WEEKEND **EDITION**

June 12-13, 2004

WEATHER Sunday:





SUNDAY NIGHT

REMINDER

SUNDAY

98°-101°



MONDAY IS FLAG DAY!

NOTICE

A replacement Herald newspaper rack has been replaced at the Kwikie convenience store for our customers. The rack stolen in front of the Herald office will be replaced as soon as possible.

INSIDE



The Big Spring Black Gold Tennis Tournament took place Friday and Saturday at Comanche Trail Park. Singles results are in today's issue.

Page 1B



INDEX

Business 8-9C Classified 10-12C Life 1-4, 7C **Obituaries** 2A **Opinion** Sports 1-4B

Vol. 100, No. 169

Find us online at: www.bigspringherald.com

To reach us, please call 263-7331. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. If you miss your paper, please call 263-7335 before 7 p.m. on weekdays and 11 a.m. on Sunday.



HERALD photo/Lyndel No

Craig Russell of Roswell, N.M., keeps his miniature helicopter in the air despite mildly strong winds Saturday morning during the Big Spring Model Aircraft Association's 23rd annual Fly-in and Swap Meet. The Fly-in continues Sunday from noon until 3 p.m. at the John W. Buzbee Field off Highway 350 about five miles north of Big Spring, on the Old Colorado City Highway.

Buzbee Field roars to life as Fly-In gets under way

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Although he might not have slipped the bounds of earth with the greatest of ease, Craig Russell of Roswell, N.M., did manage to keep his miniature helicopter in the air against mildly strong wind currents Saturday morning.

While wind knocked around the tiny gasmotored aircraft, Russell

"So far this morning we have 16

registered pilots from New Mexico and all over Texas."

-Charles Buzbee. association president

flying as the crowd observed at the 23rd annual Big Spring Model Aircraft Association FlyIn and Swap Meet.

"When you're hovering, you have a lot of axis's to control," Russell explained, "while an airplane is always in forward flight, so it's a little easier to control."

The avid model aircraft enthusiast has piloted his helicopter for three years but began in the hobby five years ago at the urging of a friend.

See FLY-IN Page 3A

Yee-ha! Lots to do as rodeo week breaks out of the chutes Monday

By MARSHA STURDIVANT

Feature's Editor

There's almost too much to do in Big Spring during rodeo week, beginning with the Heritage Museum Legends and Legacies Dinner at 6 p.m. Monday, a clown costume contest for children 2 to 10, sponsored by the museum at 3 p.m. Wednesday, the rodeo parade at 5:30 that night,



Reunion Saturday followed by the last night of the 71st Big Spring Cow-

boy Reunion and Rodeo. "We're excited about the entire week; there's so much to do. We moved the Old Settler's Reunion

and conclud- to the ing with the Saturday, partly because of the heat, but also because we wanted to coincide the rodeo," said Tammy Schrecengost, curator of the museum.

> Old The Settler's Reunion takes place from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday. Time-honored favorites will return this year to the reunion,

See RODEO WEEK, Page 3A

Something to bark about

Proposed ordinance would call for outdoor dogs to be enclosed in 100-square-foot fenced area.

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

A public forum concerning a proposed controversial ordinance banning the tethering or chaining dogs in the city of Big Spring will be held Tuesday night following the city council meeting.

"I don't think any decision is going to be made Tuesday night," said Big Spring Police Lt. Stan Parker, animal control What: Public forum on proposed dog ordinance.

Where: Big Spring City Council Chambers.

When: 6:30 p.m. Tuesday.

supervisor, who noted the forum is strictly to gather input from the communi-

See DOGS, Page 3A

TRADE DAYS



Old Sorehead Trade Days vendor Randi Wright hangs some of her many decorative glass artworks at her booth Saturday morning. Hundreds of vendors are hawking items to thousands of would-be shoppers during the twoday event held in Stanton. Old Soreheads Trade Days continues Sunday, beginning at noon.

Week-long

By CALVIN WOODWARD

Associated Press Writers

and JEFF WILS

ing and dedicated.

Reagan tribute

comes to an end

SIMI VALLEY, Calif. - At a sun-

set hilltop ceremony, a week of public mourning for Ronald Reagan

came to a close with his three surviving children poignantly remem-

bering their father - the 40th pres-

ident of the United States - as lov-

Michael Reagan, Patti Davis and Ron Reagan Jr. shared their memo-

ries Friday with former first lady

Nancy Reagan and a host of foreign

dignitaries, politicians and movie

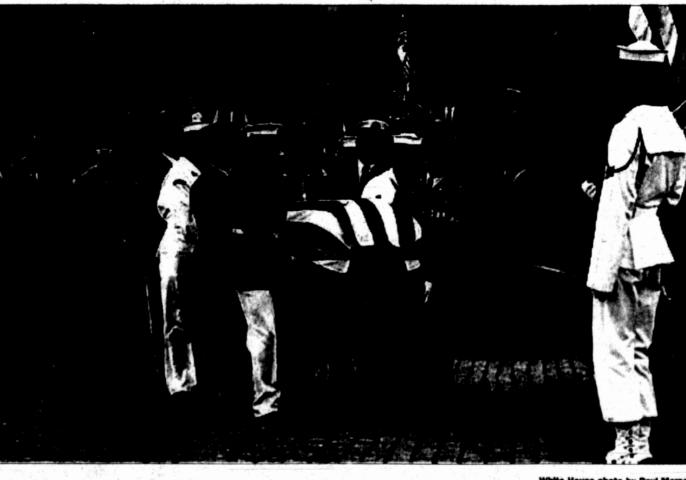
stars who came to the Ronald

Reagan Presidential Library for the

last goodbye. Reagan's daughter

Maureen, from his first marriage,

died from cancer in 2001.



The U.S. military honor guard loads the casket of former President Ronald Reagan into a hearse following the State Funeral service at the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C. Army Staff Sgt. Rob Hull, casket bearer team leader and a 1998 graduate of Big Spring High School, is pictured at right.

"He is home now. He is free," said See REAGAN, Page 5A



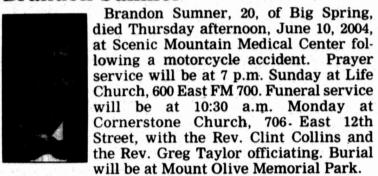
Big Spring, Texas



Sale Price \$26,999

Obituaries

Brandon Sumner



He was born March 7, 1984, in Big Spring to Bobby Griffin Sumner and Margaret Salgado Sumner, and was a lifetime resident of Big Spring. He graduated from Big Spring High School, where he was active in Key Club, journalism and photography. He attended Howard College and was a jailer at the Howard County Sheriff's Department. Music was an important part of his life, especially the guitar. He was a singer and song writer, having won first place in a talent show. He played the guitar as part of the music ministry team at Life Church. Other hobbies included the motorcycle club, car club, and martial arts, in which he was a black belt.

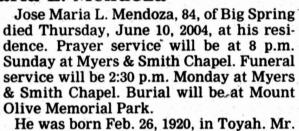
He is survived by his parents, Bobby and Margaret Sumner of Big Spring; three brothers, Robert Sumner and his wife Jovena of Big Spring, Bobby Sumner and his wife Carol and Billy Sumner and his wife Mande, all of Tampa, Fla; maternal grandparents, Armando and Josie Salgado of Big Spring; aunts and uncles, Jr. Salgado and his wife Suzanne of Big Spring, Olga Williamson of San Antonio, Becky Salgado of Big Spring; Bonnie Richardson, Jonette Boone and her husband Steve, and Darla Wheat and her husband Ray, all of Tuscaloosa, Ala.; several cousins; and numerous friends.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents. Tia and Dub Sumner.

Pallbearers will be A.J. Ontiveros, Orin Romine, Aaron Kyle Henderson, Daniel Boone, John Casas, Joseph Quintero, Junior Hilario and Jade Hughes.

The family will be at 1704 Settles in Big Spring. Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com Paid obituary

Jose Maria L. Mendoza



He was born Feb. 26, 1920, in Toyah. Mr. Mendoza had been a resident of Big Spring since 1998, moving Venice Beach, Calif. He was a retired aircraft mechanic and a

veteran of the U.S. Army, serving in World War II. He was a Methodist.

He is survived by his wife, Carmen Manriquez of Big Spring; one step-son, David Manriquez of Big Spring; one step-daughter, Marion Russo of Los Angeles, Calif.; and two nieces and one nephew.

The family will be at 511 NW 8th Street in Big Spring.

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

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity from 8 a.m. Friday until noon Saturday:

- FRANICISCO CANTU, 23, of 1502 Cherokee was
- arrested Friday on warrants. · ISREAL MOJICA, 23, of 1202 E. Third St. was
- arrested Saturday on a charge of public intoxication. · STAN ALAN PARKER, 39, of 1601 Vines was arrested Saturday on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- · CHAVONNA PATTERSON, 33, of 2905 Giffith was arrested Saturday on a charge of public intoxication. FRANK FIERRO JR., 56, of 1803 Hamilton was
- arrested Friday on a charge of public intoxication. • ESTEVAN VALENCIA, 23, of 107 E. Eighth St. was arrested Friday on a charge of diving while license suspended and for local warrants.
- JOE VALENCIA ERNEST, 40, of 202 NE Third St. was arrested Friday on a charge of driving while
- PAUL WILLIAM SCHLIPF, 40, of 707 Creighton was arrested Friday on charges of interference with an emergency call and assault, family violence.
- GILBERT GONZALES, 30, of 2106 Johnson was arrested Friday on a warrant. ASSAULT CLASS C FAMILY VIOLENCE was
- reported in the 700 block of Creighton. ASSAULT CLASS C was reported in the 100 block
- of Lockhart. THEFT was reported in the 1800 block of Gregg, the 1100 block of Lamesa, the 700 block of Gregg and the 1200 block of 11th St.

Sheriff's report

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

- REPORT OF DAMAGE TO VEHICLE was reported westbound on Interstate 20.
- PROPERTY DAMAGED was reported in the 8500 block of El Camino Road.

Support groups

☐ Alcoholics Anonymous meets from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

☐ Encourager's Support Group for widows and widowers begins at 6 p.m. with a covered dish dinner at First Presbyterian Church, Seventh and Runnels streets. Enter through the north door. Please bring a covered dish. Call 398-5522 for more information.

TUESDAY

☐ The Multiple Sclerosis Support Group meets at 7 p.m. the last Tuesday of each month in the College Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, 1005 Birdwell Lane. Call Tracey at 263-4948 for more information.

THURSDAY

☐ Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting: 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Non-smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 to 9 p.m.

Take note

- LEGACIES DINNER featuring a new exhibit, "Rodeo Clowns — The Cowboy's Hero" is from 6-8 p.m. on the museum patio. Tickets are \$15. Call 267-8255.
- ☐ MEMBERS OF THE EVENING LIONS CLUB are looking for area handicapped and disabled children 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and from 10 who would like to attend the Texas Lions Camp in a.m. until 5 p.m. on Saturday. An admission fee, Kerrville this summer.

Children eligible for the camp include those who are amputees or have asthma, cerebral palsy, lupus, muscular dystrophy, scoliosis, sickle cell anemia, stroke, partial paralysis, heart problems, epilepsy, cancer, or are deaf or hearing impaired.

Ineligible conditions include attention deficit disorder, Down's Syndrome, mental retardation, emotionally disturbed, autism and hemophilia.

For information on the camps, contact Bob Noyes at Bob's Custom Woodwork, 267-5811, or visit the Lion's Web site at www.lionscamp.com

Lions provide funding for the camp as well as transportation, if necessary.

- □ REGISTRATION FOR KIDS COLLEGE at Howard College Continuing Education is ongoing through the first week of the program, which will be June 14-24. Call 264-5131 or 264-5130.
- ☐ FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH IN KNOTT pastor's wife Cathy Kinman has been diagnosed with cancer. A benefit garage sale for medical expenses and related costs is scheduled for June 17-19. The family has no insurance. Donations are being accepted for the benefit sale, which will be in the vacant house behind the Knott Station on CR 846 in Middle Knott. Call Joann Peugh at 459-2220 or Sue Robinson at 353-4417 to donate. A fund for Cathy Kinman has been established at State National Bank.
- □ POTTON HOUSE, 200 Gregg, a restored historic

Talk to an Attorney about your financial difficulties! **JEANNE MORALES** ATTORNEY Bankruptcy services availa 4500 W. Illinois, Suite 214 Midland, TX 79703 432-520-1536 attorney@jeannemorales.com

HERITAGE MUSEUM'S LEGENDS AND home, is open from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. An admission fee, which includes entry into Heritage Museum, is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizens.

- ☐ HERITAGE MUSEUM, 510 Scurry, is open from which includes entry into the Potton House, is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children.
- ☐ HANGAR 25 AIR MUSEUM is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Saturday and from 1:30 p.m. until 4 p.m. on Sunday.
- □ CHRIST'S COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP is requesting donations of any household items, furniture, appliances, linens, cookware and dishes to be distributed to the needy in Big Spring. Items will be picked up. Please call 263-5683 and leave a message.
- ☐ THE MOBILE MEALS PROGRAM, which delivers to the elderly and homebound, needs volunteers to deliver meals.

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

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

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

□ SPRING TABERNACLE CHURCH, 1209 Wright,

has free food for the area needy.

Distribution is scheduled from 10 a.m. to noon every Thursday.

> Coming June 13th III **Bible Study** for ages 19 thru 20 something's When?

Sundays from 9:50am - 10:30am Where?

Denny's (1710 E. 3rd St.)

Bulletin board

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

 Big Spring Model Aircraft Association Fly-In and swap meet at 9:30 a.m. in the John Buzbee Field, five miles north of Big Spring off Hwy 350, watch for the

· Team Rustic Circle, an amateur paintball team, meets for practice between noon and dusk at the Moss Creek Lake paintball facility. The public is always invited, whether to participate or just spectate. For more information contact Rick Boiles at 264-2395 or 393-5246.

MONDAY

· Senior Circle meets at 4 p.m. at Scenic Mountain Medical Center for Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics. Those 50 years and older are invited to attend. Call

 Take Pounds Off Sensibly (TOPS) No. 21 meets at 5 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 W. Third for weigh-in. The meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. Call 1-800-392-8677 or 263-0391 or 263-1758.

• Take Pounds Off Sensibly (TOPS) No. TX 1756 meets at 5:30 p.m. Monday in the 11th and Birdwell Lane Church of Christ. A different program is offered every week, and anyone 7 years old or older is welcome to attend. Please enter through the northwest door. Call 263-2786 for more information.

· Legends and Legacies, the annual Heritage Museum dinner, features a special exhibit opening, "The Cowboy's Hero," a tribute to the rodeo clown. Tickets are \$15 each at the museum.

· Coahoma Lions Club meets at 6 p.m. in the Coahoma Community Center at 306 North Ave.

 Evening Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. in the La Posada Restaurant.

 Archeology Society for Howard and Borden counties meets at 7 p.m. in the Howard County Library Community Room in the basement. Call 270-2615 for more information.

 Concerned Citizens Council meets at 7 p.m. at 500 S. Main St., in the Dorothy Lamb Meeting Room of the Howard County Library. The public is welcome.

· Big Spring Commandery No. 31 meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Temple at 221 1/2 Main St. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m.

• Big Spring Assembly No. 211 Social Order of

Beauceant meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Masonic Temple at 221 1/2 Main St. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m.

· Intermediate Line Dance classes begin at 9 a.m. in the Spring City Senior Citizen's Center. Call 267-

· Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell-Lane. · A Stitchin' Time Club meets at 3:30 p.m. at

Primitive Baptist Church, 201 E. 24th St. Everyone is invited to learn and share sewing skills, and portable sewing machines are welcome. Call Kay Sikes at 394-4835 for more information.

Weather

Sunday - Mainly sunny. Very hot. High around 100F. Winds S at 10 to 20 mph.

Sunday night - A mostly clear sky. Low 72. Winds SSE at 10 to 20 mph. Monday - Mainly sunny. Highs 99 to 103 and lows

in the low 70s. Tuesday - Sunshine. Highs in the upper 90s and

lows in the low 70s. Wednesday - Sunshine. Highs in the upper 90s and

Lottery

The winning Texas Two Step numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery: 12-25-31-33. Bonus ball 15.

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Friday night: Winning numbers drawn: 9-14-33-35-37. Number matching five of five: 1. Prize per winner: \$42,431.

lows in the low 70s.

Winning tickets sold in: North Richland Hills. Next Cash 5 drawing: Saturday night.

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

Here are the winning numbers selected Friday in the Mega Millions lottery: 12-28-36-39-52 Mega Ball: 36

ESTIMATED MEGA MILLIONS JACKPOT \$85 million

Reflecting A Proud Community

432-263-7331

432-263-7335 (Circulation calls only) (Main switchboard)

(Fax) 432-264-7205

The Herald is a member of The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce West Texas Press Association, Texas Daily Newspaper Association, The Associated Press, Texas Press Association, Inland Press Association, National Newspaper Association, Newspaper Association of America, Small Newspaper Federation, Southern Newspaper Publishers Association and American Newspaper Association.

hed afternoons Monday through Friday and Sunday mornings, except Ch Day. All materials copyrighted. Postmaster: Send address changes to Big Spring Her P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas 79721. Periodicals pos USPS 1431-48 USPS 0055-940 BY THE MONTH HOME DELIVERY: Evenings and Sunday, \$8.65 m ly (includes 10% discount for yearly). MAIL SUBSCRIPTIONS: \$12.50 monthly Howard & Martin Counties. \$13.25 els

FLY-IN

BIG SPRING

Weekend E

Continued from

"He invited out to his even let me without a bu said.

Russell wa ly hooked. "You'd be how many drive to thin he said. "It

raderie." The BSMA tinues Sunda to 3 p.m. **Buzbee Fiel** Highway 35 miles north on the Old (Highway.

"We've had turnout," s President Ch "So far th (Saturday) w istered pilot Mexico an Texas." Fly-Ins and

are a good v interested in begin, Russe "To get a

to learn on \$300," he sad bly want to to help you fly it, som buddy box t

DOGS

Continued from

City coun will meet a the council E. Fourth regular m forum is begin at 6:30

The ordina

by the Big S Control would, if ac council, ba tethers or means to co Exception would be w

enclosure cleaned or owner is out contact of th Dogs conf fenced yard

have 100 s

space for

ordinance s Dogs hous erty witho yard must sided enc chain link c of fencing vided by the The enclosi vide at leas of 100 squar

> Your Heado

2 Fre Accou

FLY-IN

Continued from Page 1A

"He invited me to come out to his club and he even let me fly his plane without a buddy box," he

Russell was immediately hooked.

"You'd be surprised how many miles you'll drive to things like this," he said. "It's the camaraderie."

The BSMAA Fly-In continues Sunday from noon to 3 p.m. at John W. Buzbee Field located off Highway 350 about five miles north of Big Spring, on the Old Colorado City Highway.

"We've had a real good turnout," said BSMAA President Charles Buzbee. "So far this morning (Saturday) we have 16 registered pilots from New Mexico and all over Texas."

Fly-Ins and flying clubs are a good way for those interested in the hobby to begin, Russell said.

"To get a good airplane to learn on runs about \$300," he sad. "You probably want to find someone to help you learn how to fly it, someone with a buddy box to learn to fly



HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody Fifteen-year-old Wesley Miller of Big Spring works on an airplane during the Big Spring

Model Aircraft Association's 23rd annual Fly-In and Swap Meet Saturday.

on and get experience." For more information about area flying clubs and fly-ins, Russell recommends visiting the Academy of Model Aeronautics' Web site:

www.modelaircraft.org. BSMAA sponsors severduring the year including Float Fly at the Comanche Trail Park and the Micro Fly-In at the Dorothy Garrett

For more information about the BSMMA, call

Coliseum.

al regional fly-in events Buzbee at 267-7114 or 263-

0021.

Contact Staff Writer Lyndel Moody at 263-7331, ext. 234, or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com

look at the ordinance in

early May, nine months

after the animal control

committee made its rec-

Staff Writer Thomas

Contact Staff Writer

Lyndel Moody at 263-7331,

ext. 234, or by e-mail at

Allan's

Jenkins contributed to this

ommendation.

ald.com

RODEO WEEK

Continued from Page 1A

including dominoes, bingo and horse races.

"The horse races are really neat. Each jockey has to sew their costume together on the spot, and then select a small wooden horse tied to a fishing reel. The contest is to see how fast they can 'race" their reeled, wooden horse," she said.

A desert auction is planned, as well as awarding the oldest settler from Howard and Glasscock counties attending, and the youngest.

"And we also give our Pioneer Awards," Schrecengost said.

This year the Boadle family from Howard County and the Phillips family from Glasscock County will be honored.

The clown contest will take place at the museum just before the parade, she said.

And tickets are on sale for the dinner Monday night, which will open a new exhibit, "Rodeo Clowns, The Cowboy's Hero." Special guests, retired rodeo clown Quail Dobbs, as well as Gail

SCENIC MOUNTAIN MEDICAL CENTER Our Community.

Our Hospital. 1601 W. 11th Pl. Big Spring, TX

401 S. Main 263-7480

Movie Hot Line: 263-2479 For Showtimes For Friday

Admission Adults: \$6.00 Child, Senior & Matinee: \$4.00

*Chronicles of Riddick (PG-13)

Daily: 1:30, 4:20 & 7:10 Fri. & Sat. 9:40

*Harry Potter 3 (PG)

* Pass Restricted

Woerner, who authored "Fearless the book Funnymen, The History of the Rodeo Clown" will be part of the evening's

special program. To purchase a ticket or for more information, contact the museum at 267-8255.

A \$25 prize will be awarded to the best dressed clown for a boy and a girl, age 6-10 and age 2-5, donated by Lenita Fryar.

And the winners will ride on the Old Settlers float in the rodeo parade, she said.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

Louise McNealey, 83, died Tuesday. Memorial Services were at 2:00 PM Saturday at Grace Lutheran Church in Midland.

Brandon Sumner, 20 died Thursday. Prayer Service will be at 7:00 PM Sunday at Life Church, 600 East FM 700. Funeral Service will be at 10:30 AM Monday at Cornerstone Church, 706 East 12th Street. Burial will be at Mt. Olive **Memorial Park**

Joel Mendoza, 84, died Thursday. Funeral Service will be at 2:30 PM Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

CINEMA 4

Day After Tomorrow (PG-13) Daily: 2:00, 4:40 & 7:20 Fri. & Sat. 9:50

*Stepford Wives (PG-13)

Daily: 2:10, 4:30 & 7:00 Fri. & Sat. 9:30

*Garfield (PG) Daily: 2:20, 4:50 & 7:10 Fri. & Sat. 9:40

Shrek 2 (PG) Daily: 2:30, 5:00 & 7:30 Fri. & Sat. 9:20

ADULTS: \$6.00 \$4.00 ALL MATINEES, CHILDREN & SENIOR CITIZENS

DOGS

Continued from page 1A

City council members will meet at 5:30 p.m. in the council chambers, 307 E. Fourth St., for their regular meeting. The forum is expected to begin at 6:30 p.m.

The ordinance proposed by the Big Spring Animal Control Committee would, if adopted by the council, ban the use of tethers or chains as a means to confine a dog.

Exceptions to the rule would be when the dog's enclosure is being cleaned or while the owner is outside in visual contact of the animal.

Dogs confined within a fenced vard would have to have 100 square feet of space for exercise, the ordinance states.

Dogs housed on a property without a fenced yard must be in a foursided enclosure using chain link or similar type of fencing material provided by the dogs' owner. The enclosure must provide at least a dimension of 100 square feet of space,

JUNIAPS Your Fashion Headquarters

be tall enough to prevent the animal from escaping and be covered to provide shade and protection from the elements.

shelter,

Regarding "such shelter shall be fully enclosed on three sides, roofed and have a solid floor," the ordinance reads. "The entrance to the shelter shall be flexible to allow the animal's entry and exit, and sturdy enough to block entry of wind and rain. The shelter shall be small enough to retain the animal's mal to stand and turn 79 dog bites were reported sure shall be structurally sound and in good repair."

The idea for the proposed ordinance was first brought to the animal

control committee by Chief of Police Lonnie Smith who said he believes the adoption would help cut down on the number of dog bites and attacks.

"I think once dog owners see they are going to be held accountable, they will start taking care of their dogs in a more responsible manner," Smith told the Herald in reporter@bigspringhera May 6 article.

Since 2001, Big Spring Animal Control has issued 261 citations to dog body heat and large owners for "animal at enough to allow the ani- large" violations. In 2002, comfortably. The enclo- and 1,031 dogs were bites were reported and 1,057 dogs were picked up for at large violations.

picked up for at-large violations. In 2003, 58 dog

The council began to

FREE PREGNANCY TESTING

Available Daily from 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM No Appointment Necessary

LABOR & DELIVERY DEPARTMENT (2nd Floor) Scenic Mountain Medical Center

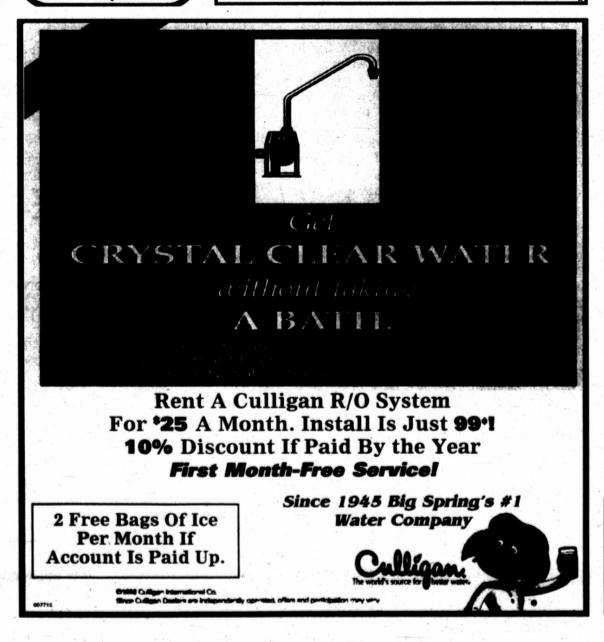
Our dedicated and customer friendly staff can confirm your pregnancy while you wait. They can also provide you with information regarding Prenatal Care, Childbirth Education, Understanding Labor and Delivery and even make your first

SCENIC MOUNTAIN

appointment with a competent, local OB/GYN physician.

MEDICAL CENTER

Special Delivery and Women's Services 1601 West 11th Tel: (4320 268-4550





BEALLS HOURS MONDAY THRU SATURDAY 10 AM - 9 PM SUNDAY 12 PM - 6 PM

MOLLY

BIG SPRING H

Continued from p

his son, Ron F

recalling his f

Alzheimer's di

his final lett

American per

wrote, 'I now

journey that w

into the sunset

This evening

The children

capped five day

rial tributes ar

on both coasts

with viewings

coffin both at

and at the

Rotunda in Wa

Mrs. Reagan,

draped casket

the library aft

from Washing

slow, 25-mile

from the Na

Mugu air statio

ers cheered M

when she left

and crowds

motorcade ro

flags, held th

over their h

applauded as

Washington

Cathedral dre

living ex-pres

heads of state

ment, 11 forn

and more than

sadors and for

to the ag

President Bus

his eulogy, "t

belonged to us

As the sun

ferred it

"Ronald Reas

The service

passed.

ters.

Hundreds of

Accompanied

arrived."

year

strugg

"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."

-FIRST AMENDMENT

Opinions expressed on this page are those of the Editorial Board of the Big Spring Herald unless otherwise indicated.

> Susanne Reed Publisher

John A. Moseley Managing Editor **Bill McClellan News Editor**

OUR VIEWS

Take a moment to reflect on flag's meaning

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

onday is Flag Day, a day set aside to proudly display our nation's flag. The flag was originally created on June 14, 1777, by the Second Continental Congress. Generally, it is accepted that the first celebrations of Flag Day were held in the mid-1880s. A proclamation by President Woodrow Wilson May 30, 1916, officially established Flag Day, but it wasn't until Aug. 3, 1949, when President Harry Truman approved a bill, designating June 14 as national Flag Day.

The history of Flag Day is not nearly as important, however, as the purpose behind the origin of the flag itself: a symbol of a new, unified nation.

Today, it is important that we understand what our flag means and represents. Flying proudly over courthouses, school buildings and lining city streets, the flag is a symbol of our nation. As our pledge says — one nation. A nation of liberty - a free people, a just people. That freedom, as we all know, was bought at an incredibly high price.

Calvin Coolidge reminded us of the true meaning of our flag and the purpose of Flag Day when he said, "When we look at our flag and behold it emblazoned with all our rights, we must remember that it is equally a symbol of our duties. Every glory that we associate with it is the result of duty done. A yearly contemplation of our flag strengthens and purifies the national conscience."

We hope you will fly your flag proudly Monday and take just a moment to pause and reflect exactly what it represents.

LETTER POLICIES

The Herald welcomes letters to the editor.

- Limit your letters to no more than 300 words.
- Sign your letter.
- Provide a daytime telephone number, as well as a street address for verification purposes. We reserve the right to edit for style and clarity.
- We reserve the right to limit publication to one let-
- ter per 30-day period per author.
- Letters that are unsigned or do not include a telephone number or address will not be considered.
- Letters should be submitted to Editor, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79721. They can also be e-mailed to editor@bigspringherald.com

Whatever happened to the Constitution?

nd yourself wonder-"Whatever happened to the Constitution?" you will want to go back and look at June 8, 2004. That was the day the attorney general of the United

States - a.k.a. "the hation's top law enforcement officer" refused to provide the Senate Judiciary Committee with his department's memos

concerning torture. In order to justify torture, these memos declare that the president is bound by neither U.S. law nor

international treaties. We have put ourselves on the same moral level as Saddam Hussein, the only difference being quantity. Quite literally, the president may as well wear a crown forget that "no man is above the law" jazz. We used to talk about "the imperial presidency" under Nixon, but this is the real thing.

The Pentagon's legal staff concurred in this incredible conclusion. In a report printed by The Wall Street Journal, "Bush administration lawyers contended last year that the president wasn't bound by laws prohibiting torture and that government agents who might torture prisoners at his direction couldn't be prosecuted by the Justice Department. ...

"The report outlined U.S. laws and international treaties forbidding torture, and why those restrictions might be overcome by national security considerations or legal technicalities.'

The report was complied by a group appointed by Department of Defense General Counsel William J. Haynes II, who has since been nominated by Bush for the federal appellate bench. "Air Force General Counsel Mary Walker headed the group, which comprised top civilian and uniformed lawyers from each military branch

and consulted with the Justice Department, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Defense Intelligence Agency and other intelligence agencies. It isn't known if President Bush has ever seen the

When members of the Senate Judiciary Committee questioned Ashcroft about his department's input, he simply refused to provide the memos, without offering any legal rationale. He said President Bush had "made no order that would require or direct the violation" of laws or treaties. His explanation was that the United States is at war. "You know I condemn torture," he told Sen. Joe Biden. "I don't think it's productive, let alone justified."

But another memo written by former Assistant Attorney General Jay S. Bybee, now a federal appeals court judge in California, establishes a basis for the use of torture for senior Al Qaeda operatives in custody of the CIA. I am not one to leap to conclusions, but it seems quite clear how whatever perverted standards allowed at Guantanamo Bay jumped across the water to Abu Ghraib prison. Maj. Gen. Geoffrey D. Miller,

commander at Gitmo, was dispatched last August to Abu Ghraib to give advice about how to get information out of prisoners. "Miller's recommendations prompted a shift in the interrogation and detention procedures there. Military intelligence officers were given greater authority in the prison, and military police guards were asked to help gather information about the detainees," according to The New York Times.

Among the legal memos that circulated within the administration in 2002, one is by White House counsel Alberto Gonzalez, famously declaring the Geneva Convention "quaint," and another from the CIA asked for an explicit understanding that the administration's public pledge to abide by the spirit of the Geneva Convention did not apply to its

operatives. The only department consistently opposing these legal "arguments" was State. In April 2002, Secretary Rumsfeld sent a memo to Gen. James T. Hill outlining 24 permitted interrogation techniques, four of which were considered so stressful as to require Rumsfeld's explicit approval before they were used.

It has been apparent for some time that the abuses at Abu Ghraib were not isolated instances torture from Afghanistan to Gitmo to Iraq has so far resulted in 25 deaths now under investigation. As the late Jacabo Timmermann, the Argentine journalist who was tortured during "the dirty war," said, "When you are being tortured, it doesn't really matter to you if your torturers are authoritarian or totalitarian." I doubt it helps any if they're supposed to be bringing democracy, either. And as Ashcroft said, it isn't productive.

The damage is incalculable. When America puts out its annual report on human rights abuses, we will be a laughingstock. I suggest a special commission headed by Sen. John McCain to dig out everyone responsible, root and branch. If the lawyers don't cooperate, perhaps we should try stripping them, anally raping them and dunking their heads under water until they think they're drowning, and see if that helps.

And I think it is time for citizens to take some responsibility, as well. Is this what we have come to? Is this what we want our government to do for us? Oh and by the way, to my fellow political reporters who keep repeating that Bush is having a wonderful week: Why don't you think about what you stand for?

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.

© 2004 CREATORS SYNDICATE,

Raising the Bush bar of competency...

uring the last election, I went down to Austin, to talk to the top people in the George Bush campaign and ask them what they had to do to win.

They were well aware that Bush had a somewhat modest record in

public office (he had been elected to two terms as governor of Texas), but they were confident they could get past that:

They talked about a "bar of competency" that Bush had to get over in the minds of the public. Once he cleared that bar, they said, once he proved himself competent to

be president, then his other qualifies and his positions would carry the day: his desire to ... unite rather than to divide people, his compassionate conservatism, his promises of tax cuts and educational reform, etc.

ROGER

SIMON

The Bush campaign felt that the debates with Al Gore did boost Bush over the bar (even though Bush lost by more than 500,000 popular votes in the election), and that in any case the terrible events of Sept. 11 and Bush's effective handling of them put the competency issue to rest forever.

hich meant that the Bush reelection campaign would be about strength, not competency.

Bush, an incumbent, wartime president, would ask the question, directly and indirectly, "Who is strong enough to fight world terrorism?" and, "Who is strong enough to protect the homeland

- KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON

U.S. Senator

from those who would attempt to destroy us?"

Those behind the Bush campaign felt this was a winning formula. Nobody could stand toe-totoe with George Bush on strength. He had protected us before, and he would protect us again. Nobody had his record.

Then came the Iraq war. It went very well. We defeated the Iraqi army decisively, and once again Bush looked strong and decisive.

But then came the occupation of Iraq, and things began to fall apart.

It has now become clear that the administration wildly miscalculated how popular an American occupation would be with the Iraqi people, how the Iraqi army might be needed to maintain order and the role of the militias in a postwar Iraq.

As American deaths mounted, other questions began to be asked: What was our plan? What was our definition of victory? How were we going to get other nations to come and fight in Iraq? What kind of government could we create that the fragis would accept? And, most importantly, how were we going to get our troops home?

George Bush was supposed to be a "CEO-style" president, who assembled a team of good people and let them do their job. But his team that planned the Iraq occupation seemed to have let everyone down very badly, while Bush maintained little oversight or con-

And, almost overnight, the Bush re-election campaign became about competency.

Sure the United States had the strength to invade other nations,

but did it do so for competent rea sons? (Where were those huge stockpiles of weapons of mass destruction that Saddam Hussein was supposed to have, by the way?) Were we competent in our planning? Did we have a plan at all? And now that 135,000 U.S. troops were committed to Iraq, did we have a realistic, competent plan to bring them home? Bush's opponent, John Kerry,

does not have a position on the war that is significantly different than Bush's: Like Bush, Kerry believes we cannot "cut and run" and that we must stay in Iraq until an effective government is established and troops from other nations can be persuaded to replace our troops.

But who is more competent to do this? Kerry asks. Who, for instance, is more likely to have success in persuading foreign countries to come to our aid? George Bush, who seemed to spurn international alliances before Sept. 11, or John Kerry?

Protecting the American homeland, too, has become a question of competence.

Attorney General John Ashcroft goes on television to announce a dire threat to the United States from terrorists, but then **Homeland Security Secretary Tom** Ridge, who had not been consulted, goes on television to say the threat "was not the most disturbing I have seen during the last couple of years."

This raises the issue of compe-

And this is the issue that George Bush does not want raised. © 2004 CREATORS SYNDICATE,

ADDRESSES

 GEORGE W. BUSH President

The White House Washington, D.C.

 JOHN CORNYN U.S. Senator Washington, DC 20510 RANDY NEUGEBAUER U.S. Representative (19th Cong. District) 1026 Longworth House

· RICK PERRY

P.O. Box 12428

703 Hart Office Building Washington, 20510 Office Building Phone: 202-224-5922 Washington, DC 20515 · PETE LANEY Phone: (202)225-4005

State Representative Texas 85th District P.O. Box 2910 State Capitol, Room 25.1 Austin, 78768 Phone: (512) 463-0604 401 Austin, suite 101 Big Spring, 79720 (432) 268-9909

HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

OFFICE - 264-2200. BEN LOCKHART, COUNTY JUDGE --- Home: 263-4155: Office: 264-2202.

Barbers): 267-5471.

BILL CROOKER — Home: 263-2566. GARY SIMER - Home: 263-

0269; Work (Ponderosa Nursery): 263-4441.

BIG SPRING CITY COUNCIL

RUSS MCEWEN, MAYOR -Home: 263-0907: Work

267-6009; Work (Greg's Grill): 267-7121.

W.A. "WOODY" JUMPER -Home: 263-0782; Work (BSSH): 267-8216.

STEPHANIE HORTON -Home: 264-0306; Work (VA Medical Center): 263-7361... JOANN STAULCUP - Home:

263-4980. GLORIA MCDONALD Home: 263-4835.

9083; Work (BSISD):

over the Pac Michael Reaga adopted son, father for nev him feel differ he wasn't a child. 1945. I was one. I was the he said. "In years, he n tioned that I v either behind in front of me son, Michae Reagan." Michael Re told of advice gave him whe ed to marry. "He sent n about marria important it faithful to the love. With a never get in tr say I love y once a day.' told Nancy e love you." Patti Davis her father's la "when he d eyes, eyes th opened for n

REAGAN

Continued from page 1A

his son, Ron Reagan Jr., recalling his father's 10year struggle with Alzheimer's disease. "In his final letter to the American people, Dad wrote, 'I now begin the journey that will lead me into the sunset of my life.' This evening, he has arrived."

The children's remarks capped five days of memorial tributes and eulogies on both coasts, complete with viewings of Reagan's coffin both at the library and at the Capitol Rotunda in Washington.

Accompanied by a stoic Mrs. Reagan, the flagdraped casket arrived at the library after a flight from Washington and a slow, 25-mile motorcade from the Navy's Point Mugu air station.

Hundreds of well-wishers cheered Mrs. Reagan when she left the plane, and crowds along the motorcade route waved flags, held their hands over their hearts and applauded as the hearse passed.

The service earlier at Washington National Cathedral drew the four living ex-presidents, 25 heads of state or government, 11 former leaders and more than 180 ambassadors and foreign minis-

"Ronald Reagan belongs to the ages now," President Bush said in his eulogy, "but we preferred it when he belonged to us."

As the sun set Friday over the Pacific Ocean, Michael Reagan, Reagan's adopted son, praised his father for never making him feel different because he wasn't a biological

Ron Reagan adopted me this family in 1945. I was the chosen one. I was the lucky one," he said. "In all these years, he never mentioned that I was adopted either behind my back or in front of me. I was his son, Michael Edward Reagan."

Michael Reagan also told of advice his father gave him when he decided to marry.

"He sent me a letter about marriage and how important it was to be faithful to the woman you love. With a P.S.: 'You'll never get in trouble if you say I love you at least once a day.' I'm sure he told Nancy every day 'I love you."

Patti Davis said that in her father's last moment, "when he opened his eyes, eyes that had not opened for many, many

days, and looked at my mother, he showed us that neither disease nor death conquer can love."

The casket was then carried to the burial site, final where prayers were offered, an artillery battery and riflemen fired salutes, and a bugler played "Taps.' Four Navy

fighter jets soared overhead, one peeling up and away.

American guns around the world fired in Reagan's honor — 21-gun salutes at the stroke of noon local time gun salutes.

As Reagan weeped, the flag was

removed the casket, folded and presented to her by Navy Capt. James A Symonds, commander of the nuclear aircraft carrier USS Ronald Reagan. The banner had flown over the ship at the time of the former president's

Clutching the flag, Mrs. Reagan stepped to the casket, placed her head on the lid and cried as her children rushed to comfort her. Unwilling to leave, she kissed and rubbed the casket. "I love you," she said quietly.

Mrs. Reagan, 82, slow in step yet keenly alert to every polished move in the week's remembrance, had shepherded the casthe most public of events. Reagan's friend. ket everywhere with moments.

She kissed it lightly at laid her head on it at the library. Many times, she ran her hands slowly up and down the stripes of the flag and, leaning close, seemed to whisper something to her husband



HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

at U.S. military Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Debbye bases, at dusk, ValVerde assists Pew Broughton of Big Spring, who is signing a conanother world- dolence book to pay tribute to former president Ronald Reagan. The wide round of 50- book will be open for the public to sign through Tuesday at the chamber. U.S. Congressman Randy Neugebauer will then have the books Mrs. delivered to the Reagan Presidential Library in Simi Valley, Calif.

of 52 years.

In Washington earlier, dignitaries and friends remembered the president for his firm, but humble, authority, for his commitment to his wife and for his sense of humor.

"His politics had a freshness and optimism that won converts from every class and every nation — and ultimately from the very heart of the evil empire," said former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher in taped remarks presented at the funeral.

Thatcher, who has given up public speaking after a series of small strokes, sat next to Mikhail Gorbachev, who led that Soviet "empire" and eventually became

About 700 mourners attended the private burial ceremony in Simi the Capitol Rotunda, and Valley, including Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger, actor Tom Selleck and singer Wayne Newton.

> Thousands more lined the motorcade route from Point Mugu to the library, hoping to catch a last

and his family. Some waited for hours on highway overpasses and on local roads along the route, which followed Highway 101.

glimpse of the president

Bruce Newman, 54, of Camarillo, said he saw the casket at the library at 4 a.m. Tuesday and said the week's events brought the nation together much as the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks had done.

"It brought everybody that I've seen together in an incredible Everybody is really active right now," he said. "For 10 years, everybody knew he was going to be gone. Now it's real."

died Reagan Saturday at 93 from pneumonia complicated by the Alzheimer's disease that had progressively clouded his mind. He told the world in 1994, five years after ending his two-term presidency, that he had Alzheimer's in his famous

letter to the American people.

Reagan had begun thinking of his last rites in 1981, his first year as president, and planned some elements of the funeral - inviting the elder Bush and Thatcher to speak, asking Supreme **Court Justice Sandra Day** O'Connor to do a reading and expressing a wish for an operatic soloist, family representatives said.

Mrs. Reagan filled in the program by asking the current president to take part, and inviting former Sen. John Danforth, an Episcopalian priest, to officiate at the

multi-faith service.

Delivering the homily, Danforth read from the Sermon on the Mount, Reagan's favorite Biblical theme.

The Gospel of Matthew. 5:14-16, reads, "You are the light of the world, a city set on a hill cannot be hid," a passage that Reagan often quoted to project his view of America as a beacon of freedom and hope.

"If ever we have known a child of light, it was Ronald Reagan," Danforth

Associated Press Writer Calvin Woodward reported from Washington. AP Writer Ryan Pearson contributed to this report.

On the Net: Images from the Capitol at: http://wid.ap.org/reagan/capitol.html

SBA Financing For Short Term Borrowers and Especially Contractors





Need short term working capital! Looking for financing and need some answers, then this workshop is for you! The following topics will be discussed:

- SBA's CAPLine Loan Program, esp. Contractor CAPLine
- Contract CAPLine use of loan proceeds · What a business owner should have before applying for a loan
- · What the banker is looking for in a loan request · Other programs and services available from the SBA
- Questions & Answers representatives will be available to visit one-on-one

WHEN: June 14, 2004 TIME: 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm WHERE: Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Board Room 215 West Third Street Big Spring, Texas 79720

Sponsored by: Moore Development for Big Spring, Inc. First Bank of West Texas and The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Presentation by the U.S. Small Business Administration

There is No Charge for this Seminar, however seating is limited.

ADVANCE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED DUE TO LIMITED SEATING FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO RESERVE YOUR SPACE CALL

Pam Welch, Assistant Director, Moore Development for Big Spring, Inc. at (432) 264-6032 or 800-215-6019



Is your medical supplier here today and gone tomorrow?

Does your respiratory therapist see you monthly?

Are you taking breathing treatments correctly?

The professionally trained specialists at Express Medical Supply are ready and willing to do what it takes to get you the treatments, the equipment, oxygen and meds that you need to be healthy.



EXPRESS MEDICAL S SUPPLY

HERE . . . TO HELP YOU!

ALL OXYGEN & RESPIRATORY MEDS DELIVERED RIGHT TO YOUR DOOR.

1210 S. GREGG ST. BIG SPRING 432.267-6994 800.829-1408 24 HOUR EMERGENCY SERVICE **BILINGUAL STAFF**

Beverly Couch RNC, NP formerly of Midland Women's Clinic

Accepting New Patients at 616 Gregg Street (432) 267-8226 1-888-729-BABY



Beverly Couch RNC. NP Women's Health

Woman for your Women's Healthcare

"Thank You"

To the following individuals and businesses for making the Big Spring High School 2004 After Prom Party a great success. Their donations of time, money and gifts is truly appreciated and made for a great evening for the Juniors and Seniors who attended.

Linda & Allen Hollandsworth, Candy & Pat Chesworth, Terry Stanley, Principal Mike Ritchey, Cindy & Mike Hughes, Penny & Jim Bob Phillips, Toni Farrell, Debbie Newton, Terri & Tim Blackshear, Clark Lowery, Diane & Dwain Fox, Alan Partee, Donna Lee, Liz Lowery, Mary Kay Flenniken, Karen Wingert, Carol Policky, Jordan Chesworth, Heather Policky, Joe BSJHS Maintenance Man; Dr. Myers, SMMC, 87 Auto Sales, Allan s Furniture, Al s Bar-B-Que, A Timeless Design, Auto Trend, Big Spring Abstract, Big Spring Compress, Big Spring Mall, Big Spring Printing, Big Spring Refinery, Blockbuster, Blum s Jewelers, Bowl-A-Rama, Brenda s, Carlos Restaurant, Cowboys, Dairy Queen, Dakota s Flowers, Dell s Cafe, Dene Sheppard, D s One Stop, Displays of Splendor, Higginbotham-Bartlett Do-It-Center, Dr. Cauley, Dr. Chavez, Dr. Farquhar, Dr. Haddad, Dr. Ward, Dunlap s, Dora Roberts Rehab Center, Elrod s Furniture, Faye s Flowers, First Bank of West Texas, Gill s, Greg s Grill, Greenhouse Photography, Harris Ace Lumber, Home Real Estate, I ve Been Framed, Jiffy Car Wash, KC s Steakhouse, KFC, Larry Hollar State Farm, Long John Silvers, Merle Norman Cosmetics, Movie Gallery, Mr. Scrubs Car Wash, Neighbors Convenience Store, Park & Putt, Parks Agency, Park s Fuel, Phillips Fabrication, Pizza Hut, Pollard Chevrolet, Prescription Services, Professional Pharmacy, Regis Hair Salon, Ritz Theatres, Rocky s, Russ McEwen Agency, Shae s, Sherry Wegner Insurance, Spanish Inn, Specs & Company, Spencer Coating, Subway, Sugg s Hallmark, Taco Villa, Tanique Tanning Salon, Techno Tanning Salon, Texas Department of Transportation, The Harley Shop, The Karat Patch, The Lady Bug, The Master's Touch, Tim Yeats-Attorney, Wagon Wheel, Walmart, Wendy s, Western Container, Wes-T-Go.

Again, thank you Big Spring High School After Prom 2004

MOLLY

"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."

-FIRST AMENDMENT

Opinions expressed on this page are those of the Editorial Board of the Big Spring Herald unless otherwise indicated.

Susanne Reed

John A. Moseley Managing Editor Bill McClellan

OUR VIEWS

Take a moment to reflect on flag's meaning

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

onday is Flag Day, a day set aside to proudly display our nation's flag. The flag was originally created on June 14, 1777, by the Second Continental Congress. Generally, it is accepted that the first celebrations of Flag Day were held in the mid-1880s. A proclamation by President Woodrow Wilson May 30, 1916, officially established Flag Day, but it wasn't until Aug. 3, 1949, when President Harry Truman approved a bill, designating June 14 as national Flag Day.

The history of Flag Day is not nearly as important, however, as the purpose behind the origin of the flag itself: a symbol of a new, unified nation.

Today, it is important that we understand what our flag means and represents. Flying proudly over courthouses, school buildings and lining city streets, the flag is a symbol of our nation. As our pledge says — one nation. A nation of liberty - a free people, a just people. That freedom, as we all know, was bought at an incredibly high price.

Calvin Coolidge reminded us of the true meaning of our flag and the purpose of Flag Day when he said, "When we look at our flag and behold it emblazoned with all our rights, we must remember that it is equally a symbol of our duties. Every glory that we associate with it is the result of duty done. A yearly contemplation of our flag strengthens and purifies the national conscience."

We hope you will fly your flag proudly Monday and take just a moment to pause and reflect exactly what it represents.

LETTER POLICIES

The Herald welcomes letters to the editor.

- Limit your letters to no more than 300 words.
- Sign your letter.
- · Provide a daytime telephone number, as well as a street address for verification purposes.
- · We reserve the right to edit for style and clarity. We reserve the right to limit publication to one let-
- ter per 30-day period per author. Letters that are unsigned or do not include a tele-
- phone number or address will not be considered. Letters should be submitted to Editor, Big Spring
- Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79721. They can also be e-mailed to editor@bigspringherald.com

and consulted with the Justice tind yourself wonder-Department, the Joint Chiefs of ing, "Whatever hap-Staff, the Defense Intelligence

pened to the Constitution?" you will want to go back and look at June 8, 2004. That was the day the attorney general of the United

States - a.k.a. "the anation's top law enforcement officer" refused to provide the Senate Judiciary Committee with his department's memos concerning torture.

In order to justify torture, these memos declare that the president is bound by neither U.S. law nor

international treaties. We have put ourselves on the same moral level as Saddam Hussein, the only difference being quantity. Quite literally, the president may as well wear a crown forget that "no man is above the law" jazz. We used to talk about "the imperial presidency" under Nixon, but this is the real thing.

The Pentagon's legal staff concurred in this incredible conclusion. In a report printed by The Wall Street Journal; "Bush administration lawyers contended last year that the president wasn't bound by laws prohibiting torture and that government agents who might torture prisoners at his direction couldn't be prosecuted by the Justice Department. ...

'The report outlined U.S. laws and international treaties forbidding torture, and why those restrictions might be overcome by national security considerations or legal technicalities."

The report was complied by a group appointed by Department of Defense General Counsel William J. Haynes II, who has since been nominated by Bush for the federal appellate bench. "Air Force General Counsel Mary Walker headed the group, which comprised top civilian and uniformed lawyers from each military branch

Agency and other intelligence agencies. It isn't known if President Bush has ever seen the report."

Whatever happened to the Constitution?

When members of the Senate Judiciary Committee questioned Ashcroft about his department's input, he simply refused to provide the memos, without offering any legal rationale. He said President Bush had "made no order that would require or direct the violation" of laws or treaties. His explanation was that the United States is at war. "You know I condemn torture," he told Sen. Joe Biden. "I don't think it's productive, let aloné justified."

But another memo written by former Assistant Attorney General Jay S. Bybee, now a federal appeals court judge in California, establishes a basis for the use of torture for senior Al Qaeda operatives in custody of the CIA. I am not one to leap to conclusions, but it seems quite clear how whatever perverted standards allowed at Guantanamo Bay jumped across the water to Abu Ghraib prison. Maj. Gen. Geoffrey D. Miller,

commander at Gitmo, was dispatched last August to Abu Ghraib to give advice about how to get information out of prisoners. "Miller's recommendations prompted a shift in the interrogation and detention procedures there. Military intelligence officers were given greater authority in the prison, and military police guards were asked to help gather information about the detainees," according to The New York Times.

Among the legal memos that circulated within the administration in 2002, one is by White House counsel Alberto Gonzalez, famously declaring the Geneva Convention "quaint," and another from the CIA asked for an explicit understanding that the administration's public pledge to abide by the spirit of the Geneva Convention did not apply to its

operatives. The only department consistently opposing these legal "arguments" was State. In April 2002, Secretary Rumsfeld sent a memo to Gen. James T. Hill outlining 24 permitted interrogation techniques, four of which were considered so stressful as to require Rumsfeld's explicit approval before they were used.

It has been apparent for some time that the abuses at Abu Ghraib were not isolated instances torture from Afghanistan to Gitmo to Iraq has so far resulted in 25 deaths now under investigation. As the late Jacabo Timmermann, the Argentine journalist who was tortured during "the dirty war," said, "When you are being tortured, it doesn't really matter to you if your torturers are authoritarian or totalitarian." I doubt it helps any if they're supposed to be bringing democracy, either. And as Ashcroft said, it isn't productive.

The damage is incalculable. When America puts out its annual report on human rights abuses, we will be a laughingstock. I suggest a special commission headed by Sen. John McCain to dig out everyone responsible, root and branch. If the lawyers don't cooperate, perhaps we should try stripping them, anally raping them and dunking their heads under water until they think they're drowning, and see if that helps.

And I think it is time for citizens to take some responsibility, as well. Is this what we have come to? Is this what we want our government to do for us? Oh and by the way, to my fellow political reporters who keep repeating that Bush is having a wonderful week: Why don't you think about what you stand for?

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.

© 2004 CREATORS SYNDICATE.

Raising the Bush bar of competency...

uring the last election, I went down to Austin, to talk to the top people in the George Bush campaign and ask them what they had to do to win.

They were well aware that Bush had a somewhat modest record in

public office (he had been elected to two terms as governor of Texas), but they were confident they could get past that.

They talked about a "bar of competency" that Bush had to get over in the minds of the public. Once he cleared that bar, they said, once he proved himself competent to be president, then his

other qualifies and his positions would carry the day: his desire to unite rather than to divide people, his compassionate conservatism, his promises of tax cuts and educational reform, etc.

ROGER

SIMON

The Bush campaign felt that the debates with Al Gore did boost Bush over the bar (even though Bush lost by more than 500,000 popular votes in the election), and that in any case the terrible events of Sept. 11 and Bush's effective handling of them put the competency issue to rest forever.

Which meant that the Bush reelection campaign would be about stength, not competency. Bush, an incumbent, wartime

president, would ask the question, directly and indirectly, "Who is strong enough to fight world terrorism?" and, "Who is strong enough to protect the homeland

from those who would attempt to destroy us?"

Those behind the Bush campaign felt this was a winning formula. Nobody could stand toe-totoe with George Bush on strength. He had protected us before, and he would protect us again. Nobody had his record.

Then came the Iraq war. It went very well. We defeated the Iraqi army decisively, and once again Bush looked strong and decisive.

But then came the occupation of Iraq, and things began to fall apart.

It has now become clear that the administration wildly miscalculated how popular an American occupation would be with the Iraqi people, how the Iraqi army might be needed to maintain order and the role of the militias in a postwar Iraq.

As American deaths mounted, other questions began to be asked: What was our plan? What was our definition of victory? How were we going to get other nations to come and fight in Iraq? What kind of government could we create that the fragis would accept? And, most importantly, how were we going to get our troops home?

George Bush was supposed to be a "CEO-style" president, who assembled a team of good people and let them do their job. But his team that planned the Iraq occupation seemed to have let everyone down very badly, while Bush maintained little oversight or con-

And, almost overnight, the Bush re-election campaign became about competency. Sure the United States had the

strength to invade other nations,

but did it do so for competent reasons? (Where were those huge stockpiles of weapons of mass destruction that Saddam Hussein was supposed to have, by the way?) Were we competent in our planning? Did we have a plan at all? And now that 135,000 U.S. troops were committed to Iraq, did we have a realistic, competent plan to bring them home?

Bush's opponent, John Kerry, does not have a position on the war that is significantly different than Bush's: Like Bush, Kerry believes we cannot "cut and run" and that we must stay in Iraq until an effective government is established and troops from other nations can be persuaded to replace our troops.

But who is more competent to do this? Kerry asks. Who, for instance, is more likely to have success in persuading foreign countries to come to our aid? George Bush, who seemed to spurn international alliances before Sept. 11, or John Kerry?

Protecting the American homeland, too, has become a question of competence.

Attorney General John Ashcroft goes on television to announce a dire threat to the United States from terrorists, but then **Homeland Security Secretary Tom** Ridge, who had not been consulted, goes on television to say the threat "was not the most disturbing I have seen during the last couple of years."

This raises the issue of competency

And this is the issue that George Bush does not want raised. © 2004 CREATORS SYNDICATE, INC.

ADDRESSES

 GEORGE W. BUSH President

The White House Washington, D.C.

4305 Phone: 202

 JOHN CORNYN U.S. Senator Washington, DC 20510-

RANDY NEUGEBAUER

U.S. Representative (19th Cong. District) 1026 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515 Phone: (202)225-4005

RICK PERRY

State Capitol, Room 2S.1 P.O. Box 12428

** KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON

U.S. Senator 703 Hart Office Building Washington, 20510 Phone: 202-224-5922

. PETE LANEY State Representative

Texas 85th District P.O. Box 2910 Austin, 78768 Phone: (512) 463-0604

401 Austin, suite 101 Big Spring, 79720

HOWARD COUNTY

(432) 268-9909

COMMISSIONERS

OFFICE - 264-2200. BEN LOCKMART, COUNTY JUDGE - Home: 263-4155; Office: 264-2202. EMMA Brown — Home:

Barbers): 267-5471.

BILL CROOKER - Home: 263-2566.

GARY SIMER - Home: 263-0269; Work (Ponderosa Nursery): 263-4441.

BIG SPRING CITY_COUNCIL

RUSS MCEWEN. MAYOR -Home: 263-0907; Work

267-6009; Work (Greg's Grill): 267-7121.

W.A. "WOODY" JUMPER -Home: 263-0782; Work (BSSH): 267-8216.

STEPHANIE HORTON -Home: 264-0306; Work (VA Medical Center): 263-7361...

JOANN STAULCUP - Home: 263-4980. GLORIA MCDONALD Home: 263-4835.

083; Work (BSISD):

BIG SPRING H Weekend Ed

REAGAN

Continued from

his son, Ron

recalling his year strug Alzheimer's d his final let American pe wrote, 'I now journey that v into the sunse This evening arrived."

The children capped five da rial tributes a on both coast with viewings coffin both at and at th Rotunda in Wa Accompanie

Mrs. Reagan draped casket the library at from Washin slow, 25-mile from the Na Mugu air stati Hundreds o

ers cheered M when she left and crowds motorcade re flags, held t over their applauded as passed.

The service Washington Cathedral dre living ex-pre heads of state ment, 11 for and more that sadors and fo

"Ronald Rea to the a President Bu his eulogy, ferred it belonged to u As the sun

over the Pa Michael Reag adopted son, father for ne him feel diffe he wasn't a child.

me which his 1945. I was one. I was the he said. "I years, he tioned that I either behind in front of n son, Micha

Reagan." Michael H told of advic gave him wh ed to marry. "He sent

about marria important is faithful to th love. With a never get in say I love once a day. told Nancy love you." Patti Davis

her father's "when he eyes, eyes t opened for



REAGAN

Continued from page 1A

his son, Ron Reagan Jr., recalling his father's 10year struggle Alzheimer's disease. "In his final letter to the American people, Dad wrote, 'I now begin the journey that will lead me into the sunset of my life.' This evening, he has arrived."

The children's remarks capped five days of memorial tributes and eulogies on both coasts, complete with viewings of Reagan's coffin both at the library and at the Capitol Rotunda in Washington.

Accompanied by a stoic Mrs. Reagan, the flagdraped casket arrived at the library after a flight from Washington and a slow, 25-mile motorcade from the Navy's Point Mugu air station.

Hundreds of well-wishers cheered Mrs. Reagan when she left the plane, and crowds along the motorcade route waved flags, held their hands over their hearts and applauded as the hearse passed.

The service earlier at Washington National Cathedral drew the four living ex-presidents, 25 heads of state or government, 11 former leaders and more than 180 ambassadors and foreign minis-

"Ronald Reagan belongs to the ages now,' President Bush said in his eulogy, "but we preferred it when he belonged to us."

As the sun set Friday over the Pacific Ocean, Michael Reagan, Reagan's adopted son, praised his father for never making him feel different because he wasn't a biological

Ron Reagan adopted me thto his family in 1945. I was the chosen one. I was the lucky one." he said. "In all these years, he never mentioned that I was adopted either behind my back or in front of me. I was his son, Michael Edward Reagan."

Michael Reagan also told of advice his father gave him when he decided to marry.

"He sent me a letter about marriage and how important it was to be faithful to the woman you love. With a P.S.: 'You'll never get in trouble if you say I love you at least once a day.' I'm sure he told Nancy every day 'I love you."

Patti Davis said that in her father's last moment, "when he opened his eyes, eyes that had not opened for many, many

days, and looked at my mother, he showed us that neither disease nor death conquer love."

The casket was then carried to the burial site, final where prayers were offered, an artillery battery riflemen and fired salutes, and a bugler played "Taps."

Four Navy fighter jets soared overhead, one peeling up and away.

American guns around the world fired in Reagan's honor - 21-gun salutes at the stroke of noon local time wide round of 50gun salutes.

As Reagan weeped, the flag was removed the casket, fold-

by Navy Capt. James A Symonds, commander of the nuclear aircraft carrier USS Ronald Reagan. The banner had flown over the ship at the time of the former president's

Clutching the flag, Mrs. Reagan stepped to the casket, placed her head on the lid and cried as her children rushed to comfort her. Unwilling to leave, she kissed and rubbed the casket. "I love you," she said quietly.

Mrs. Reagan, 82, slow in step yet keenly alert to every polished move in the week's remembrance, had shepherded the casquiet intensity, turning and eventually became the most public of events. Reagan's friend. into a series of private moments.

ran her hands slowly up singer Wayne Newton. and down the stripes of



at U.S. military Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Debbye bases, at dusk, ValVerde assists Pew Broughton of Big Spring, who is signing a conanother world-dolence book to pay tribute to former president Ronald Reagan. The book will be open for the public to sign through Tuesday at the chamber. U.S. Congressman Randy Neugebauer will then have the books Mrs. delivered to the Reagan Presidential Library in Simi Valley, Calif.

of 52 years.

In Washington earlier, ed and presented to her dignitaries and friends remembered the president for his firm, but humble, authority, for his commitment to his wife and for his sense of humor.

"His politics had a freshness and optimism that won converts from every class and every nation — and ultimately from the very heart of the evil empire," said former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher in taped remarks presented at the funeral.

Thatcher, who has given up public speaking after a series of small strokes, sat next to Mikhail Gorbachev, who ket everywhere with led that Soviet "empire"

About 700 mourners attended the private bur-She kissed it lightly at ial ceremony in Simi the Capitol Rotunda, and Valley, including Gov. laid her head on it at the Arnold Schwarzenegger, library. Many times, she actor Tom Selleck and

Thousands more lined the flag and, leaning the motorcade route from close, seemed to whisper Point Mugu to the library, something to her husband hoping to catch a last

glimpse of the president and his family. Some waited for hours on highway overpasses and on local roads along the route, which followed

Highway 101. Bruce Newman, 54, of Camarillo, said he saw the casket at the library at 4 a.m. Tuesday and said the week's events brought the nation together much as the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks had done.

"It brought everybody that I've seen together in an incredible Everybody is really active right now," he said. "For 10 years, everybody knew he was going to be gone. Now it's real.'

Reagan died Saturday at 93 from pneu-

monia complicated by the Alzheimer's disease that had progressively clouded his mind. He told the world in 1994, five years after ending his two-term presidency, that he had Alzheimer's in his famous letter to the American

people. Reagan had begun thinking of his last rites

in 1981, his first year as president, and planned some elements of the funeral - inviting the elder Bush and Thatcher to speak, asking Supreme **Court Justice Sandra Day** O'Connor to do a reading and expressing a wish for an operatic soloist, family representatives said.

Mrs. Reagan filled in the program by asking the current president to take part, and inviting Sen. former John Danforth, an Episcopalian priest, to officiate at the

multi-faith service.

Delivering the homily, Danforth read from the Sermon on the Mount, Reagan's favorite Biblical theme.

The Gospel of Matthew, 5:14-16, reads, "You are the light of the world, a city set on a hill cannot be hid," a passage that Reagan often quoted to project his view of America as a beacon of freedom and hope.

"If ever we have known a child of light, it was Ronald Reagan," Danforth

Associated Press Writer Calvin Woodward reported from Washington. AP Writer Ryan Pearson contributed to this report.

On the Net: Images from the Capitol at: http://wid.ap.org/reagan/capitol.html

SBA Financing For Short Term Borrowers and Especially Contractors





Need short term working capital! Looking for financing and need some answers, then this workshop is for you! The following topics will be discussed:

- · SBA's CAPLine Loan Program, esp. Contractor CAPLine Contract CAPLine use of loan proceeds
- What a business owner should have before applying for a loan What the banker is looking for in a loan request
- Other programs and services available from the SBA
- · Questions & Answers representatives will be available

to visit one-on-one

WHEN: June 14, 2004 TIME: 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

WHERE: Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Board Room 215 West Third Street Big Spring, Texas 79720

Sponsored by: Moore Development for Big Spring, Inc. First Bank of West Texas and The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Presentation by the U.S. Small Business Administration

There is No Charge for this Seminar, however seating is limited.

ADVANCE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED DUE TO LIMITED SEATING FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO RESERVE YOUR SPACE CALL Pam Welch, Assistant Director, Moore Development for Big Spring, Inc. at

(432) 264-6032 or 800-215-6019



Is your medical supplier here today and gone tomorrow?

Does your respiratory therapist see you monthly?

Are you taking breathing treatments correctly?

The professionally trained specialists at Express Medical Supply are ready and willing to do what it takes to get you the treatments, the equipment, oxygen and meds that you need to be healthy.



EXPRESS M MEDICAL S SUPPLY

HERE . . . TO HELP YOU!

ALL OXYGEN & RESPIRATORY MEDS DELIVERED RIGHT TO YOUR DOOR.

1210 S. GREGG ST. BIG SPRING 432.267-6994 800.829-1408 24 HOUR EMERGENCY SERVICE **BILINGUAL STAFF**

Beverly Couch RNC, NP formerly of Midland Women's Clinic

Accepting New Patients at 616 Gregg Street (432) 267-8226 1-888-729-BABY



Beverly Couch RNC. NP Women's Health

Where you can still see a **Woman** for your Women's Healthcare

"Thank You"

To the following individuals and businesses for making the Big Spring High School 2004 After Prom Party a great success. Their donations of time, money and gifts is truly appreciated and made for a great evening for the Juniors and Seniors who attended.

Linda & Allen Hollandsworth, Candy & Pat Chesworth, Terry Stanley, Principal Mike Ritchey, Cindy & Mike Hughes, Penny & Jim Bob Phillips, Toni Farrell, Debbie Newton, Terri & Tim Blackshear, Clark Lowery, Diane & Dwain Fox, Alan Partee, Donna Lee, Liz Lowery, Mary Kay Flenniken, Karen Wingert, Carol Policky, Jordan Chesworth, Heather Policky, Joe BSJHS Maintenance Man; Dr. Myers, SMMC, 87 Auto Sales, Allan s Furniture, Al s Bar-B-Que, A Timeless Design, Auto Trend, Big Spring Abstract, Big Spring Compress, Big Spring Mall, Big Spring Printing, Big Spring Refinery, Blockbuster, Blum s Jewelers, Bowl-A-Rama, Brenda s, Carlos Restaurant, Cowboys, Dairy Queen, Dakota s Flowers, Dell s Cafe, Dene Sheppard, D s One Stop, Displays of Splendor, Higginbotham-Bartlett Do-It-Center, Dr. Cauley, Dr. Chavez, Dr. Farquhar, Dr. Haddad, Dr. Ward, Dunlap s, Dora Roberts Rehab Center, Elrod s Furniture, Faye s Flowers, First Bank of West Texas, Gill s, Greg s Grill, Greenhouse Photography, Harris Ace Lumber, Home Real Estate, I ve Been Framed, Jiffy Car Wash, KC s Steakhouse, KFC, Larry Hollar State Farm, Long John Silvers, Merle Norman Cosmetics, Movie Gallery, Mr. Scrubs Car Wash, Neighbors Convenience Store, Park & Putt, Parks Agency, Park s Fuel, Phillips Fabrication, Pizza Hut, Pollard Chevrolet, Prescription Services, Professional Pharmacy, Regis Hair Salon, Ritz Theatres, Rocky s, Russ McEwen Agency, Shae's, Sherry Wegner Insurance, Spanish Inn, Specs & Company, Spencer Coating, Subway, Sugg s Hallmark, Taco Villa, Tanique Tanning Salon, Techno Tanning Salon, Texas Department of Transportation, The Harley Shop, The Karat Patch, The Lady Bug, The Master's Touch, Tim Yeats-Attorney, Wagon Wheel, Walmart, Wendy s, Western Container, Wes-T-Go.

Again, thank you

Big Spring High School After Prom 2004



SPRING FESTIVAL!



Fifteen-year-old Dianna Barraza and 13-year-old John Pena try to win prizes at the ring toss Friday night at the Sacred Heart Church Spring Festival. Games, prizes, a variety of food and music all part the annual event which continues Saturday until 11 p.m.

Most rookie teachers took alternative path to classroom

OUR RESIDENTS TELL US THEY LIKE:

YOU WILL LIKE THEM, TOO!

Coronado Hills Apartments

last year's rookie teachers took an alternative path that new college gradupool of recently hired educators, researchers found.

Of the 20,528 new teachers hired last year, 54 percent received their training through a nontraditional route, according to Board for State Certification Educator study.

While 70 percent of teachers hired in 2000 were recent college graduates with traditional training, that number fell to 46 percent last year. It was the lowest percentage ever seen in the state.

Alternative certification programs could become the primary source of new Texas teachers within 10 years, the study said. They already are producing the majority of male and minority teachers and teachers certified in shortage subject areas.

Alternative certification

AUSTIN (AP) — Most of programs allow people with no teacher training or experience to become to the classroom, marking licensed teachers by takthe first time in Texas ing courses through a school district, university ates didn't dominate the or other entity. They must already have a college degree and must pass a state test to receive a teaching certificate.

> The study did not speculate on what caused the programs' surge in popularity, but education experts said the economic downturn undoubtedly was a factor.

"We're seeing people who originally went into business or went to work for high-tech companies to make more money now considering a career change," Jean Keller,

· Space and design of homes

Rental Rates

Location of apartment complex

View These Apartment Homes On Our Website Or Call For

801 W. Marcy • 267-6500

www.coronadohillsapts.com

dean of the College of fication Education North of University Texas, said in Saturday's edition of The Dallas Morning News. "Some may have lost their jobs, while others see new opportunities in educa-

tion." The university in recent years has graduated about 800 newly certified teachers a year. The school produced about 650 graduates with teacher certificates this year, and another 350 people took advantage of the school's alternative certification

program. The study noted that there may be drawbacks to relying on hiring teachers from alternative certi-

Teachers from undergraduate programs tend to teach longer and leave the profession at lower rates each year, it said.

SUNDAY SPECIAL **ANY 2 REGULAR FOOT LONG SANDWICHES**

NO COUPON NECESSARY

SUB.

10th & GREGG ONLY 267-SUBS (267-7827)

Commissioners to mull pact with Midland College

Herald Staff Report

County Howard Commissioners will meet Monday to consider several items, including a cooperative agreement between the county and Midland College.

County Auditor Jackie Olson is expected to make presentation to the commissioners regarding a cooperative agreement between Howard County and Midland College regarding the Breath Alcohol Testing program. Olson is also expected to

purchase requests, budget amendments and a budget workshop for the coming fiscal

Treasurer County Teresa Thomas will present personnel considera-

tions and a payroll report. Mike Thomas, county attorney, is scheduled to have a discussion with the commissioners concerning Collection Officer Mike Welling.

Road and Bridge Administrator Jameson will present pipeline crossings and a report on road maintenance.

Phil Furqueron, construction administrator, is also expected to make a presentation regarding renovations at the courthouse and County Library.

The meeting is expected to get under way at 10 a.m. in the commissioners' courtroom, located on the second floor of the County Courthouse.

'Treats from the Country' on sale

The Big Spring Kennel Club's fund-raising cookbook, "Treats from the Country," is available for \$8. The cookbook contains 200 recipies ranging from appetizers to main courses, desserts and a special section, Pet Treats, containing 16 recipies for dog and puppy food and a variety of dog treats and even a recipe for tuna cat treats.

To order, call 394-4233.



Workers' Compensation Course

The Howard College Risk Management Academy, in conjunction with Texas Mutual Insurance, will be conducting a Worker's Compensation Insurance overview on Tuesday, June 29th from 8 a.m. to 12 noon.

This four hour course is designed to provide a basic knowledge of workers' compensation insurance concepts and procedures. Participants will learn how workers compensation insurance works, what it covers, and what they can do to help keep costs of the coverage low. The seminar will also review many of the workers' comp claim forms that are used by employers.

The cost of the June 29th Worker's Compensation Insurance overview is only \$15.00.

For registration information please contact TaNeal Richardson of the Howard College Risk Management Academy at 264-5130.

Rodeo & Old Settlers Week Mark Your Calendar

A Mailed Brochure

- Legend & Legacies Dinner Exhibit Opening of Rodeo Clowns The Cowboy's Hero \$15 per person for a Chicken Fried Steak Dinner
- June 16th, 2:00-4:00 pm: Heritage Museum Book Signing for Gale Woerner, Author of Fearless Funnymen, The History Of the Rodeo Clown
- June 16th, 3:00 pm: Heritage Museum Kids Cown Contest For Ages 2 to 10, the winner will get a \$25.00 Gift Certificate & get a ride on the Old Settlers Float in the Parade. June 16th, Wednesday - Rodeo Parade, 5:30 pm June 16th-19th, (Wed.-Sat.) - Rodeo 8:00 pm

New Time! New Place! Same Old Settlers 80th Annual Howard-Glasscock Old Settlers Reunion - Saturday, June 19th, 9 AM-2 PM, Howard County Fair Barn Diago, Horse Racco, Deport, Auctions & Dominees Lunch \$5.00 per plate Breryone S Howard Co-Plenger Family - Boodle Family • Glesscock Co. Plenser Family - Phillips Fami

Intern space on Sa

BIG SPRING

Weekend

By ANDREW AP Science

LOS ANG so far in s sun is a tiny sophisticate spacecraft e Saturn to be study of the and its 31 k Nearly sev

it left Earth internationa named for astronomer ule to enter after it das gap in Satu ing rings. S its finding new secre evolution of tem.

Cassini 1 encounter Saturn sy afternoon, in 1,240 mi ermost mo The tiny me miles acros contrast, is miles in dia **Scientists** Phoebe orig

outer reach system and later flung t which cap orbit. "If it is, tl first ence something out in the

said Caroly

of the tean on the proje "The stud planets is o tance to u what the Saturn, its its moons ture model and dust th the early su ets formed

Figueroa, NASA's S Exploration said in a re Saturn is et from the bigger Jupi er Uranus. ously visite NASA's P Sept. 1, 1979 Nov. 12, Voyager 2 1981. But visitors e around Sati

The \$3.3 European which als probe to exp Titan, was October 199 the pluto spacecraft; Space Agen the Huygen Hoy'-genz) Cassini, pounds, car

instrument has six. Once at S

International Cassini spacecraft bears down on Saturn after 7-year trip

By ANDREW BRIDGES

AP Science Writer

LOS ANGELES — Out so far in space that the sun is a tiny dot, the most sophisticated science spacecraft ever is nearing Saturn to begin a lengthy study of the ringed planet and its 31 known moons.

Nearly seven years after it left Earth, Cassini, an internationally built craft named for an early day astronomer, is on schedule to enter orbit June 30 after it dashes through a gap in Saturn's shimmering rings. Scientists hope its findings will reveal new secrets about the evolution of our solar sys-

Cassini had its first with the encounter Saturn system Friday afternoon, hurtling within 1,240 miles of the outermost moon, Phoebe. The tiny moon is just 137 miles across. Saturn, in contrast, is nearly 75,000 miles in diameter.

believe Scientists Phoebe originated in the outer reaches of the solar system and that it was later flung toward Saturn, which captured it into orbit.

"If it is, this will be our first encounter with something from that far out in the solar system," said Carolyn Porco, one of the team of scientists on the project.

"The study of the outer planets is of great importance to us because of what they represent: Saturn, its ring system, its moons, are a miniature model of a disk of gas and dust that surrounded the early sun as the planets formed in the solar Orlando system," Figueroa, director of NASA's Solar System Exploration Division, said in a recent briefing.

Saturn is the sixth planet from the sun, between bigger Jupiter and smaller Uranus. It was previously visited in flybys by NASA's Pioneer 11 on Sept. 1, 1979, Voyager 1 on Nov. 12, 1980, and Voyager 2 on Aug. 25, 1981. But none of those visitors entered orbit around Saturn.

The \$3.3 billion, U.S.spacecraft, European which also carries a probe to explore the moon Titan, was launched in October 1997. NASA built the plutonium-powered spacecraft; the European Space Agency contributed the Huygens (pronounced Hoy'-genz) probe.

Cassini, weighing 5,384 pounds, carries 12 science instruments; Huygens has six.

Once at Saturn, Cassini

should spend at least four years in orbit. Its two cameras could take as many as half a million pictures.

"Cassini-Huygens is the most sophisticated scientific spacecraft launched to the planets," Figueroa said.

In addition to studying the composition and structure of the planet itself and the moons, scientists want to learn more about the rings.

"Other giant planets do have rings also, but Saturn has the most spectacular rings," said Charles Elachi, director of NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory and team leader of Cassini's radar instrument.

"What we want to understand is, what are they made of, what's their dynamic, how old they are, and, in a sense, to shed some light on how dust disks lead to the formation of planets," he said.

Mission members caution that getting into orbit won't be a ćakewalk. Cassini must fire its engine on cue for 96 minutes to slow itself sufficiently and allow Saturn to pull it into orbit. If the maneuver fails, the spacecraft would sail past.

Cassini is set to release Huygens in December. A month later, scientists expect the probe to parachute through the murky atmosphere of Titan, Saturn's largest moon, and land on its surface.

Titan, larger than the planet Mercury, is the only moon in the solar system with an atmosphere and is believed to resemble what the Earth was like several billion years ago.

"Titan may preserve in deep freeze many of the chemical compounds that preceded life on Earth," Figueroa said.

June

Close Out

<u>Unbelievable</u>

Prices While

They Last

100%

Financing

Porn mogul, son plead guilty; dozens of stores to be shut down

of adult video stores across Texas will be shut down by the U.S. government after a porn mogul and his son pleaded guilty to charges that their empire skirted millions of dollars in taxes, federal officials said.

John K. Coil, 62 accused of avoiding between \$2.5 million and \$5 million in corporate and income taxes admitted mailing fraudulent tax returns and transporting obscene materials, specifically a video titled "Nympho Bride."

His 23-year-old son, John A. Coil, admitted making false statements on a tax return.

Both Highland Village men entered their pleas Friday in U.S. District Court in Austin.

The sprawling federal case, which was scheduled to go to trial next week, dismantled the bulk of a porn empire that Coil has built throughout the Southwest over three decades, the Austin American-Statesman reported Saturday.

Five other people, including the elder Coil's wife and daughter, have

AUSTIN (AP) — Dozens tax fraud or evasion charges in the case. Sentencing for some of them is scheduled for August. John K. Coil faces the most severe sentence — up to 10 years in prison.

> In 1988, according to the court papers, Coil created a nonprofit religious corporation, Trinity Christians of America Inc., which operated adult-oriented stores in Louisiana for a profit.

"This case was based on religion," Coil said of the obscenity charge. "There are people in our community who want to control what other people watch.'

Tim Gallagher, a prosecutor from the Dallas County district attorney's office who helped on the case, said the obscenity entered guilty pleas on charge hinged on the line

pornography under federal law.

"It's not that it portrays sexual conduct; it's that it portrays it in a patently offensive way," Gallagher

After originally seeking to seize 58 Coil-owned properties in seven states - worth about \$9.7 million — the government agreed in plea negotiations to reduce that to just the 45 Texas properties on the list.

Those properties include houses, offices, at least two dozen adult video stores and vacant of pieces land. Prosecutors said the video stores, in cities including San Antonio, College Station, El Paso and Houston, could be closed within months.

The buildings and land will be sold and most of pornography the destroyed, officials said. The Coils will be allowed to keep the contents of about 10 stores, mostly in Houston.

The investigation into

between legal and illegal the adult video and novelty store businesses began in Austin in the mid-1990s when police vice detectives noticed financial irregularities and passed the case to federal agents. Assistant U.S. Attorney Mark Marshall said.

Corporations were held in various names, including trusts set up for the elder Coil's children, to hide income, to avoid paying taxes and to insulate him from law enforcement, court documents

In 1988, according to the court papers, Coil created a nonprofit religious corporation, Christians of America Inc., which operated adult-oriented stores in Louisiana for a profit. The corporation transferred \$1.5 million in "rent" and "loan" payments to other corporations Coil created, but Trinity Christian never filed a tax return, according to prosecutors. The corporation did no religious work, Marshall said.

Saturday is dance night at the Eagles with

Daddy's Money

EAGLES BINGO

Sun., Wed. and Fri.

Wildfire grows but no evacuations yet

but kept its distance from National Forest. homes in this tiny mountain community.

The blaze remained about 10 percent contained and was a little more than a mile from the area designated as the trigger point for evacuations, authorities said.

The fire grew by more than 1,000 acres Friday, although much of the increase was due to burnouts intended to clear vegetation that

NO PAYMENT

TIL AUGUST

No One Builds Higher

Quality At Any Price

75,000 BTU FURNACE

\$74300 INSTALLED

On existing duct and electric,

piping, venting and closet.

Complete 10 SEER

System

AS LOW AS \$168000 INSTALLED

Condenser, Coil and Furnace on

existing slab, duct, electrical copper

JOHNSON AIR CONDITIONING

State of Texas TAB006982E

For FREE Estimates Call

263-2980 1408 E. 4th

pipe and disconnect.

Heating and Air Conditioning

NUTRIOSO, Ariz. (AP) could serve as fuel for the - A 7,200-acre wildfire wildfire, said Eric near the New Mexico line Neitzel, a spokesman for continued grow Friday the Apache-Sitgreaves

Super SUV Summertime Deals at Pollard Chevrolet

703 W. 3rd

2004 Chevrolet Tahoe 2WD L.T.



Side Airbags, Running Board, OnStar, 6 Disc. CD, 17" Wheels

MSRP - \$43,655 PACKAGE DISCOUNT - \$1,000 OWNER LOYALTY - \$5,000* DEALER DISCOUNT - \$5,000 SALE PRICE - \$32,655

CXL Pkg. 2WD Stk# 41092T



2004 Buick Rainer

Platinum Metallic Medium Pewter, Power Interior Group, 6 Disc CD, 4.2 I6, Automatic Tow Package & More

MSRP - \$37,040 OWNER LOYALTY - \$5,000* DEALER DISCOUNT -\$3,000 SALE PRICE - \$29,040

2004 Cadillac **Escalade ESV**

Stk# D106



Silver Exterior, Shale Interior, 6 Disc. CD Bose Stereo With Navigation, OnStar & Much More.

MSRP - \$61,150 TOTAL SAVINGS - \$12,000 **SALE PRICE - \$49,150**



2004 Chevrolet Suburban 2WD LT

Stk# 43228ET



DVD Player, 6 Disc. CD Bose Stereo & More.

PACKAGE DISCOUNT - \$2,000 OWNER LOYALTY - \$5,000* **DEALER DISCOUNT - \$5,000**



BREAK THROUGH

POLLARD



Chevrolet - Buick - Cadillac AN AMERICAN REVOLUTION

1501 E. 4th

267-7421

Did you ever see a rope dance?

Jerry Diaz makes it happen every night of the rodeo!

8 PM Nightly June 16, 17, 18, 19 Big Spring Rodeo Bowl





Iraqi senior diplomat slain in capital

Radical Shiite cleric says he'll cooperate with new Iraqi government

By SAMEER N. YACOUB

Associated Press Writer

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Gunmen killed a deputy foreign minister as he went to work Saturday, the latest attack on Iraqi leaders in recent weeks. A radical cleric whose uprising killed hundreds pledged to support the new government if it works to end the U.S. military pres-

Bassam Salih Kubba, Iraq's most senior career diplomat, was mortally wounded in Baghdad's Azimiyah district, Foreign Ministry spokesman Thamir al-Adhami said. The attack took place in a Sunni Muslim neighborhood where support for Saddam Hussein was strong.

The attack "bears all the hallmarks of leftover supporters of Saddam Hussein's evil regime,' the ministry said in a state-

was the second assassination of military presence. a senior Iraqi figure in the past month. The head of the nowdisbanded Iraqi Governing Council, Izzadine Saleem, was killed in a suicide car-bombing May 17 at an entrance to the heavily guarded Green Zone headquarters of the U.S.-run occupation authority.

Another Governing Council member, Salama al-Khafaji, escaped injury in a May 27 ambush south of Baghdad but her son and chief bodyguard were killed. Council member Aquila al-Hashemi, also a career diplomat, was assassinated last September.

Despite the violence, the government received an endorsement Friday from an unlikely source _ radical Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr. In a sermon read to his followers by an aide, al-Sadr said he was ready for a dialogue with the new govern-

The attack on Kubba, a Sunni, ment if it works to end the U.S. 30, but a senior U.S. official struction company in Iraq were

"I support the new interim government," al-Sadr said. "Starting now, I ask you that we open a new page for Iraq and for peace."

In Baghdad, U.S. officials said they were encouraged by the remarks from al-Sadr but noted he has made contradictory statements on the issue in recent weeks.

U.S. officials have warned of a major surge of violence in the run-up to the June 30 transfer of power to the interim government.

Although those predictions have so far not panned out, attacks on infrastructure and security installations suggest a campaign to undermine public confidence in the new Iraqi leadership.

U.S. military officials hope to transfer more security responsibility to the Iraqis after June

said there would be no speedy U.S. departure from Baghdad and other cities after the restoration of sovereignty.

"I don't think you're going to see much difference on July 15 than you saw on January 15," Brig. Gen. Mark Kimmitt, deputy operations chief, told reporters.

"We will not be pulling out of the cities," Kimmitt added. "We will not be relocating. We certainly would like to see more and more Iraqi security forces at the lead."

The official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Hussein Ali Alyan, a Lebanese Shiite who worked in construction, was killed by his captors for "financial reasons" and his body was dumped on a road near Baghdad.

Elsewhere, seven kidnapped Turkish contractors who were working for a Turkish con-

freed in Fallujah and were en route to Mosul, according to an official of their employer.

On Friday, gunmen blew up a police station in Yusufiyah, 12 miles south of Baghdad, after driving off outgunned policemen in a hail of small arms and rocket-propelled grenade fire. It was the fourth such attack on a police station in the past week.

Kubba and his driver were headed for his office when gunmen drove up behind him and opened fire, according to the foreign ministry spokesman. The assailants then passed the stricken vehicle and fired a second burst, the spokesman said.

Kubba's driver escaped injury but the deputy minister died hospital, in later spokesman said.

Kubba, 60, held a master's degree in international relafrom St. John's University in New York,.

Refugees and AIDS activists mark Reagan's funeral with staged protests on Friday

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — As Ronald Reagan's body was carried back to California for burial, Central American activists staged a protest Friday of Reagan's foreign policies, linking them to thousands of deaths in El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua.

About 100 people, hoisting plywood crosses painted with the names of people thought to have been killed by military-backed death squads during the early 1980s, marched through San Francisco's heavily Hispanic Mission District in an angry answer to the accolades that accompanied the end of the 40th presi-

"This man is a criminal. This man is a murderer and doesn't deserve any respect," said Zenaida Velasquez Rodriguez, a Honduran human rights activist whose brother hasn't been seen since 1981, when he was allegedly kidnapped by national securi-

Participants faulted Reagan for supporting, arming and funding anti-communist dictators, military leaders or insurgents who used torture, kidnappings and murder to silence critics.

"I have no problem criticizing the dead, especially when hundreds of thousands of Central Americans died without even a decent burial," said Sheila Tully, a San Francisco State University anthropologist who was a health care worker in Nicaragua during the

Gay-rights groups held their own official day of mourning — for AIDS patients whose deaths they blame on Reagan's unwillingness to confront the disease during the first years of the epidemic. Some organizations, including the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force in Washington, D.C. and Equality California, a statewide lobbying group, shut their offices in remembrance of those who died of AIDS.

U.S. Marines killed more than 80 militants in recent fighting in Afghanistan, military says

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — U.S. Marines have killed more than 80 militants in a three-week assault on a Taliban stronghold in southern Afghanistan, the military said Saturday.

The tally highlights the bloody fighting that has engulfed parts of the insurgency-plagued south.

"The Marines have been aggressive, relentless and successful," Lt. Col. Tucker Mansager said. "They have demonstrated that there is no refuge for the terrorists."

Only two Marines have been wounded in the latest fighting, the U.S. military said.

American commanders sent some 2,000 Marines into Afghanistan in the spring, helping swell the U.S.dominated force to 20,000 - its largest yet - in an attempt to put militants on the defensive ahead of September elections.

Militants have stepped up their own operations.

Running nose, itchy skin, sore or tickly throat, watery eyes, wheezing, indigestion, fatigue, headaches, diarrhea/constipation, canker sores, frequent urination...

These can all be symptoms of allergies

Do you presently take allergy shots but find it difficult to make it to the doctor's office to take them?

Or do you refuse to take allergy shots because of

How would you like to treat your allergies without shots, on schedule and in the convenience of your own home?

ORAL ALLERGY DROPS

Self-administered, painless and just as effective

For more information regarding our allergy program call: **Family Care Clinic**

> Mohsin M. Syed, M.D. **4506 Briarwood Avenue** Midland, Texas 79707 Across from Wal-Mart 432-689-6818

GOOD NEWS FOR BIG SPRING

Free Digital Hearing Demonstrations at Livingston this Thursday!

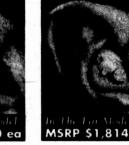
COME MEET Gregg Lindly, licensed dispenser. Gregg specializes in helping people with nerve type hearing loss. He will be demonstrating the newest in hearing aid technology THIS THURSDAY.

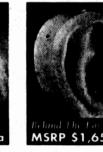
Call today: 432-267-7052 or toll free 1-800-687-5593.



Starkey, Audibel, **Qualitone** and FW Labs.







Gregg Lindly,

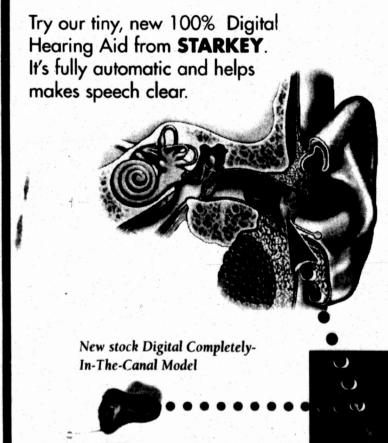
Licensed by the

of Health

Texas Department

ANY SIZE - ANY STYLE PRESCRIPTION DIGITAL

Available with 3 year mechanical warranty, 3 year loss and damage, and 3 year supply of batteries.



Audiology and Hearing Aid

Centers

432-267-7052 1-800-687-5593 211 Johnson St. in Big Spring



AIDS ON SALE 30-50%

HEARING AID

HEARING AID REPAIRS (parts available)

HEARING CHECK UP Appointments are limited. Call now.



THIS THURSDAY ONLY!

www.lhac.com

Serving West Texas and the Permian Basin since 1953

Dates set fo Camp of Cha

Coach Ric has set Big Sp School's Ca Champs to from June July 1 at the I Athletic Center.

wei The camp is oper and females fifth through For more tion, call Coa 432-269-3662 0519.

Chaparral si round ball c

A 14 and u ketball to titled Summer Cla take place Angelo June The tourn for boys and costs \$90 pe enter. There

by June 21. To enter, c 0628.

game guara

teams must

Forsan anno camp Buffa

Forsan's **Buffalo** will a.m. to noor 23. The cam boys grad through e designed to skills and tals of footb ball and str ditioning.

Each stude divided into priate age all participa a camp T-sh The cost o is \$40 'per

be sent in by ensure cor sizes. For more i or to reg **Terry McDo**

Registration

267-7445 o **Thompson** 0099.

Coahoma b camp set The Coahc

ball camp w place Monda Friday from to 12:30 p.m The camp 6 and up and

\$60 per play Everyone the camp w T-shirt, cer other prizes Proper tec hitting, fiel ing and ba will be faug For mor tion, conta

Big Spring ragball tou

head coa

Harmon at 3

The Big S Softball will be hold ragball tou a fundrais Spring sc stars.

The tourn be July 9, 1 the team fe For more Nicole at 43 432-267-6391

IN BRIEF

Dates set for Camp of Champs

Coach Ricky Long has set Big Spring High School's Camp for Champs to be held from June 7 through July 1 at the Big Spring Athletic Training Center.

The weightlifting camp is open to males and females in grades fifth through eighth.

For more information, call Coach Long at 432-269-3662 or 432-263-0519.

Chaparral summer round ball classic set

A 14 and under basketball tournament titled Chaparral Summer Classic will take place in San Angelo June 26-27.

The tournament is for boys and girls and costs \$90 per team to enter. There is a three game guarantee, but teams must be entered by June 21.

To enter, call 325-277-

Forsan announces camp Buffalo dates

Forsan's Camp Buffalo will run from 8 a.m. to noon, July 19-23. The camp is for all grades five through eight and designed to develop skills and fundamentals of football, basketball and strength conditioning.

Each student will be divided into an appropriate age group and all participants receive a camp T-shirt.

The cost of the camp is \$40 per student. Registration needs to be sent in by June 19 to ensure correct shirt sizes.

For more information or to register, call Terry McDonald at 432-267-7445 or Tommy Thompson at 432-457-0099.

Coahoma baseball camp set for June

The Coahoma baseball camp will take place Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The camp is for ages 6 and up and the cost is \$60 per player.

Everyone involved in the camp will get a free T-shirt, certificate and other prizes.

Proper techniques in hitting, fielding, pitching and base running will be faught.

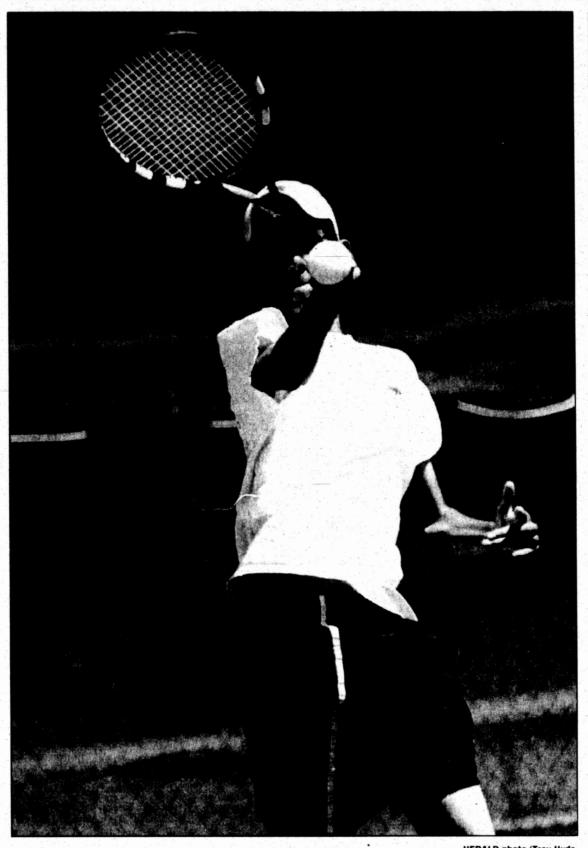
For more information, contact Bulldog head coach Brad Harmon at 361-542-9039.

Big Spring co-ed ragball tourney set

The Big Spring Girls Softball Association will be holding a co-ed ragball tournament as a fundraiser for Big Spring softball allstars.

The tournament will be July 9, 10 and 11 and the team fee is \$125.

For more info, call Nicole at 432-264-2206 or 432-267-6391.



HERALD photo/Troy Hyde Seventeen-year-old Chase Dunagan sends a return shot over the net in one of his singles

matches at the Big Spring tennis circuit tournament Friday afternoon. Dunagan won the

BIG SPRING BLACK GOLD TENNIS CIRCUIT SINGLES RESULTS

12 girls

- 1. Cassie Bass
- 2. Alexander Haest
- 3. Marcie Phillips

12 boys

- 1. Kyle Clark
- 2. Jamieson
- Farguhar 3. Casey Bass

14 girls

- 1. Keely Parnell
- 2. Gena Bradley
- 3. Allison Ward
- 14 boys
- 1. Phillip Kelleher
- 2. John Bennett
- 3. Justin Hernandez

16 girls

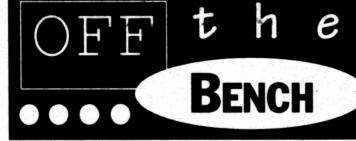
- 1. Natasha
- Neighbors
- 2. Jessica Fierro 3. Alex Gariepy
- 16 boys
- 1. Devin Vendixsen
- 2. Trey Chavez
- 3. Derik Vendixsen

18 girls

- 1. Heather Parnell
- 2. Ame Golan
- 3. Jessica Fierro

18 boys

- 1. Vishal Shroff
- 2. Chase Dunagan
- 3. Ryan Fink

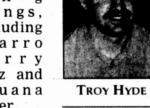


match and took second overall in the 18 boys section.

The 71st annual Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo here in Big Spring is just a few days away.

lineup is filled with lots of excitn g things, including charro Jerry Diaz and tijuana poker.

T h e



And all of this is a new experience for me.

Rodeo is not big in the state of Iowa. And I imagine rodeo here is like high school wrestling in Iowa. HUGE.

The only rodeos you see in Iowa is at county or but I think I will get state fairs and they are nowhere near as popular as they are here. Before coming to Big

Spring, I had never attended a rodeo in my life. Heck, the only spurs I had ever seen was the NBA team that plays in San Antonio and that was only on television.

The first spurs I saw on a person happened when I first visited this town before actually taking the job here. It was at the hotel that I was staying at and the man who was wearing them was not too pleasant to the hotel clerk. Something about a wake-up call or something. Anyways. At that point, I had hoped that I had never seen someone with spurs on again, but after living here the past two months. I have gathered that not all people who wear spurs are unpleasant.

The first rodeo I attended here (actually the only one so far) was the Howard College Rodeo. And, it was not as bad as I had imagined. And I mean that in nothing but a good sense. Not ever attending a rodeo before, my mindset going in, I have to admit, was very negative, but that quickly changed after going.

I didn't know any events except for bull riding and bareback riding and didn't understand how the point system completely worked either, but it didn't matter. As long as all the cowgirls were present in the arena life was good for me.

Rodeo has been a hard adjustment to make and a bit of a cultural shock, things under control shortly.

After all, rodeo is not even considered a sport in Iowa and you don't see people in spurs walking around. Ever. Iowa does have cowboy boots and hats, but no one ever goes as extreme as wearing spurs in public. Large belt buckles sure, but never spurs.

With all that being said, I hope that no one involved in rodeo thinks less of me now. I just didn't grow up with that as a priority. I am looking forward to the upcoming rodeo, however. Maybe after it is over I will know a little more about the sport. There I said it. A sport.

Sports Editor Troy Hyde can be reached at 432-263-7331, ext. 237 or sports@bigspringherald.c



HERALD photo/Troy Hyde Thirteen-year-old Cory Hildebrand sends a backhand lob over the net in one of her singles matches at the Big Spring tennis circuit tournament Friday afternoon.

IN BRIEF

First-ever memorial announces tourney

The first-ever Rob Etheridge Memorial four man golf scramble has been set for Saturday.

The tournament will take place at Comanche Trail Golf Course and it will benefit the baseball and golf programs at Coahoma High School.

The shotgun start begins at 8:30 a.m. It costs \$50 per player and carts are not included.

For more information, call 432-264-2366, 432-394-4755 or 432-394-4535.

Coahoma girls basketball camp set

The Coahoma girl's basketball camp will take place from 8:30 a.m. to noon, Monday through Friday and is for incoming third graders and above.

For more information, contact Coahoma Coach Sandy Logan at 432-394-4693 or 432-770-5454.

"Best of the rest" golf tournament set

The "best of the rest" two-man golf tournament at Comanche Trail Golf Course will take place Saturday and Sunday, June 26 and 27.

The championship flight is a two-man best ball and the "best of the rest" plays scramble.

There will be food on the course all day and a hole in one on number four wins a new automobile from Pollard Chevrolet.

The cost is \$100 per player plus cart.

For more information or to enter, call 432-264 2366.

Crossroads football sign-up dates set

The Crossroads Youth Football Association has announced the sign-up dates for the upcoming season.

Both football and cheerleading sign-ups will take place at the Big Spring Mall June 18 through July 17 on Fridays (5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.) and Saturdays (9 a.m. to 6 p.m.) only.

The league is for kindergarten through sixth grade.

The flag football league costs \$30, while football division 1 and 2 and cheerleading costs \$55 and \$65, respective-

There is no late signup for cheerleading. For more information, call Stacie or Robert at 432-268-9634.

Coahoma's annual ragball tourney set

Coahoma's annual ragball tournament has been set for Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 25-27 at the Coahoma Softball Park, which is a change from past years.

The sign-up for the tournament has been scheduled for 5 p.m. Friday, June 25.

If anyone is interested in a fundraiser for your organization, booths are also available for \$100.

The deadline to sign up for weekend booth space is Friday, June

For more information about the tournament or to reserve a booth. call Patric Robinson at 432-393-5622 or Randy Clanton at 432-393-5338.

Cardinals stay hot, beat Rangers in first-ever meeting

ARLINGTON (AP) -Albert Pujols was back in the starting lineup, and John Mabry made sure the St. Louis slugger didn't overwork himself.

Pujols returned from a hamstring injury and drove in a run, and Mabry homered and had five RBI in the St. Louis Cardinals' 12-7 victory over the Texas Rangers on Friday night.

Pujols, the designated hitter and regular first baseman, had been out of the lineup after straining his left hamstring running the bases Sunday. finished 1-for-5, He including an RBI single in the third.

But Mabry, who replaced Pujols in the field Friday, paced St. Louis' potent attack. And he was more than willing to talk about Pujols' impact.

"It goes without saying that Albert is a big part of our lineup," said Mabry, who also homered Thursday. "He's the kind of player who take over a game.'

Pujols, who left without speaking to reporters, said before the game he wasn't going to put too much strain on his injured leg.

In his first at-bat in the first, Pujols grounded out to second and did not appear to exert himself too much running to first

"I'm not 100 percent, but I can go out there and play under control," Pujols said before the game.

With the victory, St. place in the NL Central by a half-game over the Cincinnati Reds.

Reggie Sanders homered and had three hits for the Cardinals, who have a major league-best 22-11 record on the road.

Jeff Suppan (6-5) gave up four runs — two

earned — in six innings to improve to 5-0 lifetime against Texas. It was the fifth straight time he's pitched six innings or more.

Fullmer and Brad Nix hit solo Laynce off Suppan. homers Alfonso Soriano added another solo shot off Steve Kline in the eighth for Texas, whose threegame winning streak ended.

But St. Louis, who is tied for the NL lead in runs scored, was able to overcome Texas' long balls with 15 hits. The Cardinals have scored 10 or more for the third time in seven games.

"What are you going to do?" Texas shortstop Michael Young said. "They came out swinging from the get-go, and they've got a great line-

Texas starter Juan Dominguez (1-2) struggled in his first outing since picking up his first win in the majors last Saturday. He gave up five runs - four earned - in 3 1-3 innings.

"I went out there and tried to throw 100 percent," Dominguez, a native of the Dominican Republic, said through an interpreter. "It just didn't work out."

Scott Rolen drove in his major league-leading 64th run in the first with a single that scored Tony Womack. Pujols' RBI single in the third made it 2-

The Cardinals broke it open with three runs in the fourth on run-scoring Louis moved into first hits by Edgar Renteria, Sanders and Mahry

> Mabry is hitting. 353 since being called up from Triple-A Memphis on May 25.

"It's a great feeling," Mabry said. "It's nice to see some of things I've been working on come to fruition."

Odessa Roughnecks s. Lubbock Lonestars

June 19

Game: 7:30 p.m. Tailgate Party: 5:30 p.m.

Fireworks during and after the game 1,000 autographed footballs will be given away and it is also "scout night."

For discount tickets, contact Troy Hyde at 263-7331, ext. 237 or at sports 9 bigspringherald.com.
Regular rate: \$9.50 and \$15.50
Discount rate: \$7 and \$13



NSURED ROOFING COMPANY'S BID. SAVE 100'S TO THOUSANDS ON YOUR NEXT ROOF.

Voted Top 100 Roofing Contractors In America 2002

FREE ESTIMATES • (432) 267-5478 Big Spring, Texas **HENRY BACKES**

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL 2004 current standings 17-12 21-9 Lost 1 New York Yankees Lost 1 Baltimore 14-16 12-13 Won 3 Tampa Bay Central Minnesota 20-13 13-14 Lost 1 Won 3 13-15 Cleveland Kansas City 14-17 7-20 Won 1 West Oakland 21-10 15-13 Won 6 35 Anaheim TEXAS Lost 1 18-10 25 36 14-15 33 National League East : 16-12 14-13 17-16 Lost 1 27 Florida Philadelphia 31 27 Won 2 Won 1 15-13 **15-13** 30 32 15-17 Atlanta **New York** Montreal 13 9-17 11-22 Lost 1 Central 22-11 13-15 Won 1 St. Louis 34 32 Cincinnati HOUSTON 15-13 18-14 Lost 1 1.5 17-14 13-15 Chicago Cubs 29 Won 1 Milwaukee 28 15-12 15-16 Pittsburgh 24 33 8.5 9-18 15-15 Lost 6 West San Diego 16-12 17-15 Won 1 Los Angeles San Francisco 2.5 15-14 15-16 Lost 2 Won 2 Lost 6 Arizona 12-17 13-16 8-23 Colorado W: Wins L: Loses

Home: Home record Road: Road record

Streak: consecutive games won or lost

Friday's Interleague Scores Boston 2, Los Angeles 1 Cleveland 6, Cincinnati 5 (11). Detroit 8, Florida 4 San Diego 10, N.Y. Yankees 2 Arizona 3, Toronto 2 Tampa Bay 8, Colorado 7 (10) Atlanta 6, Chicago White Sox 4 St. Louis 12, Texas 7

Friday's Interleague (continued) San Francisco at Baltimore (ppd rain) Kansas City 7, N.Y. Mets 5 Philadelphia 11, Minnesota 6 Anaheim 3, Chicago Cubs 2 Oakland 6, Pittsburgh 1 Seattle 1, Montreal 0 Milwaukee 9, Houston 3 (NL)

71st Big Spring Cowboy REUNION RODEO PARADE

5:30 p.m. — Wednesday, June 16

Let's make this the biggest and best rodeo parade ever! Award categories include floats, riding clubs, custom and classic cars and bicycles.

In a return to tradition, the top three mounted groups will receive awards; while the top three entries from the other categories will receive a plaque.

ENTRANT

(Check type)

TYPE ENTRY □ Float □ Riding Club

☐ Custom/Classic Car

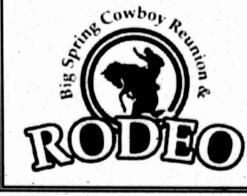
□ Bicycle

CONTACT

PHONE No.

Return entries to the Big Spring Herald, 710 Scurry, no later than noon on Monday, June 14, then get your boots, hat and western wear ready to join us in the celebration!

SPRING HERALD





ALAN HEN 6-feet low; and spinne water baits good on mi

ARROWHE feet low; Bl spinnerbai are fair on and near d shallow fla pounds are near Deer tions, the c Arrowhead

low; Black White bass FT. PHAN

COLORAD

16-feet low on minnov HUBBARI

degrees; 10 shad-color shallows a green pun Crappie a White bas baits.

NASWOR' Black bas and jigs. I bass are g

OAK CRE 26-feet lov on jigs an bait. No b unload on

O.H. IVIE feet low: 1 shad-colo and water Crappie a bass are Smallmou good on 1

SPENCE: feet low; White ba striper ar

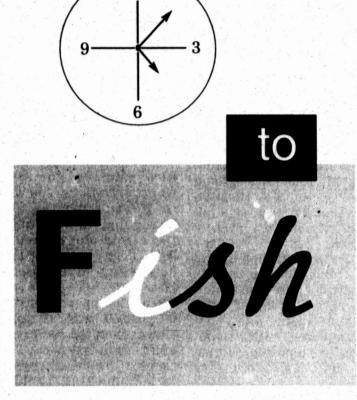
SWEETV degrees; Crappie a bass are



Tl



It's



ALAN HENRY: Water lightly stained; 78 degrees; 6-feet low; Black bass are good on soft jerkbaits and spinnerbaits worked along timber, and topwater baits worked outside timber. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs.

ARROWHEAD: Water clearing; 76 degrees; 11-feet low; Black bass are fair on crankbaits and spinnerbaits near shallow rocky areas. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs along rocky areas and near derricks. White bass are excellent on shallow flats chasing shad. Blue catfish to 40 pounds are good on shad and prepared baits near Deer Creek area. Due to low water conditions, the only usable boat ramp is West Arrowhead Park.

COLORADO CITY: Water clear; 80 degrees; 4-feet low; Black bass are slow. Crappie are slow. White bass are slow. Redfish are slow.

FT. PHANTOM HILL: Water clear; 79 degrees; 16-feet low. Black bass are fair. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs. White bass are fair.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water lightly stained; 79 degrees; 16-feet low; Black bass are good on shad-colored spinnerbaits and crankbaits near shallows and grassy humps, and watermelon or green pumpkin soft plastics around structures. Crappie are very good on minnows and jigs. White bass and hybrid striper are fair on live baits

NASWORTHY: Water lightly stained; 77 degrees; Black bass are fair. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs. Redfish are fair. White bass and striped bass are good on small crankbaits and live bait.

OAK CREEK: Water lightly stained; 77 degrees; 26-feet low; Black bass are fair. Crappie are good on jigs and minnows. Catfish are fair on live bait. No boat ramps open. 4x4 vehicles can unload on the dirt road near the dam.

O.H. IVIE: Water lightly stained; 79 degrees; 26-feet low; Black bass are good on topwater lures, shad-colored spinnerbaits w/chartreuse trailers, and watermelon red flake soft plastics and jigs. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs. White bass are good on live bait and crankbaits. Smallmouth bass are fair. Channel catfish are good on live baits.

SPENCE: Water lightly stained; 76 degrees; 62-feet low; Black bass are slow. Crappie are slow. White bass are fair. Striped bass and hybrid striper are slow. Catfish are slow.

SWEETWATER: Water lightly stained; 79 degrees; 5-feet 5-inches low; Black bass are fair. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs. White bass are fair on live bait.

Texas Water Safari proves toughest race

By T.A. BADGER

Associated Press Writer
FENTRESS - The Texas
Water Safari bills itself as
"The World's Toughest
Canoe Race," and judging
from the long list of hazards awaiting this weekend's competitors, that
boating boast could well
be the truth.

Start with the physical demands of paddling 260 river miles from San Marcos to the Gulf coast, dodging stumps, rocks, logjams and low-hanging tree branches.

Add the sapping South Texas summertime heat, blasting head winds and sleep deprivation.

Then there's the critters. Alligators, sharks, stingrays and fire ants make their home along the race course, and every boat has to carry a snakebite kit in case a paddler winds up on the business end of a water moccasin or copperhead.

And the big payoff for those who overcome these challenges and make it to the saltwater finish line at Seadrift on San Antonio Bay?

"You get a t-shirt, a pat on the back and a meal at the end," said longtime racer Allen Spelce of Austin, this year's race director.

Meager rewards indeed, but they're apparently enough for the hundreds of paddlers who each paid \$75 to test their mettle in this 42nd annual race.

More than 120 boats, with teams ranging from one to seven paddlers, will head downstream Saturday on the San Marcos River, which flows into the Guadalupe at Gonzales. The first boat is expected to arrive in Seadrift by Sunday night.

"It will change you if you finish that race," said John Bugge, a xx-year old plumbing contractor from College Station who will try to finish for the 27th time in 28 attempts, this year in a boat by himself.

"It's the worst thing that happens to me every year, but I love it," said Bugge, who has won the solo class three times. "If I get through the Safari, just about anything else is not so bad."

Veterans agree that, while the race is extremely physical, mental discipline is what separates the winners from the also-rans.

"At some point your body is going to die on

you," said Lee Deviney, chief financial officer for the Texas State Lottery and five-time Safari competitor. "You have to will yourself to finish."

Racers also have to deal with dehydration from the heat and prolonged exertion, and the lack of sleep can lead to hallucinations.

"I've been in a boat where all three guys saw two fishermen ahead on the riverbank, and when we got there it was just logs," said Bugge, who has also conjured up dinosaurs in his mind. "Your eyes play tricks on you, especially at night."

Among this year's rookies is Alex Lisbey, one of three semi-pro paddlers from Belize recruited by Deviney for a six-man team expected to be among the fastest in the open division.

"I understand this is the world's toughest race, and I want to challenge that," said Lisbey, who has been in Texas for six weeks to learn the course. "I'm going to reach Seadrift, but I want to reach it first."

Lisbey age? normally does races that run in stages, while the Safari's top teams go nonstop for 36 hours or more.



Angelina Castillo dribbles around the cone during a drill at Big Spring's basketball camp last week.

GOLF SCRAMBLES

Phoenix Golf Club in Stanton invites golfers to Thursday night scrambles starting at 6:00 p.m. All golfers welcome.



300 W. Bell Stanton, Tx.

(432) 756-2556

Hot Summer Savings!

dew mes CARS and oth, nev

1999 Mazda Miata MX-5 Convertible - Stk# D71A, 4-Cyl., 1.8 Liter, 5-Spd. Manual, A/C, Power Steering/Windows, Tilt/Cruise, AM/FM Stereo, CD, Alloy Wheels.

Was \$12,880

Was \$17,660.

PICKUPS

1998 GMC 1500 Club Coupe - Stk# D88A, V8, 5.7 Liter, Auto., 2WD, Third Door, SLE, A/C, Power Steering/Windows/Door Locks, Tilt/Cruise, AM/FM, CD.

2003 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 Ext. Cab - Stk# D112 V8, 5.3

2003 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 HD Crew Cab LS - Stk# D62, V8, 6.0 Liter, Power Windows & Locks, Tilt/Cruise, CD, Bed Liner, Towing Package, Alloy Wheels, Only 9,800 Miles.

VANS

2000 GMC Safari Minivan - Stk# D65, V6, 7-8 Passenger, Rear Air, Power Windows, Locks & Mirrors, CD/Cassette, Quad Seating, Roof Rack.

2001 Dodge Grand Caravan Sport Minivan 4D - Stk# D48A. V6, 3.3L, Flex Fuel, Auto., FWD, 7 Pass., A.C. Power Steering/Windows/door Locks, Tilt/Cruise, AM.FM. CD.

SPORT UTILITY 1995 GMC Jimmy Sport - Stk# D104 V6, 4.3L, Auto., 4WD, CD.

2002 Chevrolet Suburban 1500 · Stk# D89, V8, 5.3 Liter, Auto. 2WD, LT, A/C, Power Steering/Windows/Door Locks, Tilt/Cruise AM/FM, 24,544 Miles, Alloy Wheels.

2002 Chevrolet Suburban 1500 LS - Stk# D60, V8, 5.3 Liter, Bi-Fuel, Rear Air, Power Windows, Doors & Locks, CD, Third Seat, Running Boards, Towing Package, 36,000 Miles.

POLLARI

.NOW \$15,995

1501 E. 4th

267-7421

Texas talk. The symbol of a good time

The symbol of a good time for the whole family.
Shout it at the RODEO!

8 PM Nightly June 16, 17, 18, 19 Big Spring Rodeo Bowl

prca



IN BRIEF

First-ever memorial announces tourney

The first-ever Rob Etheridge Memorial four man golf scramble has been set for Saturday.

The tournament will take place at Comanche Trail Golf Course and it will benefit the baseball and golf programs at Coahoma High School.

The shotgun start begins at 8:30 a.m. It costs \$50 per player and carts are not included.

For more information, call 432-264-2366, 432-394-4755 or 432-394-

Coahoma girls basketball camp set

The Coahoma girl's basketball camp will take place from 8:30 a.m. to noon, Monday through Friday and is for incoming third graders and above.

For more information, contact Coahoma Coach Sandy Logan at 432-394-4693 or 432-770-

"Best of the rest" golf tournament set

The "best of the rest" two-man golf tournament at Comanche Trail Golf Course will take place Saturday and Sunday, June 26 and 27.

The championship flight is a two-man best ball and the "best of the rest" plays scramble.

There will be food on the course all day and a hole in one on number four wins a new automobile from Pollard Chevrolet.

The cost is \$100 per player plus cart.

For more information or to enter, call 432-264-

Crossroads football sign-up dates set

The Crossroads Youth Football Association has announced the sign-up dates for the upcoming season.

Both football and cheerleading sign-ups will take place at the Big Spring Mall June 18 through July 17 on Fridays (5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.) and Saturdays (9 a.m. to 6 p.m.) only.

The league is for kindergarten through sixth grade.

The flag football league costs \$30, while football division 1 and 2 and cheerleading costs \$55 and \$65, respective-

There is no late signup for cheerleading. For more information, call Stacie or Robert at 432-268-9634.

Coahoma's annual ragball tourney set

Coahoma's annual ragball tournament has been set for Friday. Saturday and Sunday, June 25-27 at the Coahoma Softball Park, which is a change from past years.

The sign-up for the tournament has been scheduled for 5 p.m. Friday, June 25.

If anyone is interested in a fundraiser for organization, booths are also available for \$100.

The deadline to sign up for weekend booth space is Friday, June

For more information about the tournament or to reserve a booth, call Patric Robinson at 432-393-5622 or Randy Clanton at 432-393-5338.

Cardinals stay hot, beat Rangers in first-ever meeting

ARLINGTON (AP) -Albert Pujols was back in the starting lineup, and John Mabry made sure the St. Louis slugger didn't overwork himself.

Pujols returned from a hamstring injury and drove in a run, and Mabry homered and had five RBI in the St. Louis Cardinals' 12-7 victory over the Texas Rangers on Friday night.

Pujols, the designated hitter and regular first baseman, had been out of the lineup after straining his left hamstring running the bases Sunday. finished 1-for-5. including an RBI single in the third.

But Mabry, who replaced Pujols in the field Friday, paced St. Louis' potent attack. And he was more than willing to talk about Pujols' impact.

"It goes without saying that Albert is a big part of our lineup," said Mabry. who also homered Thursday. "He's the kind of player who take over a game.

Pujols, who left without speaking to reporters, said before the game he wasn't going to put too much strain on his injured leg.

In his first at-bat in the first, Pujols grounded out to second and did not appear to exert himself too much running to first

"I'm not 100 percent, but I can go out there and under control," play Pujols said before the game.

With the victory, St. Louis moved into first place in the NL Central by a half-game over the Cincinnati Reds.

Reggie Sanders homered and had three hits for the Cardinals, who have a major league-best 22-11 record on the road.

Jeff Suppan (6-5) gave up four runs — two

earned — in six innings to improve to 5-0 lifetime against Texas. It was the fifth straight time he's pitched six innings or more.

Brad Fullmer and Laynce Nix hit solo off Suppan. homers Alfonso Soriano added another solo shot off Steve Kline in the eighth for Texas, whose threegame winning streak ended.

But St. Louis, who is tied for the NL lead in runs scored, was able to overcome Texas' long balls with 15 hits. The Cardinals have scored 10 or more for the third time in seven games.

"What are you going to do?" Texas shortstop Michael Young said. "They came out swinging from the get-go and they've got a great lineup.

Texas starter Juan Dominguez (1-2) struggled in his first outing since picking up his first win in the majors last Saturday. He gave up five runs - four earned - in 3 1-3 innings.

"I went out there and tried to throw 100 percent." Dominguez, a native of the Dominican Republic, said through an interpreter. "It just didn't work out."

Scott Rolen drove in his major league-leading 64th run in the first with a single that scored Tony Womack. Pujols' RBI single in the third made it 2-

The Cardinals broke it open with three runs in the fourth on run-scoring hits by Edgar Renteria, Sanders and Mabry.

Mabry is hitting. 353 since being called up from Triple-A Memphis on May 25.

"It's a great feeling," Mabry said. "It's nice to see some of things I've been working on come to fruition."

Odessa Roughnecks vs. Lubbock Lonestars

June 19

Game: 7:30 p.m. Tailgate Party: 5:30 p.m.

Fireworks during and after the game 1,000 autographed footballs will be given away and it is also "scout night."

For discount tickets, contact Troy Hyde at 263-7331, ext. 237 or at sports © bigspringherald.com. Regular rate: \$9.50 and \$15.50 scount rate: \$7 and \$13



INSURED ROOFING COMPANY'S BID. SAVE 100'S TO THOUSANDS ON YOUR NEXT ROOF.

Voted Top 100 Roofing Contractors In America 2002

FREE ESTIMATES • (432) 267-5478 Big Spring, Texas **HENRY BACKES**

2004 current standings Lost 1 **New York Yankees** Lost 1 Baltimore 12-13 10 14-16 12 13.5 Won 3 17-15 Tampa Bay 20-13 Lost 1 Minnesota 13-14 27 Won 3 Detroit Won 1 Won 1 Cleveland Kansas City 7-20 21-10 15-13 Won 6 24 **25** Oakland 35 **TEXAS** 18-10 14-15 Lost 1 National League 16-12 17-16 Lost 1 Florida 27 27 14-13 15-17 Won 1 New York Lost 1 Montreal Central 22-11 Won 1 13-15 St. Louis Cincinnati 15-13 17-14 Lost 1 HOUSTON 1.5 18-14 Chicago Cubs 31 15-16 Won 1 Pittsburgh

16-12

12-17

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

W: Wins L: Loses GB: Games Back Home: Home record

West

San Diego

Los Angele

San Francisco

Streak: consecutive games won or lost

Friday's Interleague Scores Boston 2, Los Angeles 1 Cleveland 6, Cincinnati 5 (11) Detroit 8, Florida 4 San Diego 10, N.Y. Yankees 2 Arizona 3, Toronto 2 Tampa Bay 8, Colorado 7 (10) Atlanta 6, Chicago White Sox 4

St. Louis 12, Texas 7

Friday's Interleague (continued) San Francisco at Baltimore (ppd rain) Kansas City 7, N.Y. Mets 5 Philadelphia 11, Minnesota 6 Anaheim 3, Chicago Cubs 2 Oakland 6, Pittsburgh 1 Seattle 1, Montreal 0 Milwaukee 9, Houston 3 (NL)

17-15

Won 1

Lost 2

Lost 6

71st Big Spring Cowboy REUNION RODEO PARADE

5:30 p.m. — Wednesday, June 16

Let's make this the biggest and best rodeo parade ever! Award categories include floats, riding clubs, custom and classic cars and bicycles.

In a return to tradition, the top three mounted groups will receive awards; while the top three entries from the other categories will receive a plaque.

ENTRANT

(Check type)

TYPE ENTRY □ Float □ Riding Club

☐ Custom/Classic Car

□ Bicycle

CONTACT

PHONE No.

Return entries to the Big Spring Herald, 710 Scurry, no later than noon on Monday, June 14, then get your boots, hat and western wear ready to join us in the celebration!

SPRING HERALD





ALAN HE 6-feet low: and spinne water baits good on m

ARROWHI feet low; B spinnerbai are fair on and near d shallow fla pounds are near Deer tions, the Arrowhead

low: Black White bas FT. PHAN

16-feet low

COLORAI

on minno **HUBBARI** degrees; 1 shad-color shallows a green pun

baits. **NASWOR** Black bas and jigs. 1 bass are g

Crappie a

OAK CRE 26-feet lov on jigs ar bait. No t unload or

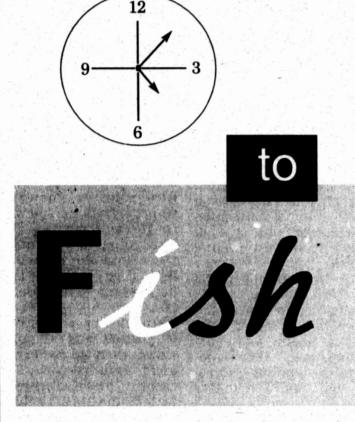
O.H. IVII feet low; shad-colo and wate Crappie a bass are Smallmo good on 1

SPENCE feet low: White ba striper a

SWEETV degrees; Crappie bass are

T1





ALAN HENRY: Water lightly stained; 78 degrees; 6-feet low; Black bass are good on soft jerkbaits and spinnerbaits worked along timber, and topwater baits worked outside timber. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs.

ARROWHEAD: Water clearing; 76 degrees; 11feet low; Black bass are fair on crankbaits and spinnerbaits near shallow rocky areas. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs along rocky areas and near derricks. White bass are excellent on shallow flats chasing shad. Blue catfish to 40 pounds are good on shad and prepared baits near Deer Creek area. Due to low water conditions, the only usable boat ramp is West Arrowhead Park.

COLORADO CITY: Water clear; 80 degrees; 4-feet low; Black bass are slow. Crappie are slow. White bass are slow. Redfish are slow.

FT. PHANTOM HILL: Water clear; 79 degrees; 16-feet low. Black bass are fair. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs. White bass are fair.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water lightly stained: 79 degrees; 16-feet low; Black bass are good on shad-colored spinnerbaits and crankbaits near shallows and grassy humps, and watermelon or green pumpkin soft plastics around structures. Crappie are very good on minnows and jigs. White bass and hybrid striper are fair on live

NASWORTHY: Water lightly stained; 77 degrees; Black bass are fair. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs. Redfish are fair. White bass and striped bass are good on small crankbaits and live bait.

OAK CREEK: Water lightly stained; 77 degrees; 26-feet low; Black bass are fair. Crappie are good on iigs and minnows. Catfish are fair on live bait. No boat ramps open. 4x4 vehicles can unload on the dirt road near the dam.

O.H. IVIE: Water lightly stained; 79 degrees; 26feet low; Black bass are good on topwater lures, shad-colored spinnerbaits w/chartreuse trailers, and watermelon red flake soft plastics and jigs. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs. White bass are good on live bait and crankbaits. Smallmouth bass are fair. Channel catfish are good on live baits.

SPENCE: Water lightly stained; 76 degrees; 62feet low; Black bass are slow. Crappie are slow. White bass are fair. Striped bass and hybrid striper are slow. Catfish are slow.

SWEETWATER: Water lightly stained; 79 degrees; 5-feet 5-inches low; Black bass are fair. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs. White bass are fair on live bait.

Texas Water Safari proves toughest race

By T.A. BADGER

Associated Press Writer FENTRESS - The Texas Water Safari bills itself as "The World's Toughest Canoe Race," and judging yourself to finish." from the long list of hazards awaiting this weekend's competitors, that boating boast could well be the truth.

Start with the physical demands of paddling 260 river miles from San Marcos to the Gulf coast, dodging stumps, rocks, logiams and low-hanging tree branches.

Add the sapping South Texas summertime heat, blasting head winds and sleep deprivation.

Then there's the critters. Alligators, sharks, stingrays and fire ants make their home along the race course, and every boat has to carry a snakebite kit in case a paddler winds up on the business end of a water moccasin or copperhead.

And the big payoff for those who overcome these challenges and make it to the saltwater finish line at Seadrift on San Antonio Bay?

"You get a t-shirt, a pat on the back and a meal at the end," said longtime racer Allen Spelce of Austin, this year's race director.

Meager rewards indeed, but they're apparently enough for the hundreds of paddlers who each paid \$75 to test their mettle in this 42nd annual race.

More than 120 boats, with teams ranging from one to seven paddlers, will head downstream Saturday on the San Marcos River, which flows into the Guadalupe at Gonzales. The first boat is expected to arrive in Seadrift by Sunday night.

"It will change you if you finish that race," said John Bugge, a xx-year old plumbing contractor from College Station who will try to finish for the 27th time in 28 attempts, this year in a boat by himself.

"It's the worst thing that happens to me every year, but I love it," said Bugge, who has won the solo class three times. "If I get through the Safari, just about anything else is not so bad.'

Veterans agree that, while the race is extremely physical, mental discipline is what separates the winners from the also-rans.

"At some point your body is going to die on

you," said Lee Deviney, chief financial officer for the Texas State Lottery and five-time Safari competitor. "You have to will

Racers also have to deal with dehydration from the heat and prolonged exertion, and the lack of sleep can lead to hallucinations.

"I've been in a boat where all three guys saw two fishermen ahead on the riverbank, and when we got there it was just logs," said Bugge, who has also conjured up dinosaurs in his mind. "Your eyes play tricks on you, especially at night."

Among this year's rookies is Alex Lisbey, one of three semi-pro paddlers from Belize recruited by Deviney for a six-man team expected to be among the fastest in the open division.

"I understand this is the world's toughest race, and I want to challenge that," said Lisbey, who has been in Texas for six weeks to learn the course. "I'm going to reach Seadrift, but I want to reach it first."

Lisbey age? normally does races that run in stages, while the Safari's top teams go nonstop for 36 hours or more.



HERALD photo/Troy Hyde

Angelina Castillo dribbles around the cone during a drill at Big Spring's basketball camp last week.



Hot Summer Savings!

MISML LINE - CARS TATHOLD ... ad

2001 Hyundai Tiburon Coupe 2D - Stk# D59, 4-Cyl., 2.0 Liter, 5-Spd. FWD, Leather, Rear Spoiler, Tilt/Cruise, Alloy Wheels.

2000 Pontiac Grand AM GT Coupe - Stk# D26, V6, Auto., FWD, A/C, CD, Rear Spoiler, Tilt/Cruise, Alloy Wheels.

2003 Dodge Neon SE Sedan - Stk# D110, 4-Cyl. 2.0 Liter; Auto. FWD, A/C, Power Steering, Tilt, AM/FM Stereo, Cassette.

1999 Mazda Miata MX-5 Convertible - Stk# D71A, 4-Cyl., 1.8 Liter, 5-Spd. Manual, A/C, Power Steering/Windows, Tilt/Cruise AM/FM Stereo, CD, Alloy Wheels.

2004 Chevrolet Cavalier LS - Stk# D77, Automatic, Power Windows, Locks & Mirrors, Cruise, CD.

Was \$15,560... 2001 Buick LeSabre Limited - Stk# C110, Auto., Power Steering, Power Windows/Locks, CD, Traction Control, Leather, **Dual Power Seats.**

Was \$13.240. 2000 Chrysler LHS - Stk# D63, Blue/Gray, Only 42,000 One Owner Miles. Power Windows, Locks & Mirrors, Tilt/Cruise, CD/Cassette, Leather. Nice! Nice! Nice!

Was \$12 880

2004 Pontiac Grand Am SE - Stk# D79, D80, V6, Power Windows, Locks & Mirrors, Tilt/Cruise, CD, Rear Spoiler, Teen Miles. Two To Choose From!! Was \$17,015..

2004 Dodge Intrepid SE Sedan 4D - Stk# D114, V6 2.7 Liter. Auto., FWD, A/C, Power Equipped, Tilt/Cruise, AM/FM Stereo. Cass., CD, Alloy Wheels. Was \$16,925.

2004 Buick Regal LS - Stk# D75, V6 3.8 Liter, Power Equipped Tilt/Cruise, CD, Leather, Power Seat

PICKUPS

1998 GMC 1500 Club Coupe - Stk# D88A, V8, 5.7 Liter, Auto. 2WD, Third Door, SLE, A/C, Power Steering/Windows/Door Locks, Tilt/Cruise, AM/FM, CD.

2002 Dodge 1500 - Stk# DI 6, V8, 4.7 Liter, Auto., 2WD. ST. A/C, Power Steering, Tilt/Cruise, AM/FM, Running Boards, Alloy Was \$15,880. 2001 Chevrolet Silverado 1506 Ext. Cab - Stk# D92. V8. 5.3

Liter, Auto., 2WD, LS, A/C, Tilt/Cruise, AM/FM, CD, Air Bags.

2003 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 Ext. Cab · Stk# D112 V8, 5.3 Liter, Auto., 2WD, LS, A/C, Tilt/Cruise, Alloy Wheels. 2003 Dodge 1500 Quad Cab - Stk# D109, V8, 5.7 Liter. Auto. HEMI, 2WD, A/C, CD, Power Seat, Bed Liner, Towing Pkg., Alloy

Was \$23 280 NOW \$22,295 2003 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 Ext. Cab - Stk# D94, V8, 5.3 Liter, Auto., 4WD, Z71 Suspension, LS, A/C, Alloy Wheels.

2003 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 HD Crew Cab - Stk# D107, V8, 6.0 Liter, Auto., 2WD, A/C, CD, Premium Sound, Power Equipped. Towing Pkg. Was \$26,300.

Bed - Stk# D111 Steering/Windows/R se, AM/FM, Alloy Wheels. Was \$27,270...

PICKUPS ot 70

2003 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 HD Crew Cab LS - Stk# D62, V8, 6.0 Liter, Power Windows & Locks, Tilt/Cruise, CD. Bed Liner, Towing Package, Alloy Wheels, Only 9,800 Miles.

NOW \$25,495 Was \$26,900:. 2003 Chevrolet Avalanche 1500 - Stk# D46, V8, 5.3 Liter, Auto., 4WD, A/C, Power Steering/Windows/Door Locks, Only 19,000 Miles. Was \$26.945.

2002 Chevrolet Silverado 2500 HD -t. Cab · Stk# D36, V8. 6.6L. Turbo Diese Wheels Was \$30.035.

1997 Chevrolet Express Van 1500 · Stk# D102 V8, 5.7 Liter. Auto., Rear Wheel Drive, 8 Passenger, A/C, Alloy Wheels. 2000 GMC Safari Minivan - Stk# D65, V6, 7-8 Passenger, Rear Air

Was \$13,510. 2002 Chevrolet Venture Extended Minivan - Stk# D53, V6, 3.4 Liter, Auto., 4WD, A/C, CD, Power Seat, Tilt/Cruise, Alloy Wheels.

Power Windows, Locks & Mirrors, CD/Cassette, Quad Seating, Roof

2001 Dodge Grand Caravan Sport Minivan 4D - Stk# D48A, V6, 3.3L, Flex Fuel, Auto., FWD, 7 Rass., A.C., Power

Steering/Windows/door Locks, Tilt/Cruise, AM/FM, CD. Was \$14,355... 2004 Chevrolet Venture Ext. Minivan - Stk# D78, V6, 3.4 Liter

Automatic, Power Sliding Door, 7-8 Passenger, Rear Air, CD. Power Seat, Roof Rack, Privacy Glass. Was \$22,210.

SPORT UTILITY

1995 GMC Jimmy Sport - Stk# D104 V6, 4.3L, Auto., 4WD, CD, Rear Air, Power Steering/Windows/Door Locks, Alloy Wheels. NOW \$6,995 Was \$7.210... 2001 GMC Jimmy - Stk# D70A, White. V6, 4.3 Liter. Rear Air Power Windows & Locks, Tilt/Cruise, Cassette, Dual Power Seats Roof Rack, Alloy Wheels.

2002 Chevrolet Suburban 1500 - Stk# D89, V8, 5.3 Liter. Auto. 2WD, LT, A/C, Power Steering/Windows/Door Locks, Tilt/Cruise AM/FM, 24,544 Miles, Alloy Wheels.

Was \$29.135... 2001 Chevrolet Tahoe · Stk# D50, V8. 5.3 Liter, Auto., 2WD, LS A/C, Rear Air, CD, Dual Power Seats. Third Seat, Alloy Wheels.

2003 Dodge Durango - Stk# D113, V8, 4.7 Liter, Auto., 2WD Power Steering/Windows/Door Locks, Tilt/Cruise, Alloy Wheels. 2002 Chevrolet Suburban 2500 - Stk# D52, V8, 6.0 Liter, Auto 2WD, A/C, Rear Air, CD, Third Seat, Towing Pkg., Alloy Wheels.

2002 Chevrolet Suburban 1500 LS - Stk# D60, V8, 5.3 Liter, B Fuel, Rear Air, Power Windows, Doors & Locks, CD, Third Seat Running Boards, Towing Package, 36,000 Miles. NOW \$23,495 Was \$27.465

2003 Chevrolet Suburban 1500 - Stk# D87, V8, 5.3 Liter, Auto. 4WD, A/C, Rear Air, Power Steering/Windows/Door Locks Tilt/Cruise, AM/FM Stereo, Cassette, Teen Miles. Was \$37 165

2004 Cadillac Escalade ESV - Sixe D106, Vo. 110 6.0 Liter, Auto. A/C. Rear Air. CD. Pose Premium Sound Leather, Till Cruise OnStar, Alloy Wheeks.

NOW \$15,995

NOW \$23,495

1501 E. 4th

267-7421

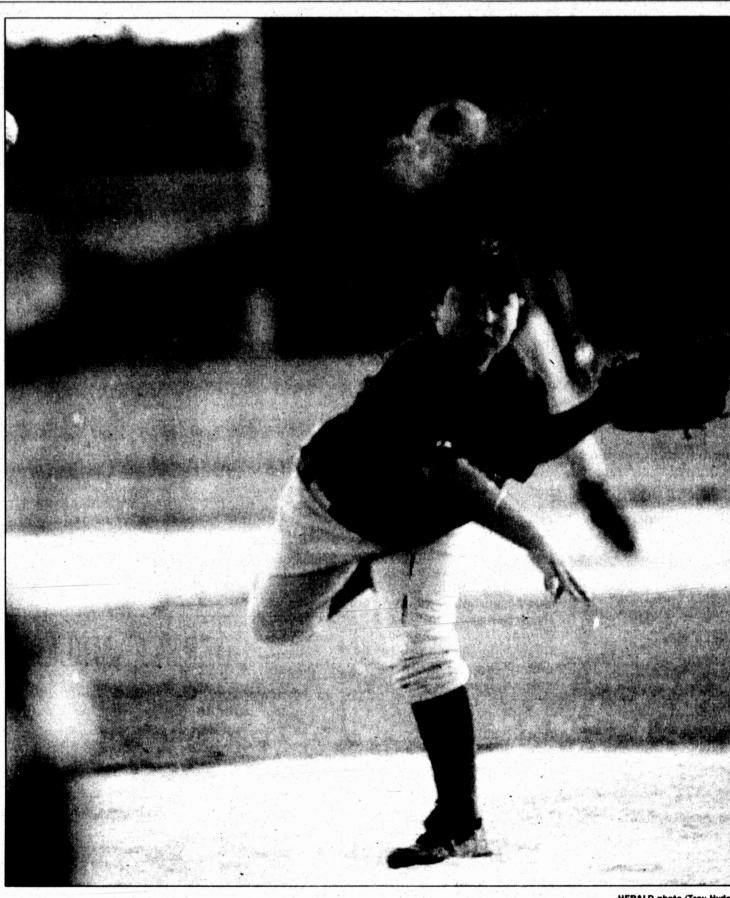
Texas talk. The symbol of a good time

for the whole family. Shout it at the RODEO! 8 PM Nightly June 16, 17, 18, 19



Big Spring Rodeo Bowl





HERALD photo/Troy Hyde

Red Sox little leaguer Trevor Strickland watches his pitch as it nears the plate against the Athletics Thursday night at the Howard County Little League Tournament in Big Spring.

Rice begins IRL race in front row

By STEPHEN HAWKINS AP Sports Writer

FORT WORTH - Buddy Rice got his first IndyCar Series win at the

Indianapolis 500. But he's always been fast. Rice finished second in

his IRL debut two years

He has top-10 finishes in 12 of his 22 races, including all four this season Rahal-Letterman Racing in the seat of injured driver Kenny Brack.

"To have an opportunity to drive for this team is really cool, to be associated with two other Indy 500 winners and past champions," Rice said. "I'm in some big company and I have a lot to live up to."

Rice joined team coowner Bobby Rahal and Brack as champions at the famed Brickyard last month. He is third in season points at 129, behind Andretti Green teammates Dan Wheldon (158) and Tony Kanaan (157).

Now in the first race since Indianapolis, Rice qualified second for his third front-row start of the season.

Dario Franchitti is on the pole for Saturday night's Bombardier 500, his first front-row start in the IRL. The top-five spots were Hondas, including his Andretti Green teammates Kanaan third and Bryan Herta fifth.

Texas is where Brack suffered multiple fractures last October in a terrifying accident near the end of the IndyCar Series season finale.

Brack got back in a race car for the first time last week, during a test session at Richmond and hopes to race again this season. But he's not part of this weekend's race.

"It's even tougher for Kenny to be sitting out," Rice said. "I know he wants to be here. You will see Kenny come back and he's going to win more races and do the deal. He's pretty strong, and he's going to be pretty fast."

Franchitti's pole speed of 209.609 was 13 mph slower than Gil de Ferran eight months ago. The highest practice speeds were in the 210-211 range, more than 10 mph off the pace in the past.

Rice, the 2000 Toyota Atlantic champion, made his IRL debut for Eddie Cheever in 2002.

He had four top 10s in his five races and then was the Red Bull team's primary driver a year

Even with four more top-10 finishes last year, Rice was no higher than ninth in his 13 races.

But Rice was ready when Rahal called. And he hasn't changed any-

"No matter if I have a job for one weekend or for the next year, or three years, I'm going to drive the same way," Rice said. "That's the way I am. I'm going to give it everything I have."

Podsednik leads Milwaukee over Houston. Brewers now even with Cubs in NL Central

Doug Davis knew exactly the Milwaukee Brewers beat the Houston Astros, and the reason was pretty simple.

"It was a total team effort all the way around, offensively and defensively," he said after the Brewers' 9-3 victory on Friday night.

Scott Podsednik hit a three-run homer and an RBI double, and Geoff Jenkins and Junior Spivey also homered for the Brewers, who have beaten Astros starter Tim Redding three times this season.

Davis flew back a day ahead of his start.

'ne rest of his teammates played a night against the Anaheim Angels and then flew home, arriving at Miller Park at 6:20 a.m. Friday.

"You can find excuses to be not successful," manager Ned Yost said. "They didn't use that as an excuse.'

Jeff Kent extended his career-best hitting streak to 25 games — a franchise record and tied for the longest in the majors this season — with a leadoff double in the second inning. He broke the mark 'he shared with Tony Eusebio, who hit in 24 straight in 2000.

The Brewers turned three double plays to support Davis, all of them started by third baseman Bill Hall. He also had a lunging stab of a liner by Craig Biggio in the fifth inning.

"I'm a guy that needs those plays," Davis said. "Billy did make a great diving play and the three double plays he started."

Davis (5-5) gave up three runs on seven hits in six innings. He struck out three and walked a season-high five in his first victory in six career

including two losses point. earlier this season.

He described his success Friday night in an unusual way.

"Effectively wild," he said. "Effectively wild because I had five walks and four strikeouts. So, it's not like I was over the plate all the time.' Redding (3-5) left with a

3-2 lead and two on and one out in the sixth.

Mike Gallo got pinchhitter Keith Ginter to ground out, but then gave up Podsednik's homer, his eighth, as Milwaukee retook the lead 5-3.

Gallo knew he made a mistake that hurt his team.

"I was trying to get him to chase something out of the zone," Gallo said. "I had two strikes on him, and I guided it in there. He made me pay for it. I let my team down."

Williams agreed that the

Four Seasons

INSULATION AND SIDING

Custom Steel Siding

• Custom Vinyl Siding

Attic & Wall Insulation

★ • Storm Windows & Doors

• Thermo Replacement Windows

• Soffit & Fascia (Overhang & Trim)

FOR FREE ESTIMATES CALL DAY OR

MILWAUKEE (AP) - starts against the Astros sixth was the turning

"For six innings we were in it, but then they got some big hits," he said. "Podsednik's was probably the biggest hit of the night because at that time we were still up one with two outs."

The Brewers added three runs off reliever Chad Harville in the seventh. Craig Counsell hit a two-run single, Podsednik added a runscoring double to make it

Jenkins hit his seventh homer - a solo shot - inthe eighth.

With the Astros trailing 2-1, Lance Berkman hit a solo homer to tie it in the sixth. Jason Lane followed with a double and scored on Morgan Ensberg's single as the Astros regained the lead with two runs off Davis.

Brad Ausmus' run-scor-Astros manager Jimy ing single in the second gave the Astros a 1-0 lead.

FINANCING

AVAILABLE T



Buy a new* subscription to the Big Spring Herald for a special father! Receive a flag kit. The kit includes a 3 x 5 ft. flag, 5 1/2 ft. pole, a decorative top,

runner & mounting bracket. 4 months for the price of 3 -

Name Address____ City____ State_ Phone Gift from

Come by 710 Scurry or call 263-7331 if you would like us to pick up the payment and deliver your flag.

Offer expires 6/30/04

*must not have subscribed in last 45 days.



The Spring Citizen's Cent ter for cour adults for deca a generous d Dora Foundation supplies for a renovation. Now local c tradeswomen laborers are r

unteer their

bring the cer 21st century. "The Doi Foundation kept our do these years. \ help, we'd closed," Leonard, direc

The facility the Industri Airbase Road entrance to W Base. Each day ab

adults freque to have lune advantage of offered, sucl dominoes, M noes or bridge Senior adu VA Medical

IN NEED

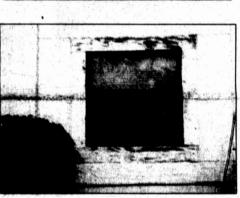
SPRING CITY SENIOR CENTER

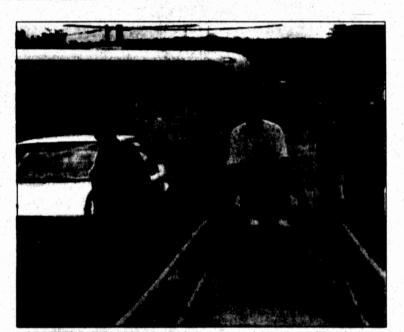


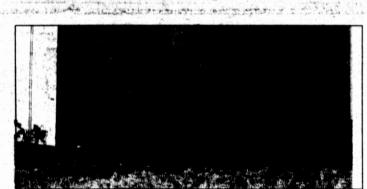
Top photo, Faye Horton, Illa Morgan, Doyle and Midlred Vaughn, Ruby Gill, George Glass, Bill Stoval and Jewell Stovall meet at the center for lunch and bingo. Illa, Mildred and Faye grew up together, while the others became friends at the center. All admitted one of the draws to the center is not having to cook each day; lower left, Marcos and Juana Rocha visit the center to play bingo; photo below, Jim and Lazell McCurtain and Beverly Sundy play bingo at the center; below right, veterans from the VA Medical Center enter the east doors for lunch. other photos show the work that needs to be done at the center.











The Spring City Senior Citizen's Center, social center for countless senior adults for decades, received a generous donation from Dora Roberts Foundation to purchase supplies for a much-needed renovation.

Now local craftsmen and tradeswomen and skilled laborers are needed to volunteer their expertise to bring the center into the 21st century.

"The Dora Roberts Foundation is what has kept our doors open all these years. Without their help, we'd probably be closed," said Bobbie Leonard, director.

the Industrial Park on Airbase Road near the old entrance to Webb Air Force

Each day about 100 senior adults frequent the center to have lunch and take advantage of the activities offered, such as bingo, dominoes, Mexican dominoes or bridge.

Senior adults from the VA Medical Center travel

by bus to the center for lunch several times each month, a journey they have been making for the past seven years. And each Friday night a dance concludes the weekly social activities.

"We do not ever charge a senior for a meal, our meal costs are strictly donations," Leonard said.

The suggested donation for a senior adult is \$2.50, while anyone younger than 65 is charged \$5. The meals, prepared by two full-time cooks, are balanced, homecooked, tasty and come in generous portions.

The center provides frozen meals on weekends The facility is located in to senior home-bound adults and also delivers about eight meals each day to home-bound senior adults. Delivery is limited to the Big Spring city limits and to Coahoma and Sand Springs.

> The center also provides transportation to senior adults when possible, whether to the center for lunch or to run errands or pay bills. The center

employees two part-time drivers and cooks and three full-time office workers.

"And we have tons of volunteers. We couldn't run this place without our volunteers," Leonard said.

Joyce Crooker and city councilwoman Jo Ann Staulcup are working to bring renovation to the center, recognizing what a vital role it plays in the well being of many area senior adults.

"Some people come here to eat lunch and we can tell this is their one meal a day," Staulcup said.

And Crooker added, "The center is badly in need of renovations and repairs."

The center, once the officer's club for Webb Air Force Base, has many large, airy rooms that might be used for meeting rooms, wedding receptions, family reunions or club gatherings.

One large area has pool tables, high ceilings, a fire place and a cozy atmosphere. A large patio in the rear of the building lacks just general maintenance.

landscaping and furnishings to become a barbecue or picnic area.

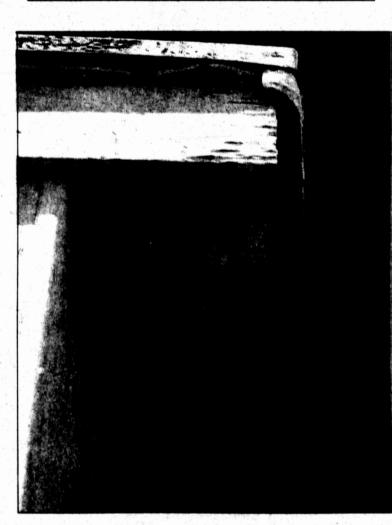
'So much of this building is under-utilized, because it needs repairs. Our community population is aging, and we need to begin working now to repair the areas that are needed, because we will all need this in the future," Staulcup said.

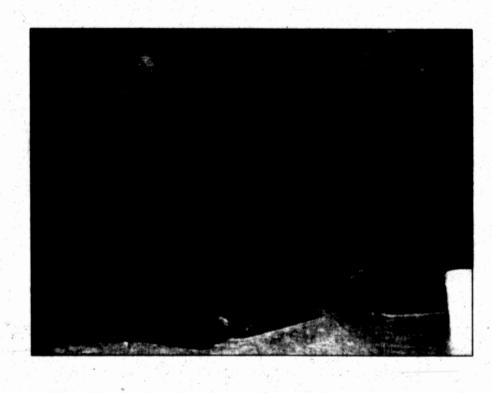
New carpet is being installed and Staulcup and Crooker are repainting the interior of the building and asking for volunteers to assist them. Boosie Weaver has donat-

ed a day's labor charges for two professional painters, but much more is needed.

"We're looking for carpenters, plumbers, electricians, masons, landscape experts, and any one who will help us clean before and after the renovation to volunteer. We're asking for our community's help to remodel and renovate this building," Staulcup said.

To volunteer contact Staulcup at 263-4980 or Crooker at 263-2566.









Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Christine and Marvin Ray Rubio

Who's Who

University named Cassie D. Gover and Zachary R. O'Dell to the President's and Dean's List. Students named to the President's point average of 3.85 or better on a 4.0 scale and carry a minimum class load of 12 undergraduate hours.Shane Blackshear of Big Spring received a bachelor of science degree from Howard Payne University.

Marissa Gaston of Big **Communications Contest** for Deaf and Hard of Hearing (CCDHH) sponsored by the Odessa Optimist Club.

Jennifer Ann Davidson; Teri Lynn Denton; Nicci Lynne Vizcaino of Big Spring and Kristyn Ruth Hambelton of Stanton were named to the Sul Ross State University in

West Texas A&M Alpine Dean's List for

Undergraduate students enrolled for 12 or more semester hours who maintain an average of List must have a grade 3.3 or higher on a 4.0 scale are eligible for the Dean's List.



Marissa Gaston

Leslie Christine Grogan weds Marvin Ray Rubio

and Marvin Ray Rubio, both of Austin, exchanged wedding vows at 7 p.m. on Saturday, March 13, 2004, in the Austin Marriott South Hotel with the Rev. Don Grogan officiating.

The bride is the daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Don Grogan of Gatesville and the granddaughter of the late Rev. and Mrs. Basil Goff of Garland and Dorothy and the late Earl Grogan of Chanute, Kan.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Raul Rubio Sr. and the grandson of

Leslie Christine Grogan Mrs. Felix Gonzales and the late Mr. and Mrs. Felix Rubio Sr., all of Big Spring.

The bride was given in marriage by her parents, Don and Lynda Grogan, and wore an off-white dress with three layers of chiffon with beaded Rhinestones, straps. pearls and small lavender beads adorned the top of the dress and continuing to the back, tiara and veil.

She carried a bouquet of lilies, bluebird roses, cream freesia, lavender freesia, purple misty, sevpearls and plum-colored decorative stones.

Kelan Latimer served at vocalist. Instrumentalists were Karla Cruz on the keyboard and Mark Cruz on classical guitar.

Maid of honor was Jennifer Gregg, sister of the bride. Flower girl was Cydney Coronado, niece of the bride.

Best man was Dave McElhaney.

Ushers were Raul Rubio Jr., Tony Rubio and Barry Gregg.

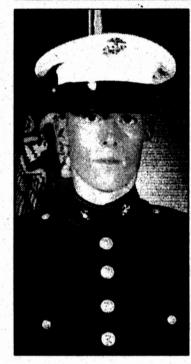
Reception attendants were Stephanie Mendoza eral types of greenery, and Monica Rubio. The

guest book attendant was Kristin Tubb.

The reception included a buffet-style dinner of beef tenderloin, roasted turkey, roasted potatoes, field green salad, beans, cornbread and apple cobbler.

Following the reception dinner, a dance with music provided by a disc jockey included the first dance, "At Last" by Etta James. A champagne toast and a bouquet and garter toss rounded out the celebration.

In the Military



Kevin Irwin

Christene Horn has received word from her children Mr. and Mrs. Kurt Biesemeyer, former ly of Big Spring, that their son, Cpl. Kevin Michael Irwin, U.S. Marine Corp. is back in Twenty Nine Palms Marine Base, Calif., after two hitches in Iraq. Kevin is Christene's grandson.

His marine tour of duty is up and he will join the Horn family in July in Oklahoma City, with his Mancee Katy, to help Christene celebrate her

80th birthday with a fullscore family reunion.

She will actually not turn 80 until August, but due to rescheduling of school days and having grandchildren and great grandchildren in different parts of the U.S. the celebration will take place in

Kevin attended school in Big Spring, San Angelo and Gunnison, Colo., where he graduated and joined the U.S. Marine Corp. He was vaccinated very well in his active duty since most of his time was spent in Iraq, being among some of the first sent there.

When he came home on leave, he said, "I never knew grass, trees and flowers could smell so

long shower, then got out of the shower and took a tub bath, and thanked the Lord for good clean water.

He also said that the Americans are doing good things and they are accomplishing slowly what the President wants for the country. Like many more of the returning military, they say a lot of their good deeds and accomplishments never



Shawn Pardue

get publicized.

That Iraq has water, electricity, phones and He said when he landed many other luxuries they on U.S. soil, he took a never had before are due to the troops being there. He said the placed he was stationed were very primitive.

He also said, "I am glad to be back home."

Home means American soil and even though he lived in Colorado, he will go back to Georgia and pick up where he left off with his

Christene has two other

grandsons serving their country. Don Hand, in the Navy, Just left Maryland for another tour and Shawn Pardue who is in the Air Force in Alaska and scheduled for an unknown tour shortly.

Story provided by Christene

Navy Seaman Ross R. Neill

Navy Seaman Ross R. Neill, son of Elsie J. and Raymond E. Neill of Big Spring, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill., with honors.

The capstone event of boot camp is Battle Stations. This exercise gives recruits the skills and confidence they need to succeed in the fleet.

Battle Stations designed to galvanize the basic warrior attributes of sacrifice, dedication, teamwork and endurance in each recruit through the practical application of basic Navy skills and the core values of honor. courage and commitment.

Neill is a 1990 graduate of Big Spring High School.

Newcomers

 James Corgan, wife, Debby and son, Madison, formerly of Houston. He is employed by National Filter Media Co.

 Edward Wright, wife, LaRue, and children Laon Health Care Inc. and Brandon, formerly of

Amarillo. He is employed by the Department of Family Services of Texas.

 Vicki Harris formerly of Odessa. She is employed by Odyssey

Carol Girats and

daughter Susan, formerly of Abilene. employed by Odyssey Health Care Inc.

 Alisha Weaver, formerly of Austin. She is Neighbors Drilling Co. employed by Odyssey

Health Care Inc.

 Mike Rodriguez, wife, Heather, so, Mike and daughter, Michaela, all formerly of San Angelo. He is employed by

Anna Nickle and

daughter, Micah, formerly of Cristoval. She is employed by Wal-Mart Super Center.

 Linda Mitchell, daughter, April, and grandchild, Shelbi, all formerly

of Terrell. employed by Rip Griffin.

 Jesse Espinosa, daughter, Casi Jo and son, J.J., formerly of Garden City. He is employed by Cornell Corrections.



Anissa Brianne Arguello

Brianne nissa Arguello, a girl, was born on May 8, 2004, at 8:19 a.m. weighing 5 pounds, 14 1/2 ounces and was 18 inches long. Her parents are Jason and Amanda Arguello. Her grandparents are Ronny and Pam Klaus of Big Spring, David and Lydia Rodriguez of Coahoma and Eligio Alcantar of Florida. Her big brother is Joseph Noah Belen Arguello.

redrick Nickolas Rubio III, a boy, was born on May 14, 2004, at 10:45 a.m. weighing 5 pounds, 12 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long. His parents are Jamie Serrato and Fredrick Rubio Jr. His grandparents are Teresa Serrato, Ray Herrera and Fred Rubio, all of Big Spring and Bertha Rubio of Lubbock.

pencer Dillon Murrell, a boy, was born May 5, 2004, in Methodist Hospital/HEB in Bedford at 4:49 p.m. weighing 6 pounds, 14 ounces and was 20 inches long. His parents are Ron and Keri Murrell North of Richland Hills. His

grandparents are Gordon and Pat Myrick of Big Spring, Ronald and Linda Murrell of Springtown and Susan Murrell of Fort Worth. His great grandmothers are Earnestine Winterrowd of Big Spring and Jo Cook of Springtown.



Libby Jewel Everett

ibby Jewel Everett, a girl, was born on May 28, 2004, at 8:21 a.m. weighing 9 pounds, 2

ounces and was 19 3/4 a.m., weighing 9 pounds. are Buddy and Brooke Everett. Her grandparents are John and Sidney and Judy Plumlee of Big Spring and Eddie and Wendy Everett of Midland. Her big brother is Jack Edward Everett.

ercedes Yvonne Lozano, a girl, was born May 31, 2004, at 2:28 p.m. weighing 7 pounds, 3 1/2 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long. Her parents are Dayna Lopez and Walter Lozano. Her grandparents are Rosa Lopez of Sealy, Inocencio Lopez, Mateo Lozano and Mary Jane Lozano of Brookshire.

> aniel Galvan, a boy, was born May 31, 2004, at 8:21 2004, at 1:14 p.m. weigh-

inches long. Her parents 7 ounces and was 21 inches long. His parents are Maria and Eduardo Galvan. His grandparents Arrick of Odessa, Ron are Fidel and Marcella Galvan and Thomasa and Manuel Chavera.

> ya Jenea Blanco, a girl, was born May 27, 2004, at 1:07 p.m. weighing 6 pounds, 11 1/2 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long. Her parents are Tonnie Loera and Angel Blanco of Big Spring. Her grandparents are Yolanda and Rick Robles and Noe and Gracie Blanco, all of Big Spring.

Michael Ferguson, a boy, was born May 21,

ing 6 pounds, 7 ounces and was 19 inches long. His parents are Sarah and Jarett Ferguson. His grandparents are Dale and April Ferguson and Mike Peterson of Big Spring and Teri Pearson of Jacksonville, N.C.



James Michael Ferguson

Misty Day

Misty Day Fairfield, Brandon Sc Big Spring ing their we She is the

Church and of Fairfield the grandda and Genev Rancho Co and Jim Grifford of Calli. She is ate of Fa School ' ar employed b

Glenda G Ethan Bla gost, both o exchange v at 2 p.m. or in the Univ at the Pe C.E.E.D

The bride ter of Jame granddaugl and Susie Odessa. S graduate o School and Texas A& She is

Odessa.

Engagements



Misty Dawn Harris and Brandon Scott Wyatt

Harris and Wyatt

Misty Dawn Harris of States Navy. Fairfield, Calif., and Brandon Scott Wyatt of Big Spring are announcing their wedding plans.

She is the daughter of Church and Janet Harris of Fairfield, Calif., and the granddaughter of Red and Geneva Harris of Rancho Cordova, Calif. and Jim and Gladys Grifford of Rio Linda, Calif. She is a 2001 gradu- Texas Tech University for ate of Fairfield High one year and is now School and is now employed by the United employed by the United States Navy.

He is the son of Robert

and Terri Pearson of Big Spring and Gary Wyatt of Austin. He is the grandson of Marsha Mann of Coahoma, Jimmy Compton of Stephenville and Bob and Caryl Wyatt of Lubbock. He is a 2001 graduate of Coahoma High School and attended



Glenda Gayle Ash and Ethan Blain Schrecengost

Ash-Schrecengost

Glenda Gayle Ash and Ethan Blain Schrecengost, both of Odessa, will exchange wedding vows at 2 p.m. on Aug. 21, 2004, in the University of Texas at the Permian Basin C.E.E.DBuilding in Odessa.

The bride is the daughter of James Ash and the granddaughter of Edward and Susie Ash, all of Odessa. She is a 1991 graduate of Odessa High School and attended West Texas A&M and UTPB She is employed by Marshal Morgan D.D.S.

The groom is the son of Tammy Schrecengost and the late John David Hendricks. He is the grandson of Richard and the late Sue Burrow and Ralph and Alice Schrecengost of Alburque N.M. and the great grandson of Juanice Carter. He is a 1995 graduate of Forsan High School and attended Howard College UTPB. He is and Toms employed by Company.

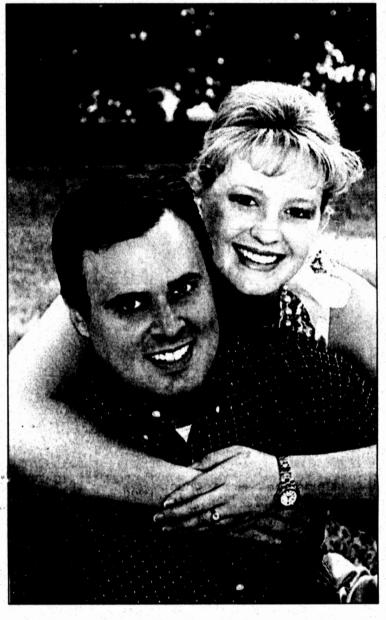
Hoch and Harper

Gregory Bruce Harper, both of San Marcos will exchange wedding vows at 7:30 p.m. First United Methodist Church in Garden City.

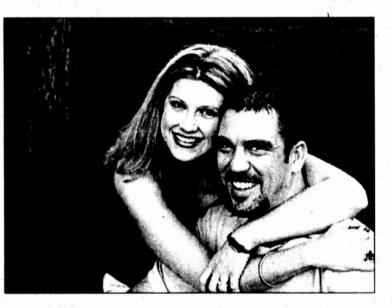
The bride is the daugnter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Hoch of Garden City and the granddaughter of Royce and the late **Betty Ruth Lee of Bronte** and the late Mr. and Mrs. Forest Hoch of Garden City. She is a graduate of Southwest Texas State University, where she

Michelle Leigh Hoch earned a bachelor of arts degree in mass communications.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce on July 10, 2004, in the Harper of San Marcos and the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jack F. Harper of San Marcos and the late Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Bryant of Baird. He is a graduate of Southwest Texas State University where he earned a bachelor of arts degree in business administration. He is the owner of Greg Harper Insurance Agency.



Michelle Leigh Hoch and Gregory Bruce Harper



Cheri Kaye Lindell and Robin Andrew Barnes

Lindell and Barnes

Cheri Kaye Lindell of Big Spring and Robin Andrew Barnes of Stanton will exchange wedding vows at 7:30 p.m. on June 25, 2004, at the First Church of God in Big Spring.

The bride is the daughter of Paul and Linda Lindell and the granddaughter of late Eula and C.D. Phillips of Big Spring and Stan and the late Louis Lindell of Lubbock. She is a 1999 graduate of Big Spring High School and a 2001

graduate of Howard College with a licensed vocational nursing license. She is employed by Cornell Correctional Institution.

The groom is the son of Charlotte and the late Robin Barnes of Stanton and the grandson of the late Mabel Barnes of Ranger and Jody and Minnie Dunson Brownwood. He is a 1993 graduate of Stanton High School and is employed by Cornell Corrections.



Lindsey Michelle Parker and Ryan Todd Miracle

Parker-Miracle

Lindsey Michelle Parker and Ryan Todd Miracle, both of San Angelo will exchange wedding vows at 2 p.m. on July 3, 2004, in the Goodfellow Air Force of Big Spring and the Base Chapel in San grandson of Elizabeth Angelo.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Parker and Mr. Mrs. Clayton and Barbian, all of San Angelo. She is a 2001 graduate of San Angelo Central High School and is currently a senior accounting major

Angelo State University. She is employed by the Goodfellow AFB Credit Union in San Angelo.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Miracle Miracle of Kermit.

He is a 2001 graduate of Big Spring High School and currently an E4 Specialist is the U.S. Army Reserves with Quartermaster 104th Company.

He is employed by Pathways 3H Youth Camp at Mountain Home.

Gray and Cullum

Robert Lee announce the engagement of their daughter, Trichelle Gray to Nathan Cullum, son of Chuck and Beth Cullum of Lyons, Colo.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Jim and Jeanette Mason of Midland and Mary Ruth Gray of Vincent.

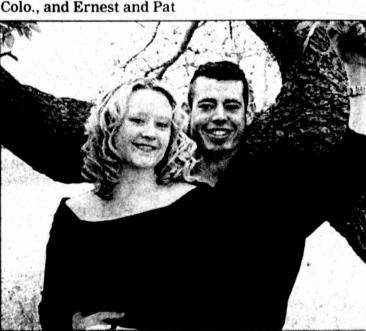
The prospective groom's grandparents are Charles and Dottie Cullum of Longmont,

Jim and Brenda Gray of Schwelka of Denver, Colo.

Gray is a 2002 graduate of Robert Lee High School. She plans to continue her bachelor's in nursing degree at the University of Northern Colorado.

Cullum is a 2002 graduate of Lyons High School, and is self-employed.

The couple plan to be married Friday, Sept. 17. at the First Baptist Church in San Angelo.



Trichelle Gray and Nathan Cullum

Submit Life! articles by noon Wednesday All announcements will be printed as space allows. E-mail life@bigspringherald.com

Bayes celebrate 50 years of marriage

Bernell Bayes were united in marriage by 17, but they entered mar-Brother Price, minister of the 14th and Main Church of Christ, on June 14, 1954.



Bernell Bayes as a sophomore in high school

Both attended school in Knott where they were

Grover C. (Tiny) and high school sweethearts.

riage with a forever attitude which has sustained them throughout the happy times as well as the difficult ones. Love for each other and their children was and is their bond.

They were blessed with three children, Eddie, Trena and Gary, but spouses Audrey and Mark make five children. They have 10 grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and one on the

They are very involved in the children and grandchildren's lives. Having played sports themselves, they loved to watch first their kids and then their grandkids have their turn playing. They don't miss very many games where any of them are playing.

La Christmas is a big event He was 19 and she was at the Bayes house. The Bayes' serve grilled steaks with baked potatoes, salad and anything else brought in, including Audrey's homemade hot rolls, instead of having



Glover (Tiny) Bayes as a senior in high school

the traditional turkey and dressing.

The youngest to the oldest open gifts one at a time, while the rest watch and wait their turn. Someone always gets a gag gift.

Tiny is retired from the Fina Refinery which was purchased by ALON. He is still active in cotton farming and spends every morning at the coffee shop with friends and family.

Bernell worked for Coahoma State Bank, which was purchased by First Bank of West Texas and she was employed 26 years. She is now a homemaker and says she has become a computer junkie and plans to do some traveling.

Their children and grandchildren are planning a dinner at Cattle Barrons in Midland to help them celebrate this memorable occasion on June 14, 2004.



Mr. and Mrs. Bernell and Grover C. (Tiny) Bayes

Palmers set to celebrate 25 years wed, credit God for success

Clarence and Susan U.S. Palmer will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary from 2-4 p.m. Sunday at Gale's Sweet Shoppe with a family hosted reception.

Both Clarence and Susan were born in Big Spring and they lived down the street from each other growing up. They were reacquainted while riding around in Big Spring.

They were married on Gamma Sorority. June 15, 1979, in They enjoy working Crestview Baptist Church with Dr. Wayne Stephens

They have two children, Brionna and Kylie Palmer, both still at home.

They have lived in Big Spring, Odessa, Salinas, Calif. and Bamberg, West Germany, during their marriage. Clarence has been employed by the

Army, Bailey Electric Cosden/Fina/ALON USA Oil and Chemical at the Big Spring Refinery.

Susan has been a teacher, counselor and assistant principal for the Big Spring Independent School District.

They are affiliated with Hillcrest Baptist Church, Howard County Youth Horsemen and she is affiliated with Delta Kappa

with their daughters on riding horses, spending time with family and reading.

Clarence says, "God has blessed my life in many ways, but most of all he gave me Susan."

Susan comments, "We would've never made 25 years together if we hadn't put God first."



Susan and Clarence Palmer celebrate 25 years of marriage. In the photo at the left, the couple when they wed in 1979.





Engagement



Christena Lee'Ann Parker and David Montana Howell

Cryselda M. Armendarez and Raul Reyes Jr. of San Angelo to marry in San Antonio in October

Armendarez and Raul daughter of Narciso and Reyes Jr., both of San Antonio, will exchange wedding vows on Oct. 16, 2004, in Cornerstone Church in San Antonio.

The bride is the daughter of Albert and Maria Armendarez of

M. Angelo. She is the grandthe late Ursula Armendarez of Eunice, N.M. She is a graduate of Coahoma High School and is employed by OsteoBiologics, Inc. in

San Antonio. The groom is the son of Raul and Teresa Reves of Breckenridge. He is a graduate of Del Rio High School and Angelo State University with a bachelor of science in mathematics. He is employed by the United States Air Force.

Parker and Howell

Christena Lee'Ann Parker of Big Spring and David Montana Howell of Beaumont, formerly of Big Spring, will exchange wedding vows at 4 p.m. on July 24, 2004, in the Dora Roberts Civic Center.

The bride is the daughter of Tena Parker of Big Spring and Timothy A. Parker Sr. of Moore, Okla. She is the granddaughter of Bessie and the late San Elmo Taylor, of Odessa, formerly of Big Spring, and Mr. and Mrs. A.B. Parker, of Midwest City, Okla., formerly of Big Spring,

She is a 1996 honors graduate of Big Spring High School and attended Cisco Junior College. She is employed by Citizens Federal Credit Union.

The groom is the son of Ron and Pat Howell of Big Spring and the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Ben Pinkert of Levelland, the late Rita Howell and the late Lee Howell of Borger.

He is a 1995 graduate of Big Spring High School and received his bachelor of arts degree in mechanical engineering from Texas Tech University in 2002. He is employed by Colonial Pipelines.

lenus

CITIZENS

CENTER MONDAY-Hamburger

steak, noodles, broccoli, salad, milk, rolls, fruit. TUEDAY-Chicken/tuna

salad, vegetable salad, fruit salad, milk/crackers, lemon pie.

WEDNESDAY-Bar-b-q sandwiches, potato salad,

beans, milk, cobbler. THURSDAY-Liver onions, noodles, squash, milk, rolls, pudding.

FRIDAY-Brisket, potato salad, beans, cornbread, milk, fruit.

BSISD SUMMER FOOD SERVICE

MONDAY-Chicken fried

steak, mashed potato, mixed veggies, applesauce, roll, milk. TUESDAY-Hamburgers,

salad, potato chips, ranch beans, ice cream, milk. WEDNESDAY-Popcorn chicken, potato rounds,

celery sticks, fruit, milk. THURSDAY-Spaghetti w/sauce, green beans, garden salad, fruit, roll, milk.

FRIDAY-Fish nuggets, mac & cheese, veggie medley, fruit, hushpuppies, milk.

E-mail submissions to bigspringherald.com

Par dis

By BETSY BL Associated Pr AMARILLO picture of

Panhandle (amber wheat cattle, the sn houses. Then ther plant. Largely tu public view, with radioac materials are

the 25-square

plex — th

nuclear wear

disassembly

Everyone ant unde importance we do at th place an in value on p our emplo the public.

Pantex bed landscape o years. Built mission was conventiona and bombs World War I bled nuclea during the C began disma the 1990s. The plant,

employer in provides go workers, wit ing about \$5 250,000 peop plant have be concerned a and the envi

Federal ins safety violati eral months as minor, questions ab ing and proc

In January duct tape pieces of an nent to a Nothing exp was hurt. La

Penn By JASON S'

Associated F WYNNEW When life lemons, the make lemo what Alexa

doing. The 8-year in a battle a nant tumoi raise \$1 mill research. A might do it.

Alex sta lemonade fo with one sta \$2,000 in a Each year l stands, friends and

The take than \$200,0 \$15,000 bro year by the Scotts'

Philadelphia "She's dete anything th to her, whe kind of ice eating or ra said Alex's Scott. "I thi

does keep he times." This year, all 50 stat "Alex's Stands" or ness. Alex'

Pantex: Decades-old nuclear weapons dismantling plant draws mixed review

By BETSY BLANEY

Associated Press Writer

AMARILLO — It's a peaceful picture of remote Texas Panhandle countryside. The amber wheat fields, the grazing cattle, the smattering of farmhouses.

Then there's the nuclear plant.

Largely tucked away from public view, technicians work with radioactive and explosive materials around the clock at the 25-square-mile Pantex complex — the nation's only nuclear weapons assembly and disassembly plant.

"Everyone at the Pantex plant understands the importance of the work we do at the site and place an incredibly high value on protecting our employees and the public."

Pantex became part of the landscape over the past 60 years. Built in 1942, it's initial mission was to load and pack conventional artillery shells and bombs for use during World War II. Workers assembled nuclear weapons there during the Cold War, and then began dismantling them during the 1990s.

The plant, the fourth-largest employer in the Amarillo area, provides good jobs for 3,500 workers, with salaries averaging about \$50,000. But some of 250,000 people living near the plant have become increasingly concerned about how Pantex's operations affect public safety and the environment.

Federal inspectors found two safety violations in the past several months that were classified as minor, but raise serious questions about employee training and procedures.

In January, technicians used duct tape to secure broken pieces of an explosive component to a nuclear warhead. Nothing exploded, and no one was hurt. Last fall, technicians

taking apart an old warhead accidentally into its drilled radioactive core, forcing evacuation of the building.

If the technicians had dropped the unstable, tapedtogether explosive, it would have set off a "violent reaction," John T. Conway, of the chairman National Nuclear **Facilities** Safety Board, wrote in a letto Energy Spencer Secretary

Abraham. The incident was investigated by the

board. The review is classified, but a report on its findings said "a comprehensive set of corrective actions is being developed."

Jud Simmons, spokesman for Lynchburg, Va.-based BWX Technologies, which operates Pantex, said public safety was not at risk.

"Safe control of all components and materials was maintained at all times," Simmons said. "The technicians were working in a safe and professional manner. They performed the process as they were trained, and they stopped work when appropriate."

There have been four accidents at Pantex since 1971, resulting in five deaths. Three people were killed in 1977 in an explosion when a machine malfunctioned. No one died in the most serious accident, in 1989, when tritium gas was released during a weapons dismantling.

Simmons said the plant's safety record has been solid since

"Everyone at the Pantex plant understands the importance of the work we do at the site and place an incredibly high value on protecting our employees and the public," Simmons said.

Along with safety, residents fear explosive materials and heavy metals could contaminate the Ogallala Aquifer, which lies hundreds of feet beneath the plant and is a major water source for much of West Texas.

The Ogallala is checked quarterly and shows no signs of consaid Dennis tamination,



Huddleston, an environmental restoration manager for BWX Technologies.

"If there's any questionable data, we usually flag it and go out and sample again for verifinothing there," Huddleston said.

"Now it is just damage control and trying to keep it from being as devastating as it would have been without citizens pushing for cleanup to be done."

Traces of trichloroethylene, a dangerous chemical used at the plant, have been found over the years in the Ogallala, but the amounts were not significant, said Adria Dawidczik, spokes- from subsurface soils is intendwoman for the Commission on Environmental water contamination. The Quality. Huddleston said inves- vapors are treated through a tigators believe the chemical made its way to the aquifer through a poorly drilled offsite Huddleston said. well not operated by the plant.

Trichloroethylene mainly affects the central nervous system, causing headache, confusion, euphoria, facial numbness and weakness, according the Environmental Protection Agency. Liver,

kidney. developmental effects have also control and trying to keep it

been reported in humans.

There is a small perched aquifer that provides an effective barrier to the Ogallala, Huddleston said.

In 2000, the plant was cited by cation, just to make sure there's the TCEQ for failure to report heavy metals, such as trichloroethylene, in the perched aquifer. Plant officials now are working with the commission to meet state regulations for contamination reporting, Dawidczik said.

Since the early 1980s, hazardous waste materials generated from plant operations are placed in containers and hauled to permitted and licensed disposal sites around the state, Huddleston said. Some of the waste is incinerated and some is treated to make it less harmful, he said.

Since 2002, a soil vapor extraction system has withdrawn 10,205 pounds of chemicals — a weight calculated by converting vapors to pounds from where Pantex used to burn off old explosives, he said. Taking the vaporized chemicals Texas ed to prevent further groundchemical oxidation process that harmless. renders them

Beverly Gattis, a member of Sustainability in Technologies, Agriculture, and Nature's Diversity, a grassroots environmental group, is skeptical.

"It's just a matter of time before significant contamination reaches the Ogallala," she immunological, endocrine, and said. " ... Now it is just damage

On the Net

BWX Technologies Inc.: http://www.pantex.com/ **Defense Nuclear Facilities** Safety Board: http://www.dnfsb.gov/

National Nuclear Security Administration:

http://www.nnsa.doe.gov

Department of Energy: http://www.doe.gov

from being as devastating as it would have been without citizens pushing for cleanup to be done."

Concern over the threat of terrorism at Pantex increased in March when a report from the Energy Department's internal watchdog said training at the plant and nine other nuclear facilities around the country had been reduced or eliminat-

Training for guards had suffered because of overtime demands, according to a letter to the department's inspector general from the National Nuclear Security Administration.

The criticisms were the latest leveled against the government's ability to protect nuclear facilities, long considered prime targets for espionage and terrorist attacks.

Simmons, the company spokesman, called the security system at the plant "world class," but said he could not discuss details. "We constantly protect and defend for a wide variety of potential threats," he

Amarillo Mayor Sizemore said he understands residents' concerns, but he believes the plant is a "valuable corporate citizen," an important "asset to not only this region but to the defense and safety of this nation."

"I sleep very comfortably at night because I live and interact with the people who work on those very weapons," he said. "I believe them to be very competent and highly skilled and my trust is in them."

When life gives you lemons...

Pennsylvania girl with cancer hopes to raise \$1 million for research

By JASON STRAZIUSO **Associated Press Writer**

WYNNEWOOD, Pa. -When life gives you lemons, the saying goes, make lemonade. That's what Alexandra Scott is doing.

The 8-year-old, herself in a battle against malignant tumors, wants to raise \$1 million for cancer research. And she just might do it. Alex started selling

lemonade four years ago with one stand and raised **\$2,000** in a single day. Each year brought more stands, manned friends and volunteers.

The take so far: more than \$200,000, including \$15,000 brought in last year by the stand at the suburban Scotts' Philadelphia.

"She's determined about anything that's important to her, whether it's what kind of ice cream she's eating or raising money," said Alex's mother, Liz Scott. "I think (the stand) does keep her going sometimes."

This year, on Saturday, all 50 states will have Lemonade "Alex's Stands" open for business. Alex's father, Jay

Scott, estimates that as many as 1,000 stands will be pouring the icy cold concoction.

Along the East Coast, all 75 stores in the Super Fresh grocery chain will have stands. On the West Coast, in Seattle, a mother of a 4-year-old volunteer convinced a community theater to hold its garage sale to coincide with "Alex's Lemonade Stand" day.

In the Heartland, Minneapolis, a family whose son has the same type of cancer as Alex neuroblastoma — will set up shop at a Twins baseball game.

Even before a drop of lemonade has been sold, money already has been given to stands in Tucson, Ariz., and Kansas City, Mo. The Tucson organizers received a check for \$10,000.

"I have yet to pour one glass of lemonade and we've already made \$250," said Dr. Mark Mozer, a pediatrician in Kansas City whose own son's neuroblastoma is in

remission. Next month, a group of homeless people in Houston will sponsor a stand. And this week the

On the Net: Alex's Lemonade

Stand:

http://www.alexslemonade.com

Scotts received a check for \$160 from an elementary school in Milton, Vt., that had sold lemonade. "I think it just shows,

you read a lot of bad stuff in the news, it shows how good people really are," Jay Scott said. Two days before her

first birthday, Alex was diagnosed with neuroblastoma. The survival rate for high-risk neuroblastoma, which Alex has, is just 40 percent. "Alex would have died

many years ago if it wasn't for newer experimental therapies, and I think that's something she and her parents recognize," said Dr. John Maris, who has directed Alex's care at the Children's Hospital Philadelphia. Neuroblastoma is diagnosed in about 700 U.S.

Though excited about Saturday, Alex has been the drained by chemotherapy and radia-

children every year.

new attack of tumors, her mother said. After seven years of treatment, her cancer is considered incurable.

"She's tired. She's exhausted," Liz Scott said. "Her future has but I don't think any of us me, my husband, her doctor — has felt this pessimistic before."

Because of her frail condition, her parents and doctor have encouraged Alex to cut back on her fund-raising activities. But she insisted on appearing on NBC's "Today" show last Friday to publicize the fifth annual "Alex's Lemonade Stand" day.

After last year's stand, the Scotts put out a call over the Internet for help every state. Advertising fliers were posted on Alex's Web site. and the Scotts sent out dozens of free Country Time Lemonade coupons.

Alex has given gave \$150,000 to her Philadelphia hospital. Thousands more have gone for research in Connecticut, Michigan, Texas and California. This year's take will also

family hasn't decided yet where.

"Alex will have a big say in that," Liz Scott said. "She always does." Some days Alex feels

good, like earlier this week when she saw the always been uncertain, new Harry Potter movie. Other days she doesn't. Every day she lives knowing many of her friends have died of neuroblastoma.

Her mom calls Alex "the

tion being used to treat a go for research, but the bravest person I know," and she holds out hope her daughter can overcome her disease.

> "I'm obviously very proud of her, but it's more than that," Liz Scott said. "I feel privileged to be her mom. I admire her.'

JACK & JILL DAYCARE Open 7 days a Week 5 am-Midnight Birth to 12 years old 1708 S. Nolan





Your Connection 70 The Best Wedding

Florist - Bridal Regi









Giftware : Furniture - Spin Tre







With

Fino

94

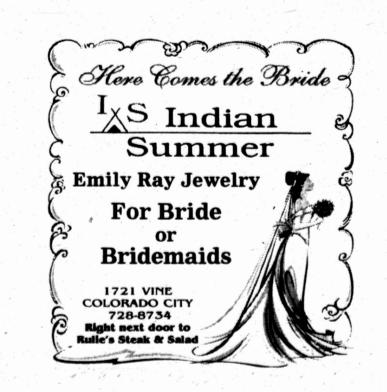
You

Wed





China - Wedding Cakes



N

Seruices

dating Shops & Services In Our Area

ry - Jewelly - Tanning



Propose to her with

the ring worthy of the journey

Your love for her, and your life together, will span many years. Begin your journey with a ring that will last as long.

Blum's Jewelers

Big Spring Mall

267-6335





Treatments • Hair Stylist





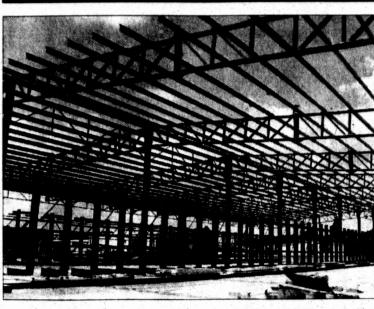


ationery • Funiture • Finance









HERALD photos/Thomas Jenkins

David Woodward, right, and Mike Woodward, employees of the Tennessee based Twin-K Construction, work to "put together" the new pre-engineered metal building for Harris Lumber. The new building will serve as storage space for the company's lumber once it's completed.

Despite still-tough economic times, Harris expanding

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

You may have noticed some construction going on at Harris Lumber, and if it seems like a huge steel building sprouted on the west side of the business overnight, you're half right.

With less than three days of construction under their belt, the team of assemblers from Tennessee constructing a new building for the Ace Hardware provider has accomplished a Goliath amount of work.

Harris Lumber President Steve Herren said the addition of the large "rack supported" building was something he had been eyeing for sometime, and while the economy continues to be. down, lower interest rates made now the time to build.

'We had planned on doing an expansion and it just got to the point where we hope building this outside will increase the amount of room we have inside the store," said Herren, "Right now it's



just a matter of getting one of the best times to

of

take

thei

been

end

kind

"We're willing it fr.om to invest in the "It's town because a we think it's slow ear. and in the it's growing." of

been bad year. That's from the see the construction of standpoint that a lot of the building completed by budgets have been cut the first part of July. If building

the outside project com- borrow money, which pleted and make sure that was one of the deciding works fine. Then we'll factors for us when it came to

making

the deci-

start

building

this

Herren

sion

year."

going to continue

said Steve Herren hopes to the structure has been going up is any indication, they will make that deadline with time to

'We hope to have everything finished up by the end of this month or the first part of July," he said. "Once they get done and leave we're going to have someone come in and pave the rest of the area and get it all set up for the drive-through con-

"We purchased the through back. However, this is the current pace at which Crowder and this is called

a rack-supported building. What that means is the skin of the building is actually supported by the racks inside. It's all a preengineered, bolt-together project that doesn't require any welding."

While the expansion is a positive sign for the local

See HARRIS, Page 9C

June is a good time to check your garden

By DR. WILLIAM C. WELCH

· Take a critical look at your landscape while at the height of summer development. Make notes of how you think it can be better arranged. plants that need replacement, overgrown plants

that need to be removed, and possible activity areas that can be enjoyed by family

members. Check for insects and diseases. Destroy

badly infested plants. Spider mites can be especially troublesome at this time. Select a chemical or organic control, or use insectici-

YEATER

dal soap. Supplemental irrigation is essential for many ornamental plants such as coleus, caladium, geranium, dahlia, azalea, and camellia during the h, ot dry summer days ahead.



Water lawn and garden thoroughly, but not too frequently. As a general rule, soak to a depth of 8 inches. Finish watering by early afternoon, to lessen the chance of dis-

 During the summer, soil moisture becomes extremely important and essential for good plant production. Because continual watering is oftentimes costly and time consuming, it pays to conserve the moisture around plants. This is best done by mulching. A good mulch will retain valuable moisture needed for plant growth, and improve overall gardening success. Mulches are usually applied 2 to 6 inches deep, depending on the material used. In general, the coarser the material, the deeper the mulch. For example, a 2inch layer of cottonseed hulls will have about the

See AGENT, Page 9C



Dr., Erich Byerly, right, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Debbye ValVerde and Mitzi Knight, clinical manager for the Family Medical Center OB/Gyn department, discuss the Byerly's recent move to the Malone and Hogan facility. The event, which also introduced the public to Dr. Keith Ledford, was hosted by Scenic Mountain Medical Center and was part of the chamber's Business After Hours program.

Texas Mutual, Howard College to host workers' compensation overview class

Special to the Herald

On June 29. Texas Mutual Insurance Company and Howard College will host a workers' compensation coverage overview class.

The class is designed for employers, but it is open to employees, insurance agents and anyone who is interested in learning how to navigate the workers' compensation claim process.

The class starts with the most basic question: When are claims compensable? In other words, when does the law

require insurance carriers to cover the associated with workplace injuries?

If claims are compensable, carriers may pay medical benefits, death benefits, and four types of income benefits. A Texas Mutual® claim expert will discuss when each type of benefit applies and explain how insurance carriers calculate them.

Of course, carriers, employers and injured workers do not always agree on compensability and benefits issues.

See CLASS, Page 9C

Martha Steward requests new trial; hopes to stave off prison sentence

By ERIN McCLAM

Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK - Martha Stewart is requesting a second trial, arguing that perjury charges against a government witness mean her conviction was built on a "corroded foundation." The request is a bid by lawyers for the homemaking maven to stave off a prison sentence that could be handed down next month.

The new-trial motion, filed Thursday in Manhattan federal court, cites perjury charges brought in May against Larry Stewart, a Secret Service ink analyst who testified as an expert witness

for the prosecution. The government charged him with lying repeatedly on the stand, falsely claiming he took part in ink testing of a worksheet used by Martha Stewart's

stockbroker, Peter Bacanovic. The defense filing said that several other Secret Service officials were in court, monitoring the trial, and were aware of the alleged perjury but did not say anything about it.

Bacanovic was cleared of a charge of doctoring the worksheet.

Weekend Editi

BIG SPRING HE

PUBLIC

RECORDS

AGENT

Continued from Pa

same mulching 6 inches of oat inches of coasta Bermuda hay.

· There is still plant some of th ful, heat-toleran annuals. Directnias and portula purchase plants winkle, salvia, r and purslane. B

HARRIS

Continued from Pa

hardware Herren said the has taken its lumps over the ple of years as my began to sl

1994 Ford F150 X Was \$4.995 1999 Ford Crown Was \$9,995 1999 Mercury Sab

1997 Mercury Tr 1997 Ford Thund

1996 Mercury Co 1995 Mercury Gra

Was \$4.995 1995 Cadillac Dev Was \$9,995 1999 GMC Subur Was \$17.995 2001 Chevrolet T

Was \$24.995 2003 Mercury Sa Was \$14,995 2003 Ford Taurus Was \$14.995

50,000 miles

2002 GMC Sono v/only 12,000 miles Was \$19.995 2001 Dodge Dako Was \$9.998 2000 Ford Range

1999 Ford Range Was \$7,995 1998 Nissan From Was \$9,995 1997 Chevrolet S Was \$7,995 1994 Ford Range

2002 Dodge Ram w/20,000 miles. Was \$21.995 2002 GMC Sierra ruck, one owner

Was \$22,995 2002 Chevrolet C leather, one owner Was \$20,995 2002 Ford F150 S

power, one owne Was \$24.995 2001 Ford F150 Was \$18,995

2001 Ford F150 S rails, extra clean, Was \$20,995

500 W.

driving while intoxicated - second offense, \$2,000 fine, \$276 court costs, 365 days in jail

(jail time suspended, 12 months probation). Judgment and Sentence: Nathan Alan Ritz,

session of marijuana - 2 ounces or less,

\$311 court costs, 180 days in jail.
Judgment and Sentence: Nathan Ritz, theft
more than \$20 less than \$500, \$311 court

court costs, 120 days in jail.
Probated Judgment: Stephanie S. Powell, possession of marijuana - 2 ounces or less,

ed, 12 months probation).

months probation

costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspend-

Probated Judgment: Irene Alvarez, driving while license suspended, \$400 fine, \$261 cour

costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12

PUBLIC RECORDS

Hot Checks/Warrants Issued: Carolyn E. Brown, 1203 Wilson Road, Big

Spring
Chad Wayne Brown, 3901 Ave. D, Snyder
Amy N. Browne, 3901 Ave. O, Snyder
Virgil Allen Buchanan, 4318 Wasson Rd.,

Big Spring Angela Burleson, 7647 Country Road 146, Snyder Jaime Valdez Castillo, 805 W. 18th Street, Big Spring Krisha N. Rivera Castillo, 1113 Nickolasa,

Colorado City Charles Daniel Cook, 2911 W. Hwy 80 apt. 157, Big Spring Jennifer Rea Dugger, 6015 E. Midway

Road, Big Spring Kathi Duke, 337 Greeson Street Rachel Flores, 211 S. Convent Stanton

Big Spring cia "Len" Garza, PO Box 42, Lenorah

Apt. 45, Big Spring Frank Gibbs, 1102 Hwy. 176 or 1907 Scurry, Big Spring
Nicols Marie Ivie Gibson, 605 W. 17th or
1406 E. 18th, Big Spring
Billy Gönzales, 1212 S. Hannah Road,

Hobbs N.M. George Vernon Gonzales, 108 E. 16th Street, Big Spring Herlinda Gonzales, 100 Circle Road, Big ring Felicia Lucille Green, 1101 E. 13th Street,

Big Spring Alice Rios Guzman, 700 Douglas, Big Bryan Hammonds, 603 Circle, Big Spring David N. Hansford, 2605 Oakland Blvd., Fort Worth
Erin Jean Hernandez, 2901 Runnels, Big

Ella Howell, 201 Merrick Rd. or 321

Erica Marie Letnex Johnston, 3100 Caldera Blvd Apt. 2314, Midland Amber Lynn King, 701 E. 15th Street, Big

Deffina Lopez, 2610 Ent, Big Spring Vaughn Lee Medina, 4000 W. Hwy. 80, Big Spring Michael Lee Middleton, 2602 Carlton, Big Spring Linda Michelle Molina, 1545 Locust,

costs, 180 days in jail.
Judgment and Sentence: Nathan Alan Ritz,
burglary of a vehicle, \$311 court costs, 180 Colorado City Debra Montez, 902 S. Second Street, Lamesa Tammy Nicholson, 1104 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring Rex. R. Norton, 2005 S. Runnels, Big Spring Arthur Orlega, 607 Bristlewood Cove, Cedar

Dandra Ortega, 2300 Camp Dr. Apt. 1, Erica Elaine Ortega, 214 Grimes, Big Spring Jimmy Ray Pearce, PO Box 2981, Big

Spring
Danny Gene Priest, 1418 W. FM 818 or 3701 Connally, Big Spring Veronica Quinn, 4129 S. Polk, Abilene Sierra Ramos, 1905 Wasson Road Apt. 20. Big Spring Dennis Michael Richardson, 2201 S. Main,

Dennis Michaet Photostal Big Spring
Big Spring
Alicia Rios, 700 Douglas, Big Spring
Evelyn Rodriguez, 5402 Lancaster, Odessa
Patricia Rodriguez, 2201 CR 31, Larnesa
Jennifer A. Roth, 2630 Dow, Big Spring
Janie Salinas, 301 23rd Street, Big Spring
Javiel Soliz, 1319 Stadium, Big Spring
Alica Stanford, 774 E. 8th Street, Colorado

Davis Stephens, 683 Winnsboro, Quitman Rae Lynn Ellett Ward, 1904 E. 25th Street, Big Spring Hayden Williams, PO Box 1074, Sterling

City
David Yanez, 2507 Gunter, Big Spring
Parate, 1105 W. Ken Teresa Josephine Zarate, 1105 W. Kentucky Ave., Midland James Dean Zeigenbein, 9413 University, Shuang Cheng Zhang, 1201 Gregg Street,

Big Spring County Court Rulings: Probated Judgment: Billy Edward Burnett,

· Removing faded flowthem growing and proalso be helpful.

 House plants can be moved out of doors this month. Sink the pots in a cool, shaded garden bed to prevent them from

needed until roots become established.

drying out so quickly: water pots, container plants, and hanging baskets often. Monthly feedings with house plant fer-

Probated Judgment: Jesse Lendel

Vanderbilt, possession of marijuana - 2 ounces

or less, \$1,500 fine, \$261 court costs, 180 days

in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months proba-

Probated Judgment: Antonio Martinez

days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months

Martinez, failure to identify giving false/fictitious information, \$250 fine, \$261 court costs, 180

 Now is the time to plan for next spring. Consider digging and dividing any crowded spring bulbs. Once the the foliage has turned

ing the money like they used to," said Herren. "We've got a pretty good diversification now, however, so that helps out. We have our walk-in trade, our contracts and

Probated Judgment: Victor Hilario, driving while intoxicated, \$1,500 fine, \$376 court costs,

180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months

Primiano Jr., possession of marijuana - 2 ounces or less, \$500 fine, \$261 court costs, probation).
Judgment and Sentence: Jade Cowdery, driving while license suspended, \$100 fine, \$311 court costs, 30 days in jail.
Judgment and Sentence: Crystal Lyn Dickenson, criminal trespass - habitation, \$261

Probated Judgment: Anthony Josp Primiano Jr., possession of marijuana

Judgment and Sentence: Henry Clay
Hernandez, violation of a protective order, \$36 court costs, 45 days in jail. Judgment and Sentence: Marie Pacheco, criminal trespass - habitation, \$261 court costs, \$500 fine, \$261 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail

Judgment and Sentence: Ruby Nell Smith, failure to identify as a fugitive - intentionally giving false information, \$500 fine, \$261 court Probated Judgment: Scott Christian Forsyth, driving while intoxicated, \$1,500 fine, \$376.

ing false information, \$500 costs, 90 days in jail.

Judgment and Sentence: Lisa Karen
Cawthon, ailure to identify as a fugitive - intentionally giving false informational court costs, 90 days in jail.

Probated Judgment: Jeffery Spencer, driving while license suspended, \$400 fine, \$311 court District Court Filings: Vicki Elaine Osburn vs. Gary Lee Osburn, costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation). Mohammed Hanif Bhuiyan vs. Kerrie Lea

Probated Judgment: Colby Shawn Ward, driving while license suspended, \$400 fine, \$261 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time sus-Green Bhuiyan, divorce.

Beverly Ann Covarrubias vs. Alfredo ovarrubias, divorce. Chase Manhattan Bank USA vs. Kathleen pended, 12 months probation).
Probated Judgment: Fidel Martinez, driving while license suspended, \$400 fine, \$261 court Epley, accounts, notes and contracts.

costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 notes and contracts. months probation).

Probated Judgment: Mario Humberto
Torres, driving while license suspended - SR,
\$400 fine, \$261 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail Warranty deeds: Grantor: Leah Johnson Property: Lot 6, Block 2, South Haven

> Date Filed: May 24, 2004 Grantor: Bobby H. Davis Grantee: Steven Dickson Property: A tract out of a 13.2 acre tract in Section 44, Block 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co.

Date Filed: May 25, 2004

 June is the time to select daylily varieties as they reach their peak of bloom. Fertilize roses every 4 to 6 weeks. Apply a high-nitrogen fertilizer immediately after a flush of bloom.

Tommy Yeater is the Cooperative Extension

sales. Plumbing and electrical are the two main things the contractors and the do-it-yourself customers come in for. It's just one of those things you have to do to keep up a house."

"Plumbing parts make · In the end, Herren said up the biggest part of our it's all about investment like it here and wouldn't

Grantor: Charles Teague Grantee: Denver Leeon Pettitt Property: Lot 7-B in Block 3, Clanton Date Filed: May 25, 2004

Grantor: Thomas A. Demeny and Georgia K. Demeny Grantee: James L. Robertson Property: A 5.03 acre tract out of the NE/4 sectionm 41, Block 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey. Date Filed: May 25, 2004

Grantor: Tommy J. Wells and Patricia K. Grantee: C. Boyd Finch Property: Lot 6. Block 4. Indianola Addition Date Filed: May 26, 2004

Grantor: Thelma Lee Teague

Grantee Jennifer L. Larue
Property: A'tract of land out of the NW/4 of
Section 44, Block 41, T-1-N, T&P RR Co.

Survey. Date Filed: May 26, 2004

Grantor: DeVaney Farms LLC Grantee: Ronnie W. Ward and Cathy L

Property: A 62.22 acre tract out of the NW/4 of Section 31, Block 30, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Date Filed: May 27, 2004 Grantor: Kentwood Grocery

Grantee: Don Baker
Property: A tract of land out of Section 5,
Block 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey. Date Filed: May 27, 2004

Grantor: Donnie Baker and Linda Baker Grantee: Louise Whitaker
Property: Lot 11, Block 3, B-Belvue Addition. Date Filed: May 27, 2004

Grantor: R.J. Cate and Gladene Cate Grantee: Larry Don Cate and Terri Lee Cate Property: Lot 6, Block 6, Sherrod Heights Date Filed: May 28, 2004

Grantor: Harold K. Simpson and Winona

CLASS

Simpson
Grantee: J.O. Haney and Patricia A. Haney
Property: A 212.58 acre tract out of the W/2

of Section 46, Block 32, T-3-N, T&P RR Co Date Filed: May 28, 2004

Grantor: Edward Kent Morgan Grantee: Russell David Erwin and Shelley Property: A 5 acre tract out of the N/2 of Section 10, Block 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Date Filed: May 28, 2004

> Grantor: Robert H. Dice Grantee: Charles Randy Robison
> Property: A 10 acre tract out of the W/2 of Section 23, Block 33, T-1-N, T&P RR ZCo. Date Filed: May 28, 2004

> Grantor: Craig Freedman and Cristina Grantee: Michael Wayne Pruitt and Lenora Property: Lot 2, Block 5, Highland South ddition No. 8. Date Filed: May 28, 2004

Grantor: Ida Marie Love Cochrane, Anna Sue Love McBride, Karen Stewart, Debra Kay Johnson, David Heith, Lynn Heith Phillips, Ann Heith McCann and Robert E. Heith Grantee: Robert L. Webb

Property: Lot 10 and most of Lot 11, Block 4, Central Park Addition Date Filed: June 1, 2004

Grantor: Cynthia Denise Householder Grantee: George Ben Bancroft III and Elissa Ann Medina-Bancroft Property: Lot 22, Block 5, College Park Estates

Date Filed: May 24, 2004 Grantor: O.A. Madison and Adeline Madison

Property: Lots 5 and 6, Block 15, Saunders

Date Filed: May 24, 2004

AGENT

Continued from Page 8C

same mulching effect as 6 inches of oat straw or 4 inches of coastal Bermuda hay.

· There is still time to plant some of the colorful, heat-tolerant summer annuals. Direct-seed zinnias and portulaca, and purchase plants of periwinkle, salvia, marigold, and purslane. Be sure to

HARRIS

hardware

1 1

Continued from Page 8C

Herren said the business

has taken its share of

lumps over the past cou-

ple of years as the econo-

my began to slide down-

water transplants as

ers from plants before they set seed will keep ducing flowers. A light application of fertilizer every 4 to 6 weeks will

hill. However, thanks to diversification and knowing where their "bread and butter" is, the compa-

ny is still holding strong. "Their (government agencies and commercial customers) budgets got cut just like everyone else, so they're not spendtilizer will encourage continued growth.

bulbs have matured and brown, it is time to spade them up and thin out the stand. Crowded bulbs

our commercial business.

produce fewer and smaller blooms. They usually need thinning every 3 to 4 years.

agent for Howard County.

Continued from Page 8C

That is why the Texas Workers' Compensation Commission (TWCC) created a dispute resolution process. The class will walk you through the process and explain your rights and your roles.

The class wraps up with a segment on TWCCrequired forms. In some cases, TWCC may issue fines if you do not file forms timely, so we also cover filing deadlines.

How to register

To register for the class, visit the Texas Mutual® website at http://www.texasmutual.com/news/workshops_howard.shtm, or call Terry Hanson at (432) 264-5171.

- in the city, the customers and the belief the community will support Harris Lumber regardless of the economic slighting.

"We're willing to invest in the town because we think it's going to continue growing," he said. "We

want to be anywhere else. We just hope everyone is willing to get out and help support us.'

Contact Staff Writer Thomas Jenkins at 263-7331 ext. 232 or by e-mail at citydesk@bigspringherald.com

MILLION DOLLAR STOCK REDUCTION SALE

* * * These Units Have Been Here Too Long!!! * * *

"Our Loss - Your Gain" 1994 Ford F150 XL - Green/Tan, 6 cyl., manual transmission. 1999 Ford Crown Victoria - White, all power. Was \$9,995

1999 Mercury Sable GS - Tan, all power, locally owned. 1997 Mercury Tracer GS - Green, automatic, air. Was \$6,995

company,

1997 Ford Thunderbird - Tan, all power, 73,000 miles. Was \$8,995 1996 Mercury Cougar - Green/tan top, 70,000 miles.

1995 Mercury Grand Marquis GS - Green, all power. 1995 Cadillac Deville Concour - Silver. 2000 Volvo S40 Turbo - Leather, all power, 35,000 miles.

2000 Ford Taurus SE - White, all power, 67,000 miles. Was \$9.995 1999 GMC Suburban LT - Dual air, all power, tan.

NOW \$6,995 2001 Chevrolet Tahoe L.S. 4-DR. - Pewter, cloth, all power, one owner, 50.000 miles NOW \$19,995 Was \$24,995

★ ★ ★ Program Cars/Vans ★ ★ 2003 Mercury Sable GS - Arizona beige, all power, 19,000 mile 2003 Ford Taurus SES - White, cloth, all power, 14,000 miles.

 $\star \star \star \underline{\star}$ Small Pickups $\star \star \star$ 2002 GMC Sonoma Crew Cab SLS 4X4 - Tan, V-6, all power, one owner Was \$20,995

2001 Dodge Dakota - White, air, V-6, automatic, 41,000 miles 2000 Ford Ranger Supercab XLT - Dk. blue, V-6, automatic. Was \$8,995 1999 Ford Ranger - Blue, extra clean w/64,000 miles. 1998 Nissan Frontier XE - Red, air, 5-speed, one owner w/50,000 miles

1997 Chevrolet S-10 - White, V-6, automatic, only 63,000 miles Was \$7.995 1994 Ford Ranger - Blue, 4 cyl., 5 speed.

 $\star \star \star 1/2$ Ton Pickups $\star \star \star$

2002 GMC Sierra 1500 H.D. Crew Cab SLE - Pewter, 6.0 V-8, all power, nice NOW \$21,995 Was \$15,995 2002 Chevrolet C1500 Silverado Ext. Cab LT Z71 4X4 - Pewter, On-Star, leather, one owner, loaded. NOW \$18,995 Was \$24,995 Was \$20,995

Was \$24,995 NOW \$23,995 NOW \$17,995 2001 Ford F150 Supercrew XLT - Blue, all power, diamond toolbox w/tube

power, one owner w/only 21,000 miles.

rails, extra clean, one owner w/45,000 miles.

Was \$20,995

NOW \$4,995

NOW \$2,995

NOW \$5,995

★ 1/2 Ton Pickups ★ 2000 Ford F150 Supercab X w/63,000 miles. Was \$13,995 NOW \$3,995 1997 Chevrolet C1500 Ext. Cab Silverado - Tan, V-8, all power, locally 2001 Toyota Sienna XLE - Tan, all power, one owner w/56,000 miles.

NOW \$5,995 Was \$9,995 2000 Chevrolet C1500 Ext. Cab Silverado Z-71 4X4 - Red, all power, local-NOW \$3,995 2000 Ford F150 XL - White, V-6, automatic, tilt, cruise, local one owner

2000 Ford F150 Supercab XLT 4X4 - Red, Off Road Pkg., 5.4, V-8, all power, NOW \$4,995 Was \$17,995

 \star \star \star \star 3/4 Tons & 1 Ton Pickups \star \star 2002 Chevrolet C2500 H.D. Crew Cab L.S. Z-71 4X4 - Blue, all power, 6.0 V-8, one owner w/56,000 miles.

2002 Ford F350 Crew Cab XLT Powerstroke Diesel - Red/Silver, Extra Was \$21.995 Clean, One Owner. NOW \$22,995 Was \$9,995 Was \$23,995

w/67,000 miles. 2001 GMC Sierra 2500 Ext. Cab 4X4 L.S. · Pewter, cloth, all power, local one Was \$14.995 owner w/56,000 miles.

 $\star \star \star \star SUV's \star \star \star$

2002 Ford Expedition XLT - Silver, cloth, dual air, 3rd seat, local one owner 2002 Ford Expedition XLT - Silver, cloth, all power, one owner w/31,000

NOW \$7.995 2002 Chevrolet Trailblazer Ext. LT - White w/leather, fully loaded, local 1999 Volvo C70 Coupe H.T. 5 Cyl. Turbo- Black, tan leather, moonroof, all one owner w/34,000 miles.

2002 Dodge Ram 1500 Quad Cab SLT - Tan, all power, V-8, one owner 2001 Ford Explorer Sport 2-DR.4X4 - Blue w/cloth, all power, one owner w/51,000 miles.

> 2001 Ford Explorer XLT 4-DR.. - White w/cloth, all power, one owner Was \$7.995 w/50,000 miles.

2002 Ford F150 Supercrew Lariat 4-DR. - Silver/gray leather, 5.4 V-8, all 2000 Ford Expedition Eddie Bauer - Slate green/beige, leather, dual air, Was \$6,995 3rd seat, all power, local one owner w/59,000 miles. 2001 Ford F150 Supercrew XLT 4-DR. - Red/silver, all power, local one 2000 Ford Expedition XLT - Silver/gray tutone, leather, dual air, 3rd seat, all power, local one owner w/62,000 miles.

1992 Ford Explorer XLT 4X4 - White, all power, exua clean 4X4

V-8, all power, one owner 2004 Nissan Quest 3.5 S - Tan, cloth, dual air, local one owner w/17,000

NOW \$8,995 Was \$19,995 2003 Ford Focus SE W/27,000 miles. ge, all power, local one owner 2002 Mercury Grand Marquis GS - Beige w/leather, all power, local one

NOW \$10,995 owner w/30,000 miles. Was \$15,995 2002 Honda Accord LX 4-DR. - Silver, all power, one owner w/31,000 miles. NOW \$15,995 Was \$16,995 NOW \$16,995 2002 Honda Accord EX V-6 2-DR. - Gold w/leather, moonroof, all power, local one owner w/21,000 miles

> NOW \$19,995 Was \$20,995 2002 Chevrolet Monte Carlo SS 2-DR.. - Dark blue w/cloth, all power, local - White w/leather, all power,

> 2001 Lincoln Town local one owner w/on h 2001 Saturn L200 4-DR. - Red, all power, 59,000 miles. 2001 Ford Crown Victoria LX - Tan w/cloth, all power, one owner w/59,000

2001 Ford F350 Supercab Dually XLT V-10 - White w/silver, extra clean, miles. Was \$14,995 NOW \$19.995 2001 Ford Crown Victoria L.S.. - Silver w/leather, one owner w/39,000

2001 Dodge Stratus 2-DR. R/T - Red, w/leather, all power, one owner

2000 Ford Focus Wagon SE - Silver, all power. **NOW \$6.995** 2000 Ford Taurus SE - Red, cloth, all power, 60,000 miles.

2000 Volkswagen Jetta GLS - Blue, all power, clean, one owner w/58,000

Was \$12,995 2000 Lincoln Town Car Signature Series - Gray w/leather, one owner NOW \$11. NOW \$21,995 Was \$12,995

> Was \$16.995 1999 Lincoln Town 1999 Pontiac Firdbird. - White, T-Tops, all power, 56,000 miles

1999 Chevrolet Prism 4-DR.- White, one owner w/61,000 miles 1999 Nissan Maxima GLE - Green, all power, locally owned, 63,000 miles. NOW \$12,995 Was \$13,995

NOW \$6,995 1997 Ford Crown Victoria - White, locally owned, 84,000 miles. NOW \$4.995 2001 Chevrolet Tahoe L.S. 4-DR. - Red w/cloth, all power, one owner 1997 Mercury Grand Marquis GS - White, all power, local one owner

NOW \$7,995 NOW \$23,995 1997 Ford Mustang. - Green, 6 cyl., automatic. NOW \$5,995 1996 Oldsmobile 88 4-DR.. - Pewter, leather, one owner. NOW \$18.995 Was \$7.995

1995 Ford Taurus GL. - Tan w/cloth, all power, local one owner w/73,000 Was \$5,995 1992 Mercury Grand Marquis L.S. - White, locally owned w/only 58,000

Where Your Trade-In Is Worth More!!!

Bob Brock Ford Lincoln Mercury Nissan

NOW \$5,995

ALASAI FIEDS Www.bigspringherald.com 710 Scurry

263-7331

StarTek

StarTek USA Inc. is hiring for full-time customer service

representative for additional growth in our state-of-the-art

inbound call center in Big Spring. If you have a friendly

speaking voice, can use a mouse, enjoy helping people, and

type at least 20 WPM, you are just who we're looking for!

StarTek offers great benefits including a competitive pay,

medical and Dental insurance, and paid time off after 90 days,

paid holidays, and incredible advancement opportunities.

Apply at StarTek Inc., 501 Birdwell Lane

Big Spring, TX 79720

or call (432) 264-2700

DON'T MISS OUT ON THIS GREAT OPPORTUNITY!

www.bigspringherald.com

Business Opportunity

ABSOLUTE GOLDMINE! 60 vending machines/ excellent locations all for \$10,995. Call (800)234-6982.

BIG SPRING ROUTE No Selling. \$100K Income. \$12,950 Investment for Accounts, Inventory, Training, Territory. (800)373-5470

THIS NEWSPAPER is not responsible for the specific content of the National Classified ads. Before investing money in a business/employment opportunity with which you are unfamiliar, please call the National Better Business Bureau at 703-276-0100 or www.bbb.org

Cemetery Lots

TWO CHOICE plots in "Garden of Cannon" at Trinity Memorial Park. Call (210)279-1324 or (830)237-6557.

Garage Sales

GARAGE SALE: Sat. 8-2 & Sunday, Noon-3:00, 1308 Marijo. Some furniture, big men clothes, tea sets (mini sets) and lots more.

Help Wanted

HERBALIFE Independent Distributor Call for **Products or Opportunity**

1-888-734-6511.

Help Wanted

Our World Has No Boundaries - Only Opportunities!

Claire's Stores Inc. has limitless opportunities for fashion forward individuals like you in our Claire's store in Big Spring Mall in Big Spring, TX.

STORE MANAGER

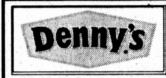
In this key role, you will supervise and manage all store activity to achieve sales goals. The successful candidate must have 1-2 years retail supervisory experience and strong communication, organizational and customer service skills.

Claire's offers an attractive salary and benefits package, bonus potential and opportunity for advancement. For consideration please apply in person at the Claire's store located at Big Spring Mall on Monday, June 14th from 10am - 7pm or Tuesday, June 15th from 10a.m.-4 p.m.

Equal Opportunity Employer

HOWARD COUNTY Road Department will be accepting applications for an Equipment Operator. Looking for motor grader, loader, and asphalt distributor experience. Applications may be picked up and returned at room 305, Howard County Courthouse, June 14, 2004 through June 18, 2004, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Applicants must have a Valid Texas Class A C.D.L. licenses, and be drug free. All applicants subject to pre-job testing.

Help Wanted



MANAGER

Top Pay & Benefits Medical, Dental/Life, 401K, Vacation **Bonus Plan Paid Training**

Fax resume to: (940) 691-9216

E.O.E.

Help Wanted

CARPET SHAMPOO TRAINEES & MANAGER **TRAINEES**

\$2,250.00 per month guaranteed to start Steady work - No Layoffs Bonuses - Other Company Incentives - Opportunity for Promotion in 90 days for good workes. Must be neat in appearance and highly moticated. Accepting 1st 100 calls Monday & Tuesday only For same day interview 264-7319

Help Wanted

RAINS & SONS EXPRESS (A Navajo Agent) We offer: \$300 Sign on Bonus

on 8th day Vac./Ins./401K/Direct Dep. Hoods - No Touch We require: Good MVR, no D&A Chgs & Hazmat 1 year verifiable OTR

within last 3 Yr. Call Janda x 15 800-547-5074

Help Wanted

DRIVER & Owner Operator Check Out THESE RATES! **Owner Operators/ Flatbed** Avg. 98¢ To \$1.08 p/Mi. * Lease Purchase Prog. Pd. Fuel Surcharge

Gold Pin Club Discount Prog. Regional Van Frt. Avail. 88¢ To 92¢ p/Mi. 6 Mos. OTR/ CDL-A Reg. 866-713-2778

No Forced Dispatch

Or 866-366-6361



West Texas Centers for MHMR:

Vo-Tech Marketing Manager. High school graduation or GED plus two years experience in a related field. Duties include coordinating and monitoring competitive employment assignments. Benefits. On call. Salary \$9.93 hr. (\$20,652.00 annually) 8-5 may

Part Time Clerk: High School Diploma or GED required plus one-year experience in clerical or secretarial. Duties include heavy data entry into financial system within specified time frames. Must pass proficiency tests in Word, Excel and 10Key. Required 65 wpm in Word. 20-30 hours M-F. Salary \$8.20 per

Applications may be obtained at 409 Runnels or by calling JOBLINE at 1-800-687-2769. EOE

www.wtcmhmr.org.



\$1.89 Per Day; 6-Month Contract \$1.58 Per Day

HOME IMPROVEMENT

Gibbs Remodeling

New home Construction • Room Additions

Carports • Dry Wall Hanging & Finishing & Exterior

Wallpaper Hanging • Ceramic Tile

Installation & Repair

All Remodel Needs Of Any Room In Your Home.

Call 263-8285

Call 263-7331 to place your ad today!!





APPLIANCE REPAIR

A-2-Z Service

Air Condition & Heating Service Washers & Dryers Ranges, Refrigerators & Dishwashers

> 432-393-5217 for appointment

25 Years Exp.

AIR CONDITIONING



Conditioning 45 Yrs. Exp. **WE DO ELECTRIC**

432-267-9654

HOME IMPROVEMENT

R S

HOME REPAIR

Custom Wood Decks.

Remodel, Carpenter,

Painting, Plumbing,

Minor Electrical.Cla

FREE ESTIMATES

Garage door repair,

Appliances installed

432-816-3030

LAWN SERVICE

CONCRETE

STUCCO **DRIVEWAYS** SIDEWALKS **BLOCK FENCES Chico and Sons**

Concrete (432) 267-4044 (432) 816-9180 - cell

621 Sgt. Paredez Big Spring, TX 79720

FENCES



METAL . CEDAR DOG KENNELS

B & M Fence Co. COMMERCIAL • RESIDENTIAL **GET OUR PRICE & COMPARE** FREE ESTIMATES

ROBERT MARQUEZ 263-1613 • 1-800-525-1389

FENCES

Jimmy Marquez-Owner

Quality Fence Co.

Finest In Fencing Wood &

Chainlink **Free Estimates**

432-267-3349

HOME IMPROVEMENT

DOORS/

GARAGE

DOORS/OPENERS

Home Repair • Carpentry

Sheet Work

Repaired/Replaced

Kitchen & Bath

BOB'S CUSTOM

WOODWORK

409 E. 3RD 267-5811

RENTALS

VENTURA

COMPANY

432-267-2655

Houses • Duplexes

1, 2, 3 Bedrooms

For rent/sale

204 11th Pl.

905 E. 15th

710 E. 18th

HOME IMPROVEMENT

Speedy Hr. Construction We Do It All! Residential & Commercial Ceramic Tiles, Cabinets, Drywall,

Textures, Plumbing, Electrical AC.Roofs. New Additions & Lawn Service Phone: 432-263-2911 Cell: 432-816-3832

GARAGE SALE

HAVING A

GARAGE

SALE?

CALL 263-7331

Herald Classifieds

SPRING HERALD

month special House Painth

HOME IMMPROVEMENT

MODERN MAINTENANCE HOME REMODELING. MARBLE, GRANITE, TILE WORK, KITCHEN & BATH. QUALITY WORK WITH HAWAHAN STYLE

Cody R. Welch Phone: (432) 393-5944

Cell: (806) 283-1087 LAWN SERVICE

LAWN CARE

MOWING & EDGING

267-7558

ROOFING

PALACIOS ROOFING & HOME IMPROVEMENT Roofs, Room Additions, Ceramic Tile, Fences, Painting Insured & Bonded Home Phone#

432-263-5430

Cell# 132-213-0363 MOWING, TILLING, HAULING TREE TRIMMING **CLEAN STORAGE** SHEDS AND **ODD JOBS** CALL

432-267-5460 LEAVE MESSAGE 816-6150

ROOFING

JOHNNY FLORES

ROOFING

Shingles, hand nailed

Hot Tar & Gravel.

All types of repairs.

Work guaranteed!!

Specialized Hot Tar Roofs

Free Estimates &

Surrounding Areas

267-1110

LAWN SERVICE

Extra Yard Lawn Care. Because We Go The Extra Yard.

Mowing, Edging, Weedeating and Odd-Jobs

Call Grant: 432) 213-1216 🖁

SIDING

FOUR

SEASONS

Insulation &

Siding

Big Spring's

OLDEST

LOCALLY OWNED

Insulation &

Siding Company

132-264-8610

MOBILE PHONE



Nireless Depot College Park Shopping Center 501 S. Birdwell Lane, Suite 6

Big Spring, TX 79720 Phone: 432-267-1631

TELEPHONE SERVICE

J'DEAN COMMUNICATIONS

Telephone Service & Repair

Call (432) 816-6812

TREE TRIMMING

LUPE'S TREE TRIMMING

More than 20 years of experience. Stump grinder available. For Tree Trimming and removal.

Call Lupe 432-267-8317 432-268-9841

ROOFING

FULLMOON ROOFING, INC. Voted Top 100 **Roofing Contractors** In America **FREE ESTIMATES** No Money Down

COMPETITIVE PRICES

432-267-5478

WEED CONTROL

SOUTHWESTERN A-1 PEST CONTROL

432-263-6514 2008 Birdwell Lane

Since 1954

Max F. Moore www.swalpc.com mm@swalpc.com

Help W

BIG SPRING

Weekend E

WE'RE GF

ed to join our d health-care profes a locally owned cares about our

Full Time

Great Pay

employees!

* Vacation & * PAID Health * Life Insuran

> Paid Mileag Please c

Great Work

ROUTE/SERVIC needed. Fulltime West Tx area, e ferred but not train. Fax 214-343-4455 nest Talley.

HON

If you enjoy teaching the of their hon ic to each p for you. Our hour week their workp RN license **OASIS** and time employ

We are look ual in the duties in th ing for elde PRN only.

The Alor Trainee following Chemica of releva progress

imum Le

Sa House to acreage

1986 For iron tubs wheels, t 1968 P dinett

Help Wanted

WE'RE GROWING!

with homehealth experience needed to join our dynamic team of health-care professionals. We are a locally owned company who cares about our clients and our employees!

- * Full Time
- Great Pay
- Vacation & Sick Time

ROUTE/SERVICE

g.

Help Wanted

ARE YOU 55 or OLDER? Interested in people & seeking challenging employment? Applicants must have good com-munication skills, ability to handle paperwork & initiative. Must meet Dept. of Labor Low Income Guidelines, 24 hrs. /week. \$6.15/hr. Reliable transportation required. Rewarding work with other mature job seekers EOE. Contacts Experience Works: (432)263-8373

ASSISTANT MANAGER PO-SITION available at Coahoma DQ. Above average pay for qualified person. Vacation and holiday pay. Smoke and drug free work environment. Drug test and background check required. Apply in store with Manager, Bobbie Puls.

College Students/ H.S. Seniors **SUMMER WORK** \$10.00 BASE/ APPT.

Flex, sched, Sales/ service, no exp. nec, All ages 18+. Conditions Apply. Work in Big Spring. Apply in Midland (432)699-6782. www.workforstudents.com

Help Wanted

HOWARD COLLEGE is seeking applications for a full-time Computer Instructor. 9 month position. Masters degree with 18 graduate hours in Computer coursework required. Previous related experience preferred. Excellent Benefits. Please visit our website at www.howardcollege.edu for application and complete position notice.

DRIVERS BE HOME DAILY. Coastal Transport is a leader in transport of LPG Asphalt & Petroleum Products. Coastal serves high profile accounts & needs dedicated professionals to join our growing team in Big Spring. Qualify 25 with class A & One year driving experience. Inquire about sign-on bonus. Call Jay at 888-527-7221

ELECTRONIC TECH

POSITION AVAILABLE The Colorado River Municipal Water District has an immediate opening for an Electronics Technician. Will work out of Big Spring, TX. Electronic experience and training required. District benefits include paid vacation and holidays, sick leave, retirement plan, and group insurance. The District is an equal opportunity employer.

Applications are available at the District's office, 400 East 24th Street, Big Spring, Texas or by calling 432-267-6341.

GRADY ISD is accepting applications for HEAD FOOTBALL COACH. Contact Ath. Dir. Le-Gonzales andro (432)459-2444 (432)459-2250.

GROWING COMPANY SEEKS QUALIFIED TRUCKDRIVERS FOR OILFIELD WORK. MA-JOR MEDICAL INSURANCE BENEFITS! Class A CDL with 2 years experience. Good driving record. Must travel. No relocate. Call need to 1-800-588-2669 Mon-Fri, 8am-5pm.

HOWARD COUNTY Road Department will accept applications from June 14, 2004 through June 182004 from a TRUCK DRIVER. Dump Truck experience a plus, must have a Valid Texas Class A C.D.L. licenses. Applications may be picked up and returned from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., at room 305 Howard County Courthouse. All applicants will be pre-job drug tested.

MAKE UP to \$3,000.00 in 11 days. Looking for enthusiastic adult to manage a fireworks stand outside Big Spring June 24 thru July 4. No investment required. Phone 10 am thru 5 pm for more information. (210)622-3788 1-800-364-0136.

Help Wanted

SNYDER INDEPENDENT School District. Carpenter Responsible for all carpentry related maintenance for district. Salary commensurate with experience. Employment Date: July 1, 2004. Applications may be obtained by contacting Mike Carter 2910 Ave M, Snyder, Tx 325-573-2993. Snyder ISD is an equal opportunity employer.

WAREHOUSE/ DELIVERY person needed to move furniture. Must be motivated. Good driving record required. Must be 21. Paid vacation & holidays. Apply in person, Credit World 1611 Gregg.

Items for Sale

FOR SALE: House full of furniture. Come by 309 Washington Blvd. to see.

SHOP AVON at home or in your office with personal delivery and guaranteed satisfaction. Contact Lara Spalding Avon Independent Sales Representative at (432)264-0885 www.vouravon.com/laraspalding

TWO COMPLETE waterbeds, a super single and a full size. \$50.00 each. (432)268-1966 after 5:00 pm.

Jobs Wanted

SURROUNDING AREAS. Need help with your everyday chores? I do large varieties of jobs & have references call (432)965-3428. By scheduled appt. first. GOD BLESS.

Mobile Homes

THE WEDDING'S on, now this house has to go! 14x56, 1997, 3 bdrm, 1 bath, total electric, very good condition. Includes 10x14 storage bldg. A great lake house or starter home. Will move to your lot. Give away price @ \$13,900. Call 432-296-1444.

National Ads

SS FREE MONEY SS for 2004! Private-Government Grants for Personal bills, School, Business, etc. Never Repay. Live Operators. \$47 billion dollars 2003. unclaimed 1-800-420-8344 ext. 01.

FEDERAL POSTAL Jobs To \$43,000/ vr. Free Call. No Experience Necessary. Now Hiring. Full Benefits. 1-800-842-1622 Ext. 225

AS SEEN ON TV \$25,000 FREE Cash Grants-2004!

Personal bills, School, Business, etc. \$47 billion left unclaimed-2003! Never Repay! Live Operators.1-800-420-8344

BUY-SELL-TRADE In the Big Spring Herald Classifieds 263-7331

National Ads

GOVERNMENT JOBS! WILD-LIFE / POSTAL \$16.51 to \$58.00 per hour. Full Benefits. Paid Training. Call for Application and Exam Information. No Experience Necessary. Toll Free 1-888-269-6090 ext. 100.

Pets

FREE KITTENS. Have shots. Call (432)267-7927.

Real Estate for Rent

Capagagagagaga LOVELY **NEIGHBORHOOD** COMPLEX

Swimming Pool Carports, Most Utilities Paid, Senior Citizen

Discounts, 1 & 2 Bedrooms & 1 or 2 Baths Unfurnished

KENTWOOD

APARTMENTS 1904 East 25th Street 267-5444 263-5000

BEAUTIFUL GARDEN COURTYARD

 Swimming Pool Private Patios Carports

 Appliances Most Utilities Paid

 Senior Citizens Discount •1 & 2 Bedroom

Unfurnished PARKHILL TERRACE **APARTMENTS**

800 W. Marcy Drive 555 263-5000

1, 2 & 3 **Bedrooms** Rent Based on Income

NORTHCREST APARTMENTS

1002 North Main Big Spring, TX (432) 267-5191



Heights Apartments ALL BILLS PAID

267-2771

2 BEDROOM houses for rent. Stove & refrigerator furnished. Call 432-263-9963.

Real Estate for Rent

1200 JOHNSON: 3 Bedroom. 2 bath. CH/A, utility room with washer & dryer connections, carport. No indoor pets. \$425.00 month, \$200.00 deposit. Call (432)267-5464 leave message.

2106 NOLAN 2 brdm, 1bath, \$285. month, \$150. deposit. Stove, refrigerator furnished. 432-263-1792 or 816-9984.

1303 MARIJO 2 brdm. 1bath. \$400. month, \$200. deposit. CH/A, garage, fenced yard. 432-263-1792 or 816-9984.

2 HOUSES - 2 Bedroom, 1 bath. \$425.00 month \$400.00 deposit. Call (432)267-2308 or (432)425-5193.

2407 CARLETON: 3 bedroom, 2 bath, CH/A. \$550.00 month deposit. plus . (432)263-6997

2713 REBECCA Drive. Large 3 Bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, double garage. Available July 1st. One lease required. \$900/month, \$500/deposit, No. Pets. Call (432)263-0441 Owner/Broker.

3 Bedroom, 1 1/2 bath. New Remodeled inside and outside. CH/A. Call for more INFO (432)270-3848.

3 BEDROOM, large office, 1 bath, carpet, RV storage barn, large storage bldg., fenced \$700.00 month, yard. \$300.00 deposit. 601 Linda Ln. Available 806-665-3640.

310 EAST. 21st. Street - 3 Bdr. 2 bath, CH/A. Stone house on large corner lot. One year lease required. \$550.00 month. \$400.00 deposit. No Pets. (432)263-6514 Owner/ Broker.

3308 DREXEL - Nice 3/2, CH/A, RO, \$250.00 deposit, \$525.00 month. References required. Call (432)263-4948.

3604 HAMILTON. 3 Bedroom, 2 bath, brick home, fenced yard, CH/A, carport, \$475.00 month, \$250.00 deposit. Call (432)263-1792 or 816-9984

608 S. Main St. - Coahoma. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Corner lot. Fixer upper \$700. down, \$200. mos. (\$7500.) 432-466-2089.

800 EAST 15TH. 2 Bedroom 1 bath. No Pets. (432)267-3841 or 517-0642.

914 EAST 6TH. 2 Bedroom 1 bath. No Pets. (432)267-3841 or 517-0642 ARE YOU looking for a quiet,

neighborhood? Scurry. 3 bedroom, 1bath, apartment. CH/A, dryer hookups. Appliances furnished. No HUD. Please Call (432)213-2681. CLEAN 2 Bedroom, CH/A, No

pets. Call (432)263-4483.

Newsday Crossword SATURDAY STUMPER by Daniel R. Stark

60 Mexican

herbivore

64 Computer

65 More warm

66 Say for sure

67 Like some

records

DOWN

2 Butterflies-

4 Brought up

6 Too sure

8 Former

9 Lisbon

10 Matrix

5 Hairpin curve

7 Solitaire unit

honorific

11 Nesting place

to-be 3 Raw wool

62 Glacial fissure

network need

ACROSS 1 How some

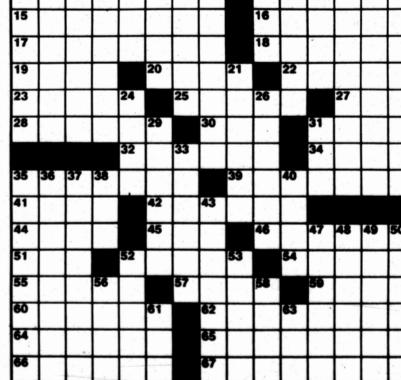
- dine 9 J.R.'s town
- 15 Glengarry Glen Ross
- figure 16 Make
- adjustments to
- 17 Cherish
- 18 Lorre role
- 19 Constantly 20 Heaters
- 22 Pansy's boy 23 Lost no time
- 25 Precariously balanced
- 27 Tentacle
- 28 Removed the pits
- 30 Early
- 11th-century
- date 31 Star Trek
- counselor
- 32 Works a do 34 Archeologist's
- find 35 Physics
- Nobelist of 1909
- 39 One way to travel
- 41 Firer's need **42** Quit
- 44 Deion Sanders' nickname
- 45 Errare humanum __
- 46 Shut tight 51 Fly's path
- **52** Mine entrances
- 54 Extra
- 55 Netlike fabrics
- **59** 11th-grade

- 57 Part of NOW exam

- 12 Catch Me If You Can
- name
- 14 With anger 21 Skyline
- features
- 24 Geometric style
- 26 Forecaster's
- duo
- 1 Sunflower kin 29 Moved on
 - the floor 31 It won't rust
 - 33 Shows a
 - connection 35 "Many dreams
 - have been brought" to

 - means 37 Keeps happening
 - 36 Finds the
- her doorstep

- selections 13 Reception area 43 Throws mud
 - 47 Fill with dismay 48 Laird's
 - daughter 49 Tapes over
 - **Actors Guild** president
 - 58 He switched
 - jobs with Couric for
 - May, 2003 61 Canvas
 - **63** Computer



Edited by Stanley Newman 38 King's realm

40 Southey

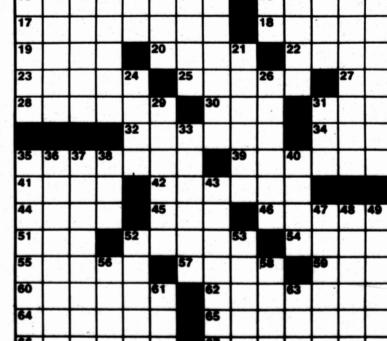
50 Impedes 52 '80's Screen

53 Remove paint **56** Chalet feature

a day in

product

monitor: Abbr. 10 11 12 13 14



RN

- PAID Health Insurance
- * Life Insurance Great Work Environment Paid Mileage

Please come by or mail resume to:

InHome Care, Inc. 1104 Scurry Big Spring, Tx 79720

needed. Fulltime, full benefits, West Tx area, experience preferred but not a must. Will Fax resume to 214-343-4455 attention Earnest Talley.



HOME HEALTH CASE MANAGER **BIG SPRING AREA**

If you enjoy working one on one with your patients, teaching them to care for themselves in the comfort of their home, forming a plan of care that is specific to each patient's needs, then this is the position for you. Our RN Case Managers work a standard 40 hour week and enjoy autonomy and flexibility in their workplace. Some call required. Current Texas RN license required, previous home health with OASIS and supervisory experience preferred. Full time employment with extensive benefits.

We are looking for a reliable, trustworthy individ-

1600 N. Bryan Ave.

Human Resources

806-872-7747 806-872-3935 fax

ual in the Big Spring area to perform nurse aide duties in the home care setting. Experience in caring for elderly preferred. Must provide references.

Medical Arts Hospital

NURSE AIDE BIG SPRING AREA

PRN only.

Lamesa, Texas 79331

ALONUSA

The Alon USA Refinery in Big Spring, Texas has an Operations Trainee position available. Applicants should possess one of the following: (1) 60 hours of college credit (2) completion of a Chemical Process Technician or similar program or (3) five years

of relevant work experience. All new hires will be required to progress through a level certification program and achieve a minimum Level III certification proficiency within two years. Qualified applicants should mail or fax a resume to:

Equal Employment Opportunity - M/F **SPRING CITY AUCTION**

ESTATE AUCTION

C.D. CALVERT ESTATE

acreage, 3 out buildings, trailerhouse used as storage, 1972 Monte Carlo,

1986 Ford Pickup, Massey Ferguson 65 tractor with implements, guns, cast-

iron tubs, propane tanks, aluminum boat, 2 bumperpull travel trailers, bbq on

wheels, trailers, pipe, sheet metal, autoparts, tools, hot tub, televisions, circa

1968 Philippines queen 4-poster bed, armoire, dresser w/mirror, couches,

Alon USA

Human Resources Department

P.O. Box 1311

Big Spring, Texas 79721

Fax # 432-263-9366

Operations Trainee

3902 Gail Highway • Big Spring, Tx. Saturday, June 19 10 am - preview at 8 am House to be auctioned at 12 noon. 4 bedroom, 3 bath brick home, 2 carports,

dinette set, bedroom suites, kitchen cookware, MUCH, MUCH MORE!!! 2 AUCTIONEERS AT ONCE • BRING HELP. VIEW AT springcityauction.com SNACK BAR - ABSOLUTE AUCTION Reserves on real estate and some vehicles

2611 W. HWY. 80 • BIG SPRING, TX. 79720 (432)-263-1831 (432)-213-1284 ★ CONSIGNMENT SALE EVERY THURSDAY 7PM ★

Scott Emerson TAL15051

SPRING CITY AUCTION

263-1831 • 2611 W. Hwy 80

Announcements made sale day supercede prior announcements

Real Estate for Rent BUILDING COMMERCIAL FOR RENT: SUITABLE FOR A VARIETY OF BUSINESSES. 2601 Wasson Road (next to The Design Place). Call Bill D. Brooks (432)263-2900 or (432)267-3251.

FOR RENT 3/2 Mobile Home. Newly remodeled. New carpet and paint, CH/A, fenced yard. Coahoma School District, Call (432)264-0112 after 5 pm. or (432)264-8182.

FOR RENT 7000 Sq. Feet Building with nice office. Also has 2- 14 ft. overhead doors. (432)634-1272 Call 263-6021 or 267-8696.

FOR RENT: 802 Nolan 1/1, utilities included. 1204 Dixie 2/1. 1612 Bluebird 3/1. All \$400.00 a month plus \$300.00 deposit. Call (432)264-9907.

OFFICE/ SHOWROOM. 1800 sq. ft. 1307 B. Gregg St., \$400/month + deposit. Call Westex Auto **Parts** (432)263-5000.

SUNSET RIDGE APTS.

New Management Family Friendly Central A/C Free Cable TV June Special 1 Bdr. \$245.00 2 Bdr. \$295.00 Low Deposit Won't Last! (432)263-2292



Real Estate for Rent

THREE BEDROOM, 1 bath. 4215 Dixon. Call (432)267-3841 or 517-0642.

TWO Bedroom, One bath. Call (432)270-3848 for more

Real Estate for Sale

cordmerr Banker 🖸

Ellen Phillips

Realtors

OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY 2:00-4:00 910 JOHNSON

520 SCOTT

411 N. 5th Street Coahoma. Newly remodeled Interior. 2 Bedroom, 1 bath home with carport and utility room. Appliances included. Located 1 Block from school. A must see! \$18,000. Call (432)714-4003.

COAHOMA 3 Bedroom, 2 bath Beautiful master bath, walk-in closet, appliances, Handicapped porch. Like new MF Home. Land & Home \$42,000. Atlantic. (432)661-5552.

FOR SALE By Owner. Owner financing provided. Low down payment. Low monthly. 3 bedroom, 1 bath, 1 car garage, freshly painted on outside. 1611 Owens. Call Kelly, (432)425-9994.

HILLSIDE PROPERTIES

Homes With Alarm Systems

Rent - Rent-to-Own or Buy With Owner Financing

Swimming Pool - Basketball & Volleyball Courts

Corporate Housing Available

24 Hour Emergency Maintenance

Ponderosa Apartments

A Nice Place For Nice People

•All Utilities Paid

•One Bedroom - 820 sq. ft.

•Two Bedroom One Bath - 1080 sq. ft.

•Two Bedroom Two Bath - 1280 sq. ft.

•Three Bedroom Two Bath - 1800 sq. ft.

Furnished & Unfurnished

1425 E. 6th • 263-6319

1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5, Even 6 Bedrooms Available

Real Estate for Sale

FOR SALE by owner. Owner financing provided. Low down payment & low monthly. 3 bedroom, 1 bath, corner lot. 1500 Kentucky Way. Call Kelly, 432-425-9994.

FOR SALE by owner. Owner financing provided. Low down payment & low monthly. 3 bedroom, 2 bath. 4209 Parkway. Call Kelly at 432-425-9994.

FOR SALE by owner. Owner financing provided. Low down payment & low monthly. 3 bedroom, 1 bath. 1401 Princeton. Call Kelly at 432-425-9994.

GREAT INVESTMENT 1709 Morrison, 3 bdrm, 2 bath. 803 Saunders, Coahoma. 1802 Wallace, 3 bdrm, 11/2 bath. 1404 E 14th. 2503 Larry. To see call Sherri @ Coldwell Bankers @ 432-267-3061 or 270-3709.

Le gustaria ser dueno de su propia casa pues ahora es cuando sin importar su credito le puedo ayudar, con el enganche nos arreglamos a su conviniencia visite 608 Drake, Big Spring, si le gusta esta casa yo se la financeo por 10 anos para mas info. Llame Annette Sanchez (432)413-0549 (432)620-8285.

MUST SELL: Two House's. 800 N. Pine & 701 Wyoming. Plus four lot's to be fixed up. For INFO Call (512)589-2050. Asking Price \$18,999. OBO.

RENT TO Own 2 bedroom, 1 bath, Stucco house, corner lot. 410 S. Bell St. Call Kelly at 432-425-9994.

Barcelona Apartments

1 Bedroom Starting At \$299.00

2 Bedroom Starting At \$379.00

Water - Gas - Cable Paid - No Deposit For Elec.

538 Westover • 263-1252

Phone 263-3461

Real Estate for Sale OWNER WILL FINANCE! 2

and 3 bedroom homes. Just remodeled! Great condition! 1209 Sycamore and 1214 Ridgeroad. LOW DOWN, LOW MONTHLY! Tadlock Realtors (432)580-4883.

LARGE COUNTRY home with 4 + Bedroom and 2 bath. Spacious Living with vaulted ceiling, basement, abundance of and garage/shop parking space. Call Janet @ Home Realtors (432)263-1284 267-4147.

Would you like to own our home but have bad credit or not enough credit I can work with you on the down payment 608 Drake, Big Spring, Call Annette Sanchez (432)413-0549 (432)620-8285 I will Finance you a house for 10 Years.

Services Offered

?? PC NEED A NERD?? PC Died? Sneezing from Viruses? or Just Getting Cranky? Call Me! Quality Work/ Inexpensive. Call (432)264-0531 Rick. (rickf2usa@cox.net)

Vehicles

2004 NISSAN MAXIMAS *1000 Customer Rebate 1.9% APR For 60 mos. Bob Brock Nissan 500 W. 4th 267-7424

2003 FORD Eddie Bauer Expedition. Fully loaded, 15,000 miles. \$29,500.00. (432)264-6114.

88 MERCURY Grand Marquis, fully loaded, 72,000 actual \$3,750.00. miles. 264-6114.

98 Ford F-150 long bed, single cab. 93 Buick Roadmaster, both fully loaded, and new tires. Price negotiable. Come by 309 Washington Blvd to see.

EXTRA CLEAN, runs great; 1992 Buick; \$2500. Can see at 1201 Derrick Rd. or call (432)267-5064.

2 FORD Taurus for sale. Owner will finance. Both run good. For more info. call (432)394-4783 if no answer leave message.

Legals

CITY OF BIG SPRING **PUBLIC HEARING** 5:30 P.M., TUESDAY, JULY 6, 2004 CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS 307 E. 4th. STREET,

BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720 PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE SIGN REGULATIONS

AMENDING ORDINANCE NO 20.01, THE ZONING ORDINANCE BY AMENDING ARTICLE 9, ENTI-TLED "SIGN REGULATIONS", BY ADDING SECTION 9-1 (A) ENTI-TLED, "ABANDONED OR DAM-AGED SIGNS":

The Planning & Zoning Commission will hold a Public Hearing concerning the Proposed Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance for the City of Big Spring, Howard County Texas. Citizens will have the opportunity to express any oral or written comments or mail to Todd Darden, Public Works Director, City of Big Spring, 310 Nolan, Big Texas 79720 or call (432)264-2501

#4248 June 13 & 20, 2004

TEXAS STATEWIDE CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING NETWORK

TexSCAN Week of June 13, 2004 **ADOPTION**

2501 Fairchild

Note: It is illegal to be paid for anything beyond medical and legal expenses in Texas adoption. ADOPTION: BRIGHT FUTURE. Loving, mar-

ried couple, active, educated teachers wish for newborn. Warm, safe, learning home. Endless opportunities for your child. Permitted expenses. Legal/confidential. Contact our adoption attorney Dave Baum, toll-free 1-800-795-2367 AUCTION ABSOLUTE REAL ESTATE AUCTION, Selling

N. of Cortez, CO. 6 acres, home, machine shop, barn. 2 buildings, water rights, horse pasture. Hwy. frontage, not zoned, spectacular views Pacific Auction Exchange: 1-877-612-8494 or www.auction-works.com BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

regardless of price. June 26, 11:07 a.m., 6 miles

1.800. VENDING, 90 MACHINES - \$9,120. The best locations. 1-800-836-3464, 24 hours

AMERICA'S HOTTEST OPPORTUNITY - DOLLAR STORES. Own your own store. Turnkey from \$45,900. DollarServices4.com, 1-800-829-2915.

YOUR BUSINESS - YOUR FUTURE - Step into the 3rd largest industry of the world. Patented Cleaning System. Explosive growth. \$Opportunity\$ - Local market available - \$85k - Jay. 1-800-881-7781, Esporta Wash Systems.

DRIVERS WANTED

DRIVER - NOW EARN MORE! Increase in pay package. Contractors and company needed. Flatbed - refrigerated - tanker. Over-the-road. Some regional. Commercial Driver's License training 1-800-771-6318, www.primeinc.com

Major refrigerated carrier. All 48 states and Canada Students welcome 1 year OTR experience - \$1500 sign-on'-1-800-569-9232. Conwell Corp.

DRIVER TRAINEES. WERNER is hiring experienced and inexperienced drivers NOW! Steady earning potential + benefits. Call Today! 1-800-493-1387

WANTED OWNER/OPERATORS. Immediate openings - Run Texas region - Steady home time- Top percentage pay - \$1000 Sign-on. Ask about our new ATG and other fleets. Call Charlie 1-888-377-7537, Sunco Carriers

EDUCATION

EARN YOUR DEGREE online from home: Business, paralegal, computers, networking and more. Financial aid available, job placement assistance and computers provided. Call 1-866-858-2121, www.TidewaterTechOnline.com

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COOL TRAVEL JOB. Entry level positions, 18+,

no experience necessary, 2 weeks paid training, transportation, lodging provided. \$500 signing bonus to start. TOLL FREE, 1-888-272-2732, Success Express Sales.

FUN+SUN in the USA. Nationwide company has positions immediately available. Travel, work, play across the USA. 2-week paid training. Travel expenses paid. Call Lisa, 1-866-386-6872, Pure

WANTED! QUALIFIED PERSONS to go to college full-time and get paid for it. Call the Texas Army National Guard at www.1-800-Go-Guard.com

FINANCIAL SERVICES

CASH FOR STRUCTURED settlement/annuity payments. It's your money! Get cash now when you need it most. Oldest/best in the business. Settlement Purchasers. 1-877-Money-Me.

GET OUT OF DEBT, reduce interest rates, cut payments, 1-800-863-9006. www.indebt.net

FOR SALE WOLFF TANNING BEDS: Affordable, convenient. Tan at home. Payments from \$29/month. Free color catalog. Call today, 1-888-839-5160.

REAL ESTATE A BARGAIN. 100 acres - \$39,900. Trophy whitetails, rolling hills and draws, great access. Abundant turkey, quail, small game More available. E-Z terms. Texas Land and Ranches, 1-866-899-5263.

NEW MEXICO FIRST time offer. Private ranch, 140 acres \$69,900. Mature tree cover, gorgeous grasslands all at an amezing 7,500 ft. elevation. Mountain views, power and year round roads. Excellent financing. Call NML&R, Inc. 1-888-917-2624

Run Your Ad In TexSCAN!

Statewide Ad North Region Only\$175 101 Newspapers, 381,000 Circulation South Region Only \$175

West Region Only......\$175 To Order: Call This Newspaper,

or call Texas Press Service at 1-800-749-4793 Today!

NOTICE: While most advertisers are reputable, we cannot guarantee products or services advertised. We urge readers to use caution and when in doubt, contact the Texas Attorney General at 1-800-621-0508 or the Federal Trade Commission at 1-877-FTC-HELP. The FTC web site is www.ftc.gov/bizop Call this Newspaper to Advertise Statewide and Regionally or Call 512-477-6755.

Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY JOYCE JILLSON

The auspicious relationship between Venus and Neptune subtly influences our romantic lives. The part of ourselves that we think is so secret is actually obvious to most other people, including the very ones we are hiding it from. The stars hand-deliver invitation to us to admit our weakness. Maybe it's acceptable - and maybe it's adorable.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Celebrate the small stuff, but also know that today's wins are only a glimpse of your bright future. In order to bring a creative endeavor to completion, you may have to give up a piece of the pie for the expertise you need.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Family requests are too numerous to count, but the needs of others have come first for too long. It's time to attend to your own. Regarding your special project, you'll find out all you need to know - just get busy and ask friends.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Maybe something extra isn't what you need. Subtracting from your life brings focus that adding cannot. The happiness you've been searching for is right under your nose. Pricey hobbies will eventually pay for themselves.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You figure out fast what you're comfortable with and what you're not comfortable Rigorously evaluate a family situation. It's either working or not, and it's time to either completely accept or change totally situation.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Those who can keep up with your high energy level will be a great help, but the ones who slack behind could drag you

Legals

CITY OF BIG SPRING CITY COUNCIL **PUBLIC HEARING** 5:30 P.M., TUESDAY. July 13, 2004 CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS 307 E. 4th. STREET, **BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79720**

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE SIGN REGULATIONS

AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 20.01, THE ZONING ORDI-NANCE BY AMENDING ARTICLE 9, ENTITLED "SIGN REGULA-TIONS", AMENDING SECTION 9-1 ENTITLED, PERMITTED USE OF SIGNS BY REPEALING AND DELETING PART (B), ENTITLED "POLITICAL SIGNS"; (2) AMENDING ORDINANCE

NO. 20.01, THE ZONING ORDI-NANCE BY AMENDING ARTICLE 9, ENTITLED "SIGN REGULA-TIONS", AMENDING SECTION 9-3 ENTITLED, MEASUREMENT" "SIGN AREA BY ADDING PART (F), ENTITLED STATE HIGHWAY SIGNS" "INTER-The City Council will hold a Public

Hearing concerning these Proposed Amendments to the Zoning Ordinance for the City of Big Spring, Howard County Texas. Citizens will have the opportunity to express any oral or written comments or mail to Todd Darden, Public Works Director, City of Big Spring, 310 Nolan, Big Spring, 79720 Texas Or (432)264-2501 #4246 June 11 & 13, 2004

NOTICE OF SALE **ABANDONED MOTOR VEHICLE**

In compliance with Article 683.02 Transportation Code. I will proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder on the 16 day of June 2004 all of the following listed Abandoned Motor Vehicles at the described locations and times listed below; 10:00 AM at 1011 N. San Antonio St., Big Spring, Texas. Year: 1977

Make: Chevrolet Model: Van VIN: CGD157U147977 Tag: ZR9743 Year: 1992 Make: Chevrolet Model: Astro VIN: 1GNDM19Z4NB192989

The successful bidder upon payment of the money to this Department is entitled to take possession of the vehicle and apply for title free and clear of all liens and claims of ownership. Dale L. Walker

Sheriff of Howard County By: Deputy Dean Restelli Telephone (432)264-2244 #4243 June 13, 2004

back. Cut people free of their obligation to you, and then, you'll be in a position to accept only

the best support. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). It's a pleasant day, and you'll be balancing duties, family and love with admirable grace. There's still trouble with a difficult person, but find something positive to offer - some credit that's deserved - and the situation gets better.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Frolicking and entertainment are featured! You make an excellent first impression. Material gains are made through friendly associations. Keep secrets no matter how much you want to tell, or the betrayal will ruin something nice.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Extend hospitality to newcomers in the neighborhood. This makes life a lot easier down the line, but it also makes you feel wonderful right now. Tonight's lesson: It is impossible to gain maturity without experience.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). What you projected comes true! Clarity in goals, strategy and tactics is what will energize your efforts. Those who were formerly against you may take your side now. Spice up your love life with an

evening of romance. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Love provides challenge you didn't know you needed. People seem more open to your affection, and you've got plenty to give. You will get it back tenfold. Singles: A new date comes out of the woodwork.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Because you take responsibility for your own decisions, you feel empowered to what you want. Let others run their own show. too. Procrastination leads to a last-minute frenzy; get it

done ahead of time. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Knowing your limits prevents others from crossing the line. Concern over money will soon seem silly — that is, unless you still don't have a plan. If you do, have more faith in your plan. Focus on financial freedom, and you'll get it.

© 2004 JOYCE JILLSON

Legals

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF **PROPOSED TEXAS HIGHWAY**

IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTS Sealed proposals for highway improvement contracts will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

CONSTRUCTION/ MAINTENANCE CONTRACT(S) Dist/ Div: Abilene Contract 0005-05-094 for BRIDGE

REPAIR in HOWARD County will be opened on July 08, 2004 at 1:00 pm at the State Office Plans and specifications are avail-

able for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/ or Dist/ Div Offices listed below. Bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor. NPO: 13332

State Office Constr. /Maint. Division 200 E. Riverside Dr. Austin, Texas 78704 Phone: 512-416-2540 Dist/ Div Office(s) Abilene District Engineer 4250 N. Clack Abilene, Texas 79604-0150

Phone: 325-676-6800 Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TXDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national ori-

#4244 June 13 & 20, 2004