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50 CENTS DAILY/\$1.25 WEEKEND

She's up for the challenge

ig Spring's own Kandi Campbell successfully juggles several roles daily, including wife, motherhood and branch manager of Western National Bank.

"Success, to me, is about hard work and seizing opportunities. When those opportunities present themselves, it is important to apply, to persevere, to do the best you can," she said.

She said she started in the banking business with Wood Forest National Bank five years ago, beginning as a teller and ultimately advancing to assistant manager. She was hired as the branch manager for Western National Bank when it opened in July 2003.

"I really love people, I'm very customer-service oriented, and that is one of the assets I find working in the banking industry — I get to work with peoWomen in Business PAGES 5-8A

"The impression of working in a bank is usually that it's all about mathematical configurations, but there's much more to it than that, like regulations and policies and procedures. It really

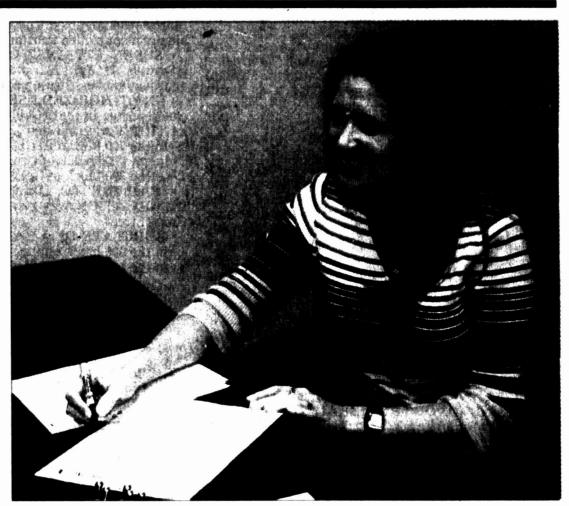
By MARSHA STURDIVANT **Features Editor**

depends on the position, because different banking positions different require skills," she said.

Being a "people person," comes naturally to Campbell. Her mother, Anita Cline, is the director of Senior Circle and her father John is the owner of Cline Construction.

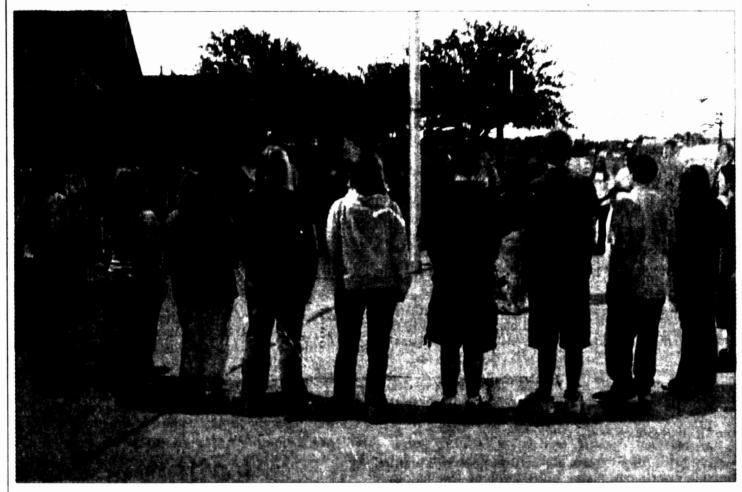
"My mother always had positions of responsibility when I was growing up

See CAMPBELL, Page 8A



Kandi Campbell wears multiple hats each day of newlywed, mother and branch manager of the Western National Bank.

SEE YOU AT THE POLE



A group of Big Spring High School students gather around the flagpole in front of the school early this morning for the annual See You at the Pole prayer meeting. About 30 students gathered for the event.

Death spurs health officials to conduct tests across county

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

State health officials are conducting tests in Howard County this week in the wake of a resident's death from a rare viral illness.

The county resident died in August after developing hantavirus pulmonary syndrome The (HPS). Texas Department of State Health Services declined to identify the resident, citing personal privacy and medical confidentiality concerns.

This is the first recorded case of HPS in Howard County, and one of only 11 reported in Texas during the last three years.

Dr. Charles Gaiser, deputy regional director for DSHS, said hantavirus is carried by certain

"Early on, it's a lot like the flu, but then it progresses very, very rapidly after that. If you develop any of these symptoms, you need to see your doctor real soon."

> -Dr. Charles Gaiser, DSHS deputy regional director

including deer mice and cotton and rice rats.

Humans can contract HPS when the rodents' droppings or nesting materials are stirred up. temporarily aerosolizing the virus, which can then be breathed in by people. Gaiser said this was

species of rats and mice. See DEATH, Page 3A

Recent area rains have CRMWD officials smiling

Special to the Herald

The Colorado River **Municipal Water District** has seen a marked improvement in water quantity and quality over the past year, and August inflows helped to continue the trend.

For the month of August, rainfall totals across the District's service area ranged from 1.6 feet, bringing an increase the annual average of



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UW DINE OUT DAY

The Spanish Inn at 200 NW Third is the Dine Out Day restaurant Friday for United Way of Big Spring and Howard County.

A portion of the restaurant's proceeds that day will be donated to United Way.

The following Friday, Sept. 30, the Dine Out Day restaurant will be Domino's.

Other restaurants participating include Christene's, Oct. 7; Greg's Grill, Oct. 14; Gale's Sweet Shoppe, Oct. 21; and La Posada, Oct. 28.

United Way of Big Spring and Howard County serves 15 local agencies.



Cover Story: Andy Griffith, one of the nation's most beloved television icons, discusses the role faith has played in his life, as he's gone from a North Carolina boy to

the star of "The Andy Griffith Show" and "Matlock." Griffith recently released a CD and companion book, "Bound for the Promised Land," that contains his favorite hymns.

WEEKEND ACTIVITIES

Full

Capacity

200,600

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-Harvest Festival: Heart of the City Park; Friday, 6:30 p.m. to midnight; Saturday, 7 a.m. to midnight. Music, food, farmer's market, games and more.

-Alzheimer's Memory Walk; Old Settlers Pavilion, Comanche Trail Park. Saturday. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. The walk begins at 9 a.m.

-Harvest Saturday at Scenic Mountain State Park. Hay rides for children and the young at heart. Saturday at 3 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. Park entrance fee: \$2 adults.

 Fund-raiser for Vietnam Memorial. Eagles Aerie No. 3188, 703 W. Third. Saturday at 6 p.m. Hot dog and hamburger supper, silent auction.

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Obituaries

Bertie Bow Long

Bertie Bow Long, 96, of Colorado Springs, Colo., formerly of Stanton, died Tuesday, Sept. 20, 2005. Her services are pending with Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton.

Ima Dell Hayworth Williams

Ima Dell Hayworth Williams, 73, of Big Spring died Tuesday, Sept. 20, 2005, in a Midland Hospital. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Elnora Morrison

Elnora Morrison, 87, of Big Spring died Wednesday morning, Sept. 21, 2005, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Take note

- BEGINNING SEWING CLASS presented by the Society for Creative Anachronism begins at 9 a.m. Saturday at the First Presbyterian Church, Runnels and Eighth streets. Call 816-3144 for more information.
- DENISE ZUBER was born Aug. 8, 1968, to a Gonzales family in Big Spring and placed for adoption. She now lives in Minnesota and hopes to contact relatives in Big Spring. Anyone with information may email her at nan_del@earthlink.net with Big Spring Adoption in the subject line. Or write to her, Denise Zuber, 9173 Vincent Ave So., Bloomington MN 55431-
- THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY need good condition books for an annual sale. Paperbacks and large print items are especially needed. Donated books can be delivered to the library weekdays during regular operating hours. If unable to bring the books to the library, call 263-4980 and request a pick up. All money from the sale goes to purchase items not included in the library's regular budget.
- THE MOBILE MEALS PROGRAM that delivers meals 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, sponsored by the American Cancer Society, seeks volunteers to drive cancer patients to treatment in Midland. This requires just a few hours commitment each month. To volunteer, or to request a ride for treatment, call LaWanda Hamm at 263-7827.
- HOWARD COUNTY CHILD WELFARE BOARD is seeking financial donations to provide support for children in Howard County who have been removed from their home due to abuse or neglect. Contact Patti Richard at 432-559-6953 or mail donations to HCCWB P.O. Box 3101 Big Spring, 79721.
- LEGAL AID OF NORTHWEST TEXAS is accepting appointments for 2 p.m. until 5 p.m. the first and third Wednesday of each month. Individuals seeking legal advice for matters concerning family law, divorce, custody and child support issues, social security cases, employment and housing may contact the office to schedule an appointment. Criminal cases are not accepted. Anyone recently served with legal documents should call the office immediately at 800-926-5630 or 432-686-0647.
- 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.
- BIG SPRING AND SURROUNDING counties are in critical need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected. For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 263-9669.
- SPRING TABERNACLE CHURCH, 1209 Wright, has free food for the area needy. Distribution is scheduled from 10 a.m. to noon every Thursday.

Police blotter

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

- DESIRE LAVERNE SAVELL, 27, of 3310 Drexel, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.
- ANDREA DENISE ALENDER, 33, of 700 E. 15th Street, was arrested Tuesday on a local capias war-
- MICHAEL DEWAYNE GRIFFIN, 32, of 3310 Drexel, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.
- ROBERT LEE DAVENPORT JR., 48, of 801 W. Marcy, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.
- SUSAN ETTAINEZ OVERTON, 19, of 2911 W. Highway 80 Apt. 232, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.
- UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE was reported in the 2800 block of Stonehaven.
- THEFT was reported:
- in the 700 block of 11th Place.
- in the 2000 block of Gregg Street. - in the 300 block of Gregg Street.
- FAILURE TO IDENTIFY GIVING FALSE INFORMATION was reported in the 2000 block of
- Gregg Street. • BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported:
- in the 900 block of San Antonio.
- in the 1500 block of Stadium.

Sheriff's report

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

- · LINDA GAIL NORMAN, 46, was transferred to the county jail Tuesday by the HCSO on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.
- MARK ANTHONY MOLINA, 40, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for theft of services.
- KATHRENE ANN CHAVARRIA, 34, was arrested Thursday by the HCSO on a charge of credit/debit
- MORGAN LEE WATSON, 42, was arrested Tuesday by the HCSO on charges of theft by check and contempt of court - disobedience of a court order.

Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- MEDICAL was reported in the 1000 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1600 block of Langaster. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL was reported in the 1200 block of Lloyd. One person was transported to SMMC.
- · MEDICAL was reported in the 1700 block of Purdue. One person was transported to SMMC.

Support groups

TUESDAY

• The Multiple Sclerosis Support Group meets at 6 p.m., a new time, 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 p.m. until 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 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Non-smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.
- Alzheimers Support Group meets at 2 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month at The Texas State Veterans Home, 1809 N. Hwy 87. For more information call Orand Carroll 268-8387.

FRIDAY

 AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Noon open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

SATURDAY

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

Around town

- RAILROAD MUSEUM at the corner of Second includes entry into the Potton House, is \$2 for adults Street and Main Street is open from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. every Saturday. Free admission. Call 432-559-3409 for more information.
- 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

and \$1 for children.

- HANGAR 25 AIR MUSEUM is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday.
- FRIENDS OF THE MARTIN COUNTY LIBRARY have scheduled a used book sale from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. every Thursday in the new building across from the White Ford Motor Company, near the post office. The sale benefits the restoration of a library building. For more information contact Bud Lindsey at 756-2306.

Find It In Big Spring First!

Bulletin board

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

TODAY

- · Downtown Lions Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.
- · Line dancing begins at 1 p.m. in the Spring City Senior Citizen's Center in the Industrial Park. Call 267-6966 or 267-1628.
- Duplicate Bridge Club meets at 1 p.m. in the Big Spring Country Club.
- Senior Circle meets at 4 p.m. at Scenic Mountain Medical Center for Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics. Those 50 years and older are invited to attend. Call
- Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie meets at 7 p.m. in the Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third St.

THURSDAY

- First day of fall.
- 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. Call 267-6479.

FRIDAY

- Heritage Festival in the Heart of the City Park begins at 6:30 p.m.
- Signal Mountain Quilting Guild meets from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. at 1019 Nolan St. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281 for more information.
- AMBUCS meet at noon in La Posada Restaurant.
- Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room.
- Spring City Senior Citizen's Center country and western dance from 7:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. featuring Monroe Casey and the Prowlers. All area seniors are invited.

SATURDAY

- Heritage Festival in the Heart of the City Park.
- · Alzheimer's Memory Walk starts at 9 a.m. in the Old Settlers Pavilion registration starts at 8:30 a.m.
- · Beginning sewing class presented by the Society for Creative Anachronism begins at 9 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, Runnels and Eighth streets. Call 816-3144 for more information.
- Harvest Saturday at Scenic Mountain State Park.
- Eagles Lodge Dance at 8:30 p.m. at 703 W. Third.

Weather

Tonight-Clear. Lows in the mid 60s. Southeast winds around 10 mph in the evening becoming light and variable.

Thursday-Mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 90s. Light and variable winds.

Thursday night—Mostly clear. Lows in the upper

60s. Southeast winds around 10 mph. Friday—Mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 90s. Light

and variable winds becoming east around 10 mph in the afternoon. Friday night-Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 60s.

Saturday—Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 80s. Saturday night—Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper

Sunday-Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 80s. Sunday night—Partly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 60s. The chance of rain is 20 percent.

Monday—Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 80s. Monday night—Partly cloudy. Lows around 60. Tuesday—Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s.

Lottery

The jackpot in the multistate Mega Millions lottery drawing grew to \$15 million Wednesday.

None of the tickets sold for Tuesday's \$12 million drawing matched all five lotto numbers and the Mega Ball. The next drawing will be Friday.

The winning numbers from Tuesday's drawing were: 35, 36, 40, 42, and 52. The Mega Ball number was 45.

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Tuesday night: Winning numbers drawn: 26-28-29-31-32. Number matching five of five: 2. Prize per winner: \$15,754. Next Cash 5 drawing: Wednesday night.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 9-5-0

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what apparently happened in the case of the Howard County resident. The incident occurred in mid-August in a rural portion of the county, he added.

HPS is much more prevalent in New Mexico, but more cases are being found in Texas.

"With plenty or rain, the natural (rodent) population is exploding," Gaiser said. "We've been conducting tests across the county, especially in the schools.'

HPS initially presents itself as a case of the flu, Gaiser said. Early symptoms include fatigue. fever and muscle aches, then progress to more severe respiratory problems.

"Early on, it's a lot like the flu, but then it progresses very, very rapidly after that," he said. "If you develop any of these symptoms, you need to see your doctor real soon.'

The biggest danger for contracting the virus, Gaiser said, is in enclosed areas such as small rooms. Well-ventilated areas where rats or mice might nest, such as barns, pose a much smaller threat.

Gaiser added the risk of infection can be reduced greatly if people follow the following precautions:

 Remove brush, woodpiles and other items that may attract mice or rats.

 Tightly close garbage cans, pet food containers and other food sources for rats and mice.

 Seal openings that may allow rodents to enter residences and workplaces.

 Wear protective gloves if it is hecessary to handle dead mice or rats or Sheriff's Office Chief clean nesting areas.

 Before cleaning nests inside, open windows and ventilate the area for at least 30 minutes. Do not stir up nests by sweeping or vacuuming.

· Spray dead rodents. nesting areas and droppings with a disinfectant or a 1-to-10 bleach-water mixture until wet. Allow to stand for five minutes before cleaning up using paper towels.

 Double-bag any dead rodents or nesting material in plastic and dispose of in trash.

Before removing gloves, wash in warm, soapy water, or spray with a disinfectant and wash hands thoroughly with soap and warm water after removing the gloves.

For more information, contact DSHS at (512) 458-

A SHORT VISIT



State Rep. Pete Laney, D-Hale Center, visits with Shelley Smith, CEO of West Texas Centers for MHMR at a showing of Susan Smiley's documentary "Out of the Shadow," which was shown Tuesday at the Dora Roberts Community Center. It was sponsored by West Texas Centers and the Howard County Mental Health

VMC getting help from familiar source — Eagles

By JOHN A. MOSELEY

Managing Editor

Anyone looking for something to do Saturday evening need only look to Big Spring's Fraternal Order of the Eagles Aerie No. 3188 lodge to find an opportunity to enjoy a good meal and help benefit the Big Spring Vietnam Memorial.

The Eagles Lodge will team with Eagles Bingo to hold a hamburger and hot dog supper starting at 6 p.m. Saturday to raise money for the Vietnam Memorial Comm0ittee's latest project - placement of an "All Veterans Monument" at the memorial.

The All Veterans Monument will approximately nine feet tall and constructed of black and while granite a six-sided cone with a lighted prism on top. Each branch of the armed forces - Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, and the Merchant Marine — will be honored with their emblem placed on one of the six sides.

According to VMC

spokesman Jerry Groves, the monument "will honor all veterans of all branches of all conflicts and wars — past, present and future."

As was the case earlier this year when the Eagles held a dinner and dance to provide funds for the memorial's maintenance and operation, members of the VMC are already expressing their thanks for the Eagles' support of project. the "We really are excited

about this project because it's an opportunity to place a monument that honors veterans of all wars." said **VMC** President Gene Wilson. "And fact that the Eagles are wanting to do this again — to help raise money so that we can expand the memorial - is just overwhelming. We really can't thank them enough for their commitment."

The Eagles will be serving hamburger and hot dog plates during the event. The meal will be \$5 per plate for adults and \$3 for children under the age of 12.

approximately 30 to 45

Investigations into the

unexplained deaths are

being performed by the

Howard County Sheriff's

Office, Texas Rangers and

Child Protective Services.

Contact Staff Writer

Thomas Jenkins at 263-

7331 ext. 232 or by e-mail

at citydesk@bigspringher-

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days to complete.

In addition, a silent auction and donation prize drawings are planned. A number of Big Spring businesses and individuals have already donated items ranging in value from \$10 to \$500.

Both Wilson and Groves admitted that the way in which the community shows its support for the Vietnam Memorial is nothing short of humbling.

"The way Big Spring supports us never ceases to amaze us," Wilson said. "Time and time again, whenever we start a project to expand the memorial or need to raise money for maintenance, the people and businesses in Big Spring come through. And words simply aren't enough to let people know how much we appreciate the way they back us."

Anyone that will be unable to attend the Sept. 24 event but would like to make a tax-deductible contribution can mail them to: Vietnam Memorial Committee, P.O. Box 2854, Big Spring

Authorities await autopsy results

Investigation continues into death of 3-month-old twins in Howard County

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

Answers to the mysterious Sept. 11 death of 3month-old twins may be slow in coming, as investigators wait on several key autopsy tests to be completed.

Howard County Deputy Gary Pritchett said there have been no droppings found new developments in the investigation since the release of the preliminary autopsy results, with little else expected until toxicology, histology and several other reports can be compiled.

"We're still waiting on the results from the toxicology and other tests," said Pritchett. "That's where we are with the investigation at this

time.' Three-month old twins Christopher Ryan Petree and Nomi Michelle Petree were found dead at their home on Dawson Road in south Howard County.

At approximately 9:27 a.m. on Sept. 11, dispatchers at the Howard County Sheriff's Office received a 911 call from "frantic" woman saying that her babies were dead, according to information pared by Dr. S. Natarajan released by the sheriff's

HCSO deputies and Emergency Medical Service technicians responded to the home, where the infants were found dead.

Kathryn Wiseman procause of death. The autopsies were performed the following morning at the Texas Tech University forensics center in Lubbock, according to Wiseman.

In a statement issued last week by the Howard County Sheriff's Office, the preliminary autopsy report on the infants ruled out blunt force trauma, but by no means ruled out foul play.

"Autopsy comments are as follows," reads the HCSO release. "Twins both found dead, highly suspicious deaths. Death of two infant twins is suspicious for foul play; no significant trauma suggestive of blunt force."

The remainder of the preliminary autopsy document, which was pre-

Pombo's bill also would

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the federal government

of the Lubbock County Medical Examiners Office, is not currently being released to the public because it's part of an ongoing investigation, according to Wiseman.

"Both preliminary Justice of the Peace reports show no obvious signs of trauma or nounced the infants dead abuse," said Wiseman on at the scene at 11:50 a.m. the preliminary autopsy and immediately ordered results. "That means we'll an autopsy to determine have to wait for the toxicology, histology and several other reports before we can determine the cause of death.'

> Wiseman said reports investigators are currently waiting on can take as long as three months to complete. "It's a very lengthy

> process," said Wiseman. Child **Protective** Services has begun an investigation of the parents, 21-year-old Chris Petree and 27-year-old Lisa Riffe, according to Texas Department of Family and Protective Services spokesperson Marleigh Meisner.

Meisner said Riffe has voluntarily placed her other children with relatives pending the outcome of the investigation, which is expected to take

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MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

Sam Becker, 82, died Saturday. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

Elnora Morrison, 87, Wednesday, Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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Species Act rewrite would cut critical habitat provisions at plans to prevent negative

By ERICA WERNER **Associated Press Writer**

WASHINGTON (AP) -Congress is considering proposed changes to the 32-year-old Endangered Species Act that would get the government out of

the business of setting aside critical habitat for threatened plants and animals.

That would eliminate a central element of the landmark law.

An overhaul of the Endangered Species Act, proposed by Rep. Richard Pombo, R-Calif., was

going before the House representative Resources Committee on Wednesday. Pombo, the committee's chairman, wants his panel to vote on it Thursday and he hopes the full House will consider it next week.

E0nvironmentalists fear that eliminating the government's ability to establish critical habitat would take away a key to species survival.

"Even a young schoolchild recognizes that every species needs a home," said Susan Holmes, senior legislative

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OUR VIEWS

Memory Walk needing both money, effort

ne step at a time. That's the way the local chapter of the Alzheimer's Association is doing it's part in the fight against Alzheimer's, as it makes final preparations for the annual Memory Walk on Saturday.

The vast majority of the money raised by the annual event, which includes both a 1-mile walk and a 2-mile jaunt, stays where its needed most right here at home.

"The money we raise each year stays right here in Howard County," explained Nancy Jones, coordinator of the event for the Alzheimer's Association and a director of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program. "It goes to help the families that are dealing with the disease and offers them the education and group services they need. It funds the different services the Alzheimer's Association provides. A percentage of the money is also used to help fund research on the disease."

That percentage is important, because recent progress in research on Alzheimer's shows just how much can be accomplished with the money raised.

There are a lot of new drugs out that are used to treat Alzheimer's, including different drugs for the different phases of the disease. Plus, researchers have also been able to identify some of the genetics that factor in the disease, which also promises new avenues for treatment.

Those who want to participate in the Memory Walk can sign up until the very last moment.

A year ago some 400 people took part in the walk and Jones would like nothing better than to see 500 walking this year.

Late registration is set for 8:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. at the Old Settler's Pavilion in Comanche Trail Park. The walk get under way at 9 a.m. sharp.

And don't worry if you feel you can't walk an entire mile or two. While many will be walking the main courses, Jones said that doesn't mean anyone has to walk any particular distance.

More importantly, you can offer a financial pledge to someone already registered to walk.

Remember, it's all for a good cause. We should give it our complete support.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

We worry less, Lord, when we zero in on You.

Niagara Falls a spectacular wonder

or this old boy who lives in dry country, seeing a million bathtubs of water a minute go over a cliff is a sight to behold. It's been happening for nearly 400 years.

Niagara Falls is a fun, exciting, beautiful place.

There are two Niagaras: one in New York, the other in Ontario, Canada. The Niagara River connects Lakes Erie and Ontario and provides a border between the two countries. To get the full impact of the falls, you must go to

the Canadian side. Our hotel in Canada gave us a full view of the two waterfalls (the American Falls, a straight line of water cascading down for 184 feet and the Canadian or Horseshoe

Falls, which are 170 feet tall). Niagara is an Indian word meaning Thunder Water.

And boy, does it thunder. The roar can be heard all over the

Casinos have been built on both

sides of the Niagara River and they have created a tourist boom, attracting 14 million visitors a year. Niagara, N.Y., has a population of 54,000 while Niagara in Canada has a population of 76,000. New hotels are being built on both sides of the river.

We saw beautiful flower gardens all over the place. Hanging baskets full of blossoms decorated light posts on the walkways on the north side of the river.

We watched a juggler perform to an appreciative audience on a grassy area near a restaurant by the falls.

Niagara has always been a romantic place known as a destination for honeymooners. We saw couples of all ages holding hands as they strolled along the walkway looking at the falls. We saw a wedding in a park and watched a man sitting next to us in a restaurant get on his knees and propose to his girlfriend.

Everywhere we went people were taking photographs. I don't remember ever seeing so many cameras in use.

Couples were handing cameras over to strangers, asking them to take their picture with the falls as

When we travel, we try to experience as much as possible.

We rode on the Maid of the Mist. the boat that circles the bottom of the Canadian Falls.

Passengers are issued blue plastic rain ponchos because the mist is like rain and the falls create strong winds. We went behind the falls wearing yellow rain parkas.

We also went to the bird aviary, the butterfly conservatory and Niagara-on-the-Lake, an upscale shopping city at the end of the Niagara River Parkway.

We walked through the nation's first state park on the New York side and got to within a few feet of the water at the edge of the falls.

Twice we watched the falls at sunset from a high vantage point and stayed until dark, when the falls are bathed in colored lights. We went to the Skylon Tower and watched a dazzling fireworks show at eye level.

But we missed the tightrope walker, who walks across a cable stretched between two buildings during the summer months (no net below).

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We did not, however, miss the rainbows at the falls.



Your Views

TO THE EDITOR:

I wish to thank KBYG for allowing me the opportunity to express my intentions regarding the proposal of a camping ordinance in Big Spring. This mini-Rush Limbaugh show is an excellent source for stirring the water.

If my desire for all businesses and persons interested in the value of their property caused but a ripple, it was sucessful.

I wish Big Spring the best of luck as it continues in its readiness for the bypass loop.

> BONNIE LAMBERT BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

Why it is that the children of Big Spring that are covered on Medicaid and CHIP cannot see an eye doctor or dentist? These children have to go to Midland or Odessa for such appointments.

To me this is not right or fair. There are parents that cannot afford insurance for their children and have them on Medicaid and CHIP to help with these costs.

The Medicaid and CHIP programs are very important and designed to help children get the treatment that they so desperately need. There was a time when there was nothing to offer these kids, but now there is. So why can't our dentists and eye doctors see these kids?

It angers me that they cannot help the kids that need help. But there are also adults that need help and they even get turned away.

Not everyone is well to do and can afford the medical attention

they need so much, so why is it like

At least we have good doctors here that do accept Medicaid and CHIP patients. Thank them for that. At least they can get medical

But bad teeth can cause bad health and bad eyes can cause horrible headaches. So what is the problem? What's wrong with this picture?

> MARILLYN MIEARS **BIG SPRING**

TO THE EDITOR:

On Sept. 12 the Suez Shrine Circus was held at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum and it was a real success.

I would like to thank our nobles who worked so hard in distributing tickets, purchasing tickets and selling coloring books. Thanks also go to the ladies for

preparing food for the hospitality room which was enjoyed by our Shriners and their guests.

We also want to thank Stan Feaster and his staff at the coliseum for their continued assistance. They are a pleasure to work with.

Claudette Forward deserves our thanks for providing the National Anthem, as does Boy Scout Troop

16 for serving as the honor guard. We also want to thank the Herald and KBST for doing a wonderful job of publicizing the circus and to all the businesses that gave away tickets, put up posters or donated bicycles for the drawing held during the circus.

But most of all we want to thank

all those who attended. We hope you enjoyed the Shrine Circus as much as we did and we look forward to a bigger and better circus

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TO THE EDITOR:

The Powwow Committee of Big Spring would like to congratulate all the winners in our donation prize drawings at the 2005 Howard County Fair - Lynn Tomar. Marilyn Montgomery, Chelsey Parker, Nancy Crenshaw, Mary Paredez, Barbara Carr and Ed Ware. And a special congratulation to Kaley Duncan for winning the blanket she wanted so much.

The committee would like to thank all those who stopped by our booth and offer a special thank you to all those who made donations to help support our upcoming powwow set for the last weekend in March 2006. We would also like to invite indi-

viduals or local business to become sponsors for next year's powwow. To make a donation or join our organization, contact Robert Downing at 263-3255, Janice Bishop at 264-7790 or Darlene Bursch at 816-1084.

Again, the Powwow Committee would like to thank the people of our community for their support of the Big Spring Powwow. With your continued support we can make the powwow and annual event.

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Wednesday, September 21, 2005

From left, Joe Hughes, Shirley Burgess and Clovie Shannon discuss possible uses of a property listed by Home Realtors. The three women are among 13 on the staff of Home

Donna Gannaway

Donna has been with Culligan since 1992. Richard Wright runs the

business, but he says Donna crosses all the T's and dots all the

I's!! If you want anything done, tell Donna because Richard says he

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Local real estate field dominated by women

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN

Special to the Herald

Real estate is a field that, locally at least, is dominated by women.

But make no mistake, some working women said, it's as challenging as any male-dominated field out there.

"It's hard work," said Joe Hughes, a greatgrandmother who started in real estate 20 years ago just to see if she could get a job. She's since been the top producer for Home Realtors many years run-

"I'm learning every day. It's an education every day," Hughes said, demonstrating her cell phone, lap top computer

"Real estate gives women a lot of opportunities other professions don't."

-Kay Moore, Home Realtors owner

and Palm Pilot, all tools of the trade she can't be without. Vital information that once took filing cabinets and reams of paper to store now stays at her fingertips.

And there is room for cute pictures of her grandkids on the computer desktop, also.

Hughes and her officemate, Shirley Burgess, a See REAL ESTATE, Page 8A

retired teacher, took classes in real estate and finance before earning their licenses. They also need continuing education credits every year to remain current as they work with sellers, lenders and buyers.

Kay Moore, the owner of Home Realtors, has been in the business almost 30 years. She said it takes education, flexibility and good negotiating skills. For some reason, she added, women seem to enjoy and excel at the business.

Among the 14 employees of Home Realtors, 13 are women.



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Meeting the needs of her customers

Dakota's Flowers and Gifts owner strives to offer the best

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN

Special to the Herald

Laura Murphree, owner of Dakota's Flowers and Gifts, has a pillow that says it all: It's not shopping, it's retail therapy.

While the flowers and plants at Dakota's are therapeutic for those who receive them, Murphree also likes to think finding the perfect gift item for a friend or loved one might be a boost to one's self esteem. And if the price is right, that could really make someone's day.

Quality at the right price is the sales philosophy for Murphree and her husband, Duane, who bought the business

almost four years ago. "We realize we don't

live in Dallas," she said. "People in Big Spring don't make that kind of money, but they want beautiful things they can afford."

Murphree, always a bargain hunter herself, now tries to give her customers the best bang for their buck.

"This is the best job for me because I love shopping," she said. "I love seeing what's new and finding things that are unique."

Besides the standard floral business of fresh flowers, plants and silks, Dakota's has two other "best sellers" in Circle E



Laura Murphree, owner of Dakota's Flowers and Gifts, looks at a selection of handmade pottery from Mexico that she just added to the store's inventory. Murphree runs the business with help from her husband, Duane.

Goudeau jewelry. The former is a popular brand that is known for its long-See MURPHREE, Page 8A

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Kim's knowledge and experience have helped guide The Karat Patch well into its second decade of operation, and her spirit of dedication is a beacon of hope for an even bigger and brighter tomorrow. The Karat Patch, Inc. and the entire Phinney family salutes Kim Phinney, a wonderful womar in business.

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Harley Davidson Shop



Marijo has been in this business all of her life. Marijo's role at the Harley Davidson Shop is a little bit of everything. Howard says Marijo keeps the shop up and running and keeps everyone in line. He also said things have not always been easy, but Marijo has always done what she had to, to make ends meet. "Marijo is a great wife, mother and friend who loves her job and everyone

Thank You Marijo For Everything Love, Howard

Vickie has been in this business since 1999. Vickie is in charge of ordering all of the clothes for the store. Come down and see Vickie and her great selection of Harley Davidson clothing. I guarantee she will put a smile on your face and send you out the door looking great!!

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Love, Robert ... am dti



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That's a girl on that motorcycle

Marijo Walker.grew up working at the family's Harley dealership

By MARSHA STURDIVANT

Features Editor

Grandmother Marijo Walker, owner of the Big Spring Harley Davidson Shop, refutes the classic stereotype of a Harley Davidson motorcycle rider as a burly chested, leather vested, bearded man.

And she knows her career with the oldest family-owned Harley Davidson dealership in Texas often catches customers by surprise.

"Sometimes they just don't want to deal with a woman, and often they think a woman can't possibly know anything about motorcycles,' Walker said.

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That prejudice has not kept Walker from staying in the business, nor does it curb her enthusiasm for motorcycles.

"I rode a motorcycle to high school in the 1950s. I wore blue jeans every day and participated in drag races. Dad always said, 'I don't want to know what you're up to, but whatever you're up to, you'd better win.' I thought all these things were normal," she said.

Walker's father, Cecil
Thixton, opened the
Harley Davidson shop in
1929, specializing in sales
and repair of motorcycles
and Schwinn bicycles. He
used the skills he'd
learned in the Army's

"'That's a girl on that motorcycle.' We went bowling after the skating rink that night and of course I beat the crap out of him. I told my sister 'I'm gonna marry him."

motor pool to continue as a civilian. The first store front was on 15th Street, where the family owned a vast expanse of property.

"I figure the street Marijo is named for me, because it's spelled the same way I spell my name," Walker said. She pronounces her name "Myra-joe," rhyming with her twin sister's Carijo (Kyra-joe.)

Walker worked for the family business in high school, helping her father repair motorcycle engines, performing oil changes, changing spark plugs and filters and other mechanic opera-

tions.
"Daddy gave me '48
Chevy coupe and said I
had to learn to take care
of it myself. He would
work with me, overseeing
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Herald photo/Marsha Sturdivant
Vickie Walker, left, shows
off her 8-week-old Brussels
Griffon puppy, Lexie to her
mother-in-law, Marijo
Walker, owner of the Big
Spring Harley Davidson

Shop. things and it had to be done his way. He was a good teacher," Walker said

In 1959, Marijo first saw Howard Walker as she was riding a side car motorcycle to a local skating rink. For her, it was love at first sight.

"I always kept my hair really short and he saw me riding and looked twice, saying, 'That's a girl on that motorcycle.' We went bowling after the skating rink that night and of course I beat the crap out of him. I told my sister 'I'm gonna marry him'," she said.

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Kasey Richey, Sylvia Gaitan, Melanie Barrera (Teller Supervisor), Kandi Campbell (Branch Manager), Valeria Ontiveros (not pictured).

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Kay Moore, CRS, GRI

Real Estate has been a love of Kay's long before she became Broker/Owner of Home Realtors. Her career in Real Estate began in 1978 as a part time agent with a small firm. In 1980 she joined Home Realtors and purchased the firm in 1985. With a well trained and professional staff, Home Realtors is a leader in the Big Spring market providing a 42 year "tradition of service" to both buyers and sellers.

Kay has actively contributed to the community by leading and participating in numerous volunteer organizations. Previously she served as president and as a director of the board of Realtors and a member of the Advisory Committee for the Texas Real Estate Center located at Texas A&M.

Kay and husband Max have two children, Mark Moore of Austin, Lea Kay Newsom and husband, Kent, of Flower Mound. They also have three grandchildren, Fallon and Morgan Young of Flower Mound, and Keeton Newsom of Ohio.

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They were married Nov. 25, 1959, and after 46 years, their marriage is still going strong.

"Basically we like the same things. When we first married, Howard didn't know how to ride a motorcycle, so I taught him," she said.

The U.S. Air Force sent the couple to Saragosa, Spain, where their first son, Cecil, was born. Howard Walker served four years, nine months in the Air Force, and returned home to his wife and child in Big Spring from Montana in 1964.

'He pulled up in front of the store, walked inside and Daddy said, 'Get to work.' He didn't even give Howard a chance to change clothes, see his wife and child or unpack. Daddy had four sons-in-law, and he offered all of them a chance to come into the business, but Howard is the only one who took him up on it," she said.

The family business continued to make ends meet through the 1960s into the 1970s, and Howard applied for his dealers license in 1975 when Cecil's health failed. He died in 1977, leaving the business to Marijo's mother, Ora.

When Ora Thixton died in 1985, the Walkers received ownership. Walker learned the bookkeeping method her mother used and took over that role at the shop.

"She did all the ordering for

the store and back then, you were lucky if you could find a single hat or cap or jacket or sweater with the Harley Davidson logo. You just didn't have the accessories you see today," she said.

In 1983, while Howard and Marijo were attending an Aspencade Rally in Ruidoso, N.M., they received a telephone call that changed their lives for-

Their youngest son, 18-yearold Bruce, who was home from his first semester at Abilene Christian University, had been shot five times and was in the hospital, in critical condition.

Walker said she spent the next nine months in hospitals, first in Lubbock and then in Amarillo, caring for Bruce, who was left a quadriplegic. Two of the five bullets were never removed; one lodged in his spine, which caused instant paralysis, she said.

"And I didn't go anywhere for the next 10 years. The boy who shot him received 20 years for attempted murder and assault, but was out of prison in just six years. Bruce was his seventh shooting victim," she said.

Her bitterness at the judicial system is overshadowed by her strength and love of family. She includes her customers as family, along with Bruce, Cecil, a sign painter who lives in Amarillo, and her middle son, Robert, who helps manage the

"This really takes a toll on a family. The boys were always close, but this made them even

Marijo Walker at her desk at the Big Spring Harley Davidson Shop, where she performs bookeeping duties, among other jobs, for the business that has been in her family for 76 years.

closer. After 10 years, Howard to the Order of Beauceant and told me I had to go somewhere, so I hired a nurse to stay and take care of Bruce and we went back to Ruidoso. Bruce is lucky to be alive and he has such a great attitude and a good outlook on life," she said.

Today, Walker's passion is her animals. She has five dogs and about 25 cats. She belongs is a lifetime member of the Harley Owners Group and the Motorcycle American Association.

She said she knows being a woman in business is tough, roles is serving the public.

"But if you want to be in business, just do your thing. And be

prepared to put up with the public, even those who don't think a woman can do a man's job," she said.

Marsha Sturdivant is the features editor for the Big Spring and one of the most demanding Herald. Contact her at 263-7331 or e-mail life@bigspringherald.com.

CAMPBELL

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and I received most of my inspiration for business from my dad, watching him own his own company. He is such a good role model; he started his own business from scratch,'

But that entrepreneur spirit actually goes back another generation as well. Campbell's grandmother, Faye Hobbs. worked for First National Bank from the time she was 15 until she retired. And her grandfather, Johnny Hobbs, owned Cowboy's Steakhouse for nine years, until her uncle bought the business last year.

"My mother always had positions of responsibility when I was growing up and I received most of my inspiration for business from my dad, watching him own his own company."

-Kandi Campbell

Her maternal grandparents, Clara and the late Johnny Cline — "yes, we have two Johnnys and a John also" managed Rainbow Bakery.

tery, stuffed animals,

baby gifts and another big

seller for the store is its

selection of crosses.

"And my dad's sisters are really strong women and they encourage us a lot to succeed in business," she said, including younger sister, Krystal Cline, who attends West Texas A&M University in Canyon, studying to be a special needs teacher.

Campbell's twin aunts are physician assistants in Lubbock. One of her aunts suffered a tragic loss in February when her husband and child her husband and chiid were killed in an accident. Now the medical Jim professionals are investing in housing development to create a fresh start for the widow that also allows the sisters to live close.

through all of this, just showing incredible faith and they are so close and so supportive of each other. They are both incredible role models and an inspiration to the whole family," she said.

Campbell was a single mom of 5-year-old Bryson, who attends pre-kindergarten at Hillcrest. But in August, she married Nate Campbell, who works for Knowlton Automotive, specializing in exhaust systems. He is the son of and Sammye attain their goals. Campbell

"I am so lucky because I have a great family and I married into a really great family," she said.

Campbell recognizes

"She has been so strong how blessed she is with her professional life as well. She is currently a member of the Leadership Big Spring class and she attends Family Faith Victory Center. And she's anticipating joining the Greater Big Spring Rotary

> "I may be one of the youngest women here in Big Spring with a position of responsibility," the 26year-old said.

She encourages other women to seek their dreams and to work to

"It really is hard being a woman in business. There are lots of challenges that we face every day. If your goal is to own your own business, I really support and encourage you. Just work hard and don't let anyone stand in your way or tell you can't succeed, because you can," she said.

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MURPHREE

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lasting scents, while the latter is a Christian designer who offers a wide price range in a variety of styles.

"Each piece has a scripture that goes with it and a storycard telling about the design," Murphree explained. "They make great gifts."

Pocket pieces designed by Goudeau cost only about \$5 and make great "spirit lifters," Murphree said. "I have people buy these to give to co-workers and friends that might be going through a difficult time."

Dakota's also has pot-

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"Real estate gives women a lot of opportunities other professions

don't," Moore said. "It

takes a 'people person' to

do well, and I have some

working with me that

have been very success-

Burgess said when

everything goes right,

there's a great deal of sat-

isfaction that goes with

is done, it's a wonderful

"The buyer and seller want different things.' she said. "It's not always easy to make them both happy. But when everybody's happy and the job

the job.

feeling.'

ful at it for a long time."

Murphree said she is

seeing a new trend developing in Big Spring: Rather than just another flower arrangement or plant, many people are now sending crosses to funerals.

"This is something the family can enjoy for years to come, and always remember," she said. "I think it's a great idea."

While Murphree has some new business ventures on the horizon, she said she's perfectly content offering Big Spring shoppers the best, most reasonably priced gifts she can find.

"It's just great to be here for people when they need something, whatever that need is," she said.

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While growing up in Mount Airy, N.C., Andy Griffith nevery wanted to be an actor. He wanted to be a preacher instead. For many, TVs all-time favorite dad accomplished both in his role as sheriff Andy Taylor on the Andy Griffith Show. Plus, checking cholesterol and butternut squash soup.



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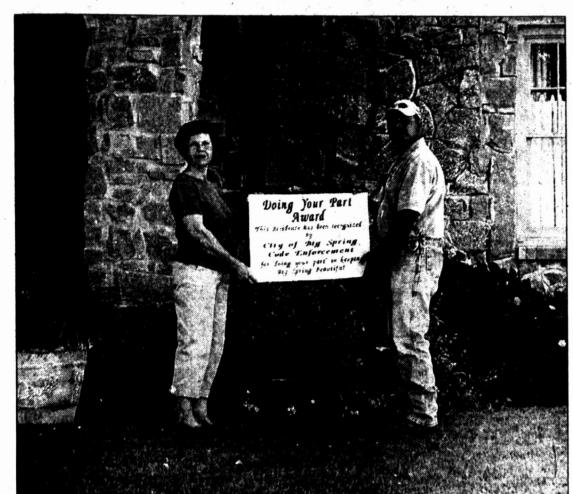
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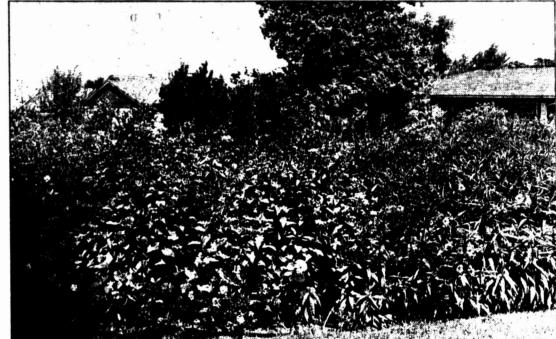
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Doing Your Part





Jim and Pat Fleming received the Doing Your Part Award for their home at 509 Dallas, presented by Nick Reyna, inspector for the City of Big Spring. They receive \$50 off their water bill for September, a one-year subscription to the Big Spring Herald, a complete makeover gift certificate from Uptown Salon and Day Spa, and gift certificates from Sky's Restaurant, Harris Lumber and Hardware, Johansen Landscape, Higginbotham-Bartlett, Ponderosa Nursery, Wendy's and Blockbuster Video. Fleming's lawn has a bed of wild flowers that grew from scattered seeds. In the spring, the flowers and landscape change from this fall

Library News

Friends of the Library are taking donations of books, paperbacks, videos, music cassettes and CDs

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a.m. until to 6 p.m. Oct. 7 and from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. Oct. 8-9. We really have gotten quite a few books in along with books on tape and videos.

Some kind soul donated over a dozen Western paperbacks to the library. We have them processed and on the shelf. Look in the new book binder for the list of titles. All of them were written by William W. Johnstone.

EWWW! I opened up "The Ultimate Turkey Fryer Cookbook," (641.578 WIL R) by Reece Wilbanks and it gave instructions to deep fry alligator! How about Crusted Cocoanut Alligator? Doesn't that sound tasty!

Knitting has turned into

emember that the a big business. Knitting is no longer is a job for maiden aunties or granny now teenagers learning how to knit.

A new book just in is "Hip Knits: 65 Easy Projects" (746.432 BET H) from Better Homes and Publishing. Gardens Cabling, scallops, and patterns, are all terms associated with knitting. It has lots of cute projects just waiting for your knitting needles.

Is scrap booking your thing? Leeza Gibbons has written "Scrapbooking Traditions" (745.593 GIB L). It will give you additional ideas on personalizing your family scrapbooks.

To enhance your scrapbook, look into digital photography. We have just processed several books on digital photogra-

Digital "Guide Photography," (775 GRO D) by Daniel and Sally Grotta will help you in choosing a camera and gives tips for printing and cropping all of your digital photos.

Are you planning your wedding? A new wedding "how to" book has come "Wonderful out: Weddings for Cost Conscious Couples," (395.22 GAR J) by Jody Garlock can be found in the non-fiction area.

books have come in. Be sure and check the new book binder to see what we have.

"The Gospel According To Dr. Seuss, (242 KEM J) James W. Kemp, a retired United Methodist pastor reveals the popular children's stories penned by Dr. Seuss are more than simply imaginative and highly entertaining.

A great many of them are also inspirational. Kemp finds parallels between the doings of cats in hats, Grinches, Snitches, Sneetches and other whimsical creatures with lessons embedded within the Scriptures.

The meaning and relevance of many Bible passages come to life within the originality of such stories as "How the Grinch Stole Christmas!; "Horton Hatches the Egg;" Yertle the Turtle;" "Green Eggs and Ham;" and other Dr. Seuss tales of whimsy and rhyme.

Highly recommended to the Christian community regardless of denominational distinctions, "The Gospel According To Dr. Seuss" is lively, entertaining, inherently fascinating, and spirituality enthusiastic reading.

I would suggest that some our local ministers

Lots of new self-help check this out and see how it would work in a sermon from the pulpit.

For all you audio book lovers, the library is slowly trending toward purchasing books on CD rather than cassette. By having said that, we do have several new audio books on CD that have just been processed.

Titles are: "Trace," by Cornwell; 'Appaloosa," by Robert B. Parker; Kathy Reichs, "Cross Bones;" "The Ballroom on Magnolia Street." by Sharon Owens: "The House in Amalfi," by Elizabeth Adler; Deborah Crombie's "Leave the Grave Green" Nevada Barr.

Do remember that we welcome suggestions on material to purchase, whether it is audio, video, DVD or written material. Ask staff for a suggestion slip, write the author and title of material down and give to any staff member.

Say what you will, the "Dummy" books are an excellent source of information.

finance? Check out "Investing for Dummies" (332.6 TYS E); "Personal Finance for Dummies' (332.0254 TYS E) and "Mutual Funds Dummies," (332.632 TYS S) all by Eric Tyson; and then "Stock Investing for Dummies," (332.632 MLA P) by Paul Mladjenovic.

Morningstar is a ratings company that rates various companies. They also give advice on stock investing. "The Five Rules for Successful Stock Investing," (332.632 DOR P) by Pat Dorsey is an excellent resource. We also received David Scott's Guides: "Investing and "Hard Truth," by in Common Stocks" (332.632 SCO D) and "Investing in Mutual Funds" (332.632 SCO D).

An interesting book to browse is "The Complete **Tightwad** Gazette," (640.42 DAC A) by Amy Dacyczyn. It is chock full of frugal suggestions for everyone.

It was originally published in 1998 but some truths are eternal. It also gives a great plug to use your local library to read

Interested in personal the bestsellers, use the computer, read the paper and magazines and de research.

> The Howard County Library is open from 9 a.m. until to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday and from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. Saturday. The Internet video room

closes one-half hour earlier and is closed from noon until 1 p.m. Saturdays.

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The Web site is www howard county.lib.tx.us. The catalog is online.....

Hollis McCright is the **Howard County librarian**



THANK YOU!

Coming home to Coahoma and seeing the unbelievable generosity and kind spirit in this community has been very inspirational. We would like to thank everyone for your hard work, cooperation, love and prayers - the effort that was put into the benefit and BBQ for Terry Don was amazing.

It was truly a success. Our family appreciates your support for Terry and his family. We ask that you please continue praying as Terry Don, Shanna and the kids still need your prayers.

God Bless You All

The Cobb Family Ken & Shirlie, Kenny, Lara, Melanic, Katie and Michael









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years of drought," Grant said. "Even with those excellent inflows for 2004, the 12-year average is still under 50,000 AF.'

Beginning with 1993 the total of the two reservoirs has exceeded 60,000 AF for the entire year only in 2004 and 2000 (89,831 AF) and otherwise ranged from a low of 6,888 AF in 1998 to 59,477 AF in 1997. Grant says things began looking up in 2004 and the dramatic rise for August 2005 is another good sign.

"This was a substantive amount of good quality water that fell exactly where we needed it,' Grant said, adding that he hopes it could potentially be the beginning steps out of a very long drought.

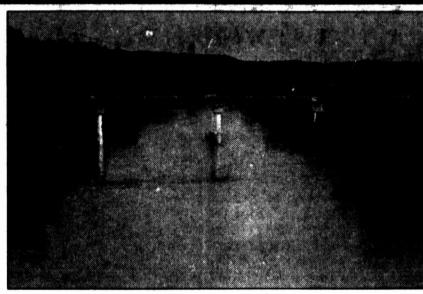
"From a meteorological and agricultural standpoint, I think everyone agrees the drought has eased, but from a water supply standpoint, one or two years of above average rainfall may not be enough to end this current drought," he asserted. "We have to plan for future water supplies based on the worst drought on record and we cannot celebrate the end

the hydrological drought until our reservoirs recover. As positive as the events of the last two years have been, the truth is that we still need more."

Grant said the higher lake levels after August have given rise to hope. Lake Thomas rose to 35.1 percent and Spence reached about 19.9 percent of capacity after the August inflows. This marks the first year since 1998 that the Spence Reservoir has been up to about 20 percent of capacity, and the first time since 1994 that Lake Thomas was above 20 per-

The Ivie Reservoir started the drought in better shape, having reached 100 percent capacity in 1992 and again in 1997. The period from 1998 until 2003 pulled its contents down by about half with some relief coming in

During the mid-August rain events, Grant reported that Ivie gained less than one vertical foot and contained about 55.9 percent of capacity. The rise was just more than 9,000 AF and brought the cumulative total of August inflows at all three reservoirs to 67,310 AF as of August 22 when





SILVER BRIDGE — The right hand photograph shows the "normal" status of the Colorado River at the Silver Bridge crossing where the Colorado River runs into the E.V. Spence Reservoir. At left, the watermarks on the pipeline trestles show that flows almost reached the square pipeline support at the top. The water flowed at or above the level in the photograph for days, resulting in a net gain of over 7 vertical feet for the Spence Reservoir in August.

the river returned to nor-lower turbidity (muddimal. Total District supplies were then at 38 percent of capacity. The showed the largest quali-August inflows were also generally lower in chlorides than normal.

"With very few exceptions, we seemed to get the largest concentrations of rainfall right over the reservoirs or in areas where we have the least concentrations of chlorides," Grant said. "As a result, we had chloride readings of less than 100 ppm for a significant portion of the inflows. We had the added benefit of

ness) at Lake Thomas."

The Spence Reservoir ty improvement. Before the August inflows, evaporation had taken its toll and chloride concentrations were in the 600-800 ppm range. In the late 1980s chloride levels soared above 1,300 ppm after the reservoir was compromised by flooding events over high chloride regions of the watershed and they were still above 1,000 in the late 1990s. Spence Reservoir has finally begun to recover, thanks to managed releases of water from the reservoir and improved diversion facilities that hold back poor water while allowing better inflows to pass into Spence, Grant said. Real-time quality gauges allow District personnel to turn on and off massive diversion pumps that pull poor quality water out of the river and Beals Creek into side stor-

age reservoirs for evaporation or sale to industrial customers.

Grant says the diversion system has performed well and produced steady improvement, but its effectiveness was hampered by drought. Poor inflows and high evaporation rates worked against the system to concentrate the chlorides present in the body of the reservoir. He also blamed extended drought conditions of the soil and streambeds for the fact that above average rainfall throughout 2004 did not provide as much improvement in quantity or quality as usual.

"In 2005, we have finally begun to see the kind of inflows that will improve the reservoir," Grant said, adding that August river flows in particular were so good that the District had to divert very little of the water.

"The new water hasn't fully homogenized with

the old but mid-September tests showed chlorides that ranged from 160 ppm at the intake up to 480 ppm at the bottom of the lake near the dam, where we typically see the worst chloride readings for the reservoir. That is far better than anything we have observed in a long time. The water we have pumped from Spence since September 1 has ranged from 130 to 220 ppm," Grant 'Compare that to Aug. 1, when the water we were pumping was 650 ppm, or July 1 when it was 790 ppm.

"Of course, drought and evaporation are our worst enemies in this respect but it is obvious that the use of our diverted water system and the good fortune of a respite from the drought have combined to give us a substantial improvement in water quality," Grant conclud-



HULLEN CREEK — Hullen Creek, which flows into the northernmost end of Lake J.B. Thomas is normally dry and only flows at a trickle when rains fall nearby. In this mid-August photograph, it looks like a raging river.

PUBLIC NOTICE

BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS OF PROPOSED

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS SPECIAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 8, 2005

PROPOSITION 1 (HJR 54)

HJR 54 would create a Texas rail relocation and improvement fund in the state treasury and would authorize grants of state revenue and issuance of public debt to relocate, rehabilitate, and expand privately and publicly owned passenger and freight rail facilities and to construct railroad undernasses and overpasses

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows "The constitutional amendment creating the Texas rail relocation and improvement fund and authorizing grants of money and issuance of obligations for financing the relocation, rehabilitation, and expansion of rail facilities."

PROPOSITION 2 (HJR 6)

HJR 6 would provide that marriage in Texas is solely the union of a man and woman, and that the state and its political subdivisions could not create or recognize any legal status identical to or similar to marriage, including such legal status relationships created outside of Texas

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing that marriage in this state consists only of the union of one man and one woman and prohibiting this state or a political subdivision of this state from creating or recognizing any legal status identical or similar to marriage."

PROPOSITION 3 (HJR 80)

HJR 80 would provide that local economic development program loans or grants (other than debts secured by a pledge of ad valorem taxes or financed by the issuance of any bonds or other obligations payable from ad valorem taxes) do not constitute or create debt. Any provision of state constitutional law that may prohibit or limit the authority of a political subdivision of the state to incur debt does not apply to those loans or grants

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment clarifying that certain nt programs de not constitute a debt."

PROPOSITION 4 (SJR 17)

SJR 17 would authorize a district judge to deny reinstatement of bail or new bail to a person accused of a felony, if the person's bail had been revoked or forfeited as a result of the person's violation of a condition of release related to the safety of a victim of the alleged offense or to the safety of the communi-

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the denial of bail to a criminal defendant who violates a condition of the defendant's release pending trial."

PROPOSITION 5 (SJR 21)

SJR 21 would authorize the Legislature to exempt commercial loans from state usury laws that set maximum interest rates. "Commercial loans" are loans made primarily for business, commercial, investment, agricultural, or similar purposes and not primarily for personal, family, or household purposes.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment allowing the legislature to define rates of interest for commercial loans."

PROPOSITION 6 (HJR 87)

HJR 87 would increase the size of the State Commission on Judicial Conduct from eleven to thirteen members by increasing from four to five the number of public members and by adding a constitutional county court judge. The additions would ensure that the commission has an odd number of members, which is required by another provision of the state constitution.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to include one additional public member and a constitutional county court judge in the membership of the State Con on Judicial Conduct."

PROPOSITION 7 (SJR 7)

SJR 7 would authorize new options for reverse mortgage agreements for senior homeowners allowing them to draw advances at unscheduled intervals, if and when needed, and only in the

amounts needed, during the loan term. These are in addition to options that would allow a lump sum payment after settlement or regular periodic, predetermined equal amounts over a term of years or the lifetime of the homeowner. Additionally, SJR 7 would: (1) prohibit the agreement from requiring the use of a credit card, debit card or similar device to obtain an advance; (2) prohibit the charge or collection of a transaction fee solely in connection with any debit or advance, after the time the extension of credit is established; and (3) prohibit the lender or holder from unilaterally amending the extension of

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing line-of-credit advances under a reverse mort-

PROPOSITION 8 (SJR 40)

SJR 40 would clear individual land titles by relinquishing and releasing all claims of state ownership interests, including mineral interests, in two local areas, namely, a roughly 4,600 acre area located roughly 14 miles southeast of Gilmer, Texas, and a separate 900 acre area located north of Tyler, Texas.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the clearing of land titles by relinquishing and releasing any state claim to sovereign ownership or title to interest in certain land in Upshur County and in Smith County."

PROPOSITION 9 (HJR 79)

HJR 79 would authorize the Legislature to provide staggered six year terms of office for board members serving on regional mobility authorities, with no more than one-third of the board positions being appointed every two years.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for a six-year term for a board member of a regional mobility authority."

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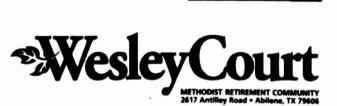
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Woman arrested following Monday accident

By THOMAS JENKINS

Staff Writer

A 22-year-old Big Spring woman was arrested Tuesday and charged with failure to stop and render aid after allegedly hitting a child with her vehicle at the Big Spring Mall parking lot Monday afternoon.

Chelsea Lee Richardson. of 1407 Lincoln, was

witness according to local law enforcement officials.

"Officers responded to the Big Spring Mall parking lot in reference to a vehicle that had struck a pedestrian," reads a statement issued Tuesday by the Big Spring Police Department. "Upon arrival, officers found ing with his mother. The arrested based on evi- that a 5-year-old white

dence at the scene and male had been struck by a the scene." statements, vehicle that fled the scene.

> "Officers learned that a white female had been told to leave the Family Dollar store by its management. The female left angrily, got in her vehicle and sped away from the parking spot, striking the 5-year old, who was walkvehicle continued and left

The child suffered minor injuries in the accident and was later treated and released at the Scenic Mountain

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their rifles ready, awaiting the order to fire at Simon Wiesenthal and Medical Center emergency room. along the edge of a pit where their bodies would topple. The future Nazi

hunter waited to die. And waited. Hours later, after many the condemned slumped in exhaustion, the camp commandant strolled to the line and delivered a reprieve: Soviet troops were com-

> "We thought we were going mad," Wiesenthal wrote after World War II. "Perhaps we feared (or hoped) we were mad already."

ing and the prisoners

would be taken away.

The concentration

camp guards stood with

Wiesenthal, who died Tuesday in his sleep at his Vienna home at age 96, was driven by his memories of the Holocaust to fight for justice for its victims, dedicating himself to tracking down Nazi war criminals and to being a voice for the 6 million Jews who

perished. "I think he'll be remeof the Holocaust. In a way he became the permanent representative of the victims of the Holo- it," he once said.

hunter Wiesenthal dead at 96 VIENNA, Austria (AP) caust, determined to bring the perpetrators of the greatest crime to jus-

tice," said R a b b i Marvin other prisoners standing Hier, dean and founder of the Simon Wiesenthal Center.

Holocaust survivor and Nazi

Wiesenthal lost 89 Wiesenthal

relatives during the war. He survived five Nazi concentration camps and seven other prisons before a U.S. Army armored unit liberated him and other inmates at Mauthausen in May 1945. Enlisted by Americans research war criminals, the architect pursued the mission long after Allied forces lost interest.

Wiesenthal spent more than 50 years hunting Nazi war criminals. speaking out against neo-Nazism and racism, and remembering the Jewish experience as a lesson for humanity. He estimated he helped bring some 1,100 Nazi war criminals to justice.

"When history looks mbered as the conscience back I want people to know the Nazis weren't able to kill millions of people and get away with

Pentagon refuses to allow officers to testify at hearing concerning pre-9/11 intelligence

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Associated Press Writer WASHINGTON (AP) — The Department of Defense forbade a military intelligence officer to testify Wednesday about the work of a secret military unit that identified four 9/11 hijackers more than a year before the Sept. 11 terrorists attacks, according to the man's attorney.

In written testimony prepared for the Senate Committee Judiciary hearing, attorney Mark Zaid, who represents Lt. Col. Anthony Shaffer, said the Pentagon also refused to permit testimony there by a defense contractor that he also represents.

Judiciary The Committee was scheduled to hear testimony about the work of a classified unit code named "Able Danger."

prepared his remarks, Zaid was ready to say on behalf of Shaffer and contractor John Smith that Able Danger, using data mining techniques, identified four of the terrorists who struck on Sept. 11, 2001 — includmastermind Mohamed Atta.

"At least one chart, and possibly more, featured a photograph of Mohamed Atta," Zaid said in his prepared remarks.

Maj. Paul Swiergosz, a **Defense**

spokesman, Wednesday that open testimony would not be appropriate.

"We have expressed our security concerns and believe it is simply not possible to discuss Able Danger in any great detail in any public forum," he said.

Swiergosz said no individuals were singled out not to testify.

"There's nothing more to say than that," Swiergosz said. "It's not possible to discuss the Able Danger program because there are security concerns."

On three occasions, Able Danger personnel attempted to provide the Department FBI with information, but

said Department of Defense attorneys stopped them because of legal concerns about military-run investigations on U.S. soil, Zaid said in his prepared remarks, encouraging the panel to locate a legal memorandum that he said Defense Department attorneys used to justify

> Zaid also charged that records associated with the unit were destroyed during 2000 and March 2001, and copies were destroyed in spring 2004.

stopping the meetings.

Rep. Curt Weldon. R-Pa. was the first to come forward to assert that Able Danger had identified Atta and three others as being members of an al-Qaida cell.

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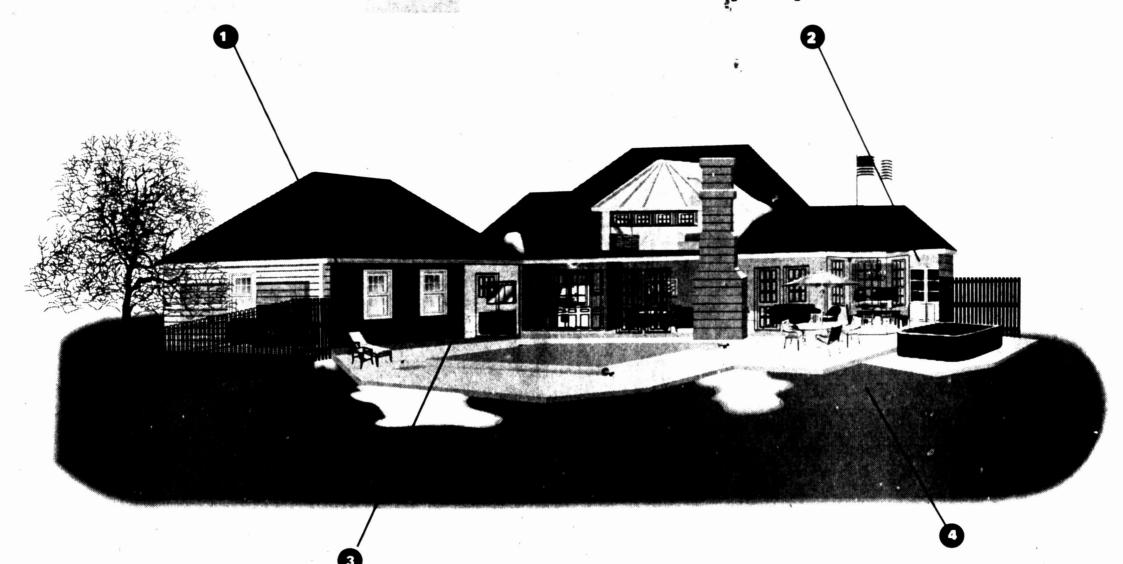
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Galveston readies to evacuate residents as Rita looms

By JUAN A. LOZANO

Associated Press Writer

GALVESTON (AP) - This island city on Wednesday readied to evacuate hundreds of people who can't leave on their own as Hurricane Rita barreled toward the Texas Gulf Coast.

About 80 buses were set to leave starting at 10 a.m. CDT, bound for shelters 100 miles north in Huntsville. The buses were part of a mandatory evacuation ordered by officials in Galveston County, which has a population of nearly 267.000.

North of Galveston in Harris which includes County, Houston, the state's largest city, officials were not ordering an evacuation, but urged residents to prepare for flooding as much as 35 miles inland.

Authorities said they wanted to make sure Texans learned from watching the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, which slammed into Louisiana, Alabama and Mississippi on Aug. 29. Hundreds of thousands of people stayed through the storm, leaving many for days without food or water.

(from "The real lesson

zens learned is that the people in Alabama, Louisiana and Mississippi did not leave in time. There was great loss of life and property and misery," said Galveston Mayor Lyda Ann Thomas. "We just don't want that to happen here. We've always asked people to leave earlier, but because of Katrina, they are now listening to us and they're leaving as we say.'

"We all feel the same way. These storms are horrible. They are treacherous," said Ldyyan Jean Jocque, 59, as she waited awaited her bus ride the Galveston outside Community Center before sunrise Wednesday. "After this killer in New Orleans, Katrina, I just cannot fathom staying."

The resident of the nearby Bolivar Peninsula packed her Bible, some music and clothes into plastic bags and loaded her 10-year-old dog, Aussie, into a pet carrier for the trip to Huntsville.

Also leaving was 61-year-old Christina Ybarra. The lifelong Galveston resident said she, along with her cousin and other

Katrina) that I think the citi- family members, were heading ed 8,000 people were killed. to Lubbock.

"We just want to go way out there, to be sure we are far enough away," she said as her brother Gerard on Tuesday boarded up their family home with plywood.

Other Texans who had ridden out major hurricanes along the Gulf Coast also boarded up windows, packed their valuables and started driving inland.

Rita was upgraded to a Category 4 storm early Wednesday with winds reaching 135 mph. That is the same intensity reached by Katrina. Forecasters say Rita could make landfall Friday night somewhere on the Texas Gulf Coast, although Louisiana and northern Mexico were possibilities.

At 4 a.m., Rita's eye was about 175 miles west of Key West. The storm was moving west near 14 mph — a track that was pulling it away from the Keys and into the Gulf of Mexico.

This month marks the 105th anniversary of the hurricane that wiped out Galveston in one of the deadliest natural disasters in U.S. history. An estimat-

Aware of this history, **Thomas said Galveston County** officials used a law passed this year to order a mandatory evacuation of its coastal communities beginning Wednesday night. But authorities said they would not forcibly remove anyone from their homes.

Other parts of Texas also prepared for Rita.

Gov. Rick Perry on Tuesday declared the state a disaster area and spoke with President Bush to request approval of federal aid to affected counties. Perry spokeswoman Kathy Walt said the president did not immediately act on the governor's request.

The State **Emergency** Operations Center also went on 24-hour status Tuesday, with 34 state agencies on site, Walt said.

The state Division of **Emergency Management start**ed moving food, water and other supplies to Dallas, Fort Worth and San Antonio in preparation for evacuees or to use in case of power outages in those areas.

The last major hurricane to be prepared."

strike Texas was Alicia in 1983, which flooded downtown Houston, spawned 22 tornadoes and left 21 people dead. Damages totaled more than \$2 billion from the Category 3 storm.

Thousands of Katrina refugees brought to shelters in Texas were relocated Tuesday to Arkansas and Tennessee.

After witnessing Katrina, Houston emergency managers modified traffic management plans and made the elderly and those with special needs a priority for evacuations.

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The Houston area's geography makes evacuation particularly tricky. Unlike other hurricaneprone cities where the big city is on the coast. Houston is 60 miles inland. So a coastal suburban area of 2 million people has to evacuate through a metropolitan area of nearly 4 mil-

"It is not going to be as bad as Katrina, but if it is, we are prepared to get people out," said Frank Gutierrez, Harris County **Emergency Management coor**dinator.

"My advice to the public is to



WASHINGTON (AP) -Kobe beef should stay off U.S. menus if Japan won't buy American beef, the Senate has decided.

retaliated Senators Tuesday against Japan for refusing to lift a mad cow-related ban on U.S. beef. On a 72-26 vote, the Senate adopted an amendment prohibiting importation of Japanese beef until Japan lifts its ban.

Japan's stalling is unfair, said Sen. Ben Nelson, D-Neb., who offered the amendment.

"There have been two cases of mad cow disease in the United States, one from Canada," Nelson said in a Senate speech.

"Statistically, it's nonex- so. istent, in terms of the millions of head of cattle that confirmed a second are sent to slaughter every year."

Lawmakers adopted a similar, nonbinding measure by Sen. Wayne Allard, R-Colo., on a voice vote.

Once the biggest customer of American beef, importing more than \$1.5 billion worth in 2003, Japan has refused to allow the purchase of U.S. beef since the nation's first case of mad cow disease was confirmed in Washington state almost two years ago. Japan agreed last fall to lift the ban but still hasn't done

In June, U.S. authorities domestic case in a Texasborn cow. Japan, in contrast, has found 20 cases

ban on Japanese beef. Opponents of the Nelson amendment said trade decisions about food safety should be based on science, not on restrictions in Japan or other coun-

of mad cow disease. U.S.

regulators proposed last

month to partially lift the

tries. "And when we expect trading partners to respect science, should be willing to do the same," said Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa.

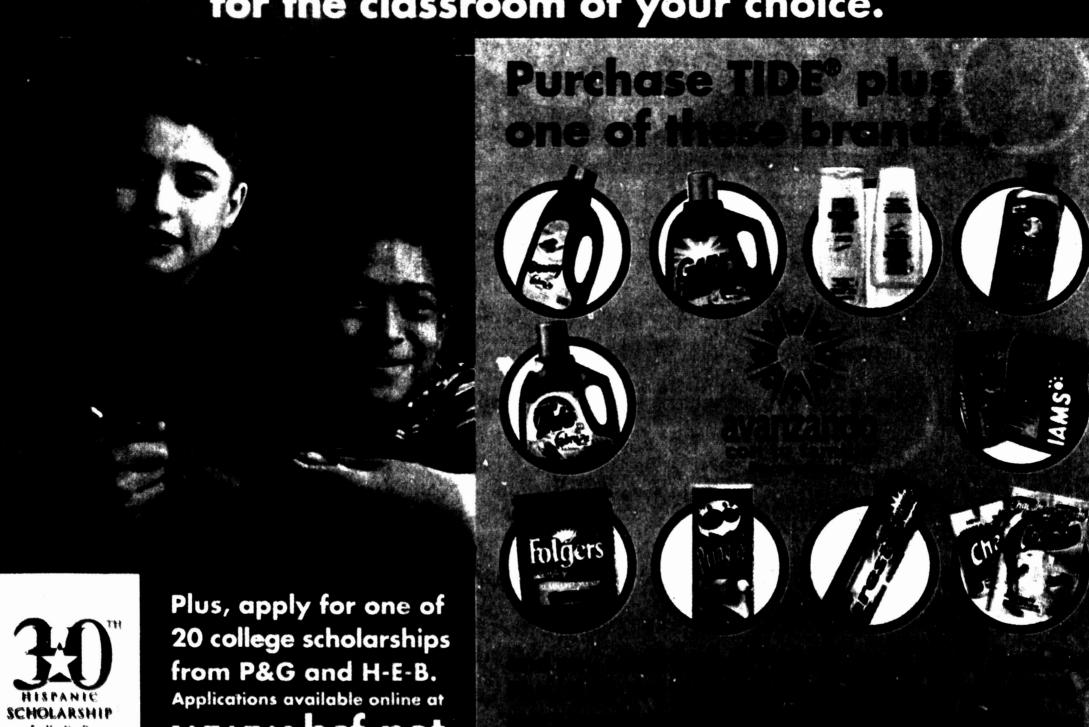


Standing, left to right, Kerr-McGee Oil Co. representatives J.D. McCombs, Kenny Duffer and Joe Stubbs recently discussed oil production and oilfield safety to a group of Elbow Elementary third graders. They also showed students a working model of a down-hole pumping unit.



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Coahoma sets booster club dates

Coahoma Athletic Booster Club will meet each Monday at 7 p.m. in Coach Kim Nichols' classroom through the football season. The meetings after football season will take place only when needed.

For more information, contact Donna Wright at 267-6723.

Quarterback club sets remaining weekly meetings

The Big Spring football booster club (quarterback club) will meet every Monday at 7 p.m. at the ATC through the football season.

For more information, contact Gene Piercefield at 816-1134.

Big Spring starts Junior tennis league

Big Spring tennis pro Ted Olesen has announced the starting of a junior tennis league.

The league will take place every Monday for the next six weeks. It will take place at the Figure 7 Tennis Center inside Comanche Trail Park and will last from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. each night.

The league is for children in grades four through six (ages 8-12).

Participants must bring a racket or one may be provided.

For more information, contact Olesen at 806-236-8901 or visit bigspringtennis.com.

YMCA sets final skateboard contest

The Big Spring YMCA has announced the final skateboard contest of 2005 will take place Saturday, Oct. 1 at the YMCA Skate Park.

The contest is scheduled to begin at noon. Participants can one of two age groups - 15 and under or 16 and over.

The registration fee is only \$15 and awards will be presented to the top two finishers in each age group.

Interested skaters can register at the YMCA. For more information, call the YMCA at 267-8234.

Midland Rotary Club sets golf tourney

Midland Daybreak Rotary Club has announced its second annual golf tournament.

The tournament will take place Monday. Oct. 3, and will start at 1 p.m. at the Gree Tree Country Club. The entry deadline is Wednesday, Sept. 28. The tourney is limited to 32 team with four people to a team.

The proceeds will benefit local youth scholarships to col-lege, Rotary Diabetes Camp and Rotary Leadership

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Big Spring spikers take down Andrews in four

Lady Steers start 2-0 against District 4-4A's best competition

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor The Big Spring volleyball team can be used as a prime example when talking about how much nondistrict records mean.

The Lady Steers entered Tuesday night's crucial District 4-4A matchup with Andrews with a 9-15 overall record. The Lady Mustangs came into the match at 22-8.

Mismatch? Yes, but the it was in favor of the Lady Steers as Big Spring won its 10th match this season with a four-game win over its arch rival.

Big Spring won the match 25-17, 25-22, 21-25 and 25-18.

"It was an outstanding effort by our girls," said Big Spring head coach Jason McAden. "We have known since the first week of play that Andrews was going to be a good team. We decided a couple of outings ago that for us to achieve our expectations, we are going to have to do it as a team. I feel like we are doing that right now."

The Lady Steers got out of the gates fast as they were backed by a large crowd, which featured a very loud student section. Big Spring scored the first three points of the opening game and then three straight errors by Andrews saw the Lady Steers go up 9-4 early.

Andrews would get was cut to 13-12. Then, a serve

Andrews, an ace from Krista Chesworth, a Carmen Lewis kill and two more Andrews mistakes put Big Spring back in control 18-12.

The Lady Mustangs never got closer than five points the rest of the game. Big Spring ended the game after freshman Shelbi Stewart threw down her second kill of the night.

The start of Game 2 was a bit different than in the game opening Andrews came out with some fire. The teams were matching each other point for point in the early stages, but the Lady Mustangs pushed their advantage to 12-7 at one point. Big Spring then trailed 10-16 before going on an 8-0 run to take the lead.

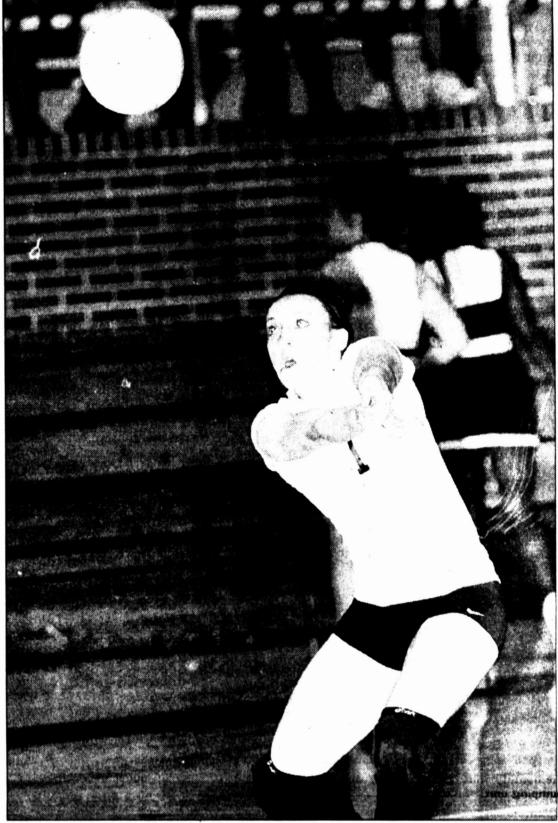
The Lady Steers started the run with a kill by Chesworth and a block by Stewart. An Andrews error and Chesworth kill later and Big Spring was within two points of tying the game. Senior Brenn Swinney delivered an ace on the next play and an error by Andrews allowed the Lady Steers to even the score at 16-16.

The run was finalized by another Chesworth kill and an error by Andrews.

"We have players who might slightly stand out from match to match, but they are able to do that because the rest of the other team is doing what they need to," said McAden.

The Lady Mustangs led back in the game though, 20-19 before their misas the Big Spring lead takes gave the game to

from See SPIKERS, Page 2B



Big Spring junior libero Katy Abner passes the ball to a teammate against rival Andrews Tuesday. The Lady Steers defeated the Lady Mustangs in four games and improved to 2-0 in District 4-4A action.



Howard College's Jody O'Brien takes his turn at eight seconds during the Hawks' practice Tuesday evening. Howard begins its rodeo season Thursday in Portales, N.M.

Howard rodeo team set for another big run at college finals

Kernick likes chances against the region's even competition

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor Last year, the Howard College rodeo team had a ton of inexperienced participants and that inexperience showed up as the season went on. This season, head coach Greg Kernick hopes the sophomore returners use the experience this season as the Hawks begin another run at the College National Finals Rodeo, which takes place in Thursday in June,

Portales, N.M. "The sophomores should be a bit more seasoned and know what to expect," said Kernick. "The goal for all of us is June. That's what it is all about. We're planning on going there to win and we hope it works out in our favor."

This year's rodeo team will be able to throw out 45 participants for competition - 18 of which are sophomores.

The freshmen will be led this year by Cash Kerner of Canada and Laramie Hall of Sonora.

Kerner will take part in steer wrestling and was a top 25 bareback rider it the high school finals last year. Hall will be competing in steer wrestling and team roping.

The sophomores on the come together for us,' mark for a big season could be Juan Alcazar, See RODEO, Page 2B

Jed Headley, D.J. Allen and Cody Heiner.

Alcazar was a top-four performer at times last vear. Expect Headley to do a lot this year as he will participate in bareback and saddle brone riding and steer wrestling. Heiner is a steer wrestler and team roper and Allen will try his luck at bull riding.

Sophomore Dustin Specht could make a splash this year, as well, as he will try to advance to the College National Finals Rodeo in tie down roping.

"The sophomores are the guys who we expect to step right in and start getting points," said Kernick. "They got points for us last year and will be looked at as the leaders for us this season.

The Hawks will have a higher number of female participants thanks to the acquisition of assistant coach Jennifer Driver last fall. The Hawk women will be led this year Shelly Combs and Kasey Kramps. Combs was second in the nation in breakaway roping last year at the high school finals and will also participate in barrel racing this season. Kramps, who is from Canada, was ninth last year at the high school finals in goat tving.

"This team has a lot of talent, but it needs to all

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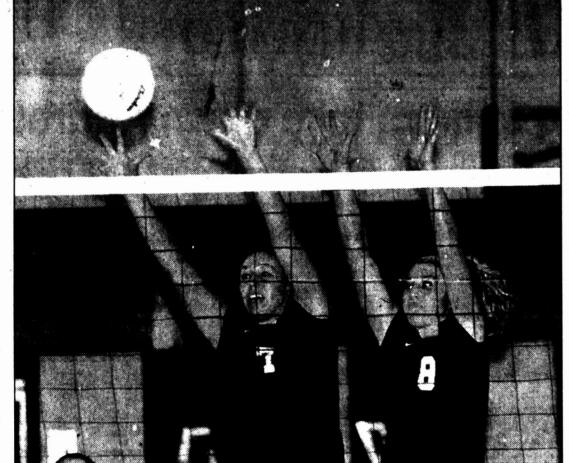
Big Spring. A service error by Andrews tied the game up at 20-20 and then three straight hitting errors put the Lady Steers in front for good. Big Spring wound up winning 25-22.

The third game was close throughout as neither team could gain much of an advantage. The game was tied at five, seven, eight, nine, 10, 17, 18 and 19 and then Andrews pulled away late to grab its lone win.

Big Spring started the fourth and final game with two aces by junior setter Mallory Dunn. A kill by senior Raegan Ritchey and back-to-back kills by Lewis gave Big Spring a 5-1 lead before an Andrews error pushed the advantage to five.

Andrews cut the lead to 7-5, but Big Spring scored three straight points to gain control again.

Each team traded points for parts of the game as Andrews battled back to tie the game at 12, 13 and



HERALD photo/Troy Hyde Big Spring seniors Brenn Swinney, left, and Raegan Ritchey get up high for the block attempt against Andrews Tuesday night at the Steer Gym. The Lady Steers had 43 team blocks in the four-game win. Big Spring is now 2-0 in District 4-4A.

took over, outscoring the Andrews cut the Lady Lady Mustangs 10-3 down the stretch.

Four straight errors by Andrews broke a 15-15 tie After that, Big Spring as Big Spring led 19-15.

two different occassions but didn't get any closer. The match was ended when Stewart scored the final two points on a kill and an ace.

"It was just one of those nights," said McAden. "Carmen had a great night, but she will tell you it was because we had a threat in the middle with Raegan and Shelbi and on the right side with Brenn."

Three players reached double figures in kills and four got to that mark in tion." digs. Lewis had a teamhigh 14 kills and added 14 digs and four blocks. while Chesworth added 12 kills, 12 digs and four blocks.

Ritchey had a team-high Steers lead to three on 16 digs and pitched in with 10 kills and 10 blocks. Swinney had seven kills and four blocks, while Dunn had 15 digs, seven kills and 34 assists.

Big Spring had 43 blocks as a team, led by Stewart's 17.

"Andrews' hitters had some great attacks, but when you combine for 43 blocks you don't get discouraged with three or four good hits," said McAden. "I am pleased with everyone's contribu-

Big Spring, which improved to 10-15 overall and 2-0 in District 4-4A action, travels to Lubbock Estacado Saturday. The match starts at 3:15 p.m.

Big Spring junior high gets win over C-City

Special to the Herald

The Big Spring junior high volleyball teams defeated Colorado City and struggled against Lamesa recently. All four teams came away with wins over the Lady Wolves, but only the eighth-grade 'B' got a win against Lamesa.

Colorado City

The eighth-grade 'A' team won its match in two games — 25-14 and 25-13. Callie Shafer led the Lady Steers' offense with 10 service points. Miriah Sparkman, Linzee Yarbar, Sloan Davis and Macy Graves played an outstanding defensive game. The eighth-grade 'B'

team also won easily. They took down the Lady Wolves in two games, winning 25-18 and 25-19.

The seventh-grade 'A' won its match, but had a little more excitement as the Lady Steers needed three games to claim the win. They won 26-28, 25-17

and 15-11.

The seventh-grade 'B' defeated also team Colorado City. They needed three games to win, but won the match 17-25, 25-19 and 15-11.

Lamesa

The eighth-grade 'B' was the only Lady Steer junior high team to record a victory Tuesday against Lamesa. They won in three games 25-19, 25-21 and 25-23. Marissa Zavala was the high point scorer.

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The eighth-grade 'A' team lost to Lamesa 15-25 and 10-25, but were led by Lauren Porras and Callie Shafer. The seventh-grade 'A' team lost in two games as well, 12-25 and 20-25. They were led by Belle Feaster and Lacey Lawrence. The final match played saw the seventh-grade 'B' team fall to Lamesa 21-25 and 8-25. The Lady Steers host Greenwood Monday with 'B' team action starting at 5 p.m. and 'A' team action starting at 6 p.m.

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said Kernick. "But, it is nice to know we have a chance after looking down the rosters of the other teams in the Southwest Region. We are still going to have to perform, but our talent level is right up there with ever one else."

The Hawks begin their quest for June Thursday at Portales, N.M. The fall schedule also includes



trips Alpine, Vernon n Lubbock. The spring schedule will consist of

KERNICK rodeos, as well.

"Its time to test their wings and see what we have," said Kernick. "The stock at Portales should be stuff we've seen and that will help. We are going there to win just like everyone else."

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GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Your first instincts are spot on. That's why you thrive under the pressure of a deadline. If you are given too much time on a project. the end result will be worse than if you had a cut-off time.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You have adversaries but no enemies, so know that you are safe. You can express yourself and argue point without worrying that others will overreact. Stand up for yourself.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Your social life is a work of art. You've taken the best qualities in people and woven them together in beautiful ways. The time you spend on the phone and hanging out with friends is part of your creation — no need to feel guilty.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Over and over, you ask "What does yourself, owning this say about me?" As a result, you get rid of excess. But you also may add something or start a collection. It's not the actual material thing — it's about the thrill of pursuit.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You're dealing with more than your share of kooks today, including someone who is very possibly Why you? deranged. Because you're so good at making everyone work together. You're a friend to the friendless.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The focus is you, and it should be. If you can't make yourself happy, then how do you expect someone else to do it? So be selfish.

Be very, very selfish. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Adventure can't be planned. You may follow a plan, but the adventure part is always in the cracks and crevices of the plan. Your sense of adventure is strong now. If you come to a rabbit hole, don't step

over it. Dive into it. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). It's all about moderation now. Get your hands dirty, but keep your hair clean. Sympathize with your partner's plight, but keep your money in your pocket. Love your neighbor, but from afar.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Your situation is not dissimilar to the dilemma of the Oompa Loompa. You're handling all the work while some eccentric megalomaniac is getting all of the credit. What's left to do but a silly little dance?

PISCES (Feb. 19-March You'll give multifaceted performance have your that will colleagues wondering if there's anything you can't do. Word to the wise: Hold back a little something for yourself.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Marriage, motherhood and a recent No. 1 record all mark the characteristics of Virgos like Faith Hill who strive to have it all and enviably attain it. A small town adoptee from tiny Star, Miss., Hill will tap her caring and nurturing Virgo heart to create a support network across the country for fellow adoptees. people are happiest when connecting with others.

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Annie's Mailbox -: Advice for those in need

Dear Annie: When I another job? — Other as more than started my job 10 years Shoe ago, my boss was married to the office manager. Everything was great, and we were like a big family. However, four years ago, my boss's wife was caught embezzling. She is currently serving time in a federal prison; and they have since

divorced. Here's my problem. My boss recently remarried, and his new wife doesn't like me. She even has phoned the office and told me not to call my boss at home for any reason. When she calls in and I answer, she is very rude and obnoxious to me —

but not to the other girls. I think the new wife is pressuring my boss to fire me. She is very strong-willed, and he is not. He would never stand up to anyone, and especially not her. I have made repeated attempts to be nice to this woman, but nothing is working. I think the only reason I haven't been fired yet is because my boss is afraid of my significant other. Should I start looking for and want him in my life

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Dear Annie: I am 59 years old, and my husband died two years ago. I'm over mourning and am life enjoying again. Several months ago, I connected with a male high school classmate. It started with e-mails and then weekly phone calls. We have met several times and get along extremely well. We even have a week-long trip planned.

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enjoyed that, but I said nothing because that may be all because I don't want to ruin the closeness we have now and make things uncomfortable. Should I hang onto the hope that this man may realize the friendship we share is really more? -Florida Widow

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more, you will have to dust off your flirting skills. Laugh more, touch his when you talk, gaze into his eyes, sit closer. If you can't him warm up, decide if you willing settle for a nice

friendship, there is.

Dear Annie: I read your column in the Charleston (W.Va.) Gazette about the woman who freaked out because her husband had a few pornographic tapes. She said she felt inadequate about measuring up to the women in the videos.

As a librarian, I have to read books that I might not otherwise, including romance novels. Many of them qualify as soft-core porn, although they use words rather than pictures. Does this that woman read bodicerippers? If so, does it occur to her that her husband might feel inadequate next to the long-haired, bare-chested, tight-trousered heroes riding enormous stallions across the moors?

She needs to realize that most people know the difference between reality and fantasy, and that there is a place for both.

 Not a Stuffy Librarian Dear Not Stuffy: As long as neither activity becomes an addiction or removes intimacy from the relationship, we agree

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If you want people are entitled to their fantasies.

Dear Annie: I read your column every day and finally decided it was time to ask for advice. Last weekend. husband of nine years did the unthinkable. He hit me in front of our two children. He had been drinking excessively, and apparently, I pushed the wrong buttons. A few choice words exchanged, and I told him to get out of our house. He wouldn't leave, so I took the children to my parents' home.

I returned the next day, and he said he was sorry and promised to quit drinking. I felt confident that we could work through this. Now, he is saying that because I took the kids to my parents, he cannot be around my family ever again.

I keep reminding him that he is the one who did this. It seems like he is trying to punish me for standing up for myself. If he were to just go on like nothing ever happened, we could start to heal and rebuild, but by refusing to be with my family, it is a constant reminder of what happened that awful night.

I say he needs to be a and responsibility for what he did. What do you say? — Wanting To Put This Behind Me in Michigan

Dear Wanting: We think you are being naive. It's possible, if this is the only time your husband has hit you, that he won't do it again, but we wouldn't count on it especially since he will not acknowledge that he is at fault and continues

to punish you. And a by the way, isn't the same as doing it.

Please call Al-Anon at 1-888-4AL-ANON (1-888-425-2666) (al-anon.alateen.org) and the National Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-SAFE

getting into her yard. After trying to be nice, I went to the animal control office and borrowed a cat-catching cage. I bought two cans of cheap cat food, opened one and placed it inside. When I caught the cat, I took it to the animal control office. They fined my neighbor \$50 and told her next time it would be \$100. I still have a can of cat food left. — Oregon

Dear Oregon: We heard from several readers with suggestions. Here's more:

From Wyoming: We moved to a new house not long ago and had cats that liked to show up in the middle of the night. I also am an animal control officer. I brought home one of my cat traps and kept a spray bottle close by that was filled with water and food coloring. When the cat went home red or green, I never saw it again. This does not hurt the animal, but it gives the owner a hint that the animal is somewhere it doesn't belong. This may be a little more difficult on darker animals, but trust me, when Fluffy sits on the cream-colored couch and turns it blue, the owners get the point.

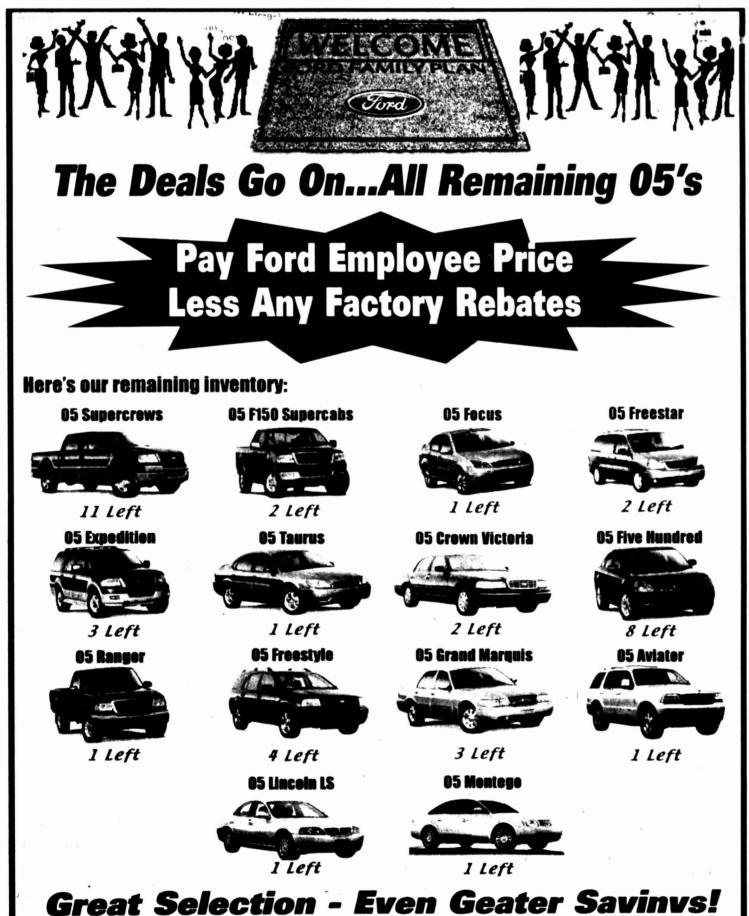
Connecticut: A simple take fix is to go to the nearest feed store and get some natural predator (like coyote) urine. Put a little on a piece of cloth and hang it near any place you wish to keep the cat away from.

> Illinois: Here is a simple solution: Grind a bunch of orange peels up in a blender, and scatter them on the lawn and garden area. It works.

Annie's Mailbox promise to quit drinking, written by Kathy Mitchell Marcy Sugar, andlongtime editors of the Ann Landers column. Please e-mail questions anniesmailbox@comcast.n

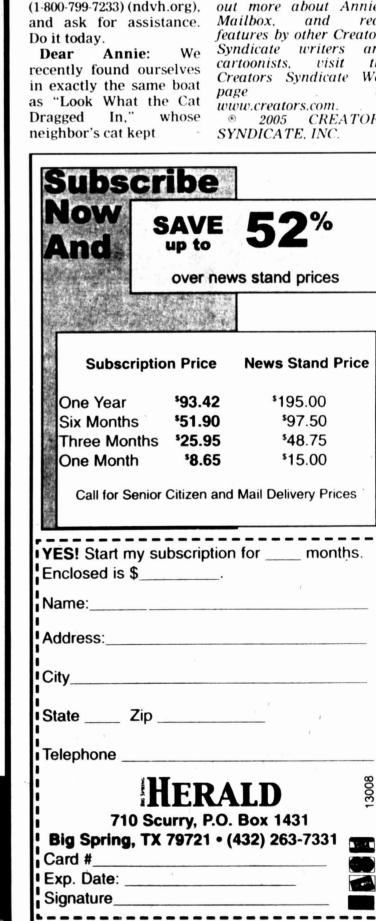
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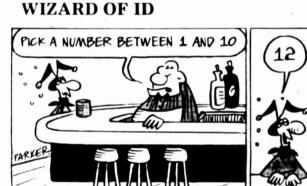




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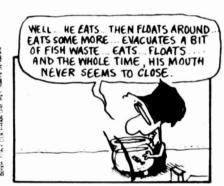






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This Date In History

Today is Wednesday, Sept. 21, the 264th day of 2005. There are 101 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 21, 1938, a hurricane struck parts of New York and New England, causing widespread damage and claiming more than 600 lives.

On this date: In 1792, the French National Convention voted to abolish the monarchy. In 1897, the New York Sun ran its famous editorial that

declared, "Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus." In 1937, "The Hobbit," by J.R.R. Tolkien, was first

published. In 1949, the People's Republic of China was proclaimed by its Communist leaders.

In 1964, Malta gained independence from Britain.

In 1970, "NFL Monday Night Football" made its debut on ABC TV as the Cleveland Browns defeated

the visiting New York Jets, 31-21.

In 1973, the U.S. Senate confirmed Henry Kissinger to be Secretary of State. In 1976, Orlando Letelier,

one-time foreign minister to Chilean President Salvador Allende, was killed when a bomb exploded in his car in Washington, D.C. In 1981, the Senate unanimously confirmed the nomi-

O'Connor to become the first female justice on the Supreme Court. In 1989, Hurricane Hugo, packing winds of up to 135 crashed

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Charleston, S.C. Today's Birthdays: Actor Larry Hagman is 74. Poetsongwriter Leonard Cohen is 71. Actor-comedian Henry Gibson is 70. Author-comedian Fannie Flagg is 61. Author Stephen King is 58. Producer Jerry

Bruckheimer Musician Don Felder (The Eagles) is 58. Actor-comedian Bill Murray is 55. Rock musician Philthy Animal is 51. Movie producer-writer Ethan Coen is 48. Actorcomedian Dave Coulier is Actor David James Elliott is 45. Actress Nancy

Travis is 44. Actor Rob Morrow is 43. Actress Cheryl Hines is 40. Country singer Faith Hill is 38. Rock musician Tyler Stewart (Barenaked Ladies) is 38. Country singer Ronna Reeves is 37. Actress-talk show host Ricki Lake is 37. Rapper Dave (De La Soul) is 37. Actor Alfonso Ribeiro is 34. Actor Luke Wilson is 34. Actor Paulo Costanzo is 27. TV personality Nicole Richie is 24. Actor Joseph Mazzello is 22. Actors Lorenzo and Nikolas Brino ("7th Heaven") are 7.

Thought for Today: "I found more joy in sorrow / Than you could find in joy. _ Sara Teasdale, American author and poet (1884-1933). ® 2005 The Associated Press.

Answer to previous puzzle

Newsday Crossword

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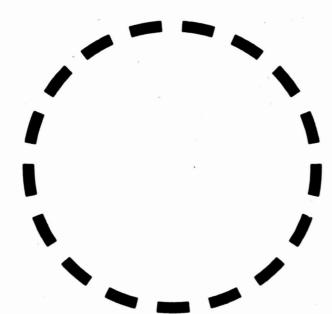
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