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BRIEFLY

MDA Telethon set Monday at the mall

Local celebrity Johnnie Lou Avery will team with Channel 9's Cliff Voake in live broadcasts Monday from the Big Spring Mall for the Muscular Dystrophy Telethon. Residents are invited to come to the mall and take part, or watch on television.

Howard College athletes will be donating their time at the mall, manning the telephone lines. Local phone numbers are 213-0158, 213-0159, 213-0160 and 213-0161.

The show will be held all day Labor Day, beginning when Channel 9 cuts in at the mall between 9 a.m. and 10 a.m.

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19th Congressional District candidates set debates

Herald Staff Report

The debates are on... just not in Big Spring. Political candidates vying for the 19th Congressional District seat have agreed on dates, format and guidelines for two debates that will take place before the Nov. 2 election.

Congressmen Charles Stenholm, D-Abilene, Randy Neugebauer, R-Lubbock, and Chip Peterson, Libertarian will debate on Oct. 5 and Oct. 12. The debates will take place in Lubbock and Abilene, but no decision has been made as to which city will host the first debate.

Originally, the two congressmen had discussed holding a third debate in Big Spring; however, according to a spokesperson for Stenholm, there was not enough time in the legislators' busy schedules to allow for a third debate.

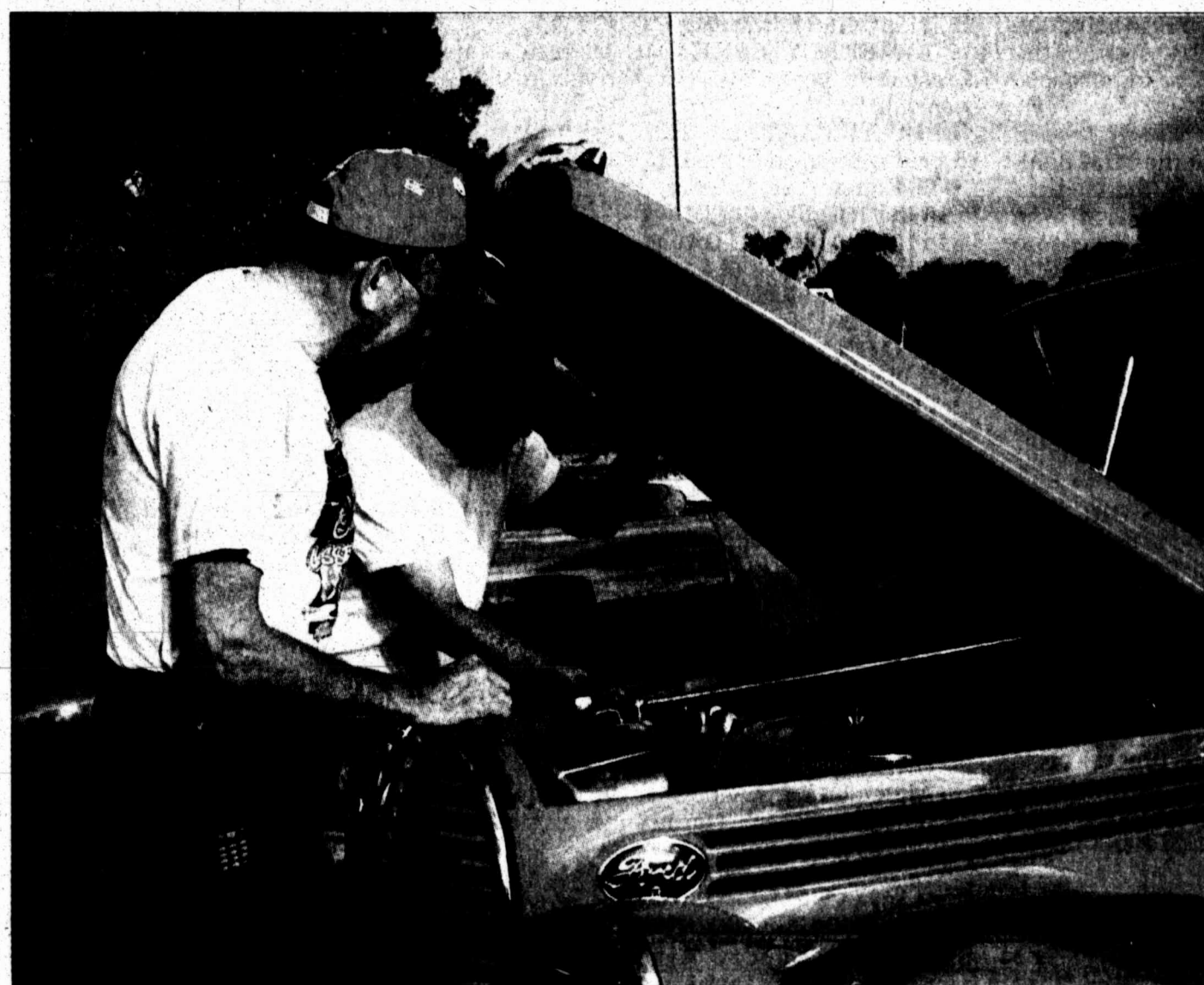
"I am very pleased that we have an agreement and I'm looking forward to debating the issues with my opponents," said Stenholm, District 11 incumbent. "There are big issues affecting West Texas that we need to discuss so voters can decide who will best represent them in Washington."

"This election is about the serious challenges facing our nation, and voters need

every opportunity to hear from the candidates about how they plan to face those challenges," said Neugebauer, District 19 incumbent. "So, I am very pleased that Congressman Stenholm, Dr. Peterson and I have reached an agreement on debates this fall. The debates we have set up will give the voters of the 19th District a good look at each candidate's position and allow for a full and open discussion of the issues."

"I'm glad that we will be able to debate issues of great importance to our nation and constituents," said Peterson. "The debates

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VROOM VROOM VROOM

Above, Frank Harvill of Odessa shows hot rod enthusiasts the culmination of five years of hard work on this 1938 Ford, Saturday at the West Texas Rod Run. At left, father and son team Chuck and Wesley Miller of Big Spring enjoy working on their 1978 Chevy Nova. The rod run, sponsored by the Early Cars of Big Spring, is the oldest rod run in Texas. The public was welcome to view the vehicles on display in Comanche Trail Park.

HERALD photos/Kendra Wiss

Toll rises above 300

Putin visits town where Russian forces freed hostages from school

BESLAN, Russia (AP) — President Vladimir Putin promised on Saturday a tough response to what he called an "all-out war" by terrorists against Russia, as the body count from the school hostage-taking rose to more than 340 dead and some relatives still searched for their loved ones amid the confusion.

A grim-faced Putin addressed the nation on television after a pre-dawn visit to the scene of the hostage-taking in Beslan. In a surprise admission of weakness, he said Russia's past response to terrorism had been insufficient and said he would carry out wide reforms to strengthen the security forces.

"We showed weakness, and weak people are beaten," the former KGB spy said.

In Beslan, authorities were counting the dead, and relatives of hostages frantically searched through lists of the names of survivors, a day after security forces stormed the school where militants had been holding more than 1,000 hostages — mostly women and children — for nearly three days.

Regional Emergency Situations Minister Boris Dzugoyev said 323 people, including 156 children, were killed in Friday's violence. Russian Deputy Prosecutor Sergei Fridinsky said that all 26 hostage-takers were also killed.

Medical officials said more than 542 people including 336 children were hospitalized after the eruption of violence that ended the 62-hour hostage drama on Friday.

Commandos stormed the school after the militants set off explosions and began shooting at hostages who fled. The result was 10 hours of chaos. Crying children, some naked and cov-



PUTIN

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Parents meet with teachers, coaches for Special Olympics

By KENDRA WISS Staff Writer

Organizers are calling it a great step for Special Olympics and the athletes who participate. "I'm extremely proud and honored to support Special Olympics during the school day. It is another opportunity for success for our students," said Bobby Waldrop, Big Spring Independent School District

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director of special education and support services.

Special Olympics has come to the Big Spring ISD. Parents met with teachers last week to learn about the new program.

Jennifer Lance, teacher for the self-contained special education

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Canterbury South invites seniors to health fair here

By MARSHA STURDIVANT Features Editor

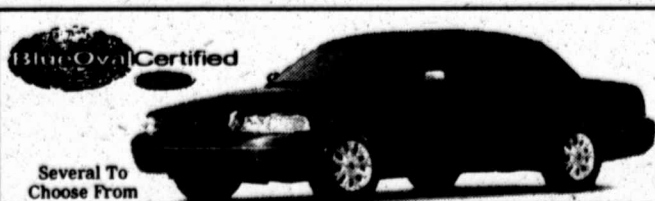
A health fair at Canterbury South will provide free health screenings and give critical health information to all area seniors who attend.

"This is open to every senior in the area, not just the Canterbury residents," said Prissy Stanley, occupancy specialist/building manager for Canterbury South.

The senior health fair will be held from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 11 at Canterbury South, 1700 S. Lancaster.

"We will have tons of information and some of the health screenings may help a person find out about a health concern they don't know they have, and allow them to get a handle on it before it becomes life threaten-

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Obituaries

J.C. "Cooter" Weaver

J.C. "Cooter" Weaver, 79, of Carlsbad, N.M., died Friday, Sept. 3, 2004, at Lakeview Christian Home. The body has been donated to the New Mexico School of Medicine. There will be no formal services.

He was born May 11, 1925, in Ranger, Texas, to Charlie and Violet Kelly Weaver. He served in the Navy during World War II.

Mr. Weaver married Ida Swafford on June 16, 1950. Cooter went to work for U.S. Potash in 1956 and was there until it closed, he returned to Carlsbad in 1993 from Las Vegas, Nev., where he was employed by the U.S. Atomic Test Site.

He is survived by his wife, Ida, of the family home; one son, Richie Weaver; two daughters, Joni Williams and husband Phil and Selena Cantalano and husband Nick, of Yerington, Nev.; six grandchildren; and seven great grandchildren.

Paid obituary

Take note

□ **THE BIG SPRING AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE** is seeking vendors to reserve booths for the "Crossroads Cuisine and Business Expo Featuring the Taste of Home Cooking," set for Oct. 21. Contact the chamber at 263-7641 to reserve a booth or to purchase a ticket to the event.

□ **A FUND HAS BEEN** established at the First Bank of West Texas, 1810 FM 700, to help with the medical expenses of 30-year-old Misty McCullum Wilson, who was diagnosed with cancer. Wilson, who went to Coahoma High School before moving to Lubbock, requires radiation treatments expected to cost \$10,000 per visit.

□ **KENTWOOD ELEMENTARY THIRD GRADE GRANDPARENTS APPRECIATION DAY** is set for 9:30 a.m. Friday in the fellowship hall of College Baptist Church.

□ **KENTWOOD PARENTS/TEACHERS ORGANIZATION** meets at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 14. Door prizes will be awarded and new principal Karen Saunders will speak.

□ **WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY THIRD GRADE GRANDPARENTS APPRECIATION** at 9:30 a.m. Friday in the Fireplace Room of Howard College.

□ **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 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.

□ **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.

□ **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.

□ **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.

Thank You!

The benefit provided for us by the Eagles Lodge and Auxiliary, the Big Spring Bass Club, and the Cossacks was overwhelming. We count ourselves blessed by the prayers, flowers, food, cards, and calls by our wonderful friends. We will be forever grateful for your expressions of love.

Valerie and Alan White

Police blotter

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

- **ARMANDO LOPEZ**, 33, of 710 South Douglas, was arrested Friday on local warrants.
- **LEROY ELMER DOLLEY**, 35, of 2002 East 48th Street, was arrested Friday on local warrants.
- **SHAYNA ACUFF**, 28, of 2603.5 West Highway 176, was arrested Friday on local warrants.
- **ISIAS TARANGO**, 34, of unknown address, was arrested Friday and held for Immigration and Naturalization Services.
- **RAWSIE GAMEL**, 52, of Midland, was arrested Friday and held for HCSO.
- **TERRENCE MCNEIL**, 21, of Fort Worth, was arrested Friday on a charge of theft.
- **MARCUS MCNEIL**, 20, of Forth Worth, was arrested Friday on a charge of minor in consumption.
- **ALVIN EASLEY**, 40, of Dallas, was arrested Friday on a charge of theft and failure to identify.
- **ROBERT PARNELL**, 19, of 1307 East 14th Street, was arrested Friday on a charge of possession of marijuana.
- **JOSE ALVAREZ**, 40, of 505 North Nolan, was arrested Friday on a charge of public intoxication.
- **ROCKY RODRIGUEZ**, 23, of Coahoma, was arrested Friday on two warrants.
- **KIMBERLY BRETZ**, 31, of 2620 Langley, was arrested Friday on warrants for driving while license suspended.
- **ELWAYNE KELLY**, 28, of San Angelo, was arrested Friday on local warrants.
- **THEFT** was reported:
 - in the 1800 block of Gregg.
 - in the 700 block of Owens.
 - in the 1100 block of Lamesa.
 - in the 1700 block of FM 700.
 - in the 1200 block of 11th Place.
- **CRIMINAL TRESPASS** was reported in the 1600 block of 17th Street.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 4000 block of Parkway.
- **GRAFFITI** was reported in the 1500 block of Fourth Street.
- **POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA** was reported in the 1700 block of Scurry.
- **VEHICLE IMPOUNDMENT** was reported in the 1400 block of FM 700.

Support groups

MONDAY

□ 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 Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, 1005 Birdwell Lane. Call Tracey at 263-4948 for more information.

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.

Lottery

The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery: 7-18-19-21-37

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

Weather

Sunday: Sunshine along with some cloudy intervals. High 91F. Winds SSW at 5 to 10 mph.

Sunday night: Mostly clear skies. Low 69F. Winds ESE at 5 to 10 mph.

Monday: Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the low 60s.

Tuesday: Plenty of sun. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the upper 50s.

Wednesday: Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the upper 50s.

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SUNDAY

• 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.

TUESDAY

• Intermediate Line Dance classes begin at 9 a.m. in the Spring City Senior Citizen's Center. Call 267-1628.

• Coahoma Senior Citizen luncheon is set for 11 a.m. in the Coahoma Community Center.

• 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.

• First Tuesday Women's Ministry Craft Night at East Fourth Street Baptist Church meets from 5-9 p.m. Open to all women. Call 267-2291.

• Special information meeting concerning bees infesting Martin County and surrounding areas is set for 7 p.m. in the Stanton High School auditorium. The public is invited to this free event.

• VFW Post 2013 meets at 7 p.m. in the VFW Hall, 500 Driver Road.

• Sheriff's Posse meets at 7 p.m. in the clubhouse on the Andrews Highway.

• Alzheimer's Association, the Greater West Texas Chapter meets at 2 p.m. in the Howard County Library conference room, 500 S. Main.

• Gospel Singing in the Kentwood Activity Center at 7 p.m. with special guest singers from Midland and Colorado City. Everyone is welcome.

• Concerned Citizens for Big Spring meets at 7 p.m. in the meeting room of the Howard County Library, 500 S. Main.

• Big Spring Chapter 67, Order of the Eastern Star meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Masonic Lodge, 219 Main St.

WEDNESDAY

• Optimist Club meets at 7 a.m. in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

• Senior Circle meets at 11 a.m. at Scenic Mountain Medical Center classroom for Stretch and Tone. Call 268-4721.

• Downtown Lions Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room.

• Line dancing begins at 1 p.m. at the Spring City Senior Citizen's Center in the Industrial Park. Call 267-6966 or 267-1628.

• Duplicate Bridge Club meets at 1 p.m. in the Big Spring Country Club.

• Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxiliary meets at 7 p.m. in the Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third.

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 267-6479.

• Friends of the Library meets at noon in the Howard County Library, 500 S. Main.

• Big Spring Main Street meets at noon in the Railroad Museum located at Second and Main streets.

• American Legion Auxiliary meets at 6 p.m. at 3203 W. Highway 80.

• Masonic Lodge 598 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 2101 Lancaster.

• Masonic Lodge 1340 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 219 Main St.

• Neighbors and Newcomers Club meets. New members are welcome. Call 263-2005 for more information.

FRIDAY

• Signal Mountain Quilting Guild meets from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Members bring their own lunch. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281.

• AMBUCS meet at noon in La Posada Restaurant.

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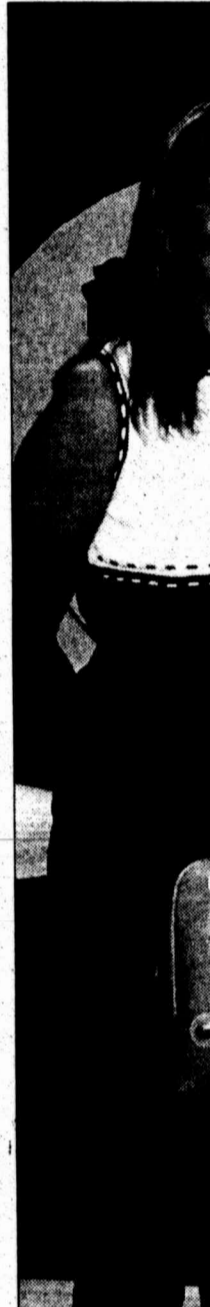
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ered with blood, fled the scene or were carried out amid explosions and gunfire. Security forces chased militants who split into groups and took refuge in a home and a basement. During the initial explosions, part of the school roof collapsed, causing many deaths.

Putin flew to Beslan, in the southern republic of North Ossetia, before dawn Saturday, as smoke was still rising from the shattered school. He ordered the borders of North Ossetia sealed while security forces search for the militants' accomplices.

He visited several hospi-

talized victims, stopping to stroke the head of one injured child and the arm of the school principal.

"Even alongside the most cruel attacks of the past, this terrorist act occupies a special place because it was aimed at children," he said during a meeting with regional officials, which was broadcast on Russian television.

He stressed that security officials had not planned to storm the school — trying to fend off any potential criticism that the government side had provoked the bloodshed. Some North Ossetians complained, however, that his visit was too little, too late.

"Why didn't he come earlier? ... Why did he

come in the middle of the night?" said Irina Volgokova, 33, whose close friend and the friend's daughter were missing.

"He is the head of our country. He should answer for this before the people."

Later, Putin made a speech on national television saying Russia must mobilize to face the threat of terrorism, telling Russians they could not continue living in a "care-free" way.

Since the collapse of the Soviet Union, the nation was weakened and unable to respond effectively to terrorism, Putin said.

He blamed police corruption and porous borders for the failure to stop attacks. "In any case, we

couldn't adequately react ... We showed weakness, and weak people are beaten," he said.

He said measures would be taken to strengthen Russia's unity, create a more effective crisis management system, establish a new system to control the situation in the Caucasus, and overhaul the law enforcement organs.

The school attack followed a suicide bomb attack outside a Moscow subway station Tuesday that killed eight people, and last week's near-simultaneous crash of two Russian jetliners last week after what officials believe were explosions on board.

The ITAR-Tass news agency quoted an unnamed, high-ranking intelligence official in southern Russia as saying that the school seizure and other major terrorist attacks in Russia had been financed by Abu Omar As-Seyf, an Arab who allegedly represents al-Qaida in Chechnya.

The official said the

school raid was masterminded by Chechen rebel leader Shamil Basayev and led by field commander Magomed Yevloyev, who was believed to be the leader of the strict Wahhabi sect of Muslims in Ingushetia, which borders Chechnya.

Nine or ten of the slain hostage-takers were Arabs, Russian officials said. An Arab presence could boost claims of involvement by international militant groups.

Dozens of people crowded around lists of survivors posted at the Beslan hospital Saturday, searching desperately for news of loved ones who were not yet accounted for. A man showed hospital nurses a photograph — a young boy dressed in a suit, like he was going to a birthday party or holiday celebration.

"We run here, we run there, like we're out of our minds, trying to find out anything we can about them," said Tsiada Biazrova, 47, whose neighbors' children had yet to be found.

For some, grief had turned to anger.

"Fathers will bury their children, and after 40 days (the Orthodox Christian mourning period) ... they will take up weapons and seek revenge," said Alan Kargiyev, a 20-year-old university student in the regional capital Vladikavkaz.

Russian authorities said the bloody end to the standoff came after explosions apparently set off by the militants — possibly by accident — as emergency workers were entering the school to collect the bodies of slain hostages.

As hostages took their chance to flee, the militants opened fire on them, and security forces — along with town residents who had brought their own weapons — opened covering fire to help the hostages escape. Commandos stormed into the building and secured it, then chased fleeing militants in the town, with shooting lasting for 10 hours.



HERALD photo/Kendra Wiss

Special Olympic's Coach Jennifer Lance meets with AnaBeth Garcia, Kane Harris and their daughter and Special Olympic's athlete, Amaris Garcia, who will compete in bowling for her second year.

SPECIAL

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classes at the high school, is the new coach for the team.

"I'm looking forward to getting started and I'm hoping as many area athletes as possible are able to participate," said Lance.

Athletes will be able to participate in the pro-

gram during the school day for physical education credit.

The first event for the year is bowling. Training will begin on Sept. 16. Students will be transported from their schools 2-1/2 hours each week for training. Special Olympics requires each athlete to complete 10 hours of training before competing.

The first competition

will be held in Midland on Nov. 20.

For more information about the program, contact Jennifer Lance at the high school, 264-3641.

Contact Staff Writer Kendra Wiss at 263-7331 ext. 234 or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com

Randy Jones of Pat Gray Towing Was Nifty 50 Saturday 9/4



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through recent government laws and regulations. If, through the debate process, I can convince the other candidates to support appropriate policies, I will feel my campaign has been successful.

Chambers of commerce in Lubbock and Abilene will host each debate and the League of Women Voters and local universities will be co-sponsors.

DEBATES

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will give me an opportunity to raise issues related to national defense and resumption of a military draft; government deficits, taxes and Social Security funding needs; and the erosion of our constitutional rights and personal freedoms

The family of Ty Murrill would like to take the opportunity to thank our friends and family for the love, support and prayers over these last several weeks. This has been a trying time and the efforts of compassion from those around us have been a comfort.

In an effort to honor

Ty and his love of music and Forsan-High School, we have established a Memorial Scholarship in his name to be awarded annually to a Forsan graduating senior. For information, or to make a contribution,

please contact Wells Fargo of Big Spring @ 432-268-6219.

FAIR

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ing," Stanley said.

One vendor will be giving away opportunities to win a motorized scooter, as well as other prizes. All booths will have information available for those who attend.

Along with blood pressure and body mass

screening, glucose tests, diabetic screenings, hearing tests and visual screenings will be available.

Also, physical therapy demonstrations will be performed. Stanley said the list of vendors committed to providing booths is still growing.

For more information, contact Stanley at 263-1238.

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EDITORIAL

"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

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OUR VIEWS

Open your heart, pocketbook with support for MDA

Once again, Big Spring will be a one-of-a-kind community Monday when volunteers begin trying to make the local Muscular Dystrophy Association Labor Day Telethon bigger and better than it's ever been before.

Big Spring is part of the smallest television market in the United States to have its own independent telethon broadcast.

But the residents of Big Spring have time and time again proven that being a small community doesn't mean we can't give with a big heart — just look at the successes enjoyed by the United Way, Relay for Life, the Heart Walk, the MS Walk...

Just name the cause and the people of Big Spring and Howard County have responded. During the past couple of years, the local telethon has raised about \$60,000 for the MDA.

The telethon begins at 9 a.m. at the Big Spring Mall and continues to about 6 p.m.

The telethon is held to raise funds for programs and research to find a cure for Muscular Dystrophy — a collection of some 25 different neurological muscular diseases that affect children's ability to move, walk and speak.

We want to encourage the public to go out to the mall Monday and show support for this most worthy cause. If you can't get to the mall, Howard College athletes will be manning the telephone lines, so call 213-0158, 213-0159, 213-0160 or 213-0161 and make your pledge.

Any donation toward the fight against Muscular Dystrophy will be appreciated. Even if all you can afford is a dime, that's 10 cents the Muscular Dystrophy Association didn't have before.

And remember, most of the money raised stays in the Permian Basin, helping youngsters needing wheelchairs and braces or trips to clinics for health checks.

So once again, Howard County, open your hearts and your pocketbooks. You'll be glad you did.

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GOP in NYC — "Fuhgeddaboutit"

Gotham didn't quite lay out a welcome mat for GOP convention-goers. The sign at the JFK Airport baggage claim welcomed delegates to the "2004 Convention" — the R-word was missing. Two GOP operatives from California got in a tiff with their Bush-hating cab driver on the way into town over the weekend. Monday, Tony Allawi stood by a sign that read "Annoying Republican Convention Sale" in front of his men's clothing store near Madison Square Garden. Let's just say the sign was good for business.

On Sunday, legions of New Yorkers and out-of-towners took to the streets to call the GOP nominee every name in the book. On Monday, civil disobedience and arrests continued. No matter where Republicans walk in Manhattan, they see signs that their politics are not welcome. Not that the GOP faithful are adled. In the last year, they've heard it all.

In fact, the Rs are so unfazed at being objects of hate that they are returning the glitzy city's scorn with goodwill and community service. The Republicans are doing more than turning the other cheek. They are giving New Yorkers their very blood: The RNC is sponsoring a blood drive for

New York. An Ohio delegate tells me she'll be painting playhouses for disadvantaged children in Queens on Tuesday. It's part of the RNC's Compassion Across America community-service initiative. The organizers won't call it off, she assured me, because of the oppressive heat (which had spared Manhattan for most of the summer and then arrived with the unwelcome Republicans).

I don't mean to suggest that this convention is a mass version of "The Out-of-Towners" (the Neil Simon story about a Midwestern couple's misadventures while visiting Manhattan). There are New Yorkers who share the love.

Boxing promoter Don King, perhaps the ultimate New Yorker, paraded around the Madison Square Garden proclaiming his plan to vote for "George W. Bush for four more years." Under the first President Bush, King said, "inclusion was just an illusion. But African Americans should vote for this Bush." He will, he said, because George W. is "decisive, bold, audacious" — qualities any New Yorker would admire.

In a similar vein, GOP icon Rudy Giuliani contrasted Bush's record with Europe's policies of "accommodation, appeasement and compromise." Bush belongs in New York, Giuliani said. George Washington took the oath of office in Manhattan in 1789. G.W. Bush stood firm for America here on Sept. 14, 2001. On that day, New York construction workers didn't tell Bush to fuhgeddaboutit.

Giuliani couldn't say exactly what they did say — not at a Republican convention.

You see, there is a difference between the Midwestern bedrock conservative Republican and the urban Republican (or many California Republicans, for that matter). It's like enjoying a beer at the bar rather than a Cosmopolitan. It's the difference between preferring dogma to the tension of busting and competing ideas.

New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg spoke Sunday to the gay Log Cabin Republicans. "I am a believer that what makes America and New York great," he said, is their ability to accept people for who they are.

In fact, Bloomberg says, all the anti-GOP protesters are welcome, as long as they are peaceful. Differences are fine, as long as activists don't trample the right of others to express their opinions.

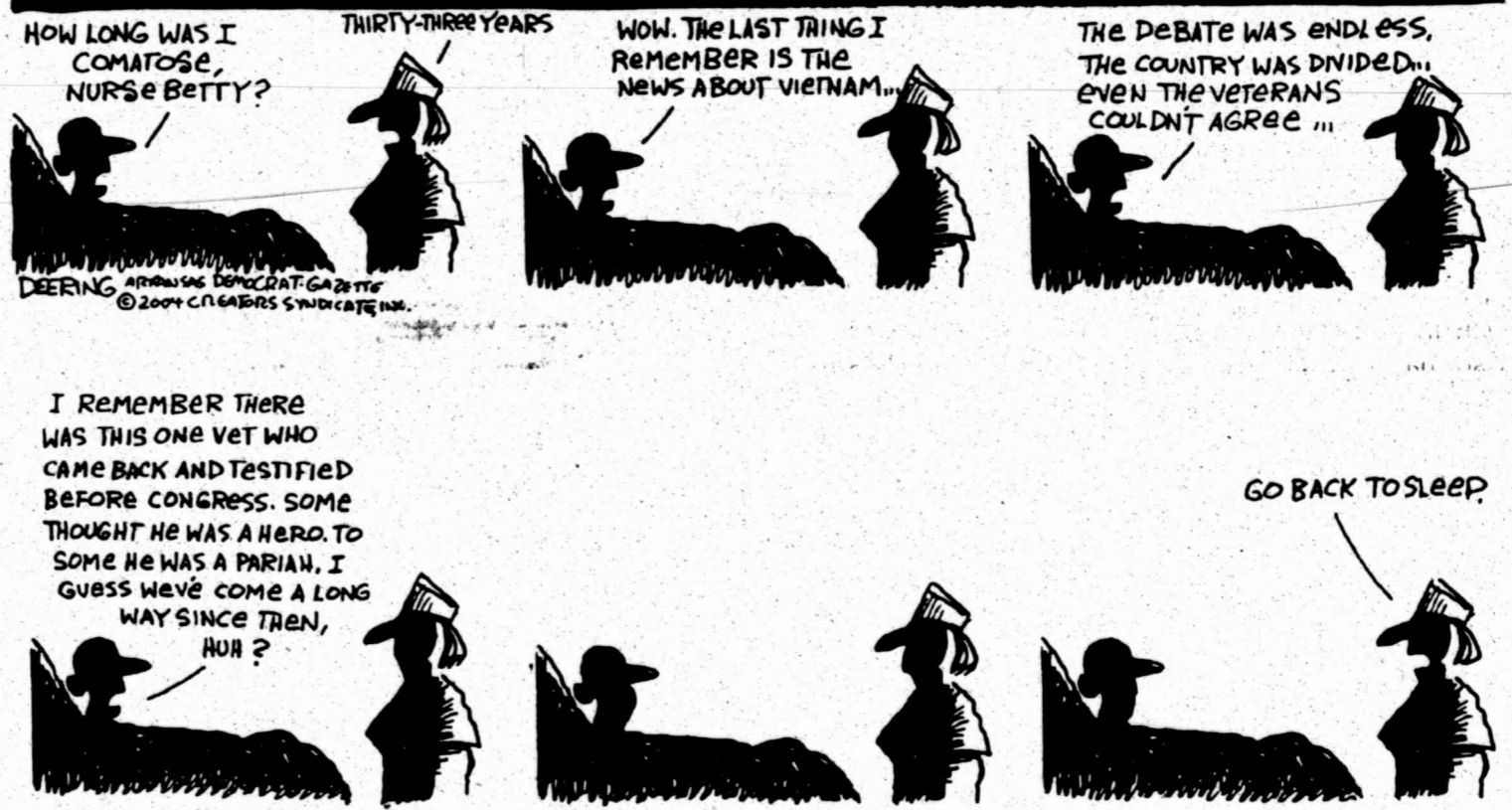
I can't imagine San Francisco's illustrious leaders saying the same if hundreds of thousands of war supporters came to town to protest. And even if they could say it, I certainly can't imagine them meaning it.

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"Conventional" criticisms unfair

I've been going to political conventions — Democrat and Republican — for 32 years, and I've never seen a bigger disconnect between what is actually going on at the convention and the way it is being reported. The networks decided to skip the opening night of the Republican convention. So unless you were one of the fewer than 10 million Americans who tuned into Fox News Channel, CNN, MSNBC or C-SPAN to hear Sen. John McCain or former New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani, you'd have no idea how powerful a case these two men made for George W. Bush's re-election.



LINDA CHAVEZ

Inside Madison Square Garden, the crowds were passionate, hanging on every word of Rudy's long oration, jumping to their feet when he promised "President Bush will make certain that we are combating terrorism at the source, beyond our shores, so we can reduce the risk of having to confront it in the streets of New York. ... President Bush will not allow countries that appear to have ignored the lessons of history and failed for over 30 years to stand up to terrorists, to dissuade us from what is necessary for our defense. He will not let them set our agenda. Under President Bush, America will lead rather than follow." Even up in the nosebleed section where I watched the speech, the crowd's enthusiasm rocked the

Garden. But the New York Times didn't see it that way. Instead the nation's "paper of record" reported: "There is only the finest of lines between invoking a disaster in which all New Yorkers, and all Americans, regardless of party, felt such a devastating stake, and exploiting it for partisan advantage. From morning to night, the Republicans strode proudly, even defiantly, right up to that line — if not over it — and the delegates responded with roaring approval."

In other words, Republicans were being their usual Neanderthal selves. Interestingly, the Times didn't feel the Democrats had exploited 9-11 for partisan purposes, despite some 100 mentions of 9-11 during the Democratic convention. "At their convention in Boston last month, the Democrats offered their own emotional tribute, with stirring music and videos, and delegates holding small flashlights simulating candles in the darkened hall. But that was nothing compared to the intense and personal speeches here," writes the Times, "and Mr. Bush has already faced criticism for using images of firefighters and the flag in early campaign advertising."

Criticism from whom? Why, the liberal media, of course. The media are the arbiters of acceptable behavior. When Rudy Giuliani recounts what he and many New Yorkers felt — and said — on Sept. 11, 2001 — "Thank God George Bush is our president," he's politicizing a national tragedy. But when a prominent Democrat accuses the president of having been "warned ahead of time by the Saudis" that the coun-

try would be attacked, as Howard Dean did to little notice on National Public Radio earlier this year, well, that's just one man's opinion.

When Democrats host a convention featuring military themes even though delegates are overwhelmingly opposed to the war in Iraq, the media sees no inconsistency. But when the GOP invites pro-choice Republicans to address the convention — not on abortion, but on the war on terrorism and tax policy — that's proof that those sneaky right-wingers are trying to pull a bait-and-switch on the unsuspecting public, and it's the media's role to report endlessly on the GOP's attempt to put forward a disingenuously "moderate" image.

Thankfully, we no longer have to accept the New York Times' version of the truth. More Americans are getting their information from alternative news sources today than ever before, including talk radio and the Internet. But the problem is too many people have simply decided to tune out altogether. I'm not sure what's worse, remaining totally ignorant or accepting the deception that masquerades as news being dished out by the liberal media.

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HOUSTON (AP) — A school bus struck by a school bus brother who was Authorities said the driver had just walked away. The driver was arrested. Harris County Sheriff's Office School District 100 Houston Chronicle. The girl was 11 years old. She was waiting for his sister to get off the bus to drive away, she said. "Evidently the hand, and darts bus driver's knee the Harris County was taking off, child." He said the incident likely would have been avoided if the students, School, were not counselors were pick up their children.

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Girl hit by school bus dies

HOUSTON (AP) — A 4-year-old girl died after being struck by a school bus as she and her father met her brother who was arriving home from school.

Authorities said Fatima Romero's 7-year-old brother had just walked off the school bus when the accident happened in front of the family's southwest Harris County home Friday at about 3:30 p.m.

"The driver was devastated," Alief Independent School District spokeswoman Susan Castro told the Houston Chronicle for its Saturday editions.

The girl was walking next to her father while he waited for his son and other neighborhood children to get off the bus. After the boy exited, the bus began to drive away, striking Fatima.

"Evidently the child slipped away from the father's hand, and darted on the side of the bus without the bus driver's knowledge," said Capt. Paul Cordova of the Harris County Sheriff's Department. "As the bus was taking off, the bus inadvertently ran over the child."

He said the initial investigation showed the vehicle likely would have been traveling at less than 5 mph.

The students, who were from Petrosky Elementary School, were returned to the school, where grief counselors were available. Parents were asked to pick up their children at the school.

McKinney police seek help from FBI

McKINNEY (AP) — After dropping capital murder charges in July against three suspects in the slayings of four people, McKinney police say they will ask the FBI for help in the investigation.

"We're just looking for a fresh set of eyes and more experience to look at the case," Capt. Randy Roland, head of the McKinney police criminal investigation division, told the Dallas Morning News for its Saturday editions. "But we're continuing our own investigation and, if we get a break in the case, we'll go ahead with arrests."

Roland said Friday that his department plans to send notes and evidence collected from the March execution-style slayings to a group of federal forensic experts. But he said it could be more than a month before FBI analysts in Quantico, Va., are available to meet with investigators from his department.

Rosa Barbosa and her nephew Mark Barbosa were found shot to death in their McKinney home March 12, along with McKinney North High School football player Austin York. Matthew Self, a McKinney North teammate, died of a gunshot wound hours later at a Dallas hospital.

Citing a lack of physical evidence, police dropped capital murder charges against Jecory Robert May, Calvin Leon Walker and James O. Jones on July 15.

TEA violates federal law

AUSTIN (AP) — The U.S. Department of Education may withhold as much as \$7 million in federal funding until Texas releases a report that tells parents whether schools performed up to standard under the No Child Left Behind Act.

Also, parents won't be able to request transfers to move their children from poorly performing schools until the information is released.

"The law states we're supposed to announce the results before school started and we did not make that deadline," Debbie Graves Ratcliffe, a TEA spokeswoman, told the San Antonio Express-News for its Saturday editions. "We had some issues we were appealing."

Because the U.S. Department of Education did not approve the state's plan until the end of July, education officials are still tallying results, Ratcliffe said. According to TEA's Web site, preliminary data will be released to schools on Nov. 15 and the final list of schools that did not make adequate yearly progress will be out Feb. 23.

Wilmer-Hutchins lawyer suspended

HUTCHINS (AP) — The chief attorney for the troubled Wilmer-Hutchins school district has had his law license suspended twice since the district hired him in 1998, a newspaper reports.

And during a suspension last November, attorney James Belt used the state bar identification number of O.E. Threlkeld, a Seguin lawyer who has been dead for 20 years, The Dallas Morning News reports in its Saturday editions.

Belt did not return calls seeking comment from the newspaper on Friday.

He is a central figure in the school district. Last month, school board President Luther Edwards said Wilmer-Hutchins is run by a "team of nine" — Superintendent Charles Matthews, the seven board members and Belt.

Despite high gas prices, more holiday travel expected

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — For the final fling of summer, Texans are topping their gas tanks and hitting the road for the Alamo and the coast, according to the state's travel watchers.

San Antonio, Galveston and South Padre Island — ever among the state's top tourist draws — are listed by AAA Texas as the top destinations for the three-day Labor Day weekend.

Although gasoline prices are much higher than last Labor Day, AAA Texas expects a slight increase in the number of Texans packing up the car for a weekend getaway.

"The higher gas prices don't appear to have any affect on travelers' decisions to take one last summer getaway," said Rose Rougeau, a AAA

Texas spokeswoman. Friday's average statewide price for a gallon of self-serve regular gas was \$1.77, down two cents from a week earlier, AAA said. At this time in 2003, the average price was \$1.59.

AAA Texas, which conducted a holiday travel survey, estimates that 2.6 million Texans will travel to a vacation spot this weekend, up more than 2 percent from the same time last year. Of that number, some 90 percent will get there by driving.

Roughly 130,000 people will go by air this weekend, with Las Vegas, New York and Washington topping the survey's destination list. Others will opt for another means of travel, among them bus, train and cruise ships.

Dozens of harder sorts

have chosen to travel by horseback and prairie schooner on a 650-mile route from Bandera, the self-proclaimed Cowboy Capital of the World, to Dodge City, Kan.

The seven-week ride will follow the Western Trail, a 19th-century route used by Texas drovers to get their cattle to the railhead at Dodge City.

"We have 20 wagons that are going and about 120 riders," said event spokeswoman Genie Strickland. "And we have other people who will come in and ride a week at a time."

Along with getting a longer look at their surroundings, the horseback riders won't have to reach deep into their wallets for gas money.

Ex-mayor pleads innocent

McALLEN (AP) — The former mayor and bookkeeper of the tiny city of La Grulla pleaded innocent Friday to charges they used federal grant money to pay for tens of thousands of dollars in psychic consultations.

Diana Cortez, the former mayor, and Sandra Lopez, the former bookkeeper, stood silently in casual street clothes as

public defender Norman McInnis waived a reading of the indictment and entered innocent pleas.

The indictment alleges Cortez, 48, and Lopez, 45, withdrew \$53,700 between May 2002 and May 2003 to pay for consultations that included the use of tarot cards. Each faces one charge of embezzlement and one charge of theft and aiding and abetting.



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With great pride, we are proud to announce the graduation of Ysa Rubio Jr. from the United States Marine Corps Recruit Depot (MCRD) in San Diego, Ca. We have celebrated his achievements at a party in his honor with close family on Saturday August 28th, 2004 at the home of his proud grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Pascual Porras. At the young age of 20 he graduated on Friday, August 27th, 2004 as guide of his platoon and with honors. Attending the graduation was his mother, Juanita Porras, his father, Ysa Rubio Sr., his sister Brandi Pelletier of Austin, TX, and a few close friends of his also from Austin, TX. We have missed him for three long months and are happy to have him back home, even if it is for a short time. We would like to say we love you Ysa, and are so proud that you have accomplished your dream.

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Outer edge of Frances slogs into Florida with 90 mph wind

MELBOURNE, Fla. (AP) — The outer bands of Hurricane Frances whipped Florida's Atlantic coast with 90 mph wind Saturday as the storm crawled toward the state, bringing a potential for more than a foot of rain, tornadoes and heavy flooding as tens of thousands fled the area.

Forecasters expected the storm to come ashore late Saturday or early Sunday, about a day later than initial predictions, as residents prepared for the worst by stocking up on canned goods and water, nailing plywood sheets over windows and finding shelter.

"I turned on the TV and when I saw the storm was

still 130 miles away, I said, 'Now's the time to get out,'" Dana Goegelman said after leaving the barrier island community of Indialantic early Saturday. "I was so happy to get on the other side of that bridge I could have kissed the ground."

The few drivers out on roads Saturday dodged palm fronds and tree branches. Wind gusts in Jupiter surpassed hurricane force at 91 mph, tossing boats around like toys in the water and making it a struggle for people to stand up. Trees crashed into the street in Stuart.

The roof and a door were blown off a hangar at Palm Beach International Airport.

The crew of a yacht struggled to control the vessel in pitching waves at West Palm Beach as its pilot tried to maneuver the craft to a mooring, and a sailboat drifted out of control toward a nearby bridge.

In Brevard County, two men were charged with looting for allegedly trying to break into a church.

About 2.8 million residents were told to clear out — the biggest evacuation request in Florida history — but it was unknown how many did. Major amusement parks, the Kennedy Space Center and airports serving Fort Lauderdale, Miami and Melbourne had all closed.

By late morning, Frances was centered about 80 miles east of Palm Beach and was drifting to the west-northwest at about 5 mph, down from 6 mph earlier.

The storm had redeveloped an eye about 80 miles across, indicating that it could strengthen slightly while over warm open water between the Bahamas and the coast, forecasters at the National Hurricane Center said.

After hitting land, Frances' core appeared headed across the state toward the Panhandle.

Frances' top sustained wind speed had fallen to 105 mph Saturday, making it a Category 2 storm,

down from 145 mph and Category 4 status on Thursday.

But its plodding pace meant it could cause disastrous flooding. Hurricane-force wind extended outward up to 105 miles from its center.

"This is going to be a tough ride for us," Gov. Jeb Bush said.

State meteorologist Ben Nelson said Frances might remain over Florida for two cycles of high tide, meaning two rounds of storm surges expected to be 4 to 6 feet.

Frances was expected to come ashore along the middle of Florida's eastern coast, push across the state as a tropical storm just north of Tampa and

weaken to a tropical depression as it moves over the Panhandle on Monday.

Federal Emergency Management Agency director Michael Brown warned that unlike Hurricane Charley, which slammed into Florida's coast three weeks ago, Frances "has an awful lot of moisture with it" that could cause dangerous floods.

"It is a massive storm," Brown said Saturday.

A hurricane warning was in effect along the coast from Flagler Beach south to Florida City almost to the state's tip, and Gov. Jeb Bush declared a state of emergency for the entire state.

Clinton 'a little scared' but in good spirits as he prepares for bypass surgery

NEW YORK (AP) — As he prepared for heart bypass surgery early next week, Bill Clinton was in good spirits, dressed in street clothes and walking around his hospital room Saturday morning, people close to the Clinton family said.

The former president said he was "a little scared, but not much" of the surgery, but was looking forward to a swift recovery and resuming normal activities such as jogging.

He was hospitalized Friday with chest pains and shortness of breath. The upcoming operation could limit his role in

campaigning for fellow Democrat John Kerry, who is making a run for the White House.

"Let me just say this, Republicans aren't the only people who want four more years here," Clinton said in a live interview Friday evening on CNN's "Larry King Live."

An angiogram showed that Clinton, who turned 58 two weeks ago, had significant blockage in his heart arteries but did not suffer a heart attack, a doctor who performed the test told The Associated Press.

Clinton blamed the blockage partly on gen-

etics but also said he "may have done some damage in those years when I was too careless about what I ate."

"I guess I'm a little scared, but not much," he said. "I'm looking forward to it. I want to get back. I want to see what it's like to run five miles again."

His wife, Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, said the former president would have surgery early next week and no further information about his condition would be released until the operation is finished.

"I wanted to report to you that my husband is

doing very well," she said outside New York Presbyterian Hospital/Columbia, where the former president is being treated. "He's in great humor. He's beating all of us at cards and the rest of the games we're playing."

In bypass surgery, a new piece of blood vessel, usually taken from the patient's leg, is sewn into place to create a detour around a blockage. Patients typically spend three to five days in the hospital and are encouraged to be fairly active right away.

Clinton had agreed to campaign for Kerry in the

two months before the Nov. 2 general election and had already appeared at some Democratic Party events.

Both President Bush and Kerry, the junior senator from Massachusetts, sent best wishes to Clinton.

Vice President Dick Cheney, who has had four heart attacks, called Clinton from Las Vegas and wished him well.

The exhibit is scheduled for only at 5 p.m. at the Dorothy Coliseum.

Free children are available local retail Children's Marvel Comics will receive a surprise.

The Petroleum opens "Beakman on Tour" Oct. 1. Based on the morning television Beakman's World an interactive exhibit that exports the world's Mad Beakman's adventures combining science and technology. The exhibit features a large dinosaur footprint creation at Cincinnati Center. Visitors learn about physics by Newtonian Wizard; keep from the body of Body Defense spend time Rainforest Cave about the layers of the sort fossils gate the dinosaurs.

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14-year-old hostage released, suspect kills himself

OXFORD, Ala. (AP) — A fugitive ex-convict wanted for rape and murder committed suicide, ending a standoff with police shortly after he released a 14-year-old hostage.

Walter George Honea Jr., 34, of Anniston shot himself about 11:30 p.m. Friday as authorities prepared to shoot tear gas into the motel room where he had been negotiating with officers, police said.

"This is not the way we wanted this to end," Anniston police Lt. Rocky Stemen said. "We wanted him to come out peacefully."

Police said Honea kidnapped Jordan Nichole Todaro late Thursday

from the convenience store where he fatally shot her mother, Linda Michelle Davis, 34, and stepfather, Joshua Benjamin Davis, 24.

The couple and the girl were working at the Anniston Sparkle Mart. The store's surveillance camera captured the abduction, police said.

Police issued an Amber Alert for Todaro after viewing the videotape, but it was canceled after she and Honea were located at the Best Value Inn in Oxford, only a few miles from the convenience store.

Stemen said Honea voluntarily released Todaro about 8:30 p.m. Friday. He said she was taken to a

hospital for medical evaluation and appeared to be in good condition.

Honea told a police negotiator over the telephone that he would release Todaro at 7 a.m. Friday if he could speak with his uncle and a preacher, according to police radio communications.

A half-hour later, Honea told police he had the barrel of a handgun in Todaro's mouth.

Police obtained warrants Friday for Honea's arrest on charges of capital murder and kidnapping.

Honea has been on the run since Wednesday, when the district attorney's office issued an

arrest warrant for him on a rape charge.

Honea was released from prison in February after serving more than 3 1/2 years of a 10-year sentence for second-degree assault in Talladega County, according to the Department of Corrections. He was freed under a law that allows inmates to be released early for good behavior.

Suicide bombing at Iraqi police station kills 20

KIRKUK, Iraq (AP) — A suicide attacker detonated a car bomb Saturday outside a police academy in the northern Iraqi city of Kirkuk as hundreds of trainees and civilians were leaving for the day, killing at least 20 people and wounding 36, authorities said.

Separately, U.S. and Iraqi forces clashed with insurgents in another part of northern Iraq after launching an operation to destroy an alleged mili-

tant cell in the town of Tal Afar, the U.S. military said. At least nine people were killed and 50 injured, hospital officials said.

Ambulances raced to the scene of the blast in Kirkuk, where a seven cars were ablaze. Rescue personnel ferried the wounded away on stretchers. Some waited for attention while sprawled on the building's steps.

"This is a terrorist act against members of Iraqi

police who were heading to their homes," said Kirkuk police Col. Sarhat Qadir.

Iraqi police sealed off roads leading to blast site. Iraqi police fired warning shots into the air to disperse weeping and frustrated people racing to the area to learn the fate of their relatives.

Gen. Torhan Abdul-Rahman Yousif, the director of Kirkuk police, put the death toll at 20, with 36 others wounded.

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Suez Shrine
The Suez Shrine is scheduled for only at 5 p.m. at the Dorothy Coliseum. Free children are available local retail Children's Marvel Comics will receive a surprise.

Petroleum
The Petroleum opens "Beakman on Tour" Oct. 1. Based on the morning television Beakman's World an interactive exhibit that exports the world's Mad Beakman's adventures combining science and technology. The exhibit features a large dinosaur footprint creation at Cincinnati Center. Visitors learn about physics by Newtonian Wizard; keep from the body of Body Defense spend time Rainforest Cave about the layers of the sort fossils gate the dinosaurs. Detective Be assist and he the answers about the scene light and sound. Clip this area free child's exhibit lined with or "et." Tickets adults, \$6 for

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Area Briefs

Suez Shrine Circus

The Suez Shrine Circus is scheduled for one show only at 5 p.m. Sept. 12 in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

Free children's tickets are available in most local retail stores. Children dressed as a Marvel Comics character will receive a free circus surprise.

Petroleum Museum

The Petroleum Museum opens "Beakmon's World on Tour" Oct. 1.

Based on the Saturday morning television series, Beakman's World Tour is an interactive science exhibit that explains how the world works. It is adapted Mad Scientist Beakman's and his pal Lester's philosophy of combining commonly asked questions, the wonders of science and a large dose of humor.

The exhibit is a 2,500 foot creation built by the Cincinnati Science Center. Visitors may learn about the law of physics by becoming a Newtonian Pinball Wizard; keep germs away from the body in a game of Body Defense Football; spend time in the Rainforest Cafe learning about the umbrella-like layers of the rainforest, sort fossils and investigate the extinction of dinosaurs.

Detective Beakman will assist and help discover the answers to questions about the solar system, light and sound.

Clip this article for one free child's admission to the exhibit when combined with one adult ticket. Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$6 for seniors and

students, \$5 for children 6-11 years old and children younger than 6 are admitted free.

The exhibit will be on display from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 2-5 p.m. Sunday from Oct. 1-Dec. 31.

Call 432-683-4403 or visit the Web site at petroleummuseum.org for more information.

Globe of the Southwest Theater

The Globe of the Southwest Theater in Odessa has set the 2004 Southwest Shakespeare Festival through Sept. 19. Tickets are available by calling (432) 332-1586 or (432) 580-3177.

"Othello" will be performed at 8 p.m. Sept. 11-12, and 17 and at 2:30 p.m. Sunday and Sept. 19.

"Goodnight Desdemona (Good Morning Juliet)" will be performed at 8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10 and 18 and at 2:30 p.m. Sept. 12.

"A Midsummer Night's Dream" will be performed at 2:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 11 and 18.

The Globe Theater is located at 2308 Shakespeare Road, Odessa.

Arts and Crafts Celebration, San Angelo

The 30th annual Arts and Crafts Celebration in San Angelo is set for Sept. 18-19 at the Wells Fargo Pavilion on the San Angelo Fair Grounds.

Sept. 18 hours are 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Sept. 19 hours are noon until 5 p.m. There is no charge for admission.

Menus

SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER

MONDAY-CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY

TUESDAY-Steak fingers, potatoes, broccoli & cheese salad, milk, rolls, fruit.

WEDNESDAY-Bar-b-q chicken, potato salad, beans, cornbread, milk, fruited gelatin.

THURSDAY-Beef enchiladas, Spanish rice, beans, salad, milk, cornbread, cake.

FRIDAY-Roast, potatoes, green beans, salad, milk, rolls, fruit.

BIG SPRING ISD

BREAKFAST MONDAY-HOLIDAY

TUESDAY-Cereal, sausage patty, juice, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Cinnamon pastry, sliced pineapple, milk.

THURSDAY-Cereal, apple cinnamon bar, juice, milk.

FRIDAY-Grape filled biscuit, sausage link, applesauce, milk.

LUNCH MONDAY-HOLIDAY

TUESDAY-Rib sandwich, coleslaw, ranch style beans, peach cup, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, English peas, spiced apples, wheat roll, milk.

THURSDAY-Mexican jambayla w/rice, salad, corn, orange wedges, milk.

FRIDAY-Cheeseburger, salad, French fries, all American cup, milk.

FORSAN ISD

BREAKFAST MONDAY-HOLIDAY

TUESDAY-Cereal, yogurt, juice, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Muffins, juice, milk.

THURSDAY-Biscuits, sausage, juice, milk.

FRIDAY-Donuts, juice, milk.

LUNCH MONDAY-HOLIDAY

TUESDAY-Soft beef burrito, pinto beans, corn, peaches, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Chicken pot pie, sliced carrots, mixed fruit, milk.

THURSDAY-Hot dog w/chili, waffle fries, salad, pears, milk.

FRIDAY-Ham, rolls, au gratin potatoes, California mixed veggies, applesauce, milk.

STANTON ISD

BREAKFAST MONDAY-HOLIDAY

TUESDAY-Oatmeal, cinnamon toast, cereal, buttered toast, juice, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Cheese omelet, sausage, biscuit, cereal, buttered toast, juice, milk.

THURSDAY-Blueberry muffin, scrambled egg patty, bacon, cereal, buttered toast, juice, milk.

FRIDAY-Breakfast burrito, cereal, buttered toast, juice, milk.

LUNCH MONDAY-HOLIDAY

TUESDAY-Chicken nuggets or baked fish, mashed potatoes, peaches, hot rolls.

WEDNESDAY-Pepperoni pizza or pizza cheese sticks, green beans, garden salad, fruit cocktail.

THURSDAY-Chicken fajita or chicken casserole, pinto beans, salad, pineapple, cornbread.

FRIDAY-Hamburger or cheeseburger, French fries, hamburger salad, pears, pudding cup.

WESTBROOK ISD

BREAKFAST MONDAY-HOLIDAY

TUESDAY-Breakfast pizza, cereal, juice, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Donuts, cereal, juice, milk.

THURSDAY-Sausage, bacon, biscuits, cereal, juice, milk.

FRIDAY-Pancake pups, cereal, juice, milk.

LUNCH MONDAY-HOLIDAY

TUESDAY-Cheeseburgers, vegetable fixings, French fries, peach cups, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Chicken fajitas w/tortillas, cheese & salsa, tossed salad, refried beans, 1/2 banana, milk.

THURSDAY-Frito pie w/cheese, corn, pear halves, milk.

FRIDAY-Oven fried chicken, gravy, mashed potatoes, glazed carrots, biscuits, honey, milk.

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BREAKFAST MONDAY-HOLIDAY

TUESDAY-Biscuits & sausage

WEDNESDAY-Nutribars

THURSDAY-Muffins

FRIDAY-Cereal LUNCH

MONDAY-HOLIDAY TUESDAY-Bar-b-q on bun, oven fries, ranch style beans, pineapple, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Taco salad, pinto beans, cheese, cornbread, chips, applesauce, milk.

THURSDAY-Chicken nuggets w/gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls, bananas, milk.

FRIDAY-Lasagna, batterbread, green beans, fruit, milk.

COAHOMA ISD

BREAKFAST MONDAY-HOLIDAY

TUESDAY-Pancakes, sausage, syrup, orange juice, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Poptarts, ham, apple juice, milk.

THURSDAY-Biscuits, gravy, sausage, jelly, grape juice, milk.

FRIDAY-Oatmeal, ham, juice, milk.

LUNCH MONDAY-HOLIDAY

TUESDAY-Nacho Grande, salad, ranch beans, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Steak or burritos, gravy, creamed potatoes, rolls, green beans, milk.

THURSDAY-Tacos or corn dogs, salad, strawberries, milk.

FRIDAY-McRibs or sloppy joe, potato salad, pinto beans, bread, milk.

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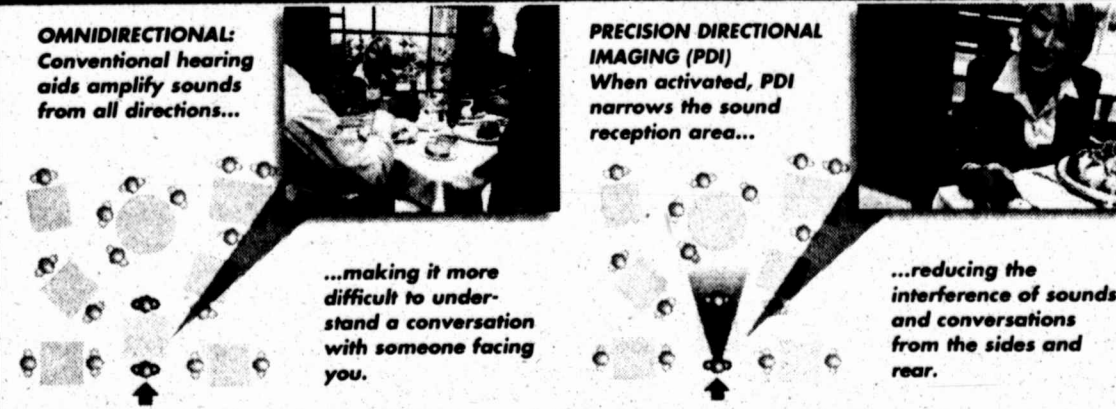
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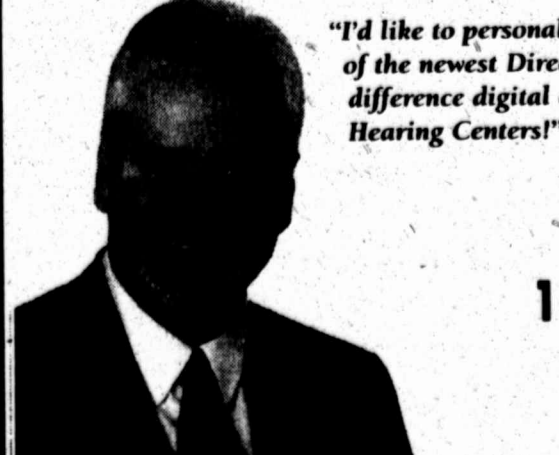


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School Reunions

Class of 1959

The Big Spring High School Class of 1959 is having their 45th reunion Oct. 8-10. Anyone interested should contact Katie Thomas Grimes at 432-267-3129 or Pat Rogers Anderson at 432-267-6143.

Class of 1994

The Big Spring High School Class of 1994 10-year reunion is set for Oct. 8-9. For more information, or to update name or mailing address, please call Kendra Carey Willingham at 1-888-820-4911 pin No. 6414 or e-mail BigSpringReunion94@yahoo.com.

Class of 1989

The Class of 1989 is having their 15-year reunion Oct. 8-9, 2004. We are still missing the following people. Please contact Christy Alexander Brown at 972-567-8037 or e-mail kbrown@sbcglobal.net with any information.

Dino Aguilar, Cheryl Alcantar, Stephanie Anderson, Andy Bacon, Jerry Baldock, Tana Barbee, Mark Barkley, Jesse Barrera, Emma Bermea, Barry Blauser, Gary Boyd, Shirrel Brumley, Doug Bryan, Brian Burson, Kathy Calvio, David Carpenter, Michelle Carter, Domingo Castillo, Kathy Chavarria, Todd Cline, Dawn Conway, John Covington, Ray Darden, Andrew Davis, Barbara Davis, Gina DeLeon, Danny Ditto, Stephanie Dodd, Penny Doggett, David Dominguez, Michael Dominguez, Lora Doporto, Tex Ellis, Maria Escanuelas, Frances Escovedo, Scott Farris, Donald Fitzgibbons, Jino Flores, Rosalinda Flores, Delena Franco, Mandy Franklin, Ben Fritzer, Chris Futrelle, Sylvia Gaitan, Lori Galan, Chris Gammons, Ramon Gomez, Ben Gonzales, Ester Gonzales, Lori Gonzales, Timmy Gutierrez, Scott Hardy, Dennis Hartfield, Dawn Heagy, Tina Henderson, Ed Hernandez, Javier Hernandez, Lydia Hernandez, Cheryl Holt, William Horton, Erica Huff, Rhonda Jenkins, Danny Jowers, Tonya Knox, Paul Krueger, Todd Kuykendall, Sandra Lara, Carol Lawdermilk, Jeff Leal, Tony Lewis, Arturo Lopez, David Lopez, Melissa Martinez, Robert Martinez, Susan Maynard, Terra McKee,

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Class of 1974

The Class of 1974 is looking for the following classmates. If you know where they are please notify Carol Boyd at 432-263-0486 or e-mail Guy Teague at gntea@ddraytech.net.

Kim Adams, Steve Adams, Terry Allison, Albert Arriols, Shirley Atwell, Vicki Axelrod, Blaz Bailon, Diane Baldock, Joyce Bennett, Sherri Bertan, Terry Billingsley, John Bowers, Donna Brewer, Kathy Bull, Sherry Burgess, Greg Burris, Randy Callison, Carla Carter, Cindy Cole, Paula Collins, Michael Conley, Linda Curtis, Cynthia D'Angelo, Pam Daniels, Kay Davis, Jimmy Dean, Donna DeFlich, Joyce DeFlich, Rosalinda DeLeon, Cynthia Dennis, Wendell Dodson, James Dry, Pam Eisler, Dodie Evans, Cathy Ewing, Martha Eysen, Steve Ferrell, Sandra Floyd, Ramon Franco, Sheri Fry, Karen Fuller, Mary Gainus, Raul Garza, Belinda Gomez, Anna Maria Gonzales, Garland Green, Janis Gregg, Sarah Haas, Sue Harris, June Hendrick Rhea, Mitzi Hill, Tracy Hill, Babbette Huckaba, Debra Hurrington, Robert

Jackson, Phil Johnson, Patricia Jordan, Virginia Keathley, Patricia King, Kathy Kirksey, Ruth Knight, John Kushaney, Jeff Kuykendall, Barbara Landreth, Robert Lang, Karen Lawler, Russell Leggett, Wayne Lister, Richard Loehman, Barry Loyd, Art Mackie, Rebecca Marin, Jerry Martin, Virginia Martinez, Beckie Mason, Susie McGuire, Walter McWhiter, Frances Meade, Steve Meador, Patsy Medina, Bobbie Meeks, Henry Menchaca, Maria Mendoza, William Messenger, Jeff Miller, Barbara Morris, Paula Muskovin, Eva Palacios, Phil Parmenter, Vicki Patterson, Lana Perry Bruington, Iris Phillips, Randal Phillips, Cindy Phillips, Kenneth Platte, Eunice Ramirez, Libby Reed, Tony Reidy, Robert Renteria, Linda Richardson, Earl Richliart, Daniel Rivera, Bennett Robb, Patti Robertson, Vicki Robertson Martin, James Robinson, Johnny Rodriguez, Jerry Rogers, Martha Rogers, Priscilla Rudd Horn, Irene Saldivar, Patrice Sherrill Fivash, Mike Sieler, Doug Smith, Dennis Stevens, Harlan Stewart, Linda Stewart, Robert Sullivan, Carolyn Toaz, Joyce Turner, Sarah Vigil, Ken Walton, Joe Watson, Debra Way, Debbie Wheeler, Cindy Whitaker, Jorgenson, Gary White, Kenneth Wilcox, Jimmy Wiley, Kenneth Williamson.

Class of 1979

The Big Spring High School class of 1979 is looking for these classmates. Contact Debbye Valverde at 263-7641 with any information.

Jeff Archambault, Naomi Arriola, Annetta Baker, Terri Connell Brown, Brenda Begley Ray, Dale Brown, Julie Brown, Steve Bryant, Connie Butler, Kelly Carson Chaney, Kyle Casey, Angela Carvar, Laura Caudill Turner, Sandra Chaney, Paul Cesneros, Carol Cone Barrier, Blain Callison,

Rosalina Caruthers, Kenneth Crow, Elida Cruz, Paul Davis, Sylvia Delbosque Jones, Diana Dominguez, Bill Downing, Doyce Draper, Rochelle Fair, Paula Fields, Lucinda Fleming Oline, Carolyn Foreman Wallace, John Garcia, Jose Garcia, Joy Roseann Garver, Beatrice Gonzales, Wilbert Grant, Ginny Green, Ricky Gutierrez, Charlsa Hamner, Johnny Gardeman, Cody Harrington, Sonna Head, Gilbert Hernandez, Nora Hernandez, Robert Hernandez, Rudy Hilario, Pete Hinton, Woodie Howell, Jamie Gulan, Russell Ille, Brian Jenkins, Terry Jenkins, Debra Jimenez Porras, Kevin Jodoi, Arva Jones Bulter, Paula Kennemer Eisert, Sandra Harbin Olive, Vick Kincheloeloth, Robert Lara, David Larson, Jessica Lewis, Chris Limon, Ronnie Little, Cheryl Loper Carroll, Phillip Lozano, Celina Lucio, Ricky Luevano, Tom Lujan, Donna Lunsford, Mark Madigan, Jagers James, David Manley, Bradley Martin, Mark Martin, Freddy Martinez, Lorenzo Martinez, Antonio Mata, Dianne Mayo, Virginia Mayo, Jackie McCullough Cutchall, Janine McDonald, Richardo Mendoza, Billy Joe Minchew, Kirona Montgomery, Joanne Morelion, Maria Moreno, Roberta Morgan, Cindy Mullins, John Murray, Kirk Nelson, Randy Nelson, Aaron Nobis, David Novele, Richard Nunez, Eva Osberg, Malcolm Osburn, Vanessa Osburn, Tonya Partee Davis, Kalavati Patel, Nayina Patel, Niru Patel, Ray Perez, James Pineda, Kenneth Pruitt, Debbie Puga Trevino, Eddie Puga, Ramiro Ramos, Julia Ray, Ronnie Rayos, Leigh Reynolds, Cindy Roberts Reed, Randall Roberts, Julie Ann Rodriguez, Mike Rodgers, Yolanda Ross, Raul Rubio, Tony Rubio, Ysa Rubio, Donald Sawyer, Alice Sayers Broughton, Steven Scholler,

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Class of 1969

The 1969 Big Spring High School class has a 35th class reunion set for Oct. 8-9. Please contact Shelene Parnell Roberts at 267-6013, 267-5858 or 267-2798 if you have any information regarding: Charles Arbuckle, Johnny Arguello, Steve Austin, Rhonda Barger, Jessie Ladd Bennett, Linda Gail Benson, Jay Berry, Brenda Bradbury, Dwight Brown, James Brown, Mike Brumley, Sherry Buford, Mary Beth Burcham, Bobbie Beatrice Byrd, Allen Carlie, Candace Carothers, Yvette Casillas Padilla, Lucy Cervantes, Ema Chavez, Gwen Clark, Steve Cofer, Elodia Corrales Cherry, Benjamin Rush Crocker, Alanda Deans, John Deats, Linda Dennis, Santa Diaz, Glenda Kay Digby, Robert Domino, Alfred Doporto, Janie Duke, Rodney Dunman, Debra Miller Erhardt, Michael Evans, Clifton Ray Fidler, Patie Lue Finke, Marva Elizabeth Foster, Debbie Fritz, Larry Froman, Laura

Fulbright Jones, Dee Ann Gibson Jones, Wanda Sue Gipson, Cindy Gressett Trim, Darwin Griffin, Thomas Ham, Theresa Heard, Wanda Heckler Ingram, Bill Henry, David Hilario, Lascio Hilario, Lewis Hinojos, Francis Holt Hodges, Dale Hughes, Arthur Huse, Deborah Ann Jensen, Bill Jones, Jimmy Jones, Nancy Kasch, Juanece Ann Key, Linda Key, Cathy Kirby Murray, Bertha Kirk, Victoria Lynn Knoepfel, Mary Francis Lee, Joy Legg, Kenneth Charles Le Roy, Roger Levriere, Barbara Long, Norma Luvano, Roberta Hazel Marks, Gerald Martin, Elizabeth McCarra, Wanda Jane Mesimer, Gene Willard Meyers, Debbie Miller Craig, Earsie Jean Miller, Thomas Molina, Carolyn Ann Montgomery, Karen Marie Moore, Irene Munoz McCurdy, Coleman Nalls, Garland Newton, Larry Newton, Doris Virginia Noble, Mary Jane Ovalle, Rosalinda Palomino, John Pannel, Richard Barry Payne, Angelina Carmen Phillips, Cynthia Jane Pinson, Sara Elizabeth Pohl, Cathy Poole, Arthur Porras, Judy Pruitt Cook, Paula Ramirez, Mary Rhodes, Peggy Riherd Williams, Ophelia Alavez Rios, Deola Maureen Rivers, Terry Joan Robertson, Jamie Rouch Ethun, Pam Rowland, Karen Joyce Roldivir, Larry Russell, Adrian Saldivar, Jennifer Schneider, Larry Sloan, Candice Smith Spivey, Gary Smith, Gerald Wayne Smith, Gwnthe Gayle Smith, Stanford Stewart, Wendell Stewart, Tommy Switzer, Dana Sue Templeton Townsend, Robert Gale Thompson, Fidel Tovar, Jesse Trevino, Antonio Subia Valencia, Carl Van Vleet, Armando Flores Vera, Joyce Walker Gibbs, Terry Walton, Roy Lee Warren, Glee Webb, James Webb, William David Webb, Michael David Wiggins, Rocky Woolley, Viola Yanez Barrera, Manuel Ybarra.

Midland-Odessa symphony begins season

The Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorale (MOSC) begins the 2004-2005 season with 2 free outdoor pops concerts Friday at Midland College and Saturday at University of Texas of the Permian Basin.

Bring the family for a picnic and wonderful music. A picnic basket competition will be held with Vicky Haley, Judy Reigle, Joyce Silverman and Karen MacAfee as judges. Winners will be recognized at the event and

awarded prizes. Spongebob Squarepants will make the kids stars. Also joining will be Ms. Kate Denny, oboe soloist. Denny, a recent graduate from Lee High School attends the Eastman School of Music and is already distinguishing herself as a first-rate musician. The orchestra will perform a salute to the Armed Forces; favorite college fight songs, music from Harry Potter, the Beach Boys and much more.

Scenic Mountain Medical Center invites you to join our... September 2004 Schedule

September 1 • Wednesday
• Stretch & Tone - 11:00 am
• Sr. App. Day - 11:30 am

September 2 • Thursday
• Mall Walking - 8:00 am
• Coffee @ Gale's - 10:00 am

September 3 • Friday
September 4 • Saturday
Childbirth Classes - 9:00 am-3:00 pm.
Call To Enroll - 268-4550
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September 5 • Sunday
September 6 • Monday
Happy Labor Day - Senior Circle Office Closed

September 7 • Tuesday
• Book Fair - 7:30 am - 5:30 pm
(Lobby of Hospital)
Proceeds to be donated to the Alzheimer's Association

• Mall Walking - 8:00 am
• Coffee @ Parkplace - 10:00 am
• Supper Club "Alberto's" - 5:30 pm

September 8 • Wednesday
• Stretch & Tone - 11:00 am
• Sr. App. Day - 11:30 am

September 9 • Thursday
• Mall Walking - 8:00 am
• Coffee @ Gale's - 10:00 am

September 10 • Friday
• Early Bird Breakfast - 8:00 am
• Shopping Midland - 8:30 am

September 11 • Saturday
• Canterbury South's Health Fair
9:00 am-5:00 pm

September 12 • Sunday
• The Grapes Of Wrath - MCT 1:00 pm

September 13 • Monday
• Games - 2:00 pm
• Sit & Be Fit - 4:00 pm

September 14 • Tuesday
• Volunteers Executive Board Meeting 10:00 am
• Volunteers General Executive Meeting With Yearly Orientation - 11:00 am

American Cancer Society - Howard-Glasscock County. Council Meeting
Potluck Supper - 6:00 pm at Gale's Bakery

September 15 • Wednesday
• Stretch & Tone - 11:00 am
• Sr. App. Day - 11:30 am

September 16 • Thursday
• Mall Walking - 8:00 am
• Coffee @ Gale's - 10:00 am

September 17 • Friday
September 18 • Saturday
• Alzheimer's Memory Walk - City Park 9:00 am

September 19 • Sunday
September 20 • Monday
• Sit & Be Fit - 4:00 pm
Pot Luck & Bingo - 11:30 am

September 21 • Tuesday
• Mall Walking - 8:00 am
Relay For Life Kick-Off Meeting
Gale's Bakery - 5:30 pm

Dinner & A Movie "Al's Bar-b-que"

September 22 • Wednesday
• Stretch & Tone - 11:00 am
• Sr. App. Day - 11:30 am

September 23 • Thursday
• Mall Walking - 8:00 am
• Coffee @ Gale's - 10:00 am
• Lunch-N-Learn - 11:30 am

September 24 • Friday
Relay For Life Breakfast.
Yellow Rose Cafe (inside Hospital)
Waffles & Pancakes, Juice, Bacon or Sausage & Fresh Fruit \$3.00 - 6:00 am - 9:00 am

September 25 • Saturday
September 26 • Sunday
September 27 • Monday
• Games 2:00 pm
• Sit & Be Fit - 4:00 pm

September 28 • Tuesday
• Mall Walking - 8:00 am
• Supper Club "Red Mesa" 5:30 pm

September 29 • Wednesday
• Volunteers Yearly District Meeting - Odessa
• No Stretch & Tone Today
• Sr. App. Day - 11:30 am

September 30 • Thursday
• Mall Walking - 8:00 am
• Coffee @ Gale's - 10:00 am

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Howard College to assist in telethon

The Howard College Athletic Department will be helping out with the Jerry Lewis Telethon at the Big Spring Mall Monday. A member from every sport — men's and women's basketball, baseball, softball and rodeo — as well as cheerleaders and trainers will be answering phones and taking pledges.

C.G.A. announces monthly tournament

The Big Spring Chicano Golf Association has set up a golf tournament for Sunday, Sept. 11, at Comanche Trail Golf Course.

The tournament is the ninth annual Father Delaney tournament, which is in conjunction with Knights of Columbus. It will be a four-person scramble and teams must be registered by 9:45 a.m. Sunday for the 10 a.m. shotgun start.

For more information, call 267-7977.

Howard College is seeking singers

Howard College's Athletic Department is seeking National Anthem singers for the upcoming basketball seasons.

Anyone interested in being a singer needs to make a tape or CD and drop it off at the athletic office with attention Tana Howard.

For more information, call Howard at 264-5155.

Williams, Roddick win at U.S. Open

NEW YORK (AP) — Serena Williams beat 30th-seeded Tatiana Golovin 7-5, 6-4 to reach the fourth round of the U.S. Open.

Williams, the 1999 and 2002 Open champion, lost four straight games to trail 4-1 in the first set. She made a dozen unforced errors to that point and finished with 42. But she turned things around by winning eight of nine games.

Defending champion Andy Roddick overcame a diatribe directed at the chair umpire and beat 18-year-old Rafael Nadal of Spain 6-0, 6-3, 6-4 to get to the third round.

Patty Snyder saved three match points and defeated Daniela Hantuchova, while No. 16 Francesca Schiavone ended wild card Angela Haynes' run.

No. 7 Juan Carlos Ferrero, No. 8 David Nalbandian, and No. 12 Sebastien Grosjean all lost.

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At Last: Lady Steers defeat Midland High

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor

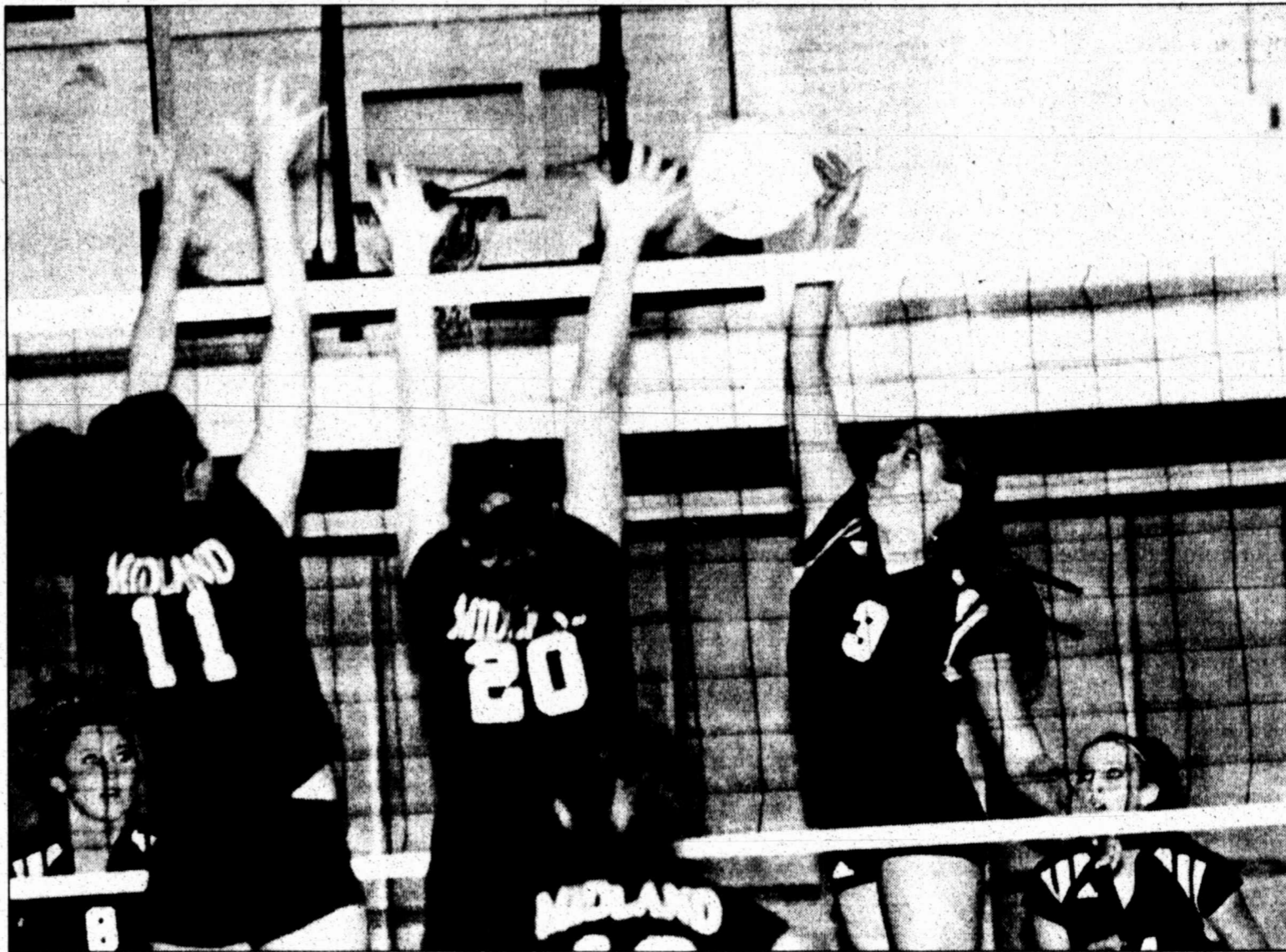
For the first time in head coach Revis Daggett's two-year reign at Big Spring, her Lady Steers defeated Class 5A Midland High. And it came in the Seminole Tournament Friday where Daggett's team won all three games and captured a No. 1 seed in the gold bracket.

"It was a sweet victory for our team because the girls have never beaten them before," said Daggett. "This milestone for us means a lot and hopefully it will continue."

Big Spring defeated Midland High in its final match Friday night. They also defeated Odessa Permian and Hereford earlier in the day.

The first match of the day took three games as the Lady Steers knocked off Permian 14-25, 25-21 and 25-15 on senior Stefany Scott's 18th birthday.

"She played like it was her birthday," said



Big Spring senior Stefany Scott gets up high for the kill against Midland High Tuesday. The Lady Steers defeated the Lady Bulldogs for the first time since head coach Revis Daggett took over two years ago. Big Spring defeated Midland High at the Seminole Tournament Friday night. It was Scott's 18 birthday, as well.

Permian destroys Steers at Memorial

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor

Six turnovers by the Big Spring football team and a tough Odessa Permian offense led to a 56-0 victory for the Panthers Friday night at Memorial Stadium in Big Spring.

Permian scored its first touchdown with 7:54 to play in the first quarter and never looked back. Permian quarterback Shea Smith found Adam Podzemny on the Panthers first drive as the two hooked up for a 30 yard touchdown pass.

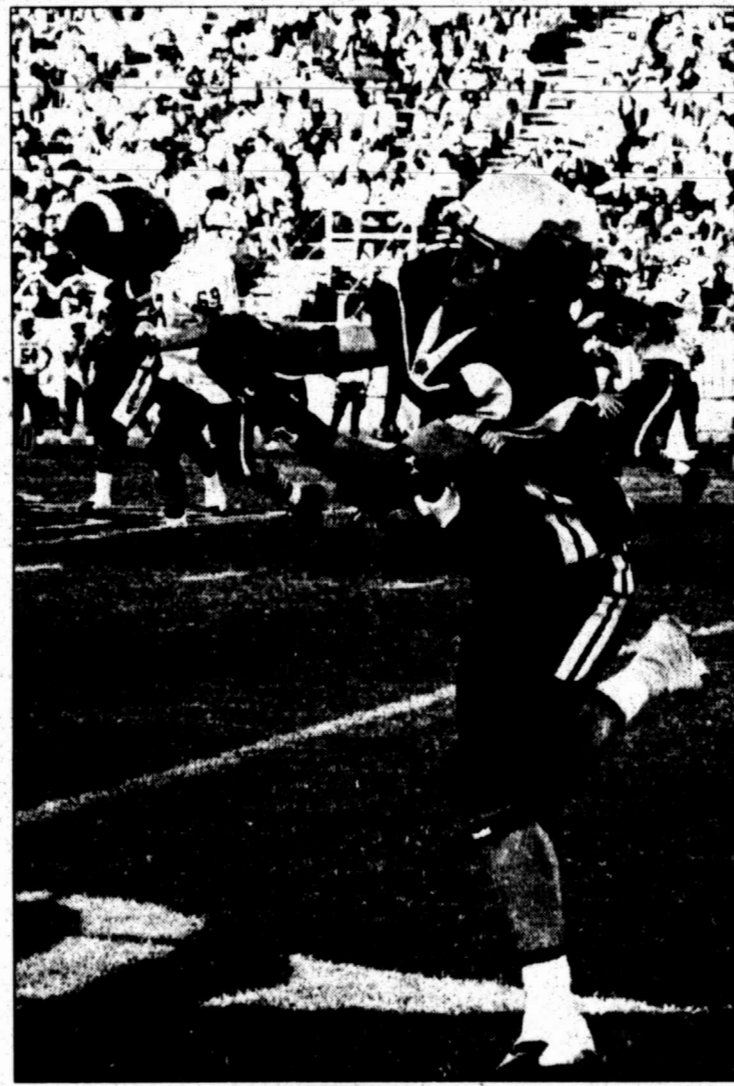
The combo also hooked up on the Panthers' second drive for a 56 yard touchdown completion. Sandwiched in between the two passes was a five-yard fumble return for a touchdown by Chris Nunez and right away the Steers trailed 21-0 after the first quarter.

The first two Permian touchdowns came only 19 seconds apart.

The second quarter was not any more fun for the Steers as the Panthers continued to drive the ball down the field.

Permian's next touchdown came eight seconds into the second quarter, but the play was set up by a Josh Stephens 32-yard reception at the Big Spring three-yard line as time expired in the first quarter.

The Panthers then punched the ball past the goal line on the first play of the second quarter



Big Spring senior J. Rich Sparks drops an intended pass during the Steers' 56-0 loss to Odessa Permian Friday at Memorial Stadium. Sparks did catch two passes for nine yards.

from one yard out as Bradley McDaniel scored to make it 28-0.

Two minutes later, Stephens scored on a 66-yard strike from Smith and then McDaniel scored on another one-yard run with 7:45 to play in the second quarter.

"From the middle of the second quarter on, we played much better on defense," said Big Spring head coach Dwight Butler. "We only gave up 14 points from that point on and seven of those points came off an offensive mistake."

Permian's Donavon Earl and Tommy Cardwell each scored in the third quarter to close out the scoring.

Big Spring lost five fumbles, threw one inter-

ception and compiled only 105 total yards on offense, while Permian ran for 186 yards and picked up 267 yards through the air.

Steers quarterback Jerry Doporto, who replaced the injured Andy Lasater this week, went six-for-19 for 50 yards through the air and rushed for 31 on six carries.

Daniel Garza caught two passes for 30 yards.

"We need to get our pieces back together and until we do that we are going to continue to struggle," said Butler. "We are short on running backs because Jerry is playing quarterback for Andy and Taviance is hurting a

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Coahoma's offense explodes in victory

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor

Coahoma used a strong offensive game from senior quarterback Adrian Abrego and a defensive goal line stand to bounce back from a week zero loss to upend Seagraves on the road, 39-28.

Seagraves led 6-0 after one quarter, but Abrego got his troops on the board in the second quarter with a one yard touchdown run.

Two more touchdowns in the third quarter put Coahoma up 19-14 after three periods. The first score came with 11:39 to go until halftime. Abrego connected with senior Lance Roberts on a 42-yard touchdown strike. The second touchdown, which came with 1:08 to go in the second quarter, was scored by Abrego from one yard out.

The key play, possession and drive came in the fourth quarter with the Bulldogs clinging to a five-point lead. Seagraves had four chances to score from the six-yard line, but Coahoma stopped its opponent every time. The last stop came on fourth and one as Antoine Cole was stopped for no gain.

The stop then gave Coahoma the ball from its own one yard line. However, eight plays later the Bulldogs found themselves 99 yards down the field and into the end zone. The drive

was sparked by a 53-yard run by converted running back Andrew Brown and a 14-yard touchdown run by Abrego. Brown was moved to running back after playing on the offensive line in game one.

Brown, who finished with 101 yards on 12 carries, scored Coahoma's final score with 1:27 left in the game. The two teams combined to score eight touchdowns in the second half after the defenses dominated the first half. Coahoma led 7-6 at halftime.

Seagraves' final lead came in the third quarter after Aaron Smith scored on a 48-yard run. That touchdown made it 14-13, but it was the last time Seagraves would see an advantage.

Coahoma finished with 486 total yards, one turnover and 10 penalties, while Seagraves amassed 420 total yards and committed three turnovers.

Abrego finished with five total touchdowns — three rushing and two passing.

He was 15-for-29 through the air for 303 yards and he rushed for 75 yards on 18 carries.

Garren Jernigan, who caught a 60-yard touchdown pass in the fourth quarter, led the team in receiving with six catches for 127 yards. Roberts caught five passes for 97 yards.

Coahoma hosts Wall next Friday.



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Friday Night Football This week's finals

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Big Spring 0	Seagraves 28	Stanton 7	Forsan 6	Garden City 43	Grady 6	Sands 0

Hunting, fishing licenses currently on sale for season

Special to the HERALD

New hunting and fishing licenses for 2004-05 will be available beginning Aug. 15, and the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department is reminding customers to be aware of some significant changes.

The biggest change will affect recreational fishermen.

Beginning this fall, Texas anglers will have to pick the fishing license package that matches their fishing preference: freshwater, saltwater or both.

That's because a new \$5 freshwater fishing stamp to generate funding for fish hatchery construction and repair will be required to fish in freshwater starting Sept. 1. A similar endorsement to fish in saltwater has been in place for several years, with revenue generated by coastal anglers earmarked for that fishery.

According to the new licensing structure, anglers will select from several fishing packages: a freshwater fishing license (\$28 for residents, \$11 for seniors and \$55 for non-residents), a saltwater fishing license (\$33 for residents, \$16 for seniors and \$60 for non-residents) or an all-water fishing license good for both fresh and saltwater (\$38 for residents, \$21 for seniors and \$65 for non-residents). All packages come with the appropriate required stamps.

Similar license packages will also be available in conjunction with hunting licenses, including a freshwater combo (\$47 for residents and \$15 for seniors), a saltwater combo (\$52 for residents, \$20 for seniors) and all-water combo (\$57 for residents, \$25 for seniors). The popular super combo "one stop shop" license package will incur just

the additional cost of the freshwater stamp (\$64), as does the senior super combo (\$30).

The type of temporary fishing licenses available also has changed.

The 3-day resident, the 5-day non-resident and the 14-day temporary have been replaced by a 1-day temporary with an option to buy additional daily privileges at the time of purchase.

The first time a resident purchases a 1-day resident license the price will be \$11 for freshwater, \$16 for saltwater and \$21 for all water privileges, with additional consecutive days costing \$4 per day.

The same customer may choose to purchase the same 1-day license package at a later date for only \$6 with each consecutive additional day costing \$4. The first time a non-resident buys a 1-day license the cost will be \$17 for freshwater, \$22 for saltwater or \$27 for all water, with additional consecutive days costing \$8 each.

The same non-resident customer may choose to purchase the same 1-day license package at a later date for \$12 with each consecutive additional day costing \$8.

The agency also created for convenience sake a "year-from-purchase" all water fishing license valid for 365 days from the date of purchase.

The cost of this license option will be \$45 and available to Texas residents only.

Texas issues 3.2 million hunting and fishing licenses annually through 28 TPWD field offices, more than 100 state parks and at many retailers across Texas.

Hunters and anglers can also purchase licenses by calling (800) 895-4248.

Forsan junior varsity loses, eighth graders win against Eldorado

Special to the HERALD

The Forsan junior varsity team was not successful Thursday in trying to pick its first win of the year as the Buffaloes lost to Eldorado, 16-8, in Forsan.

The Buffaloes lone touchdown came on a five-yard touchdown reception by Skylier Sandridge from quarterback Seth Johnson. Johnson and Sandridge also hooked up for the two-point conversion.

Forsan was two yards away from a tie score in the game after Sandridge's 58-yard reception took the ball to the two-yard line as time expired in the first half.

Sandridge finished with 100 yards receiving on offense and an interception on defense.

Johnson finished with over 100 yards passing from his quarterback position, as well.

Michael Gomez and Doi Haggard each had a fumble recovery, and, along with Cody Freitag, Russell Strong and Adam Bailey, played well on defense, according to coach Dave Park.

The Buffaloes (0-2) will travel to Hawley next Thursday to take on the

Bearkats at 5 p.m.

The junior high teams also played Eldorado last week in their season openers. The eighth grade team, behind a strong defensive effort, won its game, 14-8, while the seventh grade team played well in its scrimmage against Eldorado, said coach Brad Batla.

The Buffalo eighth graders' defense forced five fumbles and the Eagle offense numerous times, said Batla. Leading the charge defensively was Zach Herrin, who had an interception and a fumble recovery. Jeremy Freitag added a forced fumble, a fumble recovery and an interception with about a minute left in the game, which sealed the win.

The Buffaloes scored in the first quarter after Vince Penick scored on a 25-yard run. In the third quarter, Forsan scored again. This time, Jace Sandridge scored on a 30-yard run, which turned out to be the game-winning score.

"Overall, everyone did an outstanding job in the win against Eldorado," said Batla.



Big Spring junior Kalin Whitehead tries to get free during one of his runs Friday during the Steers' loss to Odessa Permian at Memorial Stadium.

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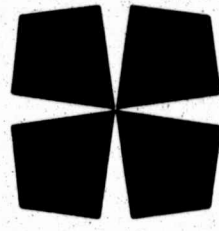
bit." Smith finished 14-for-18 passing for 267 yards and three touchdowns. Podzemny and Stephens each caught five passes and compiled over 110 yards receiving, while Frank Hage led all Permian running backs with 75 yards on six carries.

Hage scored once, McDaniel reached the end zone twice and the receiving duo of Podzemny and Stephens contributed three touchdowns.

"I thought a real positive was that we didn't get down and didn't quit after halftime," said Butler. "The team played better from the middle of the second quarter on."

Big Spring will try to get its first win next Friday as the Steers travel to Hereford.

Big Spring defeated Hereford last year, 49-7.



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Muck Fest Monday night was a slamming, odorous, gross-out totally cool blast-of-fun way to begin YoungLife Club for the 2004-2005 school year.

And despite the cold wind, large torrents of pelting rain and slimy mud that complimented the muck, teen-agers attended in droves for a chance to participate in the largest food fight ever.

The high school students shaving creamed, water ballooned, floured and mucked each other with a mixture that could only be called rancid.

The muck smelled worse than it looked, a lingering, sour odor of bad milk and two-week-old, wet athletic socks. It looked like oatmeal cookie dough mixed with rabbit pellets, but with the texture of large grains of sand.

But the worse it appeared, the better the teen-agers enjoyed it.

Its sugary substance stuck to everything — hair, clothes, shoes, skin — until Howard County Volunteer Fire Chief Tommy Sullivan and fireman Louie Smith showered the high school students with a fire hose.

Everybody was running, throwing muck, sliding in the mud and squealing with surprise, delight and excitement.

More than one rumor circulated that some teens threw up after accidentally getting the muck in their mouth, which enhanced the reputation of the activity.

YoungLife, a nondenominational Christian organization for high school students, will continue teen-age activities with the first regular Club meeting Sept. 13.

YoungLife is about building relationships with teen-agers, and all adult volunteers are subjected to a background check and must be members of an area church. The group meets in the building at the corner of 13th and Owens streets.

One of the ways YoungLife appeals to teen-agers is by providing activities such as Muck Fest that allows a safe, controlled atmosphere where it is OK to enjoy being a teen-ager.

Muck Fest was plain rotten, exhilarating fun.

Marsha Sturdivant, feature's editor of the Big Spring Herald, may be contacted at life@bigspringherald.com.

Herald photos/Marsha Sturdivant
Once the muck started flying identifying any of the nearly 100 teen-agers proved to be impossible. These photos were shot before, during and after the food fight.



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Wedding



Kandi Dawn Cline and Daniel Nathan Campbell

Cline and Campbell to wed

Kandi Dawn Cline and Daniel Nathan Campbell will exchange wedding vows Oct. 23, 2004, at Family Faith Victory Center. The bride is the daughter of John H. and Anita

Cline and is employed by Western National Bank. The groom is the son of Jim and Sammie Campbell and is employed by Knowlton Automotive.

Wedding

Smith and Nichols exchange vows

Kayla JoAnn Smith and Kyle Wayne Nichols exchanged wedding vows Saturday, Aug. 21, 2004, at 6 p.m. in 14th & Main Church of Christ with Rick Cunningham presiding.

The bride is the daughter of Keith and Debi Smith and Theresa Combs.

The groom is the son of Allen and Cara Nichols and the grandson of Willie and Joyce Nichols and Jane Moore.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, Keith Smith, was beautiful in her white gown with beaded bodice and chapel length train. She wore a veil sprinkled with crystals and a sparkling tiara of Austrian crystals. She carried a bouquet of long-stemmed calla lilies.

The groom was handsome in a black suit accented with a pastel orange silk tie.

Maid of honor was Kara Smith, sister of the bride. Bridemaid was Kayla Marie Nichols, sister of the groom.

Flower girl was Riley King. Ring bearer was Nasson Rose, cousin of

the bride. Best man was Corbin Brown, cousin of the groom. Groomsman was Heath Hayes, brother of the bride.

A reception was held after the ceremony.

The bride's cake was pure-wedding white with delicate white roses surrounding each of the three tiers. Tiny raised dots adorned the entire cake against a smooth white buttercream icing. A "From This Day Forward" wedding cake ornament was used atop the stacked tiers for a total finish in pure white.

The groom's cake had two layers of chocolate-fudge cake iced in chocolate buttercream, and was crowned with chocolate-dipped strawberries and chocolate drizzled icing.

The groom is a graduate of Forsan High School and Howard College. He is employed by Nichols Air Conditioning and Heating.

The bride is a graduate of Coahoma High School and has attended Howard College. She is employed by Big Spring Education Employees Federal Credit



Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Wayne Nichols

Union. Following a honeymoon couple have made their home in Big Spring. trip to Ruidoso, N.M., the

Newcomers

• Sean Burrows, wife Amy, son Brandon and daughter Bailey of Orillia Ontario, Canada. He is a computer tech and she is employed by Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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• Juan Chavira, wife Linda, daughters Stephanie and Juanita and son Angel of Houston. He is a self employed painter.

• Cory Pack, wife

Cynthia and daughter Rayna of Llano. He is employed by Howard College.

from the U.S. Marine Corps.

• Albert Martinez, wife Traci, daughter Mikayla and son Mekhi of San Angelo. He is employed by Walmart.

• Howard Edwards and wife Margaret of Las Vegas, Nev. He is retired

Who's Who

Tapley Holguin

Tapley Holguin was accepted to and attended the 38th annual Stephen F. Austin High School Summer Theatre Workshop in Nacogdoches.

At the workshop, he studied acting technique, voice, movement, characterization, etc.

During the two weeks he was there, July 18-31, he performed in three different shows as part of a competition: "Pyramid Effect," one of nine plays in the ten-minute play contest; "Love's Labour's Lost," one of nine plays in the period and style play contest; and "The Dancers," one of four plays in the one-act play contest.

At the awards ceremony, Tapley received all-star cast awards in each of his three shows and he received the award for Best Overall Actor at the workshop, beating out about 19 male actors from across the state. He was

also awarded one of three, \$1,000 scholarships to attend the theatre department at Stephen F. Austin University.

Sul Ross State University

Sul Ross State University summer commencement exercises were held Aug. 14 at the Pete P. Gallego Center on the Alpine Campus.

From Coahoma, William Dean Richter received a master's of education in school administration degree, and from Forsan, Jenny Michele Conaway received a master's of education in physical education degree.

Angelo State University

Angelo State University conferred degrees upon 204 students during 2004 summer commencement exercises Aug. 14 in San

Angelo.

The 2004 summer graduates from the Big Spring area are Joey J. Davis, who received a bachelor of business administration; Joshua Travis Hadley, who received a bachelor of science degree; Randy Overton, who received a bachelor of business administration degree and Staci Leanne Roseberry, who received a bachelor of business administration degree, magna cum laude.

Dr. Amy Sanghavi

Amy Sanghavi of Big Spring was awarded the degree of doctor of medicine by St. George's University, School of Medicine, during a ceremony June 14, 2004, at Avery Fisher Hall, Lincoln Center, New York City.

Dr. Sanghavi will be performing her residency in pediatrics at Loyola University Medical Center, in Maywood, Ill.



Dr. Amy Sanghavi

Dr. Sanghavi is the daughter of Kirit and Ila Sanghavi of Big Spring.

Her father is a chemical engineer at Alon USA and her mother is an administrative assistant at State National Bank.

She has one sister, Sarah Sanghavi, a medical student.

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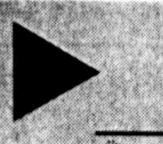
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Anniversary

Andrews celebrate 50 years of marriage

Buddy and Mattie Andrews celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday night with a cookout for out-of-town family and friends at the home of Donnie and Genia Andrews.

Everyone who wishes to, may join the couple for church Sunday, followed by a reception from 2-4 p.m. at Gale's Sweet Shoppe. A display of photographs from the beginning to the present will be available for view.

All friends are invited to join Buddy and Mattie for the celebration.

Buddy was born in Bryan and the former Mattie Lee Morris was born in Franklin. They met at Buddy's sister's house when Mattie and her aunt went to see Buddy's sister's new baby, and Buddy happened to be there at

the same time. They were married Sept. 3, 1954, in Calvary Baptist Church in Bryan.

The couple have four children, Donnie and wife, Genia, of Big Spring; Daniel of Big Spring; Chuck and wife, Laurie, of Coppell, and Susan and husband, Steve Allen of Arlington.

They have six grandchildren, Stephanie Allen, Matthew Andrews, Andy Neel, David Andrews and Zachary Andrews, and one beloved, deceased grandson, Adam Andrews.

The couple have lived in Bryan and Pyote.

They have resided in Big Spring for 40 years.

Buddy is retired from Webb Air Force Base and Howard College.

Mattie is retired from the VA Medical Center.



Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Andrews, right, as they appeared at their wedding in 1954, and today.

They are affiliated with Berea Baptist Church, where Mattie taught Sunday school for many years.

Buddy enjoys carpentry and woodworking.

Mattie enjoys yard work and collecting rocks.

They both enjoy their

church activities and doing things together.

All members of the Andrews family have attended Howard College at one time or another and the children all attended Marcy Elementary.



Mr. and Mrs. Edmund "Ned" Crandall, above, as they appeared at their wedding in 1954, and right, today.

Crandalls celebrate 50 years wed

Edmund "Ned" and Helen Crandall will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a dinner reception at St. Paul Lutheran Church hosted by their children.

Ned was born in Rochester, N.Y., and Helen was born in Islip, Long Island, N.Y. They met on a blind date in 1952 in Wayland N.Y. They were married on Sept. 11, 1954, in Dansville, N.Y.

The couple has three children, David and wife, Donna, of McKinney; Richard and wife,

Karmel, of Aberdeen, Miss.; and Karen and husband, Larry Thibeault, of Big Spring. They have 11 grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Ned is a retired lieutenant colonel with the United States Air Force. Helen is a retired registered nurse. They have lived in Texas, Georgia and Japan during their marriage.

They are affiliated with St. Paul Lutheran Church and are active in Master Gardeners, Hangar 25, RSVP and their church.

Births

Marcus Hayden Tito, a boy, was born Aug. 3, 2004, at 3:26 p.m. weighing 7 pounds, 8 ounces and was 20 inches long. His parents are Christopher and Shelly Tito. His grandparents are Sheri Kendall of Killeen, Keith and Alisa Chaney and Kelly and Tom Ralston.



Mercedes Josephine Rodriguez

Natalia Lopez, a girl, was born Aug. 19, 2004, at 6:15 p.m. weighing 8 pounds, 6 ounces and was 21 inches long. Her parents are Monica Fierro and Johnny Lopez. Her grandparents are Alfaro and Celia Lopez and Mary Garcia.

Joel Justen Case Vogel, a boy, was born Aug. 19, 2004, at 2:44 p.m. weighing 7 pounds, 7 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long. His parents are Justen and Tj Vogel. His grandparents are Donna King of Big Spring and Shirley Richie of Wimberly.

In the Military

Army Pvt. Ernest Castaneda

Army Pvt. Ernest Castaneda has graduated from the power-generation, equipment repair, advanced individual training (AIT) course at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Aberdeen, Md.

During AIT, the soldier was trained to perform unit, direct support or general support maintenance functions on power-generation

equipment. This included repair and overhauling internal combustion engines, tactical utility, precise power generation sets, and other associated equipment.

He is the son of Sally Ann Solis and Ernest Castaneda Sr., both of Big Spring.

His wife, Maureen, is the daughter of Ann Chang, also of Big Spring.

Castaneda is a 2003 high school graduate of Howard College.

Permian Basin Genealogical Society sets fall workshop

The Permian Basin Genealogical Society Fall Workshop is set from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Sept. 18 in the First Methodist Church, 217 W. Fifth St., Odessa.

Speaker is Emily Anne Croom of Bellaire, who has been a genealogist for more than 30 years. Her web page is www.unpuzzling.com

The workshop topics include proof and the paper trail; likely, logical and convincing

resolving conflicting ancestors; the other half of the story — researching female ancestors; and you're known by the company you keep — cluster genealogy.

A hot catered lunch is included with the \$25 registration fee. The public is invited.

Contact the Ector County Library's genealogy department at 432-332-0634, ext. 14, for more information.

Mercedes Josephine Rodriguez, a girl, was born Aug. 21, 2004, at 6 p.m. weighing 7 pounds, 11 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long. Her parents are Amber King and Israel Rodriguez. Her grandparents are Juan Jr. and Sylvia Rodriguez, Bicky and Roland King and Gerald Dykes.

Juan Angel Madrid, a boy, was born Aug. 22, 2004, at 1:59 p.m. weighing 8 pounds, and was 21 inches long. His grandparents are Maria Mendez, Oscar Madrid, Velma Madrid and Andrew Tolles, all of Big Spring.

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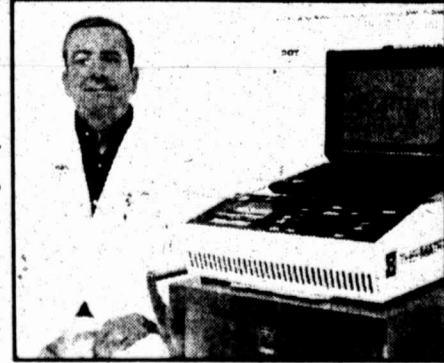
HADDAD UROLOGY CLINIC, Inc. is one of the first physicians in the immediate area to offer one of the newest most advanced treatments for men suffering from the symptoms of an enlarged prostate. This non-cancerous condition is clinically known as Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia or BPH. In the United States about half of all men over the age of 50 have BPH. By age 80, it affects about 80% of all men. BPH symptoms include:

- a frequent urge to urinate
- a weak urine flow
- difficulty or pain starting urination
- a feeling of not completely emptying the bladder after urination.

Although BPH is rarely life threatening, it can greatly affect the quality of life.

Medication is a common treatment for BPH and may provide adequate symptom relief for many men. Medicines however, can be expensive and must be taken every day or symptoms will return. Medicines may or may not provide full relief and must be taken for the rest of your life and may stop working over time. For some men, Medication can cause uncomfortable side effects such as lowered sexual drive, erection problems, dizziness, low blood pressure and nasal congestion.

As an alternative to these medicines, Dr. HADDAD offers a non-surgical treatment known as TherMatrx® Dose Optimized Thermotherapy™ (DOT). This one time treatment can provide up to twice the symptom relief of BPH medications and the results can last for years. (This is based on studies TherMatrx has done.) TherMatrx DOT has no sexual or other long term side effects. The procedure requires no anesthesia, is relatively painless and can be done in Dr. HADDAD'S office in about 60-90 minutes. Additionally Medicare and most major insurance carriers cover TherMatrx DOT treatment. To learn more about TherMatrx DOT and to make an appointment with Dr. HADDAD contact his office at 432-714-4600.



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Cindy Lopez, left, director of marketing for Comanche Trail Nursing Center, Gwen Olivarez, physical therapy assistant, Mary Ann Rocha, Irene Bustamante, Dr. John Farquar and Rebecca Peacock, director of InHome Care Inc., enjoy refreshments during the open house on the Alzheimer's secure unit in the nursing center.

Comanche Trail's secure Alzheimer's unit provides peace of mind for many families

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Feature's Editor

For the family with a loved one facing an uncertain future after a diagnosis of Alzheimer's the most important quality of life may be peace of mind.

"We provide peace of mind for our residents' families here on our secure Alzheimer's unit," said Cindy Lopez, marketing director for Comanche Trail Nursing Home.

"Our lock-in unit keeps our residents secure from wandering or getting lost," she said.

The unit, which is accessed through a number-coded key pad, is a bright, cheery hall of private and semi-private rooms that gives an impression of a home.

The colors decorating the unit are cheery and residents have access to a locked, privacy-fenced courtyard with a gazebo.

"Sometimes our residents just want to come outside and we often have private parties in our gazebo," Lopez said.

Residents receive three meals each day in a separate dining

room that looks out to the courtyard through large windows.

Each day the unit's residents have a variety of activities, such as Finishing Touches, where nails,

"We have had residents come into the unit and go through the therapies and get well enough to return to their home."

Cindy Lopez,
marketing director

hair and makeup are the concentration for the women.

Another daily activity coordinated by Cathy Edmunds, assistant activity director, is reminiscing/music memories, and she also leads a group each day through picture books, sorting and folding, and "move to the music."

"We have had residents come into the unit and go through the

therapies and get well enough to return to their home," Lopez said.

Word games are another reminiscing activity, and Edmunds also leads sing-alongs, physical activities such as volleyball, ball toss and parachute games.

A special spiritual activity is set for each day at 9 a.m. and arts and crafts are led in the afternoons.

Lopez said Alzheimer's units are limited in the West Texas area, with others located in Snyder, Sterling City, Odessa and San Angelo.

"For some of our residents, this is their apartment, their home, and we want the families of our residents to feel at home, too," she said.

Comanche Trail Nursing Home has a full-time social worker, as well as three full-time therapists and a part-time speech therapist, as needed, according to assistant physical therapist Gwen Olivarez.

"We offer therapies for whatever weakness they may have," she said.

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As camera cell phones click, chip makers are smiling

By THERESE POLETTI

Knight Ridder Newspapers

SAN JOSE, Calif. — San Francisco real estate agent Eve Barron uses a camera phone to instantly e-mail clients photos of hot properties that have just come on the market.

Her phone also comes in handy during home inspections when she spots potential problems. "I photograph all the points, so when I go back and write up my inspection, I have it in my phone ... It gives you that one extra thing that you have that perhaps other agents don't have," said Barron.

Camera phones are not just for teenagers and tourists any more. What started in Japan as a fad has now become a must-have feature for many buyers of new cell phones, including business people. And the chip makers that develop the image sensors used in the devices hope to grab a piece of the ever-growing camera phone pie.

"When these phones were first introduced, I thought it was a dumb idea," said Shyam Nagrani, a principal consumer electronics analyst with market research firm iSuppli. "But now you are seeing some really interesting uses ... There are a lot of professional uses."

Last year, for instance, the BBC gave its London reporters video camera phones so they can record brief video news clips if they don't have a camera crew with them.

"Their view is that a poor video is better than none at all when you can beat your competition,"

said Alan Reiter, president of Wireless Internet and Mobile Computing, a consulting firm in Chevy Chase, Md.

Byron Riffenberg, a mechanical engineer with



San Jose Mercury News photo/Gary Reyes
Real estate agent Eve Barron uses a camera cell phone to photograph the backyard view from a home for sale in San Francisco, Calif.

Air Systems in San Jose, said he uses his Palm Zire 71 handheld device to take photos of clients' sites. Air Systems installs heating and air conditioning systems at Silicon Valley companies and Riffenberg brings the photos back to his office to jog his memory when he is describing a job to colleagues.

"It probably saves me a couple of hours a week," said Riffenberg. "If I forget to look at something and I have a picture of it, I can look at the pictures and I don't have to go back to the site."

This year, worldwide sales of camera phones based on the lower-cost sensor chips, called CCD sensors, are outpacing digital cameras with the same chips, with 100 million of the phones expected to be sold vs. 20 million digital cameras.

So it's no surprise that sales of the image sensor chips that turn a cell phone into a camera phone are soaring as well. Chip sales will grow at an average rate of 23.7 percent over the next four years, estimated iSuppli's Nagrani. He said camera

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BUSINESS BRIEFS

Business Before Hours set Sept. 10

The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce will present Business Before Hours on Friday, Sept. 10.

The event will be hosted by the Big Spring Holiday Inn Express on the south service road of Interstate 20. The come-and-go event will begin at 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Refreshments will be served and door prizes will be given away. Like Business After Hours, Business Before Hours is designed to encourage networking and to showcase sponsors.

Ag town hall meetings planned in area

Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs will visit with producers and rural communities at town hall meetings throughout the state to discuss issues impacting rural Texas and the agricultural industry. The meetings are open forums where producers and community members can discuss issues as well as present their own ideas and solutions to the commissioner.

Area meetings include two on Monday, Sept. 23. One will be held at 1:30 p.m. at the Dal Paso Museum, 306 S. First St. in Lamesa. The other will be held at 4 p.m. at the Center Meeting Room, Texas State Technical College, 300 College Dr., in Sweetwater.

Business conference slated Sept. 24

The Workforce Network of Big Spring will be hosting the Texas Business Conference for area employers on Sept. 24.

The conference is presented by the Texas Workforce Commission in Austin and is comprised of state legal staff who will answer legal questions and provide updates on new employment laws.

Some of the topics will include workers compensation, unemployment claims, wage and hour laws,

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RIBBON CUTTING



HERALD photo/Kendra Wis
The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce welcomes Moore Web Development Services. From left, Sherry Wegner, Tommy Yeater, Johnny Moore, Debbye ValVerde, Zuleika Melendez and Pam Welch.

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PUBLIC RECORDS

Hot Checks/Warrants issued:
Javier Alcantar, 1513 Scurry Street, Big Spring
Lisa B. Aleman, 306 W. First Street, Stanton
Cindy Renee Alexander, 1709 Owens, Big Spring
Lorie Avina, 603 Steakley, Big Spring
Carolyn E. Brown, 1203 Wilson, Big Spring
Chad Wayne Brown, 3901 Ave. O, Snyder
Loretta Rae Bryner, 2119 Zephyr, Ingleside
Virginia L. Buchanan, 4318 Wason, Big Spring
Billy Michael Burns, 2608 26th Street, Snyder
Vanessa Malu Calderon, 538 Westover Apt. 232, Big Spring
Maria Campos, 751 Aqua Pesada, El Paso
Krisna N. Rivera Castillo, 1113 Nickolasa, Colorado City
Mart R. Clem, 10911 Woodmeadow, Dallas
Charles Daniel Cook, W. Hwy 80 Apt. 157, Big Spring
Andrea Coxey, PO Box 1042, Sterling City
Dan Duke, 621 N. Jefferson, San Angelo
Kathi Duke, 337 Greeson Street, Summerville, Ga.
Rachel Flores, 211 S. Convent, Stanton
Shannon Fonda, 910 N. Runnels or PO Box 715, Coahoma
Jimmie Todd Foster, 2506 Albrook, Big Spring
Kenneth Galindo, 6830 El Paso Dr., El Paso
Edwardo Gamez, 1605 Wason Rd. apt. 26, Big Spring
Rosemary Garcia, 2605 Westridge, Snyder
Sherri Gent, 7009 Linderman, Big Spring
Christopher George, 215 S. Third Street Apt. 30, Laramie, Wyo.
Frank Gibbs, 1102 Hwy 176 or 1907 Scurry, Big Spring
Billy Gonzales, 1212 S. Hannah Rd., Hobbs, N.M.
Cody Heath Hale, 2477 Country Club Rd., San Angelo
Gary L. Hale, 2320 CRC 3100, Stanton
Bryan Hammonds, 603 Circle, Big Spring
Jeremy Royce Harman, 6713 E. Rooobinson, Stanton
Dawn Hartfield, 1316 Sycamore, Big Spring
Aaron Kyle Henderson, 2107 Carol, Big Spring
Erin Jean Hernandez, 2901 Runnels, Big Spring
John Hernandez, 4405 N. Garfield, Midland
Irene Jimenez Hinojosa, 234 E. 23rd Street, San Angelo
Raelynn Jennings, 1904 E. 25th Street, Big Spring
Danny Ray Johnson, 2601

N. Lynn, Lamesa
Erica Marie Letnex
Johnston, 3100 Caldera Blvd Apt. 2314, Midland
Ryan Kendrick, 1425 E. Sixth Street, Big Spring
Amber Lynn King, 701 E. 15th Street, Big Spring
Robert P. Landrum, 310 E. Palace Ave., Hobbs N.M.
Ronald Troy Little, 1710 Young, Big Spring
Diana Marie Luna, 715 Shinnery Lane, Brownfield
Shane N. Marksburly, PO Box 163, Petersburg
Judy Mata, 6309 E. Midway Road, Big Spring
James McGuire, 1910 E. 11th Place, Big Spring
Mark Mead, 602 W. Fifth Street, Denver City
Vaughn Lee Medina, 4000 W. Hwy. 80, Big Spring
Linda Michelle Molina, 1545 Locust, Colorado City
Debra Montez, 902 S. Second Street, Lamesa
Russell Dean Nelson, 401 CR 241, Ackerly
Brandi Neuger, 4301 Raleigh Court, Midland
Tammy Nicholson, 1104 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring
Arthur Ortega, 607 Bristlewood Cove, Cedar Park
Dandra C. Ortega, 2300 Camp Dr. Apt. 1, Midland
Erica Elaine Ortega, 214 Grimes, Big Spring
Johnny Ray Payne Jr., 1509 Stadium, Big Spring
Elva L. Perkins, 2414 N. Anderson Road, Big Spring
Lori Ann Pichon, 62159 Sylve Street, Lacombe, La.
Danny Gene Priest, 1418 W. FM 818 or 3701 Connally, Big Spring
Karla Quimby, 1005 W. Debeca, Hobbs, N.M.
Randy Ramirez, 1511 Sunset, Big Spring
Robert Ramirez, 2200 S. Monticello Road, Big Spring
Sierra Ramos, 1905 Wason Road Apt. 20, Big Spring
Dennis Michael Richardson, 2201 S. Main Street or 1102 S. Lancaster, Big Spring
Salome Adolph Rios, 2511 Albrook, Big Spring
Evelyn Rodriguez, PO Box 2942 or 5402 Lancaster, Odessa
Patricia Rodriguez, 2201 CR 31, Lamesa
Jennifer A. Roth, 2630 Dow, Big Spring
Debra Ruth, 1311 Mobile Street, Big Spring
Javiel Soliz, 1319 Stadium, Big Spring
Allen Stanford, 774 E. 8th Street, Colorado City
Jerrick Delova Straughter, 811 Lorilla, Big Spring
Stephanie B. Street, 2611 Ryan Pl. Dr., Fort Worth
Tracy J. Thompson, 8406 S. Service Road, Big Spring
Jacob Unger, County Road 402, Seminole

Ricky Webb, Route 1 Box 64, Ackerly
Hayden Williams, PO Box 1074, Sterling City
David Yanez, 2507 Gunter, Big Spring
Teresa Josephine Zarate, 1105 W. Kentucky Ave., Midland
James Dean Zeigenbein, 9413 University, Odessa
Shuang Cheng Zhang, 1201 Gregg Street, Big Spring

District Court Filings:
Virginia Gutierrez Webb vs. Darrin Lee Webb, divorce.
Belinda Fernandez, individually and as next friend of Tuyet Tran, Son Tran and Thuy Tran, minors vs. Sheila Ward, injury or damages with a motor vehicle.
Ramona J. Mancha, individually and Benjamin Mancha as next friend of Megan Mancha vs. Pamela Palmer, injury or damages with a motor vehicle.
Dorothy Jane Rogers vs. H.E. Butt Grocery Company, injury or damages (other).

County Court Rulings:
Judgment and Sentence: Robert Lee Evans Jr., driving while intoxicated, \$1,000 fine, \$326 court costs, 90 days in jail.
Probated Judgment: Telesforo Juarez Zapata, driving while license invalid, \$250 fine, \$261 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, six months probation).
Judgment and Sentence: Ben Garza, resisting arrest, \$500 fine, \$261 court costs, 90 days in jail.
Judgment and Sentence: Ben Garza, evading arrest, \$500 fine, \$261 court costs, 90 days in jail.

Warranty deeds:
Grantor: Curtis Ben Bowlin and Max Ann Bowlin
Grantee: Kent Morgan
Property: A 18.84 acre tract out of the SW/4 of Section 3, Block 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey.
Date Filed: July 27, 2004

Grantor: Nancy L. Pulte, John Pulte and Georga Greenberg Daniels
Grantee: Cynthia Pulte Brosig and Karl D. Brosig
Property: All or part of Section 6, Block 33, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey.
Date Filed: July 27, 2004

Grantor: Billy R. Grimes and Iona Grimes
Grantee: Katherine Reyes
Property: Two tracts of land in Section 26, Block 33, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date Filed: July 28, 2004

Grantor: O.A. Madison

Grantee: Jim Williams and Charlotte Williams
Property: Lots 3 and 4, Block 15, Saunders Addition
Date Filed: July 28, 2004

Grantor: Johnny Anchondo and Carolyn Anchondo
Grantee: Michael Nairn
Property: The N/45 feet of the S/90 feet of Lots 5 and 6, Block 8, Cole and Staryhorn Addition
Date Filed: July 28, 2004

Grantor: Minnie Pearl Rawls Parum
Grantee: Owen Richard Rawls
Property: Lots 3-6, Block 9, Lakeview Addition
Date Filed: July 30, 2004

Grantor: Michael J. Smith and Marciel B. Smith
Grantee: Irene Buchanan
Property: Lot 8, Block 5, Washington Place Addition
Date Filed: July 30, 2004

Grantor: Teri L. Nall
Grantee: Rudy Larocque and Reta Larocque
Property: Lot 3, Block 6, Avion Village
Date Filed: July 30, 2004

Grantor: Syanley Knight and Jackie Knight
Grantee: Keith M. Chaney
Property: Lots 5 and 6, Block 23, Fairview Heights Addition
Date Filed: Aug. 4, 2004

Grantor: Patsy McCormick
Grantee: Bobbie Shockley
Property: The N/2 of the S/2 of Section 14, Block 34, T-2-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date Filed: Aug. 4, 2004

Grantor: Victor V. Keyes Jr. and Janet A. Keyes
Grantee: Robert K. Fowler
Property: Lot 1, Block 4, Worth Peeler Addition
Date Filed: Aug. 5, 2004

Grantor: Sheila Johnson
Grantee: Z.B. Rinehart
Property: Lot 9, Block 18, Kentwood Addition No. 2
Date Filed: Aug. 6, 2004

Grantor: Z.B. Rinehart
Grantee: Cheri K. Lindell
Property: Lot 9, Block 18, Kentwood Addition No. 2
Date Filed: Aug. 6, 2004

Grantor: Stacey Pendleton and Stanley Pendleton
Grantee: Gary L. Cole and Angela E. Cole
Property: Lot 3, Block 24, Monticello Addition
Date Filed: Aug. 10, 2004

Warranty deeds with vendors lein:
Grantor: Clarence Hays
Grantee: Raymond Lynn Hodnett and Brenda Lee Hodnett

Property: The E/2 of Lot 3, Block 2, Reynolds Addition.
Date Filed: July 23, 2004

Grantor: Jeff Gill and Whitney Gill
Grantee: G. Tommy Bastian
Property: Lot 3, Block 4, Kentwood Addition Unit No. 1
Date Filed: July 26, 2004

Grantor: Joseph D. Budd and Cheryl L. Budd
Grantee: Jimmie L. Parrish and Floretta Parish
Property: A 13.48 acre tract out of Section 17, Block 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date Filed: July 27, 2004

Grantor: Russell G. Davidson
Grantee: G. Tommy Bastian
Property: Lot 35, Block 6, Kentwood Addition Unit No. 2
Date Filed: July 27, 2004

Grantor: Billie Merle Russworm
Grantee: Juan Moran and Krista Moran
Property: Lot 4, Block 3, Kentwood Addition No. 1
Date Filed: July 27, 2004

Grantor: Charles L. Macke and Sylvia Dianne Macke
Grantee: Dennis P. Schwartz
Property: A tract out of the SE/4 of Section 43, Block 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date Filed: July 27, 2004

Grantor: Misty D. Matthies and Jimmy Matthies
Grantee: Dennis P. Schwartz
Property: Lot 10, Block 5, Kentwood Addition No. 1
Date Filed: July 28, 2004

Grantor: Wesley R. Beauchamp and Kristi Beauchamp
Grantee: Wade Graham
Property: Lot 3, Block 7, Highland South Addition No. 4
Date Filed: July 28, 2004

Grantor: James R. Miller and Ellen C. Miller
Grantee: Kenneth Greathouse and Caren Greathouse
Property: Lot 1, Block 4, Hall Addition
Date Filed: July 28, 2004

Grantor: Cheryl Gay
Grantee: Chris Rivera and Natasha D. Rivera
Property: Lot 15, Block 18, Monticello Addition
Date Filed: July 30, 2004

Grantor: Anita I. Buchanan
Grantee: Josue Lugo

Property: Lot 7, Block 4, Thorp Subdivision
Date Filed: July 30, 2004

Grantor: Lupe Sepeda
Grantee: Colin Carroll
Property: Lots 1 and 2, Block 1, Village at the Spring
Date Filed: July 30, 2004

Grantor: Ruby L. Robison and Carol A. Grant
Property: Lot 27, Block 26, College Park Estates
Date Filed: July 30, 2004

Grantor: Gary L. Burt and Temple O. Burt
Grantee: Ross A. Anderson
Property: Lot 5, Block 6, Stanford Park Addition
Date Filed: Aug. 2, 2004

Grantor: Mary Frances Riley
Grantee: Molly D. Weber and Franklin E. Weber
Property: A 2.45 acre tract out of Lot 31, Silver Heels Addition
Date Filed: Aug. 2, 2004

Grantor: Tommy J. Berry, Tammy Berry and Betty R. Shankles
Grantee: Josue Lugo and Cindy Lugo
Property: A 10 acre tract out of the NW/4 of Section 24, Block 33, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date Filed: Aug. 4, 2004

Grantor: Shirley Sliwinski
Grantee: Anthony Montgomery and Ginger Fugate
Property: Lot 12, Block 23, Cole and Strayhorn Addition
Date Filed: Aug. 5, 2004

Grantor: Ila Jean Kiser
Grantee: Shirley Sliwinski
Property: Lot 12, Block 23, Cole and Strayhorn Addition
Date Filed: Aug. 5, 2004

Grantor: Glen R. Overton and Frances E. Overton
Grantee: David Parrish
Property: Two tracts out of Section 28, Block 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date Filed: Aug. 6, 2004

Grantor: Kenneth R. Lewis and Jane Lewis
Grantee: Robert K. Fowler
Property: Lot 3, Block 11, Coronado Hills
Date Filed: Aug. 6, 2004

Grantor: Stacey L. Park and S. David Park
Grantee: Ronald W. Westbrook and Jannette Westbrook
Property: Lot 23, Block 4, Kentwood Addition No. 1
Date Filed: Aug. 10, 2004

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CHIPS

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phone chips could be the fastest-growing segment of the semiconductor industry in the next few years. Still, camera phones' usefulness as a business tool remains limited by the low quality of the photos they take. Riffenberg and other camera phone aficionados said the photos don't make the grade for client proposals or other important documents. Riffenberg noted that other technicians at his company usually use digital cameras for photos that need to have higher resolution. Insurance adjusters, too, prefer to use digital cameras and download photos into a notebook computer. But as chip makers keep improving image sensor chips, the quality of camera phone photos will begin to approach those taken by megapixel digital cameras. In the United States, camera phones that take photos with 1.3 megapixel resolution are just starting to come on the market. In Japan and South Korea, however, companies sell 3-megapixel phones that take photos closer in quality to digital cameras. As the market heats up, some chip makers are looking to buy their way into the business. In June, Cypress Semiconductor of

San Jose spent \$100 million to buy FillFactory, a Belgian company that develops high-performance sensor chips. Micron of Boise, Idaho, acquired Photobit for \$50 million in 2002. A small company spun out of Pasadena's Jet Propulsion Laboratories, Photobit is becoming a player in the market. "We believe that cameras are going to be the next thing that are going to become very prevalent in cell phones," said Cypress CEO T.J. Rodgers. "Anything that goes into cell phones is going to be high volume and the winner will be the company that can manufacture high volumes at low cost." Rodgers intends to bring Cypress' high-volume manufacturing capabilities to FillFactory, which has developed high-end sensor chips used in professional cameras, mammography equipment and satellites. Cypress plans to continue to sell the higher-cost chips but it also will enable FillFactory to design lower-price image sensors that can be produced in big volumes. Other chip makers are looking at the camera phone chip market and there is no shortage of start-ups to choose from, said David Creamer, a managing director of Broadview Jeffries, a technology-focused investment banking firm.

Image sensor start-ups located in Silicon Valley include IC Media and Foveon, both in Santa Clara, and Pixim in Mountain View. Foveon, which develops higher-end chips for digital cameras, counts among its investors National Semiconductor. "In the next few years, it will be increasingly difficult to find a phone without a camera," said Reiter, the wireless analyst. "And once we start getting the 2- and 3-megapixel camera phones, that's going to start eating into the high end of the digital camera market." Nels Nelson, a project manager at construction firm Engineered Structures in Boise, said he thinks camera phones are the wave of the future. His company has given a few project supervisors out in the field camera phones so they can e-mail daily updates on construction sites to managers at headquarters. "I can come in every morning and log on and view a project in central Washington and one in Phoenix," Nelson said, adding that the other supervisors have been using digital cameras to send their reports via laptop computers. "Instead of having to carry two tools, a cell phone and a camera, they can carry one," he said. "It makes communications on a project that is a long ways away seem like it's in the same town."

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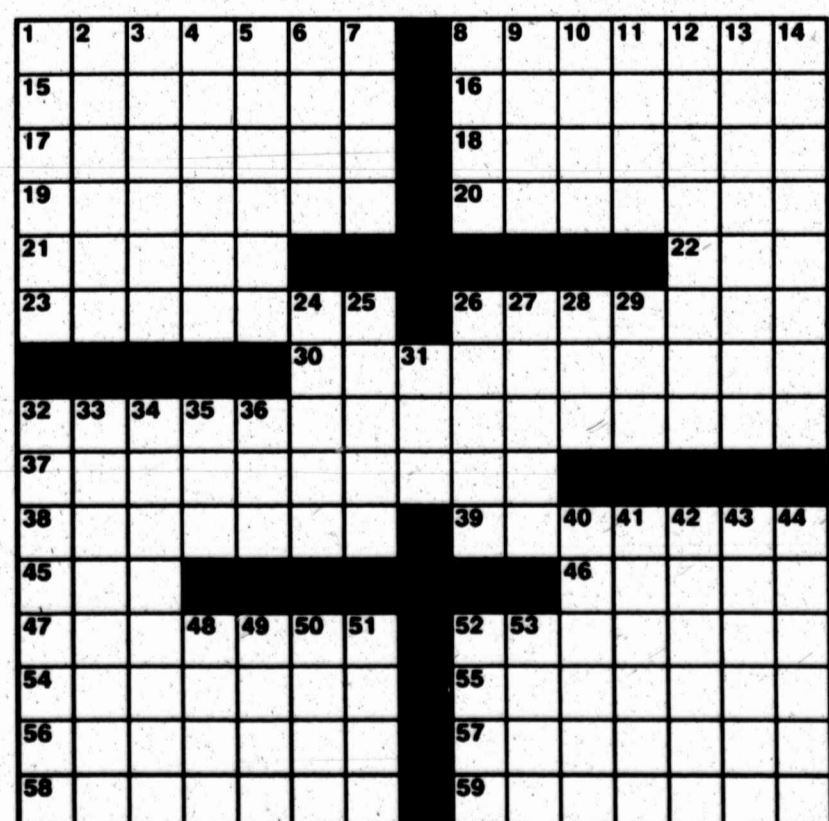
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY JOYCE JILLSON
The Gemini moon kicks off this festive weekend with a friendly buzz. Who is doing what with whom seems to be everyone's business, and this makes for lots to talk about when the gang gets together. With the upcoming Venus transit, what starts as a bit of information could grow into a full-blown scandalous rumor by tomorrow.



JOYCE JILLSON

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Just when you think you can predict a loved one's behavior, this person will surprise you. So don't make assumptions, and take nothing for granted. Careful planning is favored this afternoon. Picture a perfect week ahead!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You may think about what you deserve and don't deserve, but the universe is much more broad-minded about this concept. Perhaps you don't have to work for every little bit of acceptance. You are, and therefore, you are loved.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Your independent spirit is hyperactive. You'll feel like it's you against the world, but it's not. You're working on a team, and your team includes people you don't even know. Think of new

people you meet as being on your side.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Your critical voice steers you well toward becoming an expert, as opposed to someone who merely does a task well. But tell that internal chatbox to chill out for a while this afternoon. There is perfection in imperfection.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Life provides challenges, but like a body builder who is determined to become freakishly strong, you might pile on more weight (so to speak). Be extremely judicious about how far you push yourself, or you'll get hurt!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You may require a last-minute rescue. This endears you to your "hero." Don't worry so much about what the score is. Sometimes, you repay a good deed by doing good in the future for someone else. Things always work out.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Remind yourself of all that's going right for you—that's a lot! This helps build your inner stability. Once bolstered, you'll feel confident enough to explore the world and engage people who are very different from yourself.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Exceptions will be made in your favor all day long. In fact, the only pressures you feel are self-imposed. Leave room for creativity in your own schedule, and give children plenty of room for self-expression, too.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Others depend on you to set them on the right path. Unfortunately, this is something every person has to do for himself or herself. Trying to propel someone into an attitude only causes resistance. Get on with your own life.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You are fascinated by mysteries and rituals and will create some for yourself. Having your own special and private way of doing things can strengthen your relationship with yourself, allowing you to have more to give others.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Excitement sweeps you into a different mindset—this is an eventful day! An embryonic hope is uncovered tonight. Now that you know what your unconscious desire is, you must either act on it or release it.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). If you get the chance to mix and mingle with the unknown, don't hesitate to say "yes." New people give you the opportunity to conceive yourself anew. You could present a side of yourself that surprises even you.

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD: Summer is coming to a close, but the fun continues through this week. With Venus transiting into Leo, Labor Day feels less like summer's last hurrah and more like the start of something juicy. Romances that seemed destined to dwindle like the temperature will get a

second wind. New possibilities enter our minds as we loosen our grip on the way things are. This placement for Venus also emphasizes creativity. Activities done on a lark become something slightly more serious. Could this be a way to make extra money or something to give as a gift? People are more appreciative of handmade sentiments and will put a higher value on them. The Gemini moon through Tuesday morning brings a playful vibe. If you're willing to experiment, you could just come up with a magic recipe for creative success. Tuesday starts the workweek with a flurry of activity, but most of it is social. Everyone has to catch up on the latest news before anything gets accomplished. Small talk is important, so don't try to skip the niceties! Friday, Mercury transits into Virgo. Make sure you understand your contractual agreements — loans, insurance policies and financial arrangements.

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Annie's Mailbox : Advice for those in need

Dear Annie: I am the mother of two children, ages 22 and 16. My 16-year-old daughter, "Jeanine," is a bright young woman. She has good friends, good grades and is an altogether cheerful person.

For the past three years, I've noticed that whenever Jeanine is alone, she talks to herself. A lot. I have walked by her room while she's making her bed or choosing clothes, and it seems as if she's having a conversation with someone else. These aren't one-sided conversations. It's as though she is explaining something to someone, and then responding as that person. I wonder if this is a sign of loneliness, depression, or worse, schizophrenia.

I am reluctant to seek counseling for Jeanine because my husband is against it and I'm not sure we could afford it. Can you please give me some information so I know what I'm looking for and where to seek help? — Worried Mom

Dear Worried: Talking to oneself is fairly common and usually harmless. For many, it's simply a way to sort out a



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problem. Others use self-talk as motivation or to reinforce positive attitudes.

If possible, listen to Jeanine's conversations. Is she arguing a position, pro and con? Is she telling herself she can do better? These conversations are OK. However, sometimes self-talk is used negatively ("I'm so stupid"), and although the process is normal, the effect can be quite damaging to one's self-esteem. You'd need to step in and help her work on that.

In terms of mental health, the time to worry is when Jeanine believes someone else is talking to her. If you are concerned this may be the case, try to discuss it with her, and if necessary, ask your family doctor to refer you to a therapist, or check United Way and the YMCA for a low-cost referral.

Dear Annie: My husband's old college buddy, "Ralph," and his wife are coming to our town next week. Ralph asked if we could put them up for a night or two, along with their teenaged niece and nephew. We have only one spare bedroom, and I said we'd get back to them.

This same couple stayed with us several years ago, and after feeding and housing them for a week, they didn't even offer to take us out for single meal. When we were in their city a few years ago, they were "unavailable"

to us.

My husband and I both work. A mid-week visit would upset our routine, and I don't like to leave people in our home when we're not around. Ralph is quite well-to-do, and they could easily stay in a hotel. Having four overnight guests is a lot of work on my part (my husband doesn't help with the cooking and cleaning). So, Annie, am I a party pooper, or are they just moochers? — Not in the Mood

Dear Not: It doesn't have to be either. They are hoping to stay with friends, and it is too much work for you to accommodate them. Fine. Tell them you're so sorry, but that's a very busy week and you simply don't have the room. If you want, offer to treat them to dinner instead. (Make sure your husband backs you up on this.)

Dear Annie: I have a family with several brothers and sisters. Between us, there are 11 children, ranging in age from 6 to 20, all of whom are good kids.

My parents have chosen one 12-year-old grandchild to take along on a two-week vacation. My mother talks about the trip within earshot of the other grandchildren, which upsets them. Do you think it is right for grandparents to favor one grandchild over another like this? — Upset Daughter

Dear Daughter: No. Have you asked your parents why they are doing this? Have you told them how much it upsets the other grandchildren? They need to know.

Dear Annie: I read the letter from "Seeking Acceptance in Iraq," the soldier whose father treats him as "dead" because they disagree about the war. As president of the national veterans' organization VietNow, I was at first appalled that a fellow Vietnam veteran would do the very thing to his

own son that much of the country did to us when we returned home. However, there may be more going on.

This officer's father may be dealing silently with some of the baggage of his own service, and those feelings are now being brought to the surface because of his son's choices. I hope and pray that someday soon, this father will be able to put his arms around his son and tell him he is proud of him and "welcome home." There will be plenty of time for history to sort out the politics of this current war. Right now, we need to do everything we can to support our troops. — Rich Sanders (vietnow.com)

Dear Rich Sanders: We were heartened by the outpouring of mail for this officer. Our readers overwhelmingly wanted him to know that he is in their thoughts and prayers. Read on for a sampling:

From the Midwest: How sad that this father has chosen to cut communication and love from his son when he needs it more than ever. Dad should be proud that his son follows through with his commitments, and demonstrates great loyalty, determination and dedication. Our children make choices with the values and morals we teach them. That father should support his son's dedication, even if he does not support the war. To this soldier, I say, stay strong and come home alive. You have family around the world, not just at home.

Denver: What would be his father's biggest regret if he got the worst news any parent could receive? That his last words to his son were, "You're dead to me." Those are powerful words, especially when it's too late to take them back. It's much harder to ask for forgiveness standing at your son's grave than it is when he's standing in front of you.

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