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THURSDAY
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World AIDS Day offers support for sufferers

By JANET AUSBURY
Features Editor

Friday is World AIDS Day, a day to remember those whose lives have been affected by this modern plague.

The VA Medical Center has planned memorial activities to encourage AIDS awareness and provide support to those who suffer from it or have lost a friend or loved one to the disease.

Memorial gatherings will be at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. in the lobby of the medical center. After a welcome and invocation, attendees will proceed to a memorial tree and granite marker, dedicated to those who have lost their lives to AIDS, outside the main entrance to the building.

The tree, an Eldarica pine, was chosen because it is a strong tree and an evergreen. "It's representative of hope and healing," said Katie Lara, chief of nursing service.

The afternoon gathering will feature silent meditation and remembrance at the tree; the evening event will feature candle lighting and dimming, a nationwide event. The White House will even have its lights dimmed from 7:45 to 8 p.m. as part of World AIDS Day.

"One theme you can encourage anyone in town to do is dim their lights," said registered nurse Les White, coordinator of the day's events. "You can look around and see who's supportive." Attendees are encouraged to bring flowers and candles.

Inside the lobby, red ribbons and pamphlets with information about HIV and AIDS will be available from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The medical center has led World AIDS Day events in its 53-county service area for four years. It makes sense, White explained, because the VA nationwide treats a large number of people with HIV or full-blown AIDS. The local medical center has AIDS sufferers among its patients; White declined to give a specific number.

The community has been very supportive of local World AIDS Day events, Lara said. "We're hoping for more community involvement in the future," White added. The medical center would like to involve other local organizations in planning commemorative events for future World AIDS Days.

The World Health Organization estimates 20 million people worldwide had been infected with HIV by June 1995. About 4.5 million of these people had developed AIDS, a 20 percent increase from last year.

The organization has chosen "Shared Rights, Shared Responsibilities" as the theme for this

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Saturday Christmas spirit invades

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Christmas is still officially 26 days away, but in Big Spring the big day is Saturday. This year's theme is "Christmas is for Children."

Saturday at 4:30 p.m. it will be lights, cameras and Christmas, beginning with the Christmas parade which will include 54 entries.

The parade will begin at the intersection of 23rd Street and Gregg Street and proceed north on Gregg, east on Fourth, left on Main and wind up on the east side of the Howard County Courthouse.

Trail of Lights Committee Spokesperson Tammy Watt said following the parade the opening ceremony for the trail of lights will begin and be emceed

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Route of Saturday's annual Christmas Parade



Assisted living project seeks council support

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

A Portland, Oregon development firm wants to make Big Spring the next stop on its trail of assisted living communities.

Bruce Bixby, a developer out of Abilene, works with Assisted Living Concepts, which wants to build a 35-unit complex in Big Spring.

City Engineer Ralph Truszkowski said Assisted Living Concepts is in the process of submitting plans to the city.

The concept of assisted living is a fairly new licensing practice in Texas according to Truszkowski.

The complex would be a mix of a nursing home and a retirement village, with full-time care and a medical staff available.

"The reason the city's approval is needed for a project like this is because it would be in the midst of a planned development zone. The City Council has final approval on anything to be built in a planned development zone," Truszkowski said.

"The project would also be expandable by 30 additional units if the initial project is successful," Truszkowski added.

Bixby addressed the council at its last meeting and asked for the council's support of the project by helping find a name for the project.

"Usually these projects are named after a local resident or something depicting the history of the community," Bixby said.

Assisted Living Concepts is currently building a similar project in Sweetwater and is in the process of building 25 of these assisted living complexes throughout the state.

New voter registration cards going out

Special to the Herald

Big Spring and Howard County residents will be receiving more than 16,000 new voter registration cards which were mailed out Wednesday.

Howard County Tax Assessor/Collector Kathy Sayles said this year the cards are orange and residents should check the cards and verify their name and address is complete and accurate.

Residents who have recently moved will need to go to Sayles' office and correct their address.

Old funeral home now home of local Boy Scout troop

By KELLIE JONES
Staff Writer

A group of local boys now have a place to call home.

The Welch family donated an old building at 610 Scurry to the Boy Scouts to use as their new meeting place.

Tommy Welch signed the deed over to the Buffalo Trail Council during a ceremony Wednesday afternoon. Flooding and moving were reasons why the scouts needed a new location.

Warren Wallace, the scouts district executive, said their room at the Howard County Library flooded a few weeks ago. That, coupled with the fact the library will be relocated soon, prompted them to search for another place.

Wallace said he was talking about the need for a new location at a Rotary meeting and Phillip Welch started to look into the matter.

"This is a dream come true. This building is perfect for our needs. The Welch family has been very generous and a lot of people will benefit from this," Wallace said.

Tommy Welch, a former Boy Scout, added, "Our family could not think of a better use for this

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Herald photo by Tim Appel

Tommy Welch, seated, signs over the deed to a building to the Buffalo Trail Council. The facility, 610 Scurry, will become the new home of the Boy Scouts, serving as the headquarters for the Eastern Area of the council. Standing behind Welch, from left, are Carl Bradley, Phillip Welch, Nancy Welch, Teresa Welch and Ernest Welch.

Delinquent tax collection up in county

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Howard County Commissioners recently received the annual report on delinquent taxes for the period July 1, 1994, through June 31, 1995.

Delinquent Tax Attorney Drew Mouton told commissioners the $574,106 collected was something to be happy about.

"Overall, we have had the best collection year we've ever had."

The report submitted to commissioners also included several statistics regarding current tax files.

To make their tax payments, Mouton told commissioners several people have entered into what's called Tax Payment Agreements.

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U.S. Trivia

What began Feb. 1, 1960, when four black Greensboro, N.C., college students refused to leave a Woolworth's counter when service was denied?

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WORLD/NATION



Nation: Three days of heavy rains triggered floods along every major river in western Washington, forced hundreds of residents to evacuate their homes and waterlogged at least 17 highways. See page 5A.

STATE

Supported

The state's controversial boll weevil eradication program has won the support of delegates to the Texas Farm Bureau's annual conference. See page 6A.

Bootlegger granny

Collie Brown is no stranger to jail or the officials who run them. When the 86-year-old grandmother reported to Grayson County jail in Sherman on Wednesday to begin serving a 10-day sentence for bootlegging, it marked the 50th or so time she had been fined or jailed. See page 6A.

TODAY'S WEATHER

Tonight



Friday



80 ▲ Highs
Lows ▼ 45

Mostly clear

Tonight, clear, low mid 40s, southwest winds 5 to 15 mph

Permian Basin Forecast

Friday: Sunny, high near 80, southwest winds 5 to 15 mph; clear night, low mid 40s, southwest winds.

Saturday: Sunny, high near 80, southwest winds 5 to 15 mph; clear night, low mid 40s, southwest winds.

Spirit

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by KBST General Manager Dave Wrinkle.

Gary Smith, pastor of First Church of the Nazarene, will deliver a prayer for the city and the "Christmas is for Children" choir, including 80 children representing the First Church of the Nazarene, First Christian Church, First Church of God and St. Paul Lutheran Church, will sing prior to the lighting ceremony.

The lights downtown will be turned on at 6:27 p.m.

Afterwards, Santa Claus will be in the pocket park where people will be welcomed to enjoy refreshments and enjoy the ceremony.

After the parade plaques will be awarded for first place in each of four float categories in the parade: civic organizations, school or church organizations, commercial and manufacturing and a new lighted float category.

The Big Spring Trail of Lights Committee is also presenting something different this year as well - a Christmas Tree Forest.

The Christmas Tree will be broken down into four themes: Christmas is for Children, Texas Christmas, Religious and Miscellaneous.

Judging of entries in the Christmas Tree Forest will be Friday.

The Christmas Tree Forest will be inside the former Swartz building on the corner of Runnels and Third and will be open to the public after the Christmas parade Saturday.

Admission is free, but a donation box will be set up with all proceeds going to the Trail of Lights Fund.

The forest will be open Saturday through Dec. 6 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. and school tours will be available during the day by calling 267-5756. The Christmas Tree Forest will be opened Sunday from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

In conjunction with the Christmas Tree Forest, the Trail of Lights Committee is planning the Second Annual Christmas Toy drive for Underprivileged Children. A special tree will also be set up in the forest for underprivileged children.

Last year more than 100 children received toys as a result of the drive.

Toys will be distributed at a party Dec. 6, inside the Christmas Tree Forest. Participating children will receive an invitation to the party with complete information included. Toys will be delivered to children unable to attend.

Completed houses in the Gingerbread house contest will be taken to the Christmas Tree Forest and judged and displayed Saturday through Dec. 6.

In the adult division, entries will be received at the Christmas Tree Forest on Friday, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., and there will be a $5 entry fee for each house entered.

Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place compliments of Imperial Sugar. A cash prize will also be awarded for first place.

The West Texas Center for the Arts children art students will also paint various windows around the courthouse square with Christmas scenes.

Watt said all of the antique shops will be opened downtown Saturday during the lighting ceremony and the Living Christmas Tree will also get under way at First United Methodist Church Saturday evening.

A formal Christmas gala will also take place Saturday at the Dora Roberts Community Center. The gala is open to residents 21-years-old or older and is to recognize donors who gave their time and money during a special fundraiser to help rehabilitate the center.

A pre-party for donors will begin at 7 p.m. and at 8:30 P.M., the dance will be opened to the public. Tickets may be purchased at the door for $15 per person or $30 per couple.

"People should get in their cars and drive around town and look at the lights and enjoy the festivities because this should be a fun filled day in Big Spring," Watt said.

Day

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year's World AIDS Day. The theme emphasizes the right to avoid infection and receive care, respect and retain personal freedom if infected. It also focuses on the shared responsibilities of people worldwide to learn about AIDS, care for those already infected and develop a support system.

AIDS awareness at the medical center doesn't begin or end with World AIDS Day. "Even if people are not able to attend on Friday, if they have questions or need direction, they are welcome to call me," White said.

OBITUARIES

Barbara Johnson



JOHNSON

Services for Mrs. Jimmy O. (Barbara) Johnson, 59, Big Spring, will be 11 a.m. Friday, Dec. 1, 1995, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Dr. Claude Craven, retired Baptist minister, officiating. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Mrs. Johnson died Wednesday, Nov. 29, at Midland Memorial Hospital.

She was born on June 25, 1936, in Pampa, Texas and married Jimmy O. Johnson, Sr. on June 21, 1964, in Big Spring. She had been a resident of Big Spring for 33 years and was a homemaker. She was also a Baptist.

Survivors include her husband: Jimmy O. Johnson, Sr., Big Spring; four sons: Douglas Johnson, Jacksonville, Fla., Mike Johnson, Robert Johnson, both of Big Spring, and Jimmy Johnson, Jr., North East, Pa.; one daughter: Suzanne Buvinghausen, Dallas; one sister: Sandra Keener, Bridgeport, Texas; 10 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; two nephews; one niece; and several cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother.

The family suggests memorials to: The Alzheimer's Disease Association, P.O. Box A3727, Chicago, Ill. 60690-9691 or the American Cancer Society, c/o Lucy Bonner, P.O. Box 2121, Big Spring, Texas 79721-2121.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Emily Wilson

Services for Emily Ward Wilson, 66, Big Spring, are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

She died Thursday, Nov. 30, 1995, at her residence.

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Big Spring ON THE RUN

IN BRIEF

'The Nutcracker' on tap Dec. 16

The Big Spring Symphony, Midland Festival Ballet and the Dance Gallery will present "The Nutcracker" Dec. 16 at 8 p.m. in the Big Spring Municipal Auditorium, Third and Nolan Streets. Advance tickets are on sale at the Symphony Office, 808 Scurry; Blum's Jewelers; Chamber of Commerce; Dunlap's and Mason's Christmas Connection. Everyone is invited to a reception immediately following the program at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad.

Ticket Prices: $10 adult, $7.50 for students and senior citizens, and $5 for children.

Tickets will also be available at the door until sold out.

Football banquet set for Dec. 4

The Big Spring Quarterback Club is having the high school football banquet 7 p.m. Dec. 4 in the high school cafeteria. Tickets are $6 and can be purchased at Bob Brock Ford, Big Spring High School Athletic Office or Athletic Supply.

For more information, please call Sam Flud at 263-7171.

Coahoma Lions sponsoring parade

The Coahoma Lions Club will sponsor a Christmas parade Dec. 9. The parade will begin at 11 a.m. in Coahoma. We're asking not only Coahoma residents but any surrounding cities to participate. See our famous clown, Quail Dobbs, and Santa Claus. For more information please call Doyle Fowler at 393-5994 or Jack Buchanan at 394-4000.

Recycling set for Saturday

The Howard County Coalition for the Environment will collect steel and aluminum cans (washed and flattened), newspaper, boxed and bundled newspaper and flattened corrugated cardboardfrom 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Big Spring Herald parking lot.

Giving Tree at Wal-Mart

The Children's Protective Services Giving Tree is at Wal-Mart. Ornaments on the tree represent abused or neglected needy children in Howard County. Pick an ornament from the tree, purchase the gift requested on the ornament by a child and drop off the unwrapped gift in Wal-Mart. For more information, contact the local CPS office, 263-9669, or Susan McHughes, (915) 686-2254.

Tax

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The total number of tax payment agreements signed in 1994 was 192. In the first nine months of this year 104 tax payment agreements were signed.

The total number of agreements signed by Howard County residents is 315; tax suit files open in the first nine months of 1995 total 224; intervention files open total 132; bankruptcy files open total 94; the total number of combined tax files open is 450; and the current number of tax suits pending in 118th District Court is 135.

A breakdown of the 1994-95 delinquent tax collections shows $134,525 was collected for Howard County; $72,860, Howard College; $109,173 for city of Big Spring; and 257,548 for the Big Spring Independent School District.

Howard County Tax Accessor/Collector Kathy Sayles said this year has been a good collection year for the county.

DID YOU WIN? LOTTO: 1, 2, 8, 16, 18, 47 PICK 3: 9, 0, 9

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents during a 24-hour period ending 8 a.m. Thursday:

•RANDY FARR, 17, of 1209 Wood, was arrested for disorderly conduct by fighting.

•PERRY CLARK, 41, of 1611 Cardinal, was arrested for disorderly conduct by fighting.

•CAROL UINI, 32, of El Paso, was arrested for unlawfully carrying a weapon. She was transferred to the county jail and later released on a $2,000 bond.

•ASSAULTS in the 1000 block of North Main, 1100 block of West Interstate 20 and 1900 block of Wasson.

•THEFTS in the 1600 block of Martin Luther King Blvd. and 1000 block of Birdwell.

•THEFT OF BEER in the 300 block of Owens.

•BURGLARY OF A HABITATION in the 700 block of Douglas.

•CRIMINAL TRESPASS WARNING ISSUED in the 1100 block of North Douglas.

•SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY INVESTIGATIONS in the 2000 block of Gregg, 1100 block of Gregg, 200 block of West Marcy, 1800 block of Morrison, 1000 block of Rosemont and 900 block of 11th Place.

•UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A VEHICLE in the 1900 block of Goliad.

•LOUD PARTY in the 700 block of Lorilla.

•CRIMINAL MISCHIEF in the 3600 block of Hamilton.

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following incidents during a 24-hour period ending 8 a.m. Thursday:

•MICHAEL SHANE SIMS, 23, of Levelland, was arrested in Hockley County for an outstanding local warrant for issuing a bad check. A bond of $200 was mailed to the sheriff's office.

•EDWARD AGUILAR, no address given, turned himself in on a warrant for simple assault. He was released on a $200 bond.

•NARA ANN FLORES, no address given, turned herself in on a warrant for simple assault. She was released on on a $200 bond.

•MARY HELEN MIER, no address given, turned herself in on a warrant for simple assault. She was released on on a $200 bond.

•POSSIBLE DRUNK DRIVER east on Interstate 20. The call came from the Martin County Sheriff's Department and local deputies attempted to locate the vehicle.

•DOG PROBLEM on Moore Road.

•MINOR ACCIDENT at Fifth and Central in Coahoma.

•GRASS FIRE at FM 700 and Interstate 20.

RECORDS

Wednesday's temp.	69	Rainfall Wednesday	0.00
Wednesday's low	34	Month to date	0.00
Average high	61	Month's normal	0.77
Average low	31	Year to date	15.95
Record high	82 in 1927	Normal for year	17.86
Record low	11 in 1918	**Statistics not available	

MARKETS

Dec. cotton futures 85.25 cents a pound, down 15 points; Jan. crude oil 18.23, down 4 points; cash hog steady at $1 lower at 41.50 cents even; slaughter steers steady at 67 cents even; Dec. live hog futures 44.55, up 40 points; Dec. live cattle futures 67.42, up 7 points. Courtesy: Delta Commodities

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		Wal Mart	24⅜ -⅛
		Amcap	14.72- 15.62
		Euro Pacific	23.39- 24.82
		I.C.A.	22.34- 23.70
		New Economy	16.91- 17.94
		New Perspective	17.17- 18.22
		Van Kampen	14.78- 15.52
		Prime Rate	8.75%
		Gold	388.15- 388.65
		Silver	5.15- 5.18

IN BRIEF

Coat drive continues through Thursday

The Big Spring Woman's Club "Coats for the Needy" drive ends Thursday. People are encouraged to donate their used coats (must be in good condition).

Coats can be dropped off at Harris Lumber and Hardware,1515 E. FM 700, and Sun Country Realtors, 600 Gregg St., or call Amy Overton at 263-8448.

TCA Cable collecting food for needy

TCA Cable TV of Big Spring will be accepting canned food for needy residents during the next few weeks. The canned food and other commercially wrapped non-perishable food items will be collected at the cable office, 2006 Birdwell Lane, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

New cable subscribers will receive free installation if they donate eight or more food items. The contributions will be picked up by TCA employees at the time of the new connection. Current subscribers can receive free connection to new cable services with a donation of eight or more items as well.

The food will be given to the Salvation Army for local distribution. Call 267-3821 for more information.

Take a walking tour of Big Spring

Hear tales of a long-ago railroad and cow town by walking the historic streets of downtown Big Spring every Saturday through the end of the year. Walking tours will begin at the Heritage Museum at 2 p.m.

Tour guides will recount the town's early history and legends

SPRINGBOARD

To submit an item to Springboard, put it in writing and mail or deliver it to us one week in advance. Mail to: Springboard, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79720; or bring it by the office, 710 Scurry. For more information, contact Gina Garza, 263-7331, between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m.

TODAY

•Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright, free food for area needy, 10 a.m.-noon.

•Salvation Army drug education program, sponsored by Permian Basin Regional Council on alcohol and drug abuse, 7 p.m., Salvation Army Building, 308 Aylford.

•Spring City Senior Citizen Center art classes, 9:30-11:30 a.m. 55 and older invited.

•Battered women support group, 2:30 p.m. Call 263-3312 or 267-3626.

•Good Shepherd Fellowship, 610 Abrams, has services at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to come.

•Al-Anon, 8 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center, small cafeteria on first floor.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, noon open meeting, 615 Settles.

FRIDAY

•Big Spring Model Aircraft Association, 7 p.m., College Park Bingo conference room. Call 263-6148 or 263-8998 after 5 p.m.

•Dominoes, 42, bridge and Chickentrack, 5-8 p.m. at 2805 Lynn, Kentwood Center. Public invited.

•Turning Point A.A., 8-9:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad. Open to all substance abusers.

•Spring City Senior Center, free fashion painting classes, 9:30-11:30 a.m. 55 and older invited.

•Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Music by The Super Six Band. Area seniors invited.

•Alcoholics Anonymous noon open meeting and 8 p.m. Big Book Study, 615 Settles.

SATURDAY

•Big Spring Squares, 8 p.m., Squarena, Chapparal Road. Call 393-5693 or 267-7043.

•Howard County Coalition for the Environment will be collecting steel cans, washed/flattened; aluminum cans, washed/flattened; newspaper, boxed/bundled; and corrogated cardboard, flattened, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Big Spring Herald parking lot.

•Concealed Handgun class in Coahoma. Call Tommy Scott at 394-4981 for more information.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, noon, 8 p.m. and 10 p.m. open meetings, 615 Settles.

SUNDAY

•Spring City Senior Citizens Center's Christmas Open House, 1 to 4 p.m. Refreshements and door prize drawings.

•Good Shepherd Fellowship, 610 Abrams, has services at 6 p.m. Everyone is welcome to come.

•Incipient Shire of Crossroads, local branch of the Society of Creative Anachronism, weekly fighter practice, 2 p.m., Comanche Trail Park. Call Robert Black, 393-5438 or A.J. Hashem, 267-5825.

•Alcoholics Anonymous 11 a.m. closed meeting and 7 p.m. open meeting, 615 Settles.

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Young people walk past a vandalized election poster of one of the 43 parties running in the Russian parliamentary elections in Moscow Wednesday. According to the polls, most of the young voters are politically indifferent and are unlikely to turn out at the polls.

BORED BY DEMOCRACY

Young Russian voters won't tune in or turn out

MOSCOW (AP) — They were weaned on "Grandpa Lenin," grew up under perestroika and cheered the collapse of communism as teen-agers.

Now, after witnessing so much wrenching change so early, young Russians are turning their backs on politics while their elders try to turn back the clock to Soviet times.

The consequences, analysts and reformers say, could be devastating for Russia's fragile democracy in upcoming parliamentary elections and beyond.

While legions of angry pensioners and other have-nots have thrust the Communists into the lead in opinion polls, the young — who are largely pro-reform — appear to be either taking democracy for granted, disillusioned or just too busy with other things.

As few as 9 percent of eligible voters under age 25 plan to vote Dec. 17, surveys show.

"It's useless to vote," said Natasha Zabaletnova, 20, wearing a black fur coat and black hat as she stood outside the prestigious Foreign Language Institute on a recent frosty morning. "I don't see any party that I can support."

"The election will be rigged anyway," she said disdainfully, echoing a view shared by many Russians.

Similar apathy in 1993, when young voters stayed away from the polls in droves, helped allow a stunning showing by Vladimir Zhirinovsky that tilted Russian politics toward nationalism.

This time, with the presidential election just six months after the parliamentary vote, similar torpor could ultimately hand the Kremlin back over to Communists.

Young voters see little reason to vote: not the specter of a return to communism, not the "stop-the-extremists" pleas of President Boris Yeltsin and others, certainly not the over-the-hill Western rock bands brought in to perform under a leading party's banners.

In August 1991, it was largely enthusiastic young people who flocked to the streets and helped reformers topple the Soviet system. According to Sergei Markov of the Carnegie Endowment in Moscow, their current political stupor is actually a measure of Russia's progress as a democracy.

"If these young people see any real danger to reforms, they will come forward," he said. "The fact that the young generation doesn't want to vote reflects that we have achieved some kind of stability. They see that reforms are irreversible."

Those who will vote, he said, tend to back either Russia's Democratic Choice — Yegor Gaidar's original radical reformers — or, among the less educated, Zhirinovsky as an anti-establishment statement.

The rest appear to be preoccupied with careers, business, the opposite sex, anything but politics.

Pavel Zelenov, a tall, outspoken 18-year-old student at the Foreign Language Institute, said he won't vote because "there are too many parties — political parties, that is."

Besides, he said, "We don't trust anybody in Russian politics now. We're all looking for someone we can trust."

Some analysts say the young hold the key to the elections, particularly if any party can lure them in great numbers. That's why Our Home is Russia, the centrist party of Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin, has sponsored concerts by American rapper Hammer and one-time superband Deep Purple — although the political pitch reportedly left the gum-chomping crowds cold.

Andrei Melnikov, 23, sells hot dogs in central Moscow, not far from a rooftop message board that flashes "ZHIRINOVSKY" like an electronic mantra all day long.

He can't stomach Zhirinovsky and he dislikes his mother voting Communist. But he won't vote — he can't be bothered to sort out the 43 parties competing.

"Everybody talks, but nobody does anything," he said.

Alarmed by the passive attitude shown by her younger countrywomen, Nadia Seryakova, 28, became director of a newly launched project aimed at getting youths to vote.

"When our grandmothers will vote and choose a 'red' future for their grandchildren, that's a scary situation," she said.

The project is sponsored jointly by Russia's election commission and the International Foundation for Electoral Systems, a Washington-based nonprofit organization. It consists of an MTV-style weekly program on national television, public service announcements by Russian rock musicians and 29 young voter clubs.

After 36 hours in the sea, Marine rescued by Pakistani fishermen

WASHINGTON (AP) — Unable to sleep, Lance Cpl. Zachary Mayo strolled out to the rail of the USS America for a breath of fresh air and a look at the stars over the Arabian Sea.

A shift in the wind and a jolt from a swinging metal door, and Mayo found himself bobbing in the wake of the giant carrier, his cries inaudible on the idle flight deck far above. It was the beginning of a brush with death and a 36-hour soaking that ended when Pakistani fishermen hauled the sunburned Marine aboard the deck of their trawler.

On the other side of the world in Osburn, Idaho, Mayo's parents, churning over the news that their son was missing, awakened in the wee hours Wednesday to a phone call from a man with a Pakistani accent asking if they wanted to speak to him.

"He just said, 'Hi dad,'" his father, Stanley Mayo, said in a telephone interview.

The younger Mayo, 20, given up for lost after a lengthy search by the Navy, was calling from the Pakistani village of Gwadar, where he had become something of a local celebrity.

With the villagers of Gwadar and the Mayo family assured of the Marine's safety, someone thought to notify the Navy, which had searched exhaustively for Mayo with four aircraft and two escort ships after his absence was noticed Saturday morning.

As Mayo hastily related to his parents, he used his training to stay alive. He got out of his overalls, tied the legs and arms, blew them up, and fashioned a balloon to keep him afloat.

As the Navy searched in vain, Mayo stayed afloat until a fishing vessel rescued him and took him to Gwadar. He found a taxi driver who could speak English and persuaded the driver to take him to a telephone. He knew his parents would be worried.

He couldn't have guessed how worried. The Marines had dispatched an officer to visit the Mayos and tell them their son was missing.

"He got on the phone, 'Hi, Mom, hi, Dad,' just regular," recounted Cindy Mayo from her home.

"He kept saying how he used all of his water survival training he learned in the Marine Corps," Stanley Mayo said. "He was in high spirits. ... But he was very tired of floating in the water for 36 hours."

"We were going through everything that a parent goes through when a child is in trouble," the relieved father said. "I was just overcome with happiness and I had to listen to him for a couple of minutes to make sure it was him."

Mayo was assigned to the Marine Tactical Electronics Warfare Squadron Three, a group of EA-6B radar-jamming planes based in Cherry Point, N.C. He enlisted in the Marines in 1993 and, after boot camp, attended school to become an aircraft hydraulics mechanic.

As far as the Mayos know, their son is headed back to the America to continue his assignment.

Volcano erupts in Nicaragua, sending thousands fleeing

LEON, Nicaragua (AP) — Raining down lava and sand on farmland and clogging wells, a volcano that roared to life this week is forcing thousands of people to flee by foot, bus and ox cart.

"The people are beginning to panic," Capt. Pedro Tapia, chief of the Nicaragua's civil defense program, said late Wednesday.

Authorities said they worried that people in remote areas wouldn't be able to escape because the Cerro Negro volcano blocked dirt roads with toppled trees and other debris.

Several families were trapped in the village of El Porvenir because the roads were blocked, said peasant Jaime Vargas.

"You can't get out by vehicle or even ox cart," he said.

It wasn't known whether people trapped in isolated communities were in immediate danger from the increasingly active volcano.

Civil defense workers were using machetes and their bare hands to clear roads around Cerro Negro, which was spurting lava 1,000 feet into the air. The volcano flung 50-pound chunks of glowing rock for hundreds of yards.

Fifteen miles east of Leon and 75 miles northwest of the capital of Managua, the 2,200-foot Cerro Negro began belching sand and lava Nov. 19 after a three-year lull.

It roared to life Tuesday night, and molten lava formed a new volcanic cone higher than the original mountain, said seismologist Camilo Urbina of the Nicaragua Earth Studies Institute.

The institute warned Wednesday that the explosions have become "continuous and increasingly violent." Communities around the volcano went on emergency alert.

After refusing for days to leave their homes in Leon and nearby villages, peasants on Wednesday began loading household belongings and chickens into crude carts, pulled by animals or by themselves.

Those who stayed behind worked long after nightfall, clearing sand and ashes from the roofs of their homes and other buildings to prevent the structures' collapse.

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EDITORIAL

Quote of the Day

"Compulsory unification of opinion achieves only the unanimity of the graveyard."

Robert H. Jackson, Supreme Court justice, 1943

World AIDS Day supports, underlines responsibility

AIDS. Four little letters that can strike terror into the heart of even the most reasonable person. A plague that has robbed many of their humanity and divided families.

Friday is World AIDS Day, a day to come together and remember those who have died from the disease and the family and friends left to grieve.

The VA Medical Center will sponsor memorial gatherings at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. in the center's lobby. The evening event will feature a candle lighting and dimming. Everyone is encouraged to dim their lights from 7:45 to 8 p.m. as part of World AIDS Day.

The World Health Organization estimates 20 million people worldwide had been infected with HIV by June 1995. About 4.5 million of these people had developed AIDS, a 20 percent increase from last year.

This year's theme is "Shared Rights, Shared Responsibilities."

It is a theme to run through our lives, whether we are fighting the plague of AIDS or simply trying to get along with our neighbors.

There is a long way to go before a cure is found for AIDS. To that end, we all have to work together, be more responsible about preventing the spread of the disease and open our minds to the truth.

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Shopping trip costs taxpayers



Mike Royko
Columnist

Kids in public places can be noisy, irritating, obnoxious. Especially other people's kids. At times, they can make us want to tell them to hush. Or even tweak their noses. But it's always wise to show restraint.

For example, there was this scene that unfolded one day in a Chicago shopping center.

A woman was there with her three children and a nephew. While visiting a store, she left two of the children with the nephew, 14, at some spaceship and horse rides.

Her 12-year-old son went with her to the store, but decided to walk back to join the others.

When he got there, he heard a man and a woman shouting at his brothers and cousin.

According to a lawyer, the two adults were yelling ethnic insults.

See? Now I'm quoting a lawyer. I told you it was best to show restraint.

The lawyer says the two adults called the kids "stupid Arabs" and told them to get off the rides.

So the 12-year-old went up to them and said: "You can't talk to my brothers like that."

The 12-year-old boy's name is Monzer Barakat and we'll let his family's lawyer describe what happened next.

"The man grabbed Monzer by the arm, pulled it behind his back and slammed him down on one of the rides. Monzer tried to raise his head up and says, 'What are you doing to me?'

"He's still holding Monzer's arm and he grabs him by the neck and rams his head into the ride repeatedly.

"A woman yells at him: 'Stop this. Someone call the police.'

"Then the man says: 'We are the police.'

And they were. Husband and wife, out shopping, both Chicago cops.

"Talk about your worst nightmares," the lawyer said. "The other kids are watching this and they're crying.

"The older cousin starts to intervene and the cop tells him: 'Get away or you'll be next."

"The mother arrives and she's horrified. Her son is bloodied. There's a pool of blood by the ride. Finally it ends and the mall's security police arrive. And more Chicago police officers come.

"And Monzer is arrested for battery on a police officer. Imagine, he's 12 years old, 4 feet 11, and weighs about 80 pounds. And he's charged with attacking a police officer."

The boy was taken to a hospital to get stitches in his split lip and have a sprained neck examined.

That evening, the lawyer says, the charges against him were dropped.

But that didn't satisfy his parents, Ghassan, who publishes an Arab community newspaper, and his wife, Rula. They filed a complaint with the police department's Office of Professional Standards against the two cops, James and Mary Ann Waltemath.

Then they waited to see what would be done about a policeman who beats up a 12-year-old kid.

And they waited and waited and waited. But nothing happened.

The incident happened in August of 1993. By late last year they were still waiting for something to be done.

"What they really wanted," said their attorney, Shawn Collins, "was an apology. These are not ignorant people. The father has a Ph.D. in political science from the University of Paris. The mother has a Ph.D. in pharmaceutical science.

"They waited as long as they did because the last thing in the world they wanted was a lawsuit. They didn't want their son to have to go through anything else. But after more than a year, nothing happened. So we filed the suit last December."

The suit said the boy had suffered neck injuries requiring a brace and lengthy treatment, as well as the split lip, bruises and emotional damage.

A few days ago, the case ended. It didn't even come to trial because the city decided it woudl be less expensive to settle.

The settlement didn't cost the irritable husband-wife cop team much.

But it nicked the Chicago taxpayer pretty good, to the tune of $162,000.

"We filed the lawsuit last December," Collins said. "It's 27 months since the incident. And the officer still hasn't been disciplined. We're told he will get a 10-day suspension, but he's still a sergeant and his wife has just received an important promotion.

"We're talking about a child and a blatant case of child abuse by the Chicago Police Department. But nobody has contacted us from the state's attorney's office.

"What kind of message does this send?"

"And it could have been settled with an apology. That's all the family wanted. It would have saved the city $162,000.

"Arrogance can be expensive."

The Chicago Police Department spokesmen had no comment. Little wonder.

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LOCAL/TEXAS

Plan to improve math adopted

By MARY McATEER
Staff Writer

GRADY - Grady Independent School District has adopted a plan to improve math scores.

The Board of Trustees approved a district level campus improvement plan to improving TAAS math scores of students in grades three through six at both the individual and group levels.

The goal of the plan is to improve student academic performance in the area of elementary math by providing educational experiences and/or services appropriate to all student populations.

The plan includes both district-wide and campus-level objectives to help achieve the overall goal of insuring that students show individual growth on the Texas Learning Index.

The TLI objectives include administration of pre-TAAS tests in December, followed by individual mastery reports for each student done by the counselor; use of homeroom class time for additional math instruction; intensive individual or small group work on specific TAAS objectives by teacher aides; campus level teacher meetings to insure continuity among teachers to cover all math objectives for each grade level; workshops targeting TAAS math objectives for elementary math teacher and aide; and post-test on the May, 1996, test.

Objectives to be implemented to improve group test scores on the TAAS test include: implementing sponge activities in math during the first 10 minutes of each class period, including providing supplemental materials to teachers; administer pre-TAAS at grades three through six in pre-test, post-test format; classroom aides will work in small group setting on particular TAAS math objectives; regular campus meetings to insure continuity among teachers to cover all math objectives; and math workshops targeting TAAS math objectives attended by elementary math teacher and aide.

The plan was developed through work with the site-based committee, said Superintendent Johnny Tubb. A similar plan targeting reading a few years ago achieved marked improvements in student test scores, Tubb said, and Grady officials hope to see the same kind of improvement in math.

In other matters, the board:

•Approved the local sick-leave policy and local investment policy as presented.

•Appointed the superintendent as the investment officer for Grady ISD.

•Elected Terry Britton to serve a two-year term on the Appraisal District Board of Directors.

•Set the public hearing for the Academic Excellence Indicator System report for Monday, Dec. 11, at 8 p.m. The regular December board meeting will follow at 8:30 p.m.

Grady ISD will be out for the holidays Dec. 21 to Jan. 3.

FOOD AND MORE FOOD



Herald photo by Tim Appel

Peggy Crabtree stacks cans of food in the lobby of the Big Spring Cable TV office Wednesday afternoon. The cans are being brought into the office as part of a promotional offer, and will be accepted through Dec. 20, when the food will be turned over to the Salvation Army.

Lawmakers trying to clarify gun law confusion

AUSTIN (AP) — Disturbed by restrictions on licensees of concealed weapons, sponsors of the state's new right to carry law are trying to set the record straight.

"We have a lot of bad signals being sent and a lot of those are wrong," Sen. Jerry Patterson, R-Pasadena, an author of the gun law, said Wednesday.

Austin and other cities — including Grand Prairie, near Dallas — have approved ordinances restricting where citizens will be able to take concealed guns when state licenses go into effect Jan. 1.

Also, Transit authorities in Houston and Austin have passed rules banning concealed guns. Other transit services, including those in Dallas and San Antonio, are considering similar action.

The Texas Department of Public Safety, which is processing the concealed gun licenses, approved an emergency rule in October that would prohibit concealed guns on its property.

The DPS is taking public comment before making it a permanent rule. The Texas Department of Transportation was to consider similar action.

But Patterson said local governments are violating the constitution and the legislative intent of the right to carry law by imposing restrictions.

Patterson, during a Capitol news conference, got so stirred up that he nearly advocated ignoring the local policies being put in place.

"I would suggest that a citizen do what state laws allow them to do and ignore metro rules," he said before backing off from the statement.

Patterson later said, "You can be right and still go to jail. Citizens should obey the policies until they can be cleared up, most likely through legal opinions from the attorney general."

However, Texas Attorney General Dan Morales' office said Wednesday that it stands by opinions issued earlier this year.

Under those opinions, transit authorities and businesses may ban the carrying of guns; counties may prohibit concealed handguns within county parks; and local and state officials may ban guns in public buildings.

"We gave good solid legal opinions and there is no reason to revisit those opinions," Morales spokesman Ward Tisdale said.

Patterson said he expected the DPS and Department of Transportation to reconsider their actions.

"The DPS will probably announce a retraction," he said. "The Department of Transportation would be overstepping its bounds."

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building than to see it given to the Boy Scouts. The memories we have of this facility and the memories of many area families will be honored knowing it is being used for such a good purpose to help shape the lives of young boys through scouting."

The patriarch of the family, Ernest Welch, said he was glad the old funeral home will be used for a worthwhile project.

Buffalo Trail Council Vice President Carl Bradley said he was eternally grateful to the Welches for making this possible.

A formal dedication of the building will be the first week in February during Boy Scouts week.

The facility will become the headquarters for the Eastern Area Council serving Howard, Sterling, Glasscock, Mitchell, Scurry and Borden counties.

Wallace has already set up an office and $12,000 has been pledged over the next three years for renovations.

Some of the plans include a small museum, scout store, meeting and work rooms, reception area and storage. The Welches also fixed the roof before handing the building over.

The Boy Scouts hope to receive additional funds to help refurbish the facility. Plans are in the works to build a small parking lot on the west side as well.

There are 450 boys involved in Boy Scouts in Howard County alone.

Local historian Joe Pickle said the site was part of Big Spring's original township and was given to the Texas and Pacific Railway Company by the state of Texas. The late S.H. Cowan, a county judge, purchased the property next. The place passed hands to such people as Joseph Potton, H.W. Caulor, C.L. and A.D. Alderman, A.B. Jones, Dora Roberts, W.J. Garrett and Charles and Ann Eberley.

The Eberlys bought it to open a funeral home. Pickle said it then became the River-Welch Funeral Home with Ernest Welch closing it to relocate to 906 Scurry. It had been used as a church mission for a short period of time as well, according to Pickle.



Associated Press photo

Kathy Anderson watches out her back porch storm window Wednesday in the town of Toledo, Wash., as the Cowlitz River rushes by. Anderson and her husband, Rich, worked with the help of neighbors until 2 a.m. Wednesday morning building a sandbag dike around their property fronting the river. Sandbags were stacked about four feet high.

Budget bargainers fight over forecast

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democrats and Republicans locked in budget talks are battling over obscure-sounding economic forecasts that will dramatically affect the amount of needed spending cuts.

Bargainers planned to meet for a third day today in their hunt for a seven-year package of spending cuts and tax reductions that would eliminate federal deficits by 2002. The closed-door talks in a Capitol meeting room were expected to focus on plans to trim benefits for veterans, civil servants and other programs where the two sides' differences are relatively small.

So far, the biggest verbal fireworks have flared over an issue that has divided them for months: What it will cost to achieve their goal of balancing the budget by 2002. The White House favors a more optimistic view of economic performance than Republicans prefer, which if accurate would mean federal deficits would be smaller and less savings would be needed than the GOP says.

Both sides have agreed that the Congressional Budget Office would have the final say on economic projections, although the agency is supposed to listen to the more optimistic views of the White House's Office of Management and Budget. CBO officials met Wednesday with their OMB counterparts to hear their views.

Residents leave as river continues to rise

TOLEDO, Wash. (AP) — Three days of heavy rains triggered floods along every major river in western Washington, forced hundreds of residents to evacuate their homes and waterlogged at least 17 highways.

In northwestern Oregon, rainstorms accompanied by winds of up to 75 mph loosened mudslides that closed sections of U.S. Highway 101 on Wednesday night. Flood warnings were issued near four rivers in the region.

Washington Gov. Mike Lowry declared a state of emergency in 14 counties, including Cowlitz and Lewis counties, where the rising waters of the Cowlitz River caused the worst flooding in southwestern Washington in more than 100 years. The Red Cross opened shelters in eight counties.

Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt planned to fly over the region.

The Cowlitz River inundated homes and farms, and covered cars and trucks. Schools were closed and numerous homes and trailer parks were evacuated on Tuesday and Wednesday in the county. Officials did not have estimates of how many people were evacuated.

"God, this is terrible," said Cowlitz County resident Chris Roth. "This is Mother Nature, and there's nothing we can do about it."

In Toledo, a community of 600 people roughly 85 miles south of Seattle, residents spent Tuesday night sandbagging their homes against the river, which had tripled in width and risen several feet overnight.

"You're looking at my back yard, and that mess out there is the kids' swing set," Rick Andersen said as a tangle of peeled poles and yellow plastic bobbed Wednesday in the brown waters of the Cowlitz.

Mayor Elaine Bowen said the last time the town was flooded was in 1933. "I've never seen anything like this. The whole south end of town could be under water before it's over," she said.

Officials believed the river had crested at 31.5 feet this morning at Castle Rock, 95 miles south of Seattle near the Oregon border, but they awaited the effect of incoming ocean tides.

Photographer linked to second model's death; probe widens

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Investigators were retracing the travels of a photographer charged in the slaying of one model and linked to the death of another, trying to determine if he could be tied to other unsolved killings.

Charles Rathbun, 38, led searchers to the body of model Linda Sobek in the Angeles National Forest last week. He claimed he accidentally ran her over and buried her in a panic, an account investigators now doubt.

The remains of another blond model, 20-year-old Kimberly Pandelios, were found in the same forest in 1993, a year after she disappeared.

Rathbun "is a suspect in that case," Los Angeles County Sheriff Sherman Block said Wednesday.

"People have placed them together on at least two occasions. ... Whether she ever went with him for a photographic session or whatever, we have not established that yet," he said.

Pandelios' mother, Magaly Spector, told KCAL-TV in Los Angeles that she wasn't surprised Rathbun was a suspect. She said her daughter had told her she was working with "someone that knew a lot about motoring."

Rathbun had recently made his living as a freelance photographer, specializing in automotive photos. His attorney, Mark Werksman, wouldn't comment on the Pandelios case.

Block said the investigation of Rathbun is widening to other states.

"We're sending some people out of state this week to look at some unresolved cases in areas where we know Rathbun has been," the sheriff said.

He said one murder case being investigated is in Columbus, Ohio, near where Rathbun's father lives.

Detectives in Columbus said they were contacted by Los Angeles investigators this week about the case of Stephanie Hummer, 18, who was strangled and dumped last year near Ohio State University. Rathbun was once a student at the university.

Arrests do little to ease pain of shocking murder

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The rape and slaying of a jogger snatched from the street in one of the city's wealthiest, safest neighborhoods stung the way a crime rarely does.

Mayor Edward G. Rendell, a hard-nosed former prosecutor, wept over the deep basement stairwell where Kimberly Ernest, 26, was killed Nov. 2. Cabbies and neighbors alike spoke out bitterly, and police began an intense manhunt.

A mountain of tips and detectives' round-the-clock work led to the arrests Wednesday of two roommates who lived in the neighborhood. They were charged with rape and murder.

The arrests, however, did little to ease the pain of those who mourned the young paralegal as a symbol of senseless crime.

"It really doesn't help," said Russell Cunningham, a lawyer at the firm where Ernest worked. "It doesn't bring her back ... it gives us a focus for our anger."

The crime scene on a tree-lined street of expensive row homes became a shrine, where friends and strangers left flowers, candles and notes. Hundreds turned out for the victim's memorial service and the trophy for the women's winner in the Philadelphia Marathon on Nov. 19 was dedicated in Ernest's honor.

Many residents of the well-to-do neighborhood near the Rittenhouse Square park said the slaying gave them their first real concern.

"It freaked me out real bad," said Joyce Gosciniak, a nursing student. "Now I carry pepper Mace and always try to find someone to walk with."

Added Capt. Patrick Dempsey, one of the lead investigators, "The whole city of Philadelphia was upset. A young woman should be allowed to run on the streets of Philadelphia without fear of being assaulted."

When police finally announced they had their men, it was not a stalker or serial sex offender, as previously suspected, but two young roommates who lived less than five blocks from where Ernest's partially clothed body was found.

Herbert Haak, 25, and Richard Wise, 19, were charged after police said they gave statements implicating each other.

Investigators speculate that Ernest may have surprised the men while they were breaking into a car. She left her home at about 6 a.m. for a jog and her body was found 1› hours later.

Homicide Chief Inspector Jerry Kane said it appeared to be a random attack. "These two birds are out there and they happen to confront her and she ends up dead."

Kane refused to say what led investigators to the two men but said police knew about them the first week after the slaying and had questioned them repeatedly.

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Eradication program supported, despite criticism

HARLINGEN (AP) — The state's controversial boll weevil eradication program has won the support of delegates to the Texas Farm Bureau's annual conference.

Farmers attending the conference Tuesday in Corpus Christi voted to back the program, which aims to eliminate the cotton-eating pest.

"I have been in the cotton business for 20 years, and the (boll weevil) problem has gotten worse," said South Texas grower David Krebbs. "I think dissolving the program would put the state out of the cotton business in the next four to five years."

The pesticide-spraying effort began a year ago in the Southern Rolling Plains, an eight-county territory around San Angelo. Spraying started this year in the Rio Grande Valley.

Some farmers in both regions have criticized the program for destroying beneficial bugs that eat boll weevils and other pests.

Rio Grande Valley cotton growers, who suffered the worst cotton season in decades, have petitioned for a recall election to discontinue the spraying effort.

Supporters of the program acknowledged problems arose during its first year but said there are economic gains to be made by giving it two or three more years.

"We will never get 1995's crop back," said Mercedes farmer Mike England. "We already got our feet wet. We need to get on with it."

North Carolina cotton grower Marshall Grant said farmers there experienced similar problems when they implemented a boll weevil eradication program in 1978.

Now the area has huge cotton yields and there is little sign of the boll weevil, he said.

Grant gave Texas farmers this advice: "They need to protect the investment they already have. They have already seen the worst.

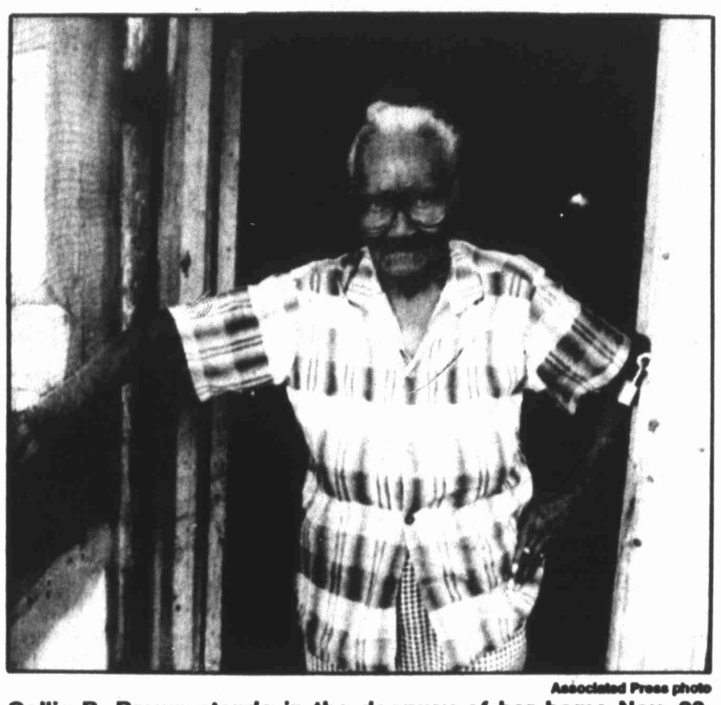
"Without exception other areas that received eradication saw returns of their investment by the third year," he said.

However, critics said Texas' pest problem is unique because many farms border Mexican farms, where boll weevil spraying doesn't occur.

"Mexico had a crop; we didn't," said Valley crop consultant and entomologist John Boling. "The one variable was we were in the eradication program, and they were not."

No Typical Granny

■ *Nabbed 50 times for bootlegging*



Associated Press photo

Collie B. Brown stands in the doorway of her home Nov. 22, 1995, in Whitewright where she admittedly ran an illegal bar for 47 years. Brown, 86, began serving a 10-day jail term in the Grayson County Jail Wednesday for a number of liquor law violations. It marked the 50th or so time she has been fined or jailed for running an illegal bar.

DALLAS (AP) — Collie Brown is no stranger to jail or the officials who run them.

When the 86-year-old grandmother reported to Grayson County jail in Sherman on Wednesday to begin serving a 10-day sentence for bootlegging, it marked the 50th or so times that she had been fined or jailed for running an illegal bar out of her shanty home in Whitewright.

Since 1947, Mrs. Brown has operated a juke joint in Whitewright, dubbed "Collie B's" by townsfolk. From miles around the town of 1,700 residents, people come in and chat, listen to jazz or the blues on the jukebox, play pool or dominoes and have a drink.

But Whitewright, located about 60 miles of Dallas, is dry, just like the rest of Grayson County. If you sell a drink, you cross the line of the law to do it.

Until recently, local law enforcement officials mostly left Collie Brown alone, writing her an occasional ticket for selling liquor and beer without a license.

But now they have decided to crack down on Mrs. Brown because drug dealers have started gathering outside the shack, where there have been fights, stabbings and, in April, a fatal shooting.

"It used to be peaceable," said Mayor Bill Goodson. "For years, local people just went there ... to sit around. Now, crack and dope dealers from as far away as Houston and Sherman are coming up there. They're not inside her place, mind you, but we're cleaning it up. You've got to just go out and get the soap and brush out and scrub it down."

Mrs. Brown could not take telephone calls or see visitors who were not on a list of people she left with her Grayson County jailers.

But she told The Denison Herald last week that her business is harmless.

"I sold a little whiskey. What I'm trying to do is pay my bills," she said. "I don't take nothing from nobody. I don't do anything to anybody. I don't misuse anybody and I don't steal."

Even though they've had her jailed, local officials speak with a noticeable affection for Mrs. Brown.

"It's a Mrs. Jekyll and Mrs. Hyde thing. You couldn't find a better person," Goodson said. "She's as free-hearted as anybody ... she'll feed anybody that walks in the door. But she's had her place open (illegally) seven days a week all those years."

"She's just your typical grandma-type person — just a little old lady," County Attorney Bob Jarvis said. "But I told her very bluntly, 'It's getting too rough. We're going to have to shut you down and put you in jail.' "

Born in Louisiana in 1909, Mrs. Brown moved with her family to Chicago during infancy. Her parents died when she was 16, so she moved to Arkansas to live with her grandfather. Ten years later, in 1935, she moved to Texas.

Married and widowed, her two children have grown and moved away, although she is raising a 14-year-old granddaughter. Mrs. Brown said the girl has always been safe from her customers.

"They don't mess with her because she's always in here with me," she said. "The ones that usually come in here don't bother her."

Goodson, Jarvis and Sheriff Jack Driscoll agreed that Mrs. Brown probably will reopen for business as soon as she's freed.

"In the past, she'd leave the jail and go to the liquor store and pick up another cache and be back in business," Goodson said. "She may open back up this time, but she's going back to jail if she does."

Meantime, Driscoll said Mrs. Brown will be given a private cell to ponder an uncertain future.

"I don't know," she said when asked what her next move would be. "I always wanted to get old, but I didn't know it would hurt this much."

70-mph limit draws mixed reviews

ROPESVILLE (AP) — At Faye's Drive-In, a diner along U.S. 62 in this West Texas town, people tend to shun fast changes when it comes to the speed limit.

"I don't think it needs to go up. I just think there'll be more wrecks," said Faye Jonas, serving lunch Wednesday. "Seventy is pretty fast."

The three-member Texas Transportation Commission was to meet this morning in Austin to decide whether to make 70 mph the legal driving speed on some rural and divided highways in the state.

"You're going to have more accidents and higher insurance rates," warned farmer John Smith at the cotton gin in Ropesville.

Traffic raced along the Lubbock-to-Odessa highway Wednesday morning as residents voiced qualms about the likelihood of the change.

President Clinton on Tuesday signed the National Highway System bill, which ends the federal speed limit laws that began in 1974 to save energy.

Removal of the federal speed cap Dec. 8 puts a 1963 Texas law back into effect. That state law set the maximum speed limit at 70 mph in the daytime and 65 mph at night for passenger vehicles.

For now, officials recommend that drivers keep a light touch on the gas pedal.

"The best advice for motorists is to abide by the posted speed limit," said Major E.C. Sherman of the Department of Public Safety's enforcement division. "Some areas will stay 55 mph, so motorists should not assume the speed limit is any higher than the posted limit."

The Texas Department of Transportation said new speed limit signs are not expected to start going up until mid-December. Complete installation could take until May, the agency said.

Opponents of high speed fear an increase in traffic deaths. Texas accounted for 3,142 traffic fatalities last year.

But supporters of 70-mph speed limits say most people already drive that fast anyway.

"Seems like you're traveling too slow," said 19-year-old Candy Pena, hanging a strand of Christmas lights Wednesday at Ropesville City Hall.

The DPS alone issued 526,637 speeding tickets last year, an agency spokeswoman said.

Ropesville police officer Rick Wooton said he writes more than 50 speeding tickets a month in the town about 15 miles west of Lubbock.

In his 2› years on the job, Wooton said, he has clocked vehicles moving as fast as 93 mph through the city limits.

"You wouldn't think we have a lot of traffic," he said. "But we get commuters from New Mexico, and on Friday nights every little town has a football game."

Residents said they expect Texans to drive illegally fast whatever the speed limit.

"People don't like to wait, even standing in line at the bank," Wooton said. "People still aren't going to be happy."

Birdlady has to move refuge

MIDLAND (AP) — The city of Midland has scored a victory in federal court in its attempt to enforce weedy-lot and zoning codes on a wildlife rehabilitator.

U.S. District Judge Royal Furgeson on Wednesday upheld the City Council decree intended to shut down the voluntary work Midge Erskine was doing with animals.

Mrs. Erskine, 61, seven months ago filed a lawsuit on behalf of the 4.4-acre bird sanctuary, Eos Refuge Center, in her backyard.

"I have not seen the decision yet, so I can't make any comments," she said Wednesday. "My attorney said the judge said everybody should be grateful for the work we've done for the past 25 years."

A city attorney said Furgeson found that Mrs. Erskine and her husband, Woody, failed to prove any of the claims in their lawsuit.

Furgeson, in a 57-page opinion, said that "the evidence and the law compel that plaintiffs be denied the relief they have sued for."

The city's crackdown on the Erskine property last year was prompted by complaints from people who own the house next door.

Officials decided that the Erskines' long grass — a habitat for wildlife — violates the city's weedy lot ordinance. Their rehabilitation center violates zoning ordinances for residential areas, the officials said.

Mrs. Erskine testified at trial in September that the city's animal control workers regularly brought her injured birds and animals over the years. Citizens were encouraged to do the same.

"The city OK'd what I was doing since 1970," she said. "People knew me as the 'Bird Lady,' not my name."

But the city manager testified that ordinances had not been enforced in the past on the Erskines because it was a low priority among pending complaints.

Burns said, however, the city has spent $100,000 on fighting the lawsuit. The judge denied a request for reimbursement.

The Erskines have 30 days to appeal the ruling. Mrs. Erskine had been operating for the past few months under a temporary restraining order.

Three indicted in savage robbery attack

McKINNEY (AP) — Three men were indicted Wednesday in the robbery and abduction of a couple and the savage rape of the wife.

The Collin County grand jury indicted Kenneth Ray Johnson, 23; Noel Raul Cordoba, 19; and James Alexander Hopson, 22, all of Dallas, each on charges of aggravated robbery and aggravated sexual assault Oct. 26 attack. Johnson and Hopson were in Collin County jail Wednesday in lieu of $250,000 bond; Cordoba was jailed in lieu of $300,000 bond.

The couple's three-hour ordeal began when they were abducted as they pulled into the rear garage of their north Dallas home.



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KLONDIKE vs. Whitharral, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Lamesa

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Offense key for Cougars

By DARRELL ERICSON
Sportswriter

PATRICIA – The Klondike Cougars have gone 13-0 to make it to the quarterfinals and will face a team that has accumulated 4,264 yards of offense, the Whitharral Panthers.

The Panthers are as new to the playoffs as Klondike. Their last appearance was in 1983 and they were not picked to finish at the top of their district.

The Cougars' biggest success has been on offense, passing for more than 1,600 yards and rushing for about the same.

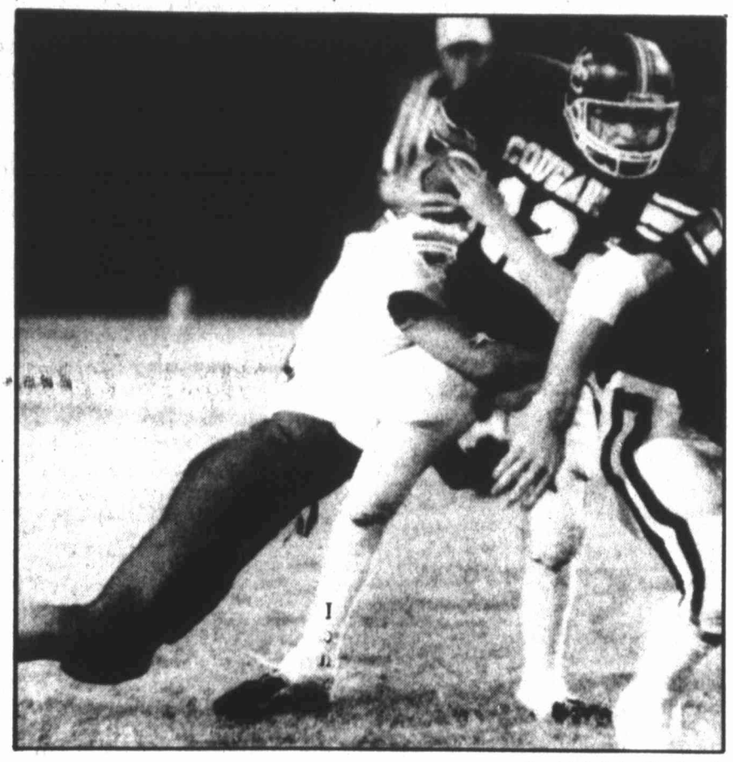
"We feel very fortunate to be where we are," head football coach Jim Kinnear said. "We felt like we had a chance to go a long way but we didn't know what to expect."

Mental intensity has been one of the Cougars' biggest attributes.

"We have remained focused and intense in some pretty tough situations. Balmorhea (a 60-57 win last week) was a hard test for us and we maintained our concentration and won." Kinnear said.

As for the Panthers, head football coach Gerry Gartrell said, "The kids have come together and have worked together as a team. That is a

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Herald photo by Tim Appel

Klondike's Lon Estes (12) drags a Balmorhea defender for a few more yards during their game Friday in Kermit.

Lady Hawks prep for last-place OC

By STEVE REAGAN
Sports Editor

The Howard College Lady Hawks survived the showdown.

Now, if they can just avoid the letdown.

The Lady Hawks (11-0, 2-0 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference action), fresh from a two-point win over Midland College, travel to Odessa tonight to take on the Odessa College Lady Wranglers.

Odessa is currently 3-6 overall, and 0-2 in WJCAC play. The Lady Wranglers lost to Western Texas 59-58 Monday night, and have also been beaten by South Plains in conference action.

With second-place South Plains looming on the Lady Hawks' schedule, it might be tempting for Howard to overlook tonight's game. If so, however, all the team has to do is what happened the last time it travelled to Odessa.

Last season, the Lady Hawks were in first place in the conference when they faced last-place OC in Odessa. The result was a nine-point Odessa victory, something that still weighs on the mind of Howard coach Terry Gray.

"There is always the fear of a letdown after a big win," Gray said. "but this is a new year and a new team, and this group has not shown any signs of letting that happen."

On the good side, Monday's win over Midland, which came into Garrett Coliseum sharing the conference lead, could boost the team to bigger and better things, Gray said.

"I think that win should and will give some added confidence to the freshmen ... and it should give our sophomores more confidence in the freshmen," he said.

In fact, the Lady Hawks, with only two sophomores on the roster, have been a pleasant surprise, not only to Gray but to Howard fans in general.

The reason for the team's success is simple: They do a very good job of not allowing opponents to score.

Going into Monday's game with Midland, the Lady Hawks were surrendering an average of 48.6 points a contest, by far

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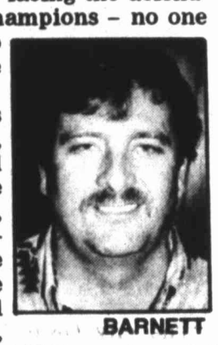
File photo

Howard's Summer Swoboda (34) shoots during the Lady Hawks' game with Midland Tuesday.

Sands stares at defending champ

By STEVE REAGAN
Sports Editor

ACKERLY – There's one good thing about facing the defending state champions – no one has to try to motivate you.



BARNETT

The Sands Mustangs, who cleared one hurdle last week, face perhaps the biggest one of all Friday, when they face undefeated and defending state champion Amherst in the state six-man quarterfinals. Game time is 7:30 p.m. in New Home.

The Mustangs (11-1) threw a monkey off their backs last week when they won an area-round playoff game for the first time in four years. Coach Billy Barnett now has to find some way to inspire his troops to even greater heights.

"I told them last week that it was vital to our program to get over the area-round hump ... Now, as soon as we win that, I'm wondering what I'm going to tell them this week."

Despite having one of the best six-man defenses in the state and an offense that averages 335 yards a game, Barnett knows the Mustangs have their work cut out for them this week.

"I told the kids that there's only about 15 people in the state who think we can beat Amherst, and they're in our locker room," Barnett said. "It's real simple: They've got to play the best game of their lives to beat Amherst."

The 12-0 Bulldogs will not razzle-dazzle you to death, but then again, they don't have to. The major key to Amherst's success has been the play of tailback Dewayne Miles.

The 6-foot-2, 215-pound senior has used his 4.6 speed in the 40-yard dash to gain 2,590 yards on 181 carries and score an amazing 51 touchdowns. As Amherst coach Jack Shely said: "He's not our leading rusher – he's our only rusher."

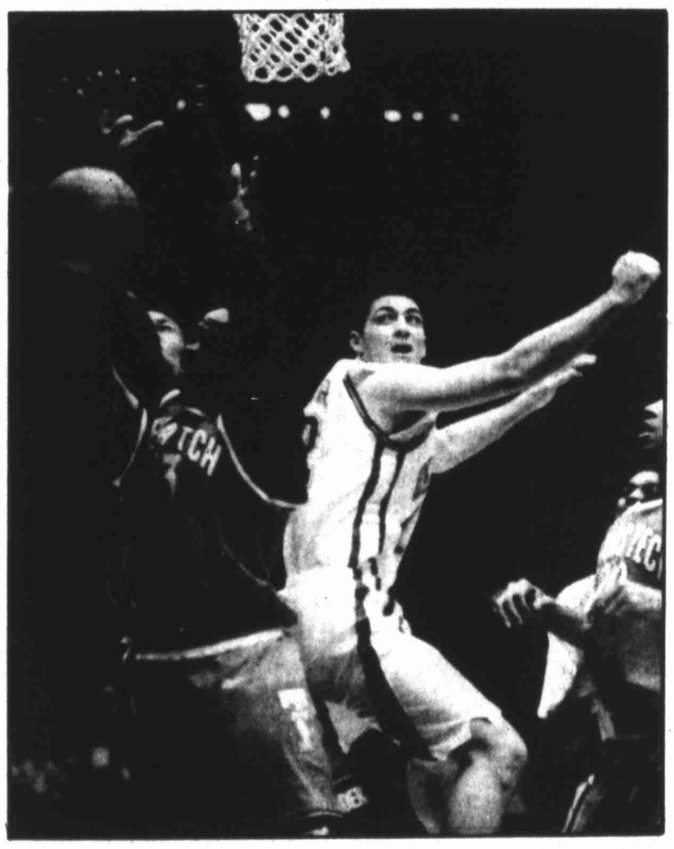
"He's a very fine running back," Barnett said. "In fact, he may be one of the best running backs I've ever seen in six-man football. What makes them so good is they have people who can block for him."

Compared to Amherst, Sands doesn't have anyone with statistics approaching those of Myles. The Mustangs prefer the group approach to rushing the ball, spreading the wealth among a trio of backs – Dallas Hopper, Steven Gillespie and Josh Richter – who have combined for 2,142 yards and 41 touchdowns.

Both teams also feature defenses that are among the best in the state, but neither

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TECH SINKS SOONERS



Associated Press photo

A trio of Texas Tech players, including Jason Sasser (33) and Darvin Ham (20), battle Oklahoma forward Ryan Minor for a rebound during Tech's 81-69 victory Wednesday.

Coahoma, Stanton hosting tourneys

Buffalos hoping to round into shape as Hooptown Classic takes its bow

By STEVE REAGAN
Sports Editor

STANTON – Stantonites pride themselves on their hospitality, but they hope they're not too nice to visiting basketball teams this weekend.

Stanton hosts the fifth annual Hooptown Classic beginning today, and the host teams will have some work to do if they are to hoist any championship hardware Saturday evening.

Stanton the defending girls champions at the classic, but the Lady Buffs are off to a 0-6 start after Tuesday's 47-23 loss to defending Class 2A state champion Ozona.

As for the Stanton boys, the picture is a bit rosier. Because so many team members were involved in the football team's playoff run, the basketball season didn't start until Tuesday. Stanton got off to a winning note, however, with a 60-56 victory over Ozona.

Stanton coach Doug Gordon hopes that the next few weeks – which will feature 12 games in eight days – will get his team in prime basketball shape.

"This will be a good way for the guys to get in condition," Gordon said. "They'll get used to playing basketball, instead of running up and down the football field."

The nucleus of the Buffs' 1995 playoff team is back, starting with 6-foot senior point guard Taylor Looney and leading scorers Leo MCallister (jr., 6-1) and Jason Hopper (sr., 6-2). Also back from last season are senior guards Nick Hull (5-11) and Jerrod Stallings (5-10).

Up from the junior varsity are senior Jamie Rodgers (5-10), junior John Bryan (6-0) and senior Cody Cadenhead (6-0). Rounding out the roster is freshman Kyle Herm (5-8) and senior Todd Davis (5-8).

The Buffs open play in the tournament at 7:30 tonight against Loop. Other boys' first-round games include defending champion Rankin against Stanton's junior varsity at 4:30 p.m., Grady vs. Sterling City at 4:30 p.m., and Garden City vs. Lamesa's JV at 7:30 p.m.

Girls' first-round games include: Rankin vs. Stanton JV at 3 p.m.; Midland Christian vs. Sterling City at 3 p.m.; Garden City vs. Loop at 6 p.m.; and Grady vs. Stanton at 6 p.m.

Games will be at the two high school gyms.

Tenth Coahoma Invitational features new format for girls' teams

By DARRELL ERICSON
Sportswriter

COAHOMA – Coahoma will kick off its 10th annual invitational tournament today at 1 p.m.

Four teams have been slated for the girls tournament while eight will be involved in the boys.

The Bulldogettes face a new style of tournament from previous years due to the shortage of teams. A round-robin format will be used, with everyone will guaranteed three games.

In the girls bracket, Coahoma, Big Spring, Colorado City, and Crosbyton are scheduled to play. Big Spring and Colorado City meet at 1 p.m., followed by Colorado City and Coahoma at 7 p.m. Colorado City will play back-to-back games to accommodate Crosbyton.

Crosbyton plays back-to- back games Friday, starting with Big Spring at noon, followed by Coahoma at 6 p.m.

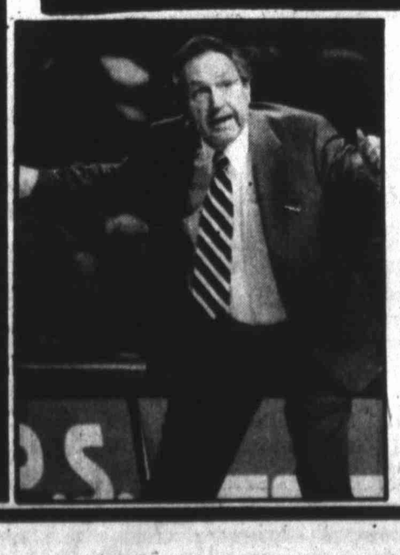
"We want to try to play teams that are very good. Stronger competition will help us get better if we are willing to take that step," Coahoma girls' basketball coach David Cox said.

Last season's tournament featured Coahoma and Big Spring in the championship game, with Big Spring taking the title.

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SHOT OF THE DAY



You should be dancing
Oklahoma State basketball coach Eddie Sutton reacts to his team's play against Wake Forest Wednesday night.

LOCAL/TEXAS

Raiders down Oklahoma

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — James Dickey believes his Texas Tech basketball team was left out of the NCAA tournament last year in large part because of road losses to Wisconsin, Temple and Texas Christian.

That's one reason he was so pleased with an 81-69 victory over Oklahoma on Wednesday night.

"Those are games we could have won, maybe should have won, and didn't," Dickey said. "We were disappointed. Our team knew what effort it was going to take to win, and this is a big road win for us."

The Red Raiders (2-0) got 27 points from Koy Smith, 20 from Jason Sasser and 17 from Jason Martin to snap Oklahoma's 16-game home winning streak.

NATION/WORLD

Progress reported

NEW YORK (AP) — Negotiators for the NBA's locked-out referees reported some progress after a three-hour meeting with league officials, who are preparing to add more replacements next week.

The negotiations were the first since Nov. 16 and were attended by commissioner David Stern. The two sides planned to meet again today.

Call him Captain Kite

Tom Kite, introduced as captain of the 1997 U.S. Ryder Cup team by PGA of America president Tom Addis, said he hopes to be the first player-captain since Arnold Palmer did it in 1963.

Kite is 15-9-4 in eight Ryder Cup appearances and 5-0-2 in singles play.

ON THE AIR

Football
NFL
New York Giants at Arizona, 7 p.m., ESPN (ch. 30).

FOOTBALL

Playoff pairings

Class 5A, Division I
Regional Finals
Region I
Odessa Permian (11-1) vs. Arlington (8-4), 2 p.m., Saturday, Maverick Stadium, Arlington
Region II
Garland (10-2) vs. Klein (11-1), 3 p.m., Saturday, Pridgeon Stadium, Cypress Fairbanks
Region III
Houston Yates (11-1) vs. Aldine Eisenhower (10-1-1), 7 p.m., Saturday, Astrodome
Region IV
Converse Judson (11-1) vs. Eagle Pass (11-1), Alamo Stadium, San Antonio, 7:30 p.m., Friday
Class 5A, Division II
Regional Semifinals
Region I
Abilene Cooper (6-4-1) vs. Flower Mound Marcus (12-0), Noon, Saturday, Texas Stadium, Irving
Midland Lee (10-0-1) vs. Arlington Lamar (11-0-1), 3:30 p.m., Saturday, Texas Stadium
Region II
Richardson Lake Highlands (11-0-1) vs. Jersey Village (8-4), 7 p.m., Saturday, Texas Stadium, Irving
North Mesquite (10-2) vs. A&M Consolidated (7-4-1), 7 p.m., Friday, Memorial Stadium, Mesquite
Region III
Houston Madison (10-2) vs. Humble (7-3-2), 3:30 p.m., Saturday, Astrodome
Fort Bend Elkins (9-2-1) vs. Galveston Ball (9-2-1), 12:30 p.m., Saturday, Astrodome
Region IV
Austin Westlake (11-0-1) vs. Alice (9-3), 2 p.m. Saturday, Alice
San Antonio Roosevelt (12-0) vs. Harlingen South (9-2-1), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Buccaneer Stadium, Corpus Christi
Class 4A
Area round
Regional Semifinals
Region I
Pampa (10-1) vs. Denison (12-0), 2 p.m. Saturday, Wichita Falls Memorial Stadium
Borger (9-2) vs. Stephenville (11-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Wichita Falls Memorial Stadium
Region II
Seagoville (8-3-1) vs. Sulphur Springs (11-1), 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Homer B. Johnson, Garland
Dallas Hillcrest (11-1) vs. Mount Pleasant (9-3), 8 p.m. Friday, Texas Stadium, Irving
Region III
Jasper (10-2) vs. League City Clear Brook (10-1-1), 2 p.m., Saturday, Thorne Stadium, Aldine
West Orange-Stark (11-1) vs. La Marque (12-0), 7:30 p.m., Friday, Astrodome
Region IV
Bastrop (6-6) vs. Uvalde (10-2), Gustafson Stadium, San Antonio, 7:30 p.m. Friday
Corpus Christi Calallen (12-0) vs. New Braunfels Canyon (11-1), 8 p.m. Friday, Buccaneer Stadium, Corpus Christi
Class 3A
Regional Semifinals
Region I
Springtown (9-3) vs. Abilene Wylie (11-1), 2 p.m. Saturday, Shotwell Stadium, Abilene
Littlefield (12-0) vs. Ballinger (11-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Snyder
Region II
Alvarado (12-0) vs. DeKalb (10-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Homer B. Johnson Stadium, Garland
Commerce (11-1) vs. Tatum (12-0), 2 p.m. Saturday, Pennington Field, Bedford
Region III
Waco Robinson (11-1) vs. Sealy (12-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Huntsville Bowers
Rusk (11-1) vs. Sweeny (11-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Moorhead Stadium, Conroe
Region IV
Burnet (8-2-2) vs. George West (9-3), 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Seguin
Cuero (11-1) vs. Ingleside (12-0), 2 p.m. Saturday, Seguin
Class 2A
Regional Semifinals
Region I
West Texas (11-1) vs. Hamlin (10-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Wolfforth Frenship
Sundown (8-2-1) vs. Winters (12-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sweetwater
Region II
Electra (9-2-1) vs. Goldthwaite (10-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Maverick Stadium, Arlington
Celina (11-1) vs. Rosebud-Lott (12-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Lumpkins, Waxahachie
Region III
Arp (9-3) vs. Alto (12-0), 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Wildcat Stadium, Palestine
New Diana (11-1) vs. Groveton (11-1), 7:30 p.m., Friday, Wildcat Stadium, Palestine
Region IV
Schulenburg (11-1) vs Refugio (11-1), El Campo, 7:30 p.m. Friday
Vanderbilt Industrial (11-1) vs. Three Rivers (10-2), 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Bobcat Stadium, San Marcos
Class A
Regional Semifinals
Region I
Shamrock (11-0) vs. Wink (11-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Lowrey Field, Lubbock
Sunray (10-2) vs. Sudan (7-4), 7:30 p.m., Friday, Kimbrough Stadium, Canyon
Region II
Bronte (8-3) vs. Crawford (9-1-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Brownwood
Roscoe (10-1) vs. Hico (8-1-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Memorial Field, Stephenville
Region III
Lindsay (11-0) vs. Burkeville (7-0-1), 7:30 p.m., Friday, Whitehouse
Muenster (8-3) vs. Overton (11-1), 6 p.m. Saturday, Kaufman
Region IV
Thorndale (12-0) vs. Runge (6-4-1), 7:30 p.m., Friday, Lockhart
Granger (11-1) vs. Charlotte (8-2-1), Seguin, 7:30 p.m. Friday
Six-man
Third round
Region I-II
Whitharral (11-1) vs. Klondike (12-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Lamesa
Amherst (12-0) vs. Ackerly Sands (11-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, New Home
Region III-IV
Panther Creek (9-2) vs. Gordon (12-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Early

Mullin (10-2) vs. Milford (11-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Hamilton

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AMERICAN CONFERENCE	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
East						
Buffalo	8	4	0	.667	248	233
Indianapolis	7	5	0	.583	246	238
Miami	6	6	0	.500	303	261
New England	5	7	0	.417	212	267
N.Y. Jets	3	9	0	.250	179	295
Central						
Pittsburgh	8	4	0	.667	297	259
Cincinnati	5	7	0	.417	286	290
Houston	5	7	0	.417	273	256
Cleveland	4	8	0	.333	218	264
Jacksonville	3	9	0	.250	197	267
West						
Kansas City	10	2	0	.833	277	185
Oakland	8	4	0	.667	277	199
Denver	6	6	0	.500	282	243
San Diego	5	7	0	.417	208	244
Seattle	5	7	0	.417	259	289

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Dallas	10	2	0	.833	343	214
Philadelphia	8	4	0	.667	249	255
Arizona	4	8	0	.333	211	326
N.Y. Giants	3	9	0	.250	223	273
Washington	3	9	0	.250	234	282
Central						
Green Bay	8	4	0	.667	312	249
Chicago	7	5	0	.583	324	293
Detroit	6	6	0	.500	304	302
Minnesota	6	6	0	.500	300	293
Tampa Bay	6	6	0	.500	188	226
West						
San Francisco	8	4	0	.667	335	173
Atlanta	7	5	0	.583	278	266
St. Louis	6	6	0	.500	214	277
Carolina	5	7	0	.417	228	247
New Orleans	5	7	0	.417	239	278

Thursday's Game
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Sunday's Games
Indianapolis at Carolina, 1 p.m.
Cincinnati at Green Bay, 1 p.m.
Houston at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
Atlanta at Miami, 1 p.m.
New Orleans at New England, 1 p.m.
St. Louis at New York Jets, 1 p.m.
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Jacksonville at Denver, 4 p.m.
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Washington at Dallas, 4 p.m.
Philadelphia at Seattle, 4 p.m.
Buffalo at San Francisco, 8 p.m.
Monday's Game
Chicago at Detroit, 9 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 9
Cleveland at Minnesota, 12:30 p.m.
Arizona at San Diego, 4 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 10
Buffalo at St. Louis, 1 p.m.
New York Jets at New England, 1 p.m.
Indianapolis at Jacksonville, 1 p.m.
New Orleans at Atlanta, 1 p.m.
San Francisco at Carolina, 1 p.m.
Dallas at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
Chicago at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.
Detroit at Houston, 1 p.m.
Seattle at Denver, 4 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Oakland, 4 p.m.
Washington at New York Giants, 4 p.m.
Green Bay at Tampa Bay, 8 p.m.
Monday, Dec. 11
Kansas City at Miami, 9 p.m.

BASKETBALL

College scores

EAST
American U. 65, Loyola, Md. 58
Connecticut 86, Northeastern 39
Delaware 73, Bucknell 64
Georgetown 96, Southern, NO 65
Pittsburgh 84, Duquesne 73
Princeton 62, Lafayette 47
Towson St. 74, Navy 60
Villanova 70, Bradley 63
Yale 89, Lehigh 72
SOUTH
Cent. Florida 77, Winthrop 65
Centenary 108, Wiley 71
Clemson 91, Appalachian St. 55
Duke 71, N.C.-Greensboro 57
Georgia 91, W. Carolina 71
James Madison 88, Delaware St. 64
LSU 109, Southern U. 100
Louisiana Tech 70, Henderson St. 62
Mercer 97, North Georgia 78
N.C. Charlotte 79, Tennessee 76
N.C.-Asheville 73, Furman 71
Old Dominion 75, Hampton U. 67
William & Mary 100, Marymount, Va. 67
MIDWEST
Akron 72, Canisius 68
Cincinnati 101, Wyoming 51
DePaul 90, Stetson 57
Detroit 67, Bowling Green 64, 2OT
E. Michigan 83, St. Bonaventure 63
Kansas 72, Virginia 66
Kansas St. 63, Emporia St. 57
Kent 108, Morehead St. 84
Miami, Ohio 74, La Salle 53
Michigan 80, Ball St. 52
Purdue 78, Cent. Michigan 76
S. Illinois 65, N. Illinois 63
Wake Forest 69, Oklahoma St. 53
SOUTHWEST
California 112, Texas Southern 73
Grambling St. 86, Texas-Arlington 82, OT
Houston 94, Texas-San Antonio 90
Texas Tech 81, Oklahoma 69
Utah 70, Texas 69
FAR WEST
Colorado 86, Tennessee St. 72
N. Arizona 83, Cal Poly-SLO 71
New Mexico 80, Texas-Pan American 56
Sacramento St. 51, UC Davis 50
San Diego 82, Pomona-Pitzer 63

NBA

All Times EST

EASTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlantic Division				
Orlando	12	2	.857	—
New York	10	4	.714	2
Miami	8	3	.727	2 1/2
Boston	5	7	.417	6
Washington	5	7	.417	6
New Jersey	5	8	.385	6 1/2
Philadelphia	2	10	.166	9
Central Division				
Chicago	11	2	.846	—
Atlanta	9	5	.643	2 1/2
Indiana	6	5	.545	4
Charlotte	7	8	.467	5
Cleveland	5	8	.385	6
Detroit	5	8	.385	6
Toronto	5	10	.333	7
Milwaukee	3	9	.250	7 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct	GB
Midwest Division				
Houston	11	3	.786	—
Utah	11	4	.733	1/2
San Antonio	8	4	.667	2
Dallas	5	7	.417	5
Denver	4	9	.308	6 1/2
Minnesota	3	9	.250	7
Vancouver	2	12	.143	9
Pacific Division				
Sacramento	10	4	.714	—
Seattle	9	6	.600	1 1/2
L.A. Lakers	7	7	.500	3
Portland	7	7	.500	3
L.A. Clippers	7	8	.467	3 1/2
Phoenix	6	7	.462	3 1/2
Golden State	5	10	.333	5 1/2

Tuesday's Games
Atlanta 102, New York 97, OT
New Jersey 89, Washington 84
Miami 111, Dallas 89
Cleveland 93, Toronto 89
Charlotte 106, Milwaukee 98
Minnesota 121, Vancouver 98
Houston 116, L.A. Clippers 103
Indiana 102, Seattle 101
Sacramento 91, Denver 85
Wednesday's Games
Boston 100, Detroit 96
Atlanta 106, Philadelphia 81
Charlotte 115, New York 105
San Antonio 105, L.A. Clippers 86
L.A. Lakers 107, Phoenix 96
Portland 112, Golden State 98
Thursday's Games
Cleveland at Washington, 7:30 p.m.
Dallas at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Miami at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Utah at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at Portland, 10 p.m.
Chicago at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
Indiana at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

Cougars

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critical part to a football team. They have done a real good job on offense and defense."

The Panthers run out of two formations on offense, the tight and the spread. Kinnear said they are well-balanced between the pass and run.

The Panthers have gained 2,751 yards rushing and 1,513 passing.

Klondike's game with Balmorhea should have prepared the Cougars for this week.

"Their offense likes to spread you out and run underneath. Last week's game should have prepared us for this type of offense," Kinnear said. "They don't have the speed Balmorhea had, but we still have to be prepared to make open field tackles."

Both teams will rely heavily on their defenses.

Panthers' main threat on offense is Brandon Rodgers. He has rushed for 1,477 yards on 150 carries and 32 touchdowns and has 32 of 48 receptions for 459 yards and five touchdowns.

Kinnear said, "Our defense has to come alive. It has been our offense that gets the defense going. We have to execute our offensive game plan to get the points on the board and to motivate our defense.

"We feel if we can do that we will be successful."

Gartrell is concerned about the Cougars' passing attack.

"Etheredge can throw the ball and he has a lot of weapons around him who can catch it. Our defense will definitely be tested. We don't run up against a team who can throw the ball the way they can," Gartrell said. "They have a good offensive scheme and we have got to play good defense."

The quarterfinals will be played in Lamesa, Friday night at 7:30.

Howard

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the best figure in the conference. With the defense being so stingy, the offense's 69.8-point average looks more impressive.

Three Lady Hawks are averaging in double figures: Freshman post Donelle Jones leads the team with an 11.5-point average; while freshmen Toni Westfall and La'Tonya Kindle average 10.3 and 10.2 points a game, respectively.

Jones also leads the team in rebounding, averaging 8.1 a game.

Comparatively, OC averages 73 points a game on offense, while giving up 72.1 points a game on defense.

The Lady Wranglers' leading scorer is sophomore guard Tameka Caldwell, who averages 16 points a game. Others in double figures include freshman forward Kwanza Bibles (14.4) and freshman forward Leslie Roberts (11.3).

Bibles leads the team in rebounding with a 9.2 per-game average.

Sands

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coach is willing to stake a Friday win on defense.

"Defense is something we pride ourselves on ... but right now, we've had so many injuries, I don't think we can afford to get into a defensive struggle with Sands. I'm hoping for one of those wild-and-wooly affairs," Shely said.

"Both offenses are finely tuned right now," Barnett said. "Defense is what wins for you at the big-game level, but I see this game as being a moderately high-scoring affair. We're going to have to mix it up if we're going to win."

Spurs roll past Clippers

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Chuck Person knew what he had to do to make up for the absence of San Antonio Spurs teammate Sean Elliott.

He did it from behind the 3-point line, hitting six of 14 attempts and scoring 22 points to lead the Spurs to a 105-86 victory over the Los Angeles Clippers on Wednesday night.

Person also had eight rebounds in San Antonio's second victory over the Clippers in four days.

"With Sean out of the game, I knew I had to be aggressive," said Person, who learned he would start less than an hour before the game. "But that's my job, to come in and shoot the ball."

Elliott, scratched from the starting lineup with tendinitis in his right Achilles tendon, did not play. He is the team's second-leading scorer.

David Robinson had 33 points and 11 rebounds as the Spurs pushed harder to make up for not having Elliott.

"I knew I would have to pick it up with Sean out," Robinson said. "I had to pick it up, especially on the defensive side."

The Spurs took control of the game with a 13-3 spurt in the final three minutes of the third quarter. Robinson had six points in the run, which gave the Spurs an 80-67 advantage heading into the final period.

"They really picked up their defense, and we acted like we had never seen anyone play hard on the ball in a half-court situation," Clippers coach Bill Fitch said.

Tourney

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The Bulldogettes are now 2-4.

Cox said, "We have made great improvements in our skill levels. A lot of the things we're doing now we weren't able to do last year."

As for the Bulldogs, they have a better-than-average shot at defending their tournament title, but Merkel is the favorite.

The Bulldogs have a 3-0 record.

"We feel like we have a shot at winning, but Merkel has more games under their belts and have the largest percentage of kids in the gym," basketball coach Kim Nichols said. "We have a lot of different combinations to look at but we have a good start."

Teams in the boys division are Greenwood, Merkel, Midland Lee JV, Colorado City, Tahoka, Hawley and Snyder JV.

Greenwood and Midland Lee JV start the tournament today at 2:30 in Coahoma's elementary gym, followed by Merkel and Colorado City at 4 p.m. In Coahoma's second gym, Tahoka and Hawley begin at 4 p.m., followed [illegible] Coahoma [illegible] the elementary gym.

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Giving Tree provides Christmas for those who might have none

By JANET AUSBURY
Features Editor

The Giving Tree will once again provide merry Christmases for abused or neglected needy children in Howard County.

Located in Wal-Mart, the Giving Tree sports ornaments with the Christmas gift wishes of nearly 40 children under the care of Children's Protective Services.

Those who wish to donate gifts pick ornaments from the tree, purchase the requested gift and leave it unwrapped. Gifts will be wrapped and delivered by CPS caseworkers.

CPS Foster Home Recruiter Susan McHughes said the Giving Tree project relies on local businesses and individuals to sponsor costs for ornament expenses.

Businesses sometimes wait until the end of Giving Tree season - Dec. 18, this year - and purchase gifts for children whose ornaments have not yet been plucked from the tree.

What kind of gifts are children requesting? For boys, Mortal Kombat. For girls, Barbie dolls are the big thing. Younger children prefer toys; teens prefer clothes. "These kids are just like any others," McHughes said. "They want the popular toys, the popular clothes."

CPS does have abuse or neglect cases where the families can well afford Christmas presents. Those aren't the families who will be represented on the ornaments.

The Giving Tree is for children up to age 18 who, McHughes said, "if we don't organize Christmas for them, they're probably not going to have one."

Some children whose families are in especially dire financial straits may have more than the standard three ornaments on the tree. Others who request a fairly expensive gift, such as a Sega game, may have one ornament.

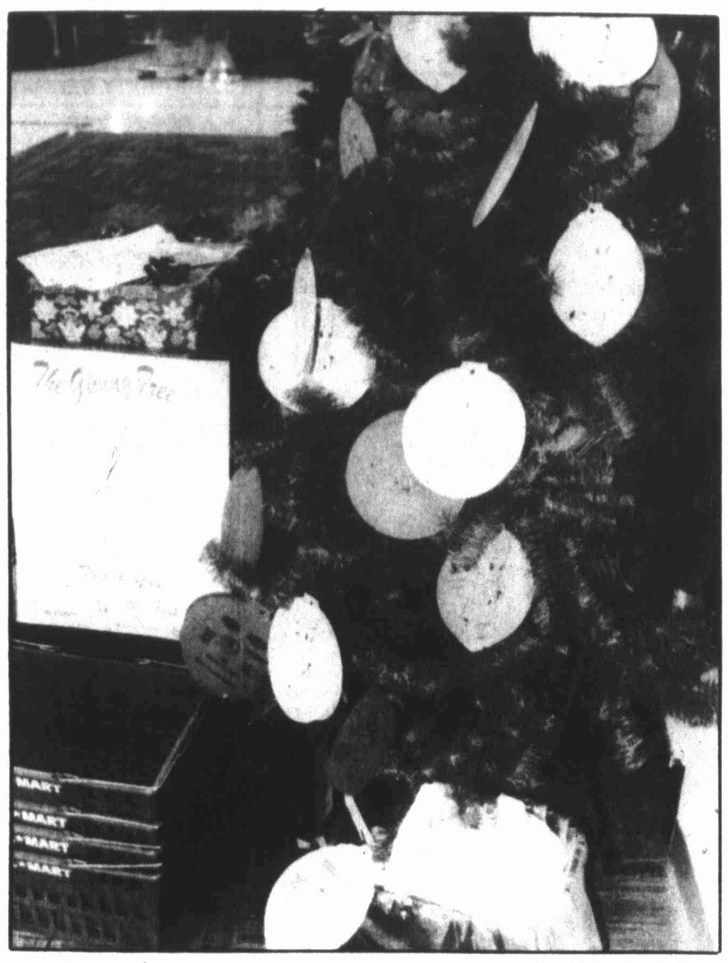
Gift buyers tend to be very generous and include extra items for the child whose ornament they select. "That's why we request the gifts be unwrapped," McHughes said. "That way we can help even things out you don't have one child with 10 gifts and several others with only one."

Sometimes "extras" purchased for a child are held back to be given on the child's birthday. As McHughes pointed out, those who wouldn't receive Christmas presents without the Giving Tree wouldn't receive birthday presents either.

It's rare except in very small communities for the tree to run out of ornaments before the deadline. As more children come under CPS care, more ornaments are added to the tree.

A program that helps keep Giving Tree going is the Patron Angel program. "Patron Angels" can donate money throughout the year, and the donated funds help CPS provide toiletries, clothing and other necessities for children they assist. "This helps us, especially what with budget cuts," McHughes said.

Those interested in being volunteer gift wrappers, learning about foster parenting, or who need more information on the Giving Tree or Patron Angel programs can call McHughes at (915) 686-2254.



Herald photo by Tim Appel

The Giving Tree, located in Wal-Mart, bears ornaments with the Christmas gift wishes of abused or neglected needy children. Gift donors pick ornaments from the tree, buy the gift requested on the ornament, and leave it unwrapped. Children's Protective Services caseworkers wrap and deliver the gifts.

CAREER CORNER

Occupational title: Aquatic biology

Duties: Aquatic biology consist of three different areas.

1. Marine biologists study the world of ocean plants and animals.

2. Limnologists study the animal and plant life in freshwater areas such as lakes, rivers, ponds or streams.

3. Aquaculturists use their understanding of fish, clams, lobster, shrimp and oysters to develop commercial farms.

Working environment: They work in offices, labs, classrooms, and the water site.

Helpful high school classes: College preparatory, Biology, English, math, chemistry, physics, computer and foreign language.

Continuing education and training: Junior college (basics) and senior college

Some sources of training or education: Howard College (basics), Southwest Texas State University, Lamar University, Texas A&M University and the University of Texas at Austin.

Salary: 1993 average $32,500.

Job prospects: Good.

Career Corner appears courtesy of Roger Goertz, Career Technology Department, Big Spring High School.



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Four-year-old Travis Jones, left, and 4-year-old Malcolm Adams, center left, take part in a song at the sanctuary of Ambassadors of Christ Outreach Center in Fort Worth. The number of Christian schools for minorities is increasing in the Fort Worth area.

Private schools for minorities increase

By VALERIE FIELDS
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

FORT WORTH — At first, Louise Carter got notes from her grandson's preschool teacher.

Then, she began receiving phone calls from his teacher at S.S. Dillow Elementary School.

The complaint: Randy Lewis shoved his classmates.

Carter couldn't understand why the teacher contacted her.

"My God, couldn't you take care of that?" she recalled saying to the teacher. "I mean . . . when he's in school, he's in your care."

A spanking would probably have quickly resolved the problems, the grandmother concluded. But the teacher and others there seemed ill-equipped to discipline a spirited 4-year-old boy, Carter concluded.

At the end of the school year, Carter sent Randy to Ambassadors of Christ Christian Academy, a predominantly black, church-run school in southeast Fort Worth, for kindergarten.

There, Randy's teachers have parents' permission to discipline him physically, if necessary, when he misbehaves. His grandmother is convinced that he has improved academically and is more polite and better behaved.

After the integration of city public schools and the flight of many white students to suburban and private schools, some minority parents said they believe that the students left behind have been shortchanged. A growing number of African-American parents say they are dismayed that public schools make it difficult for teachers to spank, for students to pray and, ultimately, for children to learn.

Many seek alternatives. Although Catholic schools traditionally have enrolled a number of African-American students, some predominantly black Protestant churches are starting their own schools.

"I think parents are trying to find the best solutions for a growing problem," said Carter, who is an African-American.

In Tarrant County, two African-American church-run schools have emerged since 1992. Others are planned.

Ambassadors of Christ Christian Church, a predominantly black nondenominational church, opened a school at 5430 Miller Ave. near Mansfield Highway in fall 1992 with 58 students in kindergarten through eighth grades. Last month, 350 students, 99 percent of whom are African-American, were enrolled in kindergarten through 12th grades, school officials said.

In August, Arlington's Mount Olive Baptist Church, which has a predominantly black congregation, opened Metro Christian Academy, 301 W. Sanford St. The school's administrator, June James, declined to give the school's enrollment or racial makeup. However, others associated with the school said that it has several hundred students, most of them African-American and Hispanic.

And predominantly black Cornerstone Baptist Church in

Please see **SCHOOLS**, page 3B

Versatile interpreters sign for deaf in two spoken languages

By MARCOS GUAJARDO
Del Rio News-Herald

DEL RIO, Texas — Both Rosalba Hernandez and Elsa Flores put a new twist in being interpreters for the deaf by being trilingual. They are able to translate Spanish into sign language and are aable to sign both in English and Spanish.

The sign language that is used in Mexico is different than the one used in the American Sign Language (ASL). Both women use ASL so as not to confuse their students between the two.

Sometimes the parents of the deaf children only speak Spanish. "I'm signing to that parent using my English signing but talking to the parent in Spanish. This is what some people that I met in sign language workshops find so unusual," Flores said.

Both Hernandez and Flores agree that there is a great need for Hispanics to be interpreters for the deaf community in this region. Hernandez said, "There's not a lot of Hispanic interpreters for the deaf. There is always a large number of Anglo deaf teachers whenever we attend workshops."

Their duties as teachers' aides for the deaf also includes the use of home visits in which they teach both the children and their parents. "I have been welcomed into their homes and have had very good communication with the parents," Flores said.

> I'm signing to that parent using my English signing but talking to the parent in Spanish. This is what some people that I met in sign language workshops find so unusual.
>
> **Elsa Flores**

"We always seem to have a tendency to get involved with our students. In a regular class environment, the students change teachers from year to year. We start with our children at the age of two and continue all the way up to their time for graduation from high school. So we almost feel like parents to our students because of the time spent together," Flores added.

"We tell our students to consider themselves like any other student, but they just happen to be deaf," Flores said.

"Our students are very smart but they just have to learn an extra step to communicate," Hernandez said.

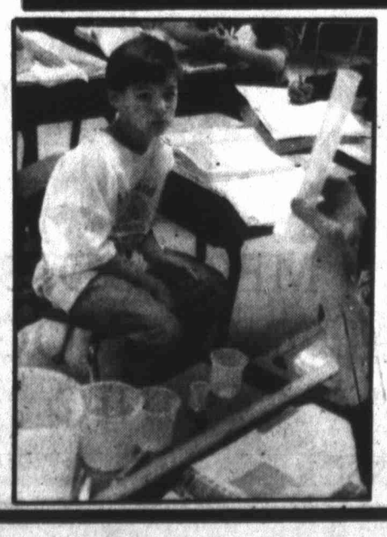
Flores is a native Del Rioan who got involved with sign language in 1973 and has been working with the Regional Day School Program for the Deaf (RDSPD) since that time.

Hernandez, a native Mexican, first learned sign language in New York when she married and moved there with her husband. She later lived in Arizona before returning to her parents' home in Mexico.

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PICTURE THIS



Measure with care

Chris Stokes watches as his teacher explains measuring liquids during science studies in his fourth grade class at Kentwood Elementary School Tuesday afternoon. (Herald photo by Tim Appel)

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Quarterback Club banquet Dec. 4

The Big Spring Quarterback Club is having the high school football banquet 7 p.m. Dec. 4 in the high school cafeteria. Tickets are $6 and can be purchased at Bob Brock Ford, Big Spring High School Athletic Office or Athletic Supply.

For more information, please call Sam Flud at 263-7171.

Christmas jazz show Dec. 5

Howard College Music Department will present a Christmas concert featuring popular jazz Christmas selections 8 p.m. Dec. 5 in the cafeteria of the Student Union Building. Free admission.

TCA collects food for the needy

TCA Cable TV of Big Spring will be accepting canned food for needy residents during the next few weeks. The canned food and other commercially wrapped non-perishable food items will be collected at the cable office, 2006 Birdwell Lane, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

New cable subscribers will receive free installation if they donate eight or more food items. The contributions will be picked up by TCA employees at the time of the new connection. Current subscribers can receive free connection to new cable services with a donation of eight or more items as well.

The food will be given to the Salvation Army for local distribution. Call 267-3821 for more information.

THE LAST WORD

A state from which religion is banished can never be well-regulated.

—Pope Leo XIII

Journalists don't believe...the Freedom of Information Act was created to be turned on us as an excuse to hide information.

—Sarah Overstreet

When you drive men from the public arena, where debate is free, you send them to the cellar, where revolutions are born.

—William E. Borah

READ ALL ABOUT IT

Test your reading comprehension by reading the story below and answering the questions that follow:

Candy Used In Space

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — A scientist flying on space shuttle Columbia used candy to teach youngsters about the difficulty of mixing things in weightlessness.

During a half-hour science lesson with students in two states, astronaut Catherine Coleman shook plastic bags containing up to 50 M&M's and 50 miniature marshmallows. Unlike on Earth, the heavier M&M's did not sink to the bottom — all the candies floated ramdomly inside the bags.

One student at the Museum of the Rockies at Montana State University in Bozeman wanted to know what would happen if an astronaut wanted to make bread or cake in orbit. How would the ingredients be mixed?

"You have to think about things a little bit differently up here," Coleman explained. "It's not like you can just stir something and have it stay in the bowl."

Coleman's recommended recipe? Combine dry ingredients in a bag before the flight, inject water and freeze-dried eggs in orbit, shake, bake and voila!

"I guess we could make a cake in space. You know, it might not be a bad idea," she said, smiling.

Coleman also fielded questions from students at the Sierra Middle School in Las Cruces, N.M.

Coleman and her crewmates conducted more crystal and fluid experiments in Columbia's laboratory, 12 days into their 16-day flight. The mission is due to end with a Kennedy Space Center landing.

Use the information from the story to answer the following true and false questions:

1. Catherine Coleman, a scientist on board the space shuttle Columbia, used candy to teach children about flying.
2. One purpose of the lesson was to show students that weightlessness makes it difficult to mix things in outer space.
3. The science lesson took almost an hour to complete.
4. Students in New Mexico and Montana were able to ask Coleman questions about the lesson.
5. Coleman's experiment proved that, whether on Earth or in space, M&M's and miniature marshmallows weigh about the same.
6. One reason space food is placed in plastic bags is to prevent the food from floating around inside the craft.
7. The two candies floated ramdomly (in an unplanned way) inside the bags because the bags were filled with water.
8. If the candy experiment had been done on Earth, the M&M's would have sunk to the bottom of the bags.
9. According to the article, it is possible to bake bread in space by mixing the ingredients in a large bowl.
10. During the 16-day flight, crewmates aboard the Columbia tried baking different kinds of cakes.

BONUS: The only way Coleman can show the effects of weightlessness in space is to use exactly 100 pieces of candy.

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Answer key: 1)F 2)T 3)F 4)T 5)F 6)T 7)F 8)T 9)F 10)F Bonus)F

PART TWO:

FOOD FOR THOUGHT:

Foods used in outer space must be bite-size, crumb-free, low in weight, and easily restored with water if dehydrated or freeze-dried.

Imagine you've been asked to plan a menu for a three-day space flight. What foods would you choose? Don't forget dessert!

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The Indians of Virginia, 400 Years Ago

In Pocahontas' Day

The Englishman John Smith recorded these Powhatan words in 1612. We have given you guides to pronounce them.

welcome; hello
wingapo
wing-GA-poe

farewell
anah
AH-na

man
nemarough
NEM-a-roe

woman
crenepo
cre-NE-poe



The Powhatans cut trees to make poles for their house frames. Some houses had shingles made of bark, while others were covered with mats made of reeds. Since there were no windows, air and light came in through the doors and the smokehole at the top.



Indians dance at a ceremony. This painting was made by an English explorer in 1586.

- Women and children grew the crops of corn, squash, beans and pumpkins. Girls and women gathered wild plants for food, medicines and houses. Girls helped cook and take care of younger children.
- Boys sat in fields and used bows and arrows to frighten away the birds. Boys learned to hunt and fish like the men in their tribe.
- Every day, even in winter, everyone bathed in streams. Sometimes they had to break the ice first. Even babies were bathed in icy waters to toughen them up.
- Life wasn't all work. Storytelling was a favorite thing to do. The Powhatans also enjoyed dancing and singing.
- Girls and boys married when they were 13 to 15 years old.
- There were no regular meals like we eat today. People helped themselves from a big pot when they got hungry.
- Most of the year, children did not wear clothes. When they got older, boys wore loincloths. Older girls wore short deerskin skirts or aprons. In the winter, people might wear fur or deerskin capes.



The Powhatans wore necklaces of shells, teeth or bones. Men and children shaved part or all of their heads. Men and women painted their bodies with designs, and women often tattooed designs on their bodies.

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Rookie Cookie's Recipe

A-Maizing Bread

Maize is an American Indian word for corn.

You'll need:

- 1 cup cornmeal
- 8-ounce can cream-style corn
- 2 eggs, beaten
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 1 cup buttermilk
- ½ cup vegetable oil
- 1 cup Cheddar cheese, grated
- 2 teaspoons jalapeno peppers, finely chopped

What to do:

1. Combine all ingredients, except cheese and peppers, in a large bowl. Mix well.
2. Add cheese and peppers. Mix well.
3. Pour mixture in a greased 8-inch-by-8-inch baking pan.
4. Bake in a preheated 350-degree oven for 45 to 50 minutes.
5. Cut into squares.

Makes 9 pieces.

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BASSET BROWN THE NEWS HOUND'S POCAHONTAS TRY 'N FIND

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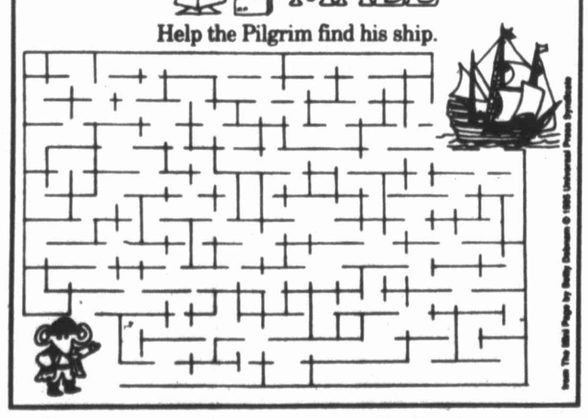
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MAZE

Help the Pilgrim find his ship.



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"The Indian Princess"

The Real Pocahontas

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Pocahontas is one of our country's greatest heroines.



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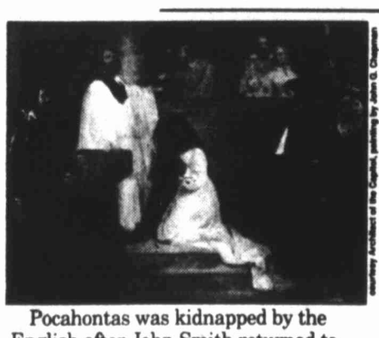
For a time she helped bring peace between the Indians and the English.



The story of how Pocahontas saved John Smith's life is a famous one. We know about this event from his writings. He wrote that when the natives were about to kill him, she "got his head in her armes and laid her owne upon his to save him from death."

Some people think this might have been a part of an Indian adoption ceremony, a ritual to test John Smith, or a demonstration that Powhatan was in charge, but no one knows for sure.

Another time, she put her life in danger when she warned him that her people were planning to kill him.



courtesy Architect of the Capitol, painting by John G. Chapman



While being held hostage, Pocahontas met John Rolfe, a tobacco planter whose wife had died. He wanted to marry her. She was sent, under guard, to ask her father's permission.

Powhatan agreed to the marriage and also to a peace treaty. Pocahontas was about 17. She and John Rolfe had one son, named Thomas.

Leaving home

In 1616, Pocahontas, her husband, son and several Powhatans sailed to England. The purpose of the visit was to encourage colonists to settle in Virginia.

While there she was entertained by royalty and even met the queen. She also had at least one meeting with John Smith.

Pocahontas died in England when she was about 21 years old. We really don't know what caused her to die.

Pocahontas was the daughter of a powerful Indian leader, Powhatan (POW-a-tan). He ruled over 32 tribes in what is now Virginia.

She was born in about 1596. We know very little about her early life.

She was about 11 years old when she met the colonists and John Smith, one of their leaders.

This statue in Gloucester, Va., shows her as a young girl in an Indian dress. Indian children of that day did not wear clothes until they were teen-agers.

Pocahontas was kidnapped by the English after John Smith returned to England. Powhatan agreed to some but not all of the ransom demands, so the English did not free her.

The English taught her to read and write. She adopted their Christian religion. The picture above is an artist's version of her baptism. She was given a new name, Rebecca.



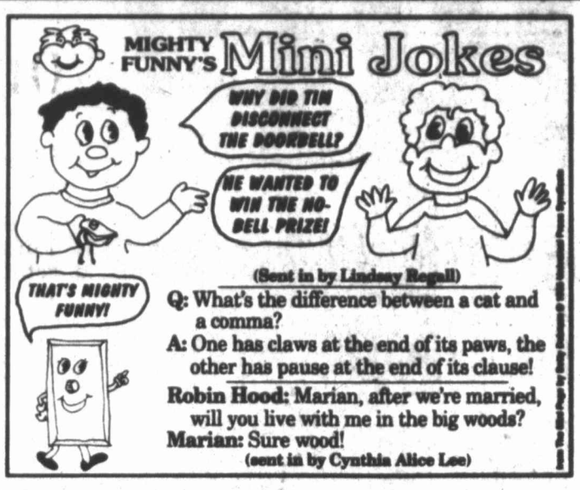
courtesy Jamestown Yorktown Educational Trust

This portrait, painted from the only picture based on her in real life, shows Pocahontas in English dress.

The Mini Page thanks the Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation and Nancy Egloff of the Jamestown Settlement.

Next week, rediscover the joys and importance of giving during the Christmas season, and all year-round.

MIGHTY FUNNY'S Mini Jokes



(Sent in by Lindsay Regall)

Q: What's the difference between a cat and a comma?

A: One has claws at the end of its paws, the other has pause at the end of its clause!

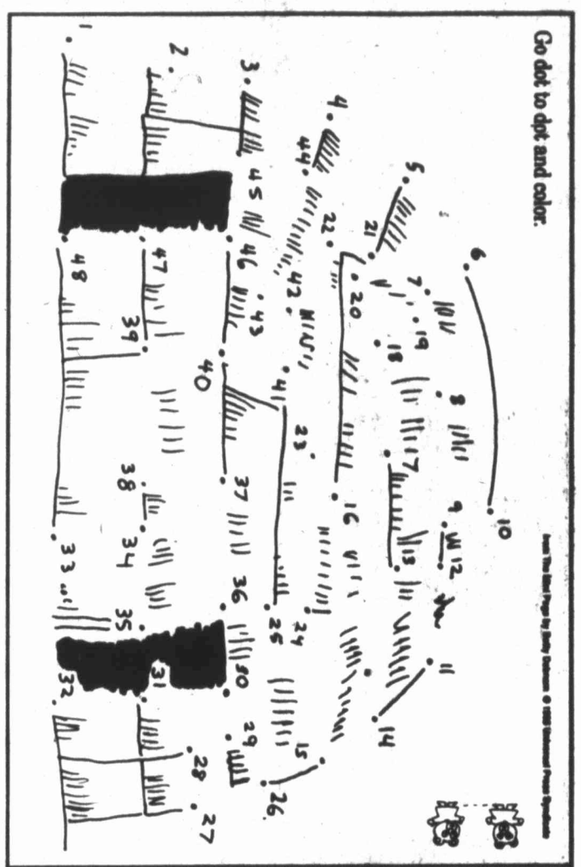
Robin Hood: Marian, after we're married, will you live with me in the big woods?

Marian: Sure wood!

(sent in by Cynthia Alice Lee)

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Go dot to dot and color.



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Give the gift of words

By KAREN MacPHERSON
Scripps Howard News Service

Here are some children's items — all either books or somehow related to books — that would make great Christmas gifts:

PRESCHOOLERS:

Two new story collections by Candlewick Press make wonderful gifts for families who love to read aloud. Both "The Candlewick Book of Bear Stories" and "The Candlewick Book of Bedtime Stories" contain stories, poems and illustrations from some of today's most outstanding children's book authors and artists.

Get ready for hours of fun with these books, which cost $17.95 each. (Ages 3-7).

If your children are Berenstain Bear fans (and most kids are), you can't go wrong with "The Berenstain Bear's Sampler" (Random House, $14.99). This collection of stories includes ones that help young readers deal with such issues as going to the doctor, cleaning up their rooms and dealing with a new sibling. (Ages 3-6).

Pleasant Company has had phenomenal success in selling dolls that relate to various historical periods. Now the company has launched the "Bitty Baby," a vinyl-headed, soft-bodied baby doll. The doll comes in four races and costs $38. Parents can order outfits and accessories, each of which comes with its own interactive storybook and coloring book.

Schools

Continued from page 1B

southwest Arlington plans to build a school by the end of the decade, Pastor Dwight McKissic said.

Proponents of the black Christian school movement say the new schools — particularly those in declining urban areas — are necessary to combat a growing hopelessness among children in inner cities and pass along cultural values to African-American youths.

Aside from its regular day school, Ambassadors provides other services, including before- and after-school care, tutors, talent shows and classes on self-esteem, peer pressure and money management.

A new gymnasium dedicated last month will allow the school to offer even more activities.

"This school has given this community hope," said Chris Spellmon, founder and principal of Ambassadors. "It's an alternative to the streets. It's an alternative to the jails."

Tuition at Ambassadors is $1,750 per year, and 30 percent of the students come from the neighborhood and attend church there, Spellmon said.

For many students, their school is their extended family.

On a recent Sunday, a number of students gathered at Ambassadors for worship services.

Spellmon preached. His wife, Regina, led the congregation in praise and worship. An assistant football coach and the school's administrator, Ida Hathman, sat in the audience.

"Basically, you see a lot of the same people at church during the week," said 16-year-old Chris Brown, a junior basketball player.

"You feel more like a family," said Brown, who played the drums during Sunday's worship services.

The concept of black Christian schools is not new.

Christian schools were begun by freed slaves whose children were barred from attending white-only public schools, said Jack Layman, a professor at Columbia International University in Columbia, S.C.

With integration, however, many privately run black church schools lost their students to public schools and folded, researchers said.

No national or state agency keeps tabs on how many private schools are affiliated with African-American churches.

In recent years, however, a growing number of African-American parents have become dissatisfied with integrated public schools that they say did not deliver on promises of quality education.

Louise Carter, who is Randy's legal guardian, said she has been impressed with the academic achievements of her grandson and other students at Ambassadors.

Randy, she said, "talks on a much higher level than a 6-year-old talks," she said. "But most of these kids do. They use words that you turn around and say, 'Do you know what you're talking about?' "

Christian schools have been criticized in the past for low academic standards, but Spellmon said that no longer is true.

The school gained accreditation this year from the International Christian Accrediting Association, a Tulsa, Okla.-based agency. Because the schools are unregulated in Texas, it could not be determined how students in the church-related schools fare academically compared to their public school counterparts.

Although the black church schools emphasize academics, they are decidedly Christian.

At Ambassadors of Christ, "they have devotion and then Bible" the first thing every day, said Lena Jackson, a school administrative assistant.

On a breezy fall morning, students in navy slacks or skirts with pale yellow oxfords sat in the Ambassadors cafeteria, which doubles on Sunday as the church sanctuary.

A preschool class of 3-year-olds filed in at 11 a.m., lunch boxes in hand. All 15 students bowed their heads and thanked God in unison for their "daily bread."

"Amen! Jesus wept!" the students shouted at the end of their prayer.

Such a scene, unless student-initiated and led, would be forbidden in public schools.

Although many parents laud the Biblical focus of these new schools, others praise the black church schools for their strict discipline.

"You must be firm with my child," said Dee Stewart, who moved her teen-age son from a pricey Arlington secular private school to Ambassadors last year.

At his old school, Craig Murray Stewart III's teachers complained that he was inattentive. His mother said she believed that her son — one of only two black students at the school — was unchallenged and bored.

What he needed, she said, were more challenging classes and stricter discipline.

"I'm a Bible-toting believer that (if) you spare the rod, you spoil the child," said Stewart, a divorced mother of two who lives in southwest Arlington.

Moving Craig, now 14, to Ambassadors, his mother said, "was one of the best decisions that the Lord ever inspired me to make."

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FORECAST FOR FRIDAY, DEC. 1

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Be more in touch with your long-term desires. Your imagination takes you down a new road. Listen to feedback. You see life in a unique way and are willing to adjust. You are in touch with all things intellectual. Detach, and gain insight. Tonight: Go for what you want.*****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Gather information, and deal with a setback. You might not be able to take action. Listen carefully to a partner so you can see what is going on. Confidential, intimate chats mark the day. Be open to sharing. Tonight: Make special plans.**

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You are popularity-plus. Listen better. Question what you want before you leap into action. Touch base with your long-term needs. You have many more options than you think. Discussions are active, especially with partnership matters. Tonight: Party time.*****

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You get a lot done quickly. Listen, think and then go for it. Your success is highlighted as the result of your responsible attitude. Touch base with a relative or respected elder who is always full of good advice. All eyes are on you. Tonight: Bathe in the limelight.****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Reach out to people who are at a distance. Stay on top of changes. Creative brainstorming is highlighted. You can see a situation differently, and your feedback is needed. Consider an offer that could have you taking off at the drop of a hat. Tonight: Go for the unusual.*****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) One-to-one relating is your main emphasis. You deal with an immediate liability. You understand what is happening and gain perspective because of what a partner says. You enjoy sharing special moments. Tonight: Go for romance.*****

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Others seek your opinion. Sort through problems, and know what works for you. Listen to a close associate, even if you are not sure he is right. A new door opens as a result. Be open to changes that could help you reach your long-term goals. Tonight: Be out and about.*****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Plunge into work, and don't let distractions - and there will be plenty of them -- get to you. Stay clear about what you want. Use your dynamic energy to get the job done. You see events with a different perspective if you are focused. Work out stress. Tonight: R&R.***

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Your fun-loving, adoring side comes out as you relate to someone. You question changes, but you are best off approaching a situation with a light touch. Get feedback, and open up to possibilities. Let your imagination lead you. Tonight: Let loose.*****

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You are more together than you think. Follow your instincts. What appears to be a sudden insight has been a long time coming. Be open to the process. Examine your basic needs and priorities. Family dominates. Tonight: Be homeward bound.****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Communications are active and offer a wealth of possibilities. You know what you want and realize your limitations. Fun happens when you chat with friends about what is on tap for the weekend. Be spontaneous. Tonight: Go out.*****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Expenses could be out of whack. Be reasonable with someone, but state your objectives. A loved one expresses caring feelings. You understand where this person is coming from, but it is important for you to find a middle ground. Tonight: Your treat.***

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR FRIDAY, DEC. 1, 1995: Your fun and dynamic side comes out this year. Others are drawn to your imagination and your abilities. Permit your creative juices to bubble forth. You understand what it takes to make different projects work. Your finances flourish this year as well, though you still have a tendency to be wild. If you are single, romance is important and active this year. If attached, you might choose to cement your commitment even further. ARIES makes you laugh.

THE STARS SHOW THE KIND OF DAY YOU'LL HAVE: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

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Son's ties to parents choke some readers



Abigail Van Buren
Columnist

DEAR ABBY: This is in response to "Irritated in Ohio," who was upset because her 38-year-old husband calls his parents twice a day. What's her problem? If that's the only thing she can find wrong with her husband, she should consider herself lucky. I think any man who thinks that much of his mother would make a wonderful husband.

I'm very close to my parents. Both are in good health, but they live 350 miles away. Since I can visit them only a couple of times a year, I call them almost daily.

If I ever meet a man who thinks I shouldn't be so close to my parents, I would tell him where to go. I would never jeopardize my relationship with my parents to compensate for someone's low self-esteem. Perhaps "Irritated in Ohio" should work on her self-esteem issue and stop feeling threatened when her husband calls his parents. -- BARBARA CARROLL, SPRINGFIELD, ORE.

DEAR BARBARA: Although my thinking is along the lines of yours, I was surprised at how much mail "Irritated's" letter generated from readers who disagreed with my answer. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I'm writing about the letter from "Irritated in Ohio," the woman whose husband called his parents twice a day. He didn't call when he and his wife went away on vacation, and his parents laid a guilt trip on him.

You said you didn't understand why the wife should be upset. You missed the boat, Abby, big time! A man leaves his parents and cleaves to his wife at marriage. She becomes the most important person in his life when this new core family forms. Contact with parents is not cut off, but it should be reduced.

If the husband has a loving relationship with his parents and calls to check up on them every other day or so (or even once a week), that should be sufficient. If he has to check in with his parents twice a day, something is seriously wrong. At 38, he should have emotionally separated from his parents. (I've been married 21 years and have a good relationship with my in-laws.) -- PAULA CUFR, CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA

DEAR PAULA: Many people agreed with you. Read on:

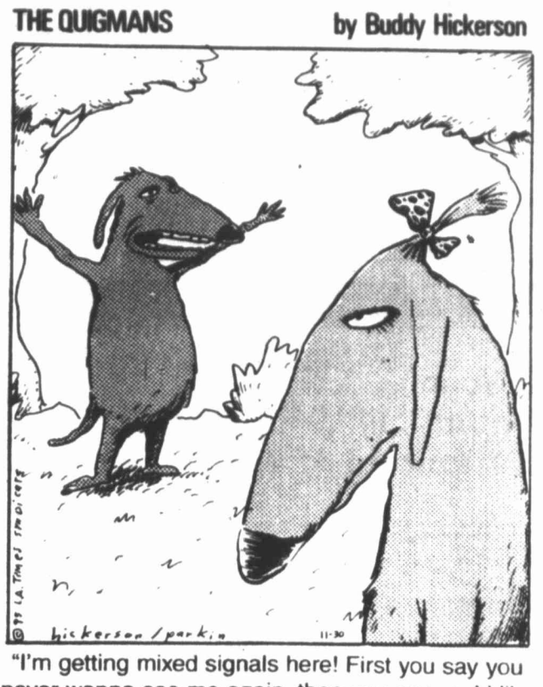
DEAR ABBY: A man who calls his parents twice a day should not be admired. There's a difference between being devoted and being dependent.

The fact that his parents felt neglected because their son didn't call while he was on vacation for three days suggests that they, too, are dependent. These people need to grow up and get a life. After all, the man in question is married and has a wife who needs him. The parents have each other and should be able to live their own lives without needing their son to call them every day.

You should have told "Irritated" that she should find out why this man is so tied to his mother's apron strings, and to get counseling. This kind of dependent behavior is fine for children, but to admire such qualities in an adult is only to exacerbate the problem. Eventually this man will have to make a choice between being married to his wife, or giving in to his parents' dependent whims. -- INDEPENDENT IN DALLAS

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THE QUIGMANS by Buddy Hickerson



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Jackie Olson, County Auditor
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Announcements 036

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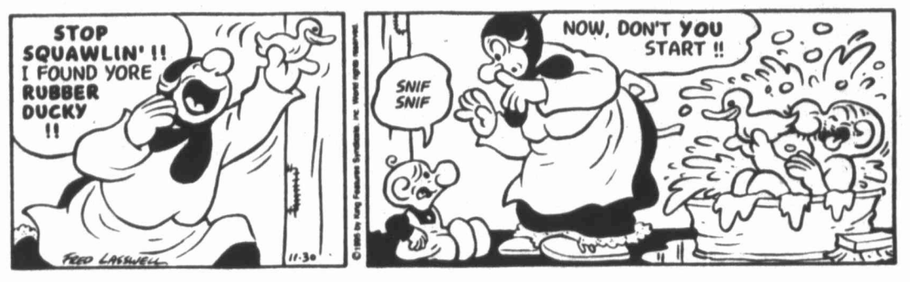
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6 :PM :30	News Wh. Fortune	Simpsons Home Imp.	News-Lehrer Science Guy	Waltons (615943)	News (8027) Ent. Tonight	News Wh. Fortune	News (9127) Seinfeld	Home Videos Home Videos	Lazos de Amor (68818)	MMC Hollywood Liv.	(795160) Country News	(:15) **Movie:** Terminal	" "	(159837) "	Light of the Southwest	Rockford Files "	Beyond 2000 Next Step	In the Heat of the Night	Futbol Winter	(267301) NFL Tonight	" Sing a Song	Out All Night Benson
7 :PM :30	Ghosts, Psych "	Living Single Crew	Jerry Baker Gardening	Highway to Heaven	Murder, She Wrote	Ghosts, Psych "	Friends Single Guy	(:05) Idols of the Game	Alondra (10634)	Toy Story American	McBride: Ahead	Velocity (CC) (60752818)	**Movie:** Quiz Show (CC)	Fields of Fire: Sports	(611566) LaLonde	Biography (185127)	Wild Discovery	**Movie:** Airplane!	Sportstalk Skiing Mag.	NFL Football: New York	**Movie:** Five Card Stud	Roc Comicview
8 :PM :30	Commish (CC) (6837)	New York Undercover	Mystery! (CC) (344382)	Rescue 911 "	New York News	Commish (CC) (26540)	Seinfeld Frasier	(CC) (5052653)	El Premio Mayor	Teacher Awards (CC)	Music City Tonight	**Movie:** Psycho Cop	(3116905) "	**Movie:** American Yakuza	Bishop Jakes John Osteen	Christmas Memory	Movie Magic Know Zone	(608214) "	Cycle World (26522)	Giants at Arizona Cardi-	(127363) "	Video Soul (157905)
9 :PM :30	" "	Nowhere Man (CC) (52672)	Mystery! (CC)	700 Club (229160)	48 Hours (CC) (20360)	" "	Salutes Jack Benny	(:05) Idols of the Game	Bienvenidos (16818)	(736943) "	(224301) Country News	2 (2578943) (:25) Sodbus-	Extras: Quiz Adventures of	(881059) Mr. Show	Praise the Lord	Peter and the Wolf	Time Traveler (189943)	**Movie:** Airplane II:	Motorsports Hour (90818)	nals (CC) (636943)	**Movie:** Magnificent	" "
10 :PM :30	News Cheers	Home Imp. In the Heat of	(796721) "	Shade Shade	News Late Show	News Nightline	News (91030) Tonight Show	(CC) (8595634)	Noticiero Uni. P. Impacto	" Madame	Club Dance (182063)	ters (CC) (80915585)	Priscilla "	Inside the NFL "	(640479) "	Law & Order (184498)	Next Step Beyond 2000	The Sequel (287617)	Press Box Football Wkly.	NFL Sportscenter	Obsession (535108)	Benson Jazz Central
11 :PM :30	Roseanne Nightline	the Night Stephanie	Bonnie Raitt: Road Tested	Bonanza "	" Married... With	Ent. Tonight (:35) Rolonda	" Late Night	(:05) **Movie:** The Stone	Noche de Veronica	Sousatzka (196189)	McBride: Ahead	Marilyn Chambers'	(:15) **Movie:** Handgun	Real Sex 13 "	" "	Biography (767905)	Wild Discovery	**Movie:** Ski Lift to Death	Golf: Pro-Am Tournament	Big Gm Fishing	**Movie:** Foul Play	(683437) "
12 :AM :30	Rush L. Inside Edition	Miller Extra	(789566) "	Paid Program Paid Program	Late Late Show	(8967498) News	" Coach	Killer (6463276)	(316634) "	Toy Story (:35) **Movie:**	Music City Tonight	Bedtime **Movie:** Evil	(2123450) (:45) **Movie:**	**Movie:** Trial by Jury (CC)	Precious Update News	Christmas Memory	Movie Magic Know Zone	(650837) "	Squash: Hong Kong Open	Running Racehorse	(380063) "	" Comicview

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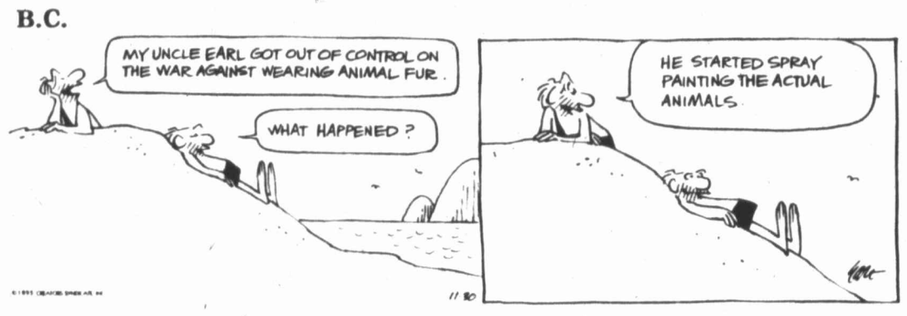
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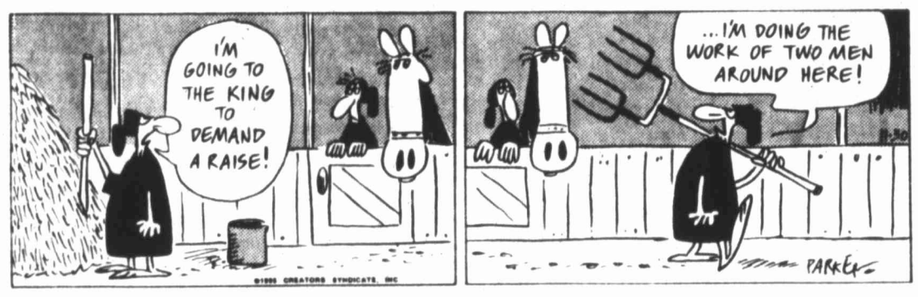
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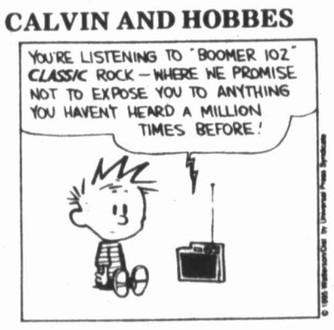
The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

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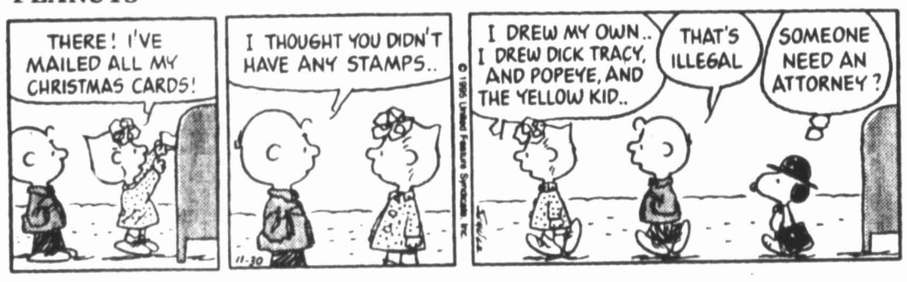
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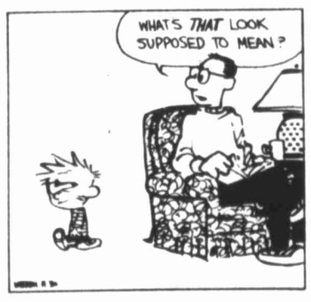


PEANUTS



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CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

ACROSS
1 Ending for duck
5 Morning moisture
8 Valhalla VIP
12 Culture medium
13 Eventual aves
14 Lump
15 "— Lisa"
16 Military conflict
17 They do the hole job
18 Boldly shameless
20 Its business is picking up
22 Foul up
23 Calendar abbr.
24 Begins to develop
27 Too young
32 I love, to Livy
33 "No seats"
34 Carpentry tool
35 Detective
38 Eye woe
39 Born
40 Cagers' org.
42 Delicate in meaning
45 It's useful if you break your word
49 Help hoods
50 Actress MacGraw
52 Feature of 20 Across
53 Transaction
54 Prot. or Cath.
55 Headlight?
56 Johnson of "Laugh-In"
57 Mule of song
58 The yoke's on them

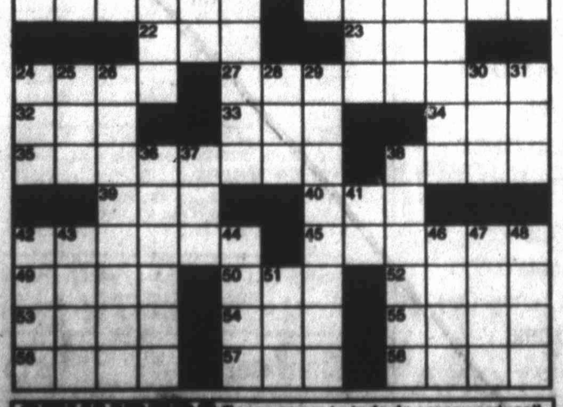
DOWN
1 Exemplar of gentleness
2 Composer Stravinsky
3 "Peter Pan" pooch
4 Just barely hits
5 Fast fall
6 One of the Gabors
7 Nearing the treasure
8 Ass
9 Blue
10 Inactive
11 Cozy haven
19 TV hospital drama
21 Citric quencher
24 "Humbug!"
25 Actress Thurman
26 Pessimistic
28 Gun-lobby org.
29 Free of obstacles
30 Festive
31 Ram's ma'am
36 Heated singer?
37 Choice: abbr.
38 Poet dubbed "the tenth Muse"
41 Near
42 Actress Thompson
43 Above, in Germany
44 Perot's are prominent
46 Piltdown man, e.g.
47 Parisiennes' magazine
48 "Eat at Joe's" material
51 Meadow

Solution time: 23 mins.

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Yesterday's answer

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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

Today is Thursday, Nov. 30, the 334 day of 1995. There are 31 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 30, 1835, Samuel Langhorne Clemens — better known as author Mark Twain — was born in Florida, Mo.

On this date:

In 1782, the United States and Britain signed preliminary peace articles in Paris, ending the Revolutionary War.

In 1803, Spain completed the process of ceding Louisiana to France.

In 1804, the only U.S. Supreme Court justice impeached to date, Samuel Chase, went on trial, accused of political bias. He was acquitted by the Senate.

In 1874, British statesman Sir Winston Churchill was born at Blenheim Palace.

In 1900, Irish author Oscar Wilde died in Paris.

In 1936, London's famed Crystal Palace, constructed for the International Exhibition of 1851, was destroyed in a fire.

In 1939, the Russo-Finnish War began as Soviet troops invaded Finland.

In 1949, Chinese Communists captured Chungking.

In 1962, U Thant of Burma was elected Secretary-General of the United Nations, succeeding the late Dag Hammarskjold.

In 1966, the former British colony of Barbados became independent.

In 1981, the United States and the Soviet Union opened negotiations in Geneva aimed at reducing nuclear weapons in Europe.

Ten years ago: Commenting publicly for the first time on recent espionage arrests, President Reagan said in his Saturday radio address from his California ranch that the U.S. would "root out and prosecute the spies of any nation."

Five years ago: President Bush announced that Secretary of State James Baker III would go to Iraq in a last-ditch diplomatic peace effort. President Bush named outgoing Florida Gov. Bob Martinez to head the nation's war on drugs. Author Norman Cousins died in Los Angeles at age 75.

One year ago: Two passengers died and nearly 1,000 others and crew members fled the cruise ship Achille Lauro after it caught fire off the coast of Somalia; the ship sank two days later. The Achille Lauro had gained notoriety in 1985 when it was hijacked by Palestinian extremists. Rapper Tupac Shakur was shot and wounded in New York during a robbery.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Virginia Mayo is 75. Actor Efrem Zimbalist Jr. is 72. Former New York Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm is 71. Actor Richard Crenna is 68. TV personality and producer Dick Clark is 66. Radio talk show host G. Gordon Liddy is 65. Playwright David Mamet is 48. Former Agriculture Secretary Mike Espy is 42. Singer Billy Idol is 40. Football and baseball player Bo Jackson is 33.

Thought for Today: "'Classic': a book which people praise and don't read." — Mark Twain (1835-1910).

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