TUESDAY

October 7, 2003

WEATHER

Tonight:



TONIGHT TOMORROW 62°-64° 77°-79°

BRIEFLY

Key Club project

Members of the Big Spring High School Key Club will be busy this Halloween collecting money by taking part in the Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF campaign.

The program supports efforts to fight malnutrition iodine deficiency in children around the world.

To give donations to UNICEF, contact any member of the BSHS Key Club.

Fajita supper

The Greater Big Spring Rotary Club will hold a fajita supper from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday on the west side of Memorial Stadium.

The meal will include drink and dessert and is priced at \$6 per per-

For tickets, see any Greater Big Spring Rotary member.

They are also available by going by the Spring Area Chamber of Commerce office at 215 W. Third or by calling the chamber at 263-7641.

Foster families

Howard and surrounding counties are in need of foster families. For information becoming foster/adoptive family, please contact the Children's Protective Services office at 263-9669 or 1-800-233-3405. Foster parents are the caretakers of the children in the community who have been abused and neglected.

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Big Spring Police Department Identification Technician Wayne Jones goes through some of the material that will be used during Saturday's Child Safety Program, set for 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. at Schlotzsky's Deli located on FM 700.

Prints and photos: Local lawmakers to stage child identification program

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

One of the most frightening moments in a parent's life is the realization one of their children is missing.

The Citizen's Police Alumni Academy Association and the Big Spring Police Department are doing their part to help parents faced with this type of unspeakable situation, as they get ready to hold a child safety program this weekend.

BSPD Crime Scene Specialist Wayne Jones said the program will be held between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. at Schlotzsky's Deli, gerprint while they are

3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at Schlotzsky's Deli, 1513 E. FM 700

1513 E. FM 700, and is aimed at children between 3 months and 16 vears old.

"We're going to do the child identification program," said Jones. "What that entails is fingerprinting and photographing the children. We will be doing a regular fingerprint card from Child Identification America. We'll take the child's finthere and it will go onto a card for the parent's records and a separate card that will go on file. We'll also be taking photographs of the children and we'll provide the parents with a 3.5-inch floppy disk with the pictures for their records as well.

"In case something happens to that child, they can bring that card to the police station, along with the 3.5-inch floppy disk with the photograph. We can put that on the computer and on Amber Alert.'

Jones said although

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Victim SERVICES Volunteers sought

for training to aid in times of crisis

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

In an instant, a person's life can change.

For the residents of Howard, Glassock, Martin, Mitchell and Borden counties, Victims Services stands ready to help 24 hours a day, seven days a week in times of crisis.

In 2002-2003, more than 600 vic-

tims of violent crimes were served in a 21-month period by the organization's 13 volunteers and four staff members.

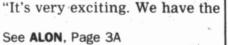
Volunteers non-profit, independent, community-based pro-

gram serve victims of all crimes and their families. The organization offers assistance in finding financial help,

counseling programs and more. Now, Victim Services is taking applications for volunteers to go through training later this

"They have to be 18 years old and go through an interview process," said Linda Perez, Victim Services' assistant director. "Once they complete the training, they have to volunteer for two 12-hour shifts a month and wear a pager to be on call to answer phone calls."

tain confidentiality.



and technological innovations

The group, consisting of a

cross section of high school to

elementary teachers, plans to

create lessons to integrate these

four areas into topics such as

math, science, language and

social studies in age-appropriate

Light admits this endeavor is a

"We've not done this before on

massive undertaking for the dis-

such a large scale," he said.

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trict.

HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody



Volunteers must also be able to work as a team member, accept supervision, have ability to empathize with others, have good listening skills and main-

Following the training, which will be held on Oct. 20-25 from

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ALON USA Operations Manager Ernie Morgan assists Goliad Intermediate sixth grade teacher Gail Berringer,

left, during a session on the crude oil refinery process. The Big Spring Independent School District is using the

cooperative resources of ALON USA to develop a two-week curriculum about aspects of the refinery. The pro-

From refinery to the classroom:

ALON and BSISD work together

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On Saturday, the group of Big

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Spring teachers

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ject is in conjunction with the 75th anniversary of the refinery's existence in Big Spring.

By THOMAS JENKINS

By LYNDEL MOODY

refinery industry.

ALON USA employees were

turning up the heat on knowl-

edge Saturday to help a group of

Big Spring teachers refine their

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A Martin County grand jury handed down 20 indictments Monday afternoon, including indictments for aggravated sexual assault of a child and intoxication manslaughter.

Juan Rivas Jr. was indicted on charges of one count of intoxication manslaughter, a second degree felony, and two counts of intoxication assault, both third degree felonies. Rivas was allegedly driving while intoxicated when he and a passenger were involved in a traffic accident on Sept. 27, 2003, said Howard County Assistant District Attorney Robin Orr.

"The accident happened near Ackerly," said Orr. "Mr. Rivas was allegedly driving while intoxicated when the wreck occurred and any time someone is killed in a situation such as that the charge is intoxication manslaughter.'

According to Department of Public Safety officials, Rivas was traveling east on State Highway 176 and failed to stop at the intersection of County Road 3400, colliding with a vehicle driven by Willie Wayne Nichols of Big Spring. Neal Watkins, 61, of Big Spring

Martin County

was taken to Midland Memorial Hospital where he was pronounced dead. Also injured in the accident was Watkins' wife, Marie Watkins, 58, and Joyce Nichols, 64, both of Big Spring.

If convicted, Rivas faces 2 to 20 years in prison for the second degree felony and 2 to 10 years on each of the third degree felonies. including up to \$10,000 in fines.

Also indicted Monday were 17-year-old Abel Yharte Gomez and 18-year-old Joshua

Segundo, both charged with first degree aggravated sexual assault of a child. "The incident allegedly occurred on Halloween of last year at their high school in Ackerly," said Orr. "The victim was a 12-year-old girl."

Both young men face 5 to 99 years to life and up to \$10,000 in fines if convicted on the first degree felonies.

The grand jury also handed down indictments for Lori Jean Smith, who is charged with indecency with a child, sexual assault of a child, both second-degree felonies, and two counts of aggravated sexual assault of a child, both first-degree felonies. Smith's "significant other," Robert Waldrop, was also indicted for indecency with a child, a seconddegree felony, and aggravated sexual assault of a child, a first-degree felony.

"The victim was the 12-year-old daughter of

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Obituaries

Elsie Margarita Wallis



Elsie Margarita Wallis, of Big Spring, formerly of Savannah, Ga., died on Saturday, Oct. 4, 2003, in a local nursing home. Memorial services will be held at 1 p.m. today, Tuesday, Oct. 7, 2003, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewoood Chapel.

She was born in Lewisham, England, and married George Wallis in 1939 in Lewisham. He preceded her in death on

Sept. 10, 1961.

Elsie came to America in 1963 and was a nanny for 36 years. She loved singing, dancing, traveling and making new friends. She also volunteered her time to the American Cancer Society. She was an Episcopalian.

Survivors include a daughter, Janice Barriball and husband, Dean C. Jr., of Big Spring; one son, Paul Alex Wallis and wife, Pam, of Round Rock; two grandchildren, Dean C. Barriball III and wife, Monica, of Houston and Mandy Collins and husband, Glenn, of Huntsville; and six great-grandchildren.

The family suggest memorials to the donor's favorite charity.

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

Paid obituary

Elva Bryant Ware



Elva Bryant Ware, 93, of Big Spring died on Sunday, Oct. 5, 2003, in a San Angelo hospital. Funeral services will be held at 3 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 8, 2003, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Wayman Swopes, pastor of Greenwood Baptist Church, officiating. Interment will follow at Greenwood Cemetery.

She was born on April 2, 1910, in Smith County and married Earlie Denson Ware on April 29, 1929, in Midland. He preceded her in

death on Aug. 3, 1971.

Mrs. Ware moved to the Greenwood Community as a young girl and attended Prairie Lee School. She had owned and operated Ware's Beauty Shop in both Weatherford and Midland for many years, retiring in 1968. She then moved to Gladewater and returned to Midland in 1972. She enjoyed caring and cooking for others and playing the piano.

Mrs. Ware was a charter member of the Greenwood Baptist Church.

Survivors include one son, Edwin Ware of Big Spring; one daughter, Evelyn Couey of Pearl, Miss.; two sisters, Lottie Mae Bell of Midland and Virgie Raggitt of Plano; two brothers, Arlie Bryant of Midland and W.T. Bryant of Baton Rouge, La., seven grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren, and five greatgreat-grandchildren.

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

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. today, Tuesday, Oct. 7, 2003, at the funeral home.

The family suggests memorials to: The American Cancer Society Memorial Program, c/o Lucy Bonner, P.O. Box 2121, Big Spring 79721-2121,

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

Jo Ann Dean

Jo Ann Dean, 69, of Midland, formerly of Big Spring, died at 5:21 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 5, 2003, at Terrace West Nursing Home in Midland following a lengthy illness. Graveside services will be at 2:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 9, 2003, at the Rising Star Cemetery in Rising Star with Richard Massey, minister of the Rising Star Church of Christ, officiating.

She was born on Sept. 7, 1934, in Pampa. She grew up in Andrews and was a resident of Big Spring for more than 30. She had been a resident of Midland

since 1995.

She is survived by one brother, Wayne Goss of

Glendale, Ariz., and two nephews.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

Sheriff's report

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

 CHANCE ALLEN PERRYMAN, 19, was arrested Monday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for unlawfully carrying a weapon.

 LOOSE GOATS was reported seven miles from Big Spring on Highway 87. Deputies responded and were unable to locate.

· BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported at the Big Spring Gin. Deputies responded with report to

 BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported at Trio Fuels. Deputies and BSPD responded, report to

• CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 700 block of Todd Road. Deputy was dispatched, supplemental report to follow.

 ANIMAL PROBLEM was reported in the area of N. Highway 87. Deputy was dispatched, advised the

problem had been taken care of. No report. 1, 2 or 3 Bedroom Apartment Homes

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Ethel Maurine Larkin

Ethel Maurine Larkin, 97, of Big Spring died at 8:50 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4, 2003, at Mountain View Lodge following a lengthy illness. Graveside services will be at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 8, 2003, at the Athens City Cemetery in Athens, Texas, with the Rev. Walter McCall of Odyssey Hospice of Big Spring officiating.

She was born on Aug. 12, 1906, in Frost to Leon O'Brien Jackson and Lillie Bell McCord Jackson. She was a retired bookkeeper for the city of Temple and a former member of the First Baptist Church of Temple.

Mrs. Larkin was preceded in death by her husband, William Larkin Sr., and her son, William Larkin, Jr. She is survived by one granddaughter, Sue Ann Larkin of Big Spring.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, memorials be made to Mountain View Lodge, 2009 Virginia, Big Spring 79720.

Local arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

Andrew Bayes

Andrew Bayes, 62, of Big Spring died on Sunday, Oct. 5, 2003, at his residence. Graveside memorial services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 8, 2003, at the Mt. Olive Memorial Park with his nephew, the Rev. Jimmie Bayes, pastor of Good News Assembly of God in Lovington, N.M., officiating.

He was born on Jan. 28, 1941, in Big Spring. Mr. Bayes was a lifelong resident of Big Spring and

a mechanic and welder. He was a member of the NRA. Survivors include his son, Daryl Bayes of Garland; his daughter, Brandy Castro of Denison; two brothers, Luis Bayes of Lovington, N.M., and Joe Bayes of Eunice, N.M.; and five grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

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

Malenda Lee Barker

Malenda Lee Barker, 38, of Big Spring died Saturday, Oct. 4, 2003, at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene. Funeral services were held at 3 p.m. Monday, Oct. 6, 2003, at the First Baptist Church of Coleman with the Rev. Rick Willis officiating. Burial followed in the Gouldbusk Cemetery under the direction of Stevens Funeral Home of Coleman.

Mrs. Barker was born on Nov. 14, 1964, a daughter of Jennalee Hale Murry and William Dwayne Murry. She was raised in the Gouldbusk and Mozelle areas and graduated from Mozelle High School. She married Jerry Don Barker on July 20, 1991, in Coleman. She taught elementary school in Coahoma. She was a member of ATP and the Midway Baptist Church in Sand Springs.

Survivors include her husband, Jerry Don Barker of Big Spring; two sons, Morgan Dwaine Barker and William Gene Barker, both of Big Spring; her mother, Jennalee Murry of Abilene; and several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and other relatives.

She was preceded in death by her father; one sister, Tammy Lee Murry; and one brother, David Dwain

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity from 8 a.m. Monday until 8 a.m. today: • ROXANNE EVANS, 21, of 1200 Nolan, was arrested Monday on a charge of reckless driving.

• ADELAIDO MARTINEZ, 52, of 215 N.E. Ninth Street, was arrested Monday on charges of public intoxication, possession of drug paraphernalia and

• **KENNETH YOCKERS III,** 21, of 907 E. Interstate Highway 20, was arrested Monday on two traffic war-

• WILLIAM WILLIAMS, 27, of 1101 Marijo, was arrested Tuesday on a warrant for no insurance.

 AGGRAVATED ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON was reported in the 400 block of Fourth

· CRIMINAL TRESPASS was reported in the 200

block of F.M. 700. THEFT was reported:

- in the 300 block of Owens.

- in the 1100 block of Lamesa.

- in the 500 block of Fourth Street. - in the 400 block of Birdwell.

· in the 1200 block of 11th Place.

- in the 1800 block of Gregg Street.

- in the 800 block of W. Fourth Street.

- in the 4000 block of Wasson.

· BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in

the 1200 block of Third Street.

· BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported in the 500 block of Westover.

EVADING ARREST OR DETENTION was report-

- in the 2500 block of Dow.

- in the 2900 block of W. Eighth Street.

All announcements to the Sunday Life! section are free of charge. Call the Herald office for more details, 263-7331

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TODAY

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

WEDNESDAY

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

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

Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

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

Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxiliary meeting, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third.

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

THURSDAY

Club, Driver Road.

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

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

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

West Texas Republican Club, noon, Big Spring Country Club, Driver Road. Special guest speaker will be Tony Massaro, President of the San Angelo chapter of Pachyderms.

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

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

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 Country 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.

Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Monday night: Winning numbers drawn: 5-6-14-16-22. Number matching five of five: 1. Next Cash 5 drawing: Tonight.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Monday night:

Weather

Tonight — Partly cloudy with a 10 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 60s. Southeast winds 5 to 10 mph.

Wednesday - Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 70s. South winds 5 to 15 mph.

Wednesday night — Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the

Thursday — Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 80s.

Friday through Columbus Day — Partly cloudy with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 60s. Highs in the lower 80s.

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EXAS BRIEFS

HARLINGEN (AP) - A bill proposed in Congress threatens to close the main shipping route to the Rio Grande Valley because it would limit the dumping of sand dredged from the Intracoastal Waterway onto King Ranch, U.S. Rep. Solomon Ortiz says.

At issue is the Laguna Madre part of the Florida-to-Brownsville channel, a 112-mile portion that extends from the Kenedy Causeway at Corpus Christi to the Queen Isabella Causeway at Port Isabel.

Barges require at least a 12-feet depth to navigate what is by nature a very shallow bay between Corpus Christi and Padre Island National Seashore, the longest natural barrier island in the world. Natural erosion can cause silt to fill the channel, making navigation difficult without dredging.

Barges that travel the Intracoastal Waterway supply about half the gasoline used in the Valley, as well as a bulk of the materials used for U.S.-owned factories on the Mexican side of the border.

Legal action by environmentalists concerned about the waterway as one of the last homes for rare birds,

waterfowl and nesting sea turtles prompted Texas offlcials to ask the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to research a dredge management plan to replace one established in 1975.

MIDLAND (AP) — The state's oil and gas industry, especially those businesses with the smallest stake, stand to be affected the most by reforms in the system of financing public school districts, a Texas Independent Producers and Royalty Owners Association official says.

Among options under consideration by state lawmakers to fix the "Robin Hood" system of school finance are seeking a state sales tax on most services or changing the proportion of sales and property taxes used to fund public education, Martin V. Fleming, TIPRO vice president of public affairs, said Monday.

Fleming told about 40 TIPRO members and nonmembers at the Midland Petroleum Club that reforms to the system have the "potential to really change the economics of the oil and gas industry.'

Separate work groups created by legislators will host public hearings on school-finance reform, said Fleming, adding that Gov. Rick Perry wants a formal report on alternative funding methods on his desk by

March. The governor has asked for a report on the issue in March.

"The leadership says no new taxes, that anything that happens will be revenue-neutral," said Fleming "They're not looking for new monies, maybe shifting the proportion of different taxes around.'

AUSTIN (AP) - DPS officials have not made a final ruling on the cause of the crash that killed five teens over the weekend in Mendoza. The accident occurred Saturday when the teens were traveling in a Toyota on U.S. 183 near Texas 21.

The driver swerved to miss an ice chest that had fallen from a boat trailer, crossed the center lane and collided with an oncoming Ford pickup, said Department of Public Safety spokesman Tom Vinger.

According to DPS statistics, debris played a factor in 1,047 accidents in 2000, the latest year the data is available. Three were fatal accidents and 573 were injury

John Hurt, a Texas Department of Transportation spokesman, said that law enforcement officials will generally remove small debris from the roadway once they are alerted to it.

TxDOT is called to remove larger debris, Hurt said.

CHILD

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children 3 months old and younger will not be printed or photographed during the program, but they will be providing a spe-cial identification kit for parents to put together on

their own. "We don't do them younger than 3 months because their hands are just too small," said Jones. "We do have a special item for them which Child comes from Fingerprint America, and we'll be sending this home with the parents. Inside it has items such as a photograph of the child, a self-inking fingerprint card, personal information and even a DNA hair sample that you can put with it, as well as dental records. On the back it also has a place for noting any scars, marks or tat-

"The cards for the 3month-olds works the same way as the information we'll be taking during the program. The parents can bring it to us and we can scan it in and get it out over the Internet as well."

The program, which is funded solely through the membership dues from the Citizen's Police Academy, has grown over the last several years, according to Jones, and is one of the most important things parents can do to protect their children.

"We've been doing this for about four years now. We started out doing it for the health fair, and it just sort of grew from there," said Jones. "Places such as Schlotzsky's, Taco Villa and Cellular One have sponsored us in the past. Back then we were doing video taping, and we've progressed to photographs now, using the 3.5-inch floppy discs.

"It's extremely important to have your child fingerprinted. One million children are reported missing every year, and 500,000 go unaccounted for. With this new Amber Alert program that they've come out with, if we can get fingerprints and photographs lessens the chance of that child being gone forever. We've got a much better chance of finding these children with this information on hand."

Jones said the program works together with the Amber Alert system which has quickly gained nationwide acceptance.

"Amber Alert would like parents with missing children to have this type of information," said Jones. "If your child is missing or something has happened to them, this information is extremely beneficial because we not only have a description of the child and what they were last seen wearing, but we also have a photograph, hair samples which contain DNA and fingerprints."

Children attending the program will also get the chance to have fun, as some famous Crimestoppers characters will be on hand for the

event. "We'll have McGruff and Safety Pup there," said Jones. "Schlotzsky's will also be providing a blow-up castle for the kids to play in and they are also providing door prizes for people that are going to be there."

As for the fingerprinting and photographs, Jones said it's an excellent opportunity, not just

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for parents to help protect their children, but also for grandparents, aunts and uncles to show the children in their lives. what they mean to them.

"All I need is a parent or a guardian to sign a release to do the fingerprints," said Jones. "I have to have a release to do the fingerprints on these young people. It can be a grandmother, mother, father, or grandfather to sign for them. Bring your sons, daughters, nieces, or nephews, because this is an excellent time for these people to bring the children in their lives in to show how much they care for them.'

Jones said they expect between 150 to 200 children to be added to the program Saturday, and would like to see more teens be part of the event.

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Contact Staff Member

exts 234, or by e-mail at

newsdesk@crcom.net

of January 2004.

"They are of an age now

at 13, 14, or 15 years old that they can be picked up at any given time and taken away from us," said Jones. "I have a granddaughter that's 14 years old and I'm aware of the danger that something could happen to her. That certainly brings me a level of awareness that children these ages are high on the list of children likely to be abducted because they are so close to maturity.

For more information on the program, contact Jones at 264-2571.

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

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288 Margaret Hilario, 42, died Friday. Funeral mass was at 11:00 AM Tuesday at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church. Burial was at

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OUR VIEWS

Time's running out to address **YA hospital issue**

oday is the final day to make your voice is heard concerning the draft plan that is to be submitted to the Department of Veterans Affairs' Capital Asset Realignment for Enhanced Services (CARES) Commission.

While everything that's been done in the past few weeks in an effort to deter federal officials from conducting a study that could possibly lead to the closure of Big Spring's VA Medical Center bodes well for the facility here, we cannot take anything for granted.

Yes, the letter from Department of Veterans Affairs Undersecretary Dr. Robert Roswell that appeared in the Herald last week was encouraging, but don't think for a minute the battle is won.

We are convinced, and we can't stress this too strongly, that we as a community have to have every voice in Howard County and the surrounding area telling the CARES Commission that Big Spring is the best location in West Texas to serve the region's vet-

Remember, part of the proposal by the VA's CARES Commission recommends closing inpatient surgical care at the Big Spring VAMC and suggests studying the possibility of closing the entire facility. That means the possible loss of a facility that employs more than 500 people and pumps an annual payroll of \$32.5

million into our community's economy. That is why it's vitally important for all of us to let

our feelings concerning the plan be known. To date, literally thousands of us have signed and circulated petitions or written letters to the CARES Commission or members of Congress.

And there's still time — once again, the deadline is today — to respond to the proposed plan's comments pertaining to the Big Spring VAMC.

To express your views, go to the CARES Commission Web site at www.va.gov/cares. Comments can also be faxed to 202-501-2196. And questions and comments may also be e-mailed to: carescommission-

Remember, each of us can and must have an impact. So, if you haven't done so, please take this final opportunity. It's a matter of monumental importance to us all.

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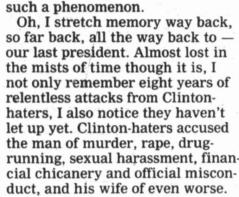
by K. Rae Anderson

Our words come from our heart. May our hearts be filled with the joy of knowing you, Lord.

Sign me up as a Bush hater

mong the more amusing cluckings from the right lately is their appalled discovery that quite a few Americans actually think George W. Bush is a terrible president.

Robert Novak is quoted as saving in all his 44 years of covering politics, he has never seen anything like the detestation of **Bush. Charles** Krauthammer managed to write an entire essay on the topic of "Bush haters" in Time magazine, as though he had never before come across



For eight long years, this country was a zoo of Clinton-haters. Any idiot with a big mouth and a conspiracy theory could get a hearing on radio talk shows, "Christian" broadcasts and nutty Internet sites. People with transparent motives, people paid by tabloid magazines, people with known mental problems, ancient Clinton enemies with notoriously racist pasts — all were given hearings, credence and air time. Sliming Clinton was a sure road to fame and fortune on the right, and many an ambitious young rightwing hitman — like David Brock, who has since made full confession — took that golden opportuni-

After all this time and all those millions of dollars wasted, no one has ever proved that the Clintons did a single thing wrong. Bill Clinton lied about a pathetic, squalid affair that was none of

and for that they impeached the man and dragged this country . through more than a year of the most tawdry, ridiculous, unnecessary pain.

"The puzzle is where this depth of feeling comes from," mused the ineffable Krauthammer. "Whence the anger? It begins of course with the ëstolen' election of 2000 and the perception of Bush's illegitimacy." I'd say so myself, yes, it would. I was in Florida during that chilling post-election fight and am fully persuaded to this good day that Al Gore actually won Florida, not to mention getting 550,000 more votes than Bush overall.

The night Gore conceded the race in one of the most graceful and honorable speeches I have ever heard, I was in a ballroom full of Republicans Party flacks who booed and jeered through every word of it. One thing I acknowledge about the right is that they're much better haters than liberals are. Your basic liberal is pretty much a strikeout on the hatred front. Maybe further out on the left you can hit some good righteous anger, but liberals, and I am one, are generally real wusses.

To tell the truth, I'm kind of proud of us for holding the grudge this long. Normally, we'd remind ourselves that we have to be good sports, it's for the good of the country, we must unite behind the only president we've got, as Lyndon used to remind us. If there are still some of us out here sulking, "Yeah, but they stole that election," well good. I don't think we should forget that.

But, onward. So George Dubya becomes president having run as a "compassionate conservative," and what do we get? Hell's own conservative and zilch for compassion. His entire first eight months was tax cuts for the rich, tax cuts for the rich, tax cuts for the rich. Then came 9-11, and we all rallied. Country under attack, most horrible thing, what can we do? Ready to give blood, get out of our cars anyone else's business anyway, and ride bicycles, whatever. Shop, said the president. And more tax

cuts for the rich.

By now, we're starting to notice Bush's bait-and-switch con. Make a deal with Ted Kennedy to improve education, and then fail to put any money into it. Promise \$15 billion in new money to combat AIDS in Africa (wow), but it turns out to be a cheap con - no new money. Bush comes to praise a job-training effort, then cuts the money. Bush says AmeriCorps is great, then cuts the money. Gee, what could we possibly have against this guy?

Then suddenly, in the greatest bait and switch of all time. Osama bin doesn't matter at all, and we have to go after Saddam Hussein, who had nothing to do with 9-11. But he does have horrible weapons of mass destruction. So we take out Saddam Hussein, and there are no weapons of mass destruction. Furthermore, the Iraqis are not overjoyed to see us. By now, quite a few people who aren't even liberal are starting to say, "Wha' the hey?"

We got no Osama, we got no Saddam, we got no weapons of mass destruction, the road map to peace in the Middle East is blown to hell, we're stuck in this country for \$87 billion just for one year, and no one knows how long we'll be there. And still poor Krauthammer is hard-put to conceive how anyone could conclude that George W. Bush is a poor excuse for a president.

It is not necessary to hate George W. Bush to think he's a bad president. Grown-ups can do that, you know - decide someone's policies are a miserable failure without lying awake at night consumed with hatred. Poor Bush is in way over his head, and the country is in bad shape because of his stupid economic policies. If that makes me a Bush-hater, then sign me up.

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The CIA leak ignites furor

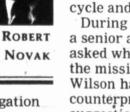
had thought I never again would write about retired diplomat Joseph Wilson's CIA-employee wife, but feel constrained to do so

now that repercussions of my July 14 column have reached the front pages of major newspapers and led off network news broadcasts. My role and the role of the Bush White House have been distorted and need explanation.









The leak now under Justice Department investigation is described by former Ambassador Wilson and critics of President Bush's Iraq policy as a reprehensible effort to silence them. To protect my own integrity and credibility, I would like to stress three points. First, I did not receive a planned leak. Second, the CIA never warned me that the disclosure of Wilson's wife working at the agency would endanger her or anybody else. Third, it was not much of a secret.

The current Justice investigation stems from a routine, mandated probe of all CIA leaks, but follows weeks of agitation. Wilson, after telling me in July that he would say nothing about his wife, has made investigation of the leak his life's work - aided by the relentless Sen. Charles Schumer of New York. These efforts cannot be separated from the massive political assault on President Bush.

This story began July 6 when Wilson went public and identified himself as the retired diplomat who had reported negatively to the CIA in 2002 on alleged Iraq efforts to buy uranium yellowcake from Niger. I was curious why a highranking official in President Bill Clinton's National Security Council (NSC) was given this assignment. Wilson had become a vocal opponent of President Bush's policies in Iraq after contributing to Al Gore in the last election cycle and John Kerry in this one.

During a long conversation with a senior administration official, I asked why Wilson was assigned the mission to Niger. He said Wilson had been sent by the CIA's counterproliferation section at the suggestion of one of its employees, his wife. It was an offhand revelation from this official, who is no partisan gunslinger. When I called another official for confirmation, he said: "Oh, you know about it." The published report that somebody in the White House failed to plant this story with six reporters and finally found me as a willing pawn is simply untrue.

At the CIA, the official designated to talk to me denied that Wilson's wife had inspired his selection but said she was delegated to request his help. He asked me not to use her name, saying she probably never again will be given a foreign assignment but that exposure of her name might cause "difficulties" if she travels abroad. He never suggested to me that Wilson's wife or anybody else would be endangered. If he had, I would not have used her name. I used it in the sixth paragraph of my column because it looked like

the missing explanation of an otherwise incredible choice by the

CIA for its mission. How big a secret was it? It was well known around Washington that Wilson's wife worked for the CIA. Republican activist Clifford May wrote Monday, in National Review Online, that he had been told of her identity by a non-government source before my column appeared and that it was common knowledge. Her name, Valerie Plame, was no secret either, appearing in Wilson's "Who's Who in America" entry.

A big question is her duties at Langley. I regret that I referred to her in my column as an "operative," a word I have lavished on hack politicians for more than 40 years. While the CIA refuses to publicly define her status, the official contact says she is "covered" — working under the guise of another agency. However, an unofficial source at the Agency says she has been an analyst, not in covert operations.

The Justice Department investigation was not requested by CIA Director George Tenet. Any leak of classified information is routinely passed by the Agency to Justice, averaging one a week. This investigative request was made in July shortly after the column was published. Reported only last weekend, the request ignited anti-Bush

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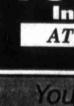
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Legislators ponder moving primary election

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas' Republican leaders seem to have no qualms about taking Texas out of the "Super Tuesday" primary next year in order to incorporate still-developing changes in congressional lines onto the bal-

But as options narrow with each tick of the clock, some Republicans and Democrats in the Legislature say they are not convinced that delaying the state's primary is in the best interest of Texas.

As Republican House and Senate negotiators continue to toil over a district map that would put more GOP candidates in the Texas congressional delegation, time is running out for Republicans who want to ensure their map is reflected on the next election ballot.

Monday, U.S. Rep. Tom DeLay, who Democrats triggered Republican "power grab," met with House Speaker Tom Craddick and representatives from Gov. Rick Perry's office in hopes of urging a compromise, said DeLay spokesman Jonathan Grella. After hitting an internal road block, negotiators also Monday were considering

forth by the Republican governor's office.

Secretary of State Geoff Connor has said if a redistricting map wasn't in place by Monday, the Texas primary would · have to be postponed, my sense is there was though the Legislature could vote to change several key deadlines.

The Legislature moved the Texas primary date from March 9 to March 2, or "Super Tuesday," last spring. The move upgraded Texas' influence in the primary election season because the race for presidential nominations could be sealed on March

"We moved our presidential primary up a week and therefore Texas became more relevant in the presidential primary sweepstakes, because we would be the same week At the Texas Capitol on as California and New York," said Rep. Dan

compromise ideas put Branch, R-Dallas. Branch pushed the legislation during the regular session.

Branch said he would not support moving the election to March 9.

"I haven't polled it, but resistance in members of both sides of the aisle to pushing the date back,"

Branch said. Returning the election to March 9, which has been the focus of some talk around the Capitol, would put the election in the middle of many families' spring break vacations.

"(A March 2 election) is more democratic, more people have a chance to vote because they're in

town," Branch said. A March 9 primary also could be more costly because polling sites would have to be set up at schools that are closed for vacation, he said.

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the county and parties. It's cheaper to hold elections in a school that's open than a school that's dark _ security, lights, to pay for operations for a day," Branch said.

Craddick has said he has no problem with delaying the primary. Rep. Phil King, R-Weatherford, a lead

designing a new congressional district map, has said it's irrelevant when the Texas primary is held.

"It's not a big deal," King said. "I don't think Texans care a bit whether they have the primary in March or April or May or June. I don't think it matters ... Texas is going to

"It's saving money for House negotiator in vote for President Bush and he's going to carry it heavily."

Perry, who has said he prefers not to delay the primary, also said "if that is what's required then that is what's required."

Texas Democrats, who hope to have a say in who will oppose Bush, have challenged plans to delay the primary.

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First, make sure all of your windows work as they should. Never block, nail or paint windows closed, which could prevent a quick exit in the event of a fire, natural disaster or an accident.

All windows and doors in the home should open and close easily and there should be no air leakage around a window.

Here are signs that a window is not functioning properly and needs replacing:

Poor performance opening and closing is a difficult task; air leaks in, out or around the window; condensation or fogging occurs on or between glass panes; windows are painted or nailed shut and virtually impossible to open.

Looks - chipping, deterioration, water stains or wood rot of the window or the area around the window (inside or out) is a sure sign; outdated design or style that doesn't blend well with the rest of the home.

Effort — cleaning is a



major hassle and another top sash to allow for venchore to be avoided; replacement parts are hard to find or even nonexistent.

Window safety

Once your windows are working properly, consider these safety tips for windows: Keep unsupervised infants and babies away from windows, especially cribs where toddlers can easily reach and climb to precarious spots.

Keep windows closed and locked when children are around. If your home features doublehung windows, close the bottom sash nearest to children, and open the

tilation. This will help prevent a toddler from toppling out a window.

Heed the warning of window and door manufacturers: screens are not meant to stop a child from falling; keep children away from open windows. Keep furniture, or any-

thing a child can climb. away from windows they may use these objects as a climbing aid. Homes with window guards, security bars, grilles or grates covering windows become potential hazards in an emergency if the devices on them do not have a funcmechanism to allow a swift, safe exit through the window. Time is critical when escaping for emergency purposes.

Cords on shades and blinds can be hazardous to small children or pets who can easily get tangled and wrap the cord around their neck or choke on the cord itself.

Finally, the degree of injury sustained from a window fall can be affected by the surface on which the victim falls. Planting shrubs and providing soft edging like wood chips or grass beneath windows may lessen impact of a fall.

Door safety

As with windows, be sure all doors open and close easily. No door should be painted, nailed or blocked shut. And as with windows, screens on doors will not stop a child from falling.

Keep small children away from open doors. For maximum safety during severe weather, keep away from windows and doors, to avoid potentially being struck by flying debris or broken glass. A basement or hallway is the best place to seek safe cover in a home during severe winds and torna-

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California voters set to choose change or familiarity

LOS ANGELES (AP) - The scramble to determine who will lead California went down to the wire Tuesday as actor-Arnold turned-politician Schwarzenegger denied lastminute sexual harassment allegations and Gov. Gray Davis pleaded with citizens to give him another chance.

Voters were asked to choose the ending of a saga that has captivated the nation for whether Davis months: becomes the nation's second governor to be recalled, and if so, who among a field of 135 candidates should replace him.

Recent polls suggested that a majority of voters favored dumping the governor while Schwarzenegger emerged as the leading replacement candidate. On CBS' "The Early Show" Tuesday, both state party lead-

"The governor is going to be recalled and Arnold will win the second question and be

ers sounded confident.

governor," GOP elected Chairman Duf Sundheim said. "But, really, it's still in the hands of the people; it's up to them to get out and vote."

Democratic Party Chairman Art Torres said the predicted high turnout "could be the defi-nite advantage for the governor. ... I think the lieutenant governor (Cruz Bustamante) is closing in on the second part of the ballot, so we may even have a double victory here."

The chaotic gubernatorial campaign, which survived a handful of legal challenges after a Republican-led effort brought it to the ballot, was without parallel in the Golden State. The unpopular governor was blamed for myriad problems and an action hero grabbed much of the spotlight from candidates that included a porn marketer, a sumo wrestler, a stripper and two experienced politicians.

Bustamante, the only promi-

nent Democrat on the ballot, and Republican state Sen. Tom McClintock remained the only other candidates polling in double digits. But their campaigns were eclipsed in recent weeks by the target of the recall and the former Mr. Universe.

Schwarzenegger's poll numbers got a bounce after a lively Sept. 24 debate that brought together all the top candidates for the first and only time. Although the questions had been made available to the candidates before the forum, analysts said Schwarzenegger accomplished what he needed to by appearing confident and in command of issues.

With allegations dogging him that he had groped and sexually harassed as many as 16 women over the last three decades, Schwarzenegger on Monday marshaled the support of his wife, Maria Shriver, and mother-in-law, Eunice Kennedy Shriver, and surrounded him-

self with women-friendly mes- throaty plea to keep California sages.

Scores of female supporters stood behind him at events, holding signs proclaiming "Remarkable Women Join Arnold," As he took the stage at one event, the actor smiled broadly and said, "To all the incredible women, thank you."

Davis reached out to his core of labor support, marching in San Francisco with hundreds of firefighters, mostly clad in blue "No Recall" T-shirts. Many in the crowd were out-of-state residents attending a safety conference.

"If you give me the chance to finish my term, I will do it with all the passion, all the humanity I can muster because my goal is to make your life better." Davis told the crowd chanting "No recall! No Recall!"

Harold Schaitberger, president of the International Association of Fire Fighters, roused the crowd with a paigns.

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At a campaign appearance in East Los Angeles, Bustamante, who once led among replacement candidates in independent polls, said his internal polls showed him closing on "Frankly. Schwarzenegger. there's a lot of people who feel he's not fit to be the governor," Bustamante said.

Looming over the day's events were the allegations, including more from a woman who came forward Monday, that Schwarzenegger groped the women and sometimes made crude comments during encounters dating from 1970 to

Schwarzenegger released a statement denying the latest accusation, while McClintock and Bustamante said the allegations were helping their cam-

Conservatives rallying; church factions are at odds over homosexuality

dent meetings split in the air.

begin Tuesday, was originally planned as a strategy session for a few hundred leaders. But it mushroomed in scope as conservatives reacted against two actions by the Episcopal Church's midsummer convention: confirmation of a gay bishop living with his partner, broken away into schism. and a vote to recognize though not endorse or AAC has emerged as the condemn — that dishops are allowing blessing ceremonies for same-sex couples.

weeks to see the future of the Episcopal Church in America," says the Rev. David Roseberry, whose 4,000-member Christ Church in suburban Plano organized the event.

He refers not only to the

That session involves the Anglicans' spiritual leader, Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams, and the 37 other heads of world Anglican branches. Presiding Bishop Frank Griswold of the Episcopal Church also is a member of that group and defends the decisions reached this summer in Minneapolis.

The American Anglican Council, sponsor of the Dallas meeting, says that U.S. conservatives are loyal to Anglican beliefs and the Christian tradition, so it's the Episcopal Church majority that has

Founded in 1996, the most important conservative Episcopal caucus. It reports a mailing list of 50,000 and support from about 500 congregations _50 bishops. Spokesman Bruce Mason says "we probably represent a minority within the Episcopal Church but are part of the vast majority worldwide."

Jim Naughton, spokesman for Diocese of Washington, D.C., and part of that liberal majority, estimates that, at most, 14 percent of the 2.3 million Episcopalians favor traditionalist protests. Naughton is part of a team in Dallas observing the meeting, which concludes Thursday.

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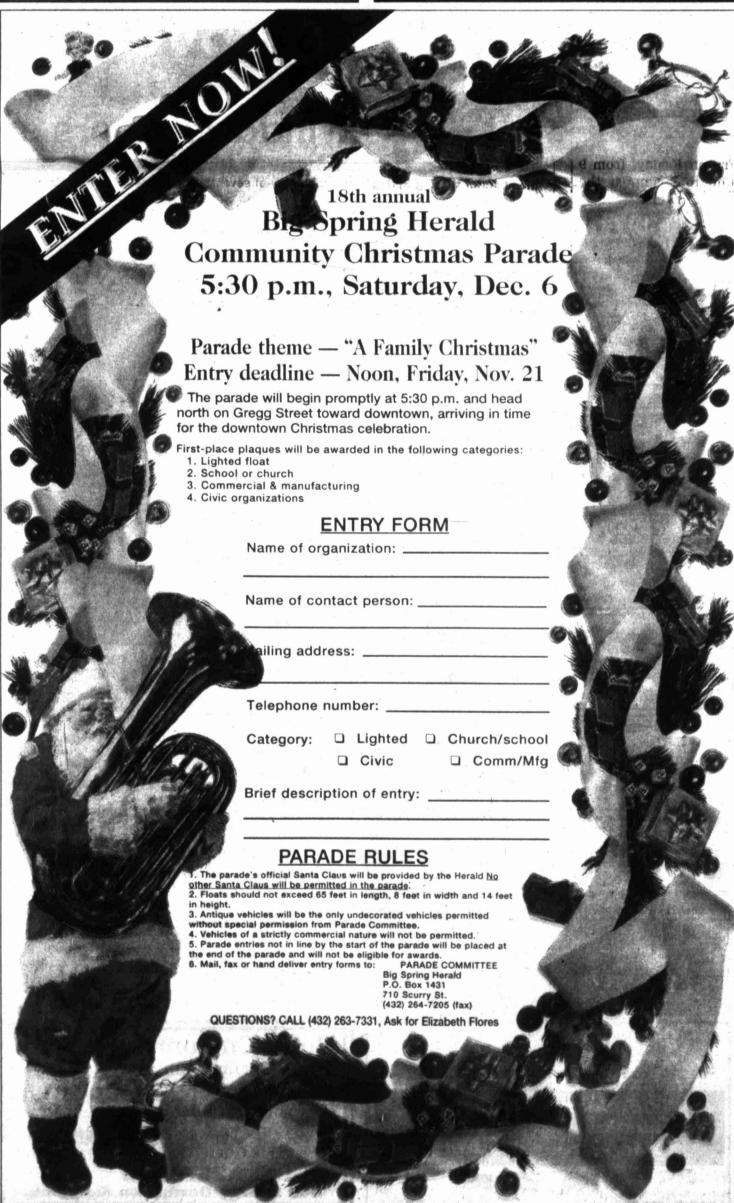
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The meeting, set to

The presence in Dallas of 45 of the church's 300 bishops underscores the gravity of the situation.

"We have two to three

Dallas meeting but, more importantly, an Oct. 15-16 emergency summit in London for leaders of the international Anglican Communion, of which the Episcopal Church is the

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All proceeds from the car wash will go to the **BSHS** baseball gram.

For more information call 263-4545 or 263-8527.

Lady Steers Booster Club slates meeting

The Big Spring Lady Steers' Booster Club is scheduled to meet Wednesday in the **BSHS** Athletic Training Facility.

The meeting, which will start at 6 p.m., is open to the parents of all volleyball, cheerleading, basketball and track athletes.

Baseball boosters will meet Oct. 16

The Big Spring Baseball Steers' Booster Club is scheduled to meet Oct. 16 at Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

The meeting will start at 6 p.m. and is open to the public.

Basketball boosters to hold fish fry

Big Spring Steers Basketball Boosters will be holding a Fish Fry on Friday, 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.

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 6 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 meals at meets.

For more 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 in the ATC.

Members of the BSHS coaching staff will be on hand to talk about the Steers' District 4-4A opener with Angelo Lake View.

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Surprise! It's Marlins-Cubs in the NLCS

SPRING HERALD

CHICAGO (AP) - Count Jack McKeon among all those people who counted out the Chicago Cubs when it came to the post-

Then again, the Florida manager hardly expected his team to make it, either.

No matter. Barry Bonds is gone and so is Chipper Jones. Albert Pujols, Jim Thome and Jeff Bagwell never even got a chance to play.

October is here, and so are the Marlins and Cubs in the NL championship series starting Tuesday night at Wrigley Field.

"I think it's good for baseball. I

think it's good for the country," Cubs manager Dusty Baker said Monday.

"The Marlins, I don't think they were picked over there and I know we were picked third or fourth over here," he said.

But back to McKeon. A few days after the All-Star break, when the Marlins and Cubs were both struggling along, Kerry Wood pitched a two-hitter

Stadium. 'That's the reason he's an All-Star," McKeon said at the time. "Thank God we don't have to see him anymore."

and beat Florida 1-0 at Pro Player

The 72-year-old manager was then asked about the possibility albeit a remote one at the time that Florida might meet

Sammy Sosa and the Cubs in the postseason. "I don't think the Cubs will be

in the playoffs," he said, brushing aside the notion. So Trader Jack, any second

thoughts on it now? "I don't remember saying it," McKeon said Monday. "If I did, it was a mistake.'

Too late for the Cubs' taste. "Oh yeah. That's well-documented here," Cubs batting

coach Gary Matthews said dur-

ing an afternoon workout. "Surprise, surprise."

Truth is, few really expected the sign outside Wrigley to be lit up with "Cubs Win!" at this time of year.

In fact, the Cubs were below .500 until Wood's gem at Florida on July 19. The Marlins, meanwhile, stumbled to a 19-29 start that put them far back of the pack.

"We thought in spring training we had a chance to be here,' pitcher Josh Beckett said. "Our team is not surprised by how we've done.

AP poll steady heading into big weekend

The top six teams remained the same in the latest Associated Press college football poll heading into a weekend of big showdowns.

Oklahoma extended its season-long run atop the poll following a 53-7 victory over Iowa State and heads into the Red River Shootout against No. 11 Texas ranked No. 1 for the first time since 1987.

Miami was second in the Top 25 released Sunday following a 22-20 escape against West Virginia last Thursday night. Ohio State, Virginia Tech, Florida State and LSU follow the Hurricanes in the poll. VI

The Sooners received 59 of the 65 first-place votes and 1,617 points in balloting by the panel of sports writers and broadcasters. The Hurricanes got one first and 1,523 points. The Buckeyes got the remaining five first-place votes.

Arkansas, Georgia, Southern California and Nebraska round out the Top 10.

The USA Today/ESPN coaches poll had the same top six teams as the AP.

There should be more movement in the poll next week with five games between ranked opponents upcoming.

The biggest features Miami at Florida State. the first time in 10 years both teams will be in the top 5 for their annual rivalry.

There's also Oklahoma against Texas, Ohio State at No. 23 Wisconsin, Georgia at No. 13 Tennessee and No. 20 Michigan at No. 17 Minnesota.

Following Texas in the second 10 are Washington State, Tennessee, Iowa, Pittsburgh, Northern Illinois and Minnesota. Purdue and TCU are tied for 18th and Michigan is

Lady Steers to face Andrews

The Big Spring Lady Steers will try and close out the first half of their District 4-4A campaign on a high note this evening against the defending champion Andrews Lady Mustangs.

Big Spring, 21-9, heads into the game sporting a perfect 4-0 record in loop play. Andrews is 3-1.

The Lady Steers, led by seniors Ka'Rissa Magers, Wrightsil, LaKenya Leina Braxton, Timmi Blackshear and Lindsay Phillips, are scheduled to begin play at 7 p.m. in the Steer Gym.



Members of the Big Spring Junior High School seventh grade B team pose for a team picture after downing Snyder Monday night. Members of the team incluse (back row, left to right) Amber Flores, Cheyenna Lesser, Alicia Bess, Jacklyn Porras, Ambrie Schaffner, Sophia Acosta, (middle row) Porcha White, Crystal Torres, Marah Duenez, Mallory Molina, Dominique Green (front) Brianna Rodriguez and Mirella Torres.

Torres, Lesser lead Lady Steers' seventh graders to rout of Snyder

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

Crystal Torres and Cheyenne Lesser went into the Big Spring Junior High School seventh grade B team's final home game with one simple goal: Win.

The Lady Steers did just that, sweeping past the Snyder Lady Tigers in two games 25-18, 25-11.

'We really wanted to win," said Torres. "We worked hard and played a pretty good game. It was one of those close and exciting game. We're just glad we could come out with a win."

With the victory, Big Spring improved to 5-3 for the year.

"We played a real hard game and hustled to the ball," said middle hitter Jacklyn Porras. "I'm really proud of how all the girls played and of what we accomplished."

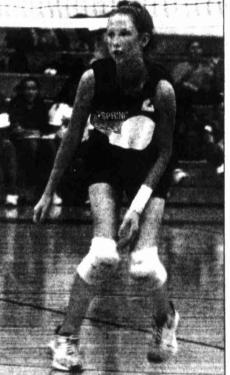
Snyder put up a good fight early in the game. The Lady Tigers managed to fight their way to within 24-18 before the BSJHS spikers put the game away.

Crystal Torres and Mirella Torres paced the Lady Steers' offensively in the contest. Both finished with four service points.

Mariah Duenez and Mirella Torres both turned in solid efforts passing the ball and setting up the BSJHS attack.

Snyder wasn't as fortunate in the second game, falling quickly by a 25-11 clip.

'We learned from our mistakes Alicia Bess. "We came out in the



determined to take it."

Brianna Rodriguez and Lesser made sure the Lady Tigers were on their heels. The two Lady Steers' stars pounded out seven points apiece in the game and helped Big Spring streak to a huge lead.

Bess and Ambrie Schaffner had solid efforts passing.

The B team's win highlighted a in the first game," said hitter strong outing by the Lady Steers.

Shelbie Stewart and the BSJHS seventh grade A team beat Snyder

Monday by a 25-17, 25-23 clip.

Overall, the BSJHS girls took second game and hustle. We were three of the four matches with

with a five service points in Game Big Spring is scheduled to continue its 2003 season Monday in

Carissalez and Lauren Sage.

Snyder. The seventh and eighth

Shelbie Stewart helped power

the Big Spring seventh grade A

team to a convincing 25-17, 25-23

win in match. Stewart scored

Andrea Claxton and Whitney

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Steers' success with three points

The eight grade A team blistered

Snyder, winning by a 25-11, 25-17

mark in front of a large crowd in

With the win, the eighth grade

Maddy Hopkins turned in an

outstanding effort in the win. She

sparked the Lady Steers to a huge

lead early in Game 1 by tallying

13 straight points. She came back

to scratch out seven more in the

Danielle Jeter and Nita Cotton

contributed to the win, adding

four and three points, respective-

ly. Jeter led all BSJHS spikers in

kills with four. Amanda Caskey

and Desiree Yanez finished with

Also playing well were Clarissa

The eighth grade B team

Callie Partee led the Lady Steers

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grade A teams also posted wins.

Emmitt sidelined indefinitely with broken shoulder blade

leader Emmitt Smith has a broken left shoulder blade and will be sidelined indefinitely.

The injury occurred

TEMPE, Ariz. (AP) - early in the second quar- Bowl victories. NFL career rushing ter of Arizona's 24-7 loss to Dallas on Sunday in said X-rays taken Monday Smith's first game against revealed the injury was the team he played his more serious than origifirst 13 seasons with and nally thought. After the the back of Smith's shoul-

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New coach, offense, have Houston on rise

HOUSTON (AP) Houston freshman Kevin Kolb had some rare advantages over most beginning college quarterbacks when he arrived on campus this fall. He knew the Cougars' intricate pass-oriented offense and the man implementing it.

Kolb has been learning the same offensive alignment since he was in the seventh grade Stephenville, a small community southwest of Fort Worth. Kolb saw a familiar face in new Cougar coach Art Briles, who invented and refined the offense as the Stephenville Yellowjackets head coach and brought it with him

to his first college assignment.

"When you go to college football, there are so many things you have to adjust to," Kolb said. "Knowing the offense was one more burden off my back."

Kolb jumped at the chance to join Briles at Houston. The results have been good so far. Kolb has completed 78 of 126 passes for 1,051 yards, nine touchdowns and only one interception. He leads the team in total offense, averaging 226 yards per game.

Houston is 4-1 and off to its best start since 1990 going into Saturday's Conference USA opener against Tulane.



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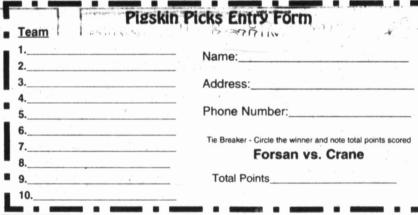
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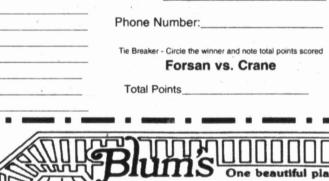


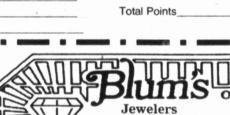
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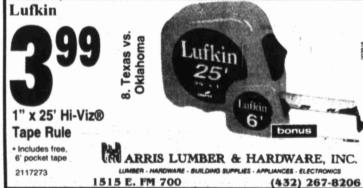




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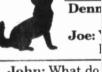
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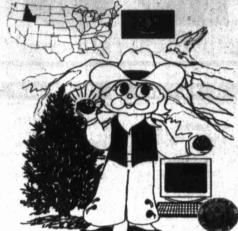
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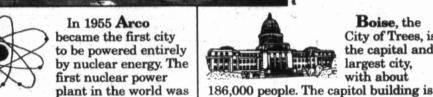
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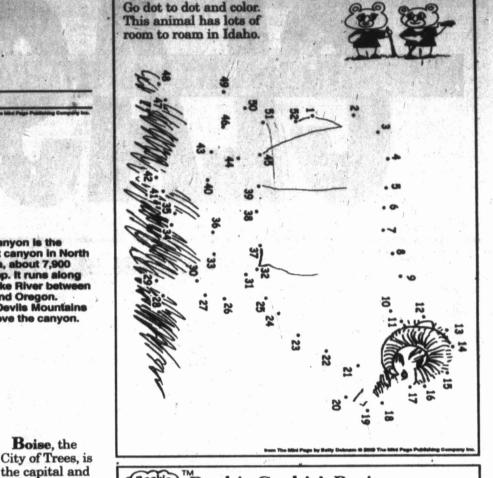
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heated by hot springs from 3,000 feet underground. Craters of the Moon National Monument has

about 40 separate lava flows. Early astronauts did part of their training there.

The highest single tanding sand Dune in the U.S., 470 feet high, is in Bruneau Dunes



Rookie Cookie's Recipe **Good Old Baked Potatoes**

You'll need: 4 baking potatoes dab of butter

 shredded cheese (your choice of type) What to do: Oven Style:

Wash potatoes well.
 Pierce each potato several times with a fork.

3. Place in middle of preheated 375-degree oven and bake for 45-60 minutes.

4. Remove from oven. Skins should 3. be crispy and good to eat.

5. Serve with butter or cheese.

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Goldie Goodsport's Report Supersport: Stacy Dragila

Height: 5-71/2 Hometown: Auburn, Calif Birthdate: 3-25-71 College: Idaho State Stacy Dragila has spent much of her life soaring through the air. The former Idaho State athlete holds the outdoor world record in the women's pole vault, having ascended to 15 feet, 91/4 inches. She also became the first female to win an

Olympic gold medal in the vault when she captured first place in the 2000 Games in Australia Idaho's soaring star also tries to help other athletes reach great heights. She is in her sixth season as an assistant track and field coach at Idaho State

Dragila, who lives in Pocatello, Idaho, with her husband, Brent, is active in the community as well, devoting time to the Big Brother/Big Sister program.

Meet Mr. Winkle

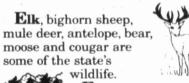


In just five years, Mr. Winkle has gone from being abandoned and sick on a street in Bakersfield, Calif., to one of the world's most famous dogs. He has been on television, in several books and on a calendar, and has a Web site (www.MrWinkle.com). His newest book is called "A Winkle in Time: Mr. Winkle Celebrates the Underdogs of History."
Mr. Winkle looks like a cute puppy

because he is small and weighs about 5 pounds. But he is actually a full-grown dog. He has fluffy, apricot-colored hair, bright eyes and teddy-bear ears. He was a stray, so no one knows for sure what kind of dog he is

A magazine photographer, Lara Jo Regan, found Mr. Winkle on the street and nursed him back to health. Everyone who met him saw how lovable he was. She began taking photographs, and new careers were born for them both. The two live together in Los Angeles with a cat named Clark Cat.





Forests cover about 40

percent of the state. The Gem State has 72 types of precious and

semi-precious stones, including star garnets, opals, jade, topaz and zircon. One of the biggest diamonds ever found in the U.S., weighing 20 carats, was discovered near



McCall. "The Hokey Pokey" was written by the Ram Trio for vacationers in Sun Valley in the

late 1940s. Idaho City once produced more gold than the state of Alaska. When its mine was tapped out, the town's

population dropped from 30,000 to 450. Chief Joseph led the Nez Perce in a fight against the U.S. after the government

tried to force his people onto a reservation in Idaho. The reservation land was one-tenth of the land they held under treaty. Chief Joseph is famous

fight no more forever.' The **Kootenai**, Coeur d'Alene, Shoshone, Bannock and Paiute peoples also lived in the area.

Site to see: www.visitid.org

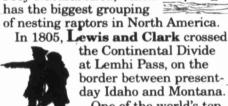
for his words after his

people's defeat: "I will

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More About Idaho Kuna is the site of the Snake River Birds of Prey Natural Area, which has the biggest grouping



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the most mountainous of the Rocky Mountain

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California trails ran through southern Idaho.

More Potatoes are grown in Idaho than in any other state, about onethird of all potatoes eaten in the U.S. The Russet Burbank is the special Idaho potato.

Idaho is also a top U.S. producer of lentils, winter peas, barley, sugar beets, mint, wheat, onions and dairy products.

Quiet wilderness

areas are top attractions. About 63

percent of the land is managed by the U.S. government. Only Alaska and Nevada have more federal public land More miles of Rivers,

about 3,100, are in Idaho than in any other state.

Sacagawea spent her first years with her people the Lemhi Shoshone, in the area of what is now the Idaho/Montana border.
The Shoshone Falls

has a drop of 212 feet, 52 feet more than Niagara Falls.

The **Syringa** is the state flower.

About 85

percent of all the Trout sold in the U.S. are raised in

Idaho. Buhl is known as the Trout Capital of the World. Last Chance is known as the Fly Fishing Capital of the World.
Underground ice

formations have stayed frozen for hundreds of years in Crystal Ice Cave. The Shoshone Ice Cave is a three-block-long cave where railroad passengers used to stop for a cold drink in the summer.
Sun Valley has the first

ski resort in the U.S., built in 1936. The world's first alpine skiing chairlift was built there by Union Pacific Railroad engineers. Its design comes from a machine used to load banana boats.
The Western White

Pine is the state tree. BoX Canyon is the site

of the 11th-largest spring in North America, bubbling out 180,000 gallons per minute.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY JOYCE JILLSON The Pisces moon tunes us in to wisdom that may fly in the face of logic.

Expect things to happen in their own time, not in yours. The best way to avoid disharmony to

arrange Joyce Jillson your sched-

ule so it leaves plenty of time for glitches. unexpected Libra vibes are strong, so the drive to get along far outweighs the need to realize a set agenda.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You are a necessary component of many people's lives — don't forget yourself. Social gatherings, however casual, lead you to new business contacts. These people haveideas that you can turn into moneymakers.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Your sixth sense is working over time. Trust it. Intuition guides you to unusual places where you are greeted by even stranger folk — but it all works to push you in a direction of receiving more abundance.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You take pride in making the most out of what's in front of you, especially when you know others are going to take notice of your good work. Your audience consists of supervisors who can make a difference in the size of your paycheck.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Hectic schedules have kept you apart from the object of your affection, but today, you finally get a chance to bask in each other's presence. You possess the power to heal wounds regardless of

where they came from. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Make the most out of your great energy. You bound out of bed with a unique kind of zing. Give yourself permission to pare down your responsibilities at work and at home. Do only those you think

are worth doing. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). It's time to adjust your point of view on progress toward personal goals. You have made impressive strides, but they've been spread out over a long period of time. Consider where you started to be satisfied with how far you've come.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your circle of influence expands. Publications you've authored reach the right people. Kids have unusual requests. Use your best parental judgment (which is not always

the most fun), and decide whether or not to comply.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Intense energy needs an outlet. Channel it into a place where you are the most productive - writing, music, drawing or painting. Even if you never share your work with anyone, it's worth it to get outside of yourself through art.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The first step to getting what you want: knowing what you Be specific. want. Financial concerns impede upon your selfworth this afternoon. Remember: Making love is way more fun that making money.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). An aversion for small talk makes you want to stay home, but delights await you out in the world. You'll be bombarded with smiles from parties who find you quite attractive. Business dealings amaze you with their efficiency.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Be careful not to define yourself in terms of what you have accomplished — you are so much more, even though the hours you spend at the office do give you great satisfaction. Relatives show you what not to do with money.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Extra fun happens for those who can toss out the schedule and go with the flow. Be generous with your attention; someone in your realm doesn't get enough. What comes around goes around.

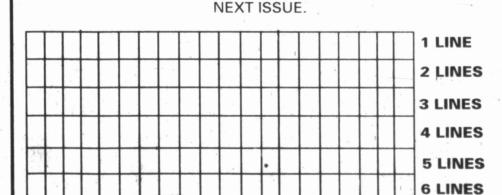
CELEBRITY PROFILES: Joan Cusack is again gracing the screen with her presence in "The School of Rock" with Jack Black. She's a consummate Libra, often cast in "best friend" roles. (Libran people make excellent friends!) Hailing from a family of talented actors, Cusack could encourage her children to bring out their natural performing talents this year. Teaching and coaching are inherent in her sign's nature.

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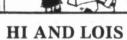


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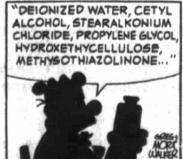






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This Date In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, Oct. 7, the 280th day of 2003. There are 85 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 7, 1777, the second Battle of Saratoga began during the American Revolution. British forces under Gen. John Burgoyne surrendered 10 days later. On this date:

In 1849, author Edgar Allan Poe died in Baltimore, Md., at age 40. In 1940, Artie Shaw and

his Orchestra recorded Carmichael's Hoagy "Stardust" for RCA Victor. In 1949, the Republic of

East Germany was formed. In 1950, the United Nations General Assembly approved an advance by UN forces north of the 38th Parallel in the Korean

In 1960, Democratic presidential candidate John F. Kennedy and Republican opponent Richard M. Nixon held the second of their broadcast debates.

1963, President In Kennedy signed the documents of ratification for a nuclear test ban treaty with Britain and the Soviet Union.

In 1968, the Motion Picture Association of America adopted its filmrating system.

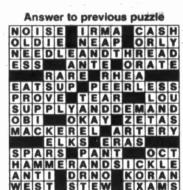
In 1982, the Andrew Lloyd Webber-Tim Rice musical opened "Cats" Broadway. The show closed Sept. 10, 2000, after a record 7,485 performances.

In 1985, Palestinian gunmen hijacked the Italian cruise ship "Achille Lauro" in the Mediterranean with more than 400 people aboard. In 2001, the United States

and Britain launched military strikes in Afghanistan. Ten years ago: President Clinton ordered more troops, heavy armor and naval firepower to Somalia, but also announced he would pull out Americans by the end of March 1994. Death claimed choreographer Agnes de

Mille at age 88 and actor Cyril Cusack at age 82.

Today's Birthdays: Singer Al Martino is 76. Retired South African Archbishop Desmond Tutu is 72. Former National Security Council aide Oliver North is 60. Rock musician Kevin Godley (10cc) is 58. Country singer Kieran Kane is 54. Singer John Mellencamp is 52. Actress Christopher Norris is 50. Rock musician Tico Torres (Bon Jovi) is 50. Cellist Yo-Yo Ma is 48. Gospel singer Michael W. Smith is 46. Actress Judy Landers is 42. Country singer Dale Watson is 41. Singer Toni Braxton is 35. singer-musician Rock Thom Yorke (Radiohead) is



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