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Stenholm to be here Thursday

U.S. Rep. Charlie Stenholm will be at the Big Spring Vietnam Veterans Memorial at 10 a.m. Thursday to meet with veterans and discuss the issues important to West Texas.

New hours for swimming pool

As area students hit the books once again, the city of Big Spring is making school time adjustments — at the municipal swimming pool.

Beginning Monday, the city's public swimming pool will change to a "weekend style" schedule, and will be open the following dates and times:

- Aug. 21-22, 1 p.m. until 6 p.m.
- Aug. 28-29, 1 p.m. until 6 p.m.
- Sept. 4-6, 1 p.m. until 6 p.m.

The swimming pool will close for the year on Sept. 7.

'The Guys' set on stage Sept. 11

The Howard College Theater Department will be performing "The Guys" by Anne Nelson on Saturday, Sept. 11 to benefit the Big Spring Fire Department.

The play will be in the Municipal Auditorium. Tickets can be bought at the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce office, 215 W. 3rd Street, for \$10.

Proceeds from the performance will be used to purchase new communications equipment for the Big Spring Fire Department.

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More voters grow skeptical of Iraq war effort

By WILL LESTER

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Public opinion favored President Bush's decision to go to war in Iraq about 2-to-1 soon after Saddam Hussein's capture, but months of chaos and casualties have taken a heavy toll on public support for

Now the public is evenly divided on whether the war was the right thing to do or whether it was a mistake.

Among those increasingly skeptical about the war are older people, minorities, people with lower incomes, residents of the Northeast and Catholics, according to

"We had good reason to go based on the evidence at the time, but we've gone in a direction we never intended to go. We've alienated the population."

Associated Press polling.

The shifts in overall public sentiment reflect the difficulties in Iraq _ including a death toll nearing 950 U.S. soldiers, the violent insurgency against the new Iraqi government and U.S. forces and the failure to find weapons of mass destruction, which was among the central justifications for Bush's decision to go to war.

"It was a mistake," said 73-year-old Mil Jenkinson, a retired schoolteacher and a Democrat from Dickinson, N.D. "There were no weapons of mass destruction. I keep thinking it's not our place to rule the world. Everyone does not think our way of life is the right way.

"It's arrogant of us to go into a country and

tell them what kind of government to have." Even among those who maintain their support for going to war, urban battles and roadside bombs have caused a shift in perspec-

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Carmen Campos searches a bee hive for the queen at R. Weaver Apiaries in Navasota, which has switched to more queen bee breeding because of a drop in profits from producing honey. Experts

Expert cautions to avoid bees if at all possible

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

With test results confirming many local residents' fear that Africanized "Killer" bees were responsible for the death of a Luther man, a local beekeeper and expert warns to stay away from the insects.

According to a report released by the Texas Honey Bee ID Lab at Texas A&M University, Johnny Darden, 48, of Luther, was killed by Africanized bees, which have become known as

"killer bees." Marvin Watson, a local bee expert and exterminaresults came as no surprise to him, having had first-hand contact

and as long as that continues. more people in this area tor, said the test are going to get hurt badly."

"So many people try

to get rid of

themselves,

the bees

with the insects that killed Darden on July

"Africanized bees are a lot more aggressive than your native or European bees,' said Watson. "You can't tell the difference between Africanized bees and native bees by looking at them. That's the reason we send them to Texas A&M and let them decide what they are.

"I deal with Africanized bees every day. They're here. They're taking over the bee hives here. The Africanized bees will swarm about five times a year, and your native bees will only about once or twice a year. The

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Spread of Africanized bees in West Texas 'tremendous'

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

Africanized honey bees, also known as "Africanized bees" or "killer bees," are descendants of southern African bees imported to South America in 1956. Brazilian scientists were attempting to breed a honey bee better adapted to the tropics.

Unfortunately, some of the bees escaped quarantine and began breeding with local Brazilian honey bees. Since 1957,



say many of the hives in Texas have been exposed to African bees which are more aggressive.

spring, the Africanized honey bee, have vigorously multiplied extended their range throughout South, Central, and North America at rates fre-

their hybrid off-

miles per year. Because they are highly defen-

pure African bees and intruders more readily than the common European honey bee. they are also known by the popular name "killer bees."

> Howard County Extension Agent Tommy Yeater said the spread of Africanized bees in West Texas has been tremen-

"I'd say about 99 percent of the bee hives in Howard County are quently exceeding 200 made up of Africanized bees," said Yeater. "They're not necessive and will attack perceived sarily the same bees that have

been migrating, but they have been exposed to the African gene."

Yeater said the impact of the "killer bees" on honey production in the county have been minimal.

"We have a few people in the county that produce honey,' said Yeater. "My understanding of it is these Africanized bees have had little or no effect on

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Fiberflex in production, employee status unclear

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

While the hum of production is once again prominent throughout the Fiberflex facility, the status of call backs for the 20-plus people laid off last week is still unclear.

Fiberflex Vice President Steve Morris said the fiberglass-based business was once again up and running Monday morning, but declined to comment on how many of the laid off employees have



returned work. "We're in

the middle of a reorganizational process now," right Morris said. "We're look-

ing at some changes, such as going from three eighthour shifts to two 12-hour

"It's hard to find people who are willing to work in Big Spring. We need people who are willing to

to work ... stay with the company. We have some people that have been with Fiberflex for 25 years."

Morris would not comment on the extent of the "reorganization," which began last week when nearly two dozen employees were sent home.

"We explained to the employees that if the had vacation time, they could take that and still get paid," said Morris shortly after the layoff.

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Ex-state judge, others protest Bible display removal ruling in Houston

former state judge was among hundreds of people at a courthouse protest over a federal jurist's order to remove a Bible display.

John Devine, a former state district judge who aided efforts to refurbish monument that includes the Bible, said Tuesday there's plenty of support for the display. The rally outside the

Harris County Civil Courts Building was to

HOUSTON (AP) — A protest U.S. District Judge Sim Lake's Aug. 10 ruling that the county unconstitutionally endorsed Christianity by allowing the Bible to be displayed. Lake had ordered that the Bible display near the courthouse door be removed.

The county attorney's office is studying whether it should seek court permission to continue displaying the

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BIG SPRIN

Obituaries

Louise Brown

Louise Brown, 98, of Big Spring, died on Tuesday, Aug. 17, 2004, in a local hospital. Funeral services will be held at 3 p.m. Friday, Aug. 20, 2004, at the First Presbyterian Church of Big Spring with the Rev. Matt Miles, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 7 p.m. until 8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

She was born on Nov. 22, 1905, in Cleburne and married Arthur B. Brown on June 5, 1929, in Cleburne. He preceded her in death on Oct. 15, 1988. She was assistant librarian at Howard College for many years and was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Big Spring.

Survivors include her daughter-in-law, Merlene Brown, of Big Spring; three granddaughters; five great grandchildren; three nieces; and three nephews.

She was preceded in death by her son, Melvin A. Brown, her parents and three brothers.

The family suggests memorials to First Presbyterian Church, P.O. Box 2222, Big Spring 79721 or the Presbyterian Children's Home.

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

L.V. Welch II

L.V. Welch II, 30, of Tarzan died Tuesday, Aug. 17, 2004. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Police blotter

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

· CARLOS GONZALES, 24, of 1312 Utah, was arrested Tuesday on local warrants.

 DAVID RAY HENSON, 35, of 2501 Broadway, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

 DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED was reported in the 1200 block of Lancaster.

· ASSAULT/CLASS C was reported in the 200 block of Marcy.

THEFT was reported:

in the 1700 block of FM 700.

- in the 1100 block of Lamesa. - in the 100 block of W. 13th Street.

- in the 1200 block of 11th Place.

 ASSAULT WITH INTENT TO CAUSE BODILY INJURY was reported in the 1900 block of Highway 87. · CRIMINAL MISCHIEF/IMPAIR PUBLIC COM-MUNICATIONS was reported in the 1500 block of

Lincoln. • BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 4200 block of Hamilton.

Lottery

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Tuesday night: Winning numbers drawn: 13-16-29-32-33. Number matching five of five: 0. Next Cash 5 drawing: Wednesday night.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 7-4-6

Support groups

THURSDAY

□ Narcotics Anonymous, non-smoking discussion meeting, 8-9 p.m., at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad.

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

☐ The Fibromyalgia Autoimmune Disease Support Group will meet on the second and fourth Thursday of the month at noon in the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, Call 263-8273 for more information.

☐ Alzheimers Support Group meets at 2 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month at The Texas State Veterans Home, 1809 N. Hwy 87. For more information call Orand Carroll 268-8387.

at 605 Settles. Noon open Big Book study meeting, 8-9 Call Tracey at 263-4948 for more information.

SATURDAY

Open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 615 Settles 8-9 p.m. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m.

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

☐ All widows and widowers are invited to attend the Encourager's Support group meeting at 6 p.m. Aug. 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 □ AA open discussion meeting from noon to 1 p.m. Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, 1005 Birdwell Lane.

Take note

□ BIG SPRING HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY-WIDE PEP RALLY begins at 8 p.m. Monday in the year reunion is set for Oct. 8-9. For information or to 'Ampitheater in Comanche Trail Park.

□ MOSS ELEMENTARY PTA MEETING AND BURGER BASH is set for 6-8 p.m. Aug. 24. Tickets are \$3 and are available during lunch time or call the PTA at 267-4650 or 267-6009.

□ RSVP ICE CREAM SOCIAL is set for 6:30-8 p.m. Thursday in the Dora Roberts Community Center at Comanche Trail Park. All RSVP volunteers and their friends are invited. Please make your reservations by calling 264-2397.

☐ A FUND TO HELP DEFRAY the funeral costs and medical bills of Johnny Darden, a Howard County man who was recently attacked and killed by a swarm of bees, has been set up at State National Bank under account no. 2007126.

□ A FUND FOR CLAY "GOONIE" VICKERS to thelp with expenses for life-threatening surgery has been established at Cosden Federal Credit Union, 264-2600. He is a 2003 graduate of Forsan High School and a Howard College theater student.

□ A SAVINGS ACCOUNT TO BENEFIT LOVE FROM HOME has been established at Citizen's Federal Credit Union. Love From Home is a local effort to provide personal items needed by the soldiers serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom. Contact the credit union at 267-6373 to contribute funds to offset the cost of postage for the packages mailed to the soldiers.

CHRIST'S COMMUNITY CHURCH is looking for infant cars seats to be given to needy families. Call Karen at 263-3517 or the church at 263-5683.

□ MANNA RELIEF, a non-profit ministry that provides glyconutritional supplements to critically ill children, is accepting donations for the program. Call Gene or Robbie Froman at 263-0385.

□ THE BIG SPRING HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1994 10-year reunion is set for October 8-9. For more information, or to update name or mailing address, please call Kendra Carey Willingham at 1-888-820-4911 No. 6414 e-mail BigSpringReunion94@yahoo.com.

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□ BIG SPRING HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1989 15update your name or mailing address, contact Christy Alexander at 972-567-8037 or Shanette Johnson at 972-874-9308.

□ POTTON HOUSE, 200 Gregg, a restored historic 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 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Saturday. An admission fee, which includes entry into the Potton House, is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children.

□ SPRING TABERNACLE CHURCH, 1209 Wright, has free food for the area needy. Distribution is scheduled from 10 a.m. to noon every Thursday.

□ THE MOBILE MEALS PROGRAM, which delivers to the elderly and homebound, needs volunteers to deliver meals. If you can spare one hour per week to deliver eight or 10 meals, you are needed. About 85 to 90 meals are prepared, packaged and delivered to recipients within the city limits of Big Spring. If you can volunteer, please call 263-4016 before 3 p.m.

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

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· Downtown Lions Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane. Line dancing begins at 1 p.m. in the Spring City

Senior Citizen's Center in the Industrial Park. Call

Bulletin board

If you have items for the Bulletin board, contact the

267-6966 or 267-1628. · Duplicate Bridge Club meets at 1 p.m. in the Big

Herald news room at 263-7331 or email

editor@bigspringherald.com

Spring Country Club. · Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie meets at 7 p.m. in the Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third St.

THURSDAY

 Gideon International Big Spring Camp U42060 meets at 7 a.m. in Herman's Restaurant.

· Coffee Club meets at 10 a.m. in Gale's Sweet Shoppe.

· Kiwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane. Call 267-

 Citizen's Police Academy Alumni Association meets at 5:30 p.m. in the RSVP office at 501 Runnels. American Legion Post 506 meets at 6 p.m. Call

263-2084 for more information. · RSVP ice cream social is set for 6:30-8 p.m. Thursday in the Dora Roberts Community Center at Comanche Trail Park. All RSVP volunteers and their friends are invited. Please make your reservations

by calling 264-2397. · Rackley-Swords 379, Vietnam Veterans of America meets at 7 p.m. in the Sparenburg Building, 309 S. Main St.

 Masonic Lodge 1340 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 2101 Lancaster.

 AMBUCS meet at noon in La Posada Restaurant. Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell

 Spring City Senior Citizen's Center country and western dance from 7:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. All area seniors are invited.

· Big Spring Shrine Club meets at 6:30 p.m. at Goliad and First streets for a meal with a meeting to

• Eagles Lodge Dance at 8:30 p.m. at 703 W. Third. Big Spring Squares. Call 267-7043 or 263-6305 for

more information.

 Team Rustic Circle, an amateur paintball team, meets for practice between 3 p.m. 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 268-4721.

• 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. · Evening Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. in La

Posada Restaurant.

Weather

Tonight - Partly to mostly cloudy skies with scattered thunderstorms mainly during the evening. Low 69. Winds SSE at 10 to 15 mph. Chance of rain 40 per-

Thursday - Partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms. High 92. Winds S at 10 to 20 mph. Chance of rain 30 percent.

Thursday night - Partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms. Low 72. Winds SE at 10 to 15 mph. Chance of rain 30 percent.

Friday - Slight chance of a thunderstorm. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the low 70s. Saturday - Partly cloudy, chance of a thunderstorm.

Highs in the low 90s and lows in the upper 60s. Sunday - More sun than clouds. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the low 70s.



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Africanized will go into the bee colonies and simply take over."

Watson summed up what residents should do if they come in contact with a swarm of bees in three simple words leave them alone.

"One of the most important things people can do is simply leave them alone," Watson said sternly. "Call someone that's equipped to deal with

"So many people try to get rid of the bees themselves, and as long as that continues, more people in this area are going to get hurt badly. I have no doubt about that fact.

"I'm very, very careful when I go out to handle these bees." added Watson. "I suit up before I do anything. I look at the situation without the suit on because I can see better, and then I suit up when I know what I want to do. Proper safety equipment is extremely important when dealing with these types of

Watson said the lack of proper safety equipment and tools is what led to the attack on Darden, and his subsequent death.

"Mr. Darden wasn't equipped to handle the bees," said Watson. "Sadly enough, he made a number of mistakes in dealing with the

"There are so many people that want to do it themselves, and that's the worst thing you can do. When there's 20,000 bees flying around, some of

them are going to get you."

Even with the proper safety gear, Watson said he still gets stung from time to time, and it's how you deal with those stings that determines whether or not you survive an attack.

"I still get stung from time time," said Watson. "Sometimes they will get into your equipment. From what I understand happened to Mr. Darden, bees got inside of his makeshift head-protection, and he jerked that thing off, which is the worst thing you can do. Leave it on. One or two are going to sting you, but it's not like being stung by 20,000 of them."

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sheds, porches, crawl

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Because most of the bee

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POLL

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For Jim Adams, a 42-year-old Republican from Plymouth, N.H., the decision to use force in Iraq was right and he still supports Bush, but he says the followthrough in Iraq was lacking.

"I don't think it was a mistake to go there," Adams said. "But we've gone down a slippery slope.

"We had good reason to go based on the evidence at the time, but we've gone in a direction we never intended to go," he said. "We've alienated the population. We wanted the population to embrace our values, and we've done exactly the opposite."

Almost nine in 10 Republicans still say it was the right thing to do. But Democrats and independents lost enthusiasm for the war

during the period since Saddam was captured in December.

Overall, about half in an August AP-Ipsos poll said they think the war in Iraq was the right thing to

About six in 10 feel Bush does not have a clear plan for bringing the Iraq situation to a successful solution, according to a recent Pew Research Center poll.

With Saddam in custody, U.S. military commanders expected, or at least hoped, that Iraqi insurgents would be less inclined to fight. Instead, a flare-up of violence in southern towns in April led to increased combat operations. A cease-fire with one militant group recently fell apart, leading to more clashes in Najaf.

Despite the handover of political power to an Iraqi interim government on June 30, the U.S. forces continue to lead the military fight in Iraq.

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honey production. The African bees produce honey just like the European bees."

The first land-migrating swarm of Africanized bees was detected in the United States on October 15, 1990. These bees were captured in a baited trap Hidalgo. More Africanized Bees were quickly located Brownsville as well. Africanized honey bee colonies were first reported in Arizona and New Mexico in 1993 and Nevada in 1998.

The first California discovery was in October of 1994; one year later more than 8,000 square miles of Imperial, Riverside and northeastern San Diego counties were declared officially colonized.

To date, some 152 counties in Texas, 10 counties in New Mexico, all 15 counties in Arizona, three counties in Nevada, and 12 counties in California have reported Africanized honey bee finds.

The bees reached an apparent climactic limit to their southern range in the middle of Argentina, and their range is expected to be similarly limited to the southern and coastal states in the United States.

They have hybridized to some extent with resident wild and hive populations of European honey bees, also called native honey bees. However, many of the basic African honey bee traits remain, including rapid population growth, frequent swarm-

ing, minimal hoarding of urban habitats. Examples honey, the ability to survive on sparse supplies of trees and rock walls, pollen and nectar, and a highly defensive nature.

Africanized honey bees are more difficult to manage than European honey bees and produce less honey. The businesses of many beekeepers in Latin American countries have failed as a result of Africanization of the native hives.

Africanized honey bees are not expected to have the same impact in the United States because of advanced beekeeping technology and climactic limitations on the spread of the species.

Many authorities have been working on the problem of killer bees in the United States. Two primary solutions have been considered. The first is termed drone-flooding. which involves maintaining large numbers of common honey bees, originally from Europe, in areas where commerciallyreared queen bees mate. This process would limit

queens. The second strategy is requeening frequently, where the beekeeper replaces the queen of the colony, thus assuring that the queens are European honey bees and that mating has also occurred with European drones.

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Africanized

Africanized bees are less selective than our native bees when choosing nesting sites. Many natural and man-made objects have been colonized by Africanized swarms in both rural and Yeater said local residents shouldn't take any chances when it comes to moving or exterminating a hive.

"This isn't something people should try to do themselves," said Yeater. "They need to call an experienced beekeeper or an exterminator. Don't take any chances.'

For a normal, healthy person who is not systematically allergic to receive a deadly dose of bee venom, it would take about 10 stings for each pound of body weight, or 1.500 stings at once for a 150-pound person.

This story was prepared using information from Encarta Encyclopedias, the Smithsonian Institute Encyclopedia and Sting Shield Insect Veil.

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Bible near the courts building while appealing Lake's order.

Ministers and others spoke to about 200 protesters at the rally.

Devine, who helped organize the monument renovation efforts in 1995, said the rally showed that people are "unified together to support God's word in Houston, Texas."

The Houston Area Pastor Council organized the rally.

"We are a nation at war culturally and morally," said Devine.

Harris County officials have until Aug. 24 to remove the book, Lake ruled.

The Star of Hope Mission received permission from the county to erect the monument in 1956 to honor William S. Mosher, a major benefactor of the mission.

Dave Welch, the pastor council's director, said a number of ministers who spoke had urged congregants at services on Sunday to attend the protest.

"The issue is so charged, and the people are really incensed," Welch told the Houston Chronicle in Wednesday's editions. "So we put out the word to stand by your

pastor." Lake ruled that the Bible display unconstitutionally violated the First Amendment's establishment clause, which courts have ruled bars government from establishing or endorsing a religion.

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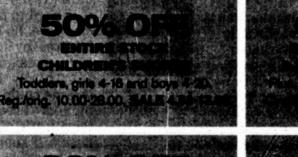
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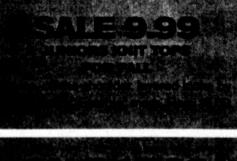
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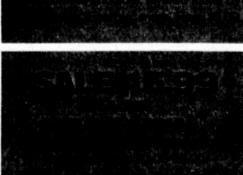
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"For those that didn't have vacation time, there really wasn't anything we could do for them.

"This is all part of a reorganization that's going on within the company. I really can't comment any further on it."

Almost two dozen for-

mer Fiberflex employees applied for unemployment benefits at the Big Workforce Spring Network last week after what one former employee described as "closing the doors" of the Big Spring business.

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BY JAMIE TARA

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OUR VIEWS

Time's running out to get your concert tickets

inal preparations for Friday's performance of the United States Air Force Band of the West Concert Band are now in the process of being made and those planning to attend need to make sure to get their tickets in the next couple of days.

The show, which is sponsored by the Big Spring Herald, is slated for 7 p.m. in the Municipal Auditorium and will feature a plethora of different musical styles, including the Renaissance, Broadway musicals, Sousa marches and Top 40 hits.

The show will provide the public with an excellent opportunity to see a different side of the military. Whle most of us think of the military's role of protecting the nation, we also need to remember it also provides a training ground for musicians and artists. The men and women of the Air Force Concert Band are not only committed to protecting our country, but at the same time the provide us a great deal of enjoyment.

While admission to the concert is free, tickets will be required.

Anyone who wishes to attend can get tickets by coming to the Herald's offices and picking them

The 45-musician ensemble is conducted by Maj. Dean L. Zarmbinski and has won a number of awards over the years.

We look forward to seeing you all at the concert. After all, it will feature music for just about everyone's taste and it's free.

That's what we call a win, win situation.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we be happy today, Lord, just knowing you are there for

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son.

Those girls are twirling plungers!

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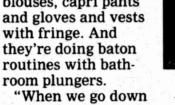
The Plungettes are becoming

well known. There's a waiting list

of potential members. They were

s the parade moves down Main Street, we notice a marching group of ladies in cowgirl regalia, most of them at least middle age. They're prancing and dancing to

music from a huge sound truck in front of them. They're wearing red cowboy hats, boots, bright blouses, capri pants and gloves and vests



the street in a parade

and people see these plungers, you just cannot imagine the looks we get," says Lafon Frydenberg of Kingsland, who handles publicity for the group. "We're such a hit."

There are some good reasons why the group attracts attention. "First of all, we're old women. Most of us are in the prime of our life, 50's, 60's and 70's.'

The group is called The Plungettes. "It's about sixty ladies that

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in the July 4th Parade in San Diego, California. "We've been to Jackson, Miss.

try."

for the Sweet Potato Queen Parade," says Lafon. "That was one of my first big parades. Another biggie for us was the inaugural parade for Governor Rick Perry in January of last

The group started when a member was trying to put together some type of skit for one of the service clubs. She went to the hardware store for inspiration and it came to her in a flash when she spotted the red and blue plumber's friends.

"Plungettes were formed right then and there. She thought it would be neat to use them as batons. We started with five little ladies who did this skit."

They have both summer and winter uniforms in red, white and

"Our sound truck in front of us

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plays the music loud and we have routines we do with the plungers, which have streamers and glitter on them. Most of us are in sync. We're getting pretty professional at it."

They rehearse every M day night.

"The rehearsals are fun. It's good to learn new things and keep in shape, but the real benefit is the togetherness and friendship we all feel."

They were invited to the Anatole Hotel in Dallas last November to perform at the International World Pest Control Convention.

"We didn't know what we were getting into. We worked up two or three routines. It turns out there were about 2,500 people in that room. We were up on stage and did our thing. The crowd clapped their hands to the music and laughed. We got a standing ovation."

The Plungettes are all volunteers. They don't get paid. When they do night time performances, their plungers are lighted.

"We try not to use them at home.'

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Just covering his backside Second, he says he is an adulterer. "Shamefully, I engaged in an adult consensual affair with another man, which violates my bonds of matrimony. It was wrong. It was foolish. It was inexcusable," he says. Inexcusable it

may be — though plenty of people get excused for it — but, again, it is also no reason to resign. Bill Clinton was an adulterer and he didn't resign his office, and today it is hard to find many people who

still care. So I don't think McGreevey's adultery is his reason for resigning.

 Thirdly, McGreevey implies that he could have been blackmailed. "I realize," he says, "the fact of this affair and my own sexuality, if kept secret, leaves me, and most importantly the governor's office, vulnerable to rumors, false allegations and threats of disclosure." But the key words here are "if kept secret." Since

McGreevey revealed the secrets of his sexuality and adultery, he can no longer be blackmailed. So it's no reason to resign.

 Lastly, he indicates the pressure might be too great for him and his family. Sort of. Actually, it is hard to tell what he means by this: "Given the circumstances surrounding the affair and its likely impact upon my family and my ability to govern, I have decided the right course of action is to resign." And that "likely impact" is so severe that he is not going to resign until Nov. 15! What sense does that make? If the pressure is so unbearable and is having so serious an effect on his ability to

immediately? Clearly, something else is going

govern, why doesn't he resign

on here, and none of it looks good. McGreevey's statement tells us everything but the truth. And for those praising McGreevey today for his courage

and candor, would it not have been more courageous and more candid of him to say something like: "I put my lover on the public payroll in a job for which he was not qualified. That was wrong; I am sorry and am resigning immediately.'

But McGreevey did not say anything like that. Instead, he used his sexuality and his family as a smokescreen.

Some will say I am being too tough on him and that what he did must have been terribly painful. But McGreevey only acted because he knew everything was about to become public anyway.

I remember my days as a newspaperman in Chicago when some pol would learn that the media were going to drop a bomb on him and he would rush to hold a press conference to try to muddy the waters. Or a pol would be advised by his lawyer that he was under investigation and the prosecutors might go easier on him if he were a private citizen and not the holder of high office.

So excuse me if I am not heaping praise on McGreevey today. His announcement was no profile in courage. It was just a profile in politics.

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Iraqi National Conference won't send second delegation to Najaf

BY JAMIE TARABAY

Associated Press Writer

BAGHDAD, Iraq Iraq's National Conference refused Wednesday to send a second delegation to the holy city of Najaf to negotiate an end to fighting between U.S. troops and loyalists of radical cleric Muqtada al-Sadr, a day after he rebuffed their demand for a meeting.

Violence continued in the city Wednesday. Conference delegates suggested they were fed up with al-Sadr, believed holed up in the Imam Ali shrine, after their eight man delegation met with his aides Tuesday but never saw the cleric himself.

"If there were anyone sympathizing with him in the past, there will be none from now on because of this stand,' delegate Abdul-Halim al-Ruhaimi said Wednesday.

Iraqi Defense Minister Hazem Shaalan said Iraqi forces were now fully trained for a potential mission to oust militants from the shrine. Speaking to the Arab-language tele-

vision station al-Arabiya, Shaalan said that U.S. forces would not enter the shrine if an operation was carried out.

"There will be no American intervention in this regard. The only American intervention would be aerial protection and also securing some of the roads that lead to the compound. As for entering the compound, it will be 100 percent Iraqis," Shaalan said. "Our sons in the national guard have been trained on the breaking-in operation, which was easy for

them," he said. An 8-member delegation from the conference flew Tuesday to Najaf to convince Muqtada al-Sadr to abandon his uprising. The delegation met the firebrand cleric's aides, but al-Sadr himself failed to show up to meet them.

Al-Sadr aide Ahmed al-Shaibany said the cleric did not show because of the "heavy shelling from the planes and tanks of the U.S. forces."

Sporadic gunfire and explosions were heard in Najaf again Wednesday as

clashes Fighting in Najaf has killed six people and wounded 23 others since Tuesday morning, Hussein Hadi of Najaf General Hospital, said Wednesday. U.S. troops have avoided the shrine for fear of enraging

Shiites worldwide. A rocket slammed into a busy market in the northern city of Mosul on Wednesday, killing five civilians and wounding seven, the U.S. military said. Details, including who fired the rocket, were not immediately known.

In Baghdad, delegates prepared to vote for members of a new NAtional Council. As they did, a mortar round hit the roof of Iraq's Foreign Ministry building Wednesday afternoon, causing no damage injuries, Foreign Minister Hoshyar Zebari told The Associated Press.

The blast shook the convention center where the National Conference was being held inside the heavily fortified Green Zone enclave, which is home to Iraqi government offices and the U.S.

believed the Green Zone was the target.

The Iraqi National Conference, a gathering of more than 1,000 religious, political and civic leaders, was extended a fourth day into Wednesday because of disagreements over how to elect a council that is to act as a watchdog over the interim government until elections

January. The fighting in Najaf, especially near the revered Imam Ali shrine, where al-Sadr's militants are holed up, has angered many among the country's majority Shiite population and cast a pall over the conference, which had been intended to project an image of amity and inclusiveness on the road to democracy.

The conference decided to send an emergency peace delegation to Najaf

continued. Embassy. Zebari said he on Tuesday to try to solve Americans for interrupt the crisis.

> A top conference official said Wednesday the delegation would not return to Najaf.

sented their proposal, the ball is now in his (al-Sadr's) court," the official said on condition of anonymity. He said a new delegation could go to Najaf from the 100-member council after it is established.

The delegation's peace initiative demanded that al-Sadr's Mahdi Army militia disarm, leave the Imam Ali shrine and become a political group in exchange for amnesty. Qais al-Khazali, an al-

Sadr spokesman, welcomed the proposal and said the militants ready to negotiate it, "but there are no peaceful negotiations with the continuous fighting. I blame the

ing the negotiations, because they didn't stop fighting."

The U.S. military said it did not conduct offensive "These delegates will operations during the not go again, they pre- meeting between the delegation and al-Sadr's aides at the shrine.

"We sat still during the entire time on purpose,' said Maj. David Holahan, executive officer of the 1st Battalion, 4th Marine Regiment.

A journalist with the delegation reported that the sound of gunfire and explosions seemed to die down considerably once the group arrived at the shrine compound, which was filled with more than 1,000 young men, chanting and beating their chests. However, more than a dozen outgoing mortar rounds were fired from an area very close to the shrine, apparently by the militants.

U.S. imposing more security as international travel increases WASHINGTON (AP) months. countries must have pass-Starting the end of ports with coding that is

The United States is about to impose new security regulations on international travelers just as the country is experiencing its first increase in such visitors since the Sept. 11 attacks.

Two regulations affecting travelers from 22 European nations, plus Australia, Brunei, Japan, Zealand and Singapore, will be kicking in the next two September, travelers from those countries, known as visa waiver countries. will be fingerprinted and photographed when they enter the United States at major airports and seaports. The United States

required to have visas to enter the country. Starting Oct. 26, all travelers from the visa waiver tries.

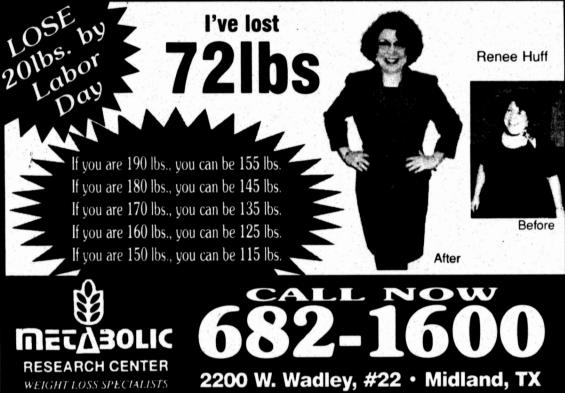
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"That includes children," said Janice Jacobs, deputy assistant secretary of state. "Everyone must have their own passport."

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into the country through the buying and selling of heroin, and government employees who are working with foreign powers to bring our country to its downfall.

The story is so similar to several other current political intrigue novels that it is difficult to define any special unique quality to this tale; however, it is still a strangely compelling story despite its many narrative flaws.

Mark Beamon makes a repeat appearance in Mill's book, returning as an on-the-edge FBI agent who is trying to help a coworker find a rocket launcher recently reported to have been brought into this country.

The rumors of the weaponry and related fears are wreaking havoc with the United States' internal security system, as well as with the populace, whose subsequent paranoia is paralyzing the nation.

In his present employment position within the Justice Department, Mark feels dead-ended and bored, and when an old partner offers him the opportunity to go undercover to investigate possible drug connections between the Mob and Al Qaeda members, the temptation is too great to resist.

During his assignment Mark becomes an associate of Christian Volkov, a successful yet mysterious criminal who is involved in drug trafficking operations. Volkov seems to have unlimited funds, with which he pays Mark generously for work performed; at the same time, the evil Volkov remains safely on the periphery of the operation as he inexplicably directs his world-wide activities.

As Beamon becomes more involved, the FBI refuses to back any of Beamon's plans, but Mark feels compelled, both by loyalty to his fellow operatives and love for his country, to resist any cessation in activities.

While acting as his assumed identity, Mark witnesses the murder of his partner, in addition to other cruelties imposed on innocent persons; these atrocities only strengthen Mark's intense drive for a just resolution.

Mill's novel is technically well-written. He alternates plot speed with character contemplation; this style gives the reader enough



variation in tempo to maintain interest, as well as additional information with which to project possible intent and outcomes.

The plethora of characters that make appearances in the beginning chapters are confusing and almost overwhelming as the reader tries to understand and interpret each one's role within the scheme.

As the story progresses some of these fictional characters appear less frequently which creates several confusing situations, but it leaves fewer people for the reader with which to maintain literary contact. Author Mills' plot is intricate and clever in combining both living and fictional characters in this timely political story; however, the exploits and adventures of the protagonist Mark Beamon are at times so far-fetched that they are completely incredulous

It strains the imagination that a man who should be using extraordinary judgment and wisdom would blatantly reject his superiors' orders and at the same time leaves himself completely open to being murdered.

"Sphere of Influence" is crammed so tightly with suspense that it may keep you interested, but toward the end there seems to be no respite from the tension and it loses the edgy excitement.

Maybe it just depends on how much influence the good guys have...

"Sphere of Influence" by Kyle Mills. Penguin Group, Inc., New York, New York. 2003.

Pat Williams, wife of former "Big Spring Herald" Publisher Chuck Williams, writes this column for the Herald.

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Girl Scouts decorate SANE area at Scenic **Mountain Medical Center**

Special to the Herald

Three Girl Scouts working to earn their Silver and Gold Awards recently decorated the examination room and waiting room in the Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (SANE) area Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

Jennifer Peterson and Tori Bohanon, freshmen attending Big Spring School, High Elizabeth Peterson, a BSHS senior, painted the walls and created a mural, as well as creating and hanging curtains in the area.

The girls also created and displayed decorative items in the area.

The West Texas Girl Scout Council Board President Johnnie Lou Avery, along with board member Kay Hulse, observed the girls while they worked. Laurie Peterson is the

adult leader for the troop. Working with the direction and permission of the hospital, Big Spring Police Department and Victim Services, the girls decorated the areas to provide a warmer and brighter atmosphere in the areas reserved for use by crime victims.



Elizabeth Peterson, left, Torl Bohanon and Jennifer Peterson place a mural on the walls of the SANE are at Scenic **Mountain Medical Center.**

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Girl Scouts Jennifer Peterson, left, Elizabeth Peterson and Tori Bohanon work together to decorate the family waiting room and examination room of the SANE area at Scenic Mountain Medical Center as a project for their Gold and Silver Girl Scout awards.



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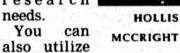
Don't Miss the Veterans Forum Tuesday, August 24 2:00 p.m. Dorothy Garrett Coliseum



Library News

ize it, but school has started and students will be coming to the library to conduct research. The library is resuming winter hours effective Sept.

11, 2004. We will be open from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m., with a reference librarian on hand to assist you with any research needs.



the library at Howard College when we are not open. Their winter hours are Monday-Thursday, 7:30 a.m. until 9 p.m. and are also open Sundays 1-5 p.m.

Teachers, remember that we have access to the TexShare Databases from the Texas State Library Archives and Commission. Anyone can access these databases from home by going to http://www.tsl.state.tx.us/ texshare/pl/; the login is RMN1037 and the password is TX79720. By utilizing these databases at

done much faster. Larry McMurtry and Dianna Ossana have written a fictional account of "Pretty Boy Floyd" (F MCM L). Charley Floyd is a good-looking, sweetsmiling country boy from Oklahoma who is working for Kroger's Bakery in St. Louis.

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His life changes drastically when he commits his first armored car robbery. Charley is a charming young man so it is hard to dislike him, even Palmer; two from Sophie when he is robbing you at Kinsella – "Confessions of closed from noon to 1 p.m. gun point. This book was originally written as a screenplay and gossip has Manhattan;" and a new it that is will soon be made into a major motion picture.

Barbara Kingsolver's first novel "The Bean Trees" is a delight. The unmistakable voice of its irresistible heroine is whimsical, yet deeply insightful. **Feisty** Marietta Greer changes

I know it is hard to real- her name to "Taylor" when her car runs out of gas in Taylorville, Ill.

> By the time she reaches Oklahoma, this strongwilled, young Kentucky native with a quick tongue and an open mind is catapulted into a surprising new life. With a baby that she has named Turtle in hand, Taylor lands in Tucson, Ariz., with two flat tires and decides to stay.

The desert climate, landscape and vegetation are completely foreign to Taylor, and in learning to love Arizona, she also comes face to face with its rattlesnakes and tarantu-Similarly, Taylor finds that motherhood, responsibility and independence are thorny, if welcome, gifts. Evidently this book is being used in some high school reading classes as Amazon has a study guide for it.

Elmer Kelton moves into new territory with "Honor at Daybreak" (W KEL E). Written in 1991. he writes about the oilpatch boom of the 1920s. Caprock was a sleepy cow town until oil was discovered. Loosely based upon Crane, Kelton researches the oil boom, oil drilling techniques and the crime that existed in a freewheeling town.

Even though it is located in the western section, it could just as easily be in fiction. There is no one main character; rather it is about how a town unites to save itself. It is a departure for Kelton, but an excellent book.

More new fiction: "Night Shall Overtake Us" by Kate Saunders; " Renegade" by Dana Shopaholic" "Shopaholics Dorothy one from Garlock, "Song of the

Road." Some new Mysteries: "Hark!" by Ed McBain; "A Fugitive Truth" by Dana Cameron; and Kathy Reichs' "Monday Mourning."

Science Fiction: "A Deepness in the Sky" by County Library.

Vernor Vinger; three of the Oath of the Empire series, Storm of Heaven" by Thomas Harlan; and book five from the Wheel of Time series by Robert Jordan, "The Fires of Heaven.'

I hope that readers of this column do realize that I cannot read all the books that are reviewed. I use Amazon, Booklist and other sources to assist me in writing about new books that the library receives.

A non-fiction book that really caught my eye was "You've Got To Be Kidding: Real Parenting Advice from a Mom and Dad of 19." (248.845 WIL P)

Yes, they really do have 19 kids. It's actually worse than that: a few years ago, 16 of their kids were teen-agers at the same time. Thank heavens they lived to tell the tale and share some of their wisdom in this short book.

Pat Williams, senior vice president of the Orlando Magic basketball team, and his wife, Ruth, a consultant with the Franklin Company, talk about the blessings and burdens of their parenting experience. The book has a strong Christian message woven into its sensible lessons on discipline, decision-making, teaching children responsibility. It is a neat book.

The Howard County Library is open from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. Monday to Friday and beginning Sept. 11, is also open on Saturday from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. The Internet/video room is and closes one-half hour earlier than the library each day.

The library is located at 500 S. Main St.; phone number is 264-2260; Web site is www.howard-county.lib.tx.us; the catalog is online; our e-mail address howardcountylibrary@hotmail.com.

Hollis McCright is the director of the Howard

Volunteers passionate about reading sought

The Retired Senior Volunteer Program and the Big Spring Independent School District are seeking volunteers passionate about literature to read to students for four hours one day per week.

This program is a community effort to work with students to improve reading skills. Volunteers will read to and listen to the students. There is no teaching or discipline involved. This is an opportunity to have fun and make new friends.

The only requirement for RSVP is to be 55 years old or older. RSVP volunteers receive insurance coverage while involved with an RSVP volunteer station.

To become an RSVP volunteer, call Nancy Jones at 264-2397. Anyone younger than 55 who wants to volunteer should contact the school district offices at 264-3600.

CERT training for RSVP volunteers offered

The Retired Senior Volunteer Program is offering CERT Training beginning Sept. 8. There is no charge to attend as all expenses are paid through a grant.

A total of 25 senior citizens will be enrolled in the day program. Participants will be trained in all areas of emergency management, which they can use to assist their families, friends, neighbors and community should a need arise.

The course is taught by the Big Spring Police Department, The Big Spring Fire Department and city emergency managers.

Those completing the course will have a mock emergency drill and receive a certificate of completion.

To register for the class, call RSVP Director Nancy Jones at 264-2397.

2004 Property Tax Rates in Glasscock County

This notice concerns 2004 property tax rates for GLASSCOCK COUNTY. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:	General Fund		
Last year's operating taxes	\$2,011,594		
Last year's debt taxes	\$185,393		
Last year's total taxes	\$2,196,987		
Last year's tax base	\$370,787,011		
Last year's total tax rate	\$.59252/\$100		

This year's effective tax rate:

\$2,195,725 Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost

property) + This year's adjusted tax base

\$427,593,880 (after subtracting value of

new property)

\$.513507/\$100 = This year's effective tax rate for each fund \$.513507/\$100

Total effective tax rate

\$.528913/\$100 x 1.03 = maximum rate unlessunit publishes notices and

holds hearing

This year's rollback tax rate:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal

justice mandate, and/or enhanced

indigent health care expenditures) \$1,946,699 + This year's adjusted tax base \$427,593,880 = This year's effective \$.455268/\$100

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\$.036241/\$100 + This year's debt rate = This year's rollback rate \$.527930/\$100

for each fund.

\$.527930/\$100 This year's total rollback rate **Statement of Increase/Decrease**

If Glasscock County adopts a 2004 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$.513507 per \$100 of value, taxes would decrease compared to 2003 taxes by \$284.

Schedule A - Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund General Fund

Balance \$495,000

Schedule B - 2004 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

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This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at the Glasscock County Tax Assessor/Collector's

Name of person preparing this notice Royce Pruit Title Glasscock County Tax Assessor/Collector

Date prepared August 11, 2004

Are you attending Rock the Desert? Contact Marsha at 263-7331 or e-mail life@bigspringherald.com



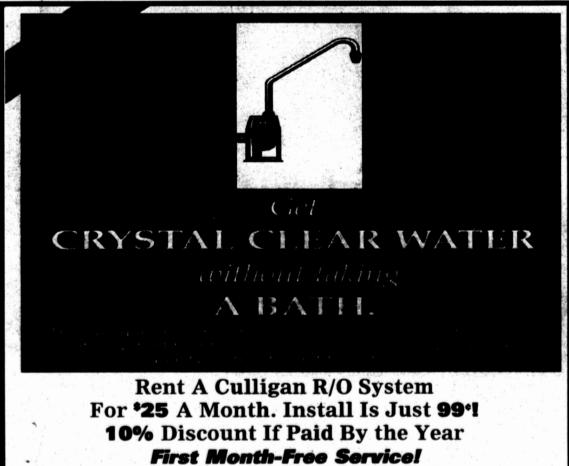
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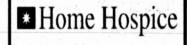
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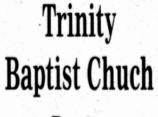
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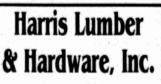
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BSISD sets football season ticket dates

Big Spring ISD has scheduled its dates for football season ticket sales.

The general public may purchase season tickets at the Athletic Training Center through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. (closed noon to 1 p.m.). However, all Friday sales are from 8 a.m. to noon only.

For questions, call Kay Cook at 264-3662.

Howard College opens booth at fair

The athletic department at Howard College will have a booth set-up at the Howard County Fair Aug. 25-28.

The booth will be used to promote the Hawk Flight Club and to begin the selling of athletic season tickets.

They will be at the fair from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. Aug. 25-27 and from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Aug. 28.

BSYFL and Cowboys to host competition

The Big Spring Youth Football League and the Dallas Cowboys will be hosting the local Pepsi/NFL punt, pass and kick competition Saturday, at the field north of the ATC.

registration The starts at 8 a.m. and the contest is free to boys and girls 8-15.

For more info, contact George Lopez at 264-7313 or by e-mail at BSYFL@msn.com.

Howard College sets cheer camp dates

Howard College's cheer camp for first through sixth graders will be held Aug. 28 at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

Registration for the event will begin at 8 a.m. and the Dance and Cheer class starts at 9 a.m. The cost is \$25.

For more information, contact Linda Berry at 264-5024.

Coahoma sets "meet the Bulldogs night"

The Coahoma Athletic Booster Club would like to invite fans to have ice cream and meet the Bulldogs football and cross country teams, as well as the cheerleaders and Big Red Band for the 2004-2005 season.

The event will take place Monday at 7 p.m. at the high school.

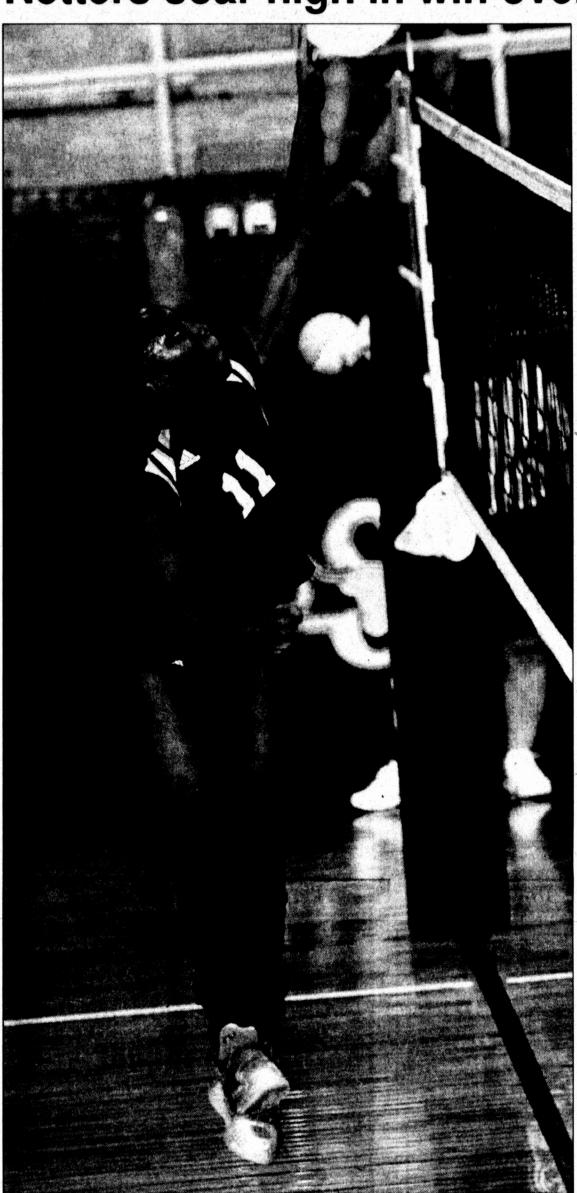
Lady Steer Booster Club sets meeting

The Lady Steers Booster Club will meet at 6 p.m. tonight in the ATC.

All parents of girls involved in volleyball, basketball, track and cheerleading encouraged to attend.

For more information, contact Janet Abner at 466-1711.

Netters soar high in win over Midland Christian



Big Spring junior Carmen Lewis gets up high for the kill during the Lady Steers' three-game loss to Midland High Tuesday night in the Steer gym. Before losing to Midland High, Big Spring took out Midland Christian in four games.

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor

Big Spring's tough predistrict schedule on the volleyball court did not get any easier Tuesday night, but the Lady Steers managed to record a win against Midland Christian before losing to Midland High to close out the night.

With the split, the Lady Steers are now 3-3 on the

"The girls are physically tired right now," said head coach Revis Daggett. "Given that, I think they are playing exceptionally well.

"We are just making newcomer mistakes. The kids have to do a better job of adjusting to the speed of the game.

Big Spring defeated Midland Christian in four games by scores of 25-18, 17-25, 25-20 and 25-17.

"I was pleased last night with our play," said Daggett, "and our defense is getting better, but we

need to work a little harder still."

The Lady Steers led Midland High in both games one and two, but failed to win either one and lost the match in straight sets by scores of 22-25, 20-25 and 19-25.

The lead covered four points in game one and the Lady Steers led by as many as six points in game two.

"We have to learn to finish when we are in the driver's seat," said Daggett. "When we get a lead the team starts to play uptight and then we become error prone.

"We need to play to win every single game, but last night we played not to lose at times," she added. "I can live with that for now simply because we can fix the problem easily.'

Big Spring's next competition takes place this Thursday, Friday and Saturday at a Monahans Tournament.



HERALD photo/Troy Hyde Big Spring senior Kendal Adams sets up the ball for a teammate against MIdland High Tuesday.

Big Spring starts season with home victory over Sweetwater

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor Big Spring's tennis team opened up team competition Tuesday afternoon at home against Sweetwater. And even though the team won 12-7, head coach Sarah Corse was not totally pleased with the effort of her squad.

"I was happy to get the win, but we have lots of work to do before we try to get back on top of our district," said Corse.

Big Spring started off the competition by cruising through the doubles portion of the match, winning 6-1 overall. The team's only loss came in mixed doubles.

"We started off really well in doubles and really dominated," said Corse, "but it just seemed like that 10th match took forever to get. I think the kids coasted and took some time off when we got the lead."

Every doubles match played was won in straight sets by

HERALD photo/Troy Hyde

Big Spring senior Jason Vela hits a return shot to one of his

opponents from Sweetwater Tuesday afternoon during dou-

bles competition at the Figure Seven Tennis Center inside

of Comanche Trail Park.

Seniors Nick Rivera and Nick Paredez won their match 6-2 and 6-2, while sopho-

more Roshan Shroff n d senior Islas won 6-3

6-1. and The other RODRIGUEZ boy's doubles match was won by senior Jason Villa and sophomore Bryan Juan. They won easily 6-1 and 6-1.

Seniors Veronica Villarreal and Jessica

Rodriguez won their doubles match in straight sets 6-1 and 6-2. Also winning in straight sets on the girls doubles side were juniors Natasha Neighbors and Jamie Jordan as well as senior Alex Gariepy and sophomore Reinhilde Robinson

The problem Big Spring ran into, however, came in boy's singles as only two of the six competitors came away with wins.

Paredez and Villa both won their matches in straight sets. Paredez won 6-0 and 6-0, while Villa took care of his opponent

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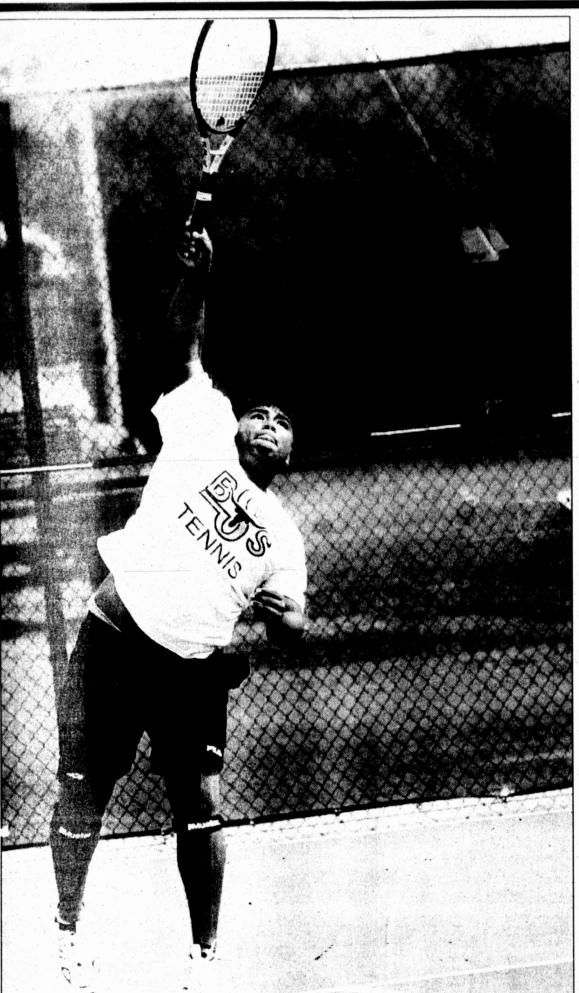
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Big Spring senior Nick Rivera smacks a serve during his doubles match against Sweetwater Tuesday at Figure Seven Tennis Center inside Comanche Trail Park. Rivera partnered with fellow senior Nick Paredez

Cuban grabs rebounder in Dampier from Golden State

By JANIE McCAULEY AP Sports Writer

OAKLAND, Calif. Warriors Mavericks are close to completing a five-player trade that would bring forwards Eduardo Najera and Christian Laettner to Golden State and send centers Erick Dampier, Evan Eschineyer and guard Dan Dickau to Dallas, an NBA source aware of the negotiations told The Associated Press Tuesday.

Dampier ranked fourth in the league in rebounding and seventh with 42 double-doubles.

The 30-year-old Dampier averaged a double-double with 12.3 points and 12.0 rebounds while also blocking 1.85 shots in 32.5 minutes per

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7-6 and 6-3. But, Big Spring's top two seeded boys both lost as Shroff was defeated 3-6 and 2-6, while Rivera was ousted in three sets 6-7, 6-3 and 5-7.

"I was not expecting my number one and number two boys to lose yesterday," said Corse.

Juan and Islas lost on the boys side, as well.

Big Spring recorded four wins in the girls singles portion as its top four seeded players took care of business.

Villarreal, who has been the number one seeded girl for four straight years now, won her singles match easily 6-2 and 6-2, while secondseeded Gariepy took care of her rival 6-2 and 6-3.

Rodriguez, who is the team's third-seed, won her match 6-0 and 6-4 and fourth-seeded Robinson came away with a tough three set win 4-6, 6-1 and

"She had a tough match, but came through for us and I was pleased with her performance," said Corse. Neighbors lost her sin-

gles match in three sets, while Jordan fell in two sets 2-6 and 3-6.

"At least I now know where we are at after this match, and it is clear that we have to better ourselves," said Corse.

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TO: MARISA COLLINS, 232 ELM AVENUE, CLOVIS, CA 93612, Defendant, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten o'clock A.M. of the Monday next after the expiration of 42 days after the date of issuance of this ciday of August, 2004, before the Honorable 118th District Court of Howard County, Texas at the Court House of said County in Big Spring Texas. Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court on the 3RD day of APRIL, A.D. 2003, in the case, numbered 42864 on the docket of said court, and styled, MUTUAL FI-WASHINGTON NANCE, LP

MATTHEW N. COLLINS AND MA-RISA COLLINS. #4298 August 11, 18, 25 & September 1, 2004.

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NOTICE OF ELECTION

TO THE RESIDENT, QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF FORSAN INDE-PENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

TAKE NOTICE that an election will be held in the Forsan School District as provided in an election order duly passed by the Board of Trustees of the District, which order is substantially as follows:

ORDER CALLING AN ELECTION

STATE OF TEXAS § HOWARD AND MITCHELL COUNTIES § INDEPENDENT FORSAN SCHOOL DISTRICTS

WHEREAS, this Board of Trustees of Forsan Independent School District (the "District") deems it advisable to call the election hereinafter ordered; and

WHEREAS; it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Order was adopted was open to the public, and public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given all as required by the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF TURSTEES FORSAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

1. That an election shall be held between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M. on September 11, 2004 in the District at the regular election precincts of the District, at the polling places, as follows:

Pollings Place No. 1, for those person residing in the District in Howard County election precincts 303 and 304:

Elbow Elementary School 5001 Nichols Road

and the following election officers are hereby appointed to hold said election at Polling Place No. 1:

Presiding Judge: Helen Kendrick

Alternate Presiding Judge: Kim Ballard

Polling Place No. 2, for those persons residing in the District and in Mitchell County and Howard County election precincts 205 and

Forsan Junior Senior High School 411 West 6th Street Forsan, Texas

and the following election officers are hereby appointed to hold said election at Polling Place No. 2:

Presiding Judge: Loretta Yarbrough

Alternate Presiding Judge Mary Gressett

The Presiding Judge shall appoint not less than two nor more than five qualified election clerks to serve and assist in conducting the election; provided that if the Presiding Judge actually serves as expected, the Alternate Presiding Judge shall be one of such clerks.

In accordance with Chapter Texas Election Code, as amended, early voting by personal appearance at a temporary branch polling place shall be conducted at the time, and be available for any resident of the District, as follows:

August 27, 2004 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. Polling Place Forsan Independent School District Administration Building 411 West 6th Street Forsan, Texas 79733

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4. Early voting shall be conducted by personal appearance and by

Forsan Independent School District Administration Building Forsan Junior Senior High School 411 West 6th Street Forsan, Texas 79733

and during the period early voting is required or permitted by law, being August 25, 2004, through September 7, 2004, the hours designated for early voting by personal appearance shall be from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. on each day except Saturdays, Sundays, and legal state holidays; and the early voting clerk shall keep the early voting place open during such hours for early voting by personal appearance. The early voting clerks for the election shall be Judy Park and Dianna Walker

An early voting ballot board is hereby created to process early results, and Loretta Yárbrough is hereby appointed as the presiding judge of the board. The presiding judge shall appointed at least two other members of the board

Legals

All resident, qualified electors of the District shall be entitled to vote at the election.

A substantial copy of this Order shall serve as proper Notice of the election, and the President of the Board of Trustees shall cause the Notice to be published one time, not earlier than the 30th day or later than the 10th day prior to the date set for the election, in a newspaper published in the District or, if none is published in the District, in a newspaper of general circulation in the District. In addition, not later than the 21st day prior to the date set for the election. the President of the Board of Trustees shall cause the Notice to be posted on the bulletin board used for posting notices of meetings of the Board of Trustees.

At the election the following PROPOSITION shall be submitted in accordance with law:

PROPOSITION

Shall the Board of Trustees of the Forsan Independent School District be authorized to issue the bonds of the District, in one or more series, in the aggregate principal amount of \$4,900,000, for the purpose of the construction, renovation and equipment of school buildings in the District, and to acquire school sites and purchase new school buses; with the bonds to mature. bear interest, and be issued and sold in accordance with law at the time of issuance; and shall the Board of Trustees be authorized to levy and pledge, and cause to be assessed and collected, annual ad valorem taxes, on all taxable property in the District, sufficient, without limit as to rate or amount, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds?

The official ballots for the election shall be prepared in accordance with the Texas Election Code so as to permit the electors to vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" the aforesaid PROPOSITION with the ballots to contain such provisions. markings and language as required by law, and with such PROPOSI-TION to be expressed substantially as follows:

PROPOSITION

Against

For

THE ISSUANCE OF \$4,900,000 OF BONDS FOR THE CON-STRUCTION, RENOVATION AND EQUIPMENT OF SCHOOL BUILD-INGS AND THE PURCHASE OF SCHOOL SITES AND SCHOOL BUSES FOR FORSAN INDE-PENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AND LEVYING THE TAX IN PAY-MENT OF SUCH BONDS

In all respects, the election shall be conducted in accordance with the Texas Election Code.

AVISO DE ELECCION

AL RESIDENT, ELECTOR CALI-FICADO DEL DISTRICTO ESCO-LAR INDEPENIENTE DE FOR-SAN

SE LES HACE SABER que se llevara a cabo una eleccion en el Distrito Escolar Independiente de Forsan como se estipula en una ordenanza de eleccion debidamente aprobada por la Junta de Directores de Distrito, cuya ordenanza es substancialmente como sigue

ORDENANZA LLAMANDA **UNA ELECCION** EL ESTADO DE TEXAS CONDADOS DE HOWARD Y MITCHELL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE FORSAN &

VISTO QUE, esta Junta de Directores del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Forsan (el "Distrito") juzga aconsejable llamar la eleccion agui adelante ordenada; y

VISTA QUE, por este medio oficialmente se encuentra y se determina que la reunion en cual se aprobo esta Ordenanza fue abierta al publico, y aviso publico de la hora, lugar y proposito de dicha reunion fue dado, todo como estipulado por el Codigo de Gobierno de Texas,

POR CONSIGUIENTE, ESTA ORDENADO POR LA JUNTA DE DIRECTORES DEL DISTRITO ES-INDEPENDIENTE DE COLAR FORSAN:

1. Que se llevara a cabo una eleccion entre las horas de las 7:00 de la manana y las 7:00 de la noche el 11 de septiembre de 2004, en el Distrito, en los recintos regulares de eleccion del Distrito, en los lugares de votos como siguen:

Lugar de Votos Num. 1. para esas personas residiendo en el Distrito, en el Condado de Howard, en los recintos electorales 303 y

Elbow Elementary School 5001 Nichols Road Elbow, Texas

y los siguientes oficiales electorales estan por este medio nombrados para llevar a cado dicha eleccion en el Lugar de Votos Num. 1: Juez Actual: Helen Kendrick

Juez Actual Suplente: Kim Ballard Lugar de Votos Num. 2, para esas personas residiendo en el Distrito y en el Condado de Mitchell y en el Condado de Howard en los recintos electorales de 205 y 208: Forsan Junior Senior High School

411 W. 6th Street Forsan, Texas

y los siguientes oficiales electorales estan por este medio nombrados para llevar a cabo dicha en el Lugar de Votos eleccion

Juez Actual: Loretta Yarbrough Actual Suplente:

Legals

Gressett 2. El Juez Actual nombrara no menos que dos ni mas que cinco oficiales calificados de eleccion para servir y asistir en el conducto de la eleccion; con tal que si el Juez Actual actualmente desempene sus funciones, entonces el Juez Actual Suplente debera ser uno de tales oficiales.

3. En conforme con Capitulo 85, Codigo de Eleccion de Texas, como enmendado, se llevaran a cabo al mismo tiempo los primeros votos hechos en persona en un lugar de votos temporaneo sucursal, y sera disponible para cualquier residente del Distrito, como Fecha

27 de agosto de 2004 Hora

6:00 a las 8:00 de la noche Lugar de Votos Forsan Independent School District **Administration Building**

411 W. 6th Street Forsan, Texas 79733 Fecha 31 de agosto de 2004

Hora 7:00 a las 8:00 de la noche Lugar de Votos Forsan Independent School District

Administration Building 411 W. 6th. Street Forsan, Texas 79733 Fecha 2 de septiembre de 2004

Hora 6:00 a las 8:00 de la noche Lugar de Votos Elbow Elementary School

5001 Nichols Road Elbow, Texas 4. Se llevaran a cabo los primeros votos hechos en persona y por correo en

Forsan Independent School District Administration Building Forsan Junior Senior High School 411 W. 6th Street Forsan, Texas 79703

y durante el tiempo en que los primeros votos son exigidos o permitidos por la ley, siendo el 25 de agosto de 2004, hasta el fin del 7 de septiembre de 2004, las horas designadas para los primeros votos hechos en persona seran desde las 8:00 de la manana a las 4:00 de la tarde cada dia con excepto de los sabados, domingos y dias feriados legales del estado, y el oficial de los primeros votos mantendra dicho lugar de los primeros votos abierto durante dichas horas para los primeros votos hechos en persona. Los oficiales para la eleccion de los primeros votos seran Judy Park y Dianna

Walker. 5. Por este medio se nombrara una junta de las primeras balotas para el registro de los resultados de los primeros votos, y Loretta Yarbrough esta por este por medio nombrada juez actual de dicha junta. El juez actual nombrara no menos que dos otros miembros de la junta 6. Todo residente, elector califi-

cado del Distrito tendra el derecho de votar en dicha eleccion.

7. Una copia substancial de esta Ordenanza servira como Aviso propio de la eleccion, y el Presidente de la Junta de Directores causara que se publicado dicho Aviso una vez, no mas que 30 dias no menos que 10 dias antes de la fecha fijada para la eleccion, en un periodico publicado en el Distrito o, se no se publicado uno en el Distrito, en un periodico de circulacion general en el Distrito. Adicionalmente no menos que 21 dias antes de la fecha fijada para la eleccion, el Presidente de la Junta de Directores causara que se fije dicho Aviso en el tablon usado para el fijo de anuncios de las reuniones de la Junta de Directores. 8. En la eleccion se presentara la

siguiente PROPOSICION de acuerdo con la lev: **PROPOSICION**

Se debera autorizar a la Junta de Directores del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Forsan a emitir los bonos del Distrito, en una o mas series, en la cantidad agregada principal de \$4,900,000, con el fin de construccion, renovacion equipo de edificios escolares en el Distrito y adquirir sitios escolares y comprar autobuses escolares nuevos; con los bonos a bvencer, devengar interes y ser emitidos y vendidos de acuerdo con la ley a tiempo de emision; y se debera autorizar a la Junta de Directores a gravar y a empenar, y dar causa de avalorar y recaudar, impuestos ad valorem anuales, sobre todos los bienes imponibles en el Distrito. suficiente, sin limite a tasa o cantidad, para pagar el principal y el interes de los bonos?

9. Se prepararan las balotas oficiales para dicha eleccion de acuerdo con el Codigo de Eleccion de Texas para asi permitir a los electores votar "A FAVOP" J "EN CON-TRA" dicha PhoroSicion, y que las balotas contengan dichas es tipulaciones, marcas y terminologia como estipuladas por la ley, y que se exprese dicha PROPOSICION substancialmente como sigue:

A FAVOR **PROPOSICION**

LA EMISION DE E BONOS DE \$4,900,000 PARA CONSTRUC-CION, RENOVACION Y EQUIPO DE EDIFICIOS ESCOLARES Y LA COMPRA DE SITIOS ESCO-LARES Y AUTOBUSES ESCO LARES PARA EL DISTRITO ES INDEPENDIENTE DE COLAR FORSAN Y EL GRAVAMEN DEL IMPUESTO EN PAGO DE DI-**CHOS BONOS EN CONTRA**

10. En todo respeto, se llevara a cabo dicha eleccion de acuerdo con el Codigo de Eleccion de #4303 August 18, 2004

Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY JOYCE JILLSON

We're in the thick of a cosmic pattern called the mystic rectangle, which features out-

of-the-blue occurrences that must be experienced to be believed. The unpre-

dictable nature this aspect could go either way — you could 🖣



JILLSON

be pleased by happy surprises or completely caught off guard and annoyed. Take on an overwhelmingly positive attitude.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). To implement your plans, you must get connected. You've got no idea who can help and who can't until you put the word out. Those in the know can educate you in one conversation, whereas show-offs waste hours of your time.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). It's difficult to keep a sunny attitude until you're sure that legal and financial details are handled. Keep the proper perspective. If you can actually enjoy your life during this transition, you're highly evolved!

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Success depends on promoting yourself. This can be done in a subtle

sen words. You don't have to push. Create a mystery, and then, let others lead the way with their ques-

tions. CANCER (June 22-July 22). Usually, you're able to hide emotions under that hard shell of yours, but today, you're nearly transparent. Since your feelings are obvious to others whether you want them to be or not, you may as well speak your heart.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Before you let a relationship drift into the land of serious commitment, consider your needs at this point in your life and how the other person fits into the picture. Try not to make any decision unconsciously. This is a challenge.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Normally a reasonable person, you're flirting with disaster today. You may be fascinated by someone who is unavailable — a downright dangerous choice. Allow yourself the thrill of fantasy, but by all means, don't get involved.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You're presented with just the opportunity your bank account needs. But if you don't think you'll enjoy the work, don't say "ves." You could be put on the spot tonight, but at least you don't have time to get nervous.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. way through self-confi- 21). Questions of integrity a relationship, it's just dence and a few well-cho-surface, and you do right.

what's honorable. You'll get what you project now the universe is extremely fair. At work, pause and deal directly with what bothers you instead of going on in

spite of it. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). There's plenty of give and take in a relationship. Many practicalities are being handled beautifully, but a logical love affair could never keep your attention for long. Without romance, a relationship becomes a bore.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). When you resist what's going on around you, you cause stress. Be loose. When people feel comfortable in your presence, the resolution of problems is effortless. Friendships worth keeping may require you to say you're sorry.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You'll be finetuning your skills. The best and most fulfilling way to accomplish this is to teach others. You could even stumble upon a new source of income in the process. You're a naturalborn instructor!

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). There are limits to what you're willing to do in relationships. Your freedom is precious, and the need to spread your wings is stronger now. If you still feel autonomous within the boundaries of

Annie's Mailbox ®

Dear Annie: When I met my ex-wife, she had a 7-month-old beautiful baby. "Maddie" thinks I am her father. When Maddie was old enough to ask why her last name was different, her mother told her it was because we were not yet married when she was born. She is 11 now.

My ex and I had two children together. 'Johnny," now 8, and "Susie," now 5. Because Maddie is not biologically mine, it was determined during the divorce mediation that I was not financially responsible for her in any way, yet her mother insists she be included in my visitation with Johnny and Susie.

Here's the problem: The custody agreement says Johnny and Susie stay with me for seven days, then they stay with their mother. I pay child support for Johnny and Susie, but I also buy clothes and food for Maddie when she is with me. This seems unfair.

My attorney told me there was no way for me to demand child support for Maddie, since she is not biologically mine. If I ask her mother to start giving me money, I know she will refuse. My only other option is to stop including Maddie during visitation with the other two children. How can I do this without making a huge mess and destroying all the children's lives? — Struggling in the Midwest Dear Struggling: Please,

please, do not abandon Maddie. You are the only father she has ever known. If she were your biological child, you would be paying child support as well as providing food and clothing when she visits. We think you are getting a bargain a loving child for half the cost.

We know this seems unfair to you, but we believe it's worth, it. Perhaps you could suggest to your ex-wife that she ask for child support from Maddie's biological father and give some of that to you for the girl's upkeep. Maddie eventually may learn about her



KATHY MITCHELL MARCY SUGAR

paternity, but it is important that she knows YOU love her regardless.

Dear Annie: I work in a hospital as an RN. Would you please print my list of helpful "hospital etiquette" when people visit friends and family members?

If you are sick, stay home.

Wash your hands when you enter a patient's room.

Stay off the bed. Do not smoke before you visit. The smoke lingers on clothing.

Don't wear heavy cologne. It makes it hard for the patient to breathe. Don't bring small children and camp out with them at your loved one's

bedside. This is not a daycare center. Don't send huge plants, baskets of fruit, etc. Someone has to carry that stuff home. Send it to the patient's house. Better yet, fix a meal for them, run errands, or offer to stay at their home so

do needed errands. If there are more visitors than chairs, maybe this is not the best time to visit.

other family members can

Your loved ones are in the hospital because they are ill. Allow them to get all the professional care they need to get better and be able to go home. — Hays, Kan.

Dear Hays: Your suggestions are good ones. Thanks for writing.

Dear Annie: If a woman was recently exposed to condyloma acuminatum (a form of genital warts), is there a treatment to stop the virus before it gets established? I had

this condition for two months but have now been treated. — Ralph

Dear Ralph: According to the American Social Health Association (ashastd.org), current available treatments are not designed to prevent the virus from becoming established, although new vaccines are being developed.

Dear Annie: All my life I have fought the urge to lie. We are not talking about little lies. I mean whoppers. Some of my lies have had a horrible effect on others. As a child, I was taught the consequences of lying, but it never stopped me.

I do not want to seek counseling, because I'm afraid this will lead to more lying — to my family about receiving therapy, and to my therapist about everything. I am 28 years old, and it's reached the point where I sometimes cannot tell the difference between the truth and a lie. Please help me.

 Lying in Canada Dear Lying: Many people lie to protect themselves or to bolster their ego, but when the lying becomes compulsive, and for no particular purpose, it means you need psychotherapy and possibly medication. Chronic lying is often a sign of antisocial personality disorder.

Recognizing the problem is the first step. You've done that. Now talk to your doctor and ask for a referral to a therapist. Make appointment and GO. You can worry about what you will tell your family later. Good luck.

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YEAH, CALENDARS ARE LIKE REALLY SLOW CLOCKS."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"I wonder if the angels ever play connect-the-stars.'

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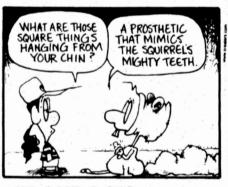
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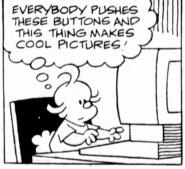
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This Date In History

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Aug. 18, the 231st day of 2004. There are 135 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On August 18, 1983, Hurricane Alicia slammed into the Texas coast, leaving 22 dead and causing more than \$1 billion worth of damage.

On this date:

In 1587, Virginia Dare became the first child of English parents to be born on American son, on what is now Roanoke Island, N.C. In 1846, U.S. forces led by Gen. Stephen W. Kearney captured Santa Fe. N.M.

In 1894, Congress estab-Bureau of lished the Immigration.

In 1914, President Wilson issued his "Proclamation of Neutrality," aimed at keeping the United States out of World War I.

1920, In Tennessee became the 36th state to ratify the 19th Amendment to the Constitution, which guaranteed the right of all American women to vote.

1938, President In Franklin D. Roosevelt dedicated the Thousand Islands Bridge connecting the United States and Canada.

In 1954, 50 years ago, during the Eisenhower administration, Assistant Secretary of Labor James E. Wilkins became the first black to attend a meeting of a president's Cabinet as he sat in for Labor Secretary James P. Mitchell.

In 1958, the novel "Lolita" by Vladimir Nabokov was

published. In 1963, James Meredith became the first black to

graduate from University of Mississippi. In 1982, for the first time, volume on the New York Stock exchange topped the 100 million level as 132.69

million shares were traded. Ten years ago: Florida Gov. Lawton Chiles declared an immigration emergency and demanded federal help to cope with the largest surge of Cuban refugees since the 1980 Mariel boatlift.

Today's Birthdays: Secretary Former Defense Caspar Weinberger is 87. Actress Shelley Winters is 84. Former First Lady Rosalynn Carter is 77. Movie director Roman Polanski is 71. Actor Robert Redford is 67. Singer Johnny Preston is 65. Actor Christopher Jones is 63. Actor Henry G. Sanders is 62. Actor-comedian Martin Mull is 61. Singer Nona Hendryx is 59. Actor Patrick Swayze is 52.



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