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WEATHER

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Salvation Army Back-to-School program to start

The Salvation Army will holding its Back-To-School program Monday through Friday.

During those days, the Salvation Army will be taking applications for those in need of assistance with school supplies from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Salvation Army Community Center located at 811 W. Fifth Street.

The Salvation Army is in need of pencils, scissors, crayons, bottles of glue, wide-rule notebook paper, and 2-inch notebooks.

Also needed are school boxes, zipper bags, pens, pocket folders with brads, erasers, map colors, markers, manilla paper, dividers, construction paper, and boxed tissue.

The distribution date will be Aug. 13 from 9 a.m. until noon.

WHAT'S UP...

MONDAY

❑ Senior Circle meets at 4 p.m. at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics. People 50 and older are invited.

❑ Big Spring Evening Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. 1607 East Third.

TUESDAY

❑ Intermediate Line Dance class, 9 a.m., Senior Citizens Center.

❑ Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room.

WEDNESDAY

❑ Optimist Club, 7 a.m., Howard College Cactus room.

❑ Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics, 10 a.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center cafeteria. People 50 and older are invited.

❑ Big Spring Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.

❑ Line dancing, 1 p.m., Senior Center.

❑ Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie ladies auxiliary meets at 7 p.m. at the Eagles Lodge, 704 West Third.

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Alon will contest some $17 million in appraised taxable values

By ROGER CLINE
Staff Writer

Howard County and Howard College should see taxable values in their jurisdictions increase this year. The amount of the increase depends on appraisal dispute hearings scheduled to start Monday.

The largest disputed valuation is that of the Alon USA Refinery, formerly owned by Fina, located on Interstate 20. Alon is contesting the refinery's value, which it believes is $17 million less than the assessed figure.



CONCIENNE TOOMIRE

"We believe that the value of the refinery should be at the price we paid for the refinery," manager Joe Concienne said Thursday. "There was an audit done and every piece of the transaction was given a value."

Concienne said the audit was conducted by an independent auditing firm.

Keith Toomire, chief appraiser for the Howard County Appraisal District, said the refinery's value was calculated by an Austin-based appraisal firm.

"We have an appraisal firm do it for us," he said. "Capital Appraisal Group of Austin. I'm very confident in them. If it had to go to district court, anything could happen, but I think we have probably the best appraisal firm in the state."

Jon Neely, president of Capital, said the refinery's value includes the value of the land, personal property located at the refinery and $25 million worth of oil inventory, but that the largest percentage of the value is in refinery improvements.

Those improvements increased in value from $57 million in 2000 to $64 million in 2001, Neely said. The increase is mainly due to an economic upswing in the oil industry, he said.

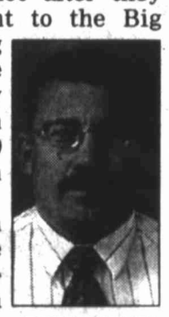
"If you've got something that will make you more money, it's going to go up in

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House of dogs taken in at shelter

By ROGER CLINE
Staff Writer

The fate of 19 dogs hangs in the balance after they were brought to the Big Spring Humane Society Shelter on Interstate 20 west of town last week.



PRITCHETT

Fourteen dogs were left abandoned in a mobile home in the 6500 block of East Robinson Road after a woman living with them was committed to Big Spring State Hospital for observation.

"There were 14 dogs with no running water, no electricity," Chief Deputy Gary Pritchett said. "We took them to the Humane Society. I think they were in fairly decent condition, all things considered."

Humane society director Debbie Ruth, who was bitten by one of the dogs shortly after they arrived at the shelter, agreed.

"Actually the dogs are in fairly good condition and they were well taken care of," she said. "It was just the conditions they were living in that were bad."

Ruth said the dog that bit her isn't vicious, just scared.

"They were extremely scared," she said. "None of them are vicious. The only reason this one bit me was out of pure fright."

The biter is being kept separate from the other dogs and observed to see if it develops symptoms of rabies.

"We'll just wait and see on that," Ruth said.

Ruth said that the dogs were filthy and smelled terrible when they were brought in.

"They smelled like death, like something that was dead and decaying," she said.

Ruth also said that the dogs' toenails hadn't been cut in some time and that they probably hadn't had shots.

One of the dogs died shortly after being brought to the shelter, and another gave birth to a litter of seven puppies.

"This morning we have seven new puppies," Ruth said. One of the puppies died soon after birth, so the shelter has 13 of the original dogs plus 6 puppies, or 19 new mouths to feed.

The sudden influx of dogs has filled the shelter to maximum capacity, she said.

"We had to put these dogs in the dirt pens out back," she said. "It's not good for them, but it's the only place we had left and it's a lot better for them than where they were."

Unfortunately, the 19 new dogs aren't available for adoption yet. A hearing will be necessary to determine their fate, since they were the property of the woman who was committed. The dogs could be put up for

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HERALD photo/Roger Cline

Samantha Sable, 12, of Big Spring holds a dog brought to the Big Spring Humane Society after its owner was committed to Big Spring State Hospital last week, leaving this and 13 other dogs confined in the owner's mobile home.

Lines drawn

Duncan hopes Big Spring will remain within his District 28

By BILL McCLELLAN
News Editor

As the Legislative Redistricting Board prepares to make its key decisions on redistricting Monday, Sen. Robert Duncan is pushing to keep Howard County in Senate District 28.



DUNCAN

There are three plans under consideration to redraw Senate districts, submitted respectively by Land Commissioner David Dewhurst, Lt. Gov. Bill Ratliff and Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander.

It is an amendment to Rylander's plan that has caused most of the concern as far as Howard County and its Crossroads area neighbors are concerned. Rylander's amendment would take Howard, Martin, Glasscock and Crane counties and place them in District 31, under Sen. Teel Bivins (R-Amarillo). The revamped district would include Midland, Odessa and Amarillo.

That's not good, says Duncan, R-Lubbock — at least, not good for Big Spring.

"I think she is trying to resolve a lot of different issues with her map that may or may not involve Big Spring so I am not critical of what she is trying to do at all," Duncan said, "But I think it is a plan that would disenfranchise Howard County a bit. I think Howard County's been

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Home schooling topic for Wednesday workshop

By LINDY B. BARR
Staff Writer

Is home schooling for your children?

The Big Spring Christian Home Educators (Home's Cooler Group), will be sponsoring a workshop informing parents, grandparents and students who have any questions about home schooling.

The Big Spring Home Educators would also like to encourage anyone that is considering home schooling to attend the workshop.

The workshop will be from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesday in the Parish Hall at St. Paul Lutheran Church. The church is located at Ninth and Gregg Street.

Tim Lambert, president of the Texas Home School Coalition, will be the keynote speaker.

"Tim Lambert is a well known man around this area, and we thought that it would be a great idea to have him come and speak," said Suzanne Haney, spokesperson for the group.

HOME SCHOOLING

When: 6:30 p.m.-9 p.m. Wednesday.

Where: St. Paul Lutheran Church Parish Hall.

For: Anyone interested in home schooling.

If anyone has any questions about any curriculum there will be some to view and purchase from Dow's School Room and Total Language Plus.

"Big Spring Christian Home Educators is a group of parents that is basically a contact group for anyone that has any questions about home schooling," said Haney.

"We have these meetings

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Howard College to offer quick TASP on Monday

By APRIL L. WARD
Staff Writer

Howard College will be offering the quick TASP on Monday for students who need to pass it before entering college.

Harvey Rothell, dean of counseling services at Howard College, said the TASP is a state-mandated test.

"The TASP tests students on writing, mathematics, and reading," he said. "It tests students for the minimum requirements they will need to be successful college students."

The quick TASP differs from the regular TASP in the amount of time it takes students to receive their scores.

"The main difference in the quick TASP is that people can get their scores a lot faster," testing coordinator Elizabeth Palomino said. "Often, they can get them within four to seven working days."

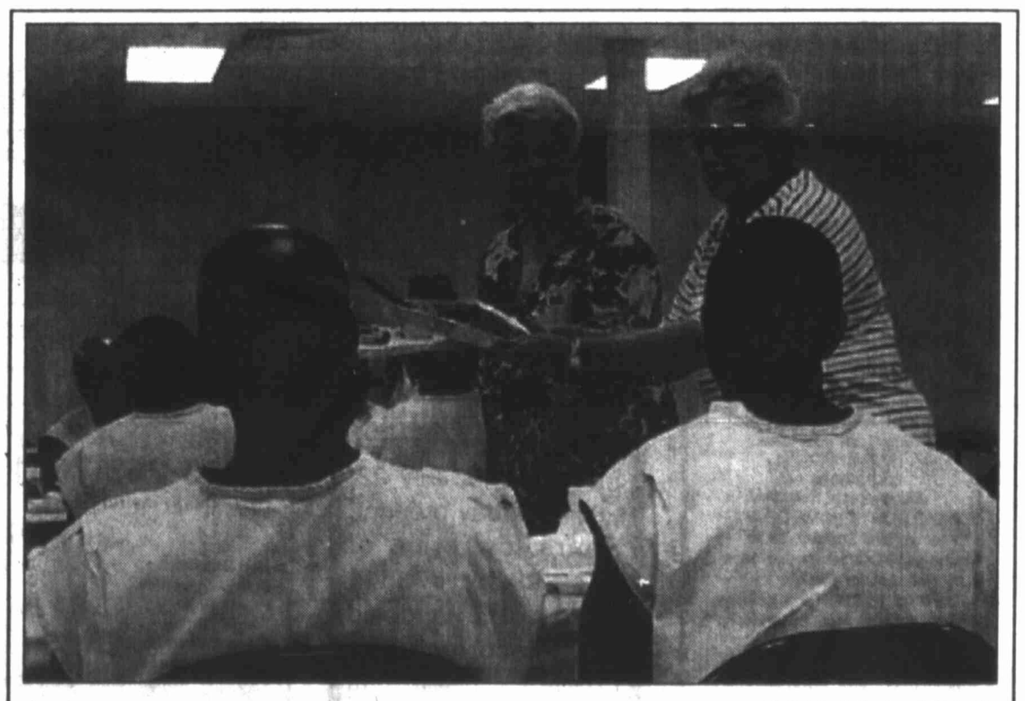
Howard College is also offering preparatory classes for students who wish to sharpen their skills before taking the TASP.

"We have preparatory classes here on campus," Rothell said. "We offer various levels of classes to help them get their skills up."

He added that the college also offers remedial TASP courses for students who fail the test and need to build up their skills before taking it again.

The test will begin at 12:30 p.m. in the science building

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Louise Griffin, left, and Pat Simmons serve dessert to Texas Department of Criminal Justice Wilderness Camp inmates on Friday at the Trinity Baptist Church Wes Craven Annex. The church served almost 150 prisoners in appreciation for the service the they perform for the community. Mayor Russ McEwen spoke to the crowd before the meal.

JULY 22, 2001

OBITUARIES

Doyle Dolan

Doyle Dolan, 75, of Big Spring, died on Wednesday, July 18, 2001, in a Crane nursing home.



Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Monday, July 23, 2001, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Rev. Bob Gilpin, retired Nazarene minister, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born on June 9, 1926, in Tucker, Okla., and married Juanetta Wood on July 12, 1947, in Big Spring. Mr. Dolan had worked in McCamey for Shell Pipeline and Oil Company until 1989, when he retired and moved to Big Spring.

He was a member of the First Baptist Church. He was a Mason and had served in the United States Army in World War II. He also served on the school board in McCamey and the McCamey Chamber of Commerce.

Survivors include his wife, Juanetta Dolan of Big Spring; two daughters, Jan Sheppard Massey of Big Spring and Linda Wright of Fayettville, Ark.; two sons, Jimmy Dolan of Midland and Robert Edward Dolan of Houston; two brothers, R.D. Dolan Jr. of Sonora, Calif. and Rudy Dolan of Big Spring; five sisters, Dema Thieme of Murphy, Ore., Betty Gisch of Lubbock, Mary Lamb of Red River, N.M., Sue Riddle of Big Spring and Judy Nichols of Coahoma; eight grandchildren, Stephen Hamlin, Gregory Hamlin, Denisia Phelps, Krista Shepard, Casey Dolan, Marcus Dolan, Chelsey Dolan and Samantha Dolan; and three great grandchildren, Danica Hamlin, Brittany Christian and Courtney Hamlin.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Leroy Dolan.

Arrangements and under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. www.npwelch.com

Paid obituary

Lucille A. Turney

Lucille A. Turney, 90, of Big Spring died Saturday, July 21, 2001, in a local hospital. Graveside funeral services will be at 9 a.m. Tuesday, July 24, 2001, at Trinity Memorial Park Peace Chapel.

She was born on Jan. 28, 1911, in Meridian, and married C.L. "Jack" Turney on May 1, 1932, in Lovington, N.M. He preceded her in death in 1986.

She was a Baptist.

Lucille was an instructor at the Valta Reese and Aladdin Beauty colleges for 20 years. She was also a Pink Lady volunteer at Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

Survivors include one son and daughter-in-law, Jerry and Winnie Turney of Big Spring; a grandson and wife, Jeff and Phyllis Turney of Big Spring; grandson Jay Turney of Austin; and one great-granddaughter, Amanda Turney of Dallas.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. www.npwelch.com.

Paid obituary

Leonard Loyd "Speck" Robertson

A funeral service for Leonard Loyd "Speck" Robertson, 83, of Granite Shoals was held at 10 a.m. Thursday, July 19, 2001, at Clements-Wilson Chapel in Marble Falls.

Mr. Robertson died Sunday, July 15, 2001.

He was born March 25, 1918, in Baird to George and Rebecca Robertson.

Survivors include his wife, Silva Robertson of Granite Shoals; a son, Michael Robertson of Georgia; a daughter, Patricia Shelby of Granite Shoals; a brother, Don Robertson of Big Spring; six grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Arrangements are under the direction of Clements-Wilson Funeral Home in Marble Falls.

Glendi Joyce Hines

Private services for Glendi Joyce Hines, 54, of Glasscock County will be held at a later date.

Mrs. Hines died Thursday, July 19, 2001, at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock following a long illness.

She was born Jan. 30, 1947 in Hot Springs, Ark. She married Henry Hines Jan. 22, 1966, in San Diego, Calif. She lived in Howard and Glasscock counties for 20 years. A homemaker, her hobbies were ceramics and reading.

Survivors include her husband, Thomas Henry Hines of Big Spring; three sons, Robert Jay Hines of Jacksonville, Fla., Joseph Henry Hines of Big Spring and James Wayne Hines of Glasscock County; three brothers, Ronald B. Russell of Washington State, Roy Lee Russell of Tallahassee, Fla., and Same J. Russell of Hot Springs, Ark.; and five grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the National Kidney Foundation, 30 E. 33rd St., Suite 1100, New York, N.Y., 10016, or www.kidney.org.

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

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Doyle Dolan, 75, died Wednesday. Services will be 11:00 AM Monday, July 23, 2001 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

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BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

in the refining industry for the first time in many years — since the early '90s."

Concienne disagreed, saying that appraisals shouldn't be based on short-term market fluctuations.

"The margin on refineries varies," he said. "The margin was up in April, May and part of June, but the margin is down again to very traditional levels in July, as are gasoline prices."

Concienne added that large, unpredictable increases in valuation make it hard for the company to estimate their tax burden.

"We've had a predictable tax burden and we're comfortable with that," he said. "My job, my responsibility to our employees, to Howard County and to our stockholders is to maintain a viable operating entity. The increase does put a burden on us and makes it hard to do that."

Local taxing entities could lose a combined total of approximately $400,000 in tax money if the hearing overturns the appraisal on the refinery.

The company is not trying to avoid paying its fair share, Concienne said.

"We're not looking to reduce our taxes. We're interested in providing our support to the community," he said. "I understand that there is a responsibility by the city to levy taxes, and there is a difference, but we plan to work it out."

Neely said the refinery's appraisal was calculated by Trey Novosad, an engineer with the firm.

"He appraised this with my full input," he said. "I've been appraising refineries for many years."

Toomire said mineral values taxable by the county and college could increase in value 30 to 35 percent. Total appraised mineral values in their coverage areas was $244.6 million in 2000.

Toomire estimated that the Howard County and Howard College total appraisals would increase to about $1.164 billion from $1.073 billion last year, an increase of about 8.5 percent.

"Generally, the county, the junior college, Coahoma schools and Forsan schools are going to see increases," he said. "Big Spring schools and city of Big Spring are going to be pretty much stagnant. There's not going to be much movement in them at all. Forsan city and Coahoma city, they're going to be close to the same, too."

Toomire said certified values are waiting on the outcome of the hearings.

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adoption later or returned to the woman. The dogs won't be euthanized, Ruth said.

"We are a no-kill shelter," she said.

Ruth said she didn't know how long the hearing process would take.

"We have to wait until that is cleared up," Ruth said. "They're all small and very adoptable dogs but we can't offer them for adoption because they're tied up in the sheriff's case."

Most of the new shelter residents are terrier or Lhasa mixed breeds, she said.

Ruth said the shelter is running an adoption special for other animals to help relieve the crowded conditions. Until the end of July, dog or cat adoptions are only $20, including shots and spaying or neutering, she said.

For more information, call the Humane Society shelter at 267-7832.

SCHOOLING

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to encourage and inform home schoolers and the parents of home schoolers," said Haney.

"There are so many families in Big Spring that don't even know that we have a group, and we want to let them know that we are here for their questions," she added.

This workshop will emphasize on the key points of home schooling.

"Teaching your own child is an honor. The longer you do it the more you love it," said Deanne Lester, spokesperson for Big Spring Home Educators.

Many home schoolers are participating in distance learning programs taught through Bob Jones University.

"Distance learning is done by satellite, the home schoolers sit live with a teacher and other students from all over the United States," said Lester.

"The distance learning is really a good thing for the kids, if they ever have a question they can e-mail the teacher and usually get a response within hours," said Lester.

Anyone having questions about the workshop can contact Haney at 263-7174 or Marie Dunnam at 267-7663.

SENATE

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served well in the 28th District with Lubbock and San Angelo."

"The effect is to put Howard County is a district represented by Amarillo," said Porter Wilson, Duncan's chief of staff. "You've got Midland and Odessa pushing for that. But the question you have to ask is would the interests of Midland and Odessa override the interests of Howard County?"

The five members of the Legislative Redistricting Board (LRB) — Dewhurst, Ratliff, Rylander, House Speaker Pete Laney and Attorney General John Cornyn — will hear testimony Monday on the three Senate redistricting plans as well as two to redraw House of Representatives district boundaries. After taking comment, the LRB will make its choices. Officials are resigned to the fact that no matter which choices are selected, the whole issue will end up in the courts.

Duncan, who will likely give up El Paso and Ector no matter which plan is chosen, said it's important that Howard County remain in the 28th District.

"Howard County and Big Spring are key players, I think. And when you look at those three major cities, San Angelo, Big Spring and Lubbock, they just kind of fit together. For instance, they have the Ports-to-Plains Trade Corridor and agriculture in common. So I want to keep those three together," said Duncan. "And I think they are pretty much anchors for surrounding counties. You have San Angelo to the south, Big Spring in the middle and Lubbock in the north, and I like that."

TASP

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in room 100. According to Rothell, there are certain items students will need to bring with them to take the test.

"Normally, we have them bring two forms of identification," Rothell said. "One of those needs to have a picture."

There is a fee.

"People will need to bring $29 in the form of a check or money order, not in cash," he said.

A regular PSAT is scheduled for Saturday, July 28, and additional dates have not yet been determined. For more information, call the guidance counseling office at 264-5085.

SUPPORT GROUPS

MONDAY

•TOPS Club (take off pounds sensibly), weigh-in 5 p.m. and meeting at 6 p.m., College Heights Christian Church, 21st and Goliad.

•Project Freedom, Christian support group for survivors of physical/emotional/sexual and/or spiritual abuse. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241 for dates/times of upcoming groups.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.

TUESDAY

• Caregivers Night Out, meets every fourth Tuesday every other month from 6 - 7:30 p.m. at Community Care Hospice.

•Gamblers Anonymous, 7 p.m., St. Stephen's Catholic Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. Call 263-8920.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. 12 and 12 study.

WEDNESDAY

•Gamblers Anonymous, 7 p.m., St. Stephen's Catholic Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. Call 263-8920.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. 12 and 12 study.

THURSDAY

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.

•Al-Anon support group, 8 p.m., 615 Settles.

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity from 8 a.m. Friday until noon Saturday:

• DAVID GEORGE SUMMERS, 52, of 1000 Stadium was arrested on a charge of criminal mischief.

• BERTHA CASTILLO, 30, of 515 N. Goliad was arrested for local warrants.

• A THEFT of more than $20,000 in jewelry was reported Friday. Items valued at $5,000, $5,000, $4,000, $3,000, $3,000 and $2,500 were reported stolen from a home in the 1000 block of Stadium.

• BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported in the 800 block of Interstate 20 West. Sometime between 11 p.m. Thursday and 6 a.m. Friday, someone reportedly broke into a vehicle and stole $1,100 worth of tools.

• ASSAULT was reported in the 1000 block of North Main. Police are treating the incident as a class C family violence offense.

• DOMESTIC DISPUTES were reported in the 1300 block of Colby Ave., the 300 block of Tulane, the 1000 block of North Main and the 1000 block of East 10th.

• MINOR ACCIDENTS were reported in the 400 block of East Fourth and the 200 block of West FM 700.

• DISTURBANCE/FIGHT was reported in the 1200 block of Wood.

• SHOTS FIRED was reported in the 2600 block of Barksdale Drive.

• LOUD PARTY/NOISE was reported in the 1500 block of South Johnson.

SHERIFF

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

• THOMAS FAY, 61, no address listed, was arrested Friday evening on charges of public intoxication.

• A MAJOR ACCIDENT was reported near mile marker 167 on Interstate 20. A towed recreational vehicle overturned.

• A MINOR ACCIDENT was reported near mile marker 195 on Interstate 20.

• DOMESTIC DISPUTE was reported near mile marker 192 on Interstate 20.

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value," he said. "This year we've had a good economy

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In our Sears July 22, 2001 Sunday preprint, Sears low price of $149.99 for #73011 Palm M105 handheld PC is incorrect. The correct price is $199.99. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause our customers.

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Prison board approves name change for death row unit

AUSTIN (AP) — The state's death row prison in Livingston is officially renamed.

The Texas Department of Criminal Justice board on Friday voted unanimously to change the name from the Terrell Unit to the Allan B. Polunsky Unit after the most recent former board chairman.

The new name was approved without comment. The change was requested by Charles Terrell, the Dallas insurance executive and former chairman of the prison board who said he was tired of being associated with the home of the state's 446 condemned male prisoners.

Terrell, a Democrat, was appointed prison board chairman in 1987 by Republican Gov. Bill Clements.

Terrell is a lifelong anti-crime crusader who also served as chairman of the Greater Dallas Crime Commission and the Texas Criminal Justice Task Force. He stepped down as prison board chairman in 1990.

Terrell has said he's ambivalent about the way the death penalty is administered today and questions whether it is an effective deterrent.

On Thursday, the board learned that Texas prisons are still 3,000 guards short.

But TDCJ's human resources director told the prison board he hopes new career ladders and pay raises will solve the problem.

"Just to say we're approaching the national (salary) average should help," Warren Moore said.

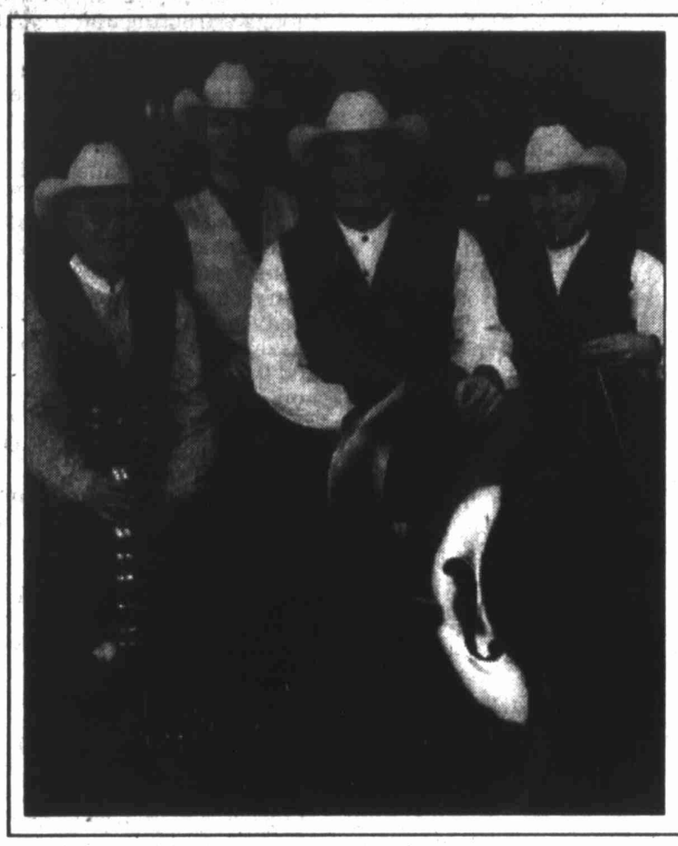
He noted that lawmakers recently increased guard salaries by 9.5 percent with a ceiling of $31,068.

The previous top salary was $28,380.

Moore said the prison system hired 4,349 officers this fiscal year, but 5,156 left during the same time.

"Every time we graduate a class from the training academy, we get ahead for a moment," Moore said, "and then things level out."

The shortage has forced the system to curtail some activities, said Gary Johnson, head of TDCJ's institutional division who will take over as the agency's executive director next month.



Ricky Boen and Texas Mud has received the Academy of Western Artists Will Rogers Award for Western Swing Band of the Year. Members of the band are, from left, Darrell Boen, Tim Gregg, Mark Lowe and Ricky Boen. Other nominees at the ceremony, held July 10 at the Scott Theatre in Fort Worth, were Asleep at the Wheel, Johnny Bush, Red Steagall, Don Walser and Hot Club of Cow Town. The Permian Basin-based group was also nominated for the Swing CD of the Year.

Courtesy photo

Man cleared in shooting of officer

LUBBOCK (AP) — A man who had been charged in the shooting death of a Lubbock police sergeant was released from jail Friday night after police said he did not fire the shot that killed the officer.

Richard Robinson, 47, had been charged with capital murder in the July 13 shooting death of Sgt. Kevin Cox during a standoff between Robinson and the Lubbock Police Department.

At a news conference Friday, police said they are not certain who fired the shot that killed Cox. At the request of police, FBI weapons experts will examine the scene Monday.

"I'm sure you have a lot of questions about what happened, and I can tell you we don't know yet," Chief Ken Walker said. "We'll find out. It's going to take some time."

A tearful Robinson left the Lubbock County Jail about 9:45 p.m., flanked by his wife and two of his three children. His first words were about the fallen officer.

"I prayed for that man and his family," Robinson said.

He then expressed thanks for his freedom.

"Thank the good Lord," Robinson said, looking skyward. "It was not a good week."

Assistant Lubbock Police Chief Dale Holton said Robinson had 13 guns. He said all the guns have not been tested yet, but of the ones that have, Robinson didn't fire any of them.

Though the investigation is continuing, Holton said Robinson faces no charges at this point.

Holton stopped short of saying Cox was killed by friendly fire. He said they're only sure Robinson did not fire the shot and they don't yet know who did.

Robinson, an unemployed automobile mechanic, had barricaded himself inside the home after a dispute with his wife. He had also allegedly burned furniture and household items in his front yard before police arrived.

Police negotiators learned that Robinson had access to guns and had talked to a relative earlier in the day about suicide. Gunfire erupted after a six-member unit moved in to smash windows and throw tear gas.

Cox, 38, was shot in the head and taken to University Medical Center where he was pronounced dead.

Robinson was also shot during the standoff.

National Guard program provides medical training, serves uninsured

LA JOYA (AP) — By 5 a.m., they are lined up — some of the hundreds of thousands of South Texas' uninsured, coming for free medical care under the Defense Department's "Operation Lonestar."

For National Guard members, this is the fourth year of a program that gives them "real world" medical training. For the patients, many coming from one of the estimated 1,500 colonias that dot the Mexican border, it may be the first time in years they've seen a doctor.

"We heard there was not too much red tape," said 32-year-old Juan Pineda, who brought his wife and 4-year-old daughter to E.R. Chapa Elementary school Friday. Chapa is one of the three schools housing clinics as part of the program. The others are Ed Couch Junior High in Elsa and Escandon Elementary School in Edinburg.

Guard officials expect to treat more than 5,000 people before the clinic closes next week.

"Down here where it's hot, there's all the diseases you would see in a lot of other regions in the world," Guard spokesman Sgt. Ken Robinson said.

They include high blood pressure, skin conditions, digestive problems, respiratory problems and diabetes, a problem that is particularly prevalent in the Rio Grande Valley.

One woman came complaining of lightheadedness and lethargy. She was found to have a sugar level near 500 (normal is 70 to 120), putting her in danger of a diabetic coma.

"She was a medical emergency," Sgt. 1st Class Debbie Cano of Galveston, said.

Operation Lonestar joins personnel from the U.S. Navy Reserve, U.S. Marine Corps Reserve, Texas Department of Health and the Texas Disaster Medical Assistance Team. Many of the doctors, dentists, and medical professionals are part-time soldiers who have regular practices all over the nation.

Sgt. Chief Corpsman George Herrera, 51, is a nuclear medicine technologist in the private sector in Miami. This was his last duty as a Navy reservist.

"It's humbling that so many need this kind of basic care," he said. "My kids don't have to worry about going to the doctor."

Secretary of State Henry Cuellar, who toured the facilities at Chapa Friday, said Operation Lonestar is helping address the health problems of colonias.

According to the state health department, the greatest percentage growth in Medicaid is along the border. Thirty-two percent of children and 40 percent of adults along the border lack medical coverage. Still more lack dental.

"Some of them have not even seen a dentist," he said.

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OUR VIEWS

Let's support our kids going back to school

Registration begins Monday for the Salvation Army's local Back-To-School program to provide children from needy families with the supplies they need for the upcoming school year.

Applications will be taken from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day this week through Friday at the Salvation Army Community Center located at 511 W. Fifth Street. Supplies will be distributed to qualifying families from 9 a.m. until noon on Aug. 13.

The event, which the Salvation Army has hosted for several years now, helps to ease the strain placed on low-income families as the fall semester begins.

In some instances, families simply don't have the money necessary to clothe and equip children with the supplies they need to begin the school year and that is especially true when there is more than one child.

The program served 292 children last year and Salvation Army Capt. Russ Keeney said he hopes to provide supplies for 350 to 400 this year.

To make the program work, however, the Salvation Army needs donations of supplies or monetary donations.

Among the items needed are pencils, scissors, crayons, wide-rule note-book paper, bottles of glue and 2-inch notebooks. Also needed are school boxes, pens, zipper bags, pocket folders with brads, erasers, map colors, markers, dividers, manila paper, boxed tissue and construction paper.

We encourage our readers to help in this effort.

If you know of a family with school-aged children, make sure they get registered for the program. Then help out by offering a monetary donation or making a purchase of supplies the Salvation Army has listed.

It's simply a good investment in all our futures.

OTHER VIEWS

We don't need a constitutional amendment to protect our flag. But Congress has yet to get the message. The U.S. House is scheduled to begin debate today on House Joint Resolution 36, the first step in the process of adding a 28th amendment to the Constitution. The goal is to override a 1989 Supreme Court ruling that said flag desecration is political speech protected by the First Amendment.

This is an issue that divides the most loyal of patriots: those who believe a country that can't protect its symbol can hardly protect its other freedoms, and those who believe the freedom to soil the flag is the epitome of what American soldiers have died for.

Both sides have passion and emotion. But what this perennial debate ignores are some very real problems with patriotism in 2001.

Better that we respect our flag by living up to its high ideals. By teaching our children about citizenship. By understanding the unique constitutional protections that have allowed dissidents to burn the flag, or tear it to pieces, or spit on it.

Yes, defacing the flag is insulting and offensive, but one price of liberty is the occasional insult or offense. We should not amend our Constitution just for fear of that.

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School districts can solve teacher shortage

By JOHN COLE
Guest Columnist

Texas needs more teachers. Last year, we needed about 60,000 new teachers to fill vacancies created by attrition and enrollment growth. Only about 20,000 new teachers actually showed up. What happened in the other 40,000 classrooms? You can probably guess: substitutes, uncertified teachers and increased class sizes were used to cope with the teacher shortage.

The teacher shortage in Texas is a bitter paradox. We have about twice as many teachers holding valid teaching certificates as we actually need to staff our classrooms. But too many teachers have fled the classroom for greener pastures elsewhere. We have no shortage of qualified teachers in Texas, but we do have a shortage of qualified teachers willing to work in schools where they are paid poor wages, given poor benefits and treated with indifference by school officials.

Administrators aren't helping the situation. They spent the legislative session lobbying to lower standards for teachers. Merely putting a "warm body' in a classroom is not enough; only qualified and skilled teachers can give our students a real shot at a quality education.

While superintendents' association lobbyists were at the Texas Capitol trying to water down teacher certification rules, many school districts were running off good teachers. Abilene ISD offered a cash payment to any teacher with 10 years or more experience who would leave.

School districts can solve the teacher shortage by changing their behavior. What should districts do differently? Here are a few ideas.

• **Stop running off good teachers.** School districts want to get rid of experienced teachers because young teachers are cheaper than experienced teachers. This is a foolish way to save money. School districts should encourage experienced teachers to stay.

• **Provide higher salaries at the top of the scale.** During the last 15 years, most Texas school districts "front loaded" their salary scales, putting larger pay raises in the early years of the salary schedule. At the same time, districts short-changed experience teachers by holding the lid on pay raises. The result? Districts have trouble attracting new teachers, but most teachers flee the classroom within the first five years.

• **Give real mentoring help to new teachers.** The Texas Education Code requires school districts to provide mentors to new teachers, but most mentor programs are a joke. There is very little done to help young teachers cope with the demands of a job that is extremely hard to master.

Some researchers in the Region III Education Service Center studied the results of mentor programs on teacher retention. The results are striking. Only 10 percent of first-year teachers with a real mentor quit teaching after the end of that first year, while 39 percent of those without a mentor abandoned teaching after that year. The effects of mentoring don't stop there. Only 22 percent of those with a mentor fled the classroom at the end of the second year of their career, while 37 percent of those who had to "sink or swim" hit the road at the end of year two. If we provide real help to these young teachers, we can staunch the stream of refugees that is draining our profession of young talent.

• **School districts should grow their own teachers.** We have people who would like to become teachers, but need extra help. The tuition exemption program for teaching assistants, which offers free tuition at state colleges for paraprofessionals who want to become teachers, has helped thousands of support personnel reach that goal. School districts should learn from this experience, look inside their own organization, and offer to help school employees become teachers.

In the public debate over the teacher shortage, our school officials frequently sounds as though they are helpless. "Where will we find all the new teachers we need?" they moan, as though attracting and retaining teachers to their district is a task totally beyond their reach. Of course, that is ridiculous.

School districts have traditionally ignored the need to make their teaching positions attractive, relying instead on a steady stream of eager young teachers cranked out by the schools of education. That stream has dwindled to a trickle and these school districts now have to do what American businesses have always done: compete for good employees.

The first step in solving a problem is to recognize one's role in creating and maintaining that problem. Put another way, if you want to get out of a hole, first, quit digging. Texas school districts have dug themselves into a hole and they need to quit digging and start solving the teacher shortage.

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Positive aspects to being a dinosaur



CHARLEY REESE

You know you've become a dinosaur when you look at an entertainment gossip column and don't recognize a single name or face.

Of course, my ninth-grade journalism teacher told me that no good newspaper runs gossip. If he were still alive, he'd be a dinosaur, too.

Actually, I don't mind being a dinosaur. I have never been hip or cool or fashionable. When short hair was in style, I wore mine long. When long hair became fashionable, I wore mine short. I still have a few ties I wore to high-school dances in the 1950s, not for any reasons of nostalgia, but simply because I don't like buying clothes. I don't see any reason to throw away a tie just because other people don't have any like them.

My habit of getting the maximum use out of clothing almost embarrassed me once. I had agreed to make a speech at the noon meeting of a national convention. I showed up just before I was due to speak. As I got out of the car, I dropped my keys. When I bent over to pick them up, I heard a distinctive ripping sound. I felt a sudden breeze on my cheeks — the other set.

I don't know how old that particular suit was. More than 10 years, I suspect. I knew it had seen better days, and I was contemplating retiring it. But, alas, it retired itself. You might think that would cause me to lose my poise. No chance. When you are backwoods country boy who has learned to type, nothing fazes you.

I slipped into the room, took a position with my back to the wall and sidled on down toward the stage. I delivered my speech, took my applause and sidled on out the same way. So far as I know, no one in the audience was aware that, of all those present, I was the most air-conditioned.

The best compliment ever paid me was from a sailor I worked with on the staff of a Navy paper. He looked at me one day and said: "Reese, if they announced a hydrogen bomb was going explode at 11:30, you'd look at your watch and say, 'It's only 10 after. We still got time to get a cup of coffee.'" That's true. You can't run very far in 20 minutes, so you might as well have a cup of coffee.

Dinosaurs, even young ones, don't dread either change or the inevitable, but they are smart enough to know that simply because something is new, it isn't necessarily better. I've always been comfortable in the world. I was comfortable 50 years ago, and I'm comfortable today. I frankly don't expect much of the human race, and it has never disappointed me.

One of the sad things about a person being unread, even if he or she is "educated," is that the person doesn't realize the permanence of human nature. We can read Aristotle today because he was a keen observer of human nature, and that nature hasn't changed one bit in all those millennia.

The clothes are different, and people whose work few of us understand have supplied us with different toys and gadgets, but men and women are exactly the same today as they were when Aristotle, refusing a summons to return to Athens, said: "You've already sinned against philosophy once. I won't give you a chance to do it twice."

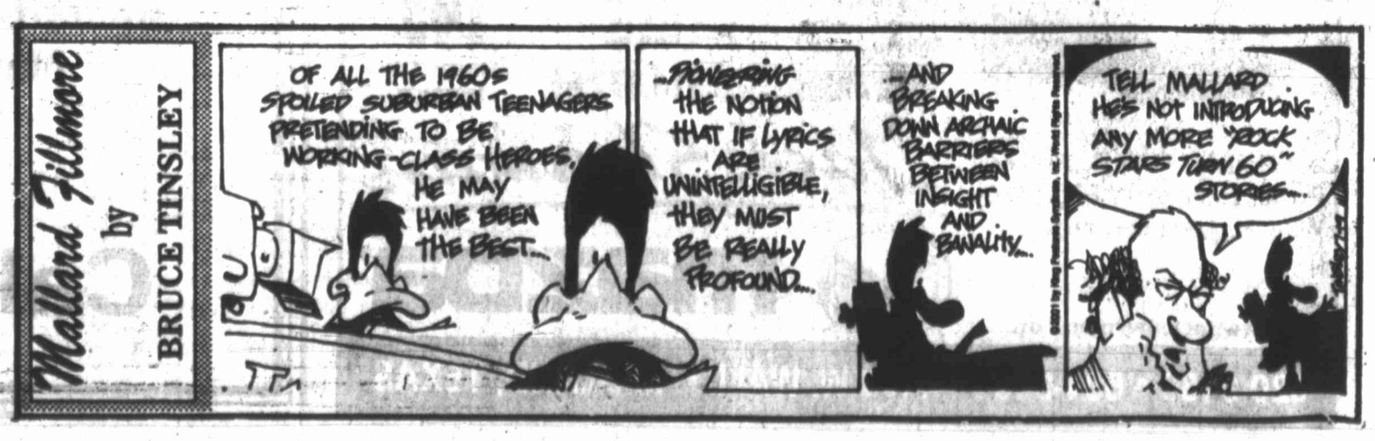
For those who don't know the story, he was referring to the execution of Socrates.

Yep, there are a lot of advantages to being a dinosaur. You don't have to keep up with fads, spend money on new fashions or worry in the least about what other people think about you.

To be frank, I never have, so perhaps I haven't changed as much as I thought.

Maybe I was just born a dinosaur.

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Congress gives final approval to $6.5 billion spending bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress gave lopsided approval Friday to a compromise $6.5 billion measure for defense, battling AIDS in Africa and a host of other programs in a bill that tested President Bush's ability to hold down federal spending.

The House adopted the bill by 375-30, and the Senate used a voice vote to send it to Bush for his signature. The measure covers the rest of fiscal 2001, which runs through Sept. 30.

The biggest chunk of the bill, $5.6 billion, is for Pentagon fuel, health care, payroll and weapons costs and for Energy Department nuclear weapons activities.

Also included is $300 million to help poor families pay cooling and heating bills; $116 million to process and mail this summer's tax rebate checks; $100 million to combat AIDS and other diseases in Africa and elsewhere overseas; an expected $84 million for people sickened by nuclear weapons testing; and $44 million for Congress' own expenses.

The White House boasted that it displayed fiscal tenacity by holding the measure's final price tag to $6.5 billion, the amount left under budget caps Congress has imposed on itself. The administration also rebuffed efforts by the Republican-controlled House to declare spending emergencies, which allow extra spending that is paid for from the federal surplus and exempt from budget caps.

"This measure is a legislative hat trick," White House budget director Mitchell Daniels said in a statement. "It funds the president's priorities, stays within the spending caps and resists unnecessary spending."

Even so, Senate Appropriations Committee Chairman Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., cooperated in limiting the price tag to $6.5 billion after Democrats decided to deny Bush the political target they may have given him by insisting on extra spending.

The bill "is not one Indian-head copper penny above the president's request. Do you hear me down there at the other end of the avenue?" Byrd said, referring to the White House.

And lawmakers of both parties said the price tag was contained by providing insufficient money for defense and natural disasters — money Bush and Congress may have to supply later.

"This is more or less a Band-Aid on what our real needs are" for defense, said House Appropriations Committee Chairman Bill Young, R-Fla.

"If we have one more storm, this bill will clearly be inadequate, and I think the administration knows it," said Wisconsin Rep. David Obey, top Democrat on the Appropriations Committee.

To rein in spending, the White House even thwarted Rep. Tom DeLay, R-Texas, the No. 3 House leader, from adding $1.3 billion for the aftermath of Tropical Storm Allison and other natural disasters.

Eliminated from the final bill was a $389 million cut in disaster aid the House put in its initial version of the legislation. DeLay, meanwhile, has put the $1.3 billion in disaster funds into a separate measure for next year.

The bill includes several projects for lawmakers' home districts, such as $60 million for security in Salt Lake City for the 2002 Olympics; $20 million to help farmers in the Northwest's Klamath Basin who are fighting the government for water; and $24.5 million to help Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas recover from ice storms.

Lawmakers argue for more descriptive ratings

WASHINGTON (AP) — Eminem's Grammy-winning but often profane lyrics came under congressional criticism Friday as lawmakers considered how to deal with violence in entertainment without violating the First Amendment.

"Madonna seems tame and lame compared to Eminem," said Rep. Lee Terry, R-Neb., at a House subcommittee hearing to examine efforts by the entertainment industry to curb children's exposure to violent material.

The controversial rapper wasn't on Capitol Hill to defend his songs, but recording and movie industry heads argued for him that music, video games and movies should be legislated by parents, not politicians.

Entertainment executives said their current labeling system, which warns parents of explicit language or content, is sufficient.

"We do our best to try to give parents some guidelines to help them make decisions," said Jack Valenti, president of the Motion Pictures Association of America.

Bills introduced in the House and Senate would prohibit the targeted marketing to minors of adult-rated records, movies, video games and other entertainment material.

Critics of the entertainment industry complained that Hollywood isn't doing enough to keep certain types of entertainment out of the hands of children. They cited recent reports by the Federal Trade Commission that said the industry, especially the music industry, needs to do more.

"The response of all three industries has been woefully inadequate," said Daphne White, executive director of the Lion and Lamb Project, a group working to stop the advertising of violence to children.

Hilary B. Rosen, president and CEO of the Recording Industry Association of America, said parents overwhelmingly support the record labeling system, so there is not much more the industry can do without infringing on an artist's First Amendment rights.

While lawmakers agreed that freedom of speech must be protected, Rep. Cliff Stearns, R-Fla., said "the government has an obligation to do something, to intervene."

But, Rep. Jane Harman, D-Calif., warned against government censorship and the Media Accountability Act of 2001. "It is a dangerous bill," she said.

Some lawmakers suggested the recording industry could adopt more specific labels, like that which is used by the movie and video games industries. The music industry could also lobby retailers to be better watchdogs of who they sell to, they said.

"The current one-size-fits-all labeling system for music could be expanded to provide additional information about the content consumers can expect to hear," said Rep. Billy Tauzin, R-La., chairman of the Energy and Commerce Committee.

Rosen disagreed. "In the visual picture you can make gradations you can't do in music," she said.

The FTC reports on marketing violent entertainment to children were requested by former President Clinton after the 1999 shooting rampage at Columbine High School in Colorado that left 15 dead.

The studies found that the entertainment industry targeted teen-agers by advertising in the places most watched and read by people under 17-years-old.

Crews remove more train cars from tunnel as they fight blaze

BALTIMORE (AP) — Firefighters made progress Saturday against a smoky railroad tunnel fire that had crippled the city, removing several train cars including one that had leaked a powerful acid.

"It's certainly a much, much brighter picture than it was yesterday," Fire Department spokesman Hector Torres said.

The CSX freight train carrying hydrochloric acid and other hazardous materials derailed inside the tunnel and caught fire on Wednesday, closing several city blocks, blocking highways, halting major league baseball games and disrupting Internet service across the country by burning fiber optic cables.

Emergency workers pulled 22 cars from the tunnel on Saturday, including a charred, ruptured tanker that had carried hydrochloric acid, leaving only 10 inside. Another hydrochloric tanker was removed earlier in the morning.

The ruptured tanker, which leaked at least 5,000 gallons, had been the last car containing hazardous chemicals left in the tunnel.

"We're making good progress and we see light at the end of the tunnel," Acting Fire Chief Carl McDonald said.

Three cars were still burning in the downtown tunnel, and three more were smoldering, Torres said.

A ruptured water main above the tunnel continued gushing into a major downtown intersection, partly collapsing the street. At least 60 million gallons of water had spewed from the pipe.

Police release Web site list missing woman had visited

WASHINGTON (AP) — Police on Friday released a list of Web sites that Chandra Levy visited on May 1, the day the former federal intern disappeared.

Investigators hope the list will bring in more tips to help them find Levy, the Washington police department said on its Web site Friday.

The list includes a wide range of sites from Washington and California newspapers to the Web sites of National Geographic and Baskin Robbins, the ice cream chain. Sites for Amtrak, Southwest Airlines and travel in France also are listed.

Levy also visited congressional sites, including that of the House Agriculture Committee, of which Rep. Gary Condit, D-Calif., is a member.

The list doesn't indicate if Levy visited Condit's Web page or any specific pages within any site. Police said they were withholding those details because the information is evidence related to their investigation.

According to a police source, Condit acknowledged in his third interview with investigators that he and Levy had an affair.

Police say they do not consider Condit a suspect in Levy's disappearance, which is being treated as a missing persons case, not a crime.

Meanwhile, a Pentecostal minister who told the FBI his then-18-year-old daughter and Condit had an affair has now said that he lied about the relationship, The Washington Post and CNN reported, quoting unidentified law enforcement sources.

The minister, Otis Thomas, was quoted by the newspaper on July 12 as saying Condit had told his daughter never to speak of the relationship, which ended seven years ago.

That same day a handwritten note was posted on the door of Thomas' home in Ceres, Calif., which also is Condit's hometown. It was signed "Jennifer Thomas" and said, "I never met that congressman who's involved in all this. ... I don't even know how both me and my father got mixed up in this, we don't know anything."

Washington television station WUSA reported that Condit has agreed to a fourth meeting with police.



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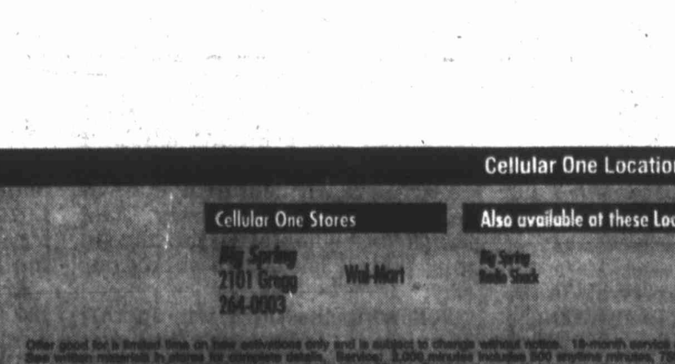
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Indios softball tourney scheduled

The Indios Softball Tournament has returned to Big Spring and will be held Friday, July 27, through Sunday, July 29, at Cotton Mize Field in Comanche Trail Park.

Trophies will be given to the top four teams and windbreakers will be won by the first-place team. The second-place team wins T-shirts while 10 All-Tournament Team members will be honored.

The entry fee is $115 and more information is available by calling 263-3096.

YMCA swim team seeks competitors

The Big Spring YMCA Swim Team is currently competing in long course meets.

Practice sessions are held Monday through Thursday mornings.

To be eligible to compete, youngsters must be able to complete a lap of the YMCA pool.

Interested swimmers are encouraged to contact the YMCA and compete in the long course swimming meets.

For more information, call the YMCA at 267-8234.

ACS still offering Texas Golf Pass

The American Cancer Society is again offering the Texas Golf Pass that entitles holders to more than 680 rounds of golf at 289 courses throughout the state.

The passes are $35 each and proceeds from the program benefit the Cancer Society's research, education programs and patient services efforts.

Both the Big Spring Country Club and Comanche Trail Golf Course are participating in the program and order forms are available at the two courses.

For more information, call 1-800-ACS-2345 or check the society's web site at www.acs-tx.org

Raptors dream of adding Olajuwon

TORONTO AP) — With their three main free agents safely back in the fold, the Toronto Raptors are Dream-ing of adding a fourth.

Hakeem Olajuwon is the target, and Raptors coach Lenny Wilkens has already flown to Houston to make his pitch directly to the former MVP, nicknamed "Dream."

The Raptors can make an offer that Houston would have to think twice about matching, whereas the Rockets would like Olajuwon to accept a huge pay cut so they will have enough salary cap space to sign Maurice Taylor, Moochie Norris and Shandon Anderson to long-term deals.

"It's an honor that a player of Hakeem Olajuwon's stature would consider playing for Toronto," Toronto general manager Glen Grunwald said Friday. "But there's nothing to report on that front."

The Houston Chronicle reported that the Raptors are offering a four-year, $22.5 million contract and the Rockets have made a counter offer.

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11:55 a.m. — Texas Rangers at Tampa Bay Devil Rays, KBST-AM 1490.

Television

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1:30 p.m. — Chicago Cubs at Houston Astros,FXS, Ch. 29.

7 p.m. — LA Dodgers at Colorado Rockies, FXS, Ch. 29.

Devil Rays' homers prove costly as Rangers drop 2-1 loss

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — Brent Abernathy broke up Darren Oliver's bid for a perfect game in the sixth inning with a homer, and John Flaherty added a solo shot in the eighth as the Tampa Bay Devil Rays beat the Texas Rangers 2-1 Saturday.

Oliver (7-6), who gave up two runs and three hits in eight innings, retired the first 16 batters he faced. With one out in the sixth inning, Abernathy tied the game 1-1 by hitting his third homer of the season into the left-field stands.

Oliver, who pitched the Rangers' first complete game since Doug Davis against Boston on Aug. 20, 2000, then lost on Flaherty's shot with one out in the eighth.

Victor Zambrano (3-1) worked a scoreless eighth inning for the win. Esteban Yan got the final three outs for his 10th save.

Tampa Bay snapped a four-game losing streak. The Devil Rays are 2-35 when scoring two runs or fewer.

The closest Tampa Bay came to a hit through five innings was when Jason Tyner almost beat out an infield grounder leading off the first. Oliver beat Tyner to the bag on a ball hit to first baseman Rafael Palmeiro.

Oliver struggled in losing his previous three starts. He allowed 17 earned runs and 24 hits — including five homers — in 16 innings over that span.

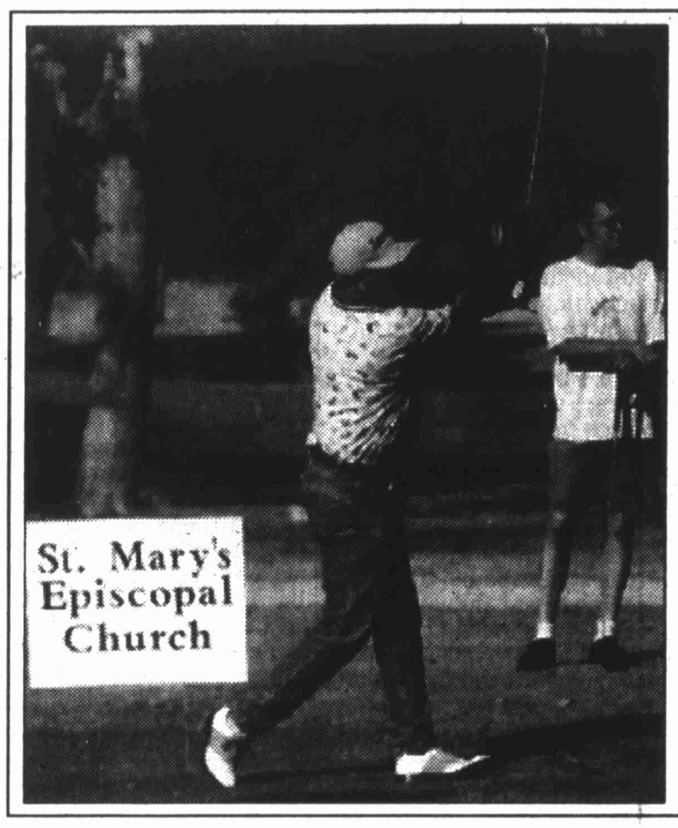
Ryan Rupe tossed seven strong innings for Tampa Bay, allowing one run and six hits in seven innings. He struck out eight.

Mike Lamb snapped an 0-for-11 streak with an RBI single that put the Rangers up 1-0 in the fifth. Ruben Sierra had a leadoff double, went to third on Andres Galarraga's grounder and scored on Lamb's soft liner to center.

But Texas continued a recent trend of failing to get key hits, going 1-for-9 with runners in scoring position Saturday to extend a 9-for-61 rut over the past five games.

Alex Rodriguez had the Rangers' only two hits through four innings, singling in the first and doubling in the fourth.

Notes: The Rangers had gone 135 games without a complete game, which was the longest active drought in the majors. ... Palmeiro is two walks away from becoming fifth active player — joining Barry Bonds, Fred McGriff, Mark McGwire and Cal Ripken — to have 400 homers, 1,000 RBIs, 1,000 runs and 1,000 walks. ... Tampa Bay OF Ben Grieve has struck out 30 times in 70 at-bats against left-handers. In 312 at-bats overall, Grieve has fanned 96 times. ... Oliver has allowed a homer in five consecutive starts. ... Rupe has three losses and three no decisions in last six starts.



Big Spring golfer Sammy Sims tees off at the Big Spring Country Club during a benefit golf tournament for St. Mary's Episcopal School Saturday as his golf partner admires the nice drive. The tournament was held Saturday and was a four-person scramble format.

HERALD photo/Doug Law

Steers defeat A&M, fall to Merkel 34-32

By JEFF MORRIS
Special to the Herald

COLLEGE STATION — After a rough Friday at the Fox Sports Net 7-on-7 football championships here, Big Spring's Steers rallied Saturday but fell two points shy of making the consolation semifinals.

Big Spring quarterback Tye Butler and his Steers beat Clear Creek, 56-28, Friday during opening-round pool play. But that was about the only bright spot for the Steers Friday as Butler and his teammates took two losses that left them in the loser's bracket for Saturday's finals in single elimination play.

"This is disappointing. We didn't even make it to the good bracket. We're stuck in the consolation (bracket)," Butler said after Austin Bowie beat Big Spring, 28-22, in Friday's finale. "I'm pretty disappointed right now because we didn't play well all day. We'll work it out and try to come back ready tomorrow."

Butler and his Big Spring boys did just that, claiming a pair of early wins Saturday, 30-23 over Decatur and 56-20 over A&M Consolidated, before falling two points to the Merkel Fighting Badgers, who finished 3-7 last year in Class 3A before advancing to the 7-on-7 semifinal Saturday.

Against the home-town team, Butler found his rhythm, hitting his favorite target of the weekend, Brandon Mendoza, early and often as Big Spring built a big lead before breaking it wide open in the second 20-minute period.

"We're finally playing some ball today," parent-coach Randy Phillips said as he paced the sideline Saturday. "We had a long day yesterday, but our boys went to bed and came back ready to play today."

As Phillips finished his sentence, he twisted his body, jumping in the air as he watched Ronnie Johnson haul in another Butler pass in the right corner of the make-shift end zone, giving Big Spring a 56-20 when the buzzer sounded seconds later.

"We had a team meeting last night and talked about coming back one game at a time today," Butler said Saturday after the A&M win on the Aggies' practice field.

"We weren't playing well to start the day, but our defense carried us in the first game and now we had a break-out game, so we just want to keep it going to the final because we came in thinking we'd win it all. But now we're just trying to take it one at a time."

Merkel was waiting in the elite eight where Big Spring failed to convert a critical point-after try, leaving the Steers two points short of reaching the consolation semifinal Saturday.

"That wasn't good," par

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BIG SPRING SCORES

Pool 14 Standings
McKinney 2-1
Austin Bowie 2-1
Big Spring 1-2
Clear Creek 1-2

Friday Results
Game 1
McKinney 47, Big Spring 46
Game 2
Big Spring 56, Clear Creek 28
Game 3
Austin Bowie 28, Big Spring 22
Big Spring advanced to consolation round

Saturday Results
Game 1
Big Spring 30, Decatur 23
Game 2
Big Spring 56, A&M Consolidated 20
Game 3
Merkel 34, Big Spring 32
Big Spring eliminated

Large turnout of local tennis fans compete in Black Gold Tournament

HERALD Staff Report

There was a large turnout of 104 happy tennis players competing in the Big Spring Black Gold Tennis Tournament at the Figure 7 Tennis Center at Comanche Trail Park July 13-15.

Players from Big Spring, Forsan and Cahoma were at the tournament, which was held to build up interest in tennis in the Big Spring area.

Winning first in the 12-and-under girls singles was Lindsey Chavez of Coahoma while Crystal Ward of Big Spring was second and Ariel Johnson of Big Spring placed third.

The most popular division was the 13- to 16-year-old girls singles group which had 16 entrants, which was won by April Ward of Big Spring. Heather Parnell of Big Spring was second while Wyndi Williams of Baird won the consolation class.

Leslie Patterson of Forsan took home first place honors in the 18-and-under womens division while Joanne Ring of Odessa was second and Tara Tipton of Crane took third.

John Burns of Midland seized first place in the 12-and-under division, Ramon Aguirre III of Abilene was second while Roshan Shroff of Big Spring took the consolation award.

Trey Chavez of Coahoma won first in the 14-and-under division, A.J. Arteaga of Sweetwater was second and Burns of Midland won consolation.

Matt Jones of Odessa battled for first place in the 16-and-under division, Justin Ferrell of Big Spring took second and Trey Chavez won consolation.

Jay Shroff of Big Spring won first place in the boys 18-and-under class, Jake Smiley of Big Spring was second, while Matt Jones of Odessa took the consolation prize.

Tom Posey won the mens division, Cade Park of Forsan was second and Marcelino Chavez took the consolation award.

Winning first place in womens' doubles were the duo of Megan Fishback of Forsan and Cassidy Schubert of Big Lake while the mother-daughter team of C. Gully and Kim Gully of Coahoma took second and the pair of Sara Furlow and Erica Cayless of LaMesa seized the consolation award.

Winning first place in the mens doubles competition were the duo of Alex Edgemon and Jay Shroff of Big Spring , while the father-son duo of Jake and Dennis Smiley of Big Spring seized second and Bob and Jarred Fishback, a father and son team from Forsan, took consolation.

The duo of Arron Langford of Big Spring and Leslie Patterson of Forsan grabbed first place in the mixed doubles competition. Cade Park of Forsan and Brittney Prater of Coahoma teamed up for second place. Zack Johnson of Forsan and Heather Parnell of Big Spring took home consolation honors.

Duval shoots day's best 65, ties for lead at British Open

LYTHAM ST. ANNES, England (AP) — David Duval shot the day's best round with a 65 and was in a four-way tie for the lead after three rounds of the British Open.

Going into today's final round 27 players are within four shots of the lead — and Tiger Woods is not among them, five strokes back after a 2-over-par 73.

Duval was joined on Saturday by Bernhard Langer, Ian Woosnam and Alex Cejka at 6-under 207 at Royal Lytham & St. Annes.

Woods struggled with wayward shots that found deep rough, bushes and even a grandstand in a round that left him at 1 under for the tournament.

Woods smiled walking toward the 18th green after having to take a drop and chop out of the rough, but his score was nothing to smile about on a day when he seemed on the verge of making a move with birdies on two of the first four holes.

Cejka, a German who missed the cut in seven European tour events this year and was disqualified in two others, had the lead by himself before back-to-back bogeys on Nos. 15 and 16.

Jesper Parnevik double bogeyed the 17th hole to drop out of the lead and finish at 5 under. Greg Owen was another stroke back after three successive late bogeys.

Owen got there into contention by taking advantage of a long iron that bounced once and went into the cup on the par-5 11th hole for a double eagle to jump up the leaderboard and be only one back with five holes left.

Colin Montgomerie also struggled, making a double bogey out of a fairway bunker on the 13th hole.

Armstrong wins mountain stage, seizes overall lead

PLA D'ADET, France (AP) — Lance Armstrong's tour through the Tour de France is following a familiar pattern: a slow first week, convincing runs in the mountains and overall victory.

Armstrong assumed control of the race Saturday, taking the leader's yellow jersey with seven days of racing remaining.

After outclassing his rivals in the Alps, Armstrong left them stranded in the Pyrenees, where his third stage victory brought him closer to a third straight Tour title.

Armstrong had trailed his major rival, Jan Ullrich of Germany, for much of the final climb. Then, in the closing stretch, the two-time champion sprinted ahead, crossing the finish line a minute ahead of Ullrich.

"We were all confident that we would get the (yellow) jersey," said Armstrong, who started the stage in third place. "The tactics worked our way."

Following his third win in this year's Tour, Armstrong's lead over the fourth-place Ullrich grew to 5 minutes, 13 seconds. All three wins came in the mountain stages, which began Tuesday. Before hitting the Alps, Armstrong wasn't in the top 20.

His advantage over Ullrich means that he is in position to win the race when it ends at Paris July 29. Only Sunday's stage between Tarbes and Luz-Ardiden — the last mountain leg — is likely to have a major impact on the race standings.

Armstrong completed the difficult 120.47-mile stretch from Foix to Pla d'Adet in 5:44:22.

Ullrich was second and Spain's Joseba Beloki third.

Frenchman Laurent Jalabert, who

SPORTS EXTRA

TRANSACTIONS

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER—Suspended Cleveland RHP Bartolo Colon for seven games and fined him an undisclosed amount for intentionally throwing at Houston C Scott Servais in a game on July 17.

American League

CLEVELAND INDIANS—Agreed to terms with RHP Jake Dittler.

NEW YORK YANKEES—Purchased the contract of RHP Brett Jodie from Columbus of the International League. Designated RHP Todd Williams for assignment.

SEATTLE MARINERS—Activated OF Stan Javier from the 15-day disabled list. Optioned LHP Brian Fuentes to Tacoma of the PCL.

TAMPA BAY DEVIL RAYS—Placed RHP Bryan Rekar on the 15-day disabled list. Recalled RHP Jesus Colome from Durham of the International League.

National League

ATLANTA BRAVES—Activated RHP Kevin Millwood from the 60-day disabled list. Placed 2B Quilvio Veras on the 15-day disabled list, retroactive to July 14. Optioned LHP Trey Moore to Richmond of the International League. Recalled 2B Marcus Giles from Richmond.

CHICAGO CUBS—Acquired OF Michael Tucker from the Cincinnati Reds for RHP Chris Booker and RHP Ben Shaffar.

CINCINNATI REDS—Called up INF D.T. Cromer fr Louisville of the International League.

PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Placed 2B-OF Rob Mackowiak on the 15-day disabled list. Recalled 2B Warren Morris from Nashville of the PCL.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

NFL—Suspended Green Bay DT Cletidus Hunt for the first four regular-season games for violating the league's substance abuse policy.

CINCINNATI BENGALS—Placed DE Kevin Henry, DT Glen Steel and FB Nick Williams on the physically unable to perform list. Placed DB Jared Lee the list of players injured away from football.

CLEVELAND BROWNS—Signed OL Tony Jones and OL Paul Zukauskasto to three-year contracts, DE Mark Word to a one-year contract and RB Benjamin Gay to a two-year contract. Released DE Kerry Linnear and OL Noel LaMontagne.

DETROIT LIONS—Signed LB Jason Glenn. Re-signed G Andy Vincent. Released TE Khary Jackson and LB Andre Offing.

MIAMI DOLPHINS—Signed DE Jason Taylor to a one-year contract.

NEW ORLEANS SAINTS—Traded RB Robert Arnaud to the Washington Redskins for a future conditional draft pick. Signed CB Renard Cox and T Jay Hagood. Waived T Kurth Connell and FB Jason Nevadomsky.

ST. LOUIS RAMS—Signed TE Steve Bush.

SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS—Signed DE Menson Holloway to a three-year contract.

TENNESSEE TITANS—Agreed to terms with RB Jonathan Linton.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

ANAHEIM MIGHTY DUCKS—Agreed to terms with LW Mike Leclerc on a two-year contract.

BOSTON BRUINS—Agreed to terms with D Hal Gill to a two-year contract.

FLORIDA PANTHERS—Re-signed C Olli Jokinen to a one-year contract.

VANCOUVER CANUCKS—Re-signed D Drake Berehowsky.

American Hockey League

SPRINGFIELD FALCONS—Named Brad Shaw assistant coach.

MAJOR LEAGUE STANDINGS

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	56	40	.583	—
Boston	56	41	.577	1/2
Toronto	46	51	.474	101/2
Baltimore	41	53	.436	14
Tampa Bay	31	67	.316	26

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	58	39	.598	—
Cleveland	55	40	.579	2
Chicago	47	48	.495	10
Detroit	43	52	.453	14
Kansas City	37	59	.385	201/2

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	70	27	.722	—
Oakland	51	45	.531	181/2
Anaheim	47	48	.495	22
Texas	40	56	.417	291/2

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	54	42	.562	—
Philadelphia	53	43	.552	1
Florida	50	47	.516	41/2
New York	44	54	.449	11
Montreal	43	54	.443	111/2

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	55	40	.579	—
Houston	53	42	.558	2
St. Louis	48	47	.505	7
Milwaukee	43	52	.453	12
Pittsburgh	37	58	.389	18
Cincinnati	35	61	.365	201/2

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Arizona	56	41	.577	—
Los Angeles	55	43	.561	11/2
San Francisco	52	46	.531	41/2
San Diego	46	51	.474	10
Colorado	41	56	.423	15

Friday's Games

Detroit 7, Cleveland 3
Toronto 10, N.Y. Yankees 4
Texas 4, Tampa Bay 1
Seattle 4, Minnesota 0
Boston 7, Chicago White Sox 2
Oakland 14, Kansas City 3
Anaheim at Baltimore, ppd.
Florida 5, Cincinnati 3
Philadelphia 10, N.Y. Mets 1
Montreal 6, Atlanta 3
Houston 5, Chicago Cubs 2
Pittsburgh 4, St. Louis 1
Colorado 11, Los Angeles 3
San Diego 11, Milwaukee 2
San Francisco 1, Arizona 0

Saturday's Games

Seattle 6, Minnesota 3
Cleveland 8, Detroit 4
Chicago White Sox 10, Boston 3
Tampa Bay 2, Texas 1
Toronto at N.Y. Yankees, n.
Anaheim at Baltimore, n.
Oakland at Kansas City, n.
Los Angeles 22, Colorado 7
Arizona 9, San Francisco 2
Montreal at Atlanta, n.
Cincinnati at Florida, n.
N.Y. Mets at Philadelphia, n.
Chicago Cubs at Houston, n.
Pittsburgh at St. Louis, n.
Milwaukee at San Diego, n.

Today's Games

Detroit at Cleveland , 12:05 p.m.
Toronto at N.Y. Yankees , 12:05 p.m.
Texas at Tampa Bay, 12:15 p.m.
Anaheim at Baltimore , 12:35 p.m., 1st game
Anaheim at Baltimore, 6:35 p.m., 2nd game
Seattle at Minnesota, 1:05 p.m.
Boston at Chicago White Sox, 1:05 p.m.
Oakland at Kansas City, 7:05 p.m.
Montreal at Atlanta, 12:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets at Philadelphia, 12:35 p.m.
Pittsburgh at St. Louis , 1:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubsat Houston, 1:35 p.m.
Cincinnati at Florida, 3:05 p.m.
Arizona at San Francisco , 3:05 p.m.
Milwaukee at San Diego , 4 p.m.
Los Angeles at Colorado), 5:05 p.m.

NL LEADERS

BATTING—Alou, Houston, .361; Berkman, Houston, .358; Floyd, Florida, .353; Vidro, Montreal, .343; LGonzalez, Arizona, .343; Aurilia, San Francisco, .340; VGuerrero, Montreal, .335.

RUNS—Floyd, Florida, 84; Helton, Colorado, 83; LGonzalez, Arizona, 79; Berkman, Houston, 76; LWalker, Colorado, 76; Bagwell, Houston, 75; SSosa, Chicago, 75; Biggio, Houston, 75.

RBI—LGonzalez, Arizona, 91; SSosa, Chicago, 90; Berkman, Houston, 87; Helton, Colorado, 87; LWalker, Colorado, 80; Floyd, Florida, 83; Nevin, San Diego, 81; Klesko, San Diego, 81; Bagwell, Houston, 81.

HITS—Aurilia, San Francisco, 127; Berkman, Houston, 125; LGonzalez, Arizona, 124; Floyd, Florida, 123; VGuerrero, Montreal, 121; BGiles, Pittsburgh, 116; Vina, St. Louis, 116.

DOUBLES—Berkman, Houston, 31; VGuerrero, Montreal, 31; Helton, Colorado, 30; BGiles, Pittsburgh, 29; Abreu, Philadelphia, 28; Floyd, Florida, 28; Kent, San Francisco, 27.

TRIPLES—Rollins, Philadelphia, 8; NPerez, Colorado, 8; Vina, St. Louis, 8; Pierre, Colorado, 6; LCastillo, Florida, 6; OCabrera, Montreal, 5; Ochoa, Colorado, 5; Kent, San Francisco, 5; Goodwin, Los Angeles, 5; LGonzalez, Arizona, 5.

HOME RUNS—Bonds, San Francisco, 42; LGonzalez, Arizona, 37; SSosa, Chicago, 31; CJones, Atlanta, 28; LWalker, Colorado, 28; Helton, Colorado, 27; 5 are tied with 26.

STOLEN BASES—Rollins, Philadelphia, 31; LCastillo, Florida, 28; Pierre, Colorado, 25; Abreu, Philadelphia, 25; Furcal, Atlanta, 22; EYoung, Chicago, 21; Womack, Arizona, 20.

PITCHING (11 Decisions)—Deal, Philadelphia, 10-2, .833, 4.53; Schilling, Arizona, 13-4, .765, 3.10; MMorris, St. Louis, 12-5, .706, 3.05; Lieber, Chicago, 12-5, .706, 3.46; RDJohnson, Arizona, 12-5, .706, 2.70; Maddux, Atlanta, 12-5, .706, 2.44; WMiller, Houston, 11-5, .687, 4.23; RuOrtiz, San Francisco, 11-5, .687, 3.07.

STRIKEOUTS—RDJohnson, Arizona, 225; Schilling, Arizona, 168; Wood, Chicago, 160; Park, Los Angeles, 152; Vazquez, Montreal, 131; Burkett, Atlanta, 122; Maddux, Atlanta, 120.

SAVES—Nen, San Francisco, 29; Shaw, Los Angeles, 27; Mesa, Philadelphia, 25; Benitez, New York, 22; BWagner, Houston, 21; Hoffman, San Diego, 21; Rocker, Atlanta, 19; MkWilliams, Pittsburgh, 19.

AL LEADERS

BATTING—RAlomar, Cleveland, .356; JGonzalez, Cleveland, .351; BBoone, Seattle, .327; Suzuki, Seattle, .325; JaGiambi, Oakland, .325; McGriff, Tampa Bay, .324; ARodriguez, Texas, .322; MRamirez, Boston, .322.

RUNS—Suzuki, Seattle, 80; ARodriguez, Texas, 77; MJSweeney, Kansas City, 71; RAlomar, Cleveland, 71; BBoone, Seattle, 70; Lawton, Minnesota, 68; Stewart, Toronto, 67; MRamirez, Boston, 67; JGonzalez, Cleveland, 67.

RBI—MRamirez, Boston, 91; BBoone, Seattle, 89; JGonzalez, Cleveland, 88; Thome, Cleveland, 79; ARodriguez, Texas, 77; TMartinez, New York, 71; RPalmeiro, Texas, 71.

HITS—Suzuki, Seattle, 138; Stewart, Toronto, 124; RAlomar, Cleveland, 124; BBoone, Seattle, 123; ARodriguez, Texas, 119; MJSweeney, Kansas City, 118; MRamirez, Boston, 117.

DOUBLES—MJSweeney, Kansas City, 35; Stewart, Toronto, 28; JaGiambi, Oakland, 27; EMartinez, Seattle, 27; Mientkiewicz, Minnesota, 26; EChavez, Oakland, 26; Koskie, Minnesota, 24; Lawton, Minnesota, 24; Durham, Chicago, 24.

TRIPLES—CGuzman, Minnesota, 13; Suzuki, Seattle, 7; Cedeno, Detroit, 7; RAlomar, Cleveland, 7; Stewart, Toronto, 6; Easley, Detroit, 6; CBeltran, Kansas City, 5; JEncarnacion, Detroit, 5; Cameron, Seattle, 5.

HOME RUNS—MRamirez, Boston, 30; Thome, Cleveland, 30; ARodriguez, Texas, 26; RPalmeiro, Texas, 26; JGonzalez, Cleveland, 25; CDelgado, Toronto, 24; BBoone, Seattle, 23.

STOLEN BASES—Cedeno, Detroit, 34; Suzuki, Seattle, 31; Knoblauch, New York, 29; Soriano, New York, 27; McLemore, Seattle, 24; Cameron, Seattle, 21; Hairston, Baltimore, 19; Lawton, Minnesota, 19.

PITCHING (11 Decisions)—Clemens, New York, 13-1, .929, 3.77; Sele, Seattle, 12-1, .923, 3.11; FGarcia, Seattle, 11-2, .846, 3.46; Sabathia, Cleveland, 9-3, .750, 4.41; Milton, Minnesota, 9-3, .750, 3.84; BWells, Minnesota, 8-3, .727, 4.62; Nomo, Boston, 10-4, .714, 4.01.

STRIKEOUTS—PMartinez, Boston, 150; Clemens, New York, 131; Nomo, Boston, 129; Hudson, Oakland, 121; Zito, Oakland, 119; Mussina, New York, 116; Colon, Cleveland, 111.

SAVES—Rivera, New York, 32; Sasaki, Seattle, 31; Hawkins, Minnesota, 25; Percival, Anaheim, 25; Foulke, Chicago, 21; DLowe, Boston, 19; Isringhausen, Oakland, 19.

STEERS

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ent-coach Phillip Smith said as the Steers loaded up and headed home.

"We ran out of time and we had two or three picks that could have been the difference, but they called them back for the four-second call (on the quarterback, for taking too much time to throw the ball). That really hurt us. We had back-to-back interceptions in the first half, but they called them back, so that hurt us. It took the momentum away and then we got one in the second half, but they called it pass interference, so that really hurt us because that would have made the difference since they scored on that drive," Smith said.

"It's just a tough loss, but I feel like we made tremendous progress for our offense in our first year of 7-on-7 and really, it helped our defense too, especially our linebackers and secondary. We got a lot of good work in this summer. Our guys should come back in great shape for August."

7-ON-7 RESULTS

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — Scores from Saturday's games in the 7-on-7 high school football tournament.

FIRST ROUND

Lufkin 26, Arp 25
Plano 18, Cypress Creek 13
Waco Midway 45, Marion 38
Highland Park 36, Klein Oak 12
Lumberton 35, Southlake Carroll 26
The Woodlands 41, Spring Westfeild 37
Austin Bowie 33, Richland 21
San Benito 25, Stoney Point 21
Bay City 48, Azle 41
Bryan 35, China Spring 34
Colleyville Heritage 42, Hebron 35
Keller 40, Copperas Cove 39
Klein 32, Arlington Lamar 26
Gladewater 46, Tyler Lee 40
Baytown Lee 40, McKinney 31
Cy-Fair 40, Allen 20

SECOND ROUND

Plano 21, Lufkin 14
Waco Midway 33, Highland Park 32
Lumberton 28, The Woodlands 27
Austin Bowie 38, San Benito 6
Bay City 27, Bryan 7
Keller 47, Colleyville Heritage 27
Gladewater 38, Klein 26
Baytown Lee 40, Cy-Fair 28

QUARTERFINALS

Plano 35, Waco Midway 18
Austin Bowie 42, Lumberton 13
Keller 46, Bay City 29
Baytown Lee 40, Gladewater 25

SEMIFINALS

Austin Bowie 21, Plano 19
Baytown Lee 48, Keller 34

FINAL

Baytown Lee 34, Austin Bowie 32

CONSOLATION BRACKETS

FIRST ROUND

Grapevine 39, Dallas Jesuit 22
Cinco Ranch 32, Beaumont Kelly 20
Spring 28, Odessa 26
McAllen Rowe 19, Dobie 12
Abilene Cooper 39, Oak Ridge 0
Celina 33, Gainesville 19
Marshall 27, Clear Creek 14
Plano East 32, Friendswood 27
Waller 47, Pearland 40
Creekview 34, Early 7
Texas High 42, Texas City 25
Brownwood 39, San Angelo 21
Merkel vs. Crockett, forfeit
La Marque 27, Denton Ryan 18
Big Spring 30, Decatur 23
A&M Consolidated 42, Abilene 40

SECOND ROUND

Cinco Ranch 24, Grapevine 18
Spring 26, McAllen Rowe 14
Abilene Cooper 27, Celina 21
Plano East 25, Marshall 20
Creekview 53, Waller 26
Brownwood 40, Texas High 39
Merkel 32, La Marque 19
Big Spring 56, A&M Consolidated 20

QUARTERFINALS

Cinco Ranch 29, Spring 20
Abilene Cooper 51, Plano East 16
Creekview 41, Brownwood 33
Merkel 34, Big Springs 32

SEMIFINALS

Abilene Cooper 42, Cinco Ranch 19
Creekview 34, Merkel 20

FINAL

Abilene Cooper 34, Creekview 32

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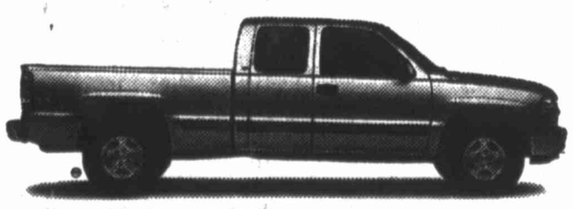
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Jones, Campo reminded of '98-90 Cowboys teams in 2001

WICHITA FALLS (AP) — Jerry Jones is feeling good these days, and it's not just because of the 50-plus pounds he's lost.

The owner of the Dallas Cowboys is actually smiling wide over the future of his team, boldly saying it reminds him of the 1989-90 squads that blossomed into three-time Super Bowl champions.

"I think we have more talent than 1989, '90," Jones said Saturday at a training-camp-opening news conference. "Let's see how it develops."

Although those early teams of the Jones era struggled, he expects this team to excel.

He stands by his prediction that the Cowboys can win 10 games, even though they won only five last season and are trying to replace Troy Aikman at quarterback.

"I just can't think about starting a season and not having a winning record," Jones said. "I think my statement was based upon us having the talent to have a winning record."

But Jones is quick to say that success depends on how quickly the team finds Aikman's successor.

Free agent signee Tony Banks goes into camp as the starter. But Banks, a washout in St. Louis and Baltimore, is considered a long shot to be the long-term answer.

Jones and staff are rooting for top draft pick Quincy Carter to eventually grab the reins.

Also getting another chance is Anthony Wright, who saw some action late last season.

"The most important thing I'm looking at in this camp is how our quarterback evolves. Period," Jones said. "When you don't have your complete answers at quarterback, then there's a big if. But I'm encouraged.

"I'm very aware that you can look around the NFL and there's probably 20 to 25 teams that have been trying to find a quarterback for 20 years. It's hard to do.

"So if we can step out here and have Tony Banks become our starter for the next six or seven years, or potentially have any of our quarterbacks become our starter, it would be a major happening for our franchise to immediately become competitive."

Jones cut Aikman in March, essentially kick-starting a youth movement by cutting deeply into this year's salary cap to free up money for next season and beyond. Aikman retired a month later.

Jones called Aikman on Saturday afternoon to reflect on the opening of a training camp without him.

"I told him I'm trying to get adjusted to a training camp without you being a part of the team," Jones said. "He agreed. He said, 'I feel funny not being there, too.'"

Dave Campo goes into his second year as head coach filled with the same optimism as Jones.

His plan to find out who will be part of the future begins with a round of survival of the fittest.

Campo nodded knowingly when Jones made an offhand comment about plans for a physical camp.

Campo also said he'll be putting added emphasis on preseason games.

"I'm not going to go to a knee because we're going to win the game, but at the same time I might go two quarters with the first unit," he said. "We're going to find guys that want to play and can play, and we're going to try to win."

Extra points: Jones' excess weight loss came from cutting back on what he ate and drank. He showed off how energized he is by hopping onto a platform for the news conference. ... Campo said linebacker Darren Hambrick would be on the second team Sunday with rookie Markus Steele on the first unit.

Although Hambrick led the team in tackles last season, he missed some voluntary workouts this summer because he was upset about his contract. ...

Second-round pick Tony Dixon, a safety from Alabama, and Matt Lehr, an offensive lineman from Virginia Tech taken in the fifth round, signed contracts Saturday.

Dallas was close to a deal with defensive tackle Daleroy Stewart, a sixth-round pick from Southern Miss. but the deal fell through.

That left third-round pick Willie Blade, a defensive tackle from Mississippi State, as the only draftee still in heavy negotiations.

"It seems like every year there's one that you don't see eye-to-eye with," said Stephen Jones, the player personnel director.

Freeman wins 95th Southern Amateur

LUFKIN, Texas (AP) — Cody Freeman of Woodward, Okla., birdied three of the last four holes Saturday to pull out a win in the 95th annual Southern Amateur Golf Championship.

Playing in the group in front of the leaders, Freeman dropped two strokes behind after hitting his tee shot into the water at the par-3 12th hole.

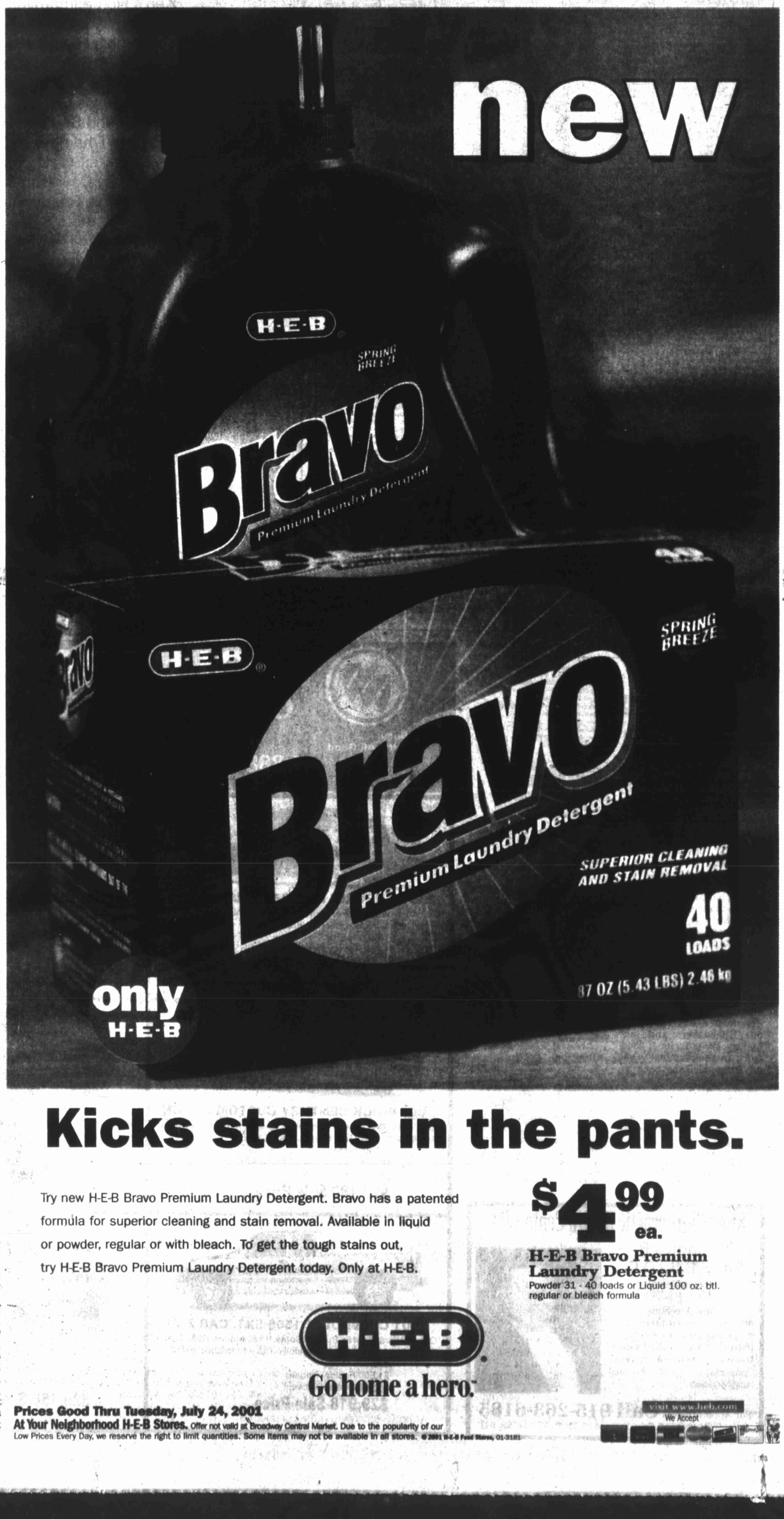
But he rallied with birdies on the 15th, 16th and 18th holes to finish at 68-282, two strokes better than former Louisiana State University golfer Alan Morgan of Lake Charles, La., who closed on 72-284.

"It was the only bad shot I hit all day," Freeman said, referring to his wayward 6-iron at No. 12. "I just pulled it."

Tied for third at 285 were Bill Haas of Greer, S.C., Matt Brost of Mansfield, Texas, and Lee Williams of Alexander City, Ala.

Haas shot 71 with five birdies and four bogies, Brost 72 with three birdies and as many bogies, and Williams 73 on four birdies, three bogies and a double.

Freeman, 22, a senior at Oklahoma University, was playing in his first Southern Amateur.



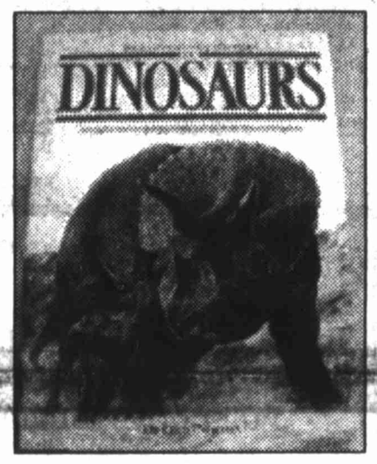
Dog days



A survival guide

Dog days of summer got you down? It's too hot to do just about anything outdoors these days, unless it's before 7 a.m. or after 10 p.m. Summer vacation is waning — with the start of school less than a month away — but the heat certainly won't end there.

Don't fight it. Give in to Mother Nature's most punishing season. Pull down the thermal shades, turn up the a/c and pile up the pillows. Now's the time to open a book and make your escape. Kids getting on your nerves because it's too hot to play outside? Give them a book starring some of their favorite characters or subjects, and you might get some free time.



The best part is, if you take advantage of all the Howard County Library has to offer, it will cost you absolutely nothing. So you can save your money to pay the electric bill.

We've collected some suggestions here for summer reading, listening and watching, but there are plenty of other options available for all ages:

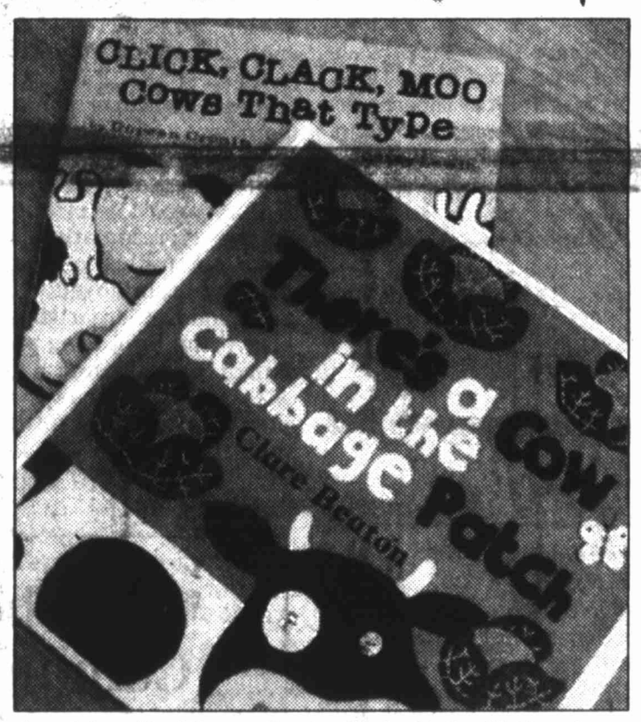
• What better time to start a **new hobby**, such as painting or cross stitch, and the library has the books you need to get started or brush up on your skills. Try "Painting Fresh Florals in Watercolor" by Arleta Pech. It includes step-by-step demonstrations and tips on finding inspiration. "Glorious Cross Stitch" by Chris Rankin boasts that it includes "more than 50 stunning projects for every room in your home."

Plus, it suggests, "even if you've never tried needlework before, you'll be amazed at how easy it is to create timeless beauty..." Other titles in this genre include, "Pretty Gifts That Say I Love You," and "The Complete Guide to Framing."

• For a real escape, **take a trip**: It's your choice where. Try "Rhapsody," by Elizabeth Haydon, a sci-fi fantasy about a woman who takes an epic voyage spanning centuries and worlds. Enjoy traveling by boat? William Least Heat Moon is hitting the road again — so to speak — with "River Horse: Across America by Boat."

Want to travel into the past? Try "The Heartson of Charging Elk," a novel with historical perspective by James Welch. If you are **dedicated to the state**, experience "Through Unexplored Texas" by George B. Ward. This "picture of frontier Texas" follows the trail of Capt. Randolph B. Marcy, credited with discovering our own historic spring.

• It's no mystery why people love intrigue and suspense. But add dinner, and ... well, you know the rest. Check out, "Death Dines at 8:30," 16 stories of crime and cuisine with recipes! Prefer your thrills with a dose of reality? Learn the truth about the National Security Agency in "Body of Secrets." Author James Bamford takes the NSA from the Cold War into the new century.



• For the kids, there's **something for every age**. The "read-to-me" crowd will positively moo for two new ones, "There's a Cow in the Cabbage Patch" and "Click, Clack, Moo Cows That Type."

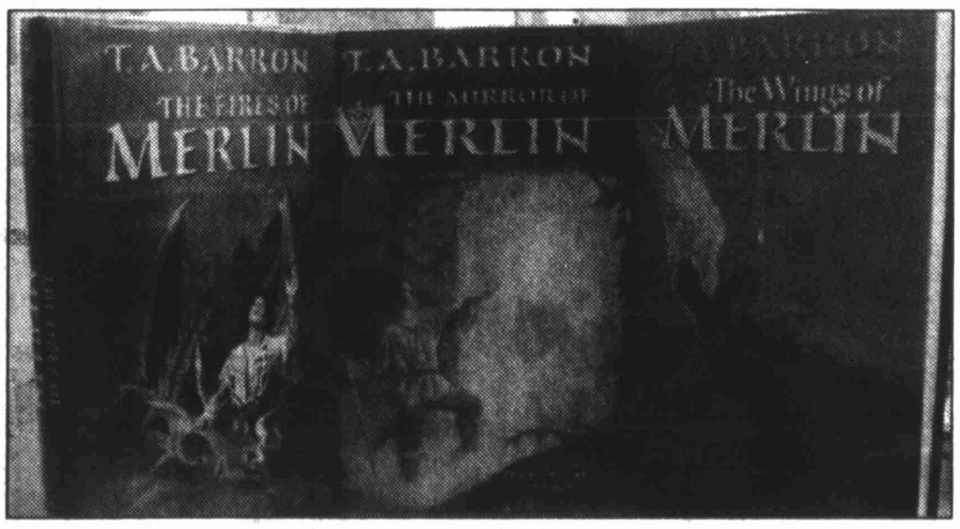
• **Beginning readers** can try, "Morgy Makes His Move" by Maggie Lewis, the story of a third grader who has to find a way to fit in at a new school when his family moves from California to Massachusetts. Beginners and middle readers should pick up the new book in the series about Arthur the Aardvark. It's called "Buster Baxter, Cat Saver," and focuses on Arthur's best friend, a rabbit named Buster.

• **Kids love movies**. If they've already seen the new Jurassic Park III, or they can't wait to, find a way to keep their interest going with books. Find a book about dinosaurs, or even look them up on the Internet. The latest installment of the ultra-popular Harry Potter series is not expected out for a year, and the movie's planned for the fall, but your kids can keep their interest going. T.A. Barron has a series, "The Lost Years of Merlin" about the wizard as a young man that Harry Potter fans should enjoy.

• Hey, everybody knows **television in the summer** is nothing but reruns and reality shows. Pop in a video instead. The library has a large collection of titles you probably haven't seen in a while, including classics by masters like Alfred Hitchcock, westerns and the popular films of the last few years.

Some of the most popular or **new video titles** include: "A Town Like Alice," "Meet the Parents," "In Love and War," "For the Love of the Game," "The Nephew," "The Jackal," "Anna and the King," and "Beloved."

— Debbie L. Jensen



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The period from mid-July through mid-August is known as "the dog days of summer," the hottest and muggiest part of the season. It is also a term used to describe a period of stagnation or inactivity. Ever wonder about the origins of the term? Several theories can be found, but the most prevalent seems to be this:

The term is believed to be derived from the position of a star in one of two constellations named for dogs: Canis Major and Canis Minor.

The brightest of the stars in Canis Major (the big dog) is Sirius, which also happens to be the brightest star in the night sky. In fact, it is so bright that the ancient Romans thought that the earth received heat from it. Look for it in the southern sky (viewed from northern latitudes) during January.

In the summer, however, Sirius, the "dog star," rises and sets with the sun. During late July Sirius is in conjunction with the sun, and the ancients believed that its heat added to the heat of the sun, creating a stretch of hot and sultry weather. They named this period of time, from 20 days before the conjunction to 20 days after, "dog days" after the dog star.

In the latitude of the Mediterranean region, this period coincided with hot days that were plagued with disease and discomfort. Activity, as a necessity, was decreased.

The time of conjunction varies with difference in latitude, and because of the precession of the equinoxes, it changes gradually over long periods in all latitudes.

Although this time of the summer is certainly the warmest period we experience throughout the year, we now know the heat is not due to the added radiation from a far-away star, regardless of its brightness. The heat of summer is instead a direct result of the earth's tilt.

Think of these dog days another way, though: If you are so hot you can barely stand to be outside during the daylight hours, how does it feel to your dog?

Our "dog days" model is Jade, a large shepherd mix living at the Big Spring Humane Society, where she spends much of the afternoon standing or lying in a plastic swimming pool full of water. Is your dog so lucky?

— Debbie L. Jensen

Statewide award affirms BSSH superintendent Moughon is 'the best in the business'



BILLIE RUSSWORM

Our volunteers have known for a long time that Big Spring State Hospital CEO Ed Moughon is the best in the business and now we have the stamp of approval from the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

We recently found out that Mr. Moughon has been named recipient of the Preston E. Harrison Award. This prestigious award recognizes only one employee within the vast TDMHMR system for their contributions to bettering the lives of people with mental health or mental retardation.

The Volunteer Services Council and the nearly 700 hospital employees will co-host the ceremony honoring Mr. Moughon Aug. 24 at the Allred building auditorium. Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation Commissioner Karen Hale will present the award.

The ceremony begins at 2 p.m. and is open to the public. We hope everyone in the community will join us in honoring Mr. Moughon for his many contributions to Big Spring State Hospital. Volunteers interested in assisting with this event are encouraged to call us at 268-7535.

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The "Dog Days of Summer" may be upon us, but dedicated volunteers appear energized and ready to lend a hand with whatever needs to be done at the hospital. A volunteer workday will be Thursday, July 26, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Community Relations Office. Join us for visiting, lunch, work and just that good feeling of getting out of the house and helping others.

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Wide-mouth quart-sized canning jars are needed for one of our craft sale projects. I know some of you no longer can and they are gathering dust in the garage. Your donations may be brought to the Community Relations Office.

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Cotton material is needed for making our "We Care Bags", which are distributed to new patients. Check your stacks of leftover material and let us put your extras to good use.

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Volunteer Services Council Chairperson Doris Huibregtse and I attended a state fundraising training session Friday and Saturday in Austin. We will share our new knowledge with other board members soon.

Billie Russworm is Director of Community Relations at Big Spring State Hospital.

JULY 22, 2001

WEDDING ENGAGEMENTS



Adams - Simer

Julie Lafon Adams and Gary Eugene Simer exchanged vows during a garden ceremony at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Simer of Big Spring on July 7, 2001, with Kirk Cowell, minister of the Church of Christ in Abilene, officiating.

Julie is the daughter of Michael and Leatrice Adams of Stanton and the granddaughter of Buster and Fern Adams and Van and Lucy Glaze, both of Stanton.

Gary is the son of Donna Simer and Paul Miller of Big Spring and the grandson of Eddie and Ellen Simer of Big Spring.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Michael Adams, and wore a strapless, white, wedding gown with a sweetheart neckline. The fitted bodice was adorned in floral lace with sequins and sea pearls. the gown flowed into a full princess skirt of layered chiffon and tulle, sprinkled with sequins and sea pearls. She carried a fresh floral bouquet of white lilies and roses, Shasta daisies and small purple delphiniums.

Joy Adams Robertson served as matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Rhoda Howard and Kelly Chudej. Maids of honor were Michelle Adams and Misty Adams.

Flower girl was Sara Overby. Ringbearer was Brett Glaze.

Casey Bristow served as best man. Groomsmen were Doug Newsom, Rusty Rutledge, Rodney Robertson and Paul Miller.

Jeffrey Adams and Adam Thomas served as ushers.

A reception was held around the garden's pond. A small trickling waterfall and light accented trees set the scene for the reception.

The bride's cake was a three-tiered, pale yellow and covered with white daisies and a few lavender daisies. Four columns and a cherub divided the second layer and top layer of the cake. The cake topper was a Precious Moments bride and groom.

The groom's cake was a carrot cake shaped and decorated as Jeff Gordon's race car.

The bride is a graduate of Stanton High School and attends McMurray University in Abilene.

The groom is a graduate of Forsan High School and attends McMurray University in Abilene. He is currently employed by HEB.

Following a wedding trip to Cancun, Mexico, the couple will make their home in Abilene.



Patterson - Green

Keely Patterson of Big Spring and Randy Green of Snyder will exchange wedding vows July 27, 2001, at Trinity Baptist Church with Dr. Randy Cotton and Dr. Claude Craven officiating.

She is the daughter of Sam and Linda Buchanan of Big Spring and Mark and Darla Patterson of Dike and the granddaughter of Hiram and Marcia Ruggles of Sand Springs.

He is the son of Tommy and Bridgette Green of Snyder.



Rushing - Nieves

Jo Ellen Rushing and Brock Anthony Nieves, both of Dallas, will exchange wedding vows Oct. 13, 2001, in Wichita Falls with the Rev. Robert L. Allen, of First United Methodist Church, officiating.

She is the daughter of Pamela Rushing of Holliday and the late Rusty Rushing.

He is the son of Irene Uribe-Nieves of Big Spring and the late Noel O. Nieves and the grandson of Mrs. R.N. Uribe.

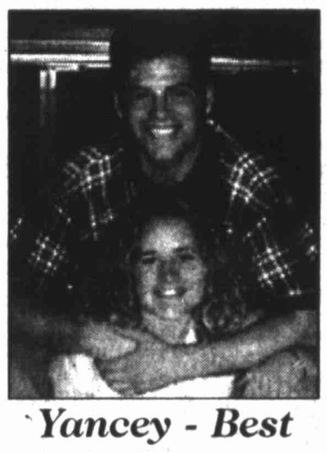


Limones - Cline

Shirley M. Limones and Roger D. Cline, both of Colorado City, will exchange wedding vows Sept. 22, 2001, at First United Methodist Church in Colorado City with Kay Reed, minister of First United Methodist Church, officiating.

She is the daughter of the late Marie Wyrosdick Sanderson.

He is the son of Janet and Raymond Cline of Port Arthur and the grandson of Elizabeth (Betty) Safford of Colorado City.

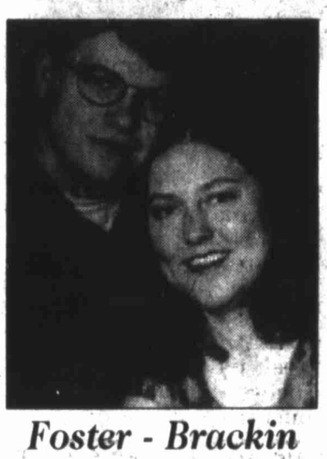


Yancey - Best

Mitzi Deneace Yancey of Big Spring and Benjamin Luke Best of Coahoma will exchange wedding vows Aug. 25, 2001, at First Christian Church with the Rev. Jimmy Watson officiating.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Yancey of Big Spring and the granddaughter of Alice Stevens of Big Sprig and Mrs. Eddie Yancey of Odessa.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jo Best of Coahoma and the grandson of Mrs. V.E. Best of Coahoma.



Foster - Brackin

Lisa Foster of Big Spring and Adam Brackin of Abilene will exchange wedding vows July 31, 2001, at Circle 6 Ranch Tabernacle in Stanton with Dr. John Brackin, father of the groom, officiating.

She is the daughter of Rick and Deborah Foster of Big Spring.

He is the son of John and Anne Brackin of West Palm Beach, Fla.

STORK CLUB

Frank Reagan Dorton, boy, born July 4, 2001, 1:58 p.m. at Denton Regional Hospital in Denton.

Weighing seven pounds, six ounces and 19 inches long. Parents are Leigh and Eric Dorton of Denton.

Grandparents are Jayne and Dave Boston, Aubrey, Becky and George Napper of Garland and John Dorton of Harlingen.

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FRIDAY-Turkey & dressing, sweet potatoes, green beans, salad, milk/rolls, fruit.

NEWCOMERS

Henry R. Chappel and son Henry J. of San Angelo.

Ben and Candice Baucum of Colorado City. He is an operator for ALON USA.

Nancy Lewis of Pleasant. She is a hair dresser for Wal-Mart.

Melinda Teel of Amarillo. She is employed by Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

Johnny and Michelle Taylor, sons, Treyli and John; daughters, Tori and Ashlee of El Paso and Lamesa. He is operator and manager of American Wireless.

Mike and Kerry Prichard of San Angelo. He is a field service representative for Cox Communications and she is employed by Anderson Kindergarten.

Dave and Fran Ring and daughter, Joanna of Odessa. He is the new minister for First United Methodist Church.

ANNIVERSARY

William Eldon and Eva Marie (Missie) Pounds will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception at the Birdwell Lane Church of Christ fellowship hall hosted by their children and grandchildren.

He was born in Tennison. She was born Eva Marie (Missie) Smith in Vealmoore.

The couple met in 1950 in Ackerly and were introduced by a mutual friend.

They were then married July 28, 1951, in Carlsbad, N.M. at the county courthouse.

They have a daughter and son-in-law , Janice and Garrett Conaway of Christoval; a son and daughter-in-law, Doug and Tracey Pounds of Big Spring; and a daughter and son-in-law, Twila and Terry Whetsel of Big Spring. They also had another son, Lee Pounds, who is deceased.

They have six grandchildren.

Throughout their marriage the have lived in Ackerly, San Angelo, Vealmoore and Big Spring. They have lived in the same house in Big Spring for 47 years.

He was in the U.S. Air Force from 1947 to 1950 and



William and Eva Marie Pounds

then was employed by Terrell Manufacturing (San Angelo) from 1950 to 1952. He was a fireman in the Civil Service at Webb Air Force Base from 1952 to 1972. He owned Pounds Construction from 1972 to 1990 when he retired. She was a homemaker.

The couple are members of Birdwell Lane Church of Christ. His hobbies include woodworking, carpentry and playing on the computer. She enjoys sewing and cooking. They both enjoy gardening, traveling, camping and spending time with their grandchildren.

Their comment about marriage is "We always put God first and have always been best friends."

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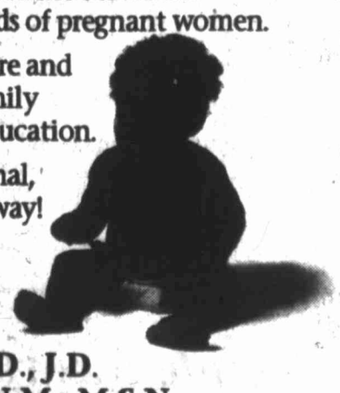


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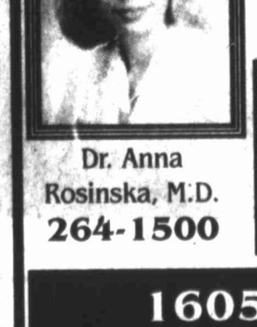
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WHO'S WHO


SCHWARTZ


SULLIVAN

Chelsea Schwartz, 16, was recently named as "All Star Overall Kid" at the National All Star Pageant held in Dallas. Of the 75 contestants, ages 4-21, Chelsea had the highest overall combined scores in talent, interview, modeling, beauty, photogenic and portfolio. In her age group she won photogenic and placed first alternate in talent and beauty.

Her winnings include crown and banner, six foot trophy, $2500 and many other gifts. Chelsea will be a junior at Garden City High School, where she will be student body president and is the daughter of Floyd and Martha Schwartz of St. Lawrence. Her grandparents include Emma Doe of Big Spring and Joe and Rose Schwartz of Garden City.

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The United States Achievement Academy, USAA, named Patricia Carolyn Sullivan from Garden City an All-American Scholar At Large.

This award is given to elite scholars previously recognized by the academy in other areas and is based solely upon academic scores and academic achievements.

Patricia has previously been honored twice by USAA as a National Award Winner in mathematics and once in leadership and service.

Earlier this year she was honored with the Texas State Board of Education Celebration in Excellence Award. She was nominated by Mrs. Shana Kirkland, a teacher and coach at her school.

She will appear in the official yearbook which is published nationally each year. She is in the top 10 percent of her class at Garden City High School and is on the A Honor Roll.

She is the daughter of Robert and Ila Sullivan of Garden City.

She is the granddaughter of Denis and Anity Calverley of Garden City and Gwendolyn Sullivan of Big Spring.



Courtesy photo

Clockwise from bottom: Lisa Boyd, Bobby Capps, Freddy Olivarez and Jon Voight.

School of Radiologic Technology graduates 25th class of radiologists

Scenic Mountain Medical Center's School of Radiologic Technology recently graduated its 25th class of radiologists.

On July 14, Lisa Marie Boyd, Bobby Ray Capps, Freddy Olivarez and Ferrol Jon Voight received diplomas and program pins in a ceremony at the Big Spring City Council Chambers.

Tim Schmidt, CEO of Scenic Mountain, welcomed a standing-room only crowd to the celebration. The program included a slide presentation of the class's 24 months at SMMC.

Capps presented the "Roney Wood Award" for patient care excellence to Toni Subia, an upcoming second-year student in the program. Capps received the award in 2000. The award was established in 1990 to honor the late Roney "Woody" Wood who worked at Scenic Mountain as a radiologic technologist for 35 years.

Capps received the first "Valerie R. Showalter Award" for academic and clinical excellence during his training.

Showalter graduated from the program when it was known as the Malone Hogan Hospital School of Radiologic Technology.

She is a professor at Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls and is a well-known speaker in the field of radiologic technology.

She grew up in Big Spring and worked at SMMC for several years.

The four graduates will take the American Registry of Radiographic Technologists national board exam in the near future. All four plan to work in the Big Spring area.

MILITARY

Army Sgt. Lucas L. Lopez has been decorated with the Army Commendation medal. The medal is awarded to those individuals who demonstrate outstanding achievement or meritorious service in the performance of their duties on behalf of the Army. Lopez, a fighting vehicle system mechanic, is assigned to the second Battalion, 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment, Fort Irwin, Barstow, Calif. He is the son of Habacue D. Lopez of Big Spring. He is a 1993 graduate of Big Spring High School and a 2000 graduate of Barstow College, Calif.

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Marine Corps Pfc. Jeremy R. Polich, a 2000 graduate of Westbrook High School, recently graduated from the Marine Corps Basic Combat Engineer Course at Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, N.C. During the five-week course, Polich received instruction in the fundamentals of engineering support for combat units, including the procedures for building and repairing bridges, roads and field fortifications. Polich also received training on demolition concepts, land mine warfare and camouflage techniques. Polich will accompany Marine infantry forces to build roads, set up camps and fortify living areas.

Hepburn undergoes treatment for infection

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — Four-time Academy Award winner Katharine Hepburn underwent tests at a hospital Thursday and was expected to go home in a few days.

A relative said the 94-year-old actress was suffering from a minor infection. Her past health problems include arthritis, pneumonia and Parkinson's-like tremors.

"She's doing much better today," former West Hartford Mayor Ellsworth Grant, Hepburn's brother-in-law, told the Hartford Courant.

Hepburn was admitted around 6 p.m. Wednesday and was resting comfortably in stable condition Thursday afternoon, Hartford Hospital spokesman James Battaglio said.

"She's up and around and speaking with her physicians," Battaglio said late Thursday afternoon. "Physically she's showing improvement in her overall appearance and her spirit."

In an interview in October 1990, she told The Associated Press: "I'm what is known as gradually disintegrating. I don't fear the next world, or anything. I don't fear hell, and I don't look forward to heaven."

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Lulu — Brown and white, medium mix, 2 yr., female, spayed.

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Demand for Hispanic nurses at an all time high, studies show

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The demand for Hispanic nurses, the most underrepresented ethnic group in registered nursing ranks, is at an all time high amid a nationwide nursing shortage that is straining health care organizations and the nursing profession.

At many health care facilities, Hispanic nurses are often called upon to help doctors and fellow nurses communicate with Spanish-speaking patients.

"Don't get me wrong; I'd do anything for a patient," said Carmen Garcia, a 29-year-old nursing student in San Antonio. "But sometimes, it hinders me from learning or helping the patient I'm assigned. One day, I was the only one who spoke Spanish, and if I wasn't there, what would they have done?"

The duty gives her satisfaction knowing she's of help, but it also takes precious time away from caring for her own patients, while adding to her daily workload.

"You can feel stretched trying to meet all the demands," said Mary Lou Siantz, president of the National Association of Hispanic Nurses. "But it's all about being responsive to the population."

NAHN ended a three-day national conference Friday at the Adam's Mark River Walk Hotel. The meeting focused on how to increase educational and professional opportunities for Hispanic nurses.

Hispanics are the most underrepresented ethnic group in the registered nursing ranks, according to the Health Resources and Services Administration. And in Texas, despite its large Hispanic population, the group makes up only 7 percent of registered nurses, said Janet Allan, dean of the School of Nursing at the University of Texas Health Science Center.

According to a study published last year in the Journal of the American Medical Association, if current trends continue, the nation will see a deficit of 500,000 nurses by 2020.

In addition to being able to break down crucial language barriers, Hispanic nurses almost act as "consultants" to the greater medical profession, Siantz said.

"It's about understanding everything from immigration, culturalization, foods, religions, beliefs and particularly how those beliefs shape patients' feelings about health care," she said.

Walls outlet to carry its brand only

By APRIL L. WARD
Staff Writer

Walls Industries Inc. Outlet Store is finishing phasing out its stock of women's and children's clothing in efforts to sell only Walls products.

Store manager Judy Moore said the store formerly had to order its women's and children's clothing from other companies — a practice that will soon be discontinued.

"We used to carry a few items of women's and children's clothing, but they weren't Walls products," she said. "We won't be reordering them."

According to Moore, the company is simply returning to its original practice.

"The outlet store was originally put in to sell Walls products," Moore said.

"Then, they decided to venture out and buy other companies' products. We've just gone back to what we were originally doing."

With the return to Walls products, the store will focus mainly on men's products.

"We'll still have some ladies' and kid's coveralls that we make, but we'll mainly carry all men's clothing."

However, when the Big Spring Walls factory closed late last year, some residents were under false impressions about the outlet store.



HERALD photo/Lindy Barr

Judy Moore, manager of Walls Outlet store, sorts through the men's clothing section. Walls will no longer sell women's and children's clothing. The Walls corporation will strictly be a Walls line and no other brands will be sold in their stores.

"A lot of people thought the store closed when the factory closed in October or November," Moore said. "That hurt us, but we're definitely in business."

Also, the Walls outlet store is carrying new types of clothing.

"We've just ventured into making men's work shirts," she said.

"We have them in khaki and denim, and we also have a line of men's Western shirts."

Work clothes aren't the only new lines of merchandise.

"We now have a lot of camouflage hunting gear," Moore said. "We have hunting pants, shirts, coats, and even T-shirts."

The store is open from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. According to Moore, it is still carrying their regular men's products in addition to the new ones.

"We have denim overalls, insulated bibs and coveralls, and jeans," Moore said. "It's just all Walls stuff now."

Federal law

Burlington-Northern's tests on workers without their knowledge illegal, EEOC says

DALLAS (AP) — The U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission has told Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad that its genetic testing of some employees without their knowledge violated federal law, a determination that could help workers considering a lawsuit against the railroad.

An EEOC official said Burlington Northern broke the federal Americans with Disabilities Act by treating employees with carpal-tunnel syndrome as disabled and then discriminating against them.

The commission's regional director in Milwaukee, Chester V. Bailey, said Burlington Northern had acted "with malice or reckless disregard" for the rights of workers. He notified the company of the agency's findings in a July 10 letter.

The railroad denied any wrongdoing.

"Burlington Northern Santa Fe has never believed the test in question violated the Americans with Disabilities Act. There is nothing in the EEOC determination letter that changes that belief," said spokesman Richard Russack.

The EEOC's finding is the latest step in a dispute that the railroad thought it had put behind it.

The commission sued the railroad in February to block genetic testing of workers who submitted claims of work-related carpal-tunnel syndrome, a painful hand and wrist condition believed to be caused by repetitive motion.

In April, the railroad agreed to stop the testing, and the commission dropped its lawsuit aimed at blocking the tests. But the agency continued investigating the claims of workers who said they were asked to undergo medical exams and give blood samples that were used for genetic testing.

The tests were intended to determine whether the workers were genetically more likely to develop carpal-tunnel syndrome, which Burlington Northern hoped would indicate that the injuries weren't work-related and not covered by workers' comp insurance.

Deadly anthrax outbreak identified in southern Texas counties

What is Anthrax? Anthrax is a naturally occurring disease with worldwide distribution.



DAVID KIGHT

It is caused by Bacillus anthrax, a spore-forming bacteria that can remain alive, but dormant in the soil for many years.

The bacteria can "bloom" and contaminate surface soil and grass after periods of wet, cool weather, followed by several weeks of hot, dry conditions.

Grazing animals—such as cattle, sheep, goats, exotic and domestic deer and horses — ingest anthrax bacteria when they consume contaminated grass.

By the time an animal displays signs of disease, including staggering, trembling, convulsions or bleeding from body openings, death usually follows.

Anthrax outbreaks depend on two factors working together: the presence of the spores in the soil and suitable weather conditions.

Outbreaks usually end when cool weather arrives and the bacteria becomes dormant.

Anthrax can occur anywhere, but in Texas, cases most often are confined to a triangular area bounded by the towns of Uvalde, Ozona and Eagle Pass.

This area includes portions of Crockett, Val Verde, Sutton, Edwards, Kinney and Maverick counties.

In these counties, many livestock producers routinely vaccinate livestock against the disease.

When anthrax outbreak begins, veterinarians will have the initial cases confirmed through laboratory tests conducted at the Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory in College Station.

Subsequent cases in an outbreak are to be expected and may be diagnosed clinically, based on disease signs and sudden death loss.

Anthrax is a reportable disease and the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) is to be notified of confirmed and suspected cases.

Reports can be made to TAHC area offices or to the TAHC headquarters at 1-800-550-8242, where a veterinarian is on call 24 hours a day.

An effective anthrax vaccine can be purchased through private veterinary practitioners, feed stores or animal health product distributors.

When administering the vaccine, wear a long-sleeved shirt and use latex or work gloves to prevent skin contamination with this "live" vaccine.

Do not collect antlers, skulls or horns from animals. Anthrax can survive even if bones are bleached.

For more information contact David Kight at the Howard County Extension office 264-2236.

State hospital fashion shop saves taxpayers money, helps patients

By VALERIE AVERY
Herald Correspondent

More than 1,200 pieces of donated clothing are given to Big Spring State Hospital patients each month, saving taxpayers nearly $150,000 a year.

"Many of our patients need immediate hospitalization and that doesn't allow them to pack their belongings," said Julie Thompson, Big Spring State Hospital fashion shop coordinator. "A lot of them arrive with the clothes on their back."

Big Spring State Hospital is responsible for outfitting each patient in appropriate attire, including shirts, pants or shorts, undergarments, jackets and shoes.

Upon arrival, patients visit The Fashion Shop — an on-site store which allows them to "shop" for four outfits.

"It's a boutique-type situation," Thompson said. "We keep things coordinated in sizes. We have the men's section and the ladies section and the purses and shoes. We have the belts and caps for the gentlemen."

Treatment teams assist patients who may be disoriented early on in their hospitalization. If patients are too ill to shop for themselves, staff members will choose items for them to wear, she said.

Every two weeks, patients are given an opportunity to shop for a new outfit, which also has therapeutic uses, Thompson said.

"It teaches them to shop. We have dressing rooms where they try things on. They might bring a friend and ask them what looks good. It's just like your normal shopping trip in the community."

When people live with depression or other psychiatric illnesses, personal hygiene is not a priority, she said.

"That is part of their mental illness."

"We use trips to the Fashion Shop as a reinforcer," Thompson said. "We'll tell them that they'll get to go to the Fashion Shop if they clean themselves up."

Thompson usually is one of the first people to notice when patients start feeling better. They take more interest in their appearance, she said.

"If you're depressed, you don't want to get into pretty clothes. Once they start getting better, they want to come over. What lady doesn't like to shop? And you would be surprised at the guys who like to go shop. A lot of our patients don't have the resources to go get clothing in the community like they do when they are when they are in here."

People in the Big Spring community provide clothing to The Fashion Shop. Clothes donated to the Volunteer Services Council's resale shop — The Chalet, 1007 E. 11th Place — often can fill in the gaps when their stock runs low.

The Fashion Shop is in desperate need of replenishing its summer stock, Thompson said. High temperatures have depleted the supply of lightweight clothing, particularly women's plus sizes, smaller men's sizes, and men's shoes.



HERALD photo/Valerie Avery

Big Spring State Hospital Fashion Shop Coordinator Julie Thompson arranges clothing at the hospital's Fashion Shop. Patients "shop" for donated clothes at the hospital, saving taxpayers more than $150,000.

"We are really low on our clothing," Thompson said. "We need seasonal clothing, and right now we're in need of large ladies and men's clothing."

Big Spring State Hospital treats children, adolescents, adults and seniors in all sizes, Thompson said.

"We need all types of styles of clothing," she said. "We need to remember that we have different populations to fill those needs. What an 80-year-old woman would wear would not be what a 16-year-old girl would wear."

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Kathryn Suzzan Nutting vs Orval Keith Nutting, divorce
Ronnie Wales vs Kia Motors America Inc., ido

District Court Rulings:

Probated Judgment: Georgette Y. Ruiz, Theft $50-$500, $500 fine, $310.25, 180 days in jail.
Revocation of Probation: Mica Neil Swafford, Possession of marijuana less than two ounces, $500 fine, $349.25 court costs, 60 days in jail.
Probated Judgment: Joseph Garza, Driving while license invalid, $250 fine, $260.25 court costs, 180 days in jail.
Revocation of Probation: Joe A. Torres Jr., Driving while intoxicated, $1,500 fine, $375.25 court costs, 90 days in jail.
Judgment and Sentence: John Anthony Soliz, Possession of marijuana less than two ounces, $300 fine, $260.25 court costs, 30 days in jail.
Probated Judgment: Roy Bermea Jr., Driving while intoxicated - second offense, $1,000 fine, $275.25 court costs, 365 days in jail.
Probated Judgment: Johnny Lee Dugan, Driving while intoxicated - second offense, $1,500 fine, $275.25 court costs, 365 days in jail.
Judgment and Sentence: Joe Aguilar Torres, Terroristic threats, $500 fine, $260.25 court costs, 90 days in jail.
Probated Judgment: Michael A. Hernandez, Driving while intoxicated, $1,500 fine, $275.25 court costs, 180 days in jail.
Judgment and Sentence: Brandon Wayne Martin, Possession of marijuana less than two ounces, $300 fine, $260.25 court costs, 90 days in jail.
Judgment and Sentence: Fred Lee Williams, Assault, $500 fine, $310.25 court costs, 90 days in jail.
Judgment and Sentence: Fred Lee Williams, Evading arrest, $500 fine, $310.25 court costs, 90 days in jail.
Probated Judgment: Chrysta B. Tibbets, Driving while intoxicated, $750 fine, $275.25 court costs, 180 days in jail.
Judgment and Sentence: Dale Scott Davis, Driving while license suspended, $500 fine, $260.25 court costs, 90 days in jail.
Judgment and Sentence: Dale Scott Davis, Evading arrest, $500 fine, $260.25 court costs, 90 days in jail.
Judgment and Sentence: Raul Gonzales Martinez, Criminal trespass, $500 fine, $260.25 court costs, 45 days in jail.
Judgment and Sentence: Jose Samuel Sanchez, Criminal trespass/habitation, $500 fine, $260.25 court costs, 45 days in jail.
Judgment and Sentence: Fred Lee Williams, Resisting arrest, $500 fine, $260.25 court costs, 90 days in jail.
Revocation of Probation: Reymundo Chavarria, Carrying prohibited weapon, $250 fine, $369.25 court costs, 30 days in jail.
Revocation of Probation: Joel Hernandez, Driving while intoxicated, $750 fine, $349.25 court costs, 60 days in jail.
Revocation of Probation: Jimmy Ray Schoonover, Driving while intoxicated, $1,500 fine, $375.25 court costs, 60 days in jail.
Revocation of Probation: Daniel V. Flores, Resisting arrest, $500 fine, $360.25 court costs, 60 days in jail.
Probated Judgment: Charles Floyd Mase, Driving while intoxicated, $1,000 fine, $275.25 court costs, 180 days in jail.
Judgment and Sentence: Jason Threats, Possession of marijuana less than two ounces, $300 fine, $310.25 court costs, 30 days in jail.
Probated Judgment: Joe David Foster, Deadly conduct, $2,500 fine, $260.25 court costs, 180 days in jail.
Probated Judgment: Ronald Price, Theft $50-$500, $250 fine, $310.25 court costs, 180 days in jail.
Probated Judgment: Gabriel Talamantez, Driving while license invalid, $250 fine, $260.25 court costs, 180 days in jail.
Probated Judgment: Albert Preston Daylong, Driving while intoxicated, $750 fine, $275.25 court costs, 180 days in jail.
Probated Judgment: Hector Robles Melendez, Driving while license suspended, $250 fine, $260.25 court costs, 180 days in jail.
Probated Judgment: Jose Perez Jr., Driving while intoxicated, $1,500 fine, $275.25 court costs, 180 days in jail.
Probated Judgment: James Clint Moore, Driving while intoxicated, $1,000 fine, $275.25 court costs, 180 days in jail.

Marriage Licenses:

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Warranty Deed:

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Property: Lot 14, Blk. 2, North McEwen
Date filed: July 9, 2001

Grantor: Richard and Linda Hall
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Property: Lot 9, Blk. 2, Williams Addition, Coahoma
Date filed: July 9, 2001

Grantor: Bobby Ned Lawdermilk and Mary Lawdermilk
Grantee: Dois and Lynn Nell Ray
Property: The SE/4 of Sec. 8, Blk. 32, T-1-N T&P RR Co. Survey
Date filed: July 10, 2001

Grantor: Roy L. Osborne and Walter L. Osborne
Grantee: John Palmer and Mary Palmer
Property: Lot 11, Blk. 6, Hillcrest Terrace
Date filed: July 11, 2001

Grantor: Mary Lou Alexander
Grantee: Curtis and Mary Averette
Property: A tract in Lot 1, Blk. 1, Lockhart Addition
Date filed: July 12, 2001

Grantor: Tony R. and Vernita L. Andrews
Grantee: Samuel and Jennifer Hale
Property: Lot 3, Blk. 3, North McEwen Addition
Date filed: July 13, 2001

Grantor: Michelle and Margarito O. Yanez Jr.
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Property: Lot 1, Blk. 113, Original Town of Big Spring
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Grantee: Amy Gilbert
Property: Lot 4, 5 and 6, Blk. F, Earles Addition
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Grantor: Larry William Vigar
Grantee: Rigo and Alicia Moran
Property: Lots 11 and 12, Blk. 1, Avion Village
Date filed: July 10, 2001

Grantor: Thomas Corvin
Grantee: Carlos and Angela Castaneda
Property: Lot 24, Blk. 3, Belvue Addition
Date filed: July 12, 2001

Grantor: Billy Greg King, Jeana King, Donny King, Earl King, Gerald King and Edward King
Grantee: Lori Martinez
Property: Lot 10 and N/2 of Lot 9, Blk. 1, Williams Addition, Coahoma
Date filed: July 12, 2001

Grantor: Cameo Investments Inc.
Grantee: Gary S. McCoy and Sylvia McCoy
Property: Lot 5, Blk. 20, Monticello Addition
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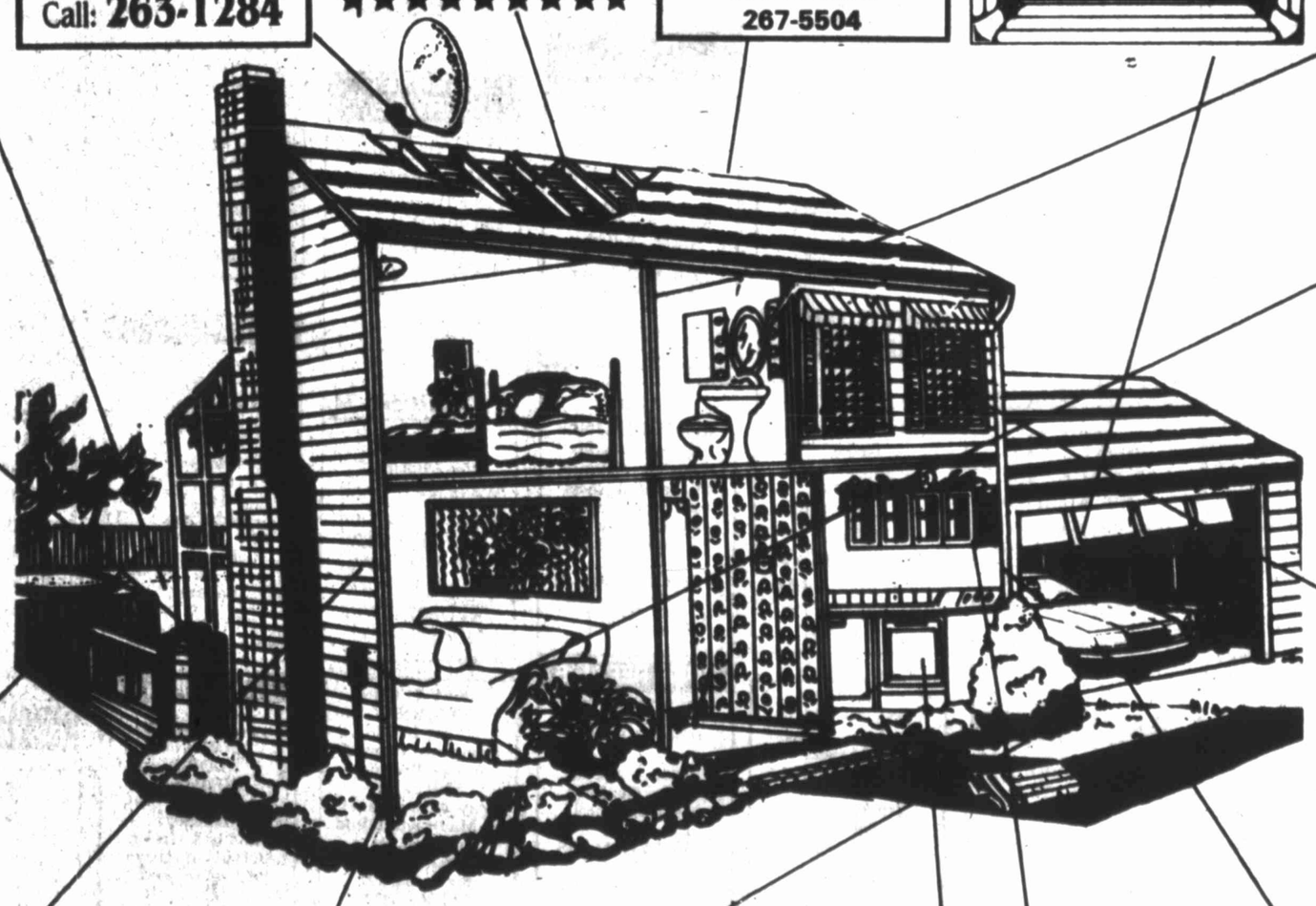
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EXPERT ADVICE

HAIRSTYLIST

Q. What's the best way to get a haircut I can live with?
A. Getting a good haircut, is a function of both the stylist and the style itself. Many women make the mistake of choosing a style because it looks good on a celebrity or friend, yet they may have an entirely different type of hair. When looking through magazines, try to select styles that reflect your own hair texture. Your lifestyle, and the amount of time you are willing to devote on daily "maintenance" are important as well. Most importantly discuss your needs with a competent stylist. He or she should make recommendations based on your desires and the shape of your face. Be open-minded, but don't be pressured into settling for something that you feel is too trendy or just isn't you.

Head Hunters Beauty Salon
1310 S. Austin • 267-1861

REALTOR

Q. How can I choose the right realtor to help me buy or sell a home?
A. Finding the right realtor can be tricky. Be choosy, be cautious, and ask a lot of questions. Personal recommendations from satisfied neighbors or friends, are always a good place to begin. Additionally, keep in mind that commissions are not always set in stone. Ask to negotiate the agent's commission. If selling, the agent should price your home using a comparable market survey. Home buyer's are entitled to this information, as well. When discussing your finances, honesty is the best policy. Your agent needs to know your cash down payment and how much you can afford per month. Sellers should also be honest about problems with the property and reasons for selling. The more information your realtor has, the better he or she can serve you.

The Real Estate Shop
2003 Gregg • 263-7653

CHIROPRACTOR

Q. What can I do to avoid back pain and spinal injury?
A. Most back injuries are due to falls or careless lifting. To avoid back injury due to incorrect lifting, follow these important guidelines:
*Decide on the best way to get a good grip on the object to be lifted. Squat down, keeping feet 10" to 12" apart and spine straight.
*Keeping the object close to your body, lift using the muscles of your legs, thighs, arms and shoulders. Never use your back for lifting support.
*When you set the object down, keep your back straight. Bend your legs slowly and set the load down easily.
*Don't go it alone. Get help with objects that are too big, bulky or heavy.

Wiggins Chiropractic
1512 Scurry St. Suite A
268-1711

NUTRITIONIST

Q. I'm having trouble keeping up with all the latest nutritional data. One week a food is good for you, the next week it's off the list. Can you give me some guidelines for healthy eating?
A. While keeping up with the latest findings can be confusing, there are some reliable guidelines for healthy, sensible eating. In general, eat a variety of foods to ensure that you're getting enough of the essential nutrients. Eat only enough calories to maintain your desired weight, avoiding foods that are rich in fat, saturated fat, and cholesterol. Be sure to include adequate starch and fiber in your diet and limit your sugar and sodium intake. Lastly, don't overlook the important of regular exercise. If you are overweight, underweight, diabetic or suffer from some other medical problem, a consultation with a licensed nutritionist or dietician can be greatly beneficial.

Big Spring Health Food Store
1305 Scurry • 267-6524

PROFESSIONAL LANDSCAPER

Q. What steps can I take to insure a more beautiful lawn?
A. Every type of grass has a specific height for optimum performance and keeping grass at its best growing height can dramatically improve your lawn's lushness. A simple rule to follow is to keep your mower blade sharpened throughout the season and to never remove more than one-third of the leaf surface each time you mow. As for watering, lawns do best when watered heavily at infrequent intervals. The best time for watering is in the early morning or early evening. However, lawns that are wat ·ed too late in the day, may stay wet all night, encouraging disease development. For handling of special problems, you may want to engage the services of a lawn care professional.

Ponderosa Nursery
Davis Rd. & Gail Hwy.
263-4441

FINANCIAL PLANNER

Q. At what age should I start saving for retirement?
A. It's never too early to plan ahead, but keep in mind that to obtain the maximum advantage, the money you set aside, must remain "tied up" until retirement time. Since the interest you accrue increases with time, it is always a good idea to put away the maximum you can afford without overlooking your current needs. Depending upon your salary, your filing status and whether or not you are covered by a retirement plan at work, you may be able to fully deduct your IRA contribution. But even if you can't deduct it, you'll still benefit from the tax deferral until you take the money out. The maximum IRA contribution for an individual is $2,000 per year, so that is what you should put, if possible. Those who are self-employed may want to look into the advantages of a SEP or KEOGH plan.

Jimmy Newsom
Edward Jones
219 Main • 267-2501

VETERINARIAN

Q. What's the best way to choose a healthy puppy?
A. Every breed of dog has its own characteristics, so be sure to decide on a type that's right for you. Whether there are children, allergies, or limited living space are all important factors for choosing a breed, but the most important thing is to select a healthy pup. Choose a puppy that is over eight weeks and appears bright and alert. He should welcome being picked up and should feel heavier than you expected. Observing the puppy in his litter may give you some clues to his temperament. Check ears for waxy discharge. Gums and teeth should be pink and odor-free. Eyes should be clear and free from discharge. Run your hand against the grain of the fur to check for defects or parasites. Once you decide that it's a match, bring him to a competent veterinarian for a complete examination and any necessary vaccinations.

Western Hills Animal Clinic
1701 W. 4th • 267-5721

FAMILY PHYSICIAN

Q. I'm new in town? How do I go about finding the right family physician?
A. Finding a doctor with whom you feel comfortable is important. Look for a physician when you're well, not when under the pressure to find one fast. Ask your new neighbors for their recommendations. You can also contact your local Chamber of Commerce for a list of medical practices in your area. You may then want to "interview" prospective doctors. Be sure to ask questions. For example, who fills in when the doctor is out of town, how are emergencies handled, office hours, etc. Be open and honest about your medical problems and concerns. How the doctor answers questions is important, as a good physician is usually willing to explain details to patients in a way they understand. If you don't feel a rapport with a highly recommended doctor, look for another.

Dr. Dale Bradley
Family Medical Center
2301 Gregg • 267-5531

DECORATING CONSULTANT

Q. I'm redecorating my bedroom. How do I know how much wallpaper I need?
A. Measure the length and width of each wall to be papered. Multiply these numbers, then divide by 30 or 25, depending upon which type of paper you buy. American paper has 30 square feet per single roll; European (or Metric), contains 25 square feet per single roll. For example, if a wall measures 8 feet high by 11 feet wide, the total area to be papered is 88 ft. For American paper, divide that by 30, and the answer comes out to be three rolls. Always buy one more roll than you think you'll need. Unless it's a custom print, most places will let you return an unopened roll, or better yet, keep it in case you need a future repair.

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PHARMACIST

Q. What precautions, if any, are necessary when taking over-the-counter drugs?
A. Just because something is an over-the-counter (OTC) drug, it should not be taken freely, without regard to the information on the label. This is especially true since many OTC drugs are purchased at supermarkets—away from a pharmacist who can provide advice. For example, you may be allergic to one of the active ingredients, or your medications may interfere with each other. Certain antacids for example, may reduce the effectiveness of tetracycline. Giving aspirin (or other salicyclate products) to a child with the flu or chicken pox, could result in Reye's syndrome, a deadly condition. People with high blood pressure, children, pregnant women or nursing mothers shouldn't take certain drugs. READ THE LABELS and when in doubt, call your doctor, or ask your pharmacist.

Professional Pharmacy
1000 Main • 267-2546
Emergency 267-1594

HEARING INSTRUMENT SPECIALIST

Q. I can always hear people talking, but I can't always understand everything they are saying. Do I have a hearing problem?
A. While your ears serve to collect sound and transform them into nerve impulses, understanding words and sentences is a function of the brain. A hearing problem can distort the sounds being sent to the brain, and because parts of the sounds are missing, understanding becomes difficult. Properly fitted hearing aids, which are now almost undetectable, are designed to compensate for this distortion, improving your understanding. If you suspect a hearing problem, it is best to have your hearing checked by a hearing specialist. Only he or she can properly evaluate and correct the problem, to insure that you're not missing out on all the wonderful sounds life has to offer.

Beltone Hearing Aid Center
106 W. Marcy Dr. • 263-6181

OPTOMETRIST

Q. Why are regular eye tests so important if I have diabetes?
A. Most of the complications of diabetic retinopathy that cause vision loss are preventable, provided they are detected early. Because you may not realize any problem in your vision, it is important that you have eye checkups periodically with an optometrist. Eye checkups do not prevent diabetic changes in the eye but allow the changes to be recognized at an early stage. This can help in preventing serious vision loss from the complications of diabetic retinopathy. If you have a sudden decrease in your vision, sudden onset of "floaters", or a loss of field of vision, you need to contact your optometrist immediately.

Eye Associate Inc.
1600 Scurry • 263-2501

JEWELER

Q. Help! I'm ready to pop the question. How do I select the diamond?
A. When purchasing a diamond ring, you should choose a reputable jeweler whom you know and trust. He or she will explain the four variables, or four C's — cut, color, clarity, carat size — that are key to understanding why two diamonds of equal size may not be of equal value. Deciding how much to spend on a diamond engagement ring is very personal and obviously depends on your income. While some people consider the "two months salary" guideline to be helpful, generally speaking, you should choose the finest-quality diamond affordable, as the ring is both an investment and a unique symbol of commitment that will be treasured for many years to come.

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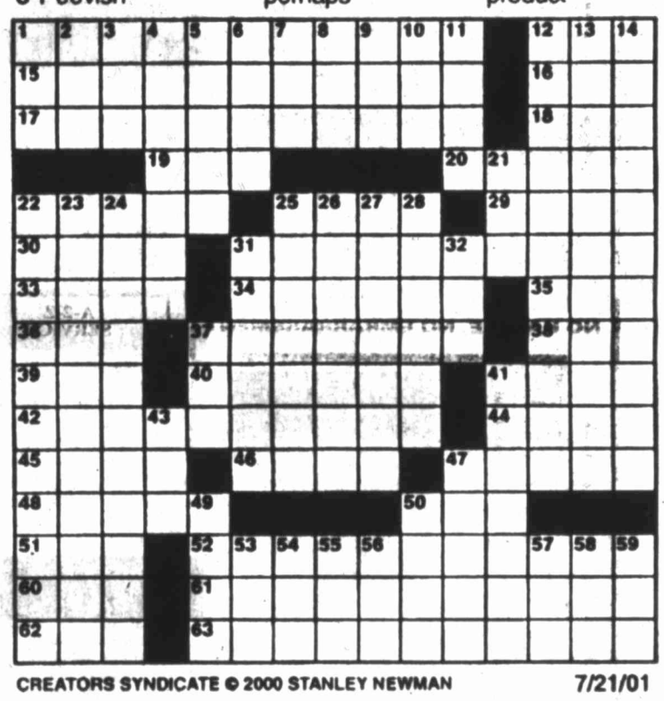
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Newsday Crossword

SATURDAY STUMPER by S.N.
Edited by Stanley Newman

ACROSS
1 Not called for
12 Club __
15 Hack writing
16 Jazzer's instrument
17 Parodist's quality
18 *Born on the Fourth of July* hero
19 Summer starter
20 Nostalgic-record label
22 Grounds
25 Requiring haste
29 Overflow
30 Birds with green eggs
31 Education innovator
33 Catches
34 Have an effect on
35 Japanese honorific
36 Little green men
37 Delicateness
38 Kingston Trio tune
39 Charge
40 S.O.S. alternative
41 Phrase in "The Hustle"
42 One with lots to offer
44 Sister of Emily
45 Hardware screens: Abbr.
46 *Sanford and Son* name
47 They rise from the ground: Abbr.
48 1981 James Caan film
50 "Can't Help Lovin' __ Man"
51 *Hollywood Squares* win
52 Desperate measures
60 Winning streak
61 Like some solutions
62 Many promgoers: Abbr.
63 '76 Heisman Trophy winner

DOWN
1 Where: Lat.
2 1994 Winter Olympics host: Abbr.
3 Title for Caine
4 Oxford university
5 Informal wear
6 Peevish
7 Red Cross course
8 Adjective suffix
9 *The Bonesetter's Daughter* author
10 Space-saving device
11 Salten subjects
12 "Paper Roses" singer
13 Clearing
14 Names
21 Hacienda __, CA
22 Patrons
23 *The Gong Show* ancestor
24 Contract elements
25 Salad staple
26 Lying flat, perhaps
27 Going nowhere
28 Trojan War hero
31 Imitate
32 Sloppy place
37 Uniform Crime Reports org.
41 Old West outlaw family
43 Literary monogram
47 Comparatively low
49 Dart
50 Robotic rock group
53 Pitch __-hitter
54 AT&SF stop
55 Essay
56 Phat
57 Future fish
58 "For shame!"
59 Aerospatiale product



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PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
CITY OF BIG SPRING: CITY COUNCIL TUESDAY, AUGUST 7, 2001 AT 5:30 pm CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS 307 E. 4TH STREET, BIG SPRING, TEXAS for a SPECIFIC USE PERMIT
The City of Big Spring will be having a Public Hearing for a Specific Use Permit for the use of a Park & Sell Car Lot to be located at 2509 Wasson Road, Section 12, Block 33, T1S, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas.
#3259 July 20 & 22, 2001

PUBLIC NOTICE
RFB 01-473
Advertisement for Bids
The Howard County Junior College District is now accepting sealed bids for the following:
ANCILLARY PLUMBING SERVICES
Bid packets may be obtained from Dennis Churchwell, Purchaser, Howard College, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720, (915) 264-5167. Sealed bids will be accepted through 3:00 p.m. on August 14, 2001 in the Administrative Annex, room A2, Howard College, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720, at which time they will be opened and read aloud. The bids will then be tabulated and final determination of bid award will be made at a future board meeting.
Technical questions should be directed to Marsha Allen, Administrative Secretary, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720, (915) 264-5160 and bidding questions should be directed to Dennis Churchwell, Purchaser, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720, (915) 264-5167. Howard County Junior College District reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
#3256 July 15 & 22, 2001

PUBLIC NOTICE
RFB 01-471
Advertisement for Bids
The Howard County Junior College District is now accepting sealed bids for the following:
Long Distance Service
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Technical questions should be directed to Marsha Allen, Administrative Secretary, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720, (915) 264-5160 and bidding questions should be directed to Dennis Churchwell, Purchaser, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720, (915) 264-5167. Howard County Junior College District reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
#3257 July 15 & 22, 2001

PUBLIC NOTICE
RFB 01-472
Advertisement for Bids
The Howard County Junior College District is now accepting sealed bids for the following:
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#3264 July 22 & 29, 2001

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Pursuant to the authority granted by the City Council of the City of Big Spring, Texas, sealed bids will be received until 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 31, 2001, for the purchase of Greensmower for the Comanche Trail Golf Course.
Bids are to be opened and read aloud in the Big Spring City Council Chambers, City Hall, 307 East 4th Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720, with award to be made at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Big Spring City Council. Bid information and specifications may be obtained from the Office of the Purchasing and Material Control Manager, 1380 Airpark Drive East, Bldg. #19, Big Spring, Texas 79720. All bids must be marked with the date of the bid and a general description of the bid item(s).
The City of Big Spring reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any or all formalities.
#3254 July 15 & 22, 2001

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT
Westport Oil & Gas Company, Inc., 410 17th Street #2300, Denver, CO 80202
is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas.
The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Glorieta and San Andres Formations, Otis - Chalk Lease, Well Numbers 20W, 21W, 22W, 23W, 24W, 25W, 26W, 27W, 28W, 29W, 30W, 31W and 32W.
The proposed injection wells are located five miles East of Forsan in the Howard Glasscock (Glorieta) Field, in Howard County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 2170 feet to 3400 feet.
LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.
Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, TX 78711. (Telephone (512) 463-6792).
#3267 July 22, 2001

PUBLIC NOTICE
CITY OF BIG SPRING
NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Pursuant to the authority granted by the City Council of the City of Big Spring, Texas, sealed bids will be received until 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 14, 2001, for the purchase of the following items for fiscal year 2001-2002:
1. Water and Wastewater Treatment Chemicals
   a. Liquid Aluminum Sulfate (Alum)
   b. Anhydrous Ammonia
   c. Calcium Hypochlorite, Hydrated
   d. Liquid Chlorine
   e. Calcium Hydroxide (Hydrated Lime)
   f. Polymer
   g. Sulfur Dioxide
2. Annual Contract for Radio and Radio Tower Maintenance
3. Public Works Employee Uniforms
4. Ultra High Tensile Wire, 12 awg
5. Lubricants for Vehicle Maintenance
6. Annual Contract for Lube and Oil Change Service
7. Type D Cold Mix for Street Paving and Repairs
8. Annual Contract for Janitorial Service for the City of Big Spring Police Dept.
9. Annual Contract for Vehicle Fleet Fueling Services
10. Trash Bags
11. Water Meters
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#3263 July 22 & 29, 2001

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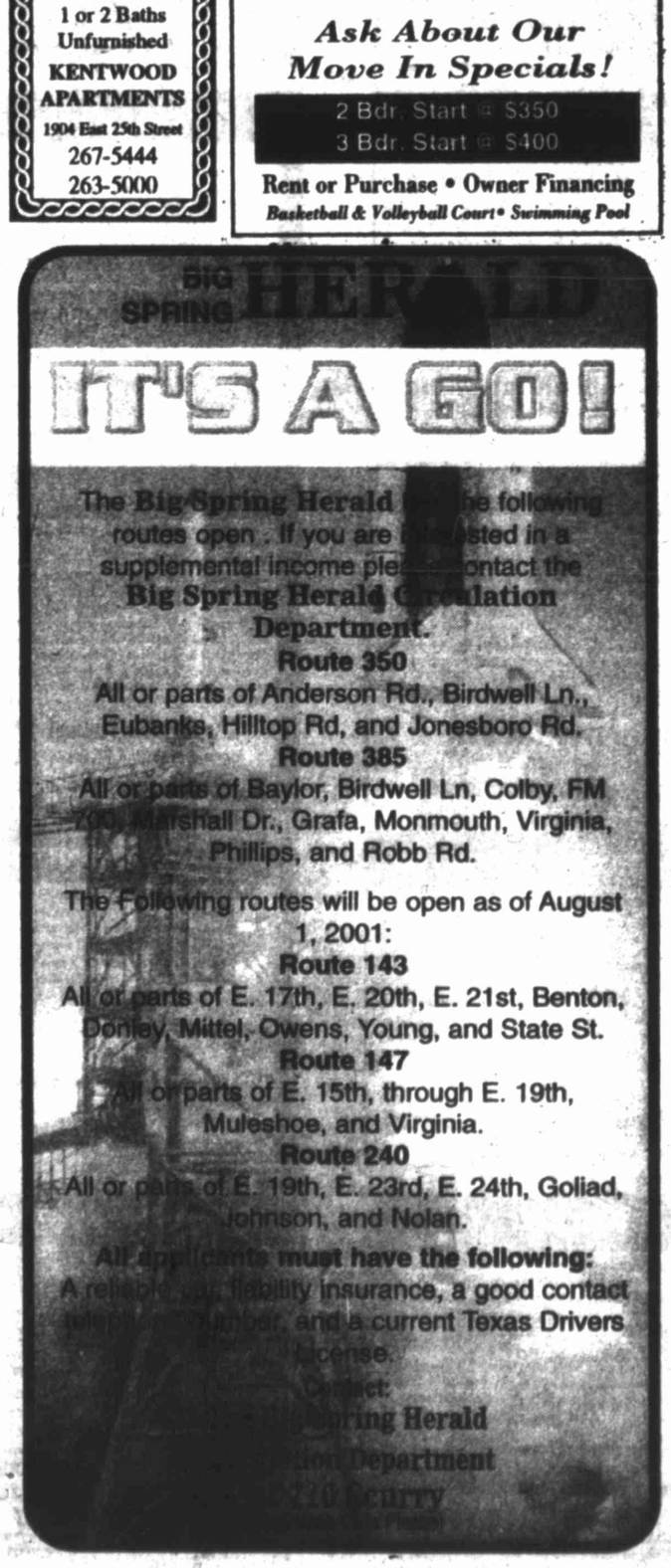
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HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, July 22:

You're highly energized and creative this year. With your imagination and dynamic personality, you can have the world at your feet. Pick and choose your friends and commitments with care. You have only so much energy! Maintain a high profile, and let others know what you expect. Use your instincts with funds. If you are single, a romance is blooming constantly though this year. Take a detour from an otherwise attached or emotionally unavailable suitor. If you are attached, schedule as many weekends away together as possible. You feel much better as a result of this bonding. VIRGO helps you make money.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

***** Though others could change their plans, creating upheaval in your day, the Ram regroups well. Get together with a loved one and do something you've always enjoyed. Tonight: Get a head start on tomorrow.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

**** You might be slow to get your engine started, but once you get going, you could be difficult to stop. Someone cheers you on and helps you do exactly what you want. Be the ever-thoughtful Bull. Check in on a child or a special new friend. Tonight: Consider taking Monday off.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

**** Gemini is unusually quick-witted, yet you might actually be flabbergasted by news. Once you regroup, start making calls and reaching out for others. Get together with someone for brunch. Don't forget an important family member who is waiting to hear from you. Tonight: Happy at home.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

**** Deal with someone's abrupt about-face -- not that you can change this person. What you believed was a given isn't. Rather than becoming a defensive Crab, open all lines of communication as you seek out solutions. Someone tests limits. Tonight: Make calls. Discuss a problem rather than avoiding it.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

***** The sun enters the sign of Leo today, energizing you and initiating a high-energy cycle. Although another delights in tweaking and teasing you, you might have had enough. Let this person know. Your intuition helps you with financial dealings. Tonight: Be the very generous Lion.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

*** Step back until later in the day. You could be inordinately tired and need some extra R&R. Virgo is always discreet. You might not want to discuss your morning once you appear bright-eyed on the scene in the afternoon. Tonight: Go for whatever you want.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

***** Join friends in the morning, especially since a child or a loved one could be inordinately difficult. Being the true Libra, you would rather vanish than fight. Aim for more of what you want in the next month. Start thinking in terms of wish fulfillment. Tonight: Get a head start on tomorrow.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

**** All eyes turn to you for suggestions. You might have your hands full with a personal matter, but Scorpio can handle nearly anything. News from a distance calls for celebration and enjoying yourself. Know that anything is possible. Tonight: Follow your friends.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

***** Jupiter, your planetary ruler, is powerfully aspected today, allowing a great deal of intimacy within a relationship. As the result of someone's support, you make waves in a public appearance or when dealing with a key figure. Notice what someone doesn't say. Tonight: Ask for advice.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

***** Make it a point to look past your Capricorn security issues and relate to someone from his perspective. Accept an invitation that takes you somewhere new. You'll revitalize as a result. Tonight: Watch a favorite TV show.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

**** You opt to do your own thing one more time, shaking up the status quo. Others want to be closer, but Aquarians generally shy away from being too close. Be more nurturing to a special person. Use your imagination to delight others. Tonight: Making nice proves to be fun.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

**** Complete a project that is on the back burner, even though you might want to do something else. Pisces adores distraction, but sometimes you need to be more disciplined. Later this afternoon, kick back with a new flirtation or your sweetie. Tonight: Be your romantic self.

BORN TODAY

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Insecure boyfriend should be shown the door



ANN LANDERS

Dear Ann Landers: Please settle a disagreement. It could save my relationship. I am too upset to think clearly. Recently, I attended a business conference with my boss and received a call on my cell phone from my boyfriend. I told him I couldn't talk and would call him back. He asked if my boss was there. I said, "Yes, he's sitting right here. We are in a meeting." He insisted that I say "I love you," right then and there. I refused. I said it was inappropriate. He became angry, and then he hung up on me.

He later said if I really loved him, I would speak those words anytime, anywhere. I told him he put me on the spot and should apologize for expecting me to take a personal call during a business meeting. Now he has stopped speaking to me. What do you say? -- Professional Woman in Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Vancouver: I'm not sure your relationship is worth saving. The man sounds like a control freak of the first order. Have you considered what your life will be like if you marry him? Please give serious consideration to what I am saying. His insecurity could be a millstone around your neck -- forever.

Dear Ann Landers: I read the letter from "The Voice of Experience in New Jersey" advising people to visit the public library if they want to improve their sex lives. I can't believe you agreed with such inadequate and dumb advice.

I had a lot of sexual experience before I married my wife 20 years ago. I know a great deal about female anatomy and have read nearly everything available on how to satisfy a woman sexually. I never had a problem in my dating years. Since my marriage, however, I have learned that some women have zero interest in sex -- no matter how terrific the guy is. My wife, unfortunately, is one of them. She regards sex as a chore that she must engage in every few months.

Sending men to the library is not the answer, Ann. It's often the woman who needs the wake-up call, and she won't find it in a book. -- Been There and Haven't Done That in Quite Some Time

Dear Been There: You gave no clue as to your age or your wife's, but you did say you married 20 years ago, so I assume you are in your 40s or 50s. This is much too young to give up on sex -- in fact, you should be in your prime.

Some women experience a drop in libido that has nothing to do with the man's technique. You and your wife need to see a sex therapist. If she refuses, go without her. Your physician should be able to recommend someone.

Dear Ann Landers: I had to write after seeing your response to "Miffed in Missouri." Sorry, Ann, I think thank-you notes are a lot of hooey. People who have dreadful taste don't deserve to be thanked.

Consider the husband who buys his wife a log-splitter on her birthday, or the diabetic who receives chocolates on Valentine's Day, or the vegetarian who is sent a "meat-of-the-month" package.

Why should anyone be grateful for such gifts? What's more, if someone gives me a present, he does so because he wants to and not because he expects a thank-you note. Rethink this, Las Vegas Critic.

Dear Las Vegas: Every gift deserves a thank-you note. Anyone who takes the time to send a gift needs to know the item arrived. It is an act of simple decency to say, "Thank you for thinking of me." If the gift doesn't fit or doesn't suit you, pass it on to someone else, or give it to charity. To fail to acknowledge a gift is, in my opinion, slob-like and unforgivable.

Dear Ann Landers: A friend of ours is getting married soon, and he and his bride-to-be are having a fund-raiser for the wedding. Guests are expected to pay an entrance fee to the wedding, and then buy food and beverages at the reception. They will also bid on items such as bottles of wine. All proceeds go to the couple. Naturally, we are expected to bring a gift as well.

I find this to be in the worst possible taste. Am I out of touch? What would you do, Ann? -- Wedding Guests in Iowa

Dear Iowa: I would pass up this "fund-raiser" and send a nice $3 card.

Dear Ann Landers: I am a 66-year-old female and have had many mammograms, all quite painful. Recently, I went to the clinic, dreading the upcoming ordeal. I commented to the receptionist how painful the mammograms were, and she looked puzzled. She said none of hers had hurt.

When the mammographer took me into the room for the procedure, I noticed that she warmed the plastic plate. She then placed my breast on the warmed apparatus and began lowering the upper plate very slowly and gently, gradually increasing pressure until it was sufficient for the pictures to be taken. Then she released me. I was amazed that there had been no pain whatsoever.

Please tell women everywhere that a mammogram need not be painful. All it takes is a little extra consideration on the part of the technician. Women should demand it. -- S.N. in Corpus Christi, Texas

Dear S.N.: While a mammogram is not exactly a day at the beach, it need not be painful. I've had several mammograms, and the women who did the procedures were very gentle. I let them know I was grateful. I recommend that each woman talk to the person during the procedure and tell her what hurts (if it does). And be sure to let the mammographer know how much you admire her competence. I'll bet it will help.

Dear Ann Landers: Nine months ago, I married my high school sweetheart. We lived in Boston and planned to buy a house and raise a family there. Before we settled down, however, "Frank" decided we should spend a few months living in a different climate to see if we liked it better. I agreed, with the understanding that we would move back East in six months if things didn't work out.

It's been eight months since we moved to Nevada. Now I am pregnant. This is wonderful news, but Frank knew from the beginning that I didn't want to raise a child away from our families. I told him it's time to go home, but he won't hear of it. I want the baby to be born in Boston. Frank says I am welcome to go back, but that he is staying. I love Frank with all my heart. How can I convince him to move back East? -- Unhappy in the West

Dear Unhappy: Shame on Frank for not keeping his word. Now you must decide which is more important -- your marriage or your location. When you figure it out, you will know what to do.

TAKE TIME OUT FOR YOURSELF READ

PUBLIC NOTICE

RFB 01-470
Advertisement for Bids
The Howard County Junior College District is now accepting sealed bids on the sale of the following surplus property:
1/2 ton Trucks, Passenger Cars, 25 Passenger Bus Tractor and Toro Diesel Mower Kansas Jack Automotive Frame Straightening Machine Metal Table.
Bid packets may be obtained from Dennis Churchwell, Purchaser, Howard College, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720, (915) 264-5167. Sealed bids will be accepted through 2:00 p.m. on August 14, 2001 in the Administrative Annex, room A2, Howard College, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720, at which time they will be opened and read aloud. The bids will then be tabulated and final determination of bid award will be made at a future board meeting.
Technical questions should be directed to Robert Williams, Physical Plant Director, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720, (915) 264-5095 and bidding questions should be directed to Dennis Churchwell, Purchaser, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720, (915) 264-5167. Howard County Junior College District reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
#3255 July 15 & 22, 2001

PUBLIC NOTICE

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING RESIDENCE OR ESTABLISHMENTS WITH SPRINKLER SYSTEMS

Dear Property Owner:
If your residence or establishment has installed a backflow prevention device to protect the water supply from possible cross-contamination it must be inspected annually.
In accordance with the rules promulgated by **Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC), the Texas Administrative Code, Title** 30 Part1, Chapter 290.44, Water Distribution, said rules requires every water purvey, **(City of Big Spring),** to administer an adequate cross-connection control program. As part of the program, any residence or establishment where an actual or potential contamination hazard exists, (sprinkler systems, hospitals, restaurants, clinics and ect.), additional protection shall be provided to protect from contamination, and that all backflow prevention assemblies that are required according to this section shall be tested upon installation by a recognized backflow assembly tester and certified to be operating within specifications. Backflow prevention assemblies, which are installed to provide protection against health hazards must also be tested and certified to be operating within specifications at least annually by a recognized backflow prevention assembly tester.
Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.
The City of Big Spring is committed to serving the community with any assistance concerning state or local regulatory guidelines.
You may contact my office at (915) 264-2503 for a list of backflow assembly testers certified through TNRCC, or any questions you may have.
Sincerely,
Kenny Davis
Bidding Official
#3260 July 18 & 22, 2001

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Whiskey sipping woman could be world's oldest person

DEWITT, Ark. (AP) — When Mary Thompson was 112, she switched nursing homes to be near a gentleman friend. Next month, the whiskey-sipping woman turns 119.

Thompson, the daughter of former slaves, would be recognized as the world's oldest living person if she only had a birth certificate. Social Security records show that she was born on Aug. 2, 1882, in Shelby, Miss.

"We'll present her roses," said Jennie Sheperd, social director of the Crestpark Nursing Home, where Thompson has lived since 1995. "We'll get her a corsage, balloons and have a big cake made, the works."

Nurse Jimmy Brown already gives Thompson money, which Thompson saves in her black leather purse to buy Juicy Fruit gum — which wasn't invented until she was age 11 — and pints of top-shelf Crown Royal whiskey.

"Usually I give her a dollar every day I work," Brown said. "She looks forward to that. She saves it and someone goes out to get her the whiskey."

The Guinness Book of World Records lists Maud Farris-Luse, 114, of Michigan as the oldest woman in the world with documentation. A French woman, Jeanne Louise Calment, held the record before she died at 122 in 1997.

It is believed that Thompson, who was born Mary Johnson, lost her birth certificate in a fire. Historians in Arkansas and Mississippi could not find Thompson on census rolls from the late 1800s but acknowledge records for blacks in that period are sketchy.

According to Robert Landfair, the administrator of Thompson's estate, there's always been something about Mary: She moved to Arkansas by rafting across the Mississippi River; moved to Crestpark at 112 to be near a boyfriend; and would call Landfair, no matter the time of day or night, to switch channels on her television set.

In the 1940s and '50s, Thompson worked in Landfair's grandfather's kitchen, cooking and cleaning. After his grandfather died, Landfair kept a grocery store and looked after Thompson. Around that time, the woman's home was destroyed by fire.

"She just barely did get out and she was on the walker then," Landfair said. "She lost everything she had, her birth certificate and all her papers."

Landfair moved her to a nursing home.

Landfair recalls that Thompson was married twice, but her nurses say she talks about three husbands. She has no children.

She communicates poorly with strangers now but beams anytime she's asked a question. Asked last week how she was doing, she said, "Thompson."

Dressed in a bright pink blazer, flowered shirt and black bonnet, Thompson is wheeled around the 72-patient home in a hospital chair by a nurse.

Thompson, who has vascular disease, has had both legs amputated.

"She'll sit at the nurses' station and watch TV all day," said nurse Dana Clawson. "If you get in her way and she can't see the TV, she'll let you know."

The office of Rep. Marion Berry, D-Ark., whose district includes DeWitt, said the Social Security Administration confirmed Thompson's birth date.

"That's the birth date on file with them. They probably saw some sort of paperwork along the way," Berry spokesman Warwick Sabin said.

Landfair said he doesn't expect Thompson to give up anytime soon.

"She just about outlived everybody I know," Landfair said. "I've always told her she's going to live longer than I live and I still believe it."

Contest goes bad for some AOL users

SPRINGFIELD, Va. (AP) — Dozens — and possibly hundreds — of AOL users were mistakenly told they had won up to $10,000, prompting a state inquiry.

"We've received three complaints, and we're collecting information," Marion Horsley, a spokeswoman for the state consumer affairs department, said Thursday. She said it is too early to say what, if any, action the agency could take.

A computer glitch generated the false messages, Dulles, Va.-based America Online said.

False winners saw their computer screens freeze immediately after the prize message, while true winners saw a verification screen, the company said.

AOL will not say how many customers were affected by the botched contest, which also was sponsored by Coca-Cola. Kathy Glasgow, 46, said she knows of at least 28 people besides herself.

Glasgow was using her AOL account on June 1 when a screen popped up inviting her to play a "Pop-the-Top" contest. She correctly answered a question about a Christina Aguilera song and clicked on a bottle icon to see if she had won.

The computer showed she would receive $10,000.

"I was very excited," she said. "We called AOL and we were told, 'Yes, you'll be getting your prize affidavit in the mail in five days,'" Glasgow said.

She called again a few days later and was again assured that she had won, she said.

On her third call, she was told that there was a computer glitch and that instead of $10,000, she would get a $200 gift certificate from Target and three free months of AOL.

"If they had told us immediately that we hadn't won, it probably would not have bothered anybody," she said.

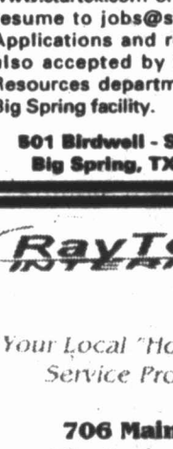
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