

THURSDAY

July 12, 2001

WEATHER

Tonight:



TONIGHT 75°-77°
TOMORROW 99°-102°

St. Thomas annual festival set for weekend

Food, dancing, games and prizes — there's something for everyone at the St. Thomas Catholic Church Festival, planned Friday and Saturday.

The festival will feature homemade enchiladas, fajitas, flautas, gorditas and tamales.

There will also be many games for the children. "Milagaro," a Tejano band from Lubbock, will perform on Friday.

Outside, festival-goers will be able to find different game booths, food booths, drinks, and there will be bingo in the Parish Hall.

On Saturday, there will be special folklorico dancers, mariachis and D.J. Estrada.

The grand drawing for prizes will take place around 11:30 p.m. and 11:55 p.m.

The festival will open about 5 p.m. Friday and will be held all day Saturday.

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

- American Legion Auxiliary meets at 7 p.m. at 3203 W. Hwy 80.
- Masonic Lodge 598 meets at 7:30 p.m., 219 Main.

FRIDAY

□ Signal Mountain Quilting Guild meets from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Bring a lunch.

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

□ AMBUCS meets at noon at The Brandin' Iron.

□ Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. All seniors invited.

SATURDAY

□ Howard County Scottish Rite Club meets at 7:30 a.m. at the Masonic Lodge at 21st and Lancaster. Breakfast served.

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Salvation Army Back-to-School program getting under way

By APRIL L. WARD
Staff Writer

The Salvation Army will be holding registration for its Back-to-School program July 23-27 to assist children of needy families with school supplies.



KEENEY

The event, which the Salvation Army has hosted for at least three years, helps to ease the strain placed on low-income families around back-to-school time.

"Back-to-school time can be a great burden on low-income families, especially if they have more than one child," Capt. Russ Keeney said. "They can end up spending a bundle on school supplies because everything hits all at once."

BACK-TO-SCHOOL

To apply: Go to the Salvation Army Community Center, 811 W. Fifth, from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. July 23-27.

To help: Donations of school supplies or money are being accepted at the Center.

During the program, the Salvation Army will take 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.

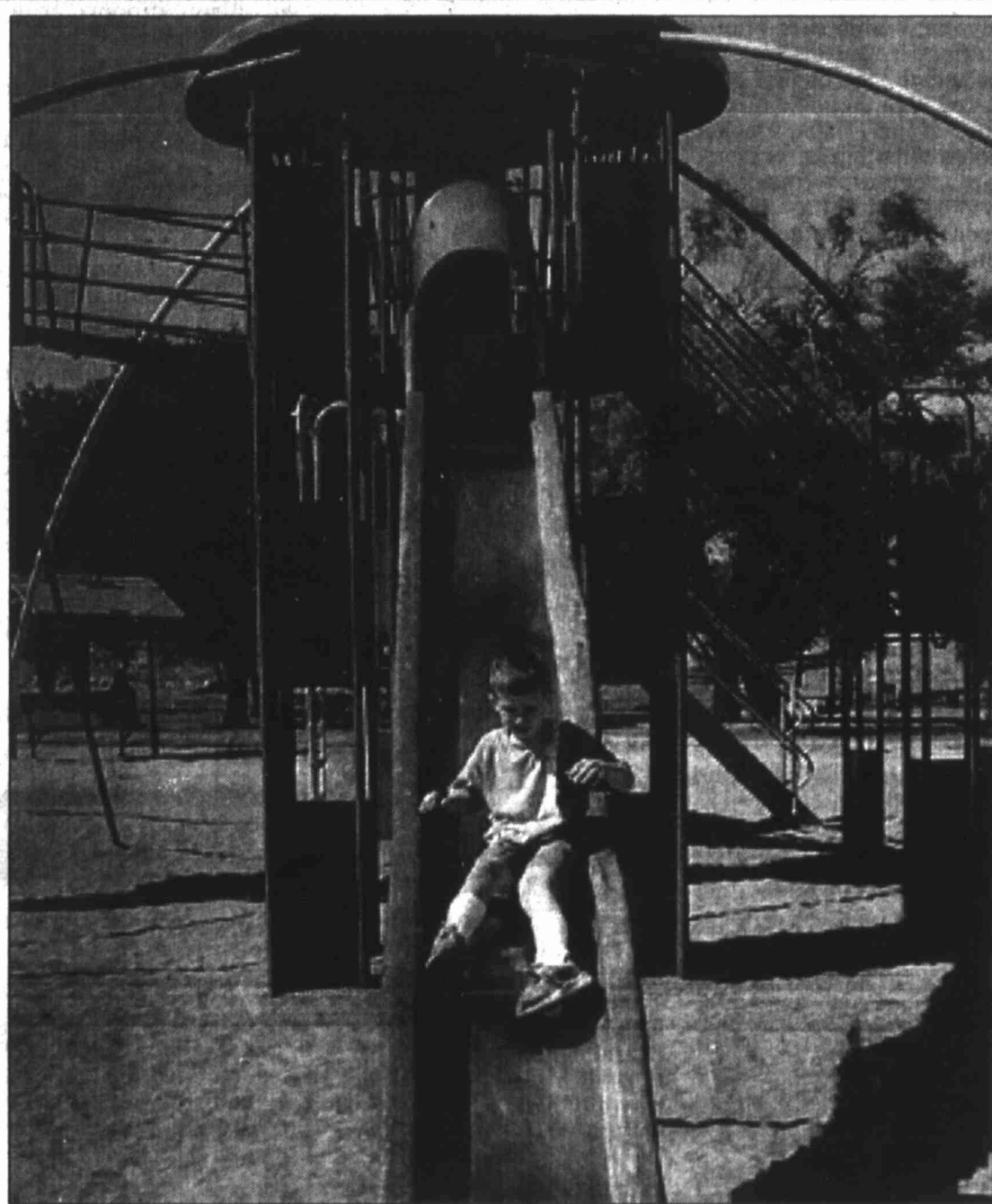
"We'll have families fill out forms and we make sure they meet income eligibility," Keeney said. "We want to make sure we're helping the families really in need."

To make the program a success, the schools send a list to the Salvation Army of the supplies their students

will be needing. Donations of these items are then accepted or monetary donations are used to purchase them.

"We're taking monetary donations if people want to mail them to the Salvation Army Community Center," Keeney said. "But if people want to go pick up supplies from Wal-Mart and bring them in, that's fine too."

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody
Nine-year-old Cameron Gross takes a slide on the play equipment at the Comanche Trail Park. Warm weather brought people out to the park this morning to play, enjoy the scenery, fish or feed the ducks.

Settlers

Howard/Glasscock Reunion currently taking nominees for Pioneer Family of Year

By APRIL L. WARD
Staff Writer

The Howard/Glasscock Old Settlers Reunion in conjunction with the Heritage Museum is taking nominations for the Pioneer Family of the Year contest.

Families that have lived in either Howard or Glasscock Counties for 50 years or more are eligible to be nominated. According to Nancy Raney of the Heritage Museum, this is the first year nominations have been accepted.

"We recently decided to accept nominations this year," she said. "This is the first year we've done it this way. Previously, we've just picked the two families."

According to Raney, both a family from Glasscock County and a family from Howard County will be selected as Pioneer Family of the Year.



RANEY

"We wanted to select a family from both Howard County and Glasscock County because the Old Settlers Reunion deals with both counties," Raney said. "We're going to honor the winning families with a plaque."

The contest is not new to the Howard/Glasscock Old Settlers Reunion. Raney said that the organization has been in existence for 77 years.

"They've been holding this contest for about 10 of those years," she said.

However, deciding on which families will win the contest is not an easy choice to make.

"It's really a hard decision," Raney said. "We have a committee that will take all the nominations into consideration and then decide between those families."

The winning family from each county will receive a plaque at the Howard/Glasscock Old Settlers Reunion on Aug. 9. According to Raney, the winners will be given

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'All I Really Need to Know' takes to the stage Friday night

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

Opening night for the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce dinner theater and will be held at the Dora Roberts Civic Center. The doors will open at 6:15 p.m. and the meal is to be served at 7 p.m.

This is the second year the Chamber of Commerce has held a dinner theater.

According to Terri Davis, Chamber of



DAVIS

Commerce executive director, tickets are still available for both Friday and Saturday night's performances.

The play is part of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce dinner theater and will be held at the Dora Roberts Civic Center. The doors will open at 6:15 p.m. and the meal is to be served at 7 p.m.

This is the second year the Chamber of Commerce has held a dinner theater.

Last year's performances sold out

before opening night.

Davis said the money raised for the event will about pay for the cost of the production.

"We do this as a community service," Davis said. "We expect to break about even on the costs. If any money is made it will go to the community event fund."

Tickets at for the dinner theater are on sale at the Chamber of Commerce, 215 W. Third, at a cost of \$15 per person and \$25 per couple.

The event includes a dinner of

chicken or steak provided by Country Fair Restaurant and the play, directed by Clay Grizzle, Howard College theater instructor.

Guests will dine in candlelight for a soft, elegant atmosphere, Davis said.

The play, taken for the popular book of the same name, is presented in a series of stories by characters telling different stories.

For more information, contact the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce at 263-7641.

Rotary International trip memorable for local woman

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

Patty Flores never visited a country overseas until she received a chance to travel to Taiwan courtesy of Rotary International.

"When I applied for this it was just a concept...Taiwan was so far away until it happens. I was told I was selected then it was real. I was going to Taiwan," Flores said.

That's when reality hits, she said.

Flores, a Howard College assistant registrar and the mother of two, realized she would be spending a month in a foreign country.

"There was so much planning to do," she said. "My husband and I had to organize the whole month before the trip."

Flores was one of the five women chosen from about 50 cities in the Panhandle and West Texas area of Rotary District 5730. Her trip and expenses were paid for through Rotary International.

To prepare for her adven-

ture, Flores researched the country and met with her other team members a few times. The group would e-mail each other, she said.

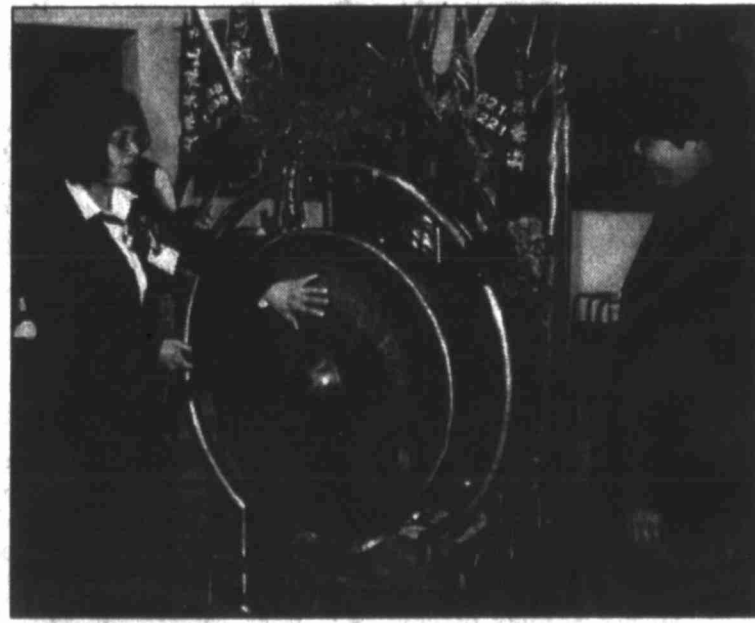
Flores said she focused her research on the people of Taiwan and their culture.

"We come from a whole different society so we did research to know what we will be faced with," she said.

As she waited to board the plane, Flores was uneasy about leaving her husband and children for an entire month but said felt a kinship to her other team members who were doing the same thing.

Following a 24-hour plane ride, Flores was ready for a shower and some rest but the team was met by close to 40 Taiwanese Rotarians taking photographs as the group departed the aircraft.

"You want a shower, your hair is all a mess and you have been on a plane for 24-hours, but you put on your best smile and take it all in," she said. "That is what you are here for."



Courtesy Photo
Patty Flores, left, rings a gong during the celebration birthday of one of the gods some Taiwanese worship while a Taiwanese Rotarian looks on. Flores, a Howard College assistant registrar and mother of two, went to Taiwan on a Rotary International sponsored trip.

month learning about the culture, seeing the sights and attending Rotary meetings. Also the group had the opportunity to visit with others who were in their same occupation.

The difference in diet was

interesting, Flores said. "We had so much seafood," she said. "I didn't know there was so many types of fish."

During their trip, mem-

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Spring 2002 applications being taken

HERALD Staff Report

Rotary International District 5730 is sponsoring a trip to Brazil set for the middle to late spring of 2002. The district will visit the Brazilian Rotary District of 4530 located in south central area of the country.

"The main requirements are that you be between the ages of 25 and 40 and be able to stay in Brazil for at least 30 days," said Kathy Lusk, group study exchange district coordi-

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OBITUARIES

Elizabeth Gibbs

Elizabeth Gibbs died at home in Robert Lee, Tuesday afternoon, July 10, 2001, following a prolonged illness.

She was born Mary Elizabeth Phillips, Nov. 17, 1935, to R.B. and Peggy Phillips in Eastland. Liz graduated high school in Lafayette, La. and later attended Texas Women's University and Angelo State University where she earned her bachelor's degree in science. Liz was an avid reader and nature lover as well as a devoted wife and mother.

Liz married Jerry Gibbs on Dec. 30, 1955, and they eventually made their home in Robert Lee where they raised two sons, Mitchell and Kyle.

She is survived by her husband and sons, her sister, Peggy Reed of Broomfield, Colo.; her nieces and extended family. Liz is preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Rick Phillips Jr.

Services will be held Friday, July 13, at 10 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Robert Lee. Burial will immediately follow at the Robert Lee Cemetery. Services are under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

Pallbearers are George Grim, Bill Green, Bob Gully, William Hood, Kenneth Rasco and Jack Woodley. Honorary pallbearers are Kenneth Chandler and Jimmy Bickley.

The family wishes to thank VistaCare Family Hospice, Oleen Priem, Lee Francis, and Dr. Vayden Stanley for their care and concern during this difficult time.

Memorial donations to the Coke County Library, P.O. Box 637, Robert Lee 76945 are preferred in lieu of flowers.

Paid obituary

Pauline Clemons Banks

Funeral service for Pauline Clemons Banks, 80, of Big Spring, will be 2 p.m. Saturday, July 14, 2001, at Mt. Bethel Baptist Church with Supt. Kenneth Weatherspoon officiating.

Nalley-Pickle & Welch
Funeral Home
Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory
606 Gregg St.
(916) 267-8331
www.npwech.com
Clara Jackson, 84, died Wednesday. Services will be 4:00 PM Saturday at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

MYERS & SMITH
FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL
24th & Johnson 267-8288
Senie Coldron, 80, died Monday. Services were 10:00 today at First Christian Church. Burial was in Trinity Memorial Park.
Pauline Banks, 86, died Monday. Services will be 2:00 PM Saturday at Mt. Bethel Church with burial in Trinity Memorial Park.
Forrest Adams, 74, died Tuesday. Services are pending.

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Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

Mrs. Banks died July 9, at her home following a long illness.

She was born on Sept. 28, 1913, in Gillett where she grew up and was raised by her grandmother, Lottie Clemons. She was baptized in 1929 under the leadership of Supt. Vernet Roberson. She married Hosea Banks on Feb. 13, 1936, in San Antonio. They moved to Big Spring in 1941. He preceded her in death on Dec. 17, 2000. She was a member of the Church of God in Christ under the late Elder T. McGee and Elder W. Weatherspoon. Her husband was then called to the ministry and she served as a first lady. She served in the women's auxiliaries local, district and state under his leadership until his death. She then served under the leadership of her grandson Holston Banks Jr., pastor of Shiloh Church of God in Christ in Big Spring.

Survivors include two sons, Joe Louis Banks of Dallas and Holston Banks Sr., of Big Spring; one daughter, Christine Bolden of San Diego; 20 grandchildren; 41 great-grandchildren; and 12 great-great-grandchildren.

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

Lee Griffis

Funeral service for Lee Griffis, 65, of San Angelo, formerly of Big Spring, will be 2 p.m., Friday, July 13, 2001, at the Shaffer Funeral Home Pioneer Chapel.

Survivors include his wife, Marie Griffis of San Angelo; his mother, Dorothy Boede of Everett, Wash.; two brothers, Harry and C.W.; and three sisters, Lillian, Eva and Mary Lou.

Arrangements are under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home in Bronte.

Jack David Owens

Funeral service for Jack David Owens, 47, of Big Spring, will be today, July 12, 2001, at Pasadena Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Ron Lyles and the Rev. B.J. Martin officiating. Burial will be at Forest Park East Cemetery.

Mr. Owens died Saturday, July 7, in Big Spring. He was born on Nov. 7, 1953, in Houston.

Survivors include his parents, Dale and Leona Owens; two brothers, John Mark and Richard Williams.

Arrangements are under the direction of Pasadena Funeral Chapel in Pasadena.

Clara Jackson

Funeral service for Clara Jackson of Big Spring will be 4 p.m., Saturday, July 14, 2001, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

Mrs. Jackson died Wednesday, July 11; at her residence after a long illness.

She was born on Oct. 7, 1916, in Kosse and married Raymond D. Jackson on Jan. 9, 1937, in Big Spring. She was a member of Hillcrest Baptist Church and was a Sunday School teacher for several years.

Survivors include her husband, Raymond Jackson of Big Spring; three daughters, Norma Sunday of Big Sprig, Elaine Owens of Lampasas and Daphna Smith of Terrell; two sisters, Mamie Madry of Big Spring and Yeoda Pechtold of Houston; eight grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

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The family suggests memorials to Home Hospice, 600 Gregg St., Big Spring 79720.

The family will receive friends from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, July 13, at the funeral home.

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

Jose Saiz

Funeral service for Jose Saiz, 32, of Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Mr. Saiz died Wednesday, July 11, 2001, at a local hospital.

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need of pencils, scissors, crayons, wide-rule notebook 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. The supplies will be distributed Aug. 13 from 9 a.m. until noon.

According to Keeney, the program served 292 children in eighth grade and below last year.

"This year we hope to serve at least that many, maybe even 50 to 100 more," he said. "It increases every year."

Keeney said the community is appreciative of the Back-To-School program.

"It's a helpful program and the community is very thankful that we do this," he said. "We want to make going back to school a little easier on these children and their families."

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nator. Lusk said those interested will need to qualify for an American passport, a visa to visit the country and to be in a profession or occupation.

The trip is open to non-Rotarian team members and all expenses are provided by Rotary International except personal and incidental. Rotary International sponsors trips to foreign countries in an effort to promote good will and understanding, Lusk said.

Lusk will continue to take applications for the trip until Sept. 15. For more information, call 267-3853.

"We would like to get the team together by Oct. 1," she said.

Four to five members will be picked from the district.

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advance notice. "We're going to notify the winning families either one or two weeks in advance," she said. "That way, we can get more information on their family history. Also, they can plan to have their family members present to receive the award."

People are encouraged to bring their nominations to the Heritage Museum located at 510 Scurry or e-mail them to heritage@rcrom.net. The deadline will be noon on Wednesday.

Raney said she hopes the contest will draw attention to the Howard/Glasscock Old Settlers Reunion. "It's a great event, and it's been going on for a long time," she said. "We'd like to get a lot more attendance for that."

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bers of the group stayed with host families to view the home life of the

A BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

country's people.

"The children go to school so much earlier and come back very late," she said. "They go to school about 7 a.m. and come home about 9:30 p.m. They go to school to about 5 p.m. then they go to night school mostly to learn English."

Flores said they were shown generosity and were taken care of by the people they met in Taiwan.

"I learned that all people — even though they are from across the world — are basically the same," she said. "We all have a heart and want to help someone else."

"It is absolutely worth it," Flores said. "If you have a child you will come back to him. You just have to go with an open heart and mind."

"This is something I will remember forever," she continued. "It was a life experience. I have memories from this trip to share with people both personally and professionally."

BRIEFS

55 ALIVE/MATURE DRIVING PROGRAM class will be held July 13 at 4:30 p.m. and July 14 at 9 a.m. at the VA Medical Center, Room 212. The cost is \$10 per person. Please call 915-267-1729, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., to preregister for the class.

A FUND FOR FRANCES FLECKENSTEIN, whose home was destroyed following an explosion, has been set up at the First Bank of West Texas. For more information on how to make a donation call the bank at 267-1113.

A HEALTH FUND FOR BOBBY LAWDERMILK has been set up at Wells Fargo Bank at 400 Main. Contact Mitzi Knight or Kellie Tubbs at 267-5531 for more information. Dr. Lawdermilk, DVM, was diagnosed with Alzheimers three years ago and was recently diagnosed with cancer. Because of his health problems the Lawdermilk's no longer have health insurance. A hotdog lunch will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Friday, July 13 in the first floor classroom at SMMC. Donations will be accepted at the luncheon.

SENIOR CITIZENS WHO HAVE witnessed the effects of childhood diseases are needed to staff a new volunteer program that will promote immunizations.

Volunteers 55 and older are sought for the effort, to be known as the Seniors for Childhood Immunization Program. RSVP volunteers will visit new mothers at Scenic Mountain Medical Center and remind them of the importance of the immunizations.

To find out more about the program or to volunteer, call 264-2397.

THE HANGAR 25 AIR MUSEUM, located at the McMahon Wrinkle Airpark, will be open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Sunday 1:30 to 4 p.m. The museum will be closed on all city holidays.

When you need to know about special function or event, pick-up a copy of the Big Spring Herald. We'll keep you informed!

Scenic Mountain Medical Center
1601 W. 11th Place
263-1211

TEXAS LOTTERY

SUPPORT GROUPS

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

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

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

•NA 8 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad. Call 268-4189 (pager no.).

•Al-Anon support group, noon, 615 Settles.

SATURDAY
•Family support group for current and former patients and their families, 1 p.m. weekly, Reflections Unit of Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Call Beverly Grant, 263-0074.

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

•West Texans Living with Chronic Fatigue/Fibromyalgia Syndrome, 1 p.m., on the second Saturday of each month, Health South facility at Hwy. 191 and Loop 250, Midland. Contact Linda Hagler at (915) 520-3500.

•NA 8 p.m., St. Mary's Church, 1001 Goliad. Call 268-4189 (pager no.).

IF YOU HAVE A SUPPORT GROUP LISTING, PLEASE SUBMIT IT IN WRITING.

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Cornell	13.5 +.1
Dell	27.18 +1.2
Du Pont	45.69 +.22
Exxon Mobil	84.75 -.2
Halliburton	32.2 -1.02
IFCO Systems	1.4 nc
IBM	106.2 +2.35
Intel Corp	29.49 +1.43
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Phillips Petro	55.58 -.42
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TXU	48.18 -.74
Total Fina	67.55 -.3
Unocal Corp	32.94 -.31
Wal-Mart	50.82 +1.97
Wal-Mart/Mexico	27.15-27.65
AMCAP	16.50 +.04
Europacific	28.28 -.18
Prime Rate	6.75 %
Gold	267.3 - 268.9
Silver	4.22 - 4.27

POLICE

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

•**ROLAND GARCIA**, 35, address not given, was arrested on charges of no

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driver's license and for revocation of parole.

•**BENJAMIN CLINTON**, 25, of 602 1/2 George was arrested on charges of no driver's license, running a stop sign and failure to identify.

•**JASON CAREY**, 19, of 1506 E. 17th St. was arrested on a charge of driving under the influence by a minor.

•**THEFT** was reported in the 500 block of Circle.

•**DISORDERLY CONDUCT** was reported in the 2500 block of Wasson Road.

•**ASSAULT** was reported in the 3300 block of West Highway 80.

•**FIREWORKS** was reported in the 1300 block of East Fourth Street.

•**DISTURBANCE/FIGHT** was reported in the 1900 block of Wasson Road.

SHERIFF

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

•**JOHN PAUL GONZALES**, 32, of 801 W. Marcy No. 42 was arrested on a charge of theft by check from \$20 to \$500 (HCSO).

•**MARSHALL FREEMAN BRYANT**, 23, of 2107 Grace was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated (BSPD).

•**ATTEMPTED BURGGLARY** was reported in the 100 block of Collins Road.

•**THEFT** was reported in the 100 block of North County Road 27.

FIRE/EMS

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

6:45 a.m. — 4900 block of Ratliff, medical call, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

8:07 a.m. — 1700 block of Lancaster, trauma call, service refused.

11:46 a.m. — 500 block of Westover, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.

1:23 p.m. — 2300 block of Gregg, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.

5:32 p.m. — 1800 block of Wallace, trauma call, one patient transported to SMMC.

11:18 p.m. — 1300 block of Madison, trauma call, one patient transported to SMMC.

4:52 p.m. — 1700 block of Lancaster, structure fire, smoke scare.

RECORDS

Wednesday's high 103
Wednesday's low 80
Record high 110 in 1998
Record low 59 in 1961
Average high 95
Average low 70
Precip. Wednesday 0.00
Month to date 0.09
Year to date 5.15
Sunrise Friday 6:49 a.m.
Sunset Friday 8:54 p.m.

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Nation

WASHINGTON
The State Department notified its ambassadors around the world of a U.S. anti-missile program will come with a 1972 treaty in Moscow.

The Pentagon announced for Saturday flight test in a year. The test, a 14-day random to all U.S. pilots said, is into conflict with treaty in Moscow.

There was a reaction from the government. According to the news agency, Rushailo, head of Vladimir Putin's Council, told Reuters: "Russia believes that a withdrawal of the States from the treaty would lead to the end of the world."

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Drug

WASHINGTON
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Boy found in hot dies late

DALLAS (AP) — The death of a 3-year-old boy, trapped in a utility vehicle after a side temperature of 100 degrees, is a reminder of how hot an automobile can be during the months, authorities said.

Police and weathercasters say parents take precautionary steps such as including leaving windows cracked to prevent from building closed cars and leaving children in vehicles.

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Police are investigating the death, which appears to be an accident.

A National Service meteorologist said the temperature in the area was 97 degrees around 3:30 p.m. The boy was found in the car.

Nations notified of anti-missile testing

WASHINGTON (AP) — The State Department has notified its diplomats around the world that tests of a U.S. anti-missile system soon will come in conflict with a 1972 treaty with Moscow.

The Pentagon has scheduled for Saturday its first flight test in a year of interceptors designed to shoot down long-range missiles. An attempt last July failed.

The tests, a 14-page memorandum to all U.S. diplomatic posts said, "will come into conflict with the ABM treaty in months, not years."

There was immediate reaction from the Russian government.

According to the Interfax news agency, Vladimir Rushailo, head of President Vladimir Putin's Security Council, told reporters in Belarus: "Russia, as well as many other countries, believes that a unilateral withdrawal of the United States from the ABM treaty would lead to the destruc-

tion of strategic stability, a new powerful spiral of the arms race, particularly in space, and the development of means for overcoming the national missile defense system."

Deputy Defense Secretary Paul Wolfowitz and Air Force Lt. Gen. Ronald Kadish, who runs the missile defense office at the Pentagon, testify Thursday before the Senate Armed Services Committee on the accelerating program.

The chairman, Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., has been skeptical of the technical feasibility of a missile defense. He is expected to press for more reviews before implementing a missile defense system.

The Pentagon intends to notify Congress as early as next week that it will begin ground-clearing work in August for a new missile defense test site in Alaska, a senior Pentagon official said Thursday.

The site at Fort Greely will be part of an expanded

network of missile defense test facilities that Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld hopes will accelerate development of a variety of missile defense technologies.

The Pentagon intends to place between five and 10 silo-based missile interceptors at Fort Greely for testing against target missiles fired from an aircraft and perhaps from ground-based locations.

Rumsfeld planned to address a Capitol Hill conference Thursday on missile defense, focusing on what he and others argue are new missile threats from smaller states antagonistic to the United States.

"The world has changed fundamentally and the rationale for Cold War arrangements no longer exists," says the memorandum.

It is intended to provide American diplomats with talking points to help persuade other governments to support President Bush's

aspirations for a missile shield.

Answers to prospective questions are provided. Among "misconceptions" the American diplomats are cautioned to anticipate is that "states like North Korea and Iran would not dare attack the United States, knowing they would pay a terrible price in response."

Deployment of an interim ground-based system in Alaska could be completed as early as 2004, the memorandum said.

Bush has called the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty with Russia a relic of the Cold War. It bans deployment in any state except North Dakota of a U.S. shield against long-range missiles.

Russian President Putin opposes setting aside the treaty and has warned it could touch off a new nuclear arms race. He has suggested negotiations to reduce U.S. and Russian arsenals.

NEWS BRIEFS

11-year-old nabs van, crashes it

UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS, Ohio (AP) — An 11-year-old boy wrecked a van bringing children home from day camp after taking the wheel when the driver stepped outside.

The boy drove nearly two miles before colliding with another car in this Cleveland suburb Wednesday afternoon. The boy suffered minor injuries, and people in the other car were unhurt.

Police Lt. David Novinc said the boy, whose name was withheld, hopped out of the Dodge van after the crash and ran toward his nearby home. He was caught by police, and then was treated for his injuries and released.

Novinc said the van apparently was returning from a day camp for troubled children. The driver got out to settle a dispute among passengers when the boy jumped behind the wheel and drove off.

Teen recovering from transplant

CHARLESTON, S.C. (AP) — When Brittany Frye went into a cow pasture last week to find some so-called magic mushrooms, it was a trip that nearly turned deadly.

Instead of hallucinogenic mushrooms, the 17-year-old ate a toxic variety that destroyed her liver.

Now she's recovering from a liver transplant after her mother donated part of hers to the teen-ager.

"I'm not eating another mushroom in my life," said Frye, of Sumter, S.C., as she recovered at the Medical University of South Carolina.

Both mother and daughter were doing well Wednesday and were expected to return home in a few days.

Frye ate a mushroom known as Destroying Angel, amanita virosa, a member of a mushroom family responsible for about 90 percent of the deaths from mushroom poisoning, doctors said.

Three days after Frye drank a half glass of mushroom tea and ate a handful of mushroom caps, she was taken to the hospital. She underwent surgery last Saturday.

"At that point, Brittany was in a coma and we didn't think she was going to wake up," said Dr. Ken Chavin, a transplant surgeon at the hospital.

Frye said she had eaten hallucinogenic mushrooms in the past but won't in the future.

Police think man worshiped satan

BRAINTREE, Mass. (AP) — Police searching an apartment found a fetus in a jar sitting on a dresser, along with a skull, a brain, marijuana and rolling papers. Authorities said they suspected the tenant was involved in satanic worship.

George Picard, 34, was arraigned Wednesday on charges of distributing marijuana, breaking and entering and receiving stolen property and three charges that involved digging in a cemetery and defacing tombs.

"My suspicion is that he is involved with some kind of devil worship or satanic activities," Police Lt. Russell Jenkins told The Patriot Ledger of Quincy.

Police believe the fetus and brain were stolen from a hospital and that the skull was dug up from a nearby cemetery.

Picard was being held at a state mental hospital until his next court appearance.

Drug industry fights mail-order medicines

WASHINGTON (AP) — The drug industry promises to fight House-approved legislation that would let Americans save money by buying cheaper medicines from abroad by mail.

The measure, which needs Senate approval before going to the president, would "open up the possibility for individuals to bring into the country medicines that may not be as safe or effective as they appear," said Alan Holmer, president of the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America.

The Food and Drug Administration opposes the mail-order provision for similar reasons. But supporters said the misgivings are overblown, and the benefits are worth the risks.

The House-passed legisla-

tion would restrict purchases to drugs that had been approved by FDA.

"While seniors in the U.S. are struggling to pay for medicine, those in other countries are paying 30 to 70 percent less for the exact same drugs," said Rep. Gil Gutknecht, R-Minn.

Busloads of elderly people from Minnesota and other northern states regularly cross into Canada to fill prescriptions, a practice permitted by the government.

A 30-day supply of Claritin, an allergy medication, costs \$63 in the United States, compared to \$16 in Europe, according to the Life Extension Foundation, an advocacy group.

The measure passed, 324-101, as an amendment Wednesday to a \$74 billion spending bill for the FDA

and the Agriculture Department. The overall bill was approved, 414-16.

Another amendment, approved on a voice vote, would give the FDA \$1 million to check patent claims by pharmaceutical companies that want to delay approval of generic versions of their drugs. The Federal Trade Commission is investigating whether patent claims are unfairly blocking generics.

"Brand-name pharmaceutical companies have really become quite proficient in manipulating the law to keep generic versions from reaching the market," said Rep. Jo Ann Emerson, R-Mo.

Separately, the White House is working on a plan to offer discount cards to elderly people so they can

save money on drug buys. Critics of the proposal dismissed it as a gimmick, saying Medicare discounts would not go deep enough.

Drug companies say the best way to make medicines more affordable to the elderly is to add prescription-drug coverage to the Medicare program.

Lawmakers soundly rejected a measure Wednesday that would have eased restrictions on the wholesale import of drugs sold more cheaply in other countries because of price controls.

A law passed last year would have allowed import of U.S.-made drugs has effectively been blocked because of a provision that would require the government to guarantee the medicines' safety.

Bush says he'll veto bill banning Mexican trucks access to U.S. roads

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush threatened to veto any bill that prevents Mexican trucks from operating on U.S. roads, just as a Senate committee was poised to take up House-passed legislation that does just that.

Bush's veto threat was contained in a letter sent Wednesday to Senate Appropriations Chairman Robert Byrd, D-W.Va.

Bush suffered a stinging defeat in the House late last month when the House voted 285-143 to bar the Transportation Department from issuing safety permits that would let Mexican

trucks operate throughout the United States.

As part of the 8-year-old North American Free Trade Agreement, Bush planned to let Mexican trucks begin making deliveries throughout this country starting next January. The trucks currently are restricted to a narrow commercial zone just north of the U.S.-Mexican border.

Bush also is facing strong Senate opposition to that goal.

Sen. Byron Dorgan, D-N.D., said after the House vote that he would propose an identical ban when his chamber considered the

measure. Also, Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, said she would oppose allowing the trucks full access without tougher safety regulations than those proposed by the Bush administration.

In the House, 82 Republicans joined 201 Democrats and two independents in the vote to restrict the Mexican trucks.

The House stripped the transportation spending bill

of \$88 million Bush had requested for Mexican truck inspectors and inspection sites. It also prohibited using any fiscal year 2002 money to process applications for permits for Mexican trucks to operate on U.S. roadways.

Sen. Patty Murray, chairwoman of the Senate transportation appropriations subcommittee, plans to propose an amendment that would lift the ban, but

toughen safety requirements for the trucks. Murray, D-Wash., also wants to provide \$103 million for construction of border inspection sites and hiring of inspectors, her spokesman Todd Webster said.

Her amendment is backed by Hutchison, the ranking Republican on the committee and whose state sees the majority of the Mexican truck traffic.

Boy found in hot car dies later

DALLAS (AP) — The death of a 3-year-old Plano boy, trapped in a sport utility vehicle as the outside temperature neared 100 degrees, is a painful reminder of how dangerous automobile interiors can be during the summer months, authorities said.

Police and weather forecasters say people can take precautions to prevent such accidents, including leaving car windows cracked to keep heat from building up in closed cars and never leaving children or pets in vehicles.

Cory Clark died Wednesday after he was found inside his family's Chevy Suburban.

Plano police Sgt. Mark Hunt said the boy was outside playing with siblings and friends. The children had been playing in and out of the car. But Hunt said the door closed and the boy couldn't get out.

The temperature inside a closed vehicle as outside temperatures approached the century mark could reach 150 degrees, the National Weather Service said.

Police said Cory was unconscious when paramedics arrived. They believe he was in the vehicle for about 20 minutes before his parents realized he was in the car. They were inside the house.

The boy was transported to the Medical Center of Plano, where he later died.

Police are investigating the death, which they say appears to be an accident.

A National Weather Service meteorologist in Fort Worth said the temperature in the Dallas area was 97 degrees around 3:30 p.m., when the boy was found.

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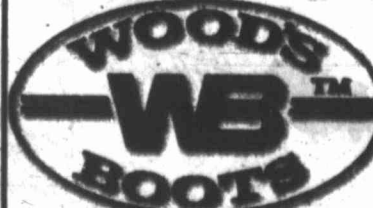
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OUR VIEWS

Memorable time slated for Martin County

Talk about something for everyone, it looks as if organizers of the Martin County Old Settlers Reunion had that in mind while planning this weekend's activities.

Set for Saturday, the reunion begins with registration opening at 9 a.m., and almost immediately the day's activities will get under way with a pet parade. The theme for this year's traditional downtown parade, which begins at 10 a.m., is "Pioneer spirit then and now."

The Martin County museum, the Connell Home and the Old Martin County Jail will be open for tours.

The museum will honor the Charlie and Nettie Hale family with a reception in the afternoon and several class reunions will be held during the day.

A barbecue dinner, with tickets priced at \$6 each, will be held at 6 p.m. in the Martin County Community Center and a program honoring the oldest settler, youngest settler, the person traveling the farthest and Martin Countians who've died in the past year, will begin at 7:30.

The day's activities will conclude with a dance held at the community center.

With organizers expecting as many as 1,000 to attend the reunion, it will truly be an opportunity for those with Martin County ties to renew old friendships and make a new one or two.

More than anything else, however, it will be an opportunity to honor those who pioneered this area. We do that not only by remembering them during the evening's ceremony, but by enjoying what Martin County has become and what it offers today.

YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

I am writing in reference to the condition of parts of Mt. Olive Cemetery.

We have several family members buried there, one just short of two months ago.

We received a phone call on Sunday from a distraught family member informing us that my grandmother's grave was being dug up by prairie dogs. On Monday, my mother and I made a trip to Big Spring to check on this matter. Sure enough, there were large, deep holes on and around her grave. My mother was devastated, I was furious. The plots were purchased and our family members buried there, with the belief that their graves would be safe and cared

for. What a disgrace! I will now be driving 80 miles per week to make sure their graves stay covered. What a shame that I must stand out there with a shovel covering rodent holes.

I urge anyone with loved ones buried there to go and check on the graves. Especially, those in the south and southwest parts of the cemetery.

I will not allow anymore of my family members to be laid to rest there.

Something must and will be done about this, for my family members and others.

Anyone interested in joining me in this pursuit for satisfactory action, may contact me at respect-deceased@yahoo.com

SHERI L. QUIROGA
COLORADO CITY

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Retirement doesn't mellow viewpoints

In case you've heard rumors that I am retiring, I am retiring only from the newspaper, the *Orlando Sentinel*, where I have worked for 30 years. I will continue to write columns for King Features.



CHARLEY REESE

The nice thing about retiring is that by the time you're eligible, you're ready. I've been working since I was about 11 years old, and I look forward to not having to get up and go to an office, especially a smoke-free office where most of my colleagues, nice folks all, are liberal.

I soon will be writing from the old homestead or from the road. My personal office is equipped with my decrepit, inherited dog, a glass of Rebel Yell, my .45 and a Cuban cigar — about the only thing that lying thug Fidel Castro hasn't ruined.

One of the interesting things I've learned about growing old is that I haven't mellowed. On the contrary, I've grown more intolerant.

I never could think of many reasons to suffer fools — lightly or otherwise — and now I can't think of a single one.

I was thinking just the other day of the Confederate battle flag.

People who call that flag a symbol of slavery are just showing their ignorance, and I don't see any reason at all to cater to an ignorant. The Confederate battle flag never flew over a slave state for a single day. The soldiers of a great army who were fighting for independence carried it.

The flag that did fly over many slave states, North and South, for several decades was the federal flag, the good old Stars and Stripes. I wonder what those politically correct types and timid folks are going to do when the American Indians tell them that they are offended by the Stars and Stripes, that to them it is a symbol of genocide. That is certainly a truer statement than the false charges against the Stars and Bars.

You would think, at this late date in the history of the human race, that folks would know that when you give in to blackmail, you get more blackmail. You would think that people would know there is no such thing as a "right to be not offended." You would think sensible folk would realize that people who say they are offended by an inanimate object are simply revealing their own neuroses.

Being offended (which means insulted) is a subjective feeling. When we look at an inanimate object, our subjective feelings will be the result of experiences and memories associated with the object. If there are none, we will feel nothing, just as I feel nothing when

I look at the flags of most foreign nations. They are, to me, meaningless. If our memories and experiences are positive, we will feel good. If they are negative, we might get our dander up.

But whether we feel good, bad or nothing is entirely internal and subjective and gives us no reason to make a public issue of our personal feelings. There's nothing about feelings in the Bill of Rights.

I can understand that some black folks might not like the Confederate flag. I have no hard feelings about that. Who knows? If I were black, I might feel the same way. The people I have a problem with are whites who, scared somebody might "cause trouble" or greedy for every penny they can grab, fall down and kiss the foot of any wandering demagogue who says: "I don't like that historical symbol. It offends me. Take it away."

You have to be a pretty sorry, worthless human being to cave in to threats or unreasonable demands. I've always believed that the best reason to do something is because somebody tells you not to do it. Nobody has the right to censor American history. Nobody has the right to commit cultural genocide. Nobody has the right to insult the memory of those who died bravely in a noble cause.

Since we're on the favorite topic of so many people, race, I might as well point out that some black people don't like

white people and never will. Some blacks are racist bigots, too. The point is, we should pay no more attention to a black bigot than we do to a white bigot. Bigotry is bigotry.

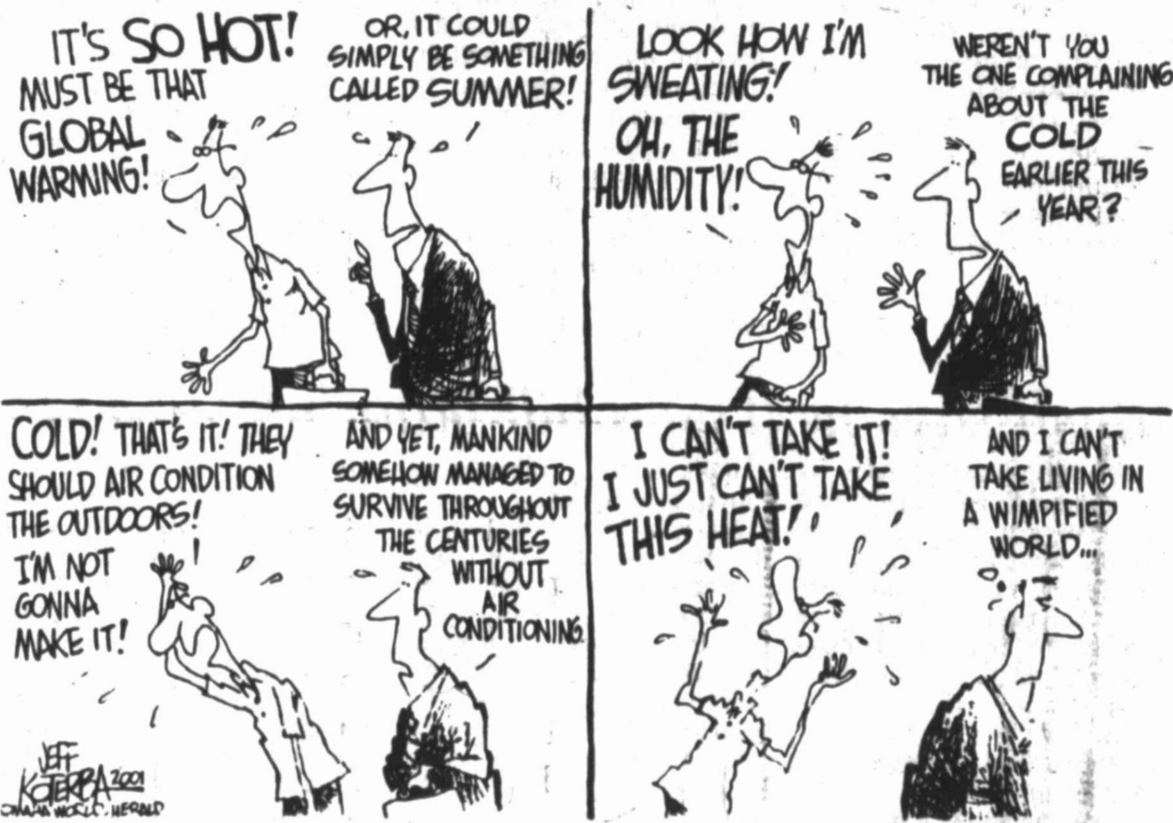
If the Southern people, however, have lost the will to honor their ancestors or have become so ignorant and dumb that the past is meaningless, then, by God, they deserve the fate that is in store for them. I personally will shun such folks, for life is too short to spend it in the company of cowards.

There are many fine folks — brave and principled people, people not afraid to defy tyranny, people who will speak truth to power, people who lead instead of following the crowd. I'm thinking of true Southerners, Cuban exiles, Palestinians, Armenians and all the rest of the courageous people who truly care about the kind of world we will leave our children. What am I going to do in retirement? I'm going to enjoy the company of the finest people on Earth.

I'm going to avoid the company of cowards and of those who think the most important things on Earth are the National Basketball Association draft picks and who might win an Academy Award.

As for the column, I'm going to continue the practice of H.L. Mencken of "comforting the uncomfortable and discomforting the comfortable."

Charley Reese can be contacted at brarl@earthlink.net



Love the area called Far West Texas

It is a place with the feel of the real west. It's a place where cowboys take a Sunday ride on horseback right through downtown.



TUMBLEWEED SMITH

Where ranch neighbors meet at a dirt crossroads on Saturday night and dance under the stars to the music of pickup radios. Where the paltry amount of annual rainfall comes in the form of violent storms. Where folks are tough as shoe leather but warm and friendly, hospitable and courteous.

Where families cling to the land where their ancestors lived. Where students go to college in Alpine to learn rodeo skills and hear cowboy poetry. Where turkey vultures spread their wings to sun themselves in the heat of the

day. It is known as The Trans Pecos. The Big Bend. The Marfa Highlands. The area is basically desert, sky and mountain.

For some people living in remote mountain areas, it is a 90 mile trip to the grocery store, gas station, bank or post office. Electricity and telephones are fairly new and are never taken for granted. Man's hold on the region is far from secure. Abandoned homes in the area declare the frailty of human presence there. It is one place in Texas where you can live like a pioneer.

The Rio Grande river communities of Redford and Presidio are farther from a commercial airport than anywhere else in the lower 48 states. Presidio county has the hottest and coolest spots in Texas on a given day. Presidio is hot, Marfa is cool.

The school at Candelaria recently got bathrooms. Some of the kids had never seen a flush toilet.

"They used to go to the outhouse," says teacher Johnnie Chambers. I guess you'd call that a room with

Residents of Salf Flat, near Guadalupe Peak play golf on the salt, using colored golf balls. Ad agencies in New York call on Dell City for tumbleweeds, which are shipped out in giant boxes. People in Sanderson cure arthritis with a piece of bark from a palo azul tree. Make tea with it and the water turns blue.

Tourism is the backbone of the region now. Thousands flock to Terlingua in the fall for the international chili cooking contest (humorist H. Allen Smith called Terlingua the only place on earth where a disaster wouldn't be noticed). Tourists go swimming in Balmorhea or visit the only two National parks in Texas, Guadalupe Mountains and Big Bend.

McDonald Observatory in Fort Davis is where people from all over the world go to study the stars. The post

office at Valentine gets thousands of letters every February to be postmarked and mailed to lovers. Judge room and saloon in Langtry, where Rio Grande canyons look like Hawaii when rains create waterfalls. Some thirsty people wet their whistle at the Girvin Social Club.

It is an area where doctors are scarce and curanderos heal the sick. Marfa folks still talk about the time Giant was filmed there and the stars ate at the Paisano hotel. The mining town of Van Horn has a population of less than 3,000 but has numerous hotels and restaurants because it is the first town of consequence west of the junction of Interstates 10 and 20.

The deepest gas wells in the world were drilled around Fort Stockton, now becoming known as a grape growing area. Pecos is famous for rodeos and cantaloupes.

The Trans Pecos is quite a place.



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Colorado City area yields latest mammoth discovery

ABILENE — The excavation of woolly mammoth bones at Champion Creek Reservoir near Colorado City has dug up excitement among fossil hunters.

The discovery of the bones at the lake is the latest in a number of significant fossil and archaeological finds beneath the Big Country.

Over the years, mammoth bones have been found in several locations in the Abilene area, which is not surprising since the huge mammals roamed across the continent. Fossils of mammoths have been found on every continent except South America and Australia.

"Mammoths were common in this area, but to find one is still exciting," said Joe Taylor, director of the Mt. Blanco Fossil Museum in Crosbyton. Taylor is heading up the excavation of the fossils at Colorado City.

What's also exciting is the discovery of fossilized bison vertebrae atop the mammoth bones, he said. Because of the discovery of the bones, an extra effort is being made at the site.

Instead of enlarging the dig area by only three feet from the last bone that was found, which he said is common practice at digs, the site is going to be spread by six feet. Work will resume next week.

"We think we'll find more bones," he said. "It's like fishing: you never know what's out there."

It was a couple of fishermen who first found the fossils a few months ago in the drought-depleted lake, he said. The site has been protected so that excavation work can proceed.

Fossils of both bison and mammoth have been found near Colorado City before.

A mammoth tusk on display at Colorado City's Heart of West Texas Museum was found several years ago just south of town.

A more significant find was the discovery of fossilized bison bones in 1924 on a bank of Lone Wolf Creek. Three sharp man-made stone weapons were found with the bones, indicating human beings killed the animal.

That discovery was made two years before a similar finding at Folsom, N.M. Today, Folsom man and Folsom points are famous in the archaeological world. Colorado City could've got the credit, but it didn't even get the bones.

They were shipped off to the Denver Museum of Nature and Science where they are on display. Just last month, a duplicate life-size skeleton of the Lone Wolf Creek bison was put on display at the Colorado City museum.

One of the most significant sites of Folsom artifacts is the Adair-Steadman site north of Merkel. The site was not just a "kill site" where an animal was killed, but a campsite on a prehistoric riverbank. More than 50,000 artifacts have been collected in digs at the site since 1970.

During construction of Lake O.H. Ivie, south of Abilene, more than 1,000 possible sites of much more recent Indian camps were identified and eight archaeological excavations were conducted.

Pottery, arrowheads and shards of tools were found. The Colorado River Municipal Water District, builders of the reservoir, spent nearly \$6 million on archaeological work, according to a history of the water district.



Cheerleaders from Coahoma Junior High were among about 300 in the 2001 Big Country Cheerleader camp held on the campus of Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene June 11-14. Pictured are, back row, from left, Liz Conley, Rachell Atkinson, Sterling Gee and Crystal Bridges, and front row, Ami Martinez, Kayla Hankins, Shani Coker and Briana Thurman. Conley, Gee and Bridges were named All-American Cheerleaders.

Courtesy photo

Learning about sickle cell anemia

While diseases do not discriminate there are some that are more common to certain races.

Sickle cell anemia is one disease in particular that is predominantly thought of as a disease of African Americans. At least that has been my experience.



ANDREIA MEDLIN

According to an article on the Web by several researchers from Harvard Medical School and Massachusetts General Hospital, statistically blacks and Hispanics are more likely to inherit the disease, but it is rare and it can affect other races as well.

So what is sickle cell anemia?

According to the information in the article to understand this we need to understand the structure and nature of blood.

Normally red blood cells are circle or disc shaped.

They are shaped this way to allow oxygen, water and nutrients to flow in and out of the cell. These elements are carried by hemoglobin.

Hemoglobin is made of proteins and iron. Sickle-cell disease is caused by a defective gene in the hemoglobin called hemoglobin S (S for sickle).

For those who don't remember or don't know — a sickle was a crescent shaped blade that people used to cut down wheat etc., in the fields before there were harvesting machines.

A normal red blood cell contains hemoglobin A.

What happens when the disease is triggered is that the red blood cells become deprived of oxygen. Although this is normal in

everyone, in sickle-cell sufferers, the red blood cell will allow the elements to leave but then will not allow them to return.

A sickle-cell also has a sticky surface which, along with the odd shape, causes these cells to bunch up together in tiny veins called capillaries.

This results in the supply of oxygen to be cut off to a specifically effected area of tissues in the body and organs.

Severe pain, swelling and shortness of breath are the most obvious symptoms.

This is most commonly known as a sickle-cell crises.

The deprivation of oxygen to the tissues also results in long- and short-term organ damage which often resulted in an early death.

Fortunately, not all red blood cells become sickle-cell shaped and most do travel out of the capillary (tiny vein) before they are effected.

Sickle-cells do not last as long as red blood cells but the body cannot keep up with the demand for new red blood cells so the person becomes anemic. This is where the name sickle-cell anemia comes from.

In order for someone to contract the disease they must inherit both defective genes.

If only one gene is inherited then that person only carries the trait but can pass it on to future generations.

Approximately 80,000 Americans have sickle-cell disease. About 9 percent of African Americans have the trait and an estimated one in 500 African American and one in every 1,000 to 1,400 American Hispanic children are born with sickle-cell disease itself.

Information about sickle cell anemia is available at webmd.com.

More about sickle-cell disease and its treatments will be in next week's column.

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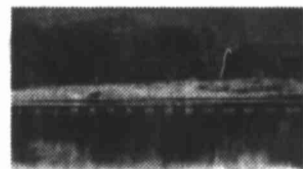
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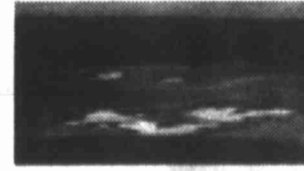
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IN BRIEF

Steers to compete in state tourney

The Big Spring Steers summer football team will compete in the fourth annual Fox Sports Net 7-on-7 Football State Championship Tournament which is presented by Adidas. It will be held July 20-21, at Texas A&M with sixty-four high school teams who have qualified for the tournament.

Big Spring golfer falls to 28th in tourney

Big Spring golfer Steve Ward dropped to 28th place Wednesday after two rounds in the Hollywood Casino Texas State Open, which is played at The Links at Water Chase in Fort Worth, with rounds of 70 and 74 for a 144 score.

Ward is tied with seven other golfers and survived the 36-hole cut.

Leading the tournament with 36-holes to play is Michael Connell of Richardson with rounds of 67 and 65 for a 132 score.

The contestants are competing for a \$95,000 purse in the 72-hole tournament.

Rose Magers-Powell volleyball camp set

The Rose Magers-Powell Volleyball Camp will be held July 16-18 at Steer Gym.

The camp is open to second graders through high school seniors.

Fees for second to fifth graders is \$55, it will be \$70 for sixth to eighth graders and \$95 for high school athletes.

Sessions for grades 6-8 will be from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., while those in grades 9-12 will attend from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. High school campers will work from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Game strategy, as well as fundamentals of playing volleyball will be stressed.

Registration fees may be mailed to Traci Pierce at 2711 Rebecca, Big Spring 79720.

Black Gold tourney set for Friday start

The Big Spring Black Gold Tennis Tournament has been scheduled for Friday through Sunday at the Figure 7 Tennis Center in Comanche Trail Park.

Play will be conducted in boys and girls singles, doubles and mixed doubles in five age divisions.

Fees will be \$15 for one event, \$20 for two and \$25 for three.

For more information, call Wendy Justiss at 398-5485.

Golf tournament set for July 21

A benefit golf tournament for St. Mary's Episcopal School will be held at 8 a.m. Saturday, July 21, at Big Spring Country Club.

Fees for the four-person scramble are \$75 per player.

Prizes will be awarded. Lunch will be provided during the event.

For more information, call Beverly Alford at 263-0203.

ON THE AIR

Radio

BASEBALL
7:45 p.m. — Little League District Tournament, KBST-AM 1490.

Television

BASEBALL
6 p.m. — Boston Red Sox at N.Y. Mets, FAM, Ch. 6.
8:30 p.m. — Colorado Rockies at Texas Rangers, FXS, Ch. 29.
11 p.m. — Baltimore Orioles at Atlanta Braves, TBS, Ch. 11.

Hoch seeks to lose his choke tag at Milwaukee Open

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Scott Hoch desperately wants to lose the choke label he was tagged with after blowing a short putt that would have won the 1989 Masters.

A dozen years later, he might finally be doing just that.

Hoch is coming off the best performance of his career at the Western Open, and this week he's playing at one of his favorite courses: Brown Deer Park, site of the Greater Milwaukee Open, which he won in 1995 and '97.

His thrilling one-stroke victory over Davis Love III last week was Hoch's ninth straight finish in the

top 16. It made him the first player to win at least two PGA Tour events at age 45 since Hale Irwin won the U.S. Open and Buick Classic in consecutive weeks in 1990.

It also moved him into fourth place on the career money list, behind Tiger Woods, Phil Mickelson and Love.

Hoch is looking to nailing down a win at Milwaukee to lose his stigma of being a choke player.

"That's pretty strong company if those are the only guys ahead of you," Hoch said. "I got a head start, but the purses, they weren't that much on a lot of them."

Hoch said winning the Western Open "showed not necessarily me but other people that I could play, that I could still play."

Jerry Kelly said it's unfortunate Hoch has gotten a bad rap for losing in a playoff to Nick Faldo at Augusta in 1989 after he missed a 2-foot putt for victory.

"I don't know 'Hoch Choke,'" Kelly said. "I don't know him."

Hoch said there's plenty of times he's choked, but he insists Augusta 12 years ago wasn't one of them.

"I can honestly say that I have at other times. And you can use that word where I've lost tournaments

that I should have won," Hoch said. "But when it comes to Augusta, that had no play in it at all. I was as confident there as I was Sunday at Chicago. I mean, I didn't feel nervous. I was just having fun."

"I didn't choke and hit a bad putt. I just didn't line it up. But I have had other tournaments where I've had nerves interfere or concentration waver and hit poor shots that have cost me tournaments. Yes, I have had that before. This just shows that I can still play."

And let's be honest, Hoch added, he's the unfortunate victim of a name game.

Big Spring All-Stars are on a roll

By DOUG LAW
Sports Editor

The Big Spring Junior League all-stars don't know how to quit, they just keep winning games. They need a win tonight to advance to the championship round of the District III tournament at Christensen Stadium where they will face the winner of the Odessa Sherwood-Midland San Jacinto team.

Big Spring used strong defense and key hits to defeat Andrews 8-2 Wednesday at Midland Christensen Stadium.

"We used strong defensive play by catchers Ryan Tannehill and Chase Burks who shared defensive duties," coach Tom Kuykendall said. "They threw out four Andrews runners trying to steal and Burks threw out a runner trying to steal third base to end the game."

Andrews scored in the first with a single run, but Big Spring tied it up in the second as Kyle Piercefield walked and scored when Justin Watson doubled to left.

Big Spring kept up the pressure in the third, adding three big runs to take a 4-1 lead. Josh Noble drew a walk and went to second on a Jerry Doporto single. Ryan Slate used a right center field double to score Noble and Doporto. Mark Lozano singled to score Slate.

Big Spring's defense kept Andrews scoreless in the fourth and once again turned up the effort scoring a pair of runs in the fifth, stretching their lead to 6-2.

Noble singled in the fifth and Slate got to first on an error, advancing Noble to second. Andy Lasater crushed a key double scoring Noble and Slate.

Andrews answered back with one run in the fifth but Big Spring kept their 6-2 lead.

Big Spring put Andrews away in the seventh as Clay Kuykendall singled to left center to start off the inning and advanced to second on a bad throw by an Andrews outfielder. Kuykendall went to third on a wild pitch.



The Big Spring Junior League All-Stars are on a roll and need one more win to advance to the Division III finals in Midland's Christensen Stadium. Pictured in front, lying down from left are Josh Caudill and Jerry Doporto. Kneeling from left are Brandon Bowling, Chase Burks, Ryan Tannehill, Justin Watson, Josh Noble and Clay Kuykendall. Standing are Andy Lasater, Ty Froman, Kyle Piercefield, Adam Johnson, Mark Lozano and Ryan Slate. They are coached by Chris Olsen and Tom Kuykendall and their assistants are Jim Lasater, Gene Froman and Gene Piercefield.

Mark Lozano scored Kuykendall on a ground out to second and Lasater smashed a line drive to left for a single. Lasater moved to third on a hard-hit ground ball to center field by Ty Froman. Watson doubled, scoring Lasater.

Big Spring held Andrews scoreless in the last of the seventh to take the 8-2 district win.

Slate pitched five innings, seizing the win and Lozano pitched the last two innings.

The Big Spring Junior League All-Star Team used the Andrews win to stay alive in the Division III District Little League Tournament with five wins.

Big Spring built up a 5-1 record by adding wins over Coahoma, Midland Goddard, Midland Christian/Trinity and Midland Alamo.

The key to their strong record in district play was their come-from-behind 10-9 win over Midland Alamo Wednesday at Simon Field.

"They (Alamo) counted us out, but we knew we'd come back and we just kept chipping away at (the deficit)," Big Spring coach Tom

Kuykendall said. "The big difference was our strong defense, our infield was very strong and got a big help from the outfield. Key fly balls were caught by outfielders Adam Johnson and Clay Kuykendall."

Big Spring was coached by Kuykendall and Chris Olsen.

Big Spring found themselves behind the eight-ball as they faced a massive 9-0 deficit in the sixth inning against Alamo.

They could have quit and rolled over, but they didn't—they dug down deep and fought back, using their strong defense and big bats.

Big Spring rallied and scored four runs by Lasater, Tannehill, Watson and Noble in the sixth, narrowing the gap to a 9-4 deficit in the top of the sixth.

The Big Spring defense held Midland Alamo to no runs in the top of the seventh inning.

"It was now or never," coach Kuykendall said.

That put big pressure on Big Spring which rallied, scoring six runs in the seventh inning, icing the win. "Lozano laced out a triple

in the top of the seventh inning to start this (rally) going," Kuykendall said. "Their pitcher's just couldn't handle us. We were very quiet for five innings."

Despite a strong bat, Big Spring still trailed 9-7 with only three outs separating them from a win or a loss.

Doporto came through big time for Big Spring as he drove home the game-winning run with a huge bases loaded triple. His big bat drove home

Kyle Piercefield, Burks and Froman to win the 10-9 district game.

The Big Spring defense came through with their big bats, which coupled with their strong defense, held Alamo scoreless in the crucial final two innings.

Doporto was the starting pitcher for Big Spring who struck out a batter and walked four until relieved by Froman in the fifth.

Froman notched a pair of strikeouts, gave up a walk, and a pair of sixth-inning runs while taking the win.

The district champ advances to the sectional play and the sectional winner advances to the state tournament.

Rangers looking forward to 2002

ARLINGTON (AP) — The Texas Rangers are headed into the second half of this season not even thinking about the playoffs. Even next season's playoffs seem like a longshot.

At 35-52, the Rangers have their worst record at the All-Star break since 1985 and are a team-record 28 games behind Seattle in the AL West. They've already changed managers and pitching coaches, and shifted their focus to the long term, not this October.

How bad off is Texas? Even if the Rangers win their remaining 75 games, they'd still be seven games short of the Mariners' 117-win pace. A 50-25 showing would barely get them over .500.

"Things are going to get better and I know what we have a very nice core," said All-Star shortstop Alex Rodriguez. "I know we are going to win here, it's just a matter of time."

After finishing last in the division last season, the Rangers spent the off-season going for a big turnaround by making Rodriguez the most expensive free agent ever at \$252 million over 10 years and signing aging veterans Ken Caminiti, Andres Galarraga and Randy Velarde.

Then came an 11-17 start that left Texas 11 games behind Seattle and prompted manager Johnny Oates to resign under pressure on May 4. Jerry Narron was given the job for the rest of the season.

Within a month, owner Tom Hicks admitted this year was a lost cause and that he was eyeing an overhaul. Narron got a contract through 2003.

The makeover is ongoing, with an emphasis on developing young players.

Rookie second baseman Michael Young and third

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Baseball big-wigs should remember to trust the game

It came as no surprise the most entertaining moment of the All-Star game involved a sawed-off bat sailing down a baseline. What was surprising is that it had nothing to do with Roger Clemens facing Mike Piazza yet again.

After Tuesday night's installment, it's safe to say the midsummer classic has taken the final step from competition to exhibition — and a schmaltzy exhibition at that.

Cal Ripken's home run in his final All-Star appearance will linger in the memory for some time. But there's no way to forget soon enough the silly mid-game interruption in which a podium was dragged onto the field so commissioner Bud Selig could hand lifetime achievement awards to Ripken and Tony Gwynn.

The ceremony demonstrated just how far baseball's higher-ups will go these days to curry public favor.

Even Ripken, who got wind of the plan from Selig, wasn't too crazy about the idea.

"I told him I was kind of sensitive about interrupting the game," he recalled afterward. "The game should go on with a certain flow."

Not if the suits continue to have their way. Troubled by a 45 percent plunge in TV ratings for the All-Star game since 1990, Selig & Co. no longer seem willing to trust the game to sell itself. Too bad.

With his first at-bat, Seattle Mariners sensation Ichiro Suzuki reminded us again why baseball's appeal spans generations and crosses borders with ease. It rewards brains as well as brawn. It respects precision just as much as power. It has room for players with more guile than talent. Ichiro slapped a delivery from fearsome National League starter Randy Johnson just inside the line, and when first baseman Todd Helton made a diving stop on the ball, Ichiro alertly beat Johnson and the relay to first base.

Clemens employed a similar strategy in his first meeting with Piazza since last year's World Series. Instead of matching his New York rival strength for

strength, Clemens uncharacteristically worked the outside corner of the plate for the entire at-bat. His patience was rewarded after seven pitches, when Piazza flied out weakly to right. What this show-down lacked in drama it more than made up for in the satisfaction both men derived from knowing last season's highly charged confrontations are behind them — at least for now.

"As far as I'm concerned," Clemens said, "it is."

"If he had thrown one inside, it wouldn't have surprised me at all," Piazza said. "I just went up there and approached it like any other at-bat."

It was left to Ripken to provide the fireworks, and he didn't disappoint. The Seattle fans didn't pick up on the occasion when Ripken first stepped into the batter's box. But they made up for the brief silence with a growing roar that quickly became a standing ovation. Ripken stepped out of the batter's box to acknowledge the cheers, then brought the crowd right back to its feet by pounding Chan Ho Park's first pitch over the fence in left.

He circled the bases as the oldest

man ever to hit a home run in an All-Star game, going to the head of a line that includes the names Stan Musial, Hank Aaron, Babe Ruth and Ted Williams. In some ways, the moment rivaled that of Williams hitting a game-winning, three-run homer in the 1941 All-Star game. Except of course, that Ripken had been replaced long before this one was over.

Few players go nine innings anymore. The game just doesn't mean as much. They're no longer about proving which league is better. Much of the drama and most of the competition has been diluted by free agency and interleague play.

Anybody who thinks otherwise need only recall how many times Fox treated us to replays of Tommy Lasorda, who coached third base for the NL, tumbling backward after getting whacked on the thigh by the barrel end of Vladimir Guerrero's broken bat. It wasn't baseball, but it was as much a signature moment as Ripken's memorable blast.

"I'm not quite as agile as I used to be," Lasorda joked. "I'll be 74 in a couple months."

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JIM LITKE

Here is the weekly fishing report for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. (Report also available at www.tdfr.com.)

CENTRAL: Water in the Brazos River is good on striped bass. Crappie are good on the Brazos. Yellow catfish are good on the Brazos. Yellow perch are good on the Brazos.

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baseball Mike Young's starter this season in the AL West. He is playing every day in the place of the injured Caminiti, who was released. Young has shown some plate lately, hitting 10 games before the Star break.

Promising but injured outfielder Russ Thayer was traded to Cincinnati for pitcher Lyle Overbay. The Rangers believe that a 15-game winner.

They've also signed second-year star Davis and plan year-old Aaron Lundy adjusted to the pitching him on bullpen before the season starts.

"We just need to see the younger players and play well to get the team back to where we were last year. We're going to judge our wins and losses."

While developing youth, the Rangers try to determine if catcher Ivan Rodriguez is ready to take over from pitcher Rick Ketchum. Oliver — all of them — will become free agents in 2002.

The toughest of them will be Rodriguez, who will be 31 years old by year's end and wanting about a million dollars a season.

The wait could be long for left-hander Thompson, the first Star who has since being acquired in November 1999.

sent two-time Juan Gonzalez. After three surgeries on his left hand, Thompson only began throwing again.

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The midsummer classic was officially turned Tuesday night. It has been considerably better in recent years as the game has changed the face of the stakes, making it a team of U.S. players their intern counterparts, or the winning league home-field advantage the World Series.

This much, the certain. Making secondary to the means those baseball moments we prize past will be harder to come by.

columnist for The Associated Press.

FISHING REPORT

Here is the weekly fishing report as compiled for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for July 11. (Report also available on Web at www.tdshg.com.)

CENTRAL: BROWNWOOD: Water murky; 82 degrees; Black bass to 8 pounds are good on white or chartreuse Rat-Traps and Carolina-rigged soft plastics in 15 - 20 feet. Striped bass to 8 pounds are good on stripper jigs and white Rat-Traps in 15 - 25 feet. White bass to 2 pounds are good on shad and jigs in 15 - 20 feet. Crappie to 11 inches are good on minnows and jigs in 10 - 20 feet. Channel and blue catfish are good on chicken livers, shad and nightcrawlers in 15 - 25 feet. Yellow catfish are slow on perch in 15 - 25 feet.

SOUTH: AMSTAD: Water fairly clear; 80 degrees; 38 low; Black bass to 8 pounds are fair to good on soft jerkbaits and spinnerbaits over grass. Striped bass are fair on slabs and stripper jigs early and late in 20 - 30 feet near the dam. White bass are fair on slabs and jigs way up the Rio Grande. Crappie are fair on live minnows in the Devils River above Rough Canyon. Channel and blue catfish are fair on cheesebait in 5 - 10 feet. Yellow catfish are fair on dropelines and trotlines baited with live perch.

WEST: COLORADO CITY: Water clear; 85 degrees; Black bass are slow on spinnerbaits and purple or red soft plastic worms. Crappie are fair on minnows. White bass are fair on Rat-Traps. Redfish are good on cut shad and Rat-Traps. Catfish are good on cheesebait and cutbait.

NASWORTHY: Water stained; 72 degrees; Black bass are fair on red and blue soft plastics in reeds. Crappie are good on jigs along bottom. White bass and striped bass are good on minnows and shad. Catfish to 40 pounds are good on trotlines using minnows and cutbait. Lake is being dredged of 2 feet of silt (3 year project started summer 2000).

O.H. IVE: Water lightly stained; 77 degrees; 15 low; Black bass are fair at night on dark spinnerbaits or jigs and slow during day on Carolina-rigged watermelon or green pumpkin french fries. Crappie are good on minnows. White bass are fair. Smallmouth bass are slow. Catfish are good on trotlines baited with cutbait or punchbait. The road to Concho Park is under construction.

SPENCE: Water stained; 75 degrees; Black bass are slow on topwaters early, later switching to white spinnerbaits and green soft plastics in brush. Crappie are fair on minnows. White bass are fair on slabs and minnows. Striped bass are fair early. Catfish to 38 pounds are fair on worms and minnows.

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baseman Mike Lamb, last year's starter who began this season in the minors, are playing every day in place of the injured Velarde and Caminiti, who has been released. Young has been solid in the field and Lamb has shown some pop at the plate lately, hitting .447 in the 10 games before the All-Star break.

Promising but disappointing outfielder Ruben Mateo was traded to Cincinnati in June for pitcher Rob Bell (2-0, 7.40 ERA), whom the Rangers believe can become a 15-game winner.

They've also stuck with second-year starter Doug Davis and plan to get 23-year-old Aaron Myette adjusted to the majors by pitching him out of the bullpen before some late-season starts.

"We just need to see that we're making progress with the younger players and to see the team gel together and play well doing the team fundamentals," said general manager Doug Melvin. "We'll give any of our younger guys a chance, an opportunity. We're not going to judge ourselves by wins and losses."

While developing their youth, the Rangers also will try to determine the future of veterans like All-Star catcher Ivan Rodriguez, and pitchers Rick Helling, Kenny Rogers and Darren Oliver — all eligible to become free agents after 2002.

The toughest choice will be Rodriguez, who by then will be 31 years old, a 12-year major league veteran and wanting about \$20 million a season.

The wait continues for left-hander Justin Thompson, the former All-Star who hasn't pitched since being acquired in the November 1999 trade that sent two-time AL MVP Juan Gonzalez to Detroit. After three surgeries in 14 months on his left shoulder, Thompson only recently began throwing off a mound again.

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The midsummer classic officially turned 72 on Tuesday night. There's been considerable debate in recent years about changing the format to raise the stakes, about having a team of U.S. stars play their international counterparts, or allowing the winning league to have home-field advantage when the World Series begins.

This much, though, is certain. Making the game secondary to the spectacle means those baseball moments we prize from the past will be harder and harder to come by.

columnist for The Associated Press.

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By BETTY DEBNAM

What a Busy Social Life!

Prairie Dogs

Prairie dogs are great fun to watch. They have many ways of behaving that remind us of ourselves as they busily dart from place to place, playing, working to build mounds, grooming one another, sending signals, and even seeming to kiss and snuggle.

A prairie dog is not a dog at all, but a rodent. A rodent is a mammal with teeth that keep growing longer as it lives. Other members of the rodent family include squirrels, chipmunks and mice.

The most common prairie dog, the black-tailed, is found on the North American prairies. Another type, the white-tailed, lives higher up in mountainous areas.

Prairie dogs eat mostly grasses. They sometimes add sagebrush and other prairie plants and insects to their diet.

Prairie dogs live in big underground colonies, or towns. Each family group has its own area, with separate rooms for the bathroom, food storage, sleeping and nurseries.

The state of Texas can boast the largest prairie dog town on record. It once covered about 25,000 square miles and was home to about 400 million prairie dogs!

The mounds they build outside their tunnel entrances serve as lookout towers where sentries can stand to watch for danger.

In order to have a clear view if an enemy approaches, prairie dogs bite off the grass around their mounds.

The mounds also keep water from flooding the tunnels below.

If a sentry spots danger, it gives a danger call and then scampers below and listens. If it hears nothing, it peeks its head out for a double check.



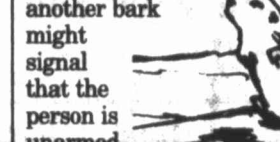
A prairie dog's pale brown fur helps it blend in with the dirt of its mounds.

Prairie dog sounds

Early settlers called them dogs because their calls sound like high-pitched dog barks.

Experts say different barks and body movements send different signals. For example, one bark might warn of a hawk, while a different one might warn of a snake.

Another bark might signal a person approaching carrying a gun, while yet another bark might signal that the person is unarmed.



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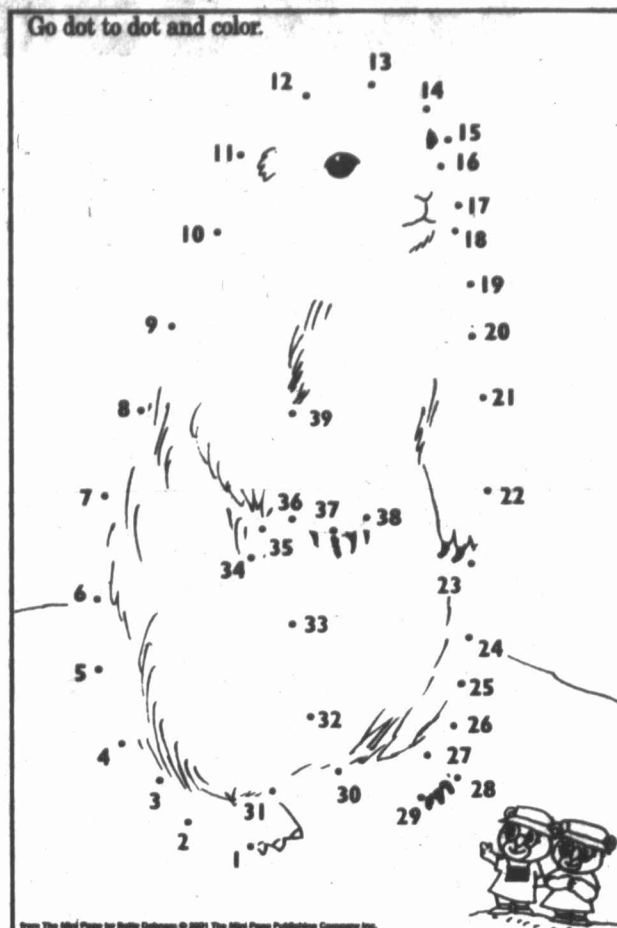
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Rookie Cookie's Recipe Seaside Stroganoff

You'll need:

- 1/4 cup butter or margarine
- 1/3 cup mushrooms, sliced
- 1/2 onion, chopped
- 1 can cream of mushroom soup
- 2 (6 1/2-ounce) cans tuna fish, drained
- 1 cup sour cream
- 2 cups noodles, cooked

What to do:

- Cook mushroom and onion pieces in butter or margarine in a skillet over medium heat for 10 minutes or until onion pieces are soft. Stir often.
- Add soup. Mix well.
- Add tuna fish. Mix well.
- Add sour cream. Stir well.
- Lower heat and cook 5 minutes or until warm.
- Serve over cooked noodles. Serves 4.

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Gas Goodsport's Report Supersport: Jeff Gordon

Height: 5-7 Birthdate: 8-4-71

Weight: 150 College: Wake, Calif.

One of the most popular stock-car racers on the racing circuit is Jeff Gordon. He began pro racing in 1993 and was named that year's Rookie of the Year.

His first win came in 1994. Since then he has won more than 50 races. He was the champion in 1995, 1997 and 1998. When he won in 1995, he became the youngest champion in stock-car racing history.

Jeff, who is married, grew up in Pittsboro, Ind. He first became interested in racing when he was just 5.

He is active in many charities including the Leukemia Society and the Make-a-Wish Foundation. His hobbies include water skiing, snow skiing, racquetball and video games.

Meet Yanni

One of the most popular musicians around the world is Yanni. He does not sing but instead plays the piano.

Yanni, 46, grew up in the seaside village of Kalamata, Greece. His full name is Yiannis Chrysomalis.

He taught himself to play the piano when he was about 5. He also plays the guitar.

As a teen-ager he was a champion swimmer and was even on the Greek national team.

He came to the United States at 18 to study psychology at the University of Minnesota. After graduating, he decided to spend more time playing music. From there his career took off, and soon he became world-famous.

MIGHTY FUNNY'S Mini Jokes

The following jokes all have something in common. Can you guess what the common theme or category is?

Jeff: What do farmers learn in school?
Jane: Their A-B-Seeds!

Dan: What does a sheep put over a light bulb?
Dion: A lambshead!

Chloe: A farmer had a large hay field, but his only son decided to move away and get a job shining shoes. So now the farmer makes hay while the son shines!

Prairie Dogs' Place in Nature

Cheers for prairie dogs

Prairie dogs have several problems, one of which is living space. More than 98 percent of their habitat has been destroyed by humans building homes, roads and farms.

This is very sad because the prairie dog is considered a keystone species upon which other animals depend. If it were to die out, other animals might become threatened or disappear.

Experts believe there are about 140 species of wildlife that eat prairie dogs or use their towns.

This list includes golden eagles, badgers, weasels, coyotes, hawks, the burrowing owl, the cottontail rabbit, the horned lark and many snakes.

The black-footed ferret

The prairie dog was the main food for the black-footed ferret. When so many thousands of prairie dogs were killed in the 1920s, this ferret nearly became extinct.

Ferrets were saved when, 60 years later, a few were discovered still living. They were taken to a safe place, and today their numbers are growing.

Look through your newspaper for photos and stories about wildlife in your area.

Next week The Mini Page is all about Hawaii.



Prairie dogs are protected in many parks and refuges. These include: Wind Cave National Park in South Dakota, Devils Tower National Monument in Wyoming, and Theodore Roosevelt National Park in North Dakota.

Not everybody cheers

Some ranchers fear that their cattle might break their legs if they fall into a prairie dog tunnel. But this happens very rarely.

Ranchers also dislike prairie dogs because they think that they destroy the grass the ranchers' herds eat. In the 1920s the U.S. government had a special program to do away with prairie dogs because ranchers thought them to be a nuisance.

However, today some studies have found that herds of cattle, bison and deer may do better in areas where prairie dogs live.

When prairie dogs eat the grass, they make room for other kinds of plants. They also loosen the soil when they dig, so that seeds of leafier, more nutritious plants can grow.

Prairie dog defenses

Snakes, hawks, badgers and coyotes are some of the animals that eat prairie dogs.

Prairie dogs do have sharp claws and teeth, but they are not good fighters. Their only real defense is to run away. They can run up to 35 miles per hour for short distances.

To make their underground towns safer, they dig escape tunnels that they cover up so nothing can come in. However, the prairie dog can open them quickly to get out.

They don't build mounds near these escape hatches, so enemies don't know they're there.

Today prairie dogs are also threatened by a disease brought into this country from Europe, the bubonic plague. Prairie dogs have not developed an immunity to it, so it can be very deadly.

The Mini Page thanks Susan Reese and Bob Seroni, park rangers, Theodore Roosevelt National Park, North Dakota; and Mike Fritz, natural heritage zoologist, Nebraska Game and Parks Commission, for help with this issue.

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You often might feel pressured to perform to the max. Your social standing and work gain, and they are linked. You see your image as being critical to enhancing your security, which always has been a high priority. A partner often gives unexpected ideas, professionally and financially. Think in terms of growth and breaking patterns. New health habits enhance your strength and well-being. If you are single, wave hello to a special relationship within your birthday year. If you are attached, you can count on your sweetie. Aries helps your career.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
****Your high energy bows others over. You're full of happiness and energy. You don't mind pitching in or doing more than your share. Unexpected developments encourage you to adapt and change your plans. Tonight: Whatever makes you smile.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
*** Step back and think through a decision involving your finances. Airing out ideas helps tighten up concepts and projects. An important discussion takes place later in the day. Give up worrying so much, and greet more convivial times with a smile. Tonight: Opt for quiet.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
**** Listen to someone. Your instincts remain excellent. Swap ideas and brainstorm. You succeed beyond your dreams. Think more in terms of financial gain for the next few months. You have the tal-

ent and the wherewithal to develop a stronger money picture. Tonight: Where your friends are.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
****Express your ideas with security and optimism. You know what you want. Take charge as only you can. You head in a new direction. Listen to feedback from another. Jupiter, the planet of expansion, moves into your sign, which initiates a new 11-year lucky cycle. Tonight: Celebrate.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
**** Reach out for those at a distance. In fact, make plans to meet someone halfway. Later, clear the air with an associate who might be driving a hard bargain. A meeting fosters unexpected events, taking you in a new direction. Go with the flow. Tonight: A friend surprises you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
**** Work quietly with a partner. Listen to his objectives, and see if it is a match. Once you understand each other, you opt for a new direction. The unexpected occurs at work or in your day-to-day life. Demonstrate your flexibility. Tonight: A night for two.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
**** Work demands your attention, but those around you do all they can to get your attention. Your sense of humor comes out with a child or loved one who delights in adding mischief to your life. Schedule meetings for the end of the day. Tonight: Follow someone's lead.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
**** You might not always have as much control as you would like. Focus on information, research and the big picture. Your ability to understand another helps

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clear out any project that is pending. Adjust to his needs. Consider a home office. Tonight: Do something relaxing.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
**** Your fiery energy answers a partner's demands. Though you tend to think in the here and now, you need to address the long term. Unexpected statements and news help distract you. Understand what your ultimate goal is within a relationship. Tonight: Play the weekend in.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
*** Others distract you from the real issue at hand. Don't put yourself in a non-negotiable situation. It is crucial that you stay focused. Security comes before anything else, in your book. An unexpected financial change could work in your favor. Study and use it. Tonight: Your home is your castle.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
**** Others find you easily accessible and often very interesting, yet you very well could stun someone with your words and choice

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es. Clear off your desk and get a project completed as soon as possible. Remember a brother or sister who means a lot to you. Tonight: At a favorite spot.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
**** Review a recent stand. Use your instincts creatively, and understand what is going on. Your imagination sometimes takes you on wild-goose chases. Focus on financial goals and don't go past your limits. A child or loved one rebels or distracts you. Tonight: Treat another to something after work.

BORN TODAY
Actor Harrison Ford (1942), comedian Cheech Marin (1946), actor Patrick Stewart (1940)

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Pet owner's irresponsibility may end his marriage

Dear Ann Landers: Ten years ago, I married

Richie. At the time, I had two dogs and a cat, and Richie had a male schnauzer. What I didn't know was that the schnauzer was allowed to beg at the table and steal food from the pantry. He slept on the bed, crawled all over the furniture, and barked day and night. The final straw was when the dog urinated on every piece of clothing I owned. Richie refused to take the dog for obedience training and didn't care about the territorial markings.

The schnauzer is now 14 years old. He is totally deaf, has no teeth, is arthritic and incontinent and wets on everything. When my pets became old and sick, I took them to the vet and had them put to sleep. Richie refuses to do this.

If I give Richie an ultimatum, the dog or me, I know he will choose the dog. I need some advice. -- Former Animal Lover in Wyoming

Dear Wyoming: The vet could turn out to be your "savior." That schnauzer is not enjoying life, and he is making yours miserable. Give the vet a call, and ask him to suggest "the humanitarian thing" the next time Richie brings him in for a check-up. Let the vet know how sad the dog is, and lean on him to "do his duty."

Dear Ann Landers: Thank you for printing the letter saying it's time to stop the practice of dumping ice water on the coach after a victory. It may be fun for the players, but I can tell you, it is no fun for the coach.

I recall when the team I coached played on an extremely hot day. When we won, the players dumped a bucket of Gatorade on my head. My body went into a cold shock, and it was hours before I got over it. Of course, I was expected to smile and laugh it off in the spirit of good sportsmanship, and I tried, but it wasn't easy.

We coaches love to win and are thrilled that the players want to show their appreciation, but give us a break. No name, please, just -- A Coach in Arkansas

Dear Coach: You weren't the only one to speak up. Here's a letter that twirled my turban:

Dear Ann: After coaching the Los Angeles Rams for several years and leading the Washington Redskins to a Super Bowl, legendary coach George Allen's last coaching assignment was at Long Beach State in the early 1990s. In his final sea-

son there, the team won the last game of the season, and the players doused Allen with a bucket of ice-cold water. Coach Allen remained in his wet clothes for several hours, being interviewed by reporters and winding down after the game.

As a result of the dunking, Allen contracted viral pneumonia and was dead within a few weeks. This dangerous practice should be outlawed. -- Max in California

Dear Ann Landers: My sister and I have an elderly aunt who worked hard her entire life and saved \$40,000. Auntie recently entered an assisted-living complex. I pay her rent with her pension and Social Security money. My sister and I put my aunt's savings into a CD with both our names on it.

Three months ago, Sis asked if she could use \$30,000 of Auntie's money for a down payment on a house. She promised to pay it back. I told her this was not our money, and I didn't want her to do it. Sis exploded in anger, saying she only asked as a courtesy and could not believe I would refuse her. She cashed in some bonds instead and claims my "selfishness" cost her an additional \$5,000 in taxes. She hasn't spoken to me since. How can we be a family again? -- Her Brother in Texas

Dear Brother: What your sister calls "selfishness," I call integrity. You were right to say no to her proposal. You did the honorable thing, and your sister should not punish you for your decency. I hope my input helps mend the rift.

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