived. Smith died at the scene from multiple gunshot wounds.

An attorney for Smith's mother, Jackie Smith, filed the lawsuit Tuesday in Tom Green County District Court. It seeks an undetermined amount of damages.

The victim's father, who lives in Austin, has relinquished all claims to the estate and is barred from bringing any further action related to the suit.

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A food-friendly guide to pregnancy and beyond

By **JUDITH WEINRAUB**

The Washington Post
Pregnancy is rarely thought of as a great time for enjoying food. What about morning sickness? Irrational cravings? For that matter, those extra pounds? And what about having to feed the rest of your family?

Catherine Jones and Rose Ann Hudson, a professionally trained chef and a nutritionist, are convinced it's possible to cook appealing meals, satisfy a pregnant woman's nutritional requirements, please the rest of the family and do it without being stuck in the kitchen all day. To prove it, they've written "Eating for Pregnancy: An Essential Guide to Nutrition With Recipes for the Whole Family" (Marlowe & Co., 2003).

Jones and Hudson and their families live in Montgomery County, Md. Jones is the one with culinary expertise. A graduate of Ecole de Cuisine La Varenne in France, she worked on two cookbooks before this one: chef Jean Louis Palladin's "Cooking With the Seasons" (Lickle Publishing Inc., 1989) where she helped him turn restaurant kitchen shorthand into recipes for the home cook, and her own "A Year of Russian Feasts" (Jellyroll Press, 2002).

She'd been thinking about writing a cookbook for pregnant women when she became pregnant with her first child and developed pregnancy-induced high blood pressure and preeclampsia, a complication of some pregnancies. "I realized I could really use a book like this one, (with) nutritional information at a glance and recipes and ideas to meet the goals," she says.

But work on the book was delayed by both her daughter's premature birth and two-month hospital stay and her husband's career as a foreign service officer, which took the family to Macedonia for two years. Back home, after the couple's second child was born, Jones resumed work on the book and sought out a nutritionist as a writing partner.

"I was looking for someone who could give me all the medical and nutritional information I needed to write the book and develop the recipes," she says. She found Hudson, a perinatal nutritionist on the staff of Inova Fairfax (Va.) Hospital and in private practice. Hudson came to the project with years of experience listening to the questions pregnant women ask about food — queries like "How do I know what to eat without gaining too much weight?" or "What do I do if I have to eat out?"

"Pregnant women are highly motivated," says Hudson. "You'll never find a better group for lifestyle changes. But they're a little confused and sometimes very insecure because everybody wants to do the right thing. They want to know how to manage if life isn't perfect. The information in the book gives them control in a situation where you don't really have a lot of control."

Their guiding principle in developing recipes for the book was making them rich in the nutrients pregnant women need — calcium, iron, protein and fiber — and low in fat, sodium and sugar. "Rose Ann gave me lists of the healthiest foods for pregnant women," says Jones. "I treated recipes around those foods and tested them on my family and



Washington Post photo/Lois Raimondo
Rose Ann Hudson, left, and Catherine Jones teamed up to write "Eating for Pregnancy," a food-friendly guide to pregnancy. The authors are convinced it's possible to cook appealing meals, satisfy a pregnant woman's nutritional requirements, please the rest of the family and do it without being stuck in the kitchen all day.

friends." The book emphasizes a whole family approach — recipes have to fit into today's fast-paced lives and be manageable for first-time mothers as well as for women feeding existing families. "My second pregnancy convinced me that this book needed to be family-friendly," says Jones. "Having to feed a toddler and take care of my pregnant self was a challenge."

Jones gave the recipes to other mothers to test. If it didn't make the quick-and-easy, family-friendly grade, it was tossed. Hudson realized that information on the food pregnant women should eat was only part of the advice she gave out in her practices that might also be useful to readers. "I thought it was important to stress good nutrition in pregnancy, at the same time offering meal planning and cooking strategies for all pregnant women," says Hudson. "Working women, women with small children and high-risk pregnant women."

The more than 150 recipes in the book are presented in categories that fit with contemporary lifestyles. In addition to main courses and sweets, there's a soup and sandwiches section, a vegetarian section, a section devoted to salads and dips. There is also a breakfast section with pancakes and waffles no normal kid would complain about and lots of recipes for foods straight out of a takeout menu: noodles with spinach, red peppers and sesame dressing; artichoke-spinach dip; pad thai; chicken or beef fajitas. All of these come equipped with

explanations appropriate to the nutritional needs of the mother and child-to-be, as well as nutritional information for the rest of the family.

The basics involved in planning a healthful diet are in the book, too, as are discussions of the extra 300 calories that pregnant women need, the 1,200 milligrams of calcium they should consume daily, the amount of protein that should be included in their diet (about double what they'd normally need) and guidelines on carbohydrates and fats. There are sections on vitamins and minerals and on high-risk pregnancies, teen-age pregnancies, multiple pregnancies, diabetes, anemia and, of course, suggestions on dealing with morning sickness. And there are cautions about prominent food bacteria — salmonella and E. coli.

As a result, looking at the book is something like reading a baby-care manual before you have a baby — a little scary to read out of context but actually fairly simple and straightforward in practice. "It's hard to provide a balance between providing all the information and scaring people," says Jones, whose experience with two high-risk pregnancies prompted her to want to include the medical and technical sections. "I think women want information. Some simply want to know how much weight they should gain and if they can still have their morning coffee, while others want the latest on mercury levels and safe fish consumption, or listeriosis culprits."

"Our obligation is to put

all the latest research out there," says Hudson. "Here it is. You have the right to take this as you want to. But if you're trying to have the ideal pregnancy outcome, you can't make good decisions until you have all the information."

Because the recipes in "Eating for Pregnancy" were conceived to fit real-life situations, the book is a telling record of our time, when busy families rely on slow cookers, shortcuts and prepared foods. The authors also apparently think that in today's world adults occasionally need reminding that children eat better if their parents eat with them, as well as tips on how to construct a complete meal. Not that any of their text is meant as criticism — it's a realistic approach at a time when more and more meal times take place outside the home.

And what advice do Jones and Hudson offer a pregnant woman who's too nauseated to cook? "Wait until you can," says Hudson. "In the meantime, get someone else to prepare meals for you."

Eating right for yourself ...as well as your baby

The Washington Post

Chicken Salad With Dried Apricots and Almonds
(Makes about 3 cups or 4 to 6 sandwiches)

"What's in this for baby and me? Protein and Vitamin C."

"High in protein and Vitamin C and a good source of Vitamin A and fiber, this chicken salad is terrific on toasted whole-grain bread or on a bed of mixed greens. The almonds are optional, but, especially when toasted, they add depth of flavor. This salad is not designed for children, but a serving of the plain cooked chicken and diced apricots could be set aside to make a perfect meal for a young eater."

"Timesaving Tip: Buy a rotisserie chicken and cut or tear the meat into small pieces."

"Variation: Feel free to add your favorite spices, herbs, and other ingredients to the salad. Some nice additions are diced celery, toasted pine nuts and curry powder."

—Excerpted from the *Soups and Sandwiches to Savor* chapter

1 pound chicken tenders or boneless, skinless chicken breasts, cut into 1-inch cubes, or about 2 1/2 cups diced cooked chicken or turkey
2 teaspoons canola oil (if

using uncooked chicken)
Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
1/3 cup chopped dried apricots
2 tablespoons chopped fresh herbs, such as cilantro, mint or tarragon (optional)
1/2 red bell pepper, finely diced, or 1/4 cup chopped jarred roasted red peppers
1/2 cup sliced almonds, toasted
1/2 cup light mayonnaise, or to taste

Pat the chicken dry.

If using chicken tenders or cut-up chicken breasts, heat the canola oil in a large nonstick skillet over medium-high heat. Add the chicken, season with salt and pepper and saute for 7 minutes, or until completely cooked; transfer to a bowl to cool. Dice the cooked chicken, or tear the meat into bits with your fingers, and return to the bowl.

Combine the chicken and the remaining ingredients in a bowl and mix well. Adjust the seasoning. Refrigerate if not serving immediately. (Any leftovers should be covered and refrigerated.)

Per 1/2-cup serving:
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Fresh fruit and vegetables: Store, don't ignore

September has been designated as National Food Safety Education Month and National 5-A-Day month. The purpose of these annual observances is to promote the importance of food safety and fruit and vegetable consumption.

The theme for National 5-A-Day Month is "Get Healthy America!" The theme for National Food Safety Education Month promoted by the National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation as well as other



KATIE WALKER

entities, is "Store it. Don't ignore it." These efforts are supported by many organizations and establishments.

Educators are working to increase public understanding of foodborne illness, also known as food poisoning, and how it can be prevented. Each year, it is estimated that 1 in 4 Americans will become sick from a foodborne illness, 1 in 1,000 will be hospitalized, and more than 5,000 will die. Foodborne illness is caused by eating foods contaminated with harmful microorganisms such as bacteria. Bacteria cannot be seen, smelled or tasted.

Fruits and vegetables are an important part of a healthy diet. Research shows that eat-

ing at least five servings of fruits and vegetables each day can reduce the risk for diabetes, heart disease, cancer and other chronic diseases. However, fruits and vegetables can become contaminated with microorganisms during the time between harvest and when they are eaten. If contaminated, a fresh fruit or vegetable could cause foodborne illness.

Simple steps can be taken to prevent foodborne illness from fresh fruits and vegetables during storage. These include:

Separate raw meat from fresh fruits and vegetables in the refrigerator. This helps eliminate cross-contamination, which is the transfer of harm-

ful bacteria from one food to another. An example of cross-contamination would be if juice from raw meat dripped onto fresh produce in the refrigerator.

To delay spoilage and mold growth, do not wash fresh fruits and vegetables before storing them. Instead, wash them right before eating or preparing.

Refrigerate cut fresh fruits and vegetables at 40 degrees F or below within two hours of purchase or preparation. Store these as well as whole fresh fruits and vegetables that require refrigeration in the crisper or produce drawer.

Discard any pre-cut or pre-packaged fresh fruits and veg-

etables with a expired "use-by" date. Also, discard any items that are moldy or spoiled.

Keep refrigerators clean. Wipe up spills.

Make sure that room temperature storage areas are cool, dry, dark, and pest-free. Separate fresh fruits and vegetables from household chemicals.

To learn more about fresh fruit and vegetable safety, contact Katie Walker at Texas Cooperative Extension, Howard County.

Katie Walker is the Cooperative Extension agent for family and consumer science in Howard County.

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drates, 14 gm fat, 51 mg cholesterol, 2 gm saturated fat, 216 mg sodium, 2 gm dietary fiber

Fruit-Filled Granola

(Makes about 5 cups)
"What's in this for baby and me? Fiber."

"If you feel a sudden urge to get crunchy during pregnancy, this recipe is for you. Homemade granola goes way beyond the call of duty to get fiber into your diet, and this version is also a good source of protein and iron.

Those who make their own granola are a rare breed, dedicated to leading a healthy, fiber-filled life. For those not so dedicated, there are endless varieties of granola on the shelves and in the bins of grocery and whole food stores. Read labels for the one that best suits your family's tastes and dietary needs.

"Use this recipe as a blueprint — change it according to the availability of ingredients in your area and new items as you discover them. Some common healthy additions include: sunflower seeds, unsweetened coconut flakes, unsalted sesame seeds, shelled pumpkin seeds, raisins and other dried fruits and wheat germ. Freeze-dried fruits are a sweet touch and add a burst of color, not to mention vitamins. Granola will keep in a zip-lock bag or airtight container for weeks. It's great as a topping on anything from yogurt, cottage cheese or ice

cream to applesauce and oatmeal, or solo as a snack. Mix your kids' favorite fruits (dried bananas, raisins, dried dates or dried cherries) and nuts (pecans or walnuts) into the granola and watch them gobble it up. This recipe can easily be doubled—use two baking sheets.

"Cooking Tip: Measure the canola oil first, swirl it around the measuring cup to coat the sides, then measure the honey, which will easily slide out of the measuring cup. "Variation: You can use 2 cups of barley, rye or wheat flakes in places of the oats, or mix and match all 4 types."

—Excerpted from the *Sweet Treats: Desserts and Snacks* chapter

1/4 cup canola oil, plus additional for the baking sheet

1/2 cup honey, molasses or maple syrup, or a mixture 2 cups "old-fashioned" rolled oats (not quick-cooking oats)

1/2 cup sliced almonds 1 cup chopped or whole dried fruits, such as dates, raisins, banana chips, etc.

Preheat the oven to 250 degrees. Generously oil a large rimmed baking sheet; set aside.

Combine the oil and honey in a small saucepan and heat just until hot (or use the microwave). Place the rolled oats and sliced almonds in a large bowl and mix. Add the honey-oil mixture and mix until well combined.

Spread the granola mixture evenly on the baking sheet. Bake for about 40 minutes, or until light golden. It should still be soft when it comes out of the oven, but it will hard-

en as it cools. Do not overbake, or the granola will have a bitter, burned taste. Allow the granola to cool completely.

Add the optional dried fruit to the granola and mix well. Store in an airtight container or a resealable bag.

Per 1/2-cup serving: 364 calories, 6 gm protein, 59 gm carbohydrates, 13 gm fat, 0 mg cholesterol, 3 gm saturated fat, 3 mg sodium, 2 gm dietary fiber

Butternut Squash-Carrot Soup With Ginger

(6 to 8 servings)
"What's in this for baby and me? Vitamins A and C."

"This velvety smooth soup is the perfect prelude to dinner and delicious companion to a sandwich. Butternut squash and carrots are excellent sources of Vitamins A and C. Peeled and cut-up fresh butternut squash, found in the refrigerated produce section of some grocery stores, is ideal for this soup. If it is unavailable in your area, see the Cooking Tip below for instructions on using a whole squash. For a zip-pier soup, feel free to replace the fresh and ground ginger with 1 1/2 teaspoons mild curry powder."

"Cooking Tip: To use a whole butternut squash for this soup, preheat the oven to 375 degrees. Line a baking dish large enough to accommodate the squash with foil and grease the foil with 2 tablespoons canola oil. Using a sharp knife, cut a 1 1/2-pound butternut squash in half lengthwise. Scoop out the seeds and then place the two

halves cut-sides down in the baking dish. Bake for 45 minutes, or until the pulp is tender. Allow the squash to cool slightly, then scoop out the flesh; you should have at least 2 1/2 cups; set aside.

"Storage Tip: This soup keeps refrigerated for about 5 days. It can be frozen, before the half-and-half is added, for up to one month."

—Excerpted from the *Soups and Sandwiches* Savor chapter

2 tablespoons unsalted butter

1 medium onion, chopped 2 tablespoons minced fresh ginger root

1 1/4 pounds butternut squash, cooked, peeled and chopped (about 1 1/2 cups; see above)

3 carrots, peeled and

chopped, or 1 1/2 cups sliced baby-cut carrots 1/3 cup dried apricots (optional)

.5 cups fat-free, low-sodium chicken or vegetable stock 1/2 teaspoon salt, or to taste

1 teaspoon ground ginger (optional)

1/2 cup half-and-half (optional)

1/4 cup chopped fresh cilantro, for garnish (optional)

In a large saucepan over medium heat, melt the butter. Add the onion and ginger and cook for 3 minutes. Add the squash, carrots, apricots (if using), stock, salt and ground ginger (if using). Increase the heat to medium-high and bring to a boil. Reduce the heat

to medium-low and simmer for 15 to 20 minutes, until the carrots are tender.

Remove the soup from the heat and set aside to cool slightly. Working in batches, transfer the soup to a blender and puree until smooth. Return the pureed soup to the rinsed-out saucepan, add the half-and-half (if using) and heat over medium heat just until the soup reaches a boil. Remove from the heat. Garnish with the cilantro, if desired, and serve immediately.

Per serving (based on 8): 101 calories, 4 gm protein, 14 gm carbohydrates, 4 gm fat, 11 mg cholesterol, 3 gm saturated fat, 245 mg sodium, 2 gm dietary fiber

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increases, the Big Spring City Council recently approved a 15-cent per 1,000 gallons increase in the water rate.

"Everyone knew it was coming," said Grant. "We've been working with the city (Big Spring) staff to prepare for it."

Although the price increase may seem steep, Grant said it could have been much worse.

"CRMWD was able to reduce the total increase

by refunding some of the district's bonds in January, and reissuing them at lower interest rates," said Grant. "Without the bond savings, the water rate

increases would have been significantly more."

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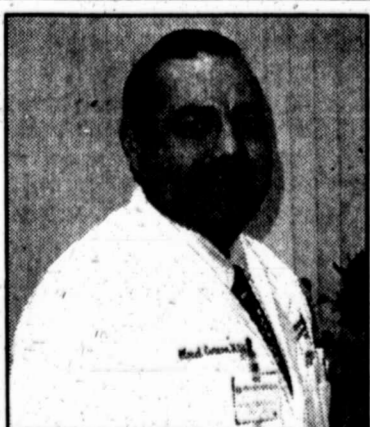
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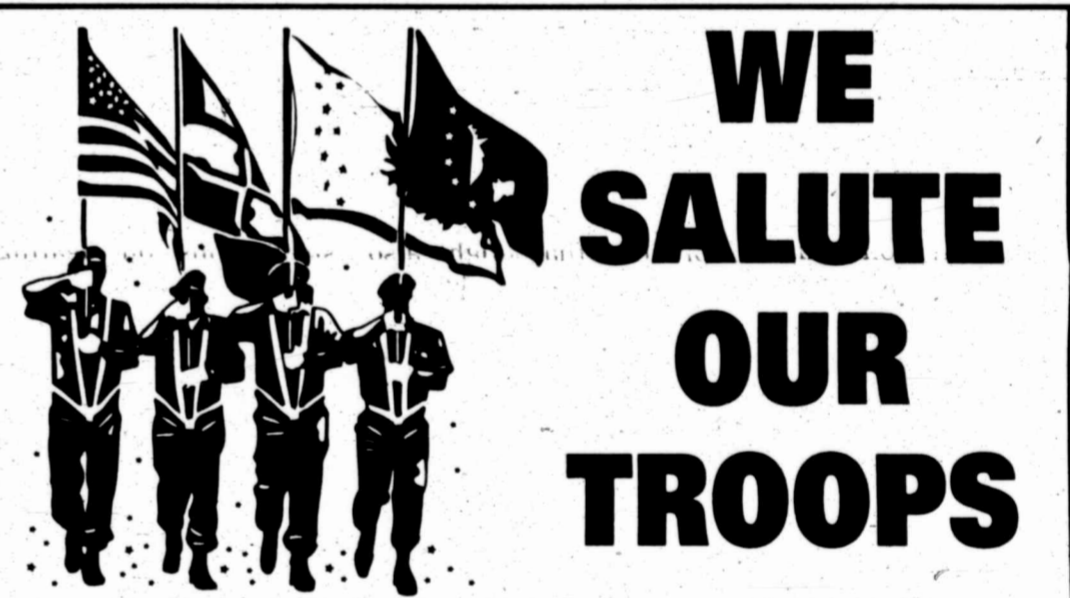
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Go online and check out www.thatstracin.com for the latest information and news on stock-car racing, updated daily.

"I don't think we had the best car today. We just drove a good, smart strategy and they made some good calls on pit lane."

— Robby Gordon, after winning last week's 2003 Sirius at The Glen.



TOUGH LUCK



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Despite earning five top-five finishes and nine top 10s, Mark Martin is 15th in the Winston Cup points standings, 798 points behind the points leader.

Winless year frustrates veteran racer Mark Martin

By Mike Brudenell
Knight Ridder Newspapers

Heading to Michigan this time last year, Mark Martin was nipping at Sterling Marlin's heels for the lead in the NASCAR Winston Cup championship.

Martin finished fifth to fellow Ford racer Dale Jarrett in the Pepsi 400 at Michigan International Speedway Aug. 18 with Martin hot on his tail in sixth place.

Unfortunately, Marlin would crash heavily at Richmond three races later, suffering a serious neck injury that would eventually sideline him in the title chase. Martin continued to run hard for the remainder of the year, finishing runner-up to new champion Tony Stewart.

For Martin, who drives for Roush Racing, 2003 hasn't been nearly as kind. After 23 of 36 Cup races, he's in 15th place, a whopping 798 points behind teammate Matt Kenseth, who is streaking away with the championship.

A perfectionist in just about everything he does, a veteran at 44, isn't impressed with his situation.

"I normally resist letting the media know how I feel, but I've got to admit this year's been the most frustrating year I can remember in a very long time," said Martin. "But we can't self-destruct. We have to work our way through this."

It's not that Martin, who has yet to win a Cup championship, has driven badly this season. In fact, he's had five top-five finishes and placed in the top 10 on nine occasions.

Although he did have engine problems at Las Vegas (43rd) and Atlanta (42nd), he's been a threat to win at least six races throughout the year.



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Martin likes the wide-open spaces at Michigan and hopes to turn around his fortunes there.

"I had a spectacular car at Watkins Glen last week and we still finished 10th," said Martin, who drives the No. 6 Viagra Ford. "We just haven't been very lucky."

Lucky or fuel smart, Martin isn't quite sure. "Gas mileage and track position have won a lot of races this year," said Martin, who has been caught out on several yellows thrown this year, the most recent at the Glen on Sunday when Rusty Wallace flew off the course on the 51st of 90 laps. "We haven't had much luck with either."

Martin, who'd be up with the race leaders to that point, had passed the pits when Wallace exited the course. Robby Gordon, who trailed Martin, happened to be in the right place at the right time, diving into the pits for fuel.

When the field pitted under caution on Lap 54, Gordon, who went on to win the race, was out ahead, with Martin tumbling in the shuffle of cars to 30th place.

"Cars that were behind me on the track all day were suddenly in front of us," Martin said. "I'm not pointing the blame at anyone. That won't get you better results."

Winning races on gas mileage has Martin, who'd much prefer to prove himself in side-by-side competition, puzzled too.

"Since Sears Point (in June), first place or most top-10 finishes have been determined by whoever is getting better fuel mileage," Martin said. "We all know Richard Childress Racing and DEI are getting better mileage than the rest."

Martin is looking forward to returning to superspeedways such as Darlington and Talladega this season, where positions are earned on the track and tires and good pit stops are more important than conserving fuel.

"You sort of feel helpless with the fuel thing," said Martin. "I enjoy good old-fashioned racing where cars that are fast are going to be up front. That's how racing used to be — fun and exciting."

While Michigan might also be decided by fuel, Martin likes the wide-open spaces on the two-mile oval.

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"Jack is a big supporter of mine," Martin said. "I'll give him the very best shot I've got in every race."

Last year, Martin showed team young guns Kenseth and Kurt Busch that there was still plenty of fight left in the old dog. In 2003, Busch (8th) and points leader Kenseth have outdistanced him.

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THIS WEEK'S RACE

GFS MARKETPLACE 400

Where: Michigan International Speedway, a two-mile paved banked oval located in Brooklyn, Mich.

When: Sunday at 2 p.m. (all times ET). Qualifying is 3:05 p.m. Friday.

TV: TNT.

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Last year's winner: Dale Jarrett.

Worth mentioning: There have been eight different race winners in the past eight Winston Cup races at Michigan, which ties Charlotte, New Hampshire and Pocono for the second-longest streak of different race winners. Martinsville holds the all-time record for different race winners, with 11 different winners between the spring of 1997 and the fall of 2002.



Jarrett

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THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

What has been the best Winston Cup spat of the season so far?

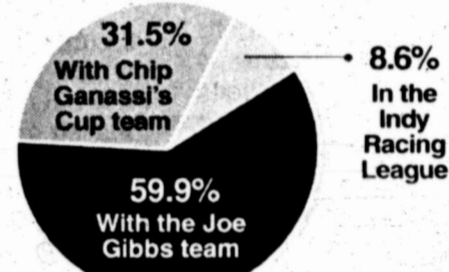
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Where will Tony Stewart drive in 2005?

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RANDOM THOUGHTS

A list of who's hot and who's not in Winston Cup racing.

Who's hot...

Richard Childress Racing teammates **Kevin Harvick** and **Robby Gordon** each have five top-10 finishes in the past seven races and each has won a race during the period.

Ryan Newman has five consecutive finishes of 11th or better including three top fives.

Who's not

Jeff Gordon has finished 24th, 36th and 33rd in three of his past four races and lost 162 points on leader Matt Kenseth during that span.

Jeff Burton had four consecutive top-10 finishes from Daytona through the second Pocono race, but his past two races he has finished 27th and 31st.



Harvick

— Jim Utter

BY THE NUMBERS

WINSTON CUP POINTS LEADERS

The top-40 drivers as of Aug. 10:

Rank/Driver	Points	Rank/Driver	Points
1. M. Kenseth (17)	3294	21. G. Biffle (16)	2204
2. D. Earnhardt Jr. (8)	3036	22. J. McMurray (42)	2194
3. J. Gordon (24)	2898	23. J. Benson (10)	2118
4. J. Johnson (48)	2816	24. J. Nemechek (25)	2111
5. K. Harvick (29)	2778	25. R. Rudd (21)	2095
6. M. Waltrip (15)	2777	26. D. Blaney (77)	2091
7. B. Labonte (18)	2768	27. D. Jarrett (88)	2064
8. K. Busch (97)	2696	28. J. Spencer (7)	2042
9. R. Newman (12)	2636	29. J. Mayfield (19)	1988
10. R. Gordon (31)	2627	30. T. Bodine (54)	1943
11. T. Stewart (20)	2550	31. K. Wallace (23)	1904
12. R. Wallace (2)	2519	32. S. Park (30)	1821
13. J. Burton (99)	2512	33. J. Green (1)	1719
14. T. Labonte (5)	2501	34. Q. Mears (41)	1679
15. M. Martin (6)	2496	35. T. Raines (74)	1515
16. S. Martin (40)	2373	36. K. Petty (45)	1512
17. B. Elliott (9)	2347	37. K. Schrader (49)	1475
18. E. Sadler (38)	2269	38. J. Andretti (43)	1231
19. R. Craven (32)	2253	39. J. Sprague (0)	1284
20. W. Burton (22)	2225	40. M. Skinner (4)	1067

GRAND NATIONAL POINTS LEADERS

The top-20 drivers as of Aug. 5:

Rank/Driver	Points	Rank/Driver	Points
1. S. Riggs	3037	11. M. Bliss	2531
2. D. Green	3030	12. K. Kahne	2516
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NEXT RACE: Saturday, Cabela's 250, Michigan.

TRUCK SERIES POINTS LEADERS

The top-10 drivers as of Aug. 8:

Rank/Driver	Points	Rank/Driver	Points
1. B. Gaughan	2315	6. R. Crawford	2178
2. T. Kvapil	2308	7. B. Hamilton	2163
3. T. Musgrave	2294	8. J. Leffler	2071
4. D. Setzer	2210	9. C. Edwards	2057
5. J. Wood	2182	10. T. Cook	2018

NEXT RACE: Aug. 20, O'Reilly 200, Bristol, Tenn.

RANKINGS

THAT'S RACIN'S TOP PICKS

1. Matt Kenseth (car No. 17): Michigan might just be the place where this team puts any championship doubts to rest. Last week: 1.

2. Dale Earnhardt Jr. (car No. 8): Made up 28 points last week. Now needs to gain 19 every week to catch Kenseth. Last week: 3.

3. Ryan Newman (car No. 12): Could also be a serious threat at Michigan after top-10 finish in Sirius at The Glen. Last week: 2.

4. Kevin Harvick (car No. 29): If an NFL team is in need of a punter, he might be worth a look after the way he booted Jeff Gordon. Last week: 4.

5. Kurt Busch (car No. 97): This team will go for a 2003 season sweep at Michigan this weekend. Last week: 5.

6. Robby Gordon (car No. 31): Could he finally be ready to realize the potential everyone's always thought he had? Last week: 10.

7. Jimmie Johnson (car No. 48): Finished a solid fourth at The Glen after starting shotgun following an engine change. Last week: 7.

8. Jeff Gordon (car No. 24): First Greg Biffle on Lap 1. Then Kevin Harvick on Lap 90. Gordon season was open at The Glen. Last week: 6.

9. Michael Waltrip (car No. 15): Sixth in the standings, Waltrip is well on his way toward bettering his previous career-best points finish of 12th. Last week: 8.

10. Tony Stewart (car No. 20): A little extra fuel mileage here and there certainly wouldn't hurt this team's results. Last week: 11.

For the rest of the top-40 rankings, go online and visit www.thatstracin.com.

Kidding aside, Watkins Glen needs serious help

Late last Sunday, large garbage trucks rumbled around the garage at Watkins Glen International. It must have been extraordinarily difficult to figure out what to haul away and what to leave behind.

OK, OK. Enough cheap shots. There's no reason to keep criticizing the place where Robby Gordon won a Winston Cup race last weekend.

It's too easy, for one thing, and it's also far too easily misunderstood.

Every time the media reports on conditions at the 2.45-mile track, the critique is turned back on the source. Just because the press isn't "coddled" as much here, this backboard logic goes, reporters gripe and moan about Watkins Glen.

Still, it is a disgrace that the temperature in media work areas topped 80 degrees Sunday afternoon, and that the single grinal in the single men's bathroom funneled fluid only

to the floor. The substandard media facilities are but one symptom of a cancer of neglect that infects Watkins Glen. And this patient is on the critical list.

The garage area is awful. Two Winston Cup teams must wedge their cars in at angles through one door. Teams parked on the uphill side have a little bit of breathing room, but those on the other side are squeezed like a size-8 foot into a size-5 shoe.

Many of the fans who come to the Glen don't bother trying to find a seat in bleachers scattered across the property. They meander from their campsites, catching glimpses of cars here and there as they speed by. And many are perfectly happy to do so.

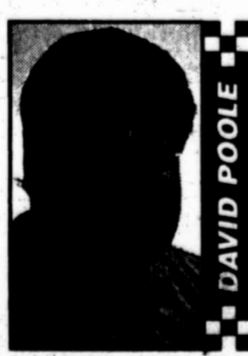
These fans are every bit as devoted to racing as ones who come to

Bristol, Darlington or Daytona. They come at dawn and stay until dusk, grilling food and quaffing cool ones to wile away the hours. They may not be able to see the whole track, but

truth be told only those fans who can afford the best seats at most tracks can say they do.

The people who work at Watkins Glen know their track has shortcomings. But when Winston Cup racing comes to New York's Finger Lakes region — one of the most picturesque regions the circuit visits all year — these workers do what they can with what they've got and soldier on in the face of sometimes withering criticism, fair or unfair.

International Speedway Corporation owns this track, and if it's ever going to get any better here,



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Cubs cut Astros' lead to 1 game in NL Central

CHICAGO (AP) — Moises Alou hit a three-run homer and Chicago's bullpen didn't allow a run over the final 4 2-3 innings as the Cubs beat the Houston Astros 6-4 Wednesday.

The Cubs moved within 1 1/2 games of the Astros in the NL Central. Second-place St. Louis, which began the day one game back, failed to pull even by dropping a game

at Pittsburgh. Houston lefty Jeriome Robertson (11-6), bidding to become the first rookie this season with 12 wins, entered the fifth with a 4-3 lead before giving up singles to Kenny Lofton and Alex Gonzalez.

Dan Miceli relieved and struck out Sammy Sosa before Alou lofted a long drive to left for his 18th homer, sending the Cubs ahead 6-4.

Cubs starter Shawn Estes lost control in the fifth and walked the first two batters. After Jeff Bagwell struck out, Jeff Kent grounded to shortstop, but Gonzalez's throw got by third baseman Aramis Ramirez for an error loading the bases.

Estes then walked Richard Hidalgo on four pitches to force in the tying run before Lance Berkman greeted reliever

Mark Guthrie (1-3) with a sacrifice fly to make it 4-3.

Guthrie got the final out of the inning and Antonio Alfonseca, Kyle Farnsworth, Mike Remlinger and Joe Borowski combined to hold Houston scoreless the rest of the way. Borowski pitched the ninth for his 22nd save in 26 chances.

Hildago hit his 21st homer, a solo shot in the

first, to give the Astros an early lead.

Ramirez doubled in a run and Damian Miller had a two-run double as the Cubs scored three in the second.

Morgan Ensberg's double, a walk to Bagwell and Kent's RBI single cut it to 3-2 in the third and the Astros had a potential big inning ended when Bagwell was thrown out trying to steal third.

IN BRIEF

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 through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.. Tickets will go on sale to the general public on Monday.

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

For more information contact Kay Cook at 264-3662.

Young Guns tourney slated for Stanton

The Young Guns Softball Tournament will be held Saturday and Sunday in Stanton.

Teams should register by Friday. Entry fee into the event is \$115 per team. Class D and E teams only.

For more information contact Ernesto Gonzalez at 756-3654.

Longhorns to host softball tourney

The Big Spring Longhorns will host the Hook-Em Ups For LULAC Softball Tournament on Aug. 23-24 at Comanche Trail Park.

The entry fee is set at \$125 per team, with the top three teams receiving prizes. The first-place team will receive entry fee for LULAC. The first team eliminated will receive t-shirts.

Deadline to enter is Aug. 21.

For more information call Sally Grant at 393-5237 or Mike Hilario at 267-6619.

Football officials needed for '03

Football officials are needed for the upcoming 2003 season. Persons interested should call Delvin Guinn at (432) 267-9729.

BSYSA sign-ups begin Saturday

Big Spring Youth Soccer Association registration is scheduled to begin Saturday at the Big Spring Mall. Sign-ups will run from 1-5 p.m.

Registration will also be held on Aug. 23 from 1-5 at the mall, and from Aug. 18 to Aug. 22 at All-District Sports.

The cost is \$35 per child. There is no fundraising drive.

Da Playaz to hold softball tourney

Da Playaz Softball Tournament is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday at Cotton Mizze Field.

The tournament is open to Class D and E teams. Entry fee is \$125 per team.

For more information, contact Rudy Ortega Sr. at (432) 263-6406 or Rudy Ortega Jr. at (432) 267-6643.

ON THE AIR

Sports Broadcast Schedule		
Event	Time	Station
Rangers vs. Detroit	6:30 p.m.	1490
Aug. 15		
Astros vs. Cincinnati	5:05 p.m.	1490
Cowboys vs. Texans	6:30 p.m.	95.7
Aug. 16		
Tenants vs. Cowboys	6:45 p.m.	94.3
Aug. 18		
Astros vs. Cincinnati	11:55 a.m.	1490
Aug. 19		
Rangers vs. White Sox	6:30 p.m.	1490

Murrell signs on with Dallas

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Running back Adrian Murrell, who last played in the NFL three seasons ago, signed Wednesday with the Dallas Cowboys.

Murrell worked out for the Cowboys in the morning, then signed a contract and took part in the team's afternoon practice.

Murrell has played eight seasons, the last in 2000 for Washington when he had just 20 carries for 50 yards. He played for Cowboys coach Bill Parcells in 1997 on the New York Jets, gaining 1,086 yards and scoring seven touchdowns.

Since Parcells came to Dallas, the Cowboys released NFL career rushing leader Emmitt Smith but didn't make a move to replace him, essentially turning the job over to backup Troy Hambrick. Hambrick struggled along with the whole offense in the pre-season opener, and Parcells has talked all camp about Hambrick needing to win the job.

Parcells said he had no complaints about Hambrick and just wants to see Murrell.

"He was a 1,000-yard rusher several times, so he had good running skills, and I'm just turning over every rock," Parcells said. "I know the player well and just want to see if there is anything left. He understands, I understand. We had that discussion."

Murrell, 32, has 5,092 yards on 1,347 carries (3.8 ypg) with 23 touchdowns and 28 fumbles in 119 career games. He had three straight 1,000-yard seasons from 1996-98.

The Cowboys also are uncertain about running back Michael Wiley, who was in Birmingham, Ala., on Wednesday for a second opinion about his shoulder injury.

Parcells said Murrell could add needed depth if Wiley has surgery.

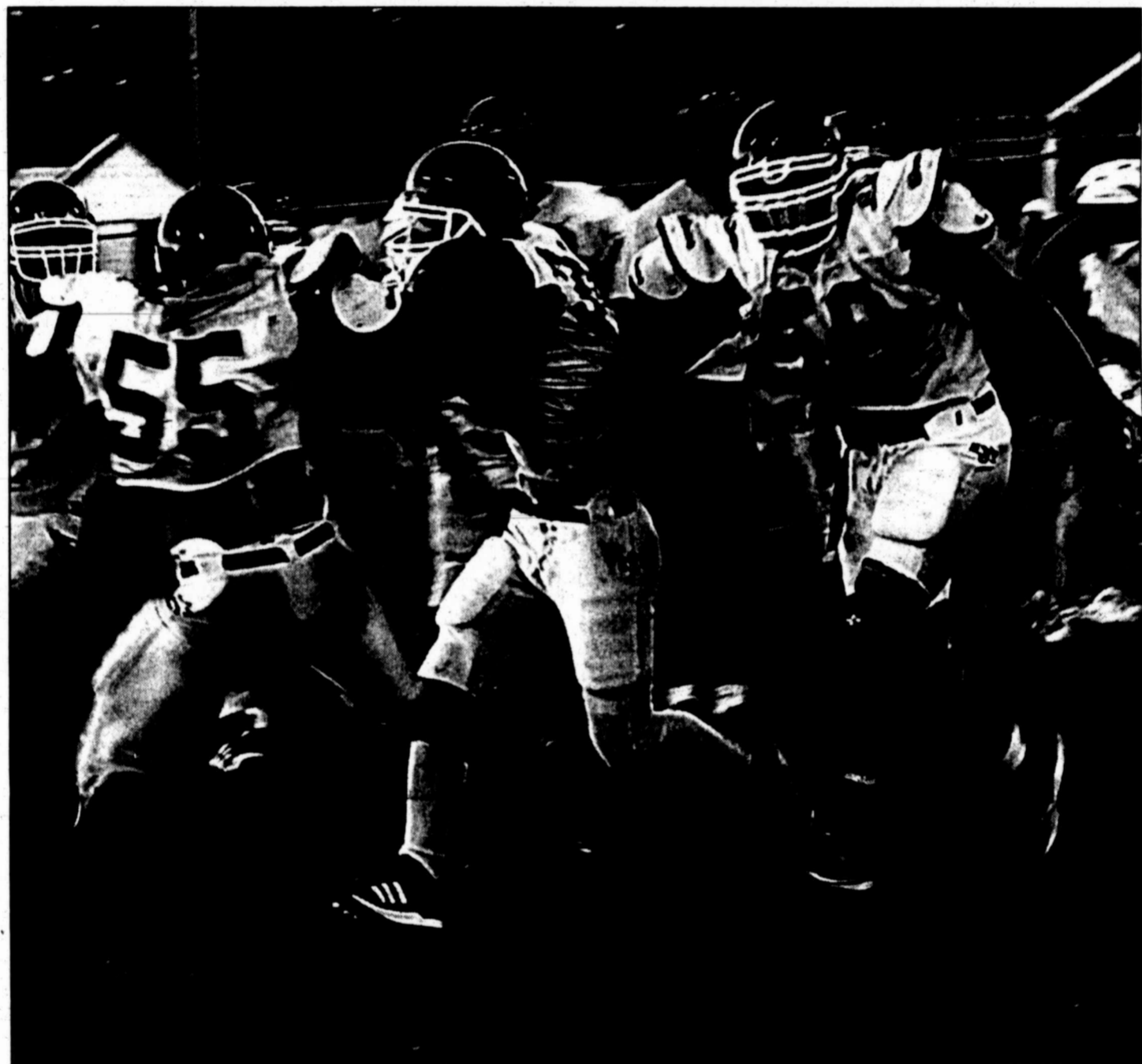
Lucas could leave Baylor

HOUSTON (AP) — John Lucas III, Baylor's starting point guard, has received his release to talk to other schools about transferring, the player said Wednesday.

Baylor president Robert Sloan any player who requests a release will be granted one. He also said the school would support a petition to the NCAA to waive the requirement that players sit out a year after transferring.

Lucas said several schools, including Georgetown and Arkansas, have contacted him.

GETTING READY



The Big Spring Steers will be going through the final preparation for the scrimmage with El Paso Socorro today and tomorrow at Blankenship Field. The Steers will host Socorro in the first of two preseason scrimmages beginning at 4 p.m. Saturday at Memorial Stadium.

Palmiero, Rodriguez homer in Rangers' 7-3 romp over Tigers

ARLINGTON (AP) — Rafael Palmiero hit a three-run homer and Alex Rodriguez had a two-run shot as the Texas Rangers beat the Detroit Tigers 7-3 Wednesday night.

Palmiero's 29th homer in the second inning gave the Rangers a 6-1 lead. Rodriguez's 32nd put Texas ahead 2-0 in the first.

R.A. Dickey (7-5) allowed three runs and seven hits over six innings to win his third straight start. He struck

out three and walked two. Francisco Cordero entered the ninth with one out and two runners on base. After an out, he walked Alex Sanchez to load the bases and then got Warren Morris to hit a grounder to first for his ninth save.

Michael Young went 3-for-4 for the Rangers, who've won eight of 12 in August and are 26-20 since June 24.

Carlos Pena homered for the Tigers, who've lost 20 of their last 26.

The Rangers took a 3-0 lead in the first as Tigers starter Mike Maroth (6-17) threw 41 pitches. Young doubled and Rodriguez hit his seventh homer in 12 games in August.

Palmiero followed with his second triple in a week after not getting one since 2000. He scored on Hank Blalock's bloop single.

Detroit made it 3-1 in the second on Brandon Inge's RBI single.

In the Texas second, Young and Mark Teixeira

singled, and Palmeiro hit the 519th homer of his career.

Pena's 12th homer leading off the fourth and Bobby Higginson's RBI single in the fifth reduced the Rangers' lead to 6-3.

Maroth allowed six runs and eight hits over five innings as he lost for the fourth time in five decisions.

Blalock's double drove in Marcus Thames from first base in the sixth to extend Texas' advantage to 7-3.

Prosecution rests in ex-Cowboys' manslaughter trial

DALLAS (AP) — In its opening salvo of the hit-and-run manslaughter trial of former Dallas Cowboys defensive back Dwayne Goodrich, the defense called to the stand Wednesday an expert who testified that he believes the player was not intoxicated at the time of a Jan. 14 accident on Interstate

35 that left two men dead.

Gary Wimbish of Forensic Toxicology Consultants of Milford testified he had dinner with Goodrich and they ordered the same amount of drinks in the hours before the accident. A nurse went along and later did blood-alcohol tests on Goodrich,

Wimbish said. The results, Wimbish said, were a reading of .002. The blood-alcohol level at which a person is considered legally intoxicated in Texas is .008.

Although intoxication is not a part of the manslaughter charge, jurors have heard testimony describing how

Goodrich went to dinner and then to two topless clubs in the hours before the accident.

Before the hit-and-run, a car had rear-ended a disabled tractor-trailer about 2:15 a.m. and caught fire in the northbound lanes of I-35 in northwest Dallas, also known as Stemmons Freeway.

Roddick advances, Ferrero eliminated in Cincinnati

MASON, Ohio (AP) — Andy Roddick, fresh off his Canada Masters victory Sunday, advanced to the round of 16 at the Cincinnati Masters by defeating Ivan Ljubicic 6-1, 6-4 Wednesday.

Roddick had 10 aces and breeze to the victory.

Roddick will play James Blake, who defeated Sjeng Shalcken 6-1, 6-4. Blake pumped his fist as he walked off the court to a standing ovation.

French Open champion Juan Carlos Ferrero was eliminated in the second round, losing 6-7 (3), 7-6 (5), 6-4 to unseeded Gaston Gaudio.

Last week, Ferrero had advanced to the third

round of the Canada Masters before losing.

The second-seeded Ferrero had 16 aces to Gaudio's six but was undone by 10 double-faults and 40 unforced errors to Gaudio's 24.

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Reward for little g lost Chinese Pug mon. old. Lost in area of Mulber Please call 263-4298

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'93 ext. cab Ch Silverado. 29 ft Pro Travel Trailer. 2 yr. paint mar. C Chihuahua puppy. 263-1701
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Garage Sale: 1010 Derrick Rd. off Midway Rd., Sat. 8-7. Sectional sofa, Wiedler, home gym, commercial Bunn tea machine, sewing machine and more.

Garage Sale: 2505 Lynn, Sat-Sunday 8-7. Furn., children's toys & clothes and lots of misc.

Garage Sale: 600 Steady, Fri & Sat 8-2. All size clothes, curios, dishes, upright freezer, furn. & more.

Garage Sale: Sat. 8-2, 109 S. Gland. Electric range, wood frame windows, baby items, clothes & lots misc.

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Found 2 very friendly male dogs in the area of Old Colorado City Hwy/ near Snyder Hwy. Call 213-0500

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BY JOYCE JILLSON
Touchy-feely Pisces vibes are working on us. Trust their power instead of being aggressive about getting your way in love or at work. Putting your longing out there on a mental and spiritual level will attract what you want to you. Grabbing it will only cause your object of desire to recoil. Emulate the strengths of a partner.



Joyce Jillson

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You worry too much. Calm down. There is a concern about how you will achieve your goals. With commitment, research and patience, the means will come. Everyone has advice on a new love interest; trust your own instincts.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You've got what it takes to attract the one you've been watching. However, if this person is at work, it's better just to skip it. An infatuation with a colleague could get out of hand too easily.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You're excellent when the pressure is up. There's a snag at work. Make sure to do a thorough diagnosis of the problem before you ask for help. Not knowing exactly what is wrong will stop you from getting the solution.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Three e's take over your thinking: excitement, expedition and expansion. If traveling, you'll have the absolute best time right now. Outlandish ideas go over well - it's like the whole world is on your wavelength.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Important transactions and financial alliances are featured. Mingle with those who can spark your enthusiasm and keep you on your toes. Dress up, so you'll feel like showing off. Art objects are worthwhile investments.

TOMORROW'S BIRTHDAY (August 15). This year, you take control and soar to new heights. The incredible coincidences that mark the next six weeks are not coincidence at all. Is it so hard to believe that someone out there wants you to succeed? You've got a way of inspiring people to do their best, and could make big money as a consultant or teacher this fall. Your lucky numbers are: 10, 34, 12, 38 and 6.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Disputes at work are hard to avoid, so don't even bother. Just go in with your facts straight and your ego in check. You just might find out the opposition is more correct than you. Be willing to adjust quickly.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). It's one thing to know your purpose in life but another thing entirely to be able to put it into words on the page. Fiddle with this concept today. Don't worry - it doesn't have to be anything concrete.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You're great at everything you do - truly the only one to "beat" is your own last record. When you realize this, at first, you'll feel pretty terrific - until you realize how hard it is to do consistently better than before.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). What you're working toward is right around the bend, but it's impossible to see because the road winds. Making small changes at home improves your mood. Musical talent could bring acclaim if you're willing to practice hard.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Work that doesn't fit into your value system will be hard to connect with. Consider your strengths before you enroll yourself in a job that's really not you. Your best love prospects are Taurus and Virgo.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Put practical considerations aside, and immerse yourself in the frivolity of your mood. This is the way you come up with your most brilliant plan yet - by distracting yourself from thinking too hard.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Get to the bottom of your hunger instead of relying on willpower alone.

You've done your part, and now, support is there when you need it. Complete strangers are open and giving. Show appreciation for favors.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "I was born April 21, 1968, and am totally worn out and overworked. My friends tell me to get a hobby to take my mind off of the worries of work, but taking on a hobby just seems expensive and tiresome. Plus, I don't think I've got much talent to explore that's not being used up at work already. What should I do?"

Have you considered gardening? You would benefit greatly from the grounding, calming effect you'll experience when you're in contact with Earth. You - an earth sign, Taurus, with a Taurus moon - were born with a green thumb. Moon in Taurus signifies a natural aptitude for working with the plant kingdom, as well as a deep, nourishing rapport with Earth herself. With your moon placement, you need another kind of grounding as well - financial, domestic and material security to foster your emotional well-being. Your chart shows Mercury and Mars in Taurus, too, indicating a fundamentally practical mind and the ability to build slowly and steadily until you reach your goals. To relieve financial strain, consider finding ways to make your garden pay.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Magic Johnson is a superstar Leo athlete whose charitable donations this year could reach record highs. Leos are known for both their playful connection to children and their generosity. Johnson could also have a surge of interest from large corporations who want to him to speak at their conventions. This star basketball player could go into serious training this year, but this time in public speaking.

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3BR, 2 bath, CH/A, \$550/mo. plus deposit. 2407 Carleton. Call 263-6997

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TOO LATES

Garage Sale, 1508 E. 15th. Fri. & Sat. 8-7. Tools, Bedroom set, lawn mower, BBQ pit, clothes, lots of misc.

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2 Family Garage Sale, 3612 Dixon, 8-4 Fri. & 8-12 Sat. Lots to choose from and all priced to sell.

Combining Household Sale: Sat. 7:30-7, 603 Linda Lane. Dinette/6 chair set, stainless steel push type mower, little girls clothes size 4 to 6x, boys 14-16, nice dresses from 14 to plus, Western boots, glassware, jewelry and much more.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Foran will hold a meeting at 7:00 P.M. on August 21, 2003 at City Hall to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for the year 2003. The proposed tax rate is 444991 per \$100 of value. #3967 August 14th, 15th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th & 21st, 2003

Explore Your World!

All you have to do is Read.

Annie's Mailbox:

Dear Annie: A few weeks ago, our 13-year-old son, "Mike," was invited to a birthday swim party at the home of a classmate. Five other boys also were invited. We recently moved to this area and were pleased that Mike had made new friends.



ANNIE'S MAILBOX

I talked to the mother, who seemed nice, and she promised that the party would be well-supervised. However, when my husband picked Mike up later, he noticed his bathing suit was completely dry, although his hair was wet. It seems the boys had been skinny-dipping. The mother apparently went out shopping, and the father convinced the boys to join him in the pool, naked.

When I found out what went on, I hit the roof. Later, I called the mother, and we had it out on the phone. She says her husband and son swim nude all the time and there's nothing indecent about it. I accused her husband of child abuse. She threatened to sue me and hung up. We then talked to the police about it, but they say if there is no sexual contact between the adult and the boys, no law has been broken.

Legal or not, we don't feel good about it. We have refused to allow Mike to have any contact with the boy or his family. Mike is furious at us for keeping him away from his new best friend. I spoke with the other boys' parents, and they don't see a problem. One mother even told me to apologize. Now we are having second thoughts about our decision. What do you think? - All Wet in North Carolina

Dear All Wet: Accusing the father of child abuse was an overreaction, but we agree that it is completely inappropriate for an adult male to encourage 13-year-old boys to swim naked with him. Those parents should have told you what the swim party entailed and asked your permission before inviting Mike to remove his clothes. Don't prevent Mike from seeing his friend, but have the boy come to your house instead of the other way around. Teach your son how to protect himself from potential child molesters, and tell him to report any disturbing behavior to you.

Dear Annie: I live in a nice neighborhood. Most of the residents take pride in having a nice lawn and flowerbeds. But one of my neighbors and her dog are driving me batty. "Lilly" and her husband have no lawn or flowers, but they do have plenty of trees. However, whenever Lilly takes "Rover" outside, she walks the dog around the neighborhood, letting Rover go wherever he wants. Lilly particularly likes doing his business near my front steps, and Lilly seems to guide him in that direction.

Lilly picks up after Rover, but my lawn is not doing well with all the extra fertilizing and foot traffic. Is there a polite way to tell Lilly to take her dog elsewhere and stop hanging out in front of my house? - Creeped Out in Charlotte, N.C.

Dear Charlotte: Lilly is trespassing and damaging your property by allowing her dog to use it as a regular potty stop. Try the nice approach first. Pay a visit to Lilly, and ask her to keep Rover off your lawn. If that doesn't work, report her to the police. Her behavior sounds deliberately malicious. © 2003 CREATORS SYNDICATE, INC.

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6 PM	News Wheel	King of the Hill	(CC) Zocomoofo	7th Heaven (CC)	News Ent. Tonight	News Wheel (CC)	News Wheel (CC)	Friends (CC) MLB	El Manantial	Blind Date	15-Minute Movie: The Mean	Movie: Soul Survivors (CC)	Medical Detect	(CC)	Joe McGee John Hage	American Justice	New Detectives	Law & Order (CC) (DVS)	Sister, Sister Litale	
7 PM	Blooper Celebration	NFL Preseason	Soul Coomes Home (CC)	Movie: Down Periscope	Amazing Race	Blooper Celebration	Friends (CC) Will & Grace	San Diego Padres at Atlanta Braves	Rebecca	Star Trek: Next	Season	Survivors (CC)	Protect and Serve	Movie: Men In	Update/Israel	Biography: Tom Clancy	Critical Rescue	Movie: Grease	Movie: Grease	Sister, Sister Litale
8 PM	Extreme Makeover	Oakland Raiders at Soundstage	Soundstage	CSI: Crime Scene	Extreme Makeover	Extreme Makeover	Friends (CC) Will & Grace	Atlanta Braves	Nina Amada	Elimination	Movie: Legally	Secrets of the	Latin Kings	Light of the Southwest	Columbo Goes	Jaws of the Pacific	Jaws of the Pacific	Jaws of the Pacific	Sister, Sister Litale	
9 PM	Primitime Thursday	Francisco 49ers	Featuring Chicago	Whose Line? Whose Line?	Without a Trace (CC)	Primetime Thursday	Boomtown (CC)	Sainfeld (CC)	Aqui y Ahora	Ren & Stimpy	Movie News	Mystery of the	Street Gang Story (CC)		Gullotine	Shark Under Glass	Movie:	Movie:	Sister, Sister Litale	
10 PM	News Nightline	70s Show Raymond	(CC) Dr. Wayne	700 Club (CC)	News Late Show	News (CC) Nightline	News (CC) Tonight	Movie: Nowhere to Run (CC)	Primer Impacto	Stripperella	Movie: Jorge	Boxing: Barrios vs. Acelino	Protect and Serve	Taxicab Confessions	Hour of Healing	Third Watch (CC)	Critical Rescue	Movie:	Boy World Proud Family	
11 PM	Jimmy Kimmel	Sudden-Susan	Dyer: There's a	Caroline Rhea	(CC) PGA Champ	Ent. Tonight Jimmy	(CC) Late Night	Run (CC)	En las Mejoras	Blind Date	45 Movie: Highlander (CC)	Barrios vs. Acelino	Secrets of the	Greenlight	Sam Peak	Biography: Tom Clancy	Jaws of the Pacific	Jaws of the Pacific	Boy World Smart Guy	
12 AM	Paid Program Cowboy	Blind Date Beyond	Solution to Every	Paid Program	Late Late Show (CC)	Live (CC) Oprah	(CC) Frasier (CC)	12:15 Movie: The Big Hit	Camila	Highlander (CC)	Double Exposure	Tiger Claws III	Mystery of the	Legged Freaks	Update/Israel Joseph Good	Columbo Goes	Shark Under Glass	Movie: Sixteen	Sister, Sister Even Stevens	

DENNIS THE MENACE

"I'M TOO BIG FOR MY BRITCHES?! WHAT ABOUT THAT GUY?"

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"Not me." "Not me!"

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"WAAAH!"

"DO I KNOW HOW TO NAME THEM OR WHAT?!"

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"ORDINARY THINGS MADE OUT OF CHOCOLATE"

"WHAT WAS SO GOOD ABOUT IT?"

"IT WAS DELICIOUS!"

BLONDIE

"I CAN'T SLEEP! MAYBE I SHOULD GO DOWNSTAIRS AND GET A GLASS OF MILK"

"THAT WOULD REALLY WAKE ME UP"

"WE SHOULD HAVE A LITTLE FROGE IN THE BEDROOM JUST BIG ENOUGH TO HOLD A GLASS AND A CARTON OF MILK"

"...AND BREAD... SALAMI... PICKLES... MAYO... MUSTARD..."

This Date In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Aug. 14, the 226th day of 2003. There are 139 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 14, 1935, the Social Security Act became law.

On this date:

In 1848, the Oregon Territory was established.

In 1900, international forces, including U.S. Marines, entered Beijing to put down the Boxer Rebellion, which was aimed at purging China of foreign influence.

In 1917, China declared war on Germany and Austria during World War I.

In 1945, President Truman announced that Japan had surrendered unconditionally, ending World War II.

In 1947, Pakistan became independent of British rule.

In 1951, newspaper publisher William Randolph Hearst died in Beverly Hills, Calif.

In 1962, robbers held up a U.S. mail truck in Plymouth, Mass., making off with more than \$1.5 million.

In 1969, British troops arrived in Northern Ireland to intervene in sectarian violence between Protestants and Roman Catholics.

In 1973, the U.S. bombing of Cambodia came to a halt.

In 1981, Pope John Paul II left a Rome hospital, three months after being wounded in an attempt on his life.

Ten years ago: A jury in New York acquitted Washington lawyer Robert Altman of fraud charges for dealings linked to the Bank of Credit and Commerce International. Pope John Paul II denounced abortion and euthanasia as well as sexual abuse by American priests in a speech at McNichols Sports Arena in Denver.

Singer Buddy Greco is 77. Actress Alice Ghostley is 77. Singer Dash Crofts is 63. Rock singer David Crosby is 62. Country singer Connie Smith is 62. Former jockey Robyn Smith Astaire is 59. Comedian-actor Steve Martin is 58. Actress Susan Saint James is 57. Singer-musician Larry Graham is 57. Actor Antonio Fargas is 57. Author Danielle Steel is 56. "Far Side" cartoonist Gary Larson is 53. Rock singer-musician Terry Adams (NRBQ) is 53. Film composer James Horner is 50. Actress Jackie Harry is 47. Actress Marcia Gay Harden is 44. Former basketball player Earvin "Magic" Johnson is 44.

WIZARD OF ID

"IF I DIED TOMORROW, COULD YOU CLONE ME, WIZARD?"

"NOT RIGHT AWAY"

"WHY NOT?"

"I'D NEED AT LEAST A WEEK TO SOBER UP"

AGNES

"HOLY MOLY!"

"SEE? I ADDED A CUTE UPSWEPT HAIRSTYLE TO MY ARSENAL COUPLED WITH THE PAINTED SMILE, I'M NOW IRRESISTIBLE"

"YEP! GET YOURSELF A FERKY HAIRCUT, PLASTER ON A BIG, HONKING EAR-TO-EAR GRIN, AND THE WHOLE ROOM LIGHTS UP WITH GOODWILL AND FUN!"

"YOU LOOK LIKE A JACK O LANTERN ON A MEATHOOK."

"HEY... A LIGHT IS A LIGHT!"

HI AND LOIS

"MICROWAVES ARE SO CONVENIENT FOR PREPARING MEALS."

"WHAT ARE YOU MAKING?"

"RRRR"

"ICE-CREAM 'SOUP'"

MR. HOUSEWIFE

"CLAP"

"I TOLD YOU NOT TO DRINK FROM THE MILK CONTAINER."

SNUFFY SMITH

"THEY CLAIM A HARD DAY'S WORK WON'T KILL YA!!"

"IT WON'T, LUKEY!!"

"TH' DANGER COMES IN STRINGIN' A BUNCH OF 'EM TOGETHER!!"

BETLE BAILEY

"DIDN'T YOU SEE HIM COMING WHEN YOU WERE SPRAYING THE FENCE?"

"NO, BUT LOOK AT IT... THIS WAY..."

"YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE IN THE WORLD WITH A STRIPED DOG!"

"GEESE+MORR+WALKER"

Newsday Crossword

ACROSS

1 Stashes away

7 Pickling herb

11 Two-by-two craft

14 Show up

15 Field of 'expertise

16 Kickoff aid

17 Unidentifiable entrée

19 Reveal, in poetry

20 Actor Assante

21 Toga sporter

23 Compadre of Fidel

26 Rocky peak

27 Seattle hoopsters, for short

28 Catch of a sort

32 Goaded, with "on"

33 Irish Rose's man

34 "That was close!"

35 Former TWA rival

37 *la Douce*

41 Buttinsky

42 Confederacy foe

43 Post-office stamp

48 Mosquito barrier

49 Bud's buddy

50 Lao-_____

51 Desktop symbols

52 New Orleans cuisine

55 My Name Is Asher _____

56 Product recipe, say

61 1300 hours

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1 Detective Spade

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4 Actress Moreno

5 Turned inside out

6 Sunday speech

7 Rhett's last word

8 Ticked off

9 Grazing land

10 Pennsylvania city

11 _____ energy

12 Fill a cooler again

13 Laments loudly

18 Short grid gain

22 Out _____ limb

23 Use gum

24 Euphoric state

25 Beat by a nose

27 Do the crawl

29 Dawn droplets

30 Delivers a tirade

31 Attorneys' org.

35 Hammer end

36 Pompous sort

37 Public house

38 Urban uprising

39 Tends to the fairway

40 Green Gables girl

41 *The Music Man* star

42 Luau instrument

43 Brogue, e.g.

44 Herds

45 Restful spot

46 1997 Fonda role

47 Tied like a lasso

48 Fodder housing

52 Defeatist's word

53 Nutritionist's armts.

54 MBA's subj.

57 _____ v. Wade

58 Slowing, in mus.

59 That: Sp.

60 Countdown word

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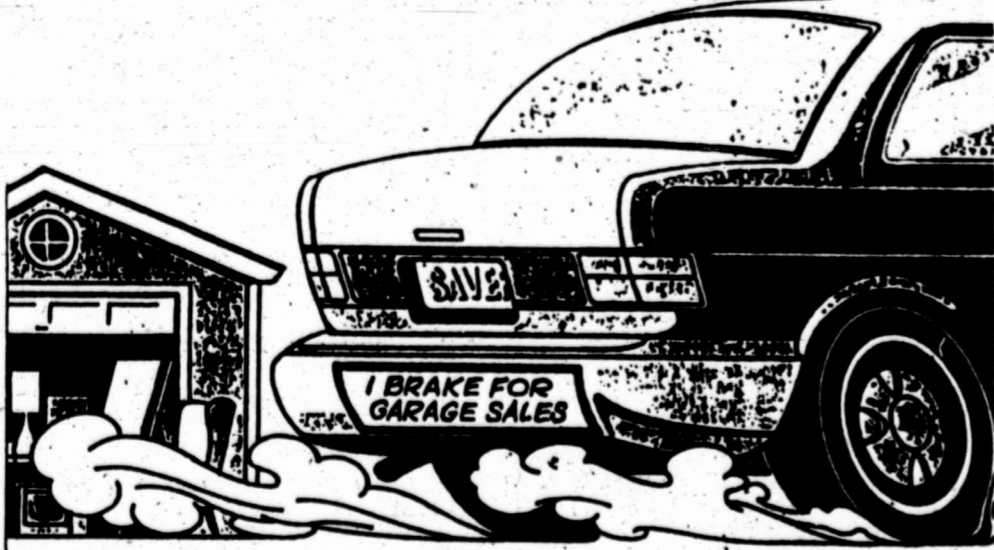
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