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WEATHER

Tonight:



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BRIEFLY

County fair schedule

Today

8 a.m.-5 p.m., Entries for creative arts, art & photography, canned goods, baked goods.

Wednesday

4 p.m. Fair Opens
4 p.m., Carnival
7 p.m. Jody Nix & The Texas Cowboys
9 p.m. Jody Nix & The Texas Cowboys

Thursday

9 a.m.-2 p.m. Agriculture products entries
Free Tours
1 p.m.-3 p.m. Pre-k - 5 grade
3 p.m. Steers arrive
4 p.m., Carnival
7 p.m. Colgate Country Showdown
7 p.m. Domino Tournament

Friday

9 a.m.-12 p.m. Free tours
1 p.m.-3 p.m. Pre-k - 5 grade
1 p.m. Weigh Steers
1 p.m.-7 p.m. Receive lambs
4 p.m. Carnival
7 p.m. Weight Cards due for Lambs
7 p.m. Showmanship Lambs
7 p.m. Bonnie & Nick Norris
9 p.m. Bonnie & Nick Norris

Saturday

8 a.m. Lamb Show
10:30 a.m. Kountry Kids
1 p.m. Steer Show - Showmanship immediately after show
1 p.m. Antique Tractor Pull
3 p.m. Goats arrive
7 p.m. Battle of the Cheerleaders
9 p.m. TBA
9:45 p.m. Quilt Drawing

Sunday

9 a.m. Weight Cards due for goats
11 a.m. Showmanship Goats
1 p.m. Goat Show

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58 years after helping Uncle Sam, Roberts finally receives his diploma

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

He was just like any other graduating senior preparing for commencement exercises, a little apprehensive, very excited and had invited everyone he knew to come.

Fifty-eight years after dropping out of high school to serve in World War II, 76-year-old Russ Miller Roberts became a Coahoma High School graduate today.

"I always heard it would take an act of congress to get things done. There it is — an act of Texas congress," Roberts spoke to the crowd of Coahoma High School students, family and community members. "I want to thank the Coahoma school system for doing this so that you can appreciate

"Number one, nothing in this world worth having comes easy. It doesn't happen that way. Number two, try to enjoy everything you do."

Russ Miller Roberts

the most important event of the year."

A bill passed by the Texas Legislature allows Roberts and his fellow servicemen who left high school in order to serve during World War II before graduation to receive a high school diploma.

In an emotional moment for the 76-year-old,

Coahoma Independent School District Board President John Wayne Metcalf presented Roberts with his diploma at Coahoma High School.

"The teacher is not the enemy," Roberts told the students. "Ignorance is the enemy. Your teacher is your best friend."

Ability and knowledge are two very different things, Roberts reminded the students.

"God gave you the ability but not the knowledge," he said. "That's up to you to learn."

The secret to a happy life comes down to two things, Roberts said.

"First, nothing in this world worth having comes easy. It doesn't happen that

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HERALD photo: Lyndel Moody
Seventy-six-year-old Russ Roberts accepts his high school diploma from Coahoma Independent School District board member John Wayne Metcalf this morning. Roberts dropped out of high school 58 years ago to join the military during World War II. Today, he became a graduate of Coahoma High School.



HERALD photo: Lyndel Moody
St. Mary's Episcopal School teacher Lynne Chalker helps her kindergarten class build a castle Monday. Also pictured clockwise from the top are 5-year-olds Nick Williams, Hayden Tubb, Jennie Steel and Nichele Raines.

Unemployment rate drops just one point

By BILL MCCLELLAN
News Editor

Howard County's unemployment rate dropped a point in July compared to the previous month, but is still well above estimated statistics from a year ago.

More importantly, however, the numbers show that the county has gained employees over the past year.

According to the Workforce Network, Howard County's unemployment rate for July, the latest month for which statistics are available, was at 6.6 percent. Unemployment for June was at 6.7 percent, while the jobless rate for July 2001 was 4.5 percent.

"The combination of layoffs occurring earlier in the summer, the temporary summer workers entering the labor force and our cen-

"On the flip side, since July 2001, we have 814 more workers participating in the workforce, either working or either seeking employment."



Virginia Belew

Workforce Network area manager

ter's efforts to transition welfare and food stamp workers into the labor force continues to impact our labor force statistics," said Virginia Belew, Workforce Network area manager.

"On the flip side, since July 2001, we have 814 more

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Victim Services needs compassionate volunteers

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Sometimes the simple touch of a hand and silent attention while a victim of a crime vocalizes an emotional experience can make all the difference.

When three violent crimes



PEREZ

occurred locally in a span of a week, a Howard County volunteer organization was there to offer that hand and ear.

"A person's life can change in a second and someone has to be there for the victim," said Linda Perez, Victim Services volunteer coordinator.

Volunteers for the non-profit, independent, community-based program serve victims of all crimes and their families. The organiza-

TO HELP

Victim Services is seeking volunteers to attend and complete a 40-hour training session and commit to two 12-hour shifts per month. Call 263-3312 if you are interested.

tion offers assistance in finding financial help, counseling programs and more.

Many times, a volunteer's greatest service is letting

the victim know he or she is not alone, Perez said.

"It seems like nothing makes sense," Perez said. "Sometimes they think they're all alone, nobody cares and no one is going to believe them. That is where the hand-holding and listening skills come in — for someone to say we care."

The organization is now accepting applications from volunteers to complete its 40-hour training session. The sessions will be held

Monday through Friday, Sept. 16-20, from 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. and on Saturday, Sept. 21, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Volunteers must complete an interview and screening process, be able to work as a team member, accept supervision, have the ability to empathize with others, have good listening skills, maintain confidentiality, complete the training sessions

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Skipper Driver: Fair is a good, family-oriented activity

Editor's note: For the past several years, Nancy Koger has been reporting on people and activities at the Howard County Fair. She joins the Herald again this year.

By NANCY KOGER

Herald Correspondent

Another August, another Howard County fair, and another occasion to see the familiar face of Skipper Driver at the fair grounds.

Driver has been on the board of the fair since one year after it began with people like Arnold Marshall, Dorothy Garrett, and Neil Fryar.

Driver says that Howard

County quit having a fair for some period of time, but "folks like Joe Pickle, Gerald Miller and Dorothy Garrett thought we should renew it, and they started it up again."

He remembers as the hardest time for the fair "one year when we were having it in a tent and it rained the whole time. The tent leaked, nobody came, but we still had to pay for the acts we had booked."

With all the ups and downs he's experienced at the fair, Driver asserts that he remains on the board because he thinks that "having a county fair is a good thing for the town and the county. It's a good family-oriented activity, and it's part of our history and heritage."

Driver was president for two terms and has been the treasurer for every year following his presidency.

As the man with the checkbook, Driver is proud of the fact that the Howard County fair is run by a

"Most fairs are subsidized by the county government or the city, but we're an independent, not-for-profit organization."

Skipper Driver,
fair committee secretary

group of volunteers and has been self-sustaining for its entire existence.

"Most fairs are subsidized by the county government or the city, but we're an independent, not-for-profit organization."

After that rainy year in the tent, he says that, with the help of the Dorothy Garrett Foundation, they

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HERALD file photo
Skipper Driver checks entries for the 2001 Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo as Mildred Farris looks over his shoulder. In addition to being on the rodeo association board, Driver is treasurer of the Howard County Fair board.

AUGUST 2002

A BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

Obituaries

Chancey Jehu Barrier



Chancey Jehu Barrier was born May 14, 1906, in Georgetown to C.R. Barrier and Barbara Lockhart-Barrier. He grew up in Texas farming and ranching with his father and mother.

Chancey owned and operated a general store in the Ira area during the 1930s. He was married to Lois Scott on May 31, 1930. They had one son Jimmie Key Barrier born in Snyder. Lois passed away in 1935. Chancey remarried to Myrl Harrington on May 6, 1940. They had three daughters, Mary, Virginia and Zoe Ann. Chancey sold his business and went back to ranching. He owned and operated several different ranches in New Mexico and in Colorado. He was sheriff of Aquilar, Colo. during the late 1960s and moved back to Trinidad, Colo. and became security guard for the Trinidad School District during the 1970s and retired from there in 1976. He was a member of First Baptist Church.

Chancey (Gramp) as his grandchildren renamed him, was a loving and caring father and grandfather. He was also an avid outdoorsman. He loved horses, ranching, hunting and fishing. He shared this love of the outdoors with his family and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Myrl; son, Jimmie Barrier; one brother, Roy; and sisters, Bessie, Lola and Eva. He is survived by one brother, Elmo of California; one sister, Louise of Colorado; his daughters, Mary Freeman and Virginia Barrier of Reynoldsburg, Ohio; Zoe Ann Padilla of Trinidad, Colo.; seven grandchildren, Dawn and Robert Freeman, both of Ohio; Chauncey Padilla of Washington, D.C.; Joseph Padilla of Trinidad; Jimmie Barrier and Jeanie Risinger, both of Texas and Antoinette Welch of Arizona; several great-grandchildren; numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, and very special friends, Carl (Rusty) Sciacca, Frank Sciacca, Phillip Sciacca and Lee Just of Trinidad.

Graveside service will be 10 a.m. at the Masonic Cemetery in Trinidad, Colo., Wednesday, Aug. 21, 2002.

Arrangements are under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Paid obituary

Wes Kennemur

Funeral service for Wes Kennemur, 76, of Comanche, formerly of Big Spring will be 2 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 22, 2002, at Comanche Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Paul Doerschuk officiating. Burial will be in Sardis Cemetery in Comanche County.

Mr. Kennemur died Monday, Aug. 19, at a hospital in De Leon.

He was born on July 26, 1926, in Van Zandt County and married Carmen Watson on Dec. 22, 1944, in Snyder. He was a gasoline and asphalt treater and was employed by Coltex Refinery in Colorado City for 24 years. He then worked for Cosden Refinery in Big Spring for 15 years until his retirement in 1982. He was a member of Zion Hill Baptist Church in Comanche County. He was a World War II veteran of the United States Navy.

Survivors include his wife, Carmen Kennemur of Comanche; one son, Danney Kennemur of Aledo; one sister, Ruby Lee Adams of Sweetwater; four brothers, William Kennemur of Lawn, Alvin Kennemur of Midland, Dewey Kennemur of Abilene, and Donnie Reese of Sweetwater; one grandson; one granddaughter; and one great-grandson.

The family requests memorials be made to American Cancer Society, 804 West Wright, Comanche 76442.

Arrangements are under the direction of Comanche Funeral Home in Comanche.

Wiley Woodard

Graveside service for Wiley Woodard, 58, of Grapevine, formerly of Big Spring, will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 21, 2002, at Lonesome Dove Cemetery.

Mr. Woodard died Saturday, Aug. 17, at a Grapevine hospital.

He was a former funeral director. He was a blacksmith in Grapevine and owned Brazos River Forge. He was a member of Grapevine Masonic Lodge 288 and was a 32nd degree Scottish Rite member.

Visitation will be 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at Martin-Thompson Funeral Home, 224 E. College, Grapevine.

Survivors include his wife, Sherry Woodard of Colleyville; one son, Robert Woodard of sunset; two daughters, Susan Anderson of Flower Mound and Jodi Wetzel of Fayetteville, Ga.; three sisters, Shirland Turner of Monahans, Kay Kelley of Lubbock and Jo Ann Winnborn of Monahans; and three grandchildren.

Arrangements are under the direction of Martin-Thompson Funeral Home of Grapevine.

Mason Coggin

Funeral service for Mason Coggin, 93, of Stanton is pending with Gilbreath Funeral Home. Mr. Coggin died today, Aug. 20, 2002, in Midland.

Correction

The Big Spring Band Boosters meeting was incorrectly listed in the Bulletin Board of the Monday edition of the Herald. The Booster's next scheduled meeting will be 6 p.m. Sept. 19.

EMS

The following is a summary of the EMS and Fire Department:

MONDAY

11:25 a.m. — 1000 block of Northwest First, medical call, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

1:28 p.m. — 1000 block of Birdwell Ln., medical call, one patient transported to VA Medical Center.

8:48 p.m. — 1000 block of Northwest First, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.

Police Blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity from 8 a.m. Monday from 8 a.m. today:

• **MICHAEL SHANE MARTINEZ**, 19, of 2614 Ent was arrested on a charge of minor in consumption of alcohol.

• **EDWARD GUERRERO**, 24, of 1608 Cardinal was arrested on two Department of Public Safety warrants.

• **AGGRAVATED ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON** was reported in the 2200 block of Cecilia.

• **ASSAULT CAUSING BODILY INJURY** was reported in the 2200 block of Cecilia.

• **RETALIATION** was reported in the 2200 block of Cecilia.

• **ASSAULT CLASS C** was reported in the 100 block of Lancaster Street.

• **ASSAULT BY THREAT** was reported in the 800 block of Anna.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 2000 block of South Gregg and the 2600 block of Ent Drive.

• **DISTURBANCE OR FIGHT** was reported in the 1000 block of East 13th Street and the 2200 block of Cecilia Street.

• **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 1000 block of North Main. Someone reportedly cut and removed the glass from a side window before stealing home electronic equipment worth \$400 and two birthstone bears worth \$16 each.

• **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 1400 block of Park. Someone reportedly pried open the roof of a blue 1992 Oldsmobile and stole items worth \$3,010.

• **FORGERY OF A CHECK OR CREDIT CARD** was reported at Wal-Mart.

• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported:

- In the 2100 block of South Runnels. Someone reportedly inflicted \$5 damage on a white 1994 Chevy.

- In the 2100 block of South Johnson. Someone reportedly broke four windows at the home causing \$100 damage.

- In the 500 block of Highland Drive. Someone reportedly inflicted \$400 damage on the home.

• **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported in person at the police station and at Wal-Mart, and in the 1000 block of South Gregg, the 1100 block of South Gregg and the 400 block of Westover Road.

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

• **JAIME ESTEBAN LOPEZ**, 25, of 3426 W. Laurel in San Antonio was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Friday on a charge of driving with an invalid license.

• **ANTHONY VALENTINE**, 44, of 1224 1/2 16th St. was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Saturday on a charge of theft \$50 to \$500.

• **JOE ERNEST VALENCIA JR.**, 19, of 1501 Bluebird was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by Big Spring Police Saturday on a charge of displaying a fictitious inspection certificate.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the first hundred block of Meadowbrook Road.

• **FRAUD** was reported in the 2800 block of Golliad.

• **ACCIDENT** was reported in the 100 block of Jonesboro Road. A vehicle reportedly struck an inactive gas meter.

• **LOOSE MULE** was reported in the 1600 block of North FM 700.

• **INJURED DOG** was reported on Stallings Road.

Take note

□ The Fraternal Order of Eagles 3188, Aerie and Auxiliary is having a coat drive for school children in the community. The coats will be given away Oct. 14, at the Eagles Lodge. The Lodge will accept jackets, sweaters, coats, and sweatshirts of any size, color or style. Bring them by the Eagles Lodge at 703 West Third or contact any Eagle member to have them picked up. Call the Eagles Lodge at 263-6862 after 3 p.m.

□ The Texas LST/Amphibious Association invites all shipmates, past and present, to the amphibious reunion to be held in San Angelo Oct. 10-13. For more information contact Bob Garner LST 461, HC 52 Box 362, Memphis 75948. Send e-mails to TexasLSTs@aol.com

□ Valets needed for Webb Reunion Exhibits. Wooden, personal men's valets with a place to hang pants and/or a tray for jewelry are needed for uniform displays planned during the October 11 and 12 event.

They will be needed for a two month period for use at the Hangar 25 Air Museum.

Permanent donations of these items are welcome.

Lottery

Lottery results for Monday, Aug. 19, 2002
Cash Five: 6, 20, 17, 18, 29
Pick Three afternoon: 0, 4, 6

Records

Monday's high 96	Month to date 0.15
Monday's low 77	Year to date 8.29
Average high 95	Sunrise Wednesday
Average low 68	7:14 a.m.
Record high 106 in 1943	Sunset Wednesday
Record low 57 in 1961	8:23 p.m.
Precip. Monday 0.00	

Bulletin board

If you have items for the Bulletin board, contact Herald Features Editor Andreia Medlin at 263-7331, ext. 238 or email johnmoseley@bigspringherald.com.

TODAY

□ Big Spring Art Association meets at 7 p.m. at the Howard County Library.

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

WEDNESDAY

□ Optimist Club meets at 7 a.m. at the Howard College Cactus Room.

□ Senior Circle Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics meets at the Scenic Mountain Medical Center Yellow Rose Cafe at 10 a.m.

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

□ Duplicate Bridge Club meets every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 1 p.m. at the Big Spring Country Club.

□ Line dancing class is at 1 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center located in the Industrial Park. Call 398-5522 or 267-1628 for more information.

□ Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie meets at 7 p.m. at the Eagles Lodge located at 703 W. Third.

THURSDAY

□ Gideons International Big Spring Camp U42060 meets at Herman's Restaurant at 7 a.m.

□ Coffee Club meets at 10 a.m. at Gale's Sweet Shoppe located at 1706 East FM 700.

□ Kiwanis Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room.

□ Genealogical society meets at 7:15 p.m. in the Howard County Library.

□ Masonic Lodge 598 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 219 Main.

FRIDAY

□ Signal Mountain Quilting Guild meets from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281. Bring a lunch.

□ AMBUCS meets at noon at the Brandin' Iron.

□ ABC Club meets at noon at the Brandin' Iron.

□ The Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room.

□ Spring City Senior Citizens Country and Western Dance will be 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. All area seniors are invited.

SATURDAY

□ The Pottin House located at 200 Gregg, a restored historic home, is open from 1 to 5 p.m. A one-time admission fee of \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizens is encouraged.

□ The Hangar 25 Museum is located at the McMahon-Wrinkle Air Park and is open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and Sunday, 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

□ There will be a dance at 8:30 p.m. at the Eagles Lodge located at 704 W. Third. Everyone welcome.

□ Big Spring Squares. Call 267-7043 or 263-6305 for more information.

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built the fair building named for its benefactress. They have continued add improvements, such as the fence around the fair complex, when funds are available.

"We've tried to hold (admission) prices down, but people don't realize the expense involved in putting on an event like this," Driver says.

He said that deciding what acts to get is "pretty much a guessing game, and you still have to pay their price, even if no one comes to see them."

Driver believes that a \$160 booth at the fair is still an advertising bargain for businesses and organizations.

"It's cheap advertising for a one-shot deal," he says.

Driver, whose little-known name is actually William J., is part of a long-time Howard County family. He served as rodeo coach at Howard College for a time and works at ranching and tending his family business interests. He and his wife Wanda have a married son, Dane, who lives in Lipan.

Driver also serves as president of the local rodeo association.

"I've kinda' tailed my stuff down to those two, I've gotten rid of some of those other good-paying jobs," he says with a grin.

VOLUNTEERS

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and commit to two 12-hour shifts per month.

The training prepares a volunteer to assist with a crisis call, Perez said.

"The whole idea is to offer 24-hour coverage for our hotline," she said. "Someone who has been victimized doesn't want to talk to a machine. They want to have personal contact."

"That makes all the difference whether someone comes in to ask for assistance or if someone follows through on charges," Perez continued. "We don't tell the victims what to do, but we do offer options."

Currently, 13 volunteers and four staff members offer 24-hour service to a five-county area — Howard, Borden, Glasscock, Martin and Mitchell.

"Our volunteers are the heartbeat of our organization," Perez said. "Without them we couldn't offer a 24-hour service."

For more information about becoming a Victim Services volunteer, call Perez at 263-3312.

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workers participating in the workforce, either working or either seeking employment," said Belew.

The numbers show that Howard County had a civilian labor force (civilians working or eligible for employment) of 14,173 in July 2001, compared to 14,987 this past July. Other statistics indicate that there were 13,541 people employed in the county in July 2001 with another 632 seeking work. In July 2002, there were 13,993 employed and 994 seeking work.

"Although we have more individuals unemployed now, at the same time we have 453 more working," Belew added.

In comparison, in June of this year, the labor force was at 15,098, with 14,083 of those people employed and 1,015 seeking jobs.

"An increase in the civilian labor force is always good news for communities seeking new industries and for employers planning expansions," said Belew. "In addition, as summer workers and students return to school later this month, vacancies will be available for those remaining in the unemployed category and we should begin to see our unemployment rate decrease."

Unemployment in July for the Midland/Odessa metropolitan statistical area was at 6.2 percent. Statewide,

unemployment was at 6.5 percent.

A look at area counties: Borden 1.2 percent, Glasscock 2.3 percent, Martin 4.3 percent, Midland 4.9 percent, Dawson 5.5 percent and Ector 7.6 percent. Unemployment for the city of Big Spring in July was 7.4 percent.

A look at area cities: Abilene 4.6, Andrews 5.4, Fort Stockton 7.3, Kermit 12.1, Lamesa 6.5, Lubbock 3.7, Midland 4.8, Monahans 9.9, Odessa 7.5, Pecos 22.3, San Angelo 4.1, Snyder 6.3 and Sweetwater 6.0.

"Employers are encouraged to advertise positions and solicit new applicants at this time," said Belew.

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GRADUATE

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way," he said. "And No. 2, try to enjoy everything you do."

A native of Coahoma, Roberts was 17 years old in January of 1944 when he went before the draft board to declare his willingness to go into military service for his country.

Roberts was acting on advice from his older brother, Troy, a U.S. Army radio operator who was worried about the limited training Army soldiers received before entering combat.

"He said they were dropping like flies over there,"

Roberts said. "He didn't want that to happen to me."

In June of 1944, he was drafted into the Navy and became a radio operator. During his service, Roberts became a decorated sailor, served on three ships and receiving the Meritorious Mast for detecting an enemy plan and deterring a possible surprise attack by the enemy.

Following the war, Roberts eventually returned home to Coahoma where he and his wife of 58-years, Fern, raised three children, Linda Kay Robertson and Gary Wayne Roberts, both of Coahoma, and Gayla Jan Carlisle of Forsan.

"It has always been on my mind that I didn't get a diploma," he said. "This is what you might call closure."

Roberts' first heard about the bill through his son,

Gary, and Roberts contacted the high school during the summer to apply.

Coahoma High School counselor Cheryl Green urges other qualifying veterans or families to contact the high school they attended and apply. If the high school no longer exists, contact the school district that absorbed the school.

To be eligible to apply, the veteran must be an honorably discharged member of the armed forces of the United States, scheduled to graduate from high school after 1940 and before 1951 and left high school before graduation to serve in World War II.

Diplomas can be awarded posthumously, Green said.

Roberts took time to show his appreciation to the Legislature when State Speaker of the House Rep. Pete Laney, D. Hale Center, was in Coahoma during

July.

"I went up to him, put my arm around him and gave him a squeeze around the neck," Roberts said. "I told him I didn't think anybody cared about us old men and he said, 'Oh Yeah.' I don't know whose idea it was but I'm glad they did it."

A veteran, father, grandfather, Roberts said he earned a new title during this morning's brief ceremony.

"My dad, my brothers, my sisters, my three children and all my five grandchildren are graduates of Coahoma High School. Now it's my turn," he said. "This is a great day in an old man's life."

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OUR VIEWS

County fair offers lots of activities

If you are in need of something to do this week, we have a great suggestion. Let the fair entertain you. That's right, the Howard County Fair officially opens Wednesday at the fair grounds off FM 700, and this year's version has something of interest for every member of the family.

From art displays to wild carnival rides and livestock to live music, there's always something going on at the fair.

Exhibits are going on all the time, of course, but there are some specialty events.

For instance, evenings will be filled with toe tapping and hand clapping. Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys will headline the first night of the fair. Thursday's big entertainment will be the Colgate Country Showdown, a chance for budding musical performers to hit the big time. Winners advance on to regional, state and the national competition with \$100,000 at stake.

On Friday, the talented brother-sister duo of Nick and Bonnie Norris will take the stage. And on Saturday, there will be the annual Battle of the Cheerleaders.

In between will be livestock shows — steers, goats and lambs. Other events include the Kountry Kids contest, an antique tractor pull and a domino tournament.

A variety of booths set up by businesses, civic organizations and individuals will offer products and information for fair-goers.

As usual, there will be plenty of food and drink to go along with the fun and excitement.

So if you are looking for something to take the whole family to, look no farther than the fair grounds. Check out the Howard County Fair. It's good, down home fun.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

Dear Lord, let our facial expressions and tone of voice reflect the kindness you want us to have for one another. Amen

We should put September 11 behind us

The postmodern United States seems culturally addicted to anniversaries, but why we should wish to make Sept. 11 an anniversary worth noting is beyond me.

After all, Sept. 11 marks a failure and a defeat. It is not a cause for celebration.

Perhaps if postmodern man would look to the past, he would note that our saner ancestors marked the anniversaries of victories and triumphs, not those of defeats. We used to celebrate the birthdays of great men, not the dates of their deaths. We used to celebrate the dates of battles won, not those of battles lost.

Part of the problem is the media. Since the invention of videotape and the 24-hour broadcast, stations look for opportunities to drag out video already shot

and replay it to the point of nausea. Actually, they are just filling airtime, but really, how many thousands of times do you wish to see pictures of the World Trade Center collapsing? Stunned and weeping survivors? Dust-covered firemen? Is it not time to move on?

Nor is there any reason to remember those lost on that day. They haven't been forgotten for a single moment, and their survivors are, as we write and read, engaged in ... well, I won't say exploiting, but certainly in getting everything they think they have coming.

I thought at the time that it was a mistake to give government grants to victims of terrorism, even though it was really done in an effort to keep the airlines from being sued into bankruptcy. (The law states that you have to agree not to sue in order to get the grant.)

That scheme seems to be a failure, but we now have a precedent of giving taxpayers' money to people who are random victims of violence. Shall we contin-

ue? What about the people who were victims in the recent past, such as those who were in the federal building in Oklahoma? What about, for that matter, those who died in the anthrax attack?

I don't intend to pay the least bit of attention to Sept. 11, any more than I pay attention to the anniversary dates of airline crashes, earthquakes, floods, fires and other random disasters. A few terrorists caught us with our britches down and gave us a hard smack. It was not the end of the world or even a day when the largest number of Americans died (see several War Between the States battles).

The only positive aspect of the attack was that it shook us out of our unwarranted complacency and smug belief that we were invulnerable to attack. Instead of making us alert and firm, however, it seems to be making some people anxious, neurotic and fearful.

I think politicians and the media have exploited that tragic day enough, and

it's time to get on with the business of America. We have far more important things to do than to dwell on what has already happened and cannot be changed.

Let's remember Edward Fitzgerald's translation of the Persian poet Omar Khayyam: "Strike from the calendar Unborn Tomorrow and Dead Yesterday; The moving finger writes and having writ moves on: nor all your piety nor wit shall lure it back to cancel half a line, nor all your tears wash out a word of it."

Today there are people, including children, who need help. Today there are problems yet unresolved. Today we all have duties more pressing than morbidly moping about an event that is already down the drain of history. As Larry McMurtry's great philosopher, Gus McRae, said at the grave of a young boy, "Life is short, shorter for some than for others. Now we best be moving on to Montana."

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Prescription drugs should be in Medicare

In an exclusive interview, Sen. Debbie Stabenow, D-Mich., told us, "If Medicare were being written today instead of 1965, we wouldn't be having this discussion. Prescription drugs would be included."

The discussion she is referring to is whether to include a prescription drug benefit in Medicare and how it should be done.

President Bush campaigned on a promise to include such a benefit, but the overwhelming majority of Republicans — with his support — are actually advocating drug-industry sponsored legislation that subsidizes private insurers and drug companies.

The Republican Party opposed Medicare in 1965 and is lukewarm about adding to it now. There is

nothing sinister in this. It is a philosophical difference between Republicans and Democrats, whose modern roots date back to Franklin Roosevelt's New Deal social legislation, when Republicans opposed Social Security and other programs.

Today, there are Republicans who continue to believe that Medicare and Social Security involve more government meddling than is offset by public benefits. There are others, such as Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., who, along with New England Republicans, tend to adhere to the Democrats' point of view that these are beneficial programs that should be enhanced. And then there is the largest group, those Republicans in between these two views, who look upon these and other government-sponsored social programs with skepticism.

This last group sought to privatize part of Social Security by allowing a portion of contributions to go into the stock market,

though recent market declines have had a dampening effect on this idea. But this same privatizing concept is inherent in the Republican-sponsored prescription drug bills in both the House and Senate.

On the other side is the Graham-Miller bill in the Senate. Sens. Bob Graham, D-Fla., and Zell Miller, D-Ga., have offered a prescription drug plan which, according to The Hill, has "no deductible, 50/50 coinsurance up to \$4,000, full government-provided coverage over \$4,000, and a \$25 monthly premium."

The problem is that the Democrats fail to advertise the primary aspect of the bill: The prescription-drug benefit would not be a stand-alone program, but a part of Medicare. As such, prescription drugs would be treated like any other medical procedure.

In our discussion with Sen. Stabenow, we used an example: A patient goes to a doctor who prescribes surgery to cure a particular ailment. Another doctor

prescribes medication. Both methods cure the patient. Why, therefore, should medication be treated differently than surgery? The senator agreed.

And this is where the most important part of the prescription drug benefit comes in. Just as Medicare determines appropriate prices for surgery, it would determine appropriate prices for prescription drugs. As Stabenow noted, "Every other country in the world has its government negotiate bulk prices." And this is what Medicare would do.

And, just as is the case with doctors, pharmacies could choose whether to provide services and medication to Medicare patients or not.

Prediction: Stabenow said: "For the first time since Medicare was enacted, a majority of members (52) voted yes to modernize." The Democratic version or something close to it will succeed now or succeed later — after the November elections.



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BSHS cheer to host min

The Big Spring School District's cheer squad will be a Mini O Camp on Aug. 20 at Big Spring High School gymnasium. The camp is for students in the camp community.

For more contact Kris 264-3641 or 264-3642. Members of BSHS varsity cheer squad include Tunstall, Kriar, Stormie, Wise, Cheril, Timmi Black, tal DeLeon, Phillips and Torres.

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The Crossroads Football League registration period for local athletes through Thursday, August 22, at Big Spring High School. For more information call Steve DeLeon at 264-3641 or 264-3642.

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The Big Spring Quarterback will hold a community rally at 8 Monday, Aug. 19, at Comanche Theater.

The pep rally will recognize all Big Spring sports athletes.

For more information about the upcoming event, contact Jim Clements at 264-3641 or Randy Phillips at 264-3642.

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rally for com

A community rally will be held Friday, August 23, at the Forsan School football field for members of the community.

The pep rally will be held following the Buffaloes' game with Reagan Blue Bell ice cream will be served. Forsan cheerleaders will be holding a banner.

Stanton to h

'Meet the B

Stanton residents get the chance to meet the 2002 SHS Buffaloes' person Tuesday at the annual Buffs' celebration.

The event kicked off with Stanton athletes. It recognized Stanton high school junior athletes.

Hamburgers, main course that will cost \$2.50 and shirts and other items will be available. The event begins at 5 p.m. at Buffalo.

SA hoops to

accepting te

The San Antonio Summer Open Basketball Tournament is now accepting applications for its annual tournament which begins on August 24.

Teams can have 10 players per team and must enter prior to August 24. Teams finish second and third will receive trophies and place team members will receive a t-shirt.

To enter or for more information call (915) 223-8505 or visit www.tpbil.com.

IN BRIEF

BSHS cheerleaders to host mini-camp

The Big Spring High School cheerleading squad will be conducting a Mini Cheerleading Camp on Aug. 31 in the Big Spring Junior High School gymnasium.

The camp is open to all students in grades K-6. The camp costs just \$20 per person.

For more information contact Kris Larson at 264-3641 or 264-6941.

Members of the 2002-03 BSHS varsity cheerleading squad include Casey Tunstall, Kristine Vassar, Stormie Huff, Carl Wise, Cheridan Felty, Timmi Blackshear, Krystal DeLeon, Lindsay Phillips and Andrea Torres.

CLFL late registration set for this week

The Crossroads Little Football League late registration period for all local athletes will be held through Thursday at the Big Spring Mall.

Persons registering will need to bring their birth certificates and a copy of their report card.

For more information call Steve Decker at (915) 520-7373 or (915) 699-5409.

BS Quarterback Club to hold pep rally

The Big Spring Quarterback Club will hold a community pep rally at 8 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 26, at the Comanche Trail Amphitheater.

The pep rally will recognize all Big Spring fall sports athletes.

For more information about the club or its upcoming events contact Jim Clements at 267-1069 or Randy Phillips at 263-5314.

Forsan to host pep rally for community

A community pep rally will be held Friday, Aug. 23, at the Forsan High School football stadium for members of the public.

The pep rally will be held following the Buffaloes' scrimmage with Reagan County. Blue Bell ice cream will be served. Also, the Forsan cheerleaders will be holding a bake sale.

Stanton to hold 'Meet the Buffs'

Stanton residents will get the chance to meet the 2002 SHS Buffaloes in person Tuesday night at the annual "Meet the Buffs" celebration.

The event kicks off the Stanton athletic schedule. It recognizes all Stanton high school and junior high school athletes.

Hamburgers will be the main course of a meal that will cost \$1. Caps, T-shirts and other items will be available.

The event begins at 6 p.m. at Buffalo Stadium.

SA hoops tourney accepting teams

The San Angelo Summer Open Men's Basketball Tournament is now accepting teams for its annual event which begins on Sept. 7.

Teams can carry only 10 players per roster and must enter prior to Sept. 4. Teams finishing first, second and third will receive trophies. All first-place team members will receive a t-shirt.

To enter or for more information call Chris at (915) 223-8505 or log onto www.tphl.net

Lady Steers open season with Greenwood

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

Finally, it's for real.

After two weeks of running and beating up on themselves in practice, the Big Spring Lady Steers will kick off the 2002 fall sports schedule this evening in front of the home crowd.

Big Spring, which enters the year ranked No. 3 among West Texas volleyball programs by at least one poll, is scheduled to face Midland Greenwood beginning at 5 p.m. Brownfield will also be playing.

Tonight's game will mark the Lady Steers' first appearance on the hardwood since their playoff

appearance last year. Last fall, the Big Spring spikers finished third in the District 5-4A slate and made their first post-season appearance in 16 years.

The Lady Steers will hit the court with one of the more experienced squads in team history. Big Spring returns six players, including LaKenya Wrightsil and Leina Braxton, that earned all-district accolades last



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fall. Wrightsil and Braxton — both All-West Texas picks in 2001 — will likely play major roles in 2002.

Wrightsil paced the team in kills in 2001. Braxton, a junior, keyed the BSBS defense, racking up a team-high mark in blocks.

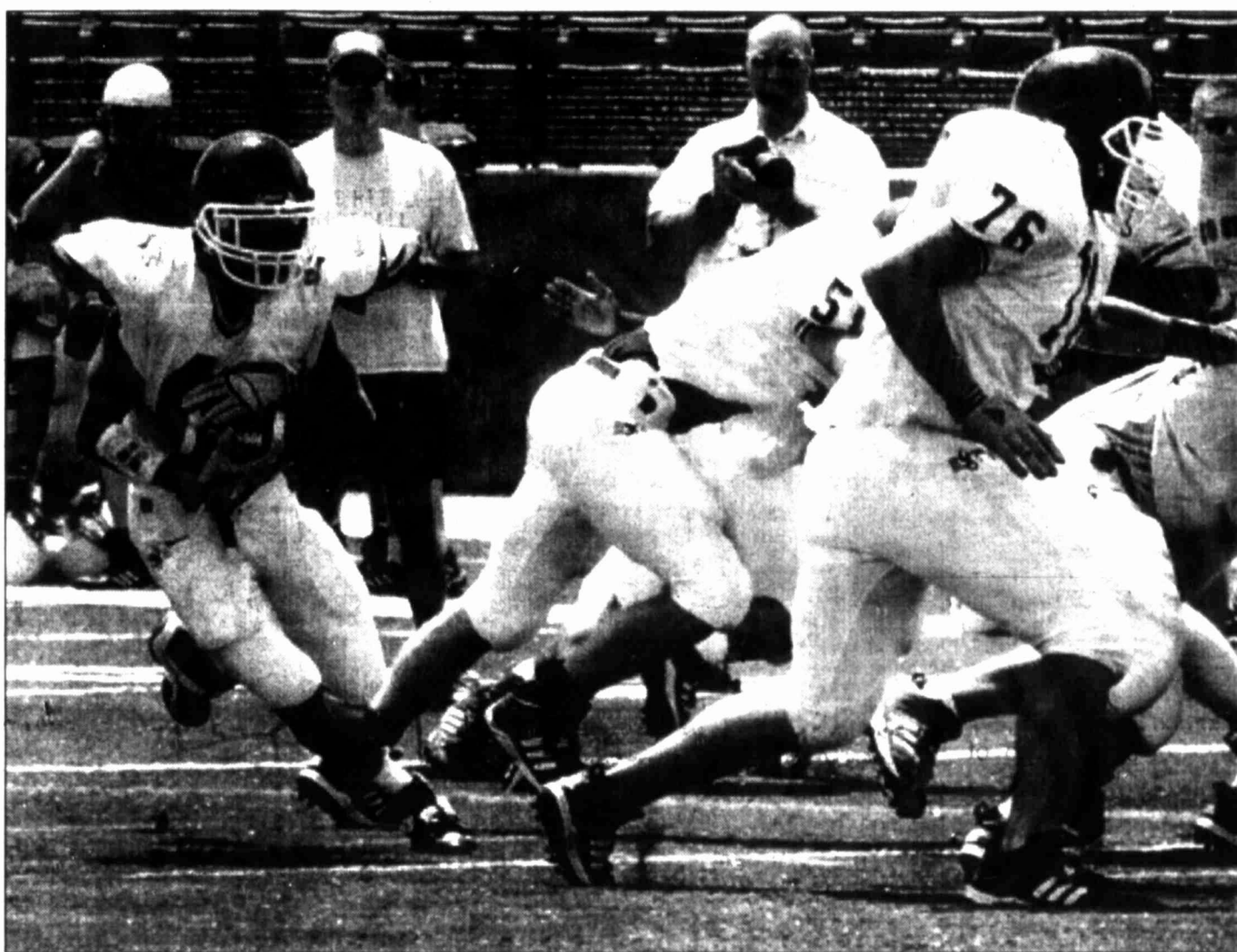
Wrightsil and Braxton are hardly the only weapons in the Lady Steers' arsenal. Senior Krystle Long

and junior Ka'Rissa Magers also return to the court after turning in impressive efforts last year. Both earned second-team all-district honors in 2001 as outside hitters. Also coming back are the team's top three setters in seniors Sterling Burchett, Crystal De Leon and Lindsay Phillips.

This evening's game will mark a busy 4-day stretch for Big Spring. After facing Greenwood/Brownfield, the Lady Steers will travel to the Alamo City to compete in the annual San Antonio Invitational Volleyball Tournament.

Contact Herald sports editor Tommy Wells at 263-7331, Ext. 237 or tpwells@crcom.net.

PREP FOOTBALL FINAL TUNE-UP



Big Spring's Josh Matthews follows the lead of his offensive line during the second half of the Steers' scrimmage with Midland Lee Saturday. Big Spring will close out its 2002 preseason slate Friday night with a bout against Lamesa Thursday at Memorial Stadium.

Area teams close out their preseason slates this weekend

By TOMMY WELLS

Sports Editor

The preseason comes to a quick end this Friday in the Crossroads. All seven of the area's prep football squads, including the Big Spring Steers, will conclude their scrimmage slates this weekend.

Big Spring, coming off an impressive offensive performance against Midland Lee on Saturday, and Stanton will be the first two local squads to put the finishing touches on preseason drills. Both teams are scheduled to make their final outings Thursday.

Stanton, which hammered out a 1-0 victory over Kermit Saturday afternoon, opens the scrimmage action, beginning at 5 p.m. when they face state-ranked Post.

The Buffaloes, under new head coach Larry Tate, is slated to open its regular season next Friday night at

Preseason - Week 2

The following is a look at the scrimmage schedules for area teams.

Thursday	
Lamesa vs. Big Spring	7:15 p.m.
Stanton at Post	5 p.m.
Friday	
Midland Christ. vs. Coahoma	5 p.m.
Water Valley vs. Grady	5 p.m.
Garden City vs. Bronte	6 p.m.
Sands vs. Ira	6 p.m.
Reagan Co. vs. Forsan	7:15 p.m.

home against state-ranked Roscoe.

Big Spring and Lamesa will begin their final preseason bouts at 7:15 p.m. at Memorial Stadium.

The five remaining local squads hit the field Friday for their final tune-up outings. Coahoma, Grady and Forsan will all be at home.

Friday's action begins at 5 p.m. in Coahoma's Bulldog Stadium.

Coahoma will make its final adjustments for the year against Midland Christian.

In Grady, the Wildcats will serve as a launching pad for the Water Valley six-man program. The school is switching from 11-man to 6-man this year.

The WVHS-Grady scrimmage begins at 5 p.m.

Forsan head coach Steve Parks will end the Buffaloes' summer drills against Reagan County. The varsity Buffs will start at 7:15 p.m. The JV squads open the event at 6 p.m.

A pep rally, complete with ice cream, will be held following the scrimmage.

Garden City will make its only scrimmage appearance of the year starting at 6 p.m. in Bronte. Sands will face Ira, beginning at 6 p.m.

Contact Herald sports editor Tommy Wells at 263-7331, Ext. 237 or tpwells@crcom.net.

Astros, Reds losing ground

CINCINNATI (AP) — The two teams doing the chasing in the NL Central are losing ground and losing time.

At this pace, no one is going to catch the St. Louis Cardinals.

Lance Berkman hit a two-run homer, one of three by the Astros, and Wade Miller won his eighth straight decision Monday as Houston beat the Cincinnati Reds 7-5 for an unsatisfying series split.

The second-place Astros and third-place Reds each wanted to win at least three of their four games, elbow the other aside and narrow the gap with the Cardinals. Instead, they alternated wins and woes.

"The most frustrating thing is that we win one, we lose one. We win two, we lose two. We win three, we lose three," Reds third baseman Aaron Boone said. "We haven't been able to put a run together. Hopefully, we still have it in us. We need to do it."

If either team is going to make a move, it had better do it soon. Otherwise, those seven head-to-head games that each has left against the Cardinals won't be nearly enough.

"It's their division to lose," said Astros first baseman Jeff Bagwell, who also homered. "If they continue to play the way they've been, the only way for us would be to win our last seven games against them."

Houston emerged five games back — one more than when the series began. The Astros were within one game of the Cardinals on Aug. 7, but have slipped away by going 6-6.

"Hopefully we can put some things together, because we know exactly where we are," manager Jimmy Williams said.

They're in trouble. The Reds are in worse trouble — a season-high 6 1/2 games back.

The Reds also had closed in on first, cutting the deficit to two games on Aug. 5, but a 5-8 slump has punctured their hopes of a division title or a wild card berth.

Texans ink Banks to backup Carr

HOUSTON (AP) — Veteran quarterback Tony Banks signed a contract with the Houston Texans on Monday although coach Dom Capers said it had nothing to do with the progress of No. 1 draft choice David Carr.

"Anytime you feel you can strengthen your team you try to do that," Capers said. "He's had experience in the league as a starter. He's got a strong arm and he's had experience with other organizations."

The Texans lost to the Kansas City Chiefs 19-9 on Saturday drawing 19 penalties. Carr completed 8-of-15

passes for 123 yards against the Chiefs. He's thrown one interception and one touchdown pass in three games.

"We don't have a lot of experience at quarterback," Capers said. "I don't want anyone to read into this that we're disappointed with David. He's made excellent progress."

Banks completed 198 of 378 passes with the Washington Redskins last season after being cut by the Dallas Cowboys.

Banks threw 10 touchdown passes and 10 interceptions and his 53.5 completion percentage was the lowest in the NFL among

starters.

"I know they drafted a young kid with the first pick and they have a lot invested in him," Banks said. "I'm not looking at this as an opportunity to start. I'm looking at it as an opportunity to get better and help the team."

Banks was unsigned as a free agent this preseason. He dropped a weight on his right throwing hand while working out in May. The injury resulted in surgery.

Banks' presence could cause more concern for Texans backup quarterbacks Kent Graham and Mike Quinn.

Brees beats out Flutie for San Diego's QB job

SAN DIEGO (AP) — It's Drew Brees' turn to try to snap some life into the San Diego Chargers.

Brees, a second-year pro who's played just over one-half of one regular-season game, beat out 39-year-old incumbent Doug Flutie for the Chargers' starting quarterback job.

The former Purdue star becomes the fourth different opening-day starter in as many seasons for the Chargers, who have lost 26 of their last 32 games and haven't made the playoffs

since 1995, when Brees was a high school junior in Austin.

"I feel that being 23 years-old with only one year in this league, I'm only going to get better," Brees said. "With each snap, I feel like I'm going to get better."

Flutie started all 16 games last year, throwing for a career-best 3,484 yards and 15 touchdowns, but also 18 interceptions. The Chargers were 5-11, starting out 5-2 before losing their last nine games.

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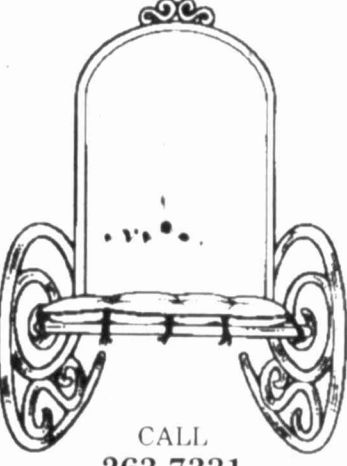
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 The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.
ARIES (March 21-April 19) **** Your approach can make all the difference. Brush up on your diplomatic style. Others bend in your direction as a result. Integrate new information. You might not only change your opinion but others' as well. A meeting develops into a lively brainstorming session. Tonight: Follow your friends.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) **** Take the lead at work, and you'll get kudos.

Don't underestimate your ability to move associates with your positive thinking. Don't make assumptions, please. A partner reverses his or her strategy or approach. Adjust. Work with him or her. Tonight: Burn the midnight oil.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20) **** Seriously consider signing up for a course or workshop. Seek feedback from others who might have been involved in these classes. Deal directly with a changeable and sometimes-controlling individual. Tonight: Allow another to coax you into doing something very different.
CANCER (June 21-July 22) **** An offer might be very exciting. You could have a hard time wiping that grin off your face. Playing it cool could be touchy, to say the least. Let someone know just how much you appreciate his or her efforts. Tonight: Go along with a partner's wishes.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) **** Surely you can see another's perspective, although you might need to make a major adjustment. Carefully consider options that involve a child or loved one. Be sensitive to this person. If canceling plans, reschedule at the same time. Tonight: Let another lead.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

**** Work demands your full attention, but the end result will be most pleasing. Don't negate a new possibility. Stay level, even if you feel like carrying on about news. A family member could be touchy at times. Use your people skills. Tonight: Buy something special for dinner on the way home.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) **** Playfulness surrounds you, perhaps because of the naughtiness in your smile. You might have scheduled your day a certain way but decide to go in a different direction. Flex with the moment. Remember that you have one life to live! Tonight: Play away.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) **** Take your time with family or a domestic matter. An investment in property could be very interesting. The costs, however, might not be what you anticipated. Your instincts help you make the correct choice. You need to trust yourself. Tonight: Treat a family member to a special dessert.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) **** You might need to reverse your stand. Facts help point the way. A meeting not only proves to be significant, but also you realize how much your associates depend on you. Express ideas. Others want to hear more of your opinions. Tonight: Chat away.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ** Listen carefully to news that involves finances. You can and need to read between the lines. Still, you want to do what feels right and not influence others' decisions. Meanwhile, dig into work; a boss might be observing. Tonight: Your treat.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) **** You are personality plus. Reach out for a loved one at a distance. Good news comes your way, though you need to adapt and flow with situations. Your sense of humor and perspective help a rigid individual step back. Tonight: Just don't be alone.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) *** Listen well to a boss who sometimes can be demanding and at other times wishy-washy. Perhaps confirming what he or she wants could be helpful. Be extremely gentle with a loved one or partner. You'll get the same treatment in return. Tonight: Get some extra zzz's.
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Dear Annie: I have been married to "Gilda" for eight years. I am 55, and she is 31. In the past six months, our sex life has gone completely downhill, and I'd like to know what is going on.
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 Gilda cannot understand why her behavior upsets me. She swears nothing is going on, but frankly, I don't trust her. If I call her cell phone while she is out with her friends, she accuses me of checking up on her.
 I have reached the saturation point and am not sure I care about our marriage any longer. I've been married twice before, and this is the last time I'm going to bother. Any advice? - Messy Situation in Michigan



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Dear Michigan: If you don't trust Gilda, your marriage is in serious trouble. A woman who fritters away most nights cavorting with her young male friends instead of spending time with her husband isn't all that committed to the relationship.
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 All three kids recently visited us. While we were

he rejects me. What should I do? - Still Waiting in Texas
 Dear Texas: You can handle more than you think. It may be unpleasant to be rejected, but nobody ever died of embarrassment.
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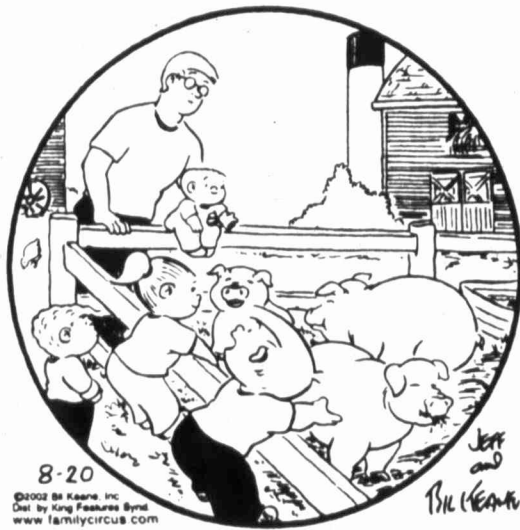
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DENNIS THE MENACE



"HE WOULDN'T STAY STILL FOR THE REGULAR CAMERA, FOR THE VIDEO CAMERA, HE WON'T MOVE!"

FAMILY CIRCUS



"Are we gonna get to see them wallow?"

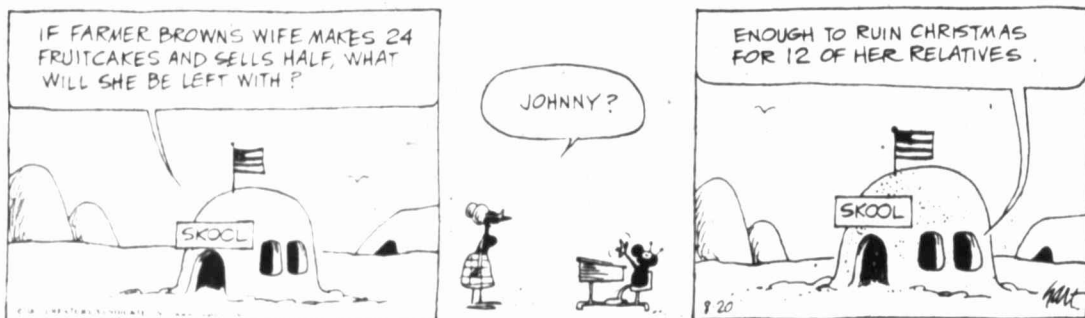
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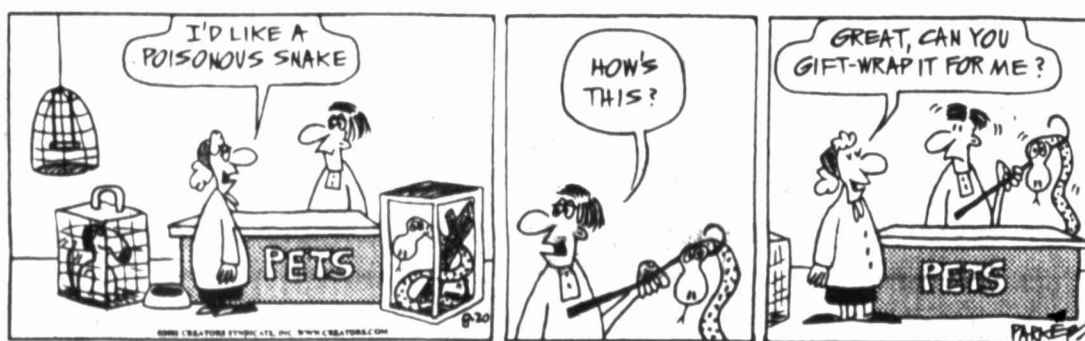
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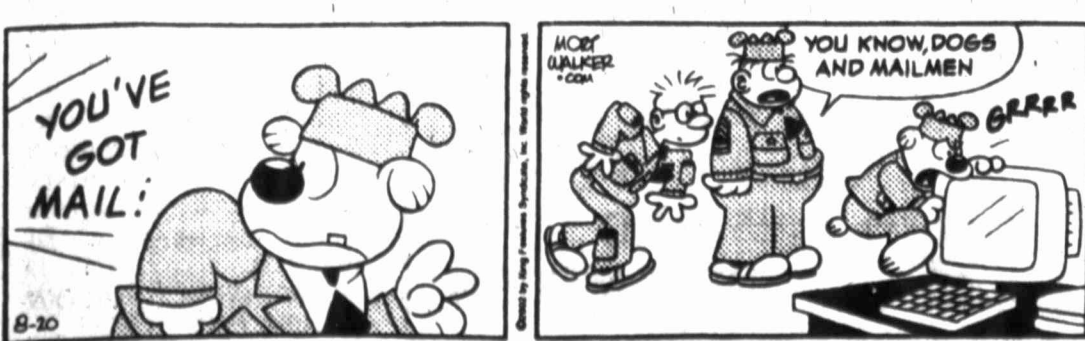
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

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Today is Tuesday, Aug. 20, the 232nd day of 2002. There are 133 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 20, 1968, the Soviet Union and other Warsaw Pact nations began invading Czechoslovakia to crush the "Prague Spring" liberalization drive of Alexander Dubcek's regime.

On this date: In 1833, Benjamin Harrison, the 23rd president of the United States, was born in North Bend, Ohio.

In 1866, President Andrew Johnson formally declared the Civil War over, months after the fighting had stopped.

In 1914, German forces occupied Brussels, Belgium, during World War I.

In 1918, Britain opened its offensive on the Western front during World War I.

In 1940, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill

paid tribute to the Royal Air Force, saying, "Never in the field of human conflict was so much owed by so many to so few."

In 1955, hundreds of people were killed in anti-French rioting in Morocco and Algeria.

In 1964, President Lyndon Johnson signed a nearly \$1 billion-dollar anti-poverty measure.

In 1977, the U.S. launched Voyager II, an unmanned spacecraft carrying a 12-inch copper phonograph record containing greetings in dozens of languages, samples of music and sounds of nature.

In 1979, swimmer Diana Nyad succeeded in her third attempt at swimming from the Bahamas to Florida.

In 1994, Benjamin Chavis Junior was fired as head of the NAACP after a turbulent 16-month tenure.

Ten years ago: In the early hours of Aug. 20, the Republican national convention in Houston renominated President George H.W. Bush and Vice President Dan Quayle. On the evening of the 20th,

Bush delivered a hard-hitting speech in which he attacked the Democrats and promised to seek across-the-board tax cuts if re-elected.

Today's Birthdays: Writer-producer-director Walter Bernstein is 83. Former Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell, a Maine Democrat, is 69. Singer-musician Isaac Hayes is 60. Broadcast journalist Connie Chung is 56. Musician Jimmy Pankow (Chicago) is 55. Rock singer Robert Plant (Led Zeppelin) is 54. Country singer Rudy Gatlin is 50. Singer-songwriter John Hiatt is 50. Actor-director Peter Horton is 49. TV weatherman Al Roker is 48. Actor Jay Acovone is 47. Actress Joan Allen is 46.

Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword

SHOPPING SPREE by Lee Weaver
Edited by Stanley Newman

ACROSS

- 1 Rite place
- 6 Pop musician Billy
- 10 Canyon edge
- 13 Julia's role on Seinfeld
- 14 Fairy-tale starter
- 15 Gardner of Hollywood
- 16 Tapered ends
- 17 Flowed copiously
- 19 Place for bidding
- 21 Singer Rawls
- 22 House pet
- 25 Neighborhood bargain source
- 32 Gloomy (grump)
- 34 Andes beast
- 35 Obvious
- 38 Parts of speech
- 41 Christmas stamp subject
- 42 Publish anew
- 43 Alpine song
- 44 Sea eagle
- 45 Buyer's mecca
- 49 Mermaid's habitat
- 51 Raggedy doll
- 52 New mother's hangout
- 61 Dacron or denim
- 64 Tax form
- 65 Guitar's cousin
- 66 Not doing much
- 67 Chowing down
- 68 June honoree
- 69 Poor grades
- 70 Lets go of

DOWN

- 1 Felipe of baseball

- 2 Not of the clergy
- 3 Slight color
- 4 One who's against
- 5 Repair shoes, perhaps
- 6 Moses' successor
- 7 Not fooled by
- 8 Very light brown
- 9 Robert E. and Spike
- 10 Ewe's beau
- 11 Got a Secret
- 12 Irate
- 13 Clean-air org.
- 18 Former nuclear overseers: Abbr.
- 20 Negative votes
- 23 Planned schedule
- 24 Mole's passageway
- 25 Fierce look
- 26 Fast-growing trees
- 27 Steep-sided valley
- 28 Iowa city
- 29 Needlefishes
- 30 Moon lander: Abbr.
- 31 Ms. Perón
- 33 Merchandise booth
- 36 Pastoral poem
- 37 Adverse fate
- 39 Prickly seed case
- 40 Match a raise
- 46 Postpones, as a motion

- 47 "It's ___-win situation"
- 48 Accustomed
- 50 Lincoln's nickname
- 53 In need of water
- 54 ___ one's time (wait)
- 55 Harvard rival
- 56 Salty drop
- 57 "Sock ___ me"
- 58 Clever remark
- 59 Coffee servers
- 60 High school subj.
- 61 Dirt plus water
- 62 "Wanted" initials
- 63 Danson of Cheers

