## FRIDAY

September 26, 2003

WEATHER

**Tonight:** 



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TONIGHT TOMORROW 64°-66° 82°-84°

## BRIEFLY

## SPOOKTACULAR NIGHT

The Big-Spring Area Chamber of Commerce is seeking retail businesses to participate in a Halloween night shoppers special from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Oct.

There is no cost to participate. However, businesses that do will be included in a drawing for use of a spotlight for one hour or a one-hour radio remote on Halloween night. The deadline to register for eligibility in the drawing is Tuesday, Sept. 30.

Merchants that want to participate in a "Night of Spooktacular Shopping" should call the chamber at 263-7641, or stop by 215 W. Third to fill out a brief registration form.

## VFW ESSAY CONTESTS

Area secondary students have a chance to voice their views on citizenship and perhaps win scholarship monies in the annual Veteran's of Foreign "Voice Wars Democracy" and "Patriot's Pen" essay contests.

"Voice The Democracy" national audio essay competition. This year's theme, "My Commitment to America's Future."

Patriot's Pen is for seventh and eighth graders who write an essay of 300-400 words. This year's theme is Dream 'My America."

Both local contests are open to students in Howard and Glasscock Counties.

The deadline to turn in the essays is Nov. 1. Application forms can be picked up at the participant's school office or by contacting Leo Welch at 263-1658.

Essays can be sent to P.O. Box 1921, Big Spring, 79721.

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# Firefighters to the rescue as streets flood

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

Big Spring firefighters found themselves suddenly very busy Thursday afternoon as heavy rains brought on a slew of water rescues in the Big Spring area.

Big Spring Marshall Carl Condray said firefighters responded to four calls related to the weather during the downpour, including two where motorists had to be removed from vehicles stranded in fast-moving waters.

"We made four runs that were attributed to weather," said Condray. "Three of them were high-water crossing\_ problems. The first was on the 11th Place extension over by Neighbor's

"The average car weighs about 4,500 pounds, so just three inches of water can

actually float it" Carl Condray Big Spring Fire Marshal

Convenience Store where we pulled a stranded motorist out of a vehicle.

"We also had an engine respond to Sixth Street and McEwen, but the people were already out of the vehicle on arrival and the next one was at Second Street and Benton.

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**HERALD** photo/Lyndel Moody

Randy Jones of Pat Gray Towing and Recovery sloshes through high waters to get to a stranded car on the Owens Street bridge Thursday. Heavy mid-afternoon rains caused serious flooding around



Courtesy photo

Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas Big Spring Family of the Year Pam and Richard Steel, along with their children, Jennie, 6, and Connor, 7, pose for a picture. The family will be honored at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 16, at the Green Tree Country Club in

# Strong faith in God binds Samaritan Center family of year

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

A strong faith in God is the glue that keeps this Samaritan year's Counseling Center of West Texas Big Spring Family of the Year together.

The Pam and Richard Steel family, which will be honored in October by the area faith-based counseling center, has resided in Big Spring for 10 years "I was overwhelmed

and humbled when I heard," said Pam. The youthful couple say faith in God and respect

for each other are the biggest contributing factors to a successful fami-

"First and foremost, it is our faith in God and our Lord and Savior," Richard said. "We look

toward his direction, and through him all things are possible."

"We also have respect for one another and communicate with other," Pam added.

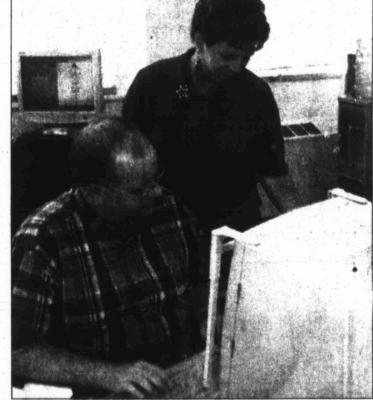
They both grew up in Dalhart but didn't start dating until they met at a wedding almost four years after Richard graduated from high school.

At that time, Pam wasan 18-year-old student at Texas Tech University and Richard, a Baylor University graduate, was working at State National Bank.

When Richard first came to Big Spring, he had planned to spend about two years in the community.

Now 14 years later, with a wife and two children

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**HERALD** photo/Thomas Jenkins Howard County Clerk Donna Wright goes over the list of delinquent fines with Deputy Clerk Brent Zitterkopf. The clerk's office has already managed to collect more than \$10,000 in delinquent fines since it began sending out let-

# Delinquent fines collection pays off for Howard County

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

Howard County residents that haven't shored up their fines with the county clerk's office may want to think twice before simply dismissing them as forgotten, as collections on outstanding fines from as far back as 1990 continue to garner attention within the clerk's office.

According to Howard County Clerk Donna Wright, a great deal of old fines have been cleared from the books thanks to the efforts of the clerk's office, and the funds it has generated are much appreciated.

"As of right now we've collected \$10,125 since Aug. 25," said Wright.

"We mailed out the letters on Aug. 25 and we gave them until Sept. 15. We had about 150° to 160 that

"We will work with them to get a plan set up so they can get these fines paid off. Otherwise they risk being arrested again, and I don't think anyone wants that."

Donna Wright, county clerk

were returned, and we went into a system where we can search for an address, and generated a new letter giving them a new date to respond by.

"At the end of the bud get each year, we always come out with \$400,000 to \$500,000 in delinquent fines. That's really very disturbing, when you have that money out there. The people did the crimes and they've been punished, and yet we're not collecting the money We have so many old ones that we couldn't do anything with until we tried to track them down."

Howard County Deputy Clerk Brent Zitterkopf has headed up the new. collection effort, and said although many residents don't live at the same address anymore, they're still able to locate the vast majority.

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## Fina Airsho 2003 to take flight this weekend

By THOMAS JENKINS

ters on Aug. 25.

Staff Writer

Planes of all shapes and sizes will take to the air this weekend, as the Fina Airsho 2003 celebrates both modern and antique avionics at the Commemorative Air Force airfield Saturday and

Alon USA President and CEO Jeff Morris, representing both the Israeli-owned company and

Airsho is being held in the Midland-Odessa area, he hopes Big Spring residents will make the short drive over to join in on the fun.

We hope our friends in Big Spring come over," said Morris: "We've invited all of the refinery folks and the leadership of Big Spring. Fina will be sponsoring. the Commemorative Air Force and it's really a great event.

Fina Oil, said although the Restoration of the planes and recognizing the heroes of World War II is very important to all of us. One of the reasons we're able to do everything we do today is because of the sacrifices those men and women made. It's important for us to be involved in honoring that."

> CAF Executive Director Bob Rice said he expects a fantastic performance during the Airsho. which will include a jet demon-

stration team from Canada.

"The Airsho this year is going to be fantastic, said Rice. "Our feature act is going to be the Canadian Forces Snowbirds and that's their official jet demonstration team. The last time the Snowbirds were here was back in 1995, and they are a really a fantastic team because they fly a really large formation of jet air-

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## Macedonio Mendez Landin



Macedonio Mendez Landin, 82, of Midland, formerly of Big Spring, died Tuesday, Sept. 23, 2003, at his residence. Vigil services will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, 2003, at the Nalley-Pickle and Welch Rosewood Chapel. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, 2003, at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church with the Rev. Richard Reagan, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow

at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Mr. Landin was born on May 9, 1921, in Ozona and married Belia Diaz on Nov. 10, 1951, in San Angelo. He came to Howard County in 1968 from Mitchell County. He worked for Ozona ISD and Big Spring ISD and had also farmed. After retiring, he worked part time at Hall-Bennett Hospital for seven years. He was a member of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church.

Survivors include his wife, Belia Landin of Midland; three sons and daughters-in-law, Joe and Nora Landin and Alonzo and Denettie Landin, all of Big Spring, and Macedonio Jr. and Mary Landin of Midland; three daughters and sons-in-law, Irma and Jose Ortega and Alice and Henry Villa, all of Big Spring, and Amanda and Bobby Porras of Midland; 26 grandchildren, Cindy Landin and husband, Sammy Rodriguez, Joe Landin, Jr. and wife, Jasmine, Paul and Veronica Landin, Rocky Ortega and wife, Corina, Roy Ortega and wife, Suzie, Roman, Randy and Rachel Ortega, Cierra and Jeremy Landin, April Draper and husband, Thomas, Cassandra Herzog and husband, Kenneth, Victor Yanez IV, Pete Yanez, Lisa Landin, Macedonio Landin III, Chris, Adam, Jacob and Michelle Villa, Natalie, Gabrielle and Arthur Hilario, and Kandyce and Mercedes Porras; seven great-grandchildren; one sister, Oralia Perez of Big Spring; and a niece, Adela Deanda of Big Spring.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Jose and Saragosa (Mendez) Landin; and one brother, Rosendo Landin.

Grandsons will serve as pallbearers and honorary pallbearers. Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home and Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.

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## **Ida Mae Camp**



Ida Mae Camp, 93, of Forsan, died on Sept. 24, 2003, in a local hospital. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, 2003, at the Nalley-Pickle and Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Jack Clinkscales, retired Baptist minister and the Rev. Jeff Janca, pastor of Forsan Baptist Church, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity, Memorial Park Peace Chapet!

Mrs. Camp was born on Sept. 30, 1909, in Hood County and married Theodore R. Camp on July 7, 1929, in Granbury. He preceded her in death on June 19, 1987.

Mrs. Camp came to Forsan in 1934 from Hood County. She was a homemaker. She was a member of Forsan Baptist Church.

Survivors include one son and daughter-in-law, T.A. and Jonel Camp of Big Spring; two daughters and sons-in-law, Faye and D. W. Day of Forsan and Linda and Pat Brunton of Skiatook, Okla.; five grandchildren and their spouses, Dennis and Dora Day of Forsan, Cindy and David Loveless of Big Spring, Lisa and Kary Richardson of Brownsville, Patty and Steve Loftin of Skiatook, Okla., and Michael Brunton of Skiatook, Okla.; nine great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers and two sisters.

The family will receive friends from 7 p.m. to 8:30

p.m. Friday at the funeral home. The family suggests memorials to Forsan Baptist

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

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# Weather

Tonight...Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 60s.

Southwest winds around 10 mph.

Saturday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 80s. Northeast winds 5 to 10 mph..Saturday night...Partly cloudy. Lows around 60.

Sunday...Partly cloudy. Highs around 80.

# Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Thursday night: Winning numbers drawn: 6-12-29-31-34. Number matching five of five: 0. Next Cash 5 drawing: Friday night.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 1-2-5

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## **Winifred Ball Millwee**



Winifred Ball Millwee, 83, of Big Spring, died on Sept. 24, 2003, in a local hospital. Funeral services will be held at 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, 2003, at the Nalley-Pickle and Welch Rosewood Chapel, with Ralph Anderson, minister of Birdwell Lane Church of Christ, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

She was born on Aug. 19, 1920, in McCaskill, Ark., and married Williford J. Millwee on March 10, 1942, in Alexandria, La. As the wife of a U.S. Air Force member, Mom lived in various locations in Texas, California, Japan, and N.C. Following Dad's retirement from the Air Force in 1967, they settled in Big Spring. Mom was employed with Gibson's Discount Center for 16 years. Twenty years ago she began volunteering at Scenic Mountain

positions. Following the death of Dad on Oct. 6, 1995, Mom moved to South Canterbury. She developed many friendships while residing there. These friendships and her activities provided her a source of further

Medical Center where she served in numerous work

enhancing her quality of life. Mom has always possessed an enduring devotion to her faith and family. Her unconditional love, sense of humor, and positive outlook on life has enriched our lives beyond words. Mom has touched the lives of many people through her warmth and compassion. While she is no longer physicaly present, her influence will be felt by generations yet to come. We love you, and look forward to being reunited with you.

Our family wishes to express our sincere appreciation to members of Birdwell Lane Church of Christ, the Scenic Mountain Medical Center Volunteers, residents of Canterbury, and her numerous friends. Their support and genuine affection have added significantly to the quality of life she has experienced over many

Mrs. Millwee was a member of the Church of Christ and the Elbow Extension Club.

Her survivors include two sons and daughters-inlaw, Tom and Mary Millwee of Austin, and Billy and Beverly Millwee also of Austin; one daughter and sonin-law, Martha and Stewart Dalton of Garden City; nine grandchildren and their spouses, Brian and Bridget Dalton of Lompoc, Ca., Jimmy and Paula Dalton of Garden City, Thomas Dalton of Denton, Jason Millwee of San Marcos, Jenny Millwee, Nicole and Bryce Taylor, Amanda Millwee, Elizabeth Millwee, Heather and Donavin Greenberg, all of Austin; six great grandchildren, Danny Dalton, Stewart Dalton, Marcus Dalton, Jacob Dalton, Kadie Ellen Dalton, and Sierra Greenberg.

She was preceded in death by her parents, eight brothers, and two sisters.

The family suggests memorials to the Children's

Home of Lubbock, P.O. Box 2824, Lubbock 79408 Arrangements under the direction of Nalley Pickle and Welch Funeral Home and Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com

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## Lynn "Junior" Edward Rhoudes Jr.

Lynn "Junior" Edward Rhoudes Jr. died Tuesday evening, Sept. 23, 2003, at University Medical Center in Lubbock following an oilfield fire accident Aug. 31,

Funeral services for Mr. Rhoudes, 41, of Big Spring will be held Saturday, Sept. 27, 2003, at 11 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Moran with minister Virgil Webb of Hobbs, N.M., officiating. Burial will follow directed by Morehart Mortuary at Moran Cemetery.

Mr. Rhoudes was born Oct. 28, 1961, in Knox City to parents Lynn Edward Rhoudes Sr. and Cleoda Hawley Rhoudes. He grew up in Hobbs before moving to this area. He workd as a truck driver for Dave's Tube and Testing in Big Spring.

He is survived by his parents, Lynn Rhoudes Sr. of Baytown and Cleoda Rhoudes of Moran; two daughters, Victoria Irene Rhoudes and Misty Rhoudes; and one son, Jason Rhoudes; four brothers, Jerry and wife Patricia Rhoudes of Moran, Jeff and wife Misty Rhoudes of Sweetwater, Lon and wife Lisa Rhoudes of Big Spring and Danny and wife, Carla Summers of North Carolina; a fiancee, Pansy "Stormy" Schnake of Big Spring. He also is survived by five nieces, Jerrica Rhoudes, Paige Rhoudes, Kaitlyn Rhoudes, Tessa Rhoudes and Krista Rhoudes; two nephews, Lambert Rhoudes and Austin Rhoudes; a grandmother, Irene Trapp of Baytown; and many friends and co-workers. Memorial gifts may be made to the church of Christ Children's Home.

## Eilene Johnson

Eilene Johnson, 71, of Big Spring died Friday, Sept. 26, 2003, at her home following a long illness. Services are pending at Myers and Smith Funeral Home.

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## SPRING HERALD



# **Bulletin** board

If you have items for the Bulletin board, contact the Herald news room at 263-7331 or email

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

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

AMBUCS, noon, La Posada, 206 NW Fourth St.

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

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

SATURDAY

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

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

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.

# Police blotter

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

 ADAM JUAREZ, 26, of 1310 Stanford, was arrested Thursday on a charge of no insurance.

· BRIAN VANDERBILT, 24, of 2509 Chanute, was arrested Thursday on warrants for no drivers license and failure to appear.

• JESS WOODRUFF, 18, of 1202 Lamar Street, was arrested Thursday on warrants for curfew violation, fighting and failure to appear.

 CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1600 block of Robin Street.

· BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported in the 400 block of E. Fourth Street. Car stereo equipment valued at \$625 was reported stolen. Damages are estimated at \$1,000.

# Sheriff's report

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

• ZACHARY WHITE TERRY, 26, was arrested.

Thursday by the HCSO on a parole violation.

· LUIS P. LOZANO, 41, was arrested Thursday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while intoxicated,

second offense LELA ANN WILLIAMS, 36, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke proba-

tion for burglary of a habitation. THEFT was reported

- in the 700 block of N. Main Street. Deputies

responded, steps to follow. in the area of Dairy Queen. Deputies were

dispatched, steps advised. No report taken. ASSAULT was reported in the 5700 block of

Midway Road. Deputies responded, subject was gone on arrival. Report was taken. • MISSING PERSON was reported in the 200 block of Texas. Deputies were dispatched, subject located at

the end of the street. Family members were notified and responded. ELECTRICAL LINE DOWN/FIRE in the 3000 block of Old Gail Highway. Deputies were dispatched,

Oncor was notified and responded. STRANDED MOTORIST was reported at the intersection of Highway 350 and Old Gail Highway. Deputies were dispatched and observed water level over vehicle's wheels. Subject was able to get out of

the vehicle without assistance. ROAD BLOCKAGE was reported on Highway 350, one mile east of F.M. 700 intersection. Dangerous water was crossing the roadway, TxDOT responded.

 ROAD BLOCKAGE/HAZARD was reported near Hilltop Road. Deputies advised water was crossing road and needed to be blocked off. Road and bridge was notified and responded. Loop road was also blocked due to high waters.

 MAJOR ACCIDENT was reported at the 194 mile marker of Interstate Highway 20. Complainant advised of 18 wheeler blocking traffic and another vehicle in separate accident on the other side of the truck. Accident report to follow by DPS.

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planes, up to nine planes. That really makes them unique in comparison

with other teams.
"We're also going to have our CAF World War II airplanes which we are all so proud of, and they do a wonderful job for us in relating the major aviation stories of World War II. They're going to re-enact some of the major battles of World War II, such as the bombing of Pearl Harbor, as well as some of the Pacific and European Theater battles.'

Rice said the Airsho will also feature many modern US military aircraft, including the F-14 Tomcat and the F-16 multirole fighter. "For the first time ever, as far as the U.S. modern military is concerned, we're going to have the F-14 Tomcat demonstration said Rice. "They just do a phenomenal job putting that airplane through it's paces, so the public can really appreciate it's performance capabilities. It's obviously a front line fighter and has been widely used in the operations in Iraq and Afghanistan. We're very excited about it."

Morris said both Alon USA and Fina are glad to

sponsor the show, and look forward to seeing the fruits of CAF's efforts in

the future. This is where we make our greatest contribution to the CAF and the Airsho," said Morris, "This is the biggest annual fund-raiser for the CAF and it provides them with the money to restore these planes. We've been the biggest giver to the Airsho for a number of years. Also, we support the acts that will be performing, such as the Fina Extra that Jan Collmer flies. I think that really helps to bring the crowds in to the show. It's really been a great association for both the CAF and Fina."

## Airsho schedule:

Friday, Sept. 26 • 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. -American Combat Airman Hall of Fame induction banquet (black-tie).

Saturday, Sept. 27 • 7:30 a.m. - Gates open for static aircraft displays.

• 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. -Airsho 2003, featuring the **Canadian Forces** Snowbirds.

Sunday, Sept. 28 7:30 a.m. - Gates open for static aircraft displays. • 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. -Airsho 2003, featuring the

**STEELS** 

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and serving as the senior vice president of State National, Richard is very content with his life.

Pam is an active community volunteer and heads up the First Methodist Church's Kid's Club program while taking care of the couple's two children, Jennie, 6, and Connor, 7.

Marriage and family have not always come easy for the couple. Richard and Pam's oldest child, Connor, was born with a heart defect that threatened the newborn's life. Now Conner is active and happy. He is required to have checkups every

three years. Through that terrible period, the couple's rela-

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SCENIC MOUNTAIN MEDICAL CENTER

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**FINES** 

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tionship grew stronger.

will honor the Steel family along with the Families of the Year for Midland and Odessa at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 16, at the Green Tree Country Club in Midland.

Jeff Blatnick, an Olympic gold medal winner and cancer survivor. He will speak on winning in

For more information about purchasing tickets, 'call 'the Samaritan Counseling Center at (432) 563-4144 or 800-329-

Samaritan is a non-profit counseling center with offices in Midland, Odessa and Big Spring, providing services to a 30county area in West Texas and eastern New

Canadian Forces Snowbirds.

Samaritan Counseling

Guest speaker will be adversity.

Mexico.

thought that since they were off probation they were done with it. It's really cleaned up the docket too, because we've been able to locate a lot of errors where people had paid their court costs and the information didn't get relayed back to us."

"A lot of people simply didn't realize, especially the ones that were on probation, that they still owed fines. They thought everything was taken care of."

Wright said anyone who's not sure if their fines were paid in full can call her office at 264-2213 to make sure they're not on the delinquent list. "We will work with them to get a plan set up so they can get these fines paid off," she said. "Otherwise they risk being arrested again, and I don't think anyone wants that."

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

CINEMA 4 \*Matchstick Men (PG-13) Daily: 4:30 & 7:00 Set & Sun. 2:00 Fri. & Set. 9:30 Cabin Fever (R) Daily: 5:00 & 7:30 Set. & Sun. 2:30 Fri. & Set. 10:00

\*The Rundown (PG-13) Secondhand Lions (PG) Daily: 4:40 & 7:10 Set. & Sun. 2:10 Fri. & Set. 9:40



**HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody** 

**FLOODING** 

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They removed motorist from an S-10 Blazer. Medic 4 and Engine 4 were later called to mile marker 195 on Interstate Highway 20 for a traffic accident that was most likely weather relat-

Thursday's storm raked across much of West Texas. Flat-line winds or a tornado struck two homes and the radio station building housing KVMC-AM and KAUF-FM in Colorado City. There were no injuries, but damage to the homes and radio station were extensive. Minor flooding occurred in Midland while San Angelo recorded about two inches in a downpour that was cited as the cause of a sevenvehicle accident. Firefighters responded to more than 20 high water rescues in Tom Green

County. Condray said the danger of swift-moving water on and around the roadways is often underestimated and the results can be tragic.

"One of the most important things that we can stress is the danger of flowing water on the roadways," said Condray. "We know from hydroplaning that a thousandth of an inch can do that, but the problem with flowing water is about an inch of flowing water can move about 1,500 pounds. The average car weighs about 4,500 pounds, so just three inches of water can actually float it.

"It doesn't necessarily have to take that much though, because it's not so much the force of the





water but what it's carrying with it. It's carrying debris, gravel and dirt, and your tires lose traction. It's like trying to walk on a layer of ball bearings under water. So

what's under there." As if dealing with racing water and materials being carried in it weren't enough, Condray said motorists must also realize the road itself may have already been washed away, making the situation even more danger-

"The roadway can also get washed away, especially on those dirt roads out in the county," said Condray. "Even the most well-traveled route that you're familiar with. when it's under water, you lose all of your landmarks that you're familiar with and you don't know where the edge of the road is.

"That's why we stress for people not to go around the barricades at water crossings. They're put up there because of our experience in the past. If you see a stranded vehicle already there, chances are if you try to cross, you're going to get stranded as well."

According to Condray, one of the most important

weapons when battling don't gamble with it." these driving rains is something most motorists use every time they get into their vehicle - the radio.

"You can make a lot of you really don't know progress in protecting yourself in these types of situations if you'll just listen to the weather radio," said Condray. "Along with the local media, they will give you indications of how much water is coming and that's very important.

"A few years back we had a very tragic loss at a water crossing and we don't need that repeated," he added. "Not only for the family's sake, but for the rescuers' sake. You've got to use your head and

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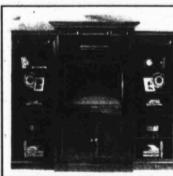
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We recognize these special people for working to help make our region a better place to live, work and play

This week we salute:

- Organizers and the more than 300 participants in the ALZHEIMERS MEMORY WALK last weekend. Your efforts raised more than \$18,500.
- The Big Spring VIETNAM MEMORIAL COMMITTEE, for putting on a moving salute to U.S. military on POW-MIA Recognition Day.
- The HOWARD-GLASSCOCK RELAY FOR LIFE, which again topped the state in fund-raising per capita and ranked seventh in the national. mented the city hand
- The UNITED WAY FOR BIG SPRING AND HOWARD COUNTY volunteers on another great rally, and to guest speaker Don Maynard.
- · CANTERBURY on its annual fall festival to mark the first day of autumn.

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## A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we practice Heavenly knowledge, Lord, as we walk through this world.

# The need to change course in Iraq

igh. You write an article advocating what you think would be useful, constructive suggestions about Iraq, and you get an avalanche of rightwing reaction about "failuremongers" and "nattering nabobs of

negativism." Bill Safire is back at the same old stand after all these years, denouncing "merchants of dismay" trying to justify their "decade of appeasement."

MOLLY Great, anybody who opposed this war in the first place was accused of lack of patriotism, and now anybody who points out that it's not going well is guilty of defeatism. If you raise your hand and ask where the weapons of mass destruction we were told were the reason for this war are. you're instructed to just Get Over

Well, I ain't gonna take it anymore. I am not shutting up for Bill O'Reilly or anyone else. I opposed our unprovoked, unnecessary invasion of Iraq on the grounds that it would be a short, easy war followed by the peace from hell. I predicted every terrorist in the Middle East would be drawn to Iraq like a magnet. I was right, and I'm not going to apologize for

I also realize the future in Iraq is a lot more important than any petty "I was right" vindication. I don't know if the glass in Iraq is half-empty or half-full, but what is clear is that the situation is deteriorating. That's why the Bush administration has changed course 180 degrees and is now asking for help from the United Nations.

But naturally, we're not supposed to mention that the administration has reversed itself — no, no. As Paul Wolfowitz, who now has all the credibility of Ken Lay, explained, the new U.N. resolution "didn't sort of emerge out of nowhere a few days ago. It's been on our agenda ever since the fall of Baghdad."

He said the bombing of U.N. headquarters was "a breakthrough - a sad one. The bombing, I think, changed the atmosphere in New York, and it looks like we can move forward in that area."

Right. The United Nations changed its position, we didn't change ours. How dumb do they think we are? I am tired of being asked to swallow lies by this administration. For \$87 billion bucks, the least we deserve is some candor. I want to know who was responsible for the whole weapons of mass destruction fiasco, and I want to see some accountability for it - resignations and firings. In May of this year, President Bush said, "We found the weapons of mass destruction." No, we didn't. We have yet to find any evidence of nuclear, chemical or biological weapons in Iraq.

President Bush's entire speech Sunday night was devoted to Iraq as "the central front" of the war on terrorism. The biggest bait-andswitch move of this whole administration has been to substitute Saddam Hussein for Osama bin Ladin. Iraq had nothing to do with the acts of terrorism perpetrated against the United States. The real villains, both Al Qaeda and the Taliban, are now regrouping in both Pakistan and Afghanistan, while we're stuck in the quicksand in Iraq.

I am trying hard to be a responsible citizen here: I don't think the choice is between "staying the course" or "cut and run." I think we need to change course and be

honest enough to admit it to ourselves and everybody else. The security situation in Iraq is deteriorating because we had a poorly planned and badly botched postwar strategy. We need help, and we need to ask for it nicely.

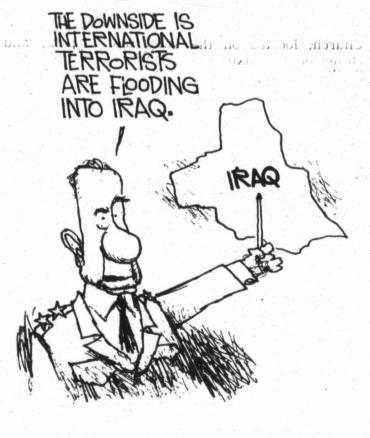
The eeriest part about Bush's \$87 billion request is that it may not be enough. Sixty-six billion will go to the military and intelligence, leaving a relative pittance for actually rebuilding Iraq. According to most experts, getting the lights and water back up, not to mention the oil industry, is critical to the security situation.

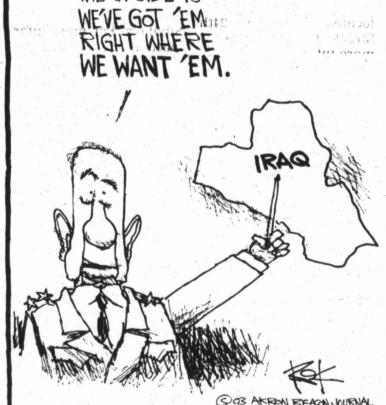
Meanwhile, indications are that homeland security is still pretty much a pathetic shambles. With Al Qaeda stirring around again, we might do some rethinking in that area, as well. I've been taking off my shoes at the airport to make us all safer, but don't you think we need to work on the ports, start screening container shipping, and take a look at our chemical and nuke plants?

Speaking of people trying to be constructive, Hussein Agha and Robert Malley had a piece in Sunday's Washington Post pointing out that Israeli-Palestinian negotiations are once again in the toilet and suggesting that it's time to start at the other end. Instead of a step-by-step approach, work out a two-state map with international backing and present it with an international force to back it up. Since everybody knows that's the only way it can end, why not start there?

Pretty good idea, I thought. To find out more about Molly Ivins and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate web page at www.creators.com.

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THE UPSIDE IS

# Does America want a general for president?

etired Gen. Wesley Clark is a Democratic dream: an antiwar general. He provides the macho that Democrats believe they must have to beat George Bush and the liberalism

that Democrats demand. And even though most people know

very little about him, he is an instant buzz candidate: Everybody is talking about him.

I was in Little Rock, his home own, to watch him officially announce for presi-

dent recently. And while much commentary has been done about the uphill fight he faces for the nomination — the nine other Democratic candidates have been raising money for months and months while Clark is just starting out, for instance - there has been little examination of the basic premise behind Clark's candidacy: that Americans really want a general as president.

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Being a warrior is not what it sed to be in America. In 1992, Bill Clinton, a draftavoider, beat war hero President George H.W. Bush for the presidency, and in 1996 Clinton beat war hero Bob Dole.

Americans knew full well Clinton's relentless string-pulling to avoid the Vietnam draft. And they knew full well the heroics of **Bush and Dole**.

And they didn't care. They elected Clinton anyway.

And while those supporting Wesley Clark like to talk about Dwight David Eisenhower, the last general who was elected to the presidency, a closer parallel to Clark is Alexander Haig.

Like Clark, Haig was a decorated veteran, a general and a NATO commander, but unlike Clark Haig had actual White House experience: He had been a secretary of state under Ronald Reagan and a White House chief of staff under Richard Nixon.

Haig was reasonably personable and a reasonably good speaker, and he ran for president in 1988 and went nowhere.

Ah, yes, you say, but all of this was before Sept. 11. Sept. 11

changed everything.

But what did it change? Sept. 11
was not a U.S. military failure, it
was a U.S. intelligence failure. So does putting a general in the White House really make us more

Further, it is important to

remember that Clark is not really "antiwar." He supported military intervention in Iraq, but felt President George W. Bush acted too quickly and without proper international support.

And as the war in Iraq grinds on, as we continue to pay a higher and higher price both in American blood and American dollars, will some voters question whether having a military man in the White House might not lead to more, not fewer, military adventures?

In other words, will some Americans — especially liberal Democrats who dominate the early caucus and primary contests shy away from a president whose first instinct might be to use the military?

Wesley Clark is going to have a hard time getting the Democratic nomination, and he doesn't need any more troubles. But all these are among the troubles he is going to face.

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Calvary Baptist Church holds its Sunday services at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. Calvary is an independent, pre-millennial, fundamental Baptist church affiliated with both the **Baptist** Southern Convention and The General Baptist Convention of Texas to promote mission, evangelism, education and social services. The church is ultra-conservative in its preaching and teaching, and its faith and practice is based on the Bible with Jesus Christ and its head. The church welcomes everyone with open arms. For more information call-267-1402.

## Philadelphia Primitive **Baptist Church**

The congregation of Philadelphia Primitive Baptist Church is celebrating a 60th anniversary. A celebration event will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday and ends with a traditional fellowship luncheon. At 2 p.m. the praise and worship service begins. An evening service begins at 7 p.m. Praise and worship starts at 10 a.m. Sunday and culminating with a luncheon. Church members have been meeting for that many years. A celebration ceremony will be held featuring former pastor, Elder L.J. Harris and his son, Timothy Harris, as guest speakers.

Community residents are invited to ceremonies and regular church services Sunday at 10:30 a.m. and again at 6 p.m., and Wednesday Bible study at 7 p.m. The church is located at 201 East 24th gathering held at 2 p.m. Street. Call 267-5738 for more information.

## St. Mary's Episcopal Church

Worship services at St. Mary's Episcopal Church Sunday begin with Holy Communion taken at 8 and 10:30 a.m. Sunday

## Men's Rally planned

"The World Series of Life" sponsored by West Texas Men of Integrity, including Big Spring Promise Keepers, will be held Tuesday, Oct. 7 at 7 p.m. at the Crescent Park Baptist Church in Odessa. Messages will be presented by Terry Malcom Tamplen, Tyree, Roy Smith and Billy Reyes. The church is located at 3002 East University, Odessa. Call Ron Alfon at 263-4931 for more information.

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at 9:30 a.m. The Permian Basin Deanery meets on Saturday, Oct. 4 at 9:30 a.m. in St. John's Episcopal Church in Odessa. Evening prayer is said Monday through Friday at 5:30 p.m. in St.

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Mary's Chapel. For more information about St. Mary's call 267-8201 or visit the web site www.stmarysbst.org. The church is located at 1001 South Garland.

## First Presbyterian Church

The Lone Star Brass Quintet will return to First Presbyterian Church in Big Spring Oct. 5 at 4 p.m. to perform an evening of music in brass and organ. Midland's First Presbyterian Church organist. Rebecca Sawyer, will perform on the Read Memorial organ, featuring musical repertoire by Brahams, Reger and Guilmant, as well as "Pluto, The Last Planet" Bruce by Miller, in Edward homage to Holst. The church is located at Seventh and Runnells. Services are broadcast on KBST AM1490 each Sunday. Call Mike Mitchell at 806-928-1705 for more information.

## Friends of Unity

All Howard County residents are welcome to attend study and grow with Friends of Unity congregation members. Meeting hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, with a church Sundays. For more information, call 267-8783.

## Coahoma Church of Christ

"Come Home to Jesus" is the theme for the upcoming gospel meeting that begins Sunday, Sept. 28, continuing through Wednesday Oct. 1. Ted Kell returns Sunday to speak at 9:30 a.m. during the Bible class hours and again during worship assembly beginning at 10:20 a.m. Sermons will be "Just One Sheep" and "Coming Home, Right Now". Following assembly a fellowship dinner will be served. At 1:30 p.m. an area-wide singing will be held and Kell again will speak at 3 p.m. during an assembly. "Satan Has Asked for You" is the topic. Monday through Wednesday services begin at 7 p.m. when his sermons will be "A Point of No Return",

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D.O., effective October 4, 2003. He and his family are relocating to Tyler, Texas.

school for all ages begins also "Overcoming Satan" and "Saving a Soul from Death". All area residents are welcome to attend the activities and services at Coahoma Church Christ.

## **Living Hope Church**

The congregation of Living Hope Church welcome all to worship with them at 1208 Frazier. The uncompromising preaching the word of God begins at 11 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 28. Roy Roberson is pastor of the church. Call for more information, 267-

## **Catholic Communities** of Howard County

Anyone wishing to inquire about Catholic faith or anyone who is an adult not yet receiving one or more of Sacraments Reconciliation, First Eucharist, Confirmation, or Marriage, you are invited to attend RCIA sessions held weekly on Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at Immaculate Heart Of Mary Church located at 1009 Hearn Street. Sessions are held in the house between the Church and school.

For more information call Elfi Tucker after 5 p.m. at 393-5313, or leave a message at 915-816-6247. Or call one of the church offices or attend any meeting without calling.

Phone numbers are Immaculate Heart, 267-4124; Sacred Heart, 263-7884; St. Thomas, 263-2864; St. Joseph 3944751.

## **East Side Baptist** Church

East Side Settles, welcomes area p.m. residents to the church's Mission Annual Conference Oct. 2 and 3 beginning at 7 p.m., and sent. The "King's Kids Bible Club" is held Wednesday at 7 p.m. for ages six through 12. Visitors are welcome For more information call 267-1915.

## First Assembly of God

Rev. Tom Jacob, missionary to India will be the guest speaker at 10:40 a.m. Sunday morning at First Assembly of God Church.

India is a nation of one billion people, with demographics of 86 percent Hindu, 11 percent Muslim and only three percent Christian. At least 187,000

villages in India never heard of the Gospel. Rev. Jacob will will speak about how God is moving in the nation of India.

During the evening service Pastor R.T. Havener will bring a message at 6 p.m. Special music will be performed at both services. The public is invited to attend. The church is located at Fourth and Lancaster in Big Spring. Call 267-7971 for more information.

## First Baptist Church

First Baptist Church invites area residents to worship services Sunday, beginning with Sunday school at 9:30 a.m., followed by morning worship at 10:50 p.m. The Rev. Dennis Teeters continues the series on "Faithquake", speaking on "Mary and Martha's Faithquake".

At 4:30 p.m. Sunday night classes continue with something of interest for all ages. Evening worship services begin at 6 p.m.

A Beth Morre Bible study will begin at 9:30 a.m. Monday, Sept .29 in the church conference room. Child care will be provided. The study, When Godly People Do Ungodly Things" will be led by Nancy Spurgin.

For more information call the church office, 267-

## **Birdwell Lane Baptist Church**

An old fashioned gospel music and preaching festivity will be held at Birdwell Lane Baptist Church Oct. 5-8. Sunday Baptist performance times are 11 Church, located on the a.m. and 5 p.m., and corner of East Sixth and Monday-Wednesday at 7

Crow of Irving will be featured performers. "Forever His" is a fulltime gospel music, evangelistic team home based out of Bethel Baptist Church in Irving. The group formed in January 1985. Their unique style of gospel music has expanded to approximately 250 concerts each year,

The couple founded the group "Forever His Ministries", singing as a duet, with brother Crow playing the guitar and the keyboard.

covering 30 states.

For more information call 267-8214.

## St Paul **Lutheran Church**

"Developing a Purpose Statement for Our Lives" is the focus of St. Paul Lutheran Church's study, showing how to include both Bible study and prayer in everyday life. Sunday worship service begins at 8 a.m. and Sunday school for all ages begins at 9:30 a.m.

The church is located at 810 Scurry Street in Big Spring. For more information call 267-7163.

## North Birdwell United Methodist Church

The annual fall Stew Supper will be held Saturday, Sept. 27 at 5:30 p.m. at the church, 2702 North Birdwell. Door prizes will be awarded throughout the evening. The supper is a gift to the community from the members of the church. There is no charge, but donations are accepted to help with the expenses of the supper.

The book sale features a large selection of best seller hard-back books, craft and needlework maga-Dr. Phillip and Diann zines, and paper-back

books. They are sold by donation only. This year there is a selection of craft items as well.

The Joint Methodist meeting will be held at North Birdwell Sunday, Sept. 28 at 6 p.m. Guest speaker will be Augustin Ypina, Spanish Missioner at First United Methodist Church. Refreshments will be served after the presentation.Church communities are planning their annual Charge Conference in October. Officers are elected for the coming year during the event, and next year's budget is set. Discussion of the plans for growth and expansion will be part of this year's conference which will be directed by Dr. Richard Bales, district superintendent for the Big Spring District.

North Birdwell offers Sunday worship services beginning at 9:30 a.m. with Sunday school classes for all ages beginning at 10:30 a.m. Sunday evening worship begins at 6:30 p.m. Community residents are invited to church activities and worship services. For more information call 267-

## BSHS to perform play this weekend

Big Spring High School Theatre Department ensemble players will perform "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes" Friday and Saturday in the high school auditorium. Curtain is at 7 p.m. Sunday's matinee performance is 2 p.m. Tickets are \$5 for adults; \$3 for students and senior citizens. Call for more information, 264-3641.

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# This is the season of changin

This is the season! The season of the first frost! The season of falling leaves.

The season of the yellow and brown and red, and even scarlet, until the woodlands appear to be on fire!

This is the season when the sap goes down; the season when the leaves scatter over the lawn; the season when the shrubs are



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hibernation is. the fashion. It is autumn. Winter is on the way.

The boughs of the trees will dangle with a thousand gems. Even the sunwill appear to be frozen on the eaves of the houses. It is nature's way. God ordained it.

I read in the Bible that

score years and 10. He informs us that if we travel on for four score years, the labor, grief and sorrow that would attend would scarcely repay.

I have reached my mid-70s and I find myself proud of those figures. Just why God has so blessed me I cannot explain.

I know I am not worthy. But I have learned that the autumn is as majestic as the springtime. It has suddenly dawned on me

God can use and bless

Spring include Darryl

Bales, Linda Lindell,

D.G. Smith and Lawrence

appear in "Memories of

Elvis and the Rockin'

50s". Fontana was an

integral part of the

Presley sound. The two

met in 1954 on the

"Louisiana Hayride", and

with Scotty Moore, lead

guitarist, and Bill Black

of the Bill Black Combo.

They formed Elvis' origi-

nal band. Fontana played

on 460 RCA cuts with

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Mr. Fontana

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dormant and God has allotted us three for growing old. I boast, perhaps too much. I have discovered that old age has its draw-backs.

But there is no juvenile delinquency. I am aware of the brittle bones and dimming eyes, and ears that are not very useful, though they still adorn.

And yet, I ask myself, why not? The gnarly old oak tells a like story. So does the "old house". Growing old is not dis-

graceful. It may be made as colorful as the autumn. All of this brings me to

record a most hopeful fact. Autumn is sweet and and crown each alike. good and beautiful when And so I do not apologize there is a spring ahead.

The deadly winter, bitter with its cold, cannot defeat the summer that shall bloom and fruit tomorrow. It's what's ahead that counts.

That's why I'm not afraid of old age. I have read the story of an eternal youth, with no balding heads, no wrinkles, and no sickness.

My mother used to tell me about it. But more than that, God's wonderful Word declares it. So, I really am on my

way to an "eternal springtime". I know that hair may

turn gray, and shaking, trembling limbs may

scarcely support an ailing body. Life may even become a burden.

The dust may even return to the earth as it was. But, thank God, that

is not all. The spirit of man will return to God who gave it. With that I am satisfied. In fact, of that I boast. That faith is my security. I am not deserving of such an assurance, but I am happy in it.

I know that eternal youth and springtime are out ahead for those who know Jesus.

R.T. Havener is pastor of The First Assembly of God Church in Big Spring.

# What's makes the sky blue?

Q: Why is the sky blue and not some other color? A: From space, the Earth is seen totally surrounded by blackness, Texas says A&M Andrew University's Odins. "But the blue sky and white clouds we see are the result of light being scattered in all directions. We know that light is coming from the sun, and this light contains all of the colors within the spectrum. The colors of light travel in of different lengths, and about 18 miles up, light encounters air molecules. These

through. But blue and violet travel at small wavelengths which get scattered by these very small air molecules across the sky. This also is known as scattering, Rayleigh which makes the sky look blue. During a sunrise or sunset, the sunshine has to pass through more atmosphere, so the shortwavelengths are almost completely scattered away, allowing a reddish color to be seen."

air molecules allow most

of the light to pass

Q: So why does the sky look gray during a hazy

Why are skies blue?

A: On hazy days, large particles of in the air make the sky appear gray or even white, Odins explains.

"These larger particles tend to scatter more wavelengths of light in the color spectrum," he says. "Hazy air has a lot of water molecules, and these molecules can scatter light of all wavelengths, not just blue. In heavily polluted air, the sky may appear yellow or brown, and this is due to the particles being able to scatter the light to produce these colors.

This phenomenon is called Mie scattering. To the color of the sky."

"Weather Whys" is a service of Texas A&M University's Department of Atmospheric Sciences. Past. Check the web site http://rev.tamu.edu/weatherwhys/.

## D.J. Fontana, Elvis Presley's original drummer is featured in a live performance to include Big Spring musical Oct. artists Performances will be held at Globe Theater in Odessa. Performers from Big



Nostalgic show features early Elvis drummer

Elvis and was the man D.J. Fontana, right, was Elvis Presley's original drummer behind the beat for the and appeared in films with "The King".

first 15 years of Elvis' career. He also appeared in Elvis' first movies in the 50s.

In his extensive career Fontana has played for many other great artists including Keith McCartney, Richards, Ringo Starr, Beck, Waylon Jeff Jennings, Johnny Cash, Jim Reeves, Charlie Pride, Roy Orbison, The Tractors, The Mavericks, Cheap Trick and many more.

In 1998 he and Moore were nominated for a Grammy Award for "Going Back to to Memphis" for their CD, "All the King's Men".

Performances scheduled for 2 and 7 p.m. Proceeds will help raise funds for Globe's recent renovations.

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"Critics of the Moore Development Board point to the continuing decline in our area's economy. Can you imagine what it would be if we didn't have the Moore Board"?

Charles Myers, newly appointed representative the Moore Development for Big Spring gave a straightforward presentation to Big Spring Optimist Club Wednesday morning.

"One of the questions before the Board right now is how much of our funding does Big Spring and Howard County want to invest in Class B projects. These projects may not provide a single job for a resident, or bring residents, and may make our community a more desirable place to live," Myers said.

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"Many projects have been suggested, such as upgrading the city golf course, or bringing plays to the Comanche Trail Amphitheater, or even funding the renovation or demolition of the Settles Hotel. These projects would be brought to the residents of Howard County for vote. We need to know how important to the citizens these Class B projects are."

The Goliad Cavaliers, junior members, brought 43 participants to the Alzheimer's Walk, but lost the Purple Sneaker Award. Optimist Club's will operate a concession stand at the Fall Arts and Crafts Fair, provide barbecue sandwiches, lemonade and Mrs. Jess Looney's award-winning brownies.

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Do you have an interesting sports item or story idea? Call Tommy Wells at 263-7331, Ext. 237. Email results to: jmoseley@crcom.com

> Page 1B Friday, September 26, 2003

Basketball boosters to hold fish fry

Big Spring Steers Basketball Boosters will be holding a Fish Fry on Oct. 10, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the **Trinity Baptist Church** Annex. The meal will include hand-breaded catfish, fries, salad, dessert and a drink for \$7 per adult and \$4 for children.

Call in orders are available, Delivery orders can be made by calling 267-4602 or 466-1998 on the day of the event.

## **BSHS** cheerleaders to hold cheer camp

The Big Spring High School cheerleaders will be holding a minicheer camp for youths ages 5-13 on Saturday.

Participants will perform at the varsity football game on Oct. 3.

## YMCA swim team spots available

The Big Spring Family YMCA swim team has positions open for interested athletes.

To be eligible to participate as a member of the swim team, athletes must be at least six years of age and able to swim two lengths of the pool with proper rotary breathing. Swimmers are responsible for annual USS registration, all entry fees and equipment and all transportation and meals at meets.

Formore information call Dolline Budke at 264-8252 or 263-4505.

## Quarterback Club to meet Monday at ATC

The Big Spring High School Quarterback Club will hold its weekly meeting Monday beginning at 7 p.m. in the Big Spring High School Athletic Training Center.

## BSHS netters to host Levelland Saturday

The Big Spring team tennis squad will continue its trek through District 4-4A Saturday when they host Levelland at the Figure 7 Tennis Complex.

The action will begin at 9 a.m.

## Lady Steers to face Levelland Saturday

The Big Spring Lady Steers will make their first appearance at home in District 4-4A action this Saturday when they host the Levelland Lady Loboes in the Steer Gym.

The Lady Steers, 18-8 for the year, are 1-0 in loop play. Big Spring rallied from an 0-2 deficit Tuesday to bump off the Lake View Maidens in San Angelo.

The Lady Steers' matchup with Levelland is scheduled for a 3 p.m. start.

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# **Ensberg powers Astros into tie for first**

Houston fans were almost too supportive.

They did plenty of cheering when Morgan Ensberg hit two home runs and the Astros moved into a tie for the NL Central lead, beating the Milwaukee Brewers 6-1 Thursday night.

But the 27,934 fans also cheered while watching the left-field scoreboard and TV monitors in the concession areas as Cincinnati beat the Chicago Cubs 9-7, enthusiasm that proved distracting for the home team.

timing," Astros man-Jimy Williams said. "We

tried to have them stop changing the scoreboard while our pitcher was in the middle of a delivery. We called and asked them to stop and they never did. I guess we'll have to appeal to a higher authority.'

The Astros end the regular sea-

Pittsburgh.

If the Astros and Cubs tie for the division title, a one-game playoff would be played Monday at Wrigley Field.

son with three more games at said. "You don't want to con-

home against stantly be looking over your last-place shoulder and you don't want Milwaukee. The another team having to knock off Cubs finish with another team." three-game

The Astros entered the game series at home having lost four of their previous a g a i n s t five. They still had enough to overcome the light-hitting Brewers, who haven't won a season series from Houston since

Ensberg hit home runs in the "We are exactly where we want fifth and seventh innings for the to be right now and this is a first two-homer game of his great situation to be in," Ensberg career. He has 24 for the season. See ASTROS, Page 3B

# **'Horns** look to stay on course three games so far, No. 14 Texas has seen just about attack from its oppo-

AUSTIN (AP) - In every kind of rushing nents.

New Mexico State's option, Arkansas' bruising power game and Rice's wishbone rarely aired it out.

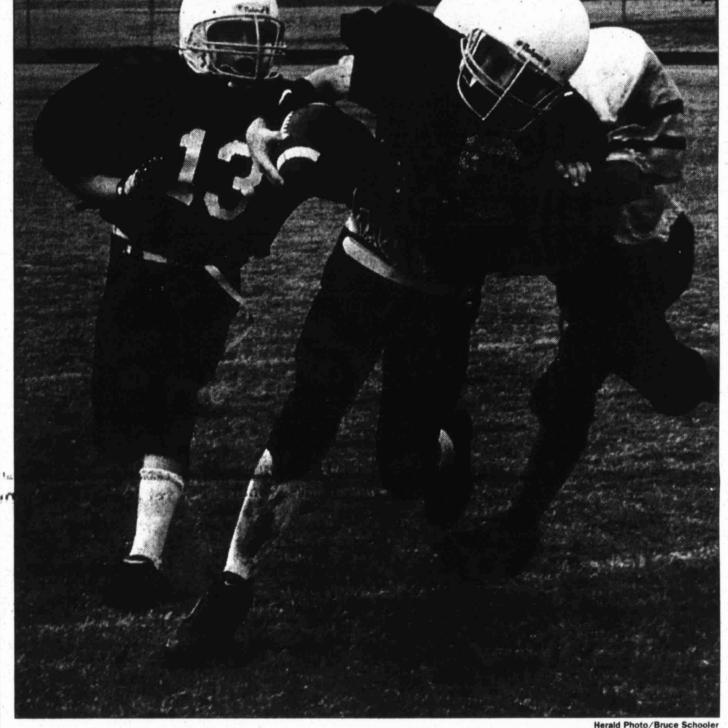
That changes Saturday night when Texas (2-1) hosts Tulane (3-1) and one of college football's best passing attacks.

Texas' first three opponents threw a total of 41 passes. Tulane has attempted more than that in three of its first four games.

"It looks like Tulane is going to throw the ball pretty much all over the field," said UT cornerback Nathan Vasher. 'And we're fired up about it."

Green Wave quarterback J.P. Losman leads the nation in passing with 1,355 yards and 15 touchdowns in a wide open attack that averages 35.8 points. He's the latest in a line of talented Tulane signal callers that includes Shaun King and Patrick Ramsey, both of whom are in the NFL.

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Herald Photo/Bruce Schoole Big Spring Junior High School seventh grader quarterback Rance Terry struggles to break free of a defender during the first quarter as running back Jonathan Stiles looks on Thursday afternoon at Blahkenship Field. The Steers suf-

# Missouri-Kansas highlights week's Big 12

DALLAS (AP) - The border rivalry between Missouri and Kansas has taken on a little extra significance this season.

The 112th game in the series Saturday will equal the NCAA's longest rivalry. The Big 12 opener for both teams will also mark the first time since 1997 both go into the game with a winning record.

Not that this game need-streak surpassed the a limited schedule of

ed anything extra.

fered a tough 30-6 setback. The eighth grade squad won, 22-20.

"When I got here, the first 50 people I met said, How are you doing and beat Kansas.' So I figured it out real fast," said thirdyear Missouri coach Gary Pinkel, whose No. 23

Tigers are 4-0. Kansas (3-1) has won three straight games by scoring at least 40 points in each. The winning

last season.

"When you win, everything is different around you. The campus surroundings are different and people react to you differently," said secondyear Kansas coach Mark Mangiño.

With league play kicking into full swing the following week, there is only

Jayhawks' win total from games involving Big 12 teams this week. Five teams are taking the weekend off.

> In addition to the Missouri-Kansas game Saturday, No. 14 Texas (2-1) is home against Tulane; Texas A&M (2-1) hosts No. 17 Pittsburgh; Iowa State (2-1) goes to No. 20 Northern Illinois; and Texas Tech (2-1) goes to Mississippi.

No. 15 Nebraska (4-0) got an early jump on the weekend with its 38-14 win at Southern Mississippi on Thursday

night. The Big 12 teams with open dates are No. 1 Oklahoma (4-0), the only Big 12 team left in the Top 10; No. 16 Kansas State (4-1), after its loss to Marshall; Oklahoma State See BIG 12, Page 2B

# Badgers hold off late rallies to net victories over 'Dogs

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

The McCamey Badgers scored a clean sweep in sub-varsity football action Thursday evening. The Badgers won both the junior varsity and freshman encounters with the Coahoma Bulldogs.

The McCamey freshmen tallied 16 points in the first quarter Thursday and then held off a late rally to claim a 16-8 win.

After watching the Badgers open up a 16-0 lead in the first three quarters of action, Coahoma managed to get its offense untracked. The Bulldogs tallied their only touchdown on a 44-yard scamper by David Rodriguez. Blaine Kirby added the two-point conversion.

Despite the loss, Coahoma had solid outings from Miguel Juarez, Stephen Ewing and

Dakota Teaff.

The McCamey Badgers junior varsity scored 18 points in the first half and then took advantage of a pair of costly penalties to take an 18-0 win.

McCamey scored three times in the first 20 minutes to grab the upper hand.

The Bulldogs had two special teams scores waved off. The Bulldogs had a punt return and a kickoff return called back.

Despite the setback, Coahoma picked up solid performances from quarterback Tad White, center Cody Price, tackle Skyler Mundell, tailback Bradley Tatum and wingback Garren Jernigan.

Coahoma, which fell to 0-4-1 for the year, is scheduled to return to play on Oct. 9 whn they will face the Seagraves Eagles in their District 3-2A opener.



Sands lineman Jerry Casas chases down Westbrook running back Taylor Groat during the first quarter Thursday. Sands claimed a 14-0 win in the junior high battle.

## Junior high Mustangs rush past Westbrook

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

WESTBROOK - Ethan Zant and Jesus Casas managed to find the end zone Thursday night and led the Sands Mustangs to a 14-0 win over the Westbrook Junior High School Wildcats.

The Mustangs, despite solid play from cornerback Taylor Groat and safety Tate Burleson, took the opening kickoff and marched 48 yards for the lead.

capped Zant Mustangs' seven-play march by bulling his way into the end zone from six yards out. Casas, who

See SANDS, Page 2B

# FRIDAY NIGHT FORECASTERS

# This Week's Games

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# U.S. officials confirm Young tested positive

LAUSANNE. Switzerland (AP) - U.S.Olympic officials confirmed that sprinter board during a review of Jerome Young tested positive for steroids within a year of winning gold at the 2000 Games, a move that could cost him and his relay team the medals.

International officials can now reopen the case and possibly strip the team of its 1,600-meter championship.

The USOC

Big Spring Herald

Young's name to the International Olympic Committee executive its drug-testing program from 1985-2000.

Young was named by the USOC as one of 24 athletes who won Olympic medals during that period after previous positive doping tests. The USOC said the cases of the other 23 athletes who won Olympic medals after failing drug tests were han-

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**BIG 12** 

Continued from Page 1B (3-1); Colorado (2-2) and

Baylor (2-2). Missouri and Kansas don't even agree on the

series record. The Tigers claim a 52-50-9 series lead that is also recognized by the NCAA, Kansas says it's even at 51-51-9.

The disputed game was in 1960, when Kansas beat No. 1 and previously undefeated Missouri 23-7. The NCAA later ruled that the Jayhawks used an ineligible player and had to forfeit the game.

Kansas had 641 total yards last week in its 41-6 win over Jacksonville

State, and is fourth in the country with 499 yards per game. Missouri is averaging 420 yards a game.

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Missouri, after coming back to beat Middle Tennessee State 41-40 in overtime last weekend, is going for its first 5-0 record since 1981. Kansas hasn't won its Big 12 opener since that 1997 game in which it beat the Tigers, and hasn't had a four-game winning streak since starting 7-0 in 1995.

Minnesota and Wisconsin have also played each other 112 times, and will retake the title of longest rivalry when they play No. 113 at the Metrodome on Nov. 8. Towa State plays at No. 20 Northern Illinois (3-0), which got into the national rankings after winning at Alabama last weekend and earlier upset Maryland.

Texas Tech and Ole Miss (2-1) provide a meeting of the top-rated quarterbacks from two conferences. Red Raiders senior

## **SANDS**

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provided a key 20-yard run on a fourth-down play earlier in the series, added the extra point, giving Sands a 7-0 cushion with 2:29 to play.

The Mustangs stretched their lead to 14-0 on the last play of the first half

when Casas hauled in a 13-yard scoring strike from quarterback Mason Parker.

Westbrook, 0-2 for the year, struggled against the SHS defense in the first half. The Wildcats managed just two total yards on 10 plays.

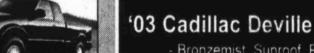
Westbrook quarterback Tanner Fountain completed three passes in the game for 34 yards.

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Texas kept Losman in check in a 49-0 win in New Orleans last year. He passed for 127 yards with two interceptions and was sacked four times.

What concerns Texas this year is that Losman's best work has come when the Green Wave needed to rally or hold a lead. He's completed 74 percent of his passes in the fourth quarter and overtime for 615 yards and nine TDs.

"He's really playing well, during times, as well as any quarterback I've ever been associated with," said Tulane coach Chris Scelfo, who also coached Ramsey. "We're going to go offensively as our quarterback goes."

The Longhorns want to disrupt Losman before he can settle into a groove. Tulane's offensive line has given up eight sacks and Texas defensive coordinator Carl Reese said the plan is to hit him often.

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'They've given up a lot of hits on the quarterback," Reese said. "If he throws 15 times, we want to be in his face on 14 of them.

Most of all, Texas would like to keep him off the

The Longhorns believe a rejuvenated running game can pound a Green Wave defense that gives up a whopping 204 yards per game on the ground.

Tailback Cedric Benson broke out of a seven-game slump last week with 130 yards and two rushing nitouchdowns in a 48-7 win over Nice. ....

"It was good to see him with yards after contact, making moves, breaking tackles down field, and having a lot of long coach Mack yards," Brown said. "He's back on track.

Tulane will aim to become the latest smallfry to beat one of college football's major powers.

Upsets by teams in the so-called "mid-major" conferences have dominated the early season. A win by Conference USA member Tulane would be particularly noteworthy considering school president Scott Cowen has led a charge to change the Championship Bowl Series system, which all but excludes some Division I leagues.

## **ASTROS**

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Ensberg's first homer was an opposite field shot that barely stayed inside the right-field line. He thrust a fist into the air as he rounded first base. Later, he chastised himself for the display.

"I was happy it went out but it hit the pole, I lost my composure a little bit right there," Ensberg said.

Craig Biggio gave the Astros a quick 1-0 lead off Doug Davis (3-1) with a leadoff homer in the first inning Biggio extended his NL record for leadoff homers to 34 and it was his fourth of the season.

"We've been doing this for 3 1/2 weeks," Biggio said. "We know what's at stake. We got out of a hole tonight and took care of business. Now we'll see what happens tomorrow."

Richie Sexson hit his 43rd homer off Tim Redding (10-14), tying it at 1. Sexson needs two homers to tie the club record - set in 1979 by Gorman Thomas. Redding pitched 5 1-3

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## Tomorrow's Horoscope

sion. A last-minute trip Libra lunar, and solar your mind racing. energy reminds us that on You have the most fun the quest for success, it's when you do the least not always what you do planning. Pack half as much as you think you

need, and bring twice the money. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). The world is filled with astonishing sights. Appeal to the visual sense and you'll hit your message home. Use pictures in your work presentation. Singles Joyce Jillson meet prospects at the gym. Don't ask too many ques-

> tions up front. Flirt. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Show how much you appreciate those who have been generous to you recently. You keep your good karma going with your thankfulness. Rays of hope touch a troubled relationship. Small improvements indicate long-term happiness.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You'll be in a happy mood. Regarding that new love interest who swooped in to knock you off your usual life routine: Practical concerns need to be taken care of before you wholeheartedly give yourself over to this person.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Critiques from associates are meant to be helpful, but it's easy to take them another way. Deep breathing gets you through a busy afternoon. Tonight's potential honey seems to have it all together. Look deeper.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Relationships are in a low light today, but financial success is most definitely highlighted. You're pegged for a promotion. Let supervisors know that you're keen on the deal. A friend flatters through imitation.

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Dear Annie: What were you thinking? I'm referring "Disgusted to Daughter-in-Law Michigan," whose motherin-law expected her to take care of the business, the house and the 95-year-old grandmother without notice or thanks - on top of choosing wedding pictures that excluded the daughter-in-law.

Do you expect this new bride to lie down on the floor so that her witch of a mother-in-law can walk all over her? And where is her wimp of a husband who goes along with all the disrespect? If she follows your advice, she'll be subservient to this monster for the rest of her life. J. in Pennsylvania

Dear J.: We were pound ed on this one and admit our advice could have been better. We apparently had a double brain cramp. We focused on the photographs and not the whole situation. Instead, we should have told the daughter-in-law to set some boundaries and ask her husband to back her up. Nonetheless, we were surprised at the amount of venom directed at mothers-in-law. Read on for the more printable ones:

From Boston: This woman is pouring her heart out about a nasty. rude and jealous woman who is making her life miserable, and your reply is that you can catch more flies with honey? She should tell Mom that if she wants any relationship with her son, she is to treat them both with decency. A person can take the high road for just so long, and then it's time to get into the ditch and sling some mud.

Texas: I have been married 15 years, and for the first 10, I tried to keep the peace with my mother-inlaw. Finally, I had enough and told her she'd better start treating me like part of the family. I wish I'd had the nerve to do it sooner. It would have saved me 10 years of heartache.

Wisconsin: Part of the problem could be related to the mother-in-law's stress from being the caregiver to her 95-year-old mother. Does

"Disgusted's" husband offer to help out? Did he do more before getting married? Do the other siblings help in any way, perhaps financially? If they do, perhaps that is why Mom favors them.

Fargo, N.D.: Wrong, wrong, wrong! With a 95year-old grandmother in the picture, this old witch has longevity on her side.



ANNIE'S MAILBOX

The next time Mama orders her around, she should be told to go directly to hell, where all evil people belong.

California: She should tell her mother-in-law how hurt she is by selecting photos that don't include her and ask Mom to apologize. .

After Salem, Ore.: numerous vicious lies were spread around the family and the community, and even an attempt to disrupt my marriage, I simply removed my battleaxe-in-law from my life. Now my stomach doesn't churn, and I don't fight with my husband about her. And I no longer blame him for having no backbone.

Seoul, South Korea: She has every reason to be upset for being used and abused by that terrible woman. Her husband should give his mother the comeuppance deserves.

Memphis: I could have written that letter 28 years ago. And when the kids come along, it will be worse. If the mother refuses to be nice, they should cut the apron strings and move on. Things changed for us when my M-I-L finally died.

Virginia: Your usual good advice really flopped. Isn't it possible the mother-in-law, clearly a dishonorable person, shows so little respect for them because she realizes that they'll buckle under, no matter what outrages she pulls? It is perfectly proper to decline the constant and unreasonable demands of relatives.

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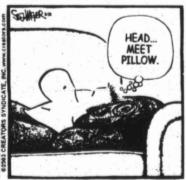




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# This Date In History

## By The Associated Press

Friday, is Today September 26, the 269th day of 2003. There are 96 days left in the year. The Jewish New Year, Rosh Hashana, begins at sunset, marking the start of the year 5764, according to the Hebrew calendar.

Today's Highlight in History:

On September 26, 1960, the first televised debate between presidential candidates Richard M. Nixon and John F. Kennedy took place in Chicago. On this date:

In 1777, British troops occupied Philadelphia during the American Revolution.

In 1789, Thomas Jefferson was appointed America's first secretary of state. In 1898, American com-

poser George Gershwin was born in Brooklyn, N.Y.

In 1914, the Federal Trade

Commission was established.

In 1950, United Nations troops recaptured the South Korean capital of Seoul from the North Koreans.

In 1952, philosopher George Santayana died in Rome at age 88. In 1955, following word

that President Dwight D. Eisenhower had suffered a heart attack, the New York Stock Exchange saw its worst price decline since 1929. In 1957, the musical "West

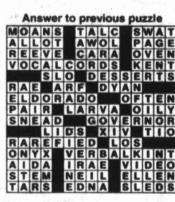
Side Story" opened on Broadway.

In 1986, William H. Rehnquist was sworn in as the 16th chief justice of the United States, while Antonin Scalia joined the Supreme Court as its 103rd member. In 1991, four men and four

women began a two-year stay inside a sealed-off structure in Oracle, Ariz., called "Biosphere 2.

Today's Birthdays: **Fitness** expert Jack LaLanne is 89. Actor Philip Bosco is 73. Country singer David Frizzell is 62. Actor Kent McCord is 61. Television host Anne

Robinson is 59. Singer Bryan Ferry is 58. Former **Environmental Protection** Agency Administrator Christie Whitman is 57. Singer Lynn Anderson is 56. Singer Olivia Newton-John is 55. Actress Mary Beth Hurt is 55. Actor James Keane is 51. Rock singer-musician Cesar Rosas (Los Lobos) is 49. Country singer Carlene Carter is 48. Actress Linda Hamilton is 47. Country singer Doug Supernaw is 43. Recording executive Andre Harrell is 43. Actress Melissa Sue Anderson is 41. Actor Patrick Bristow is 41. Rock musician Al Pitrelli (Megadeth) is 41. Singer Tracey Thorn (Everything



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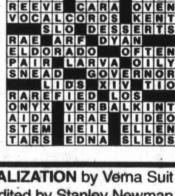
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