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Trade Days

Vendors, shoppers alike enjoy 'friendly' Stanton

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

STANTON — Obviously, vendors from across Texas set up shop at the Old Sorehead Trade Days to make money. But what they really enjoy is the friendly reception. Organizers of the thrice-yearly Trade Days pride themselves on their hospitality, not only to visitors, but vendors as well, and this attitude is greatly appreciated by the visiting merchants. Sally Moore, who, along with her husband

Kenneth, runs Color Wagon Plant Farm in Comanche, is making her first appearance at the Trade Days, which runs through Sunday in downtown Stanton. The Moores, who have run their nursery since 1984, set up shop at flea markets across the state, and they rank the Trade Days at the top of the list. "The people here are just so friendly," Sally Moore said. "This is my first time here — Kenneth's been here before — and the reception has been just won-

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Jo Ann Watson, proprietor of Watson Farm in Fredericksburg, shows off some of her preserves to a potential customer during the Old Sorehead Trade Days in Stanton Saturday morning. The event continues through Sunday.

Herald photo/Steve Reagan

Quake hits South Asia; thousands feared dead

By CHRIS TORCHIA
Associated Press Writer

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) — A powerful 7.6-magnitude earthquake near the Pakistan-India border Saturday reduced villages to rubble, triggered landslides and flattened an apartment building. More than 2,000 people were killed in both nations, and a Pakistan army spokesman called the devastation "a national tragedy."

The toll included 250 girls who died when their school in northwestern Pakistan collapsed. Another 500 students were injured, said Ataulh Khan Wazir, police chief in the northwestern district of Mansehra.

In the capitals of Pakistan, India and Afghanistan, buildings shook and walls swayed for about a minute, and panicked people ran from their homes and offices. Tremors continued for hours afterward. Communications throughout the region were cut.

About 1,000 people were killed in Pakistani Kashmir, said Sardar Mohammed Anwar, the top government official in the area.

"This is my conservative guess, and the death toll could be much higher," Anwar told Pakistan's Aaj television station.

He said most homes in Muzaffarabad, the area's capital, were damaged, and schools and hospitals had collapsed.

The U.S. Geological Survey said on its Web site the quake hit at 8:50 a.m. local time and had a magnitude of 7.6. It was centered about 60 miles northeast of Islamabad in the forested mountains of Pakistani Kashmir.

"The damage and casualties could be massive and it is a national tragedy," chief army spokesman Maj. Gen. Shaikat Sultan told The Associated Press. "This is the worst earthquake in recent times."

Damage was extensive in Kashmir, the disputed Himalayan territory divided between India and Pakistan.

Officials in the Indian controlled portion report

Firefighters hope to light up fire prevention interest in local schools

By THOMAS JENKINS
Staff Writer

Monday marks the beginning of National Fire Prevention Week, and as with many important lessons, the Big Spring Fire Department is taking its message to area schools in hopes of saving lives.

Big Spring Fire Marshal Carl Condray said he and other firefighters will be spending time with area students this week in hopes of educating them on fire prevention.

"We'll see about 2,300 kids, concentrating on kindergarten through fourth grade."



Condray

"We'll visit all of our schools, which is something we do annually," said Condray. "We'll get with the kids and share our fire prevention message for the year."

We'll see about 2,300 kids, concentrating on the kindergarten through fourth grade. The engines and medic units will go by the schools and that's pretty much the thrust of this.

"We'll have the engine crews do part of the program, then the medic units will also talk to them, and as time permits, we'll try to bring the kids on and get them familiar with our equipment."

Condray said when dealing with such young children — many are frightened by the fire-

fighter gear — they make every effort to help kids become familiar with it in case they ever come face to face with an emergency situation.

"We don't want to frighten them," said Condray. "Exposing them to it early on in a positive way is a lot better. That way they will actually see a fireman don a suit and put his air-pack on, and realize that underneath all of that garb there's a person. A lot of the kids, especially kinder-

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Muzzleloaders get set for Rendezvous



Courtesy photo

W.J. Rusk takes aim at a target during a black power competition. Beginning Thursday, the Howard County Muzzleloaders will hold their Fall Rendezvous near Vealmoor.

By BILL MCCLELLAN
News Editor

Connie Key has been dressing up like a mountain man for a lot of years, but he's not daft or behind the times. No, he's just enjoys having a good time.

He and his wife, Lou, head up the Howard County Muzzleloaders, a group they started in 1988 as a way to relive history. That's history as in the early 1800s when mountain men went in search of bear and beaver, plainsmen tracked buffalo and antelope and Indians might be friendly or deadly.

"It's just a lot of fun to get together and do this with other people who enjoy it," said Key.



Courtesy photo

Connie Key enjoys reenacting life as it was in the early 1800s.

The Howard County Muzzleloaders Fall Rendezvous is scheduled for Thursday through Sunday, Oct. 16, near Vealmoor. The public is invited.

"We have people come

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ENOUGH IS ENOUGH

AMSTERDAM, Netherlands (AP) — A court has decided enough is enough. A woman, whose name was not released, overloaded the Borgh Elementary School in the northern city of Zuidhorn "with an incessant stream of questions, comments and complaints," a panel of judges decided.

In the 2004-2005 school year, the woman sent 50 e-mails and 20 letters to the school, and came nine times to visit. She also wrote 29 letters to the school board and other authorities. In the future, the woman will be allowed to submit complaints to the school on a single page of paper once a month.

IN THIS ISSUE

Cover Story: Rachael Ray has emerged as one of our nation's favorite cooks, as much for her relaxed, approachable demeanor as she is for her tasty 30-minute meals. In addition to her popular Food Network shows, she has written several cookbooks and is launching a magazine. Despite her growing celebrity, she still lives in a cabin in the Adirondacks with her dog, who eats her "mistakes."

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

Victim Services will be holding its annual volunteer training Oct. 10-15. Volunteers must be at least 18 years old, complete a written application and an interview and attend and complete a 30-hour training session if approved by the volunteer coordinator.

Volunteers agree to commit to at last two 12-hour shifts on call monthly for crisis intervention or to accompany a victim to a medical or law enforcement agency as needed.

If you are interested, call Linda Perez at 432 263-3312.

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Obituaries

Al Scott

Al Scott, 82, of Big Spring, died Saturday, Oct. 8, 2005, at his residence. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Hattie Williams

Hattie V. Williams, 95, of Big Spring, died Friday, Oct. 7, 2005, at her residence. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Take note

• **BLOOD DRIVE SPONSORED BY SENIOR CIRCLE** is set for 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Wednesday in the parking lot of Scenic Mountain Medical Center. To make an appointment, call Anita Cline, Senior Circle advisor at 268-4721.

• **VICTIM SERVICES VOLUNTEER TRAINING** is set for Monday through Oct. 16. Call 263-3312.

• **BSHS JUNIOR CLASS TAILGATE FUND-RAISER** set for Oct. 29 before the football game in the parking lot of Blankenship Field. Parents are selling hamburgers or cheeseburgers, chips, drinks and cookies for \$5. All proceeds go toward the junior-senior high prom. Call Angela Phernetton at 213-3119 for more information.

• **BIG SPRING SYMPHONY GUILD** meets Monday at 11:45 a.m. at the Chinese Dragon Restaurant on Gregg Street. The guild serves as a support organization for the Big Spring Symphony. Anyone interested in supporting the symphony is invited.

• **APPLIZZA EXTRAVAGANZA** at the Kentwood Elementary Open House and fourth grade program featuring apples and pizza from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Tuesday.

• **HOWARD COUNTY MUZZLELOADERS RENDEZVOUS** is set for Thursday through Sunday on Old Gail Road in Vealmore. For more information, call 264-0024.

• **POTTED FALL MUMS TO BENEFIT THE BSHS CARNEGIE HALL BAND TRIP** are on sale now at Johansen's Nursery for \$15 while supplies last.

• **PAVING THE ROAD TO CARNEGIE HALL FALL FESTIVAL** is set for Oct. 15 at the high school. Proceeds from the concessions and rides will be used for the BSHS band trip in June of 2006. Band students have the \$10 tickets for the festival on sale today. Or call 267-1325 for more information or to buy a ticket.

• **THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY** annual book sale is from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. Sunday. Donations of books in good condition are being accepted. Paperbacks and large print items are especially needed. Donated books can be delivered to the library weekdays during regular operating hours. If unable to bring the books to the library, call 263-4980 and request a pick up. All money from the sale goes to purchase items not included in the library's regular budget.

• **EARLY DISMISSAL FOR BIG SPRING STUDENTS** Nov. 4 for the football game in Plainview. Bauer Elementary dismisses at 2 p.m.; all other elementary and secondary schools dismiss at 2:15 p.m. Call 264-3600 for more information.

• **DENISE ZUBER WAS BORN AUG. 8, 1968 TO A GONZALES FAMILY IN BIG SPRING** and placed for adoption. She now lives in Minnesota and hopes to contact relatives in Big Spring. Anyone with information may e-mail her at nan_del@earthlink.net with Big Spring Adoption in the subject line. Or write to her, Denise Zuber, 9173 Vincent Ave So., Bloomington MN 55431-2155.

• **THE MOBILE MEALS PROGRAM** that delivers meals to the elderly and homebound needs volunteers to deliver meals. If you can spare one hour per week to deliver eight or 10 meals, you are needed. About 85 to 90 meals are prepared, packaged and delivered to recipients within the city limits of Big Spring. If you can volunteer, please call 263-4016 before 3 p.m.

• **ROAD TO RECOVERY**, sponsored by the American Cancer Society, seeks volunteers to drive cancer patients to treatment in Midland. This requires just a few hours commitment each month. To volunteer, or to request a ride for treatment, call LaWanda Hamm at 263-7827.

Police blotter

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

- **SYLVIA MORENO**, 22, 508 Abrams, was arrested on a Howard County warrant.
- **VICKIE CASTILLO**, 33, 2507 Dow, was arrested on a charge of driving while license invalid.
- **JASON JOHNSON**, 25, 620 State, was arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct/language.
- **AMBER MACKIE**, 22, 800 1/2 Nolan, was arrested on a hold for the HCOS.
- **ASSAULT** was reported on the 700 block of 11th Place and the 1900 block of Johnson.
- **ASSAULT/FAMILY VIOLENCE** was reported on the 900 block of Birdwell and the 400 block of Fifth.
- **THEFT** was reported on the 400 block of Birdwell and the 400 block of Fourth.

Sheriff's report

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activity between 8 a.m. Friday and 8 a.m. Saturday:

- **HARASSMENT** was reported on the 5700 block of Cedar Road.

Lottery

The jackpot in the multi-state Mega Millions lottery drawing grew to \$65 million Saturday.

None of the tickets sold for Friday's \$53 million drawing matched all five lotto numbers and the Mega Ball. The next drawing will be Tuesday.

The winning numbers from Friday's drawing were: 2, 4, 23, 27, and 36. The Mega Ball number was 37.

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Friday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 4-8-9-34-36.

Number matching five of five: none.

Next Cash 5 drawing: Saturday night.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Friday night by the Texas Lottery, in order: 5-5-8

Weather

Sunday...Partly cloudy. Highs around 80. South winds 10 to 15 mph.

Sunday night...Mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 60s. South winds around 15 mph.

Columbus day...Partly cloudy. Isolated showers and thunderstorms in the afternoon. Highs around 80. Southwest winds 10 to 20 mph.

Monday night...Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 50s.

Tuesday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 70s.

Tuesday night...Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 50s.

Wednesday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 70s.

Wednesday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 50s.

Thursday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 70s.

Thursday night...Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 50s.

Friday...Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 70s.

Support groups

TUESDAY

• The Multiple Sclerosis Support Group meets at 6 p.m., a new time, the last Tuesday of each month in the College Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, 1005 Birdwell Lane. Call Tracey at 263-4948 for more information.

THURSDAY

• Narcotics Anonymous, non-smoking discussion meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m., at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Non-smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

• Alzheimers Support Group meets at 2 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month at The Texas State Veterans Home, 1809 N. Hwy 87. For more information call Orand Carroll 268-8387.

FRIDAY

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

Bulletin board

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

MONDAY

• Big Spring Symphony Guild meets at 11:45 a.m. in the Chinese Dragon Restaurant.

• Senior Circle meets at 4 p.m. at Scenic Mountain Medical Center for Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics. Those 50 years and older are invited to attend. Call 268-4721.

• Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. 21 meets at 5 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 W. Third for weigh-in. The meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. Call 1-800-392-8677 or 263-0391 or 263-1758.

• Big Spring Band Boosters meet at 5:30 p.m. in the Big Spring High School band hall.

• Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. TX 1756 meets at 5:30 p.m. Monday in the 11th and Birdwell Lane Church of Christ. A different program is offered every week, and anyone 7 years old or older is welcome to attend. Please enter through the northwest door. Call 263-2786 for more information.

• Coahoma Lions Club meets at 6 p.m. in the Coahoma Community Center at 306 North Ave.

• Evening Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. in the La Posada Restaurant.

• Archeology Society for Howard and Borden counties meets at 7 p.m. in the Howard County Library Community Room in the basement. Call 270-2615 for more information.

• Concerned Citizens Council meets at 7 p.m. at 500 S. Main St., in the Dorothy Lamb Meeting Room of the Howard County Library. The public is welcome.

• Prospector's Club work night begins at 7 p.m. at 606 E. Third.

• Big Spring Society of the Order of Beacieants meets at 6:30 p.m. for a meal with meeting that begins at 7:30 p.m. at 221 Main.

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TUESDAY

• Howard-Glasscock Counties American Cancer Society director's meeting in the dining room at Scenic Mountain Medical Center at noon. Call Sherry Hodnett at 264-7599 for more information.

• Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

WEDNESDAY

• Optimist Club meets at 7 a.m. in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.

• Blood drive sponsored by Senior Circle is set for 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. in the parking lot of Scenic Mountain Medical Center. To make an appointment, call Anita Cline, Senior Circle advisor at 268-4721.

• Senior Circle meets at 11 a.m. at Scenic Mountain Medical Center classroom for Stretch and Tone. Call 268-4721.

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

• Line dancing begins at 1 p.m. at the Spring City Senior Citizen's Center in the Industrial Park. Call 267-6966 or 267-1628.

• Duplicate Bridge Club meets at 1 p.m. in the Big Spring Country Club.

• Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxiliary meets at 7 p.m. in the Eagles Lodge, 703 W. Third.

THURSDAY

• Gideon International Big Spring Camp U42060 meets at 7 a.m. in Herman's Restaurant.

• Coffee Club meets at 10 a.m. in Gale's Sweet Shoppe.

• Kiwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane. Call 267-6479.

• Friends of the Library meets at noon in the Howard County Library, 500 S. Main.

• Big Spring Main Street meets at noon in the Railroad Museum located at Second and Main streets.

• American Legion Auxiliary meets at 6 p.m. at 3203 W. Highway 80.

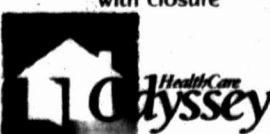
• The Prospector's Club meets at 7:30 p.m. at 606 E. Third St. The public is invited to these meetings. For more information contact Lola Lamb at 263-3340 or Doyle and Virginia McClain at 263-8407.

• Neighbors and Newcomers Club meets. New members are welcome. Call 263-5650 for more information.

• Staked Plains Lodge No. 598 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 221 Main.

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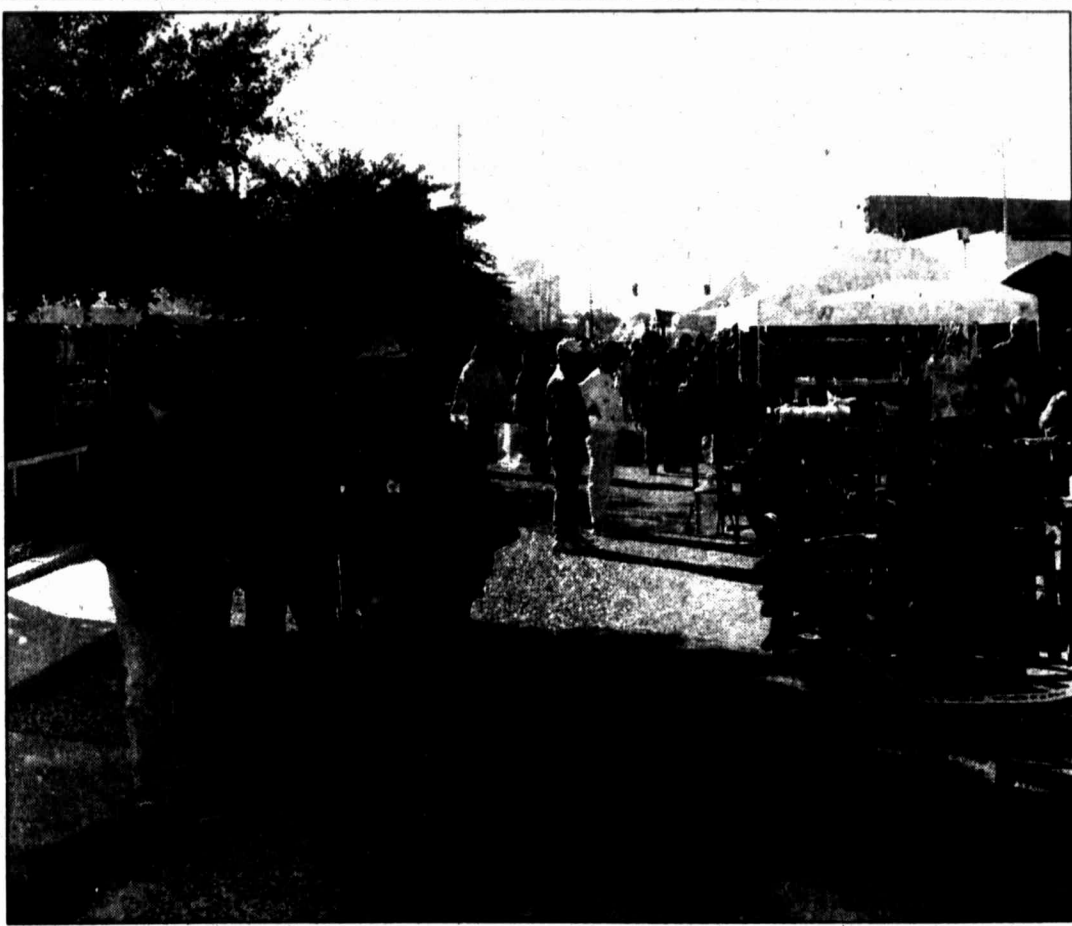
That hospitality has extending toward helping the Moores, who are looking at moving to this area, find a place to live.

"Since I put out the word that we're looking for some property, I've probably got about six offers so far," Sally Moore said.

Her attitude was echoed by Jo Ann Watson, owner of Watson Farm in Fredericksburg. As she was selling her custom-made fruit preserves to customers, Watson talked about the "wonderful" reception her and other vendors receive from event organizers.

"What I always say about Stanton is how friendly everyone is," she said. "The townspeople are so warm and welcoming. That's what we like best about coming here."

Of course, all the friendliness in the world wouldn't much matter if the vendors were unable to sell their goods. Fortunately, that hasn't been a problem for Jimmy Sloniger of Blackwell, who has been a fixture at the Trade Days for the past several



A large crowd peruses items for sale at the Old Sorehead Trade Days Saturday morning in Stanton. The event continues Sunday from noon until 5 p.m.

years.

"This is about the fourth of fifth year we've come here," Sloniger said. "We've always been in the same booth, in the same spot."

"This is just a good place to come," he added. "They have a lot of people

come there, and we've had a lot of luck here."

Vendors, food, music and other entertainment are fixtures at the Trade Days, which continues Sunday from noon until 5 p.m. in the downtown area.

Another event organiz-

ers are drawing attention to is an art show to support refurbishment efforts at the Martin County Library.

Admission is free to the event.

For more information, contact the Trade Days hotline at 756-2006.

QUAKE

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ed at least 250 people killed, including 20 soldiers who perished in a landslide. At least 850 people were injured and about 2,700 homes were destroyed or damaged across Jammu-Kashmir, said senior state official B.B. Vyas.

Army soldiers and local volunteers were rescuing people from under the debris of collapsed houses. Telephone lines were down. Bridges had developed cracks, but traffic was passing over them.

The USGS reported at least five aftershocks in Pakistan, with the strongest measuring magnitude 6.3 and located about 70 miles north of Islamabad.

Pakistan President Gen. Pervez Musharraf and Prime Minister Shaukat Aziz ordered the military to extend "all-out help" to quake-hit areas and appealed to the nation to stay calm. Helicopters took troops to damaged areas, but landslides were hindering rescue efforts.

Musharraf, walking through the rubble in Islamabad, said the air force was deploying C-130

transport planes and 10 helicopters to devastated areas.

Aziz told the British Broadcasting Corp. that Pakistan and India, which have fought three wars, had not had any official contacts about rescue efforts.

"We have a lot to do on each side," he said. "If there is need to coordinate something, the channels are open on both sides."

In eastern Afghanistan, an 11-year-old girl was crushed to death when a wall in her home collapsed, said police official Gafar Khan.

U.S. military spokesman Lt. Col. Jerry O'Hara said the quake was felt at Bagram, the main American base in Afghanistan, but he had no reports of damage at bases around the country.

Maj. Richard McNorton, a spokesman for U.S. Central Command, said there were no reports of quake-related injuries among the more than 18,000 American forces in Afghanistan.

The quake brought down a 10-story apartment building in Islamabad and dozens of people were feared trapped in the rubble. Rescuers pulled out at least 20 injured people.

RENDEZVOUS

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from all over the country. We have a bunch out of San Angelo. Some come from Fort Davis, some out of Lubbock and Robert Lee. We get quite a mix of people," said Key, who is also known as the "Duck Killer."

"But you don't have to be a part of it to enjoy it. It's something that people like to watch if they are interested in camping, the outdoors or history."

The main event is the Trail Walk. Participants compete by shooting 20 shots with a black powder rifle, 10 shots with a black powder pistol, then throwing a knife and a "hawk" or tomahawk.

"We do that all day Friday and up to noon Saturday," explained Key. "People go through it at their own pace. They may do a part of it and relax a while. Some will do part of it Friday and finish Saturday."

Saturday afternoon, the group participates in special events.

"It depends on whatever we think will be fun," said Key. "Lot of times we will have a 'can shoot' which is a team event. Other times we will take an axe that is imbedded in a block of wood and hang a clay pigeon on each side of it. You shoot from 25 yards and the idea is to hit the axe blade and split the ball in half, hitting each of the clay targets at once."

That's just one indication of the shooting skills of some of the participants.

"Friday night, if it is not too windy, we'll set a candle in a wooden box 15 yards away and try to shoot out the flame without hitting the candle," Key said.

There are activities for

women. Well, sort of.

"There is one novelty event we call a 'Cabin Sweep' which is primarily for women," said Key. "You put pine cones in a sort of cabin frame and the women have to sweep the pine cones out, gather firewood, peel a potato and an onion, shoot a rifle at a target and throw the knife and hawk. It's a timed event."

"Sometimes men dress like a woman and get involved. It is hilarious. We'll let them do it as long as they dress up like a woman," Key said with a laugh.

Also Saturday — obviously the rendezvous' big day — the group will hold a "Council Fire," and give out prizes won in the various events that have been held.

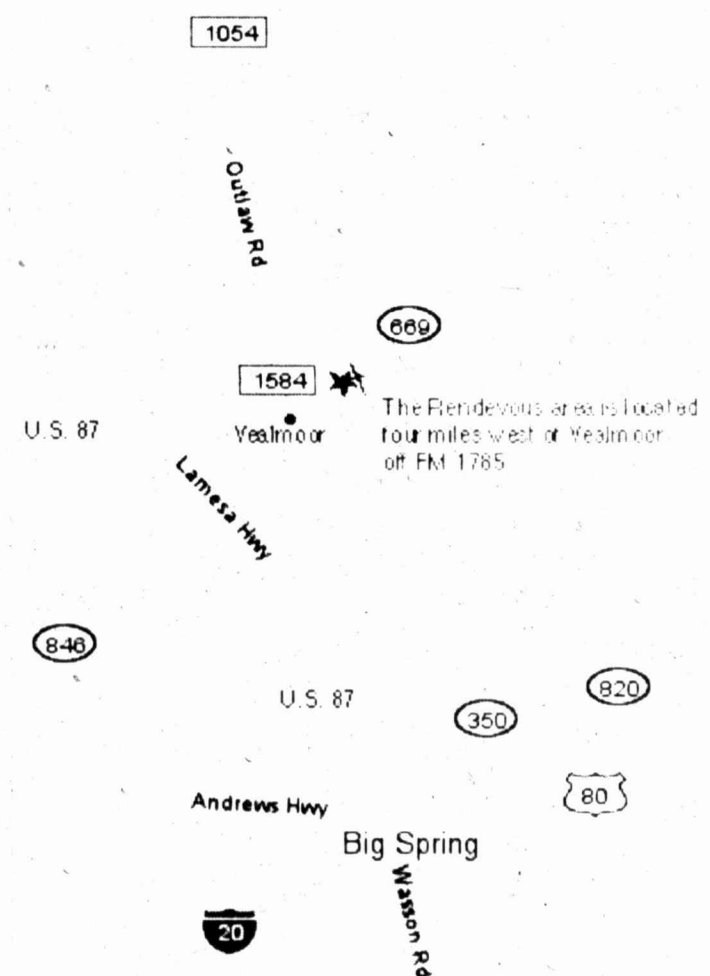
A potluck supper follows. If someone has a musical instrument there will be a time of playing and singing, and someone always has a tall tale or two.

"It's a pretty neat little deal," said Key, who first formed the Comanche Trail Muzzleloaders in 1980 with several other

couples. "We have a lot of fun."

Spectators are encouraged and there is no fee to

come watch. Thursday is largely spent setting up camp and Sunday is spent taking everything back



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-FIRST AMENDMENT

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OUR VIEWS

Bible Class Fund needs additional monetary support

It's a lengthy list. Unfortunately, that list — the names of businesses and individuals who have contributed to the Howard County Bible Class Fund for the 2005-2006 school year — isn't long enough.

To this point, the fund has received approximately \$10,000 in donations to fund Bible classes at the three high schools in Howard County. But to continue to offer the program at its current level — three classes at Big Spring High School, two at Forsan High School and one at Coahoma High School — the Fund needs approximately \$40,000.

And the program is continuing at last year's level. Dr. Bill Welsh is conducting three classes at BSHS, while the Rev. Russell Mullins is leading his Coahoma class in the "History of the Bible," and the Rev. Craig Felty is conducting a pair of classes at Forsan.

So that means the Fund needs another \$30,000 or so in from individuals, businesses or organizations. In addition to annual donations, the Fund's officers hope members of the community will also think of the Bible class program when making memorials and endowments.

Donations can be mailed to the Howard County Bible Class Fund, P.O. Box 494, Big Spring 79721-0494.

There is no question there are seemingly dozens of worthy causes asking for financial support in our community at any one time. And this fall is no exception, but we are convinced that any donation to the Bible Class Fund is without doubt money well spent.

When one considers that the six Bible class sessions provided by the Fund currently reach about 10 to 11 percent of high school students in our county, it's hard not to wish that twice the money and twice the class sessions were available.

It should be remembered that these classes are not "worship" courses, but studies of the Bible as a historical and literary work.

To our way of thinking, that's knowledge all of us could use.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

Take command, Lord, of our life and help us do what is right.

Amen

There really are monsters out there

By all accounts, Kudos was one swell cat. The 3-year-old mix-breed never had much to do with other cats, but she clearly enjoyed the presence of humans.

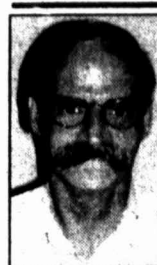
That trust, unfortunately, probably ended up getting her killed.

Earlier this month, someone shot Kudos with a pellet gun. Which is sad enough, until you consider this person shot her twice — once in the forehead, then, while she was stunned, again down her throat. Because of the extent of the injuries, Kudos' owner, Shirley Murphy, was forced to have her cat put to sleep.

Having spent a large part of my life perusing the news wire, I'm not so naive as to think members of the human race aren't capable of occasional cruelty, but stuff like this just leaves me slack-jawed. To shoot a defenseless — and by all accounts, highly friendly — cat twice goes beyond plain meanness and jumps into a special category called Cruel For No Damned Reason.

Shirley told me that Kudos, a gray tabby with a yellow "bent halo" mark on her forehead, was quite an attention hog.

"She wasn't very sociable with other cats, but she had a lot of



STEVE REAGAN

(human) friends in our neighborhood," Murphy said. "I was very attached to her. She was such an unusual cat. When she talked to you, she'd sit up on her hind legs and put her paws on your knees. And she'd talk all day long if you let her."

Kudos was an outside cat, but always made it home in time for her nightly feeding. So, when her kitty disappeared for three days, Murphy knew something was wrong. She took Kudos to the vet, who told her the injuries were too extensive to treat.

Shirley, who lives in the Edwards Heights Addition, said Kudos was the second cat shot in her part of town recently. The other tabby, fortunately, survived.

So, gentle readers, this means that someone who lives in a very nice part of our town is going around getting their jollies by shooting domesticated creatures. This cretin is not keeping his or her neighborhood safe from marauding gangs of wolves or other man-eaters. No, this advanced example of humanity is torturing defenseless animals.

In a way, I hope this is just the act of some kid with a pellet gun, because, although there is no excuse for stupidity and cruelty, kids at least don't know any better.

If, on the other hand, this is the act of a so-called adult, then I'm sick with disappointment over the state of some of my fellow

humans. People who torture innocent animals are, quite simply, jerks who don't deserve such a high standing on the food chain.

One of Murphy's neighbors, Mary Frances Malone, has apparently decided enough is enough. She is spreading the word among her neighbors and has talked to Big Spring Police Chief Lonnie Smith about the problem.

"(Chief Smith) told me that if these people are caught, they're going to be in trouble," Malone said. Cruelty to animals and discharging a weapon in the city limits are both crimes, punishable by up to a year in county jail.

Knowing Mary Frances, who is quite a force of nature, whoever is shooting these cats better hope that the police catch them before she does.

And I have no doubt that they will be caught, because cruel people are usually quite stupid to boot, and stupid people ALWAYS get caught.

Not that this will be any comfort to Shirley Murphy.

"I can't imagine anyone being such a monster that they'd do something like that to such a precious creature," Murphy said Friday.

I can't either, Shirley, I can't either.

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331, ext. 234, or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com.

YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

I would like to share with you a trip to Big Spring as seen through my eyes. I graduated from Big Spring High School in 1955 and left to attend college at North Texas. I have returned to Big Spring a couple of times, but never remained long enough to drive around and tour the town.

My 50th high school reunion was Sept. 15-16. I declined the invitation to attend because of poor health. Never in a million years did I dream that on Wednesday, Sept. 20, Hurricane Rita would force my husband and I, each driving a car loaded with our treasures, our poodle and our cat, to evacuate LaPorte.

We drove to East Texas and there were no rooms. In Tyler we got on Interstate 20 and headed west. We arrived in Big Spring about 6 p.m. Thursday. We were very tired at that point and I was ready to sleep just about anywhere. The Best Western had one room left and we were delighted to call it home for four days.

Bright and early Sunday, I got in my car and started a tour of Big Spring. My first stop was the old cemetery where my Dad is buried. He passed away in 1946. I was surprised that I found his grave with little difficulty. Someone has done a nice job keeping it up and I want to thank them.

The first thing I noticed driving down Johnson Street was the lack of traffic. I was the only one on the street. Being used to driving in Houston traffic, that was a shock.

I noticed one house on Johnson that still had a little yellow paint on it. The men who worked for the railroad lived in those yellow houses.

Big Spring was a big rail stop between Fort Worth and El Paso. And I remember Anna Belle Lane lived in one of the railroad houses. Her dad was an engineer on the trains.

Johnson Street dead ended at the old high school and junior high. It looked the same, even all boarded up. It brought back a lot of memories, especially freshman algebra. I hope these buildings are preserved because they are a very important part of Big Spring history.

Leaving Johnson Street I drove down the hill and past the cleaners. On Nolan I started looking for my old home, but it had been torn down. A pretty bright yellow house has been built on the lot.

I then went up to see Big Spring Hospital. It is all boarded up and appears to have been for many years.

I stopped in front and just looked and remembered. In the 1950s, my mother was the dietitian there, and if those halls could

talk they'd have a lot of happy and sad tales to tell.

I later saw Scenic Mountain Medical Center. It is very impressive.

I drove to the high school. My class was the first to get all three years to the new building. We also had the first homecoming there when I was a senior.

I looked up and saw all these homes on South Mountain and I finally found the road up the mountain. The homes are absolutely beautiful and the landscaping is fabulous.

Comanche Trail Park has certainly been improved. The tennis courts and ball parks are very nice. The swimming pool looks the same.

I also went downtown by way of the mall. There is a nice movie theater, stores and lots of fast food places. Back then we only had the Tip Top Drive In and the Wagon Wheel — still the best hamburgers anywhere.

I didn't recognize any of the stores on Main Street, but remembered the Masonic Hall.

I found the best Mexican food at LaPosada. I wish it was close to LaPorte.

I saw the new Ward's Western Wear store. Ms. Smith, who taught me physical education still works at the store. Her friend, Ms. Phillips, has a niece, Sandra Phillips Beard, who was raised in Big Spring and moved to the coast a few years ago. We've become good friends and worked together in LaPorte. This is a very small world.

I also drove by the First Methodist Church. It looks the same as it did when I was growing up and had to be inside if the doors were open.

Last, I would like to say I am very impressed with the Big Spring Herald. The paper reports the local, state and world news as well, if not better than the larger papers.

It was wonderful to see so many new homes, apartments, schools, hospitals and the new YMCA in Big Spring. I am very proud to say I graduated from BSHS. I'll always be a Steer.

MARYLEE JAMES GARRISON
LAPORTE

TO THE EDITOR:

Who are Congressman Conaway and Sens. Hutchinson and Cornyn trying to fool? How long have they been aware that the U.S. has an illegal immigration problem? Their past performances in Congress leave no question that they have had deaf ears when it comes to citizens' concerns about this problem.

These elected officials have long been among those in Congress

who have advocated foreign labor in the U.S. because they care only about the business sector instead of protecting jobs for U.S. citizens. Now that Republicans in Washington are having all sorts of problems, they suddenly have regained their hearing ability.

Never mind that the suggestion to deny citizenship to babies born of illegal immigrants would involve changing the Constitution. Since Congress has consistently failed at protecting our borders, now Sen. Hutchinson has come up with the brilliant idea that local law enforcement should take up the responsibility of doing what the federal government has failed to do. What exactly does this mean?

Does local law enforcement not have too much to do already? Who will have to pay for the new jails and prisons to house the constant numbers of illegal immigrants who would be jailed?

And, since Congress has continuously failed to appropriate the money required to reinforce the Border Patrol, does Sen. Hutchinson now really believe that local tax payers can finance that responsibility?

It would be easier and more cost-effective for all government elected officials, federal and state, to join the Border Patrol and help safeguard the security of the U.S. Then perhaps the Bush administration could house the illegal immigrants in closed military bases and provide them with military training so they can go back to their respective countries, overthrow governments and set up stable and prosperous democracies just like the one in Iraq.

Such actions would really convince me that those in Washington really care about finding a solution to the problem.

BOB MONTANEZ
ODESSA

TO THE EDITOR:

My husband and I attended the Webb Reunion last week. I want to thank the many volunteers who contributed to this outstanding event.

It was heartwarming to be greeted by the great hospitality of the fine people of Big Spring. I am a native and graduated from BSHS in 1967. I have always known what special people live in Big Spring and I heard many comments from other guests praising their efforts.

We all have fond memories of Webb. Hangar 25 is a great tribute to those who spent time there and a tribute to those who made it happen.

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4. "Goodnight Nobody" by Jennifer Weiner (Atria)
5. "School Days" by Robert B. Parker (Putnam)
6. "Anansi Boys" by Neil Gaiman (Morrow)
7. "The Da Vinci Code" by Dan Brown (Doubleday)
8. "The Historian" by Elizabeth Kostova (Little, Brown)
9. "Lipstick Jungle" by Candace Bushnell (Hyperion)

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1. "Natural Cures 'They' Don't Want You to Know About" by Kevin Trudeau (Alliance Publishing)
2. "The City of Falling Angels" by John Berendt (Penguin Press)
3. "The World Is Flat: A Brief History of the Twenty-first Century" by Thomas L. Friedman (Farrar, Straus and Giroux)
4. "What Remains" by Carole Radziwill (Scribner)
5. "Freakonomics" by Steven D. Levitt, Stephen J. Dubner (William Morrow)
6. "The Purpose-Driven

Life" by Rick Warren

- (Zondervan)
7. "Your Best Life Now: 7 Steps to Living at Your Full Potential" by Joel Osteen (Warner Faith)
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9. "1776" by David McCullough (Simon & Schuster)
10. "Phenomenon" by Sylvia Browne (Dutton)

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1. "London Bridges" by James Patterson (Warner Vision)
2. "Northern Lights" by Nora Roberts (Jove)
3. "Hour Game" by David

- Baldacci (Warner Vision)
4. "It Happened One Autumn" by Lisa Kleypas (Avon)
5. "Ghost Walk" by Heather Graham (Mira)
6. "Twisted" by Jonathan Kellerman (Ballantine)
7. "Metro Girl" by Janet Evanovich (HarperTorch)
8. "Echoes" by Danielle Steel (Dell)
9. "In Her Shoes" by Jennifer Weiner (Pocket Star)
10. "Hard Truth" by Mariah Stewart (Ballantine)

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1. "A Million Little Pieces" by James Frey (Anchor)
2. "Wicked" by Gregory Maguire (ReganBooks)

3. "The Kite Runner" by Khaled Hosseini (Riverhead)
4. "Why Do Men Have Nipples?" by Mark Leyner and Billy Goldberg, M.D. (Three Rivers Press)
5. "The Known World" by Edward P. Jones (Amistad)
6. "The Secret Life of Bees" by Sue Monk Kidd (Penguin)

7. "Light on Snow" by Anita Shreve (Little, Brown, Back Bay)
8. "Bad Dog" by R.D. Rosen, Harry Prichett and Rob Battles (Workman)
9. "The Tipping Point" by Malcolm Gladwell (Back Bay)
10. "Su Doku for Dummies" by Andrew Heron and Edmund (Wiley)

Top five

TELEVISION

1. "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation," CBS
2. "Desperate Housewives," ABC
3. "Lost," ABC
4. "Without a Trace," CBS
5. "Grey's Anatomy," ABC (From Nielsen Media Research)

FILM

1. "Flightplan," Disney
2. "Serenity," Universal
3. "Tim Burton's Corpse Bride," Warner Bros.
4. "A History of Violence," New Line
5. "Into the Blue," Sony (From Exhibitor Relations Co.)

HOT FIVE

1. "Gold Digger," Kanye West (feat. Jamie Foxx), Roc-a-Fella
2. "Shake It Off," Mariah Carey, Island
3. "Photograph," Nickelback
4. "Like You," Bow Wow (feat. Ciara), Columbia
5. "My Humps," The Black Eyed Peas, A&M (From Billboard magazine)

ALBUMS

1. "All Jacked Up," Gretchen Wilson, Epic
2. "Wildflower," Sheryl Crow, A&M
3. "Most Known Unknown," Three 6 Mafia, Hypnotize Minds
4. "Libra," Toni Braxton, Blackground
5. "Late Registration," Kanye West, Roc-a-Fella (Platinum) (From Billboard magazine)

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CONCERT TOURS

1. Dave Matthews Band
2. Neil Diamond
3. Kenny Chesney
4. Anger Management Tour
5. Toby Keith (From Pollstar)

KID VIDEO SALES

1. "Barbie and the Magic of Pegasus," Lions Gate Home Entertainment
2. "Pooh's Heffalump Halloween Movie," Walt Disney Home Entertainment
3. "Barbie as the Princess and the Pauper," Lions Gate Home Entertainment
4. "Barbie: Rapunzel," Artisan Home Entertainment
5. "Barbie of Swan Lake," Artisan Home Entertainment (From Billboard magazine)

VHS RENTALS

1. "The Longest Yard," Paramount Home Entertainment
2. "Fever Pitch," FoxVideo
3. "Crash," Lions Gate Home Entertainment
4. "Monster-in-Law," New Line Home Entertainment

5. "The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy," Touchstone Home Video (From Billboard magazine)

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DVD SALES

1. "The Longest Yard (Widescreen)," Paramount Home Entertainment
2. "The Longest Yard (Full Screen)," Paramount Home Entertainment
3. "The Adventures of Shark Boy and Lava Girl — in 3-D," Dimension Home Video
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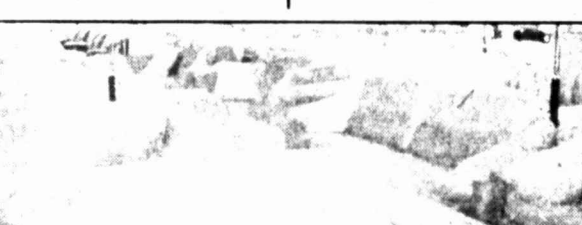
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News in brief

Tom DeLay asks that indictments be set aside

WASHINGTON (AP) — A conspiracy charge against former House Majority Leader Tom DeLay should be thrown out because a Texas district attorney tried to "browbeat and coerce" grand jurors into filing criminal charges, the Republican congressman's attorneys say.

DeLay's legal team alleged prosecutorial misconduct in a court filing Friday in Austin, Texas.

DeLay attorney Dick DeGuerin said prosecutor Ronnie Earle "and his staff engaged in an extraordinarily irregular and desperate attempt to contrive a viable charge and get a substitute indictment of Tom DeLay before the expiration of the statute of limitations."

"These claims have no merit," Earle responded in a statement. "Because of the laws protecting grand jury secrecy, no other comments can be made. The investigation is continuing."

DeLay was indicted on a conspiracy charge Sept. 28. A second grand jury considered the case after questions were raised about when the law on which the conspiracy charge went into effect, but the panel returned no indictment.

A third grand jury on Monday indicted DeLay on money-laundering charges, which carry five years to life in prison on conviction.

Mother charged in child's death won't face death penalty

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A woman set to go on trial for capital murder in the beating death of her 2-year-old daughter will not face the death penalty.

"Because of an issue of mental retardation, the state has made a decision not to seek the death penalty in this case," lead prosecutor Chris De Martino told the judge Friday.

If convicted, Kimberly Alexander, 26, faces an automatic sentence of life in prison. She would have to serve a minimum of 40 years before becoming eligible for parole.

A hearing was held Friday on a defense motion arguing that Alexander was not eligible for the death penalty because she is mentally retarded. A psychological assessment ordered by 144th District Judge Mark Luitjen showed that Alexander has an IQ of 69 or 70.

In a motion seeking the assessment, defense attorney Cornelius Cox said his client has borderline mental retardation. "She is able to function, but at a very low level of functioning," Cox said after the hearing.

Alexander is charged with beating Diamond Alexander Washington with a vacuum cleaner attachment in June 2004 after the toddler had wet her pants.

Thousands of children missing school because of Hurricane Rita

GROVES (AP) — Like most 9-year-olds, Lennon Comeaux isn't all that upset that he has been out of school since Hurricane Rita toppled trees, tore off roofs and smashed windows in this East Texas town nearly two weeks ago.

Lennon has helped his parents clean the yard, reads while its daylight outside — there's still no electricity — and cares for his cats, parakeet, puppy, turtle and toads.

Tens of thousands haven't been in a classroom since days before Hurricane Rita slammed into the Gulf Coast on Sept. 24. More than three dozen East Texas districts were put out of business temporarily.

"He did ask us this morning if he was going to get paid for this," his mother, Joni Comeaux, said with a laugh.

"I was trying to make some money," Lennon said with shy smile.

Joni Comeaux and her husband, Jay, said Rita is teaching better lessons than anything Lennon could get in a classroom.

"It's been a good life lesson for him, though, because we faced a lot of adversity and a lot of discomfort, if anything, and he's kind of had to roll with the punches and pull his own weight," Jay Comeaux said. "So that trade-off for the book knowledge is a life lesson."

Boy George arraigned on narcotics charge

NEW YORK (AP) — A lawyer for Boy George is denying that drugs found in the British singer's apartment belonged to him.

Authorities said the singer, whose real name is George O'Dowd, was arraigned on drug charges early Saturday.

He had called 911 to report that his home had been burglarized around 3 a.m. Friday, said Detective Kevin

Czartoryski, a police spokesman.

Officers arrived at O'Dowd's apartment and discovered a small amount of cocaine next to a computer, police said. They were continuing to investigate.

The singer was released Saturday without bail after being charged with fourth-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance, allegedly more than an eighth of an ounce of cocaine, said Barbara Thompson, a spokeswoman for the Manhattan District Attorney's office. He was scheduled to return to court on Dec. 19.

"It was a small amount of drugs," lawyer Lou Freeman told the New York Post for Saturday editions. "He does not know where it came from. He's had a lot of people in his house."

"A man who has something to hide does not call police," he said.

It is not the first time that Boy George has had problems with drugs.

In 1986, the singer was convicted for heroin possession in England. Two of his friends overdosed in the incident and O'Dowd was forced into a rehabilitation program. The conviction led to the disintegration of his group, Culture Club, one year later.

Allstate ordered to cover expenses of Rita evacuees

AUSTIN (AP) — A state judge has ordered Allstate Insurance Co. to cover the living expenses of its Texas

policyholders displaced by Hurricane Rita last month.

Acting on a petition filed by the attorney general and the Texas Department of Insurance, state District Judge Darlene Byrne issued a temporary restraining order Friday.

The order directs the state's second-largest home insurer to start paying the expenses of policyholders who have been unable to return to their homes in southeast Texas for the past two weeks.

The Category 3 hurricane wreaked havoc on the Texas and Louisiana coasts Sept. 24.

Allstate said it will oppose payment of the insurance claims in a court hearing on Oct. 20.

"We feel confident that our policy does not cover" the circumstances in question, said Joe McCormick, an Allstate spokesman.

"In the next few weeks, we will be preparing to make our case ... In the meantime, we are very focused on taking care of customers with these claims, and we will continue to do that."

Jim Hurley, a spokesman for the insurance department, said Allstate has refused to cover "additional living expenses" such as hotel or motel charges for families displaced by Hurricane Rita.

Most of the families are policyholders whose homes suffered little or no damage from the hurricane but who have been prevented from returning home either because there is no electricity or because roads have been blocked.

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ElBaradei and U.N. nuclear agency share 2005 Nobel Peace Prize

By GEORGE JAHN

Associated Press Writer

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — Mohamed ElBaradei and his International Atomic Energy agency won the 2005 Nobel Peace Prize on Friday, leaving the chief U.N. nuclear inspector strengthened in a job he nearly lost because of a dispute with the United States over Iran and Iraq.

ElBaradei suggested winning the world's most prestigious award vindicated his methods and goals — using diplomacy rather than confrontation and defusing tensions in multilateral negotiations that strive for consensus.

He also suggested the conflict with Washington was over, saying Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice "wished me well" in a congratulatory phone call.

The Bush administration has bristled at ElBaradei's positions on the nuclear threat posed



Mohamed ElBaradei

by Iran and Iraq and unsuccessfully lobbied to block his appointment to a third and final four-year term this year. The endorsement by the Nobel committee was viewed as a major boost to the 63-year-old Egyptian and his mandate to curb nuclear proliferation.

ElBaradei (pronounced ehl-BEHR'-uh-day) and the IAEA locked horns with Washington in the run-up to the 2003 Iraq war by challenging U.S.

claims that Saddam Hussein possessed weapons of mass destruction.

More recently, ElBaradei's refusal to back U.S. assertions that Iran has a covert nuclear weapons program hardened opposition to him within the Bush administration.

After the award was announced, ElBaradei refrained from criticizing the United States in comments to Associated Press Television News and two other media outlets.

"I don't see it as a critique of the U.S.," he said Friday. "We had disagreement before the Iraq war, honest disagreement. We could have been wrong, they could have been right."

Instead, he said, the honor was "a message: 'Hey guys, you need to get your act together you need to work together in multinational institutions.'"

The award also was a

signal "going to the Arab world, going to the Western world that we ... have a lot in common and we need to work together to survive," ElBaradei said.

In Washington, Rice reaffirmed in a statement that the Bush administration was "committed to working with the IAEA to prevent the spread of nuclear weapons technology."

The award was the highlight in the career of ElBaradei, who followed his father's footsteps in becoming a lawyer before working as a diplomat for Egypt's government and later a top aide to the for-

ign minister.

He received a doctorate in international law at the New York University School of Law in 1974 and later became an adjunct professor there.

ElBaradei joined the IAEA in 1984 and rose through the ranks of the 139-nation agency, becoming its head in 1997.

Naturally shy, he grew into the job as the IAEA dealt with crises in Iraq, North Korea and Iran, becoming an ever more outspoken advocate of nonproliferation in comments that mutated from stilted statements to polished sound bites.

The Nobel committee

recognized ElBaradei and the U.N. nuclear agency "for their efforts to prevent nuclear energy from being used for military purposes and to ensure that nuclear energy for peaceful purposes is used in the safest possible way."

"At a time when disarmament efforts appear deadlocked, when there is a danger that nuclear arms will spread both to states and to terrorist groups, and when nuclear power again appears to be playing an increasingly significant role, IAEA's work is of incalculable importance," it said in a statement.

Details emerge in alleged NYC subway bombing plot

NEW YORK (AP) — Details emerged about an alleged plot to attack the city's subways with bombs hidden in bags and possibly baby strollers as local and federal officials jostled over the credibility of the threat.

A Department of Homeland Security memo obtained by The Associated Press said the attack was reportedly scheduled to take place on or around Sunday, with terrorists using timed or remote-controlled explosives hidden in briefcases, suitcases or in or under strollers.

The memo said that the department had received information indicating the attack might be carried out by "a team of terrorist operatives, some of whom may travel or who may be in the New York City area."

The memo, issued Wednesday to state and local officials, said that homeland security and FBI agents doubted the credibility of the information, but it provided four pages of advice about averting a possible attack.

In Iraq, authorities detained a third suspect in the plot and investigated whether a fourth had traveled to New York as part of the scheme, according to a law enforcement official familiar with the case.

The official said the man's trip to New York was described by an informant who had spent time in Afghanistan and proved reliable in past investigations. But the

official, who spoke on condition of anonymity because of the ongoing investigation, added that authorities had not confirmed whether the fourth man even exists.

Those arrested had received explosives training in Afghanistan, the law enforcement official said Friday. They had planned to travel through Syria to New York, and then meet with operatives to carry out the bombings.

A federal official said one of the suspects arrested in Iraq apparently told interrogators that more than a dozen people were involved in the plot, and that they were of various nationalities, including Afghans, Syrians and Iraqis. The official spoke on condition of anonymity because the investigation is ongoing.

Several of these details related to the suspects were first reported by ABC News.

In Baghdad, spokespeople for the U.S. military and the U.S. Embassy declined to comment about the arrests. Department of Homeland Security spokesman Brian Doyle also said the government has no information that the fourth person possibly connected to the plot "is either here or even exists."

Pentagon spokesman Bryan Whitman said the military obtained intelligence information "during the normal course of our operations." The intelligence led to a military raid in Iraq this

week that was conducted by Iraqi security forces, backed by U.S. troops, Whitman said, but added that there was no direct link between the raid and the New York subway threat.

Homeland security officials in Washington downplayed the threat and said it was of "doubtful credibility."

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- Supper Club - "FURR'S" - 5:30 pm

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- Senior Appreciation Day - 11:30 am Senior Circle Members eat in the hospital cafeteria for \$2.00

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- Mall Walking - 8:30 am (Meet at the Mall and walk together)
- Coffee @ Gale's - 10:00 am

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- Mall Walking - 8:00 am (Meet at the Mall & walk together)
- Coffee @ Gale's - 10:00 am

October 24 • Monday

- NEW MEXICO CASINO & HORSE RACING - 9:00 am

October 25 • Tuesday

- Mall Walking - 8:00 am (Meet at the Mall & walk together)
- GAMES - 2:00 pm
- Supper Club - "COWBOY'S" 5:30 pm

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IN BRIEF

Coahoma sets booster club dates

The Coahoma Athletic Booster Club will meet each Monday at 7 p.m. in Coach Kim Nichols' classroom through the football season. For more information, contact Donna Wright at 267-6723.

Quarterback club sets meetings

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

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

C.G.A. announces year's final tourney

The Chicano Golf Association has announced its final tournament of the year — the Grand Tournament — will take place Sunday, Oct. 16 beginning at 10 a.m. at Comanche Trail Golf Course.

Participants must be registered by 9:45 a.m. and nonmembers are welcome. There will also be food and refreshments after the tourney.

For more information, call Willie Mendoza at 267-7977.

Hunter Education Class announced

The date for the next hunter education course will be Oct. 15 and 16 beginning at 8 a.m. in the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce Building.

The cost is \$10 and each student will need his/her social security number and a parent or guardian if under 17.

Texas law requires this course to be taken if you want to hunt in the state.

For more information or to register, contact Steve Poitevint at 264-7033.

Softball tournament announced in B.S.

There will be a La Raza Unida softball tournament Oct. 14 and 15 at Cotton Mize Field inside Comanche Trail Park.

The entry fee will be \$110 per team.

There will be a team trophy, player trophies and T-Shirts awarded for first place, while second and third place will get a team trophy and T-Shirts.

The tournament is part of the La Raza Unida Celebracion. The festivities begin at 11 a.m. Saturday.

For more information, contact Jennifer Patton at 263-6351.

Lady Steers Booster sets next meeting.

The Big Spring Lady Steer Booster Club has announced a meeting for Monday.

It will take place at the Big Spring Athletic Training Center and start at 6 p.m.

For more information, contact Carol Policky at 466-3800.

Strong first half leads Big Spring to win

• Tannehill scores four touchdowns in first half to lead Steers past Chiefs

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor
SAN ANGELO — The Steers could not win this year on their homecoming, but gladly spoiled rival Lake View's Friday as new head coach Tim Holt and Big Spring recorded their first win of the season after dominating the Chiefs, 38-6.

The Steers improved to 1-5 on the season, but are 1-0 in District 4-4A as they took a big step toward returning to the playoffs.

Big Spring scored on its first four possessions of the game and held Lake View's ground attack to just 14 yards on 18 carries.

The Steers' offense had a field day in the first half as the team went up 28-0 at halftime. Big Spring finished with 338 total yards and just one



HERALD photo/Troy Hyde
Big Spring junior Caleb Choate gets stood up near the goal line against Lake View Friday during the Steers' 38-6 win over their district rivals. Choate did not score on the play, but later scored in the third quarter to put Big Spring up big.

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courtesy photo/Bob Fishback
Forsan junior Wesley Newcomb runs the ball downfield against Bronte Friday night. Newcomb led the Buffaloes with 171 yards rushing. However, Forsan fell short in the game, losing 43-41.

Forsan can't hold onto lead as Buffaloes fall to Bronte

By JEFF LANE

Special to the Herald
BRONTE — The Forsan Buffaloes locked horns with the Bronte Longhorns Friday night with both teams looking to improve their position in the District 10-A standings.

Both teams gave each other all they could handle and battled to the end with the Longhorns claiming a narrow victory, 43-41.

The Buffs (1-6) came into the contest hoping to improve on special teams and to limit mistakes and turnovers that have damaged their chance of winning lately.

Against a tough Bronte team, the Buffs improved in all areas and left themselves with as good a chance to win as they could have hoped for.

Head coach Tommy Thompson rallied his troops this week to play inspired football and was left scratching his head, wondering what they have to do.

"I thought we played

well enough to win, we just ran out of time," said Thompson. "In the end we just ran out of time and the fumble in the fourth gave them a short field and hurt us. But, we played a great game against a very good team and we overcame what few missteps we had."

The first half saw Forsan play some of its best football of the season as it went into the break up 28-15.

The Buffaloes opened the scoring on some nice running by Wesley Newcomb, who scampered into the end zone from 11 yards out to go up 7-0.

Newcomb added to his team-leading rushing total and ended the night with 171 yards on 26 carries and a pair of touchdowns.

Bronte, however, answered right back to even the score, moving downfield on a 31-yard pass from Logan Rawls to Riley Coalson. That connection moved them close enough for Rawls to run

in for the touchdown.

The Buffs wasted no time in regaining the lead as Tye Baker took the kickoff in the end zone and made a dazzling return, going through the entire Longhorn team for a 103-yard touchdown.

Still in the first quarter, the Buffs, refusing to play conservatively with the lead, chose to go for it on fourth and ten at the Bronte 41-yard line.

Baker dropped back to pass and found Seth Johnson 41 yards downfield for a perfect strike and a touchdown going up, 21-7.

The Longhorns countered with a 22-yard TD seeing Rawls connect with Albert Force and after a 2-point conversion closed to within six points, 21-15.

As the half drew near, Baker rang up his second passing TD on the night, hitting Newcomb out of the backfield for a 19-yard score and extending their halftime lead to 13 points.

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Coahoma falls to rival on homecoming night

By ERIC C. RODEWALD

Special to the Herald

COAHOMA — The Coahoma Bulldogs were unable to recover from a turnover-plagued first half Friday night, falling 28-12 to arch rival Colorado City on homecoming night.

Three of Coahoma's four possessions in the first half ended in turnovers. The other possession ended in a Bulldog punt.

Coahoma head coach Ken Cates said the defense kept the Bulldogs in the game, especially in the first half.

"Our defense did a real good job all night," Cates said. "We just can't afford to turn the ball over and go either three-and-out or three-and-turnover."

Another factor in the game was the big-play ability of Colorado City.

The Wolves demonstrated this on their opening drive of the game starting at their own 20-yard line. Colorado City needed only five plays to hit pay dirt when Roland Rivera took an option pitch from quarterback Chris Martinez 57-yards for the score with 9:22 remaining in the first quarter. Jake Marsh kicked the PAT for a 7-0 lead.

On the ensuing possession Coahoma fumbled at the Colorado City 38-yard line, but the Wolves were unable to take advantage of the miscue surrendering the ball back to Coahoma on loss of downs.

The Bulldogs began the drive on their own 15-yard line with 1:45 to play in the first stanza. They advanced the ball to the 41-yard line before a fumble by quarterback



HERALD photo/Bruce Schooler
Coahoma senior Antonio Gonzales tries to get through a hole provided to him by his offensive line. Colorado City defeated the Bulldogs on homecoming night. Gonzales had an interception in the game.

Patrick Croft was scooped up by Cyrus Goodman at the Coahoma 34-yard line and returned for a touchdown with 10:06 to play in the second quarter. Marsh tacked on the PAT,

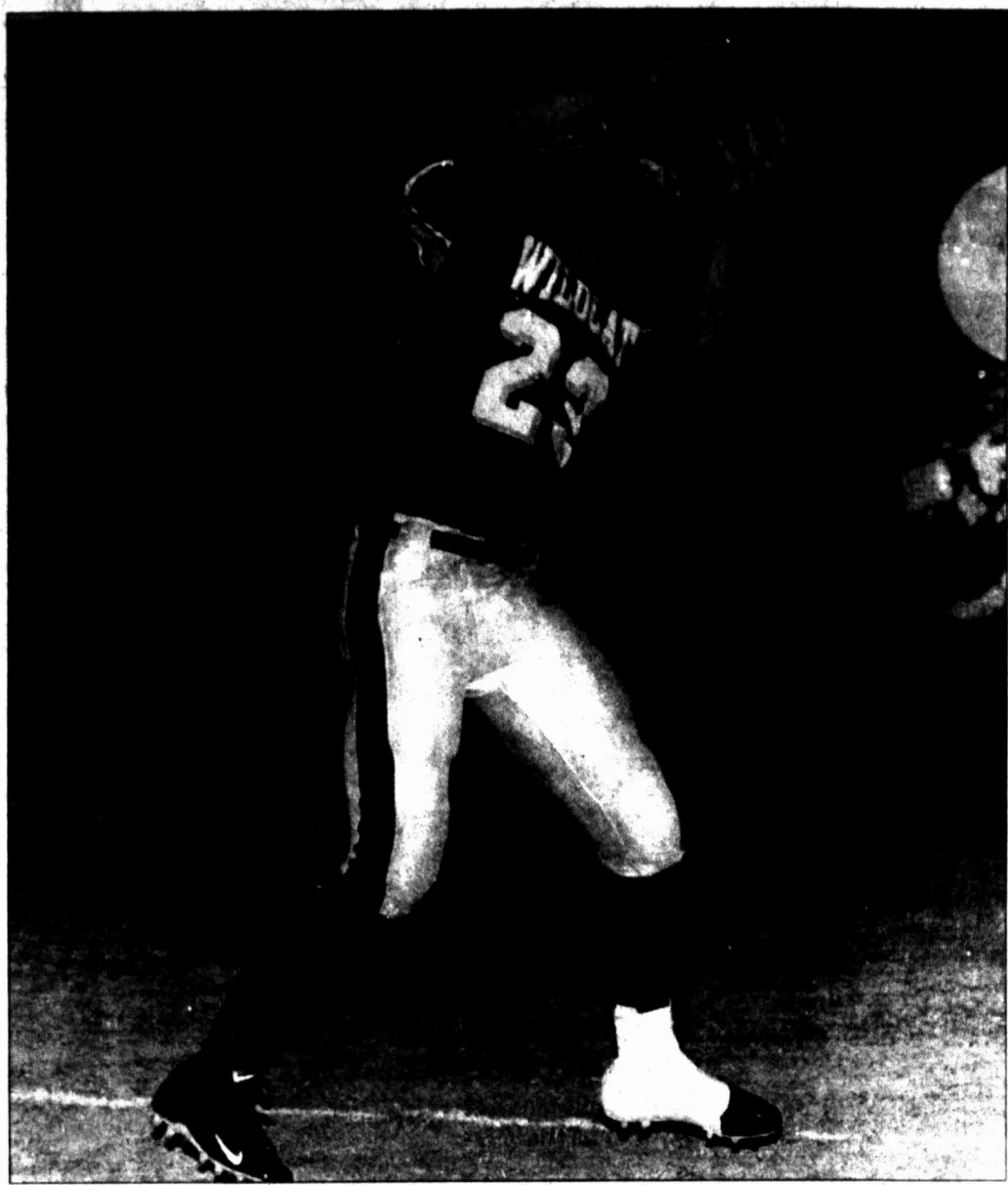
for a 14-0 Colorado City lead.

Following a Coahoma punt Colorado City drove all the way to the Bulldog 26-yard line before Martinez threw a rocket

that hit off one defender's helmet and was intercepted by Antonio Gonzales at the Bulldog 18-yard line.

Unfortunately, on third-

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HERALD photo/Bruce Schooler
Grady junior Taylor Fields catches a touchdown pass during the Wildcats' 32-16 win over district rival Loop Friday night. Grady is now 1-0 in district play and 1-5 overall.

Forsan JV falls to rival Roscoe

By JEFF LANE

Special to the Herald

The Forsan junior varsity football team had all they could handle Thursday night as they battled cold, wet weather conditions and the Roscoe Plowboys, losing 24-7.

The Buffs looked good

early on as they scored on their first possession when Vince Pennick took the ball across the goal line from 5 yards out.

But that was all the offense could manage as the Plowboys' defense turned them away empty handed the rest of the night.

Despite giving up 24 points, the Buffs' defense forced three fumbles and played hard the entire game.

Head coach Brad Batla praised the play of Aaron Hughes, Curtis Gatson, Blake Grantham and Jeremy Frietag.

Bearkats push winning streak to five after rout of Robert Lee

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor

Garden City used some bulletin board material to its advantage Friday night. But it wasn't like they needed it as the 10th-ranked Bearkats scored on all 10 of their possessions in a 76-30 victory over rival Robert Lee to start district play.

"Our kids were focused," said Garden City head coach Ken Hoskins. "There were some things on the internet this week from Robert Lee's fan base that our kids took offense to. It fired them up."

"We felt like we could move the ball against them and we did."

They did indeed to the tune of nearly 500 yards and 76 points.

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Bearkats used a balanced attack on offense, but junior Jared Bradford was the beneficiary of most of the touchdowns as he reached the end zone seven times. Alex Halfmann also had a nice day offensively as he threw for 337 yards and three scores and ran for 31 yards. Bradford finished with 67 rushing yards and six touchdowns and also caught six passes for 125 yards and scored once.

"It was an intense game," said Hoskins. "We were able to get up on them early and then

answered nearly every one of Robert Lee's touchdowns."

Garden City got up 36-0 in the game and didn't allow Robert Lee to get a first down until midway through the second quarter.

"One of the keys early was our ability to dominate up front on defense," said Hoskins.

The defense up front was led by senior Cory Multer, who finished with 12 tackles and one forced fumble. Multer also had a 45-yard touchdown reception on offense. Blaine Walker added 10 tackles on defense, while Cade Doss and Colton Schwartz had eight and six tackles, respectively.

The Bearkats gave up 30

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Anson shuts down Stanton offense

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor

ANSON — The Stanton football team struggled to move the ball on offense Friday and was plagued by five turnovers as the Buffaloes fell in their District 4-2A opener, 25-7.

Anson took the lead early on a 4-yard run by Devin Robinson, but Stanton came back to tie the game after Travis Jezek returned an interception back 99 yard for the touchdown.

However, that defensive score was the first and last time the Buffaloes would reach the end zone

as they failed to record their first win of the year.

Stanton was held to four first downs and three rushing yards and passed for only 60 yards in the loss. They had more turnovers than first downs and rush yards.

Robinson added another touchdown for Anson later in the first quarter as he scored from 66 yards out.

Neither team scored in second or third quarters, but the Tigers got two more scores in the fourth on short runs by Roman Ceballos and Jeffrey Johnson, respectively.

Anson ran for 289 yards

in the game and had just one turnover, while picking up 19 first downs.

Stanton sophomore quarterback Garrett Fulton had a tough night on offense, going 6-for-19 for 60 yards and four interceptions. Sloan Kelly led the ground attack with 19 yards and Dewayne Whitaker had two catches for 30 yards to lead the receivers. Matt Ruiz had two catches for 18 yards, as well.

The Buffaloes will try to get their first win of the season as they host District 4-2A rival Stamford. The Bulldogs lost to Hawley Friday.

Coahoma JH gets two wins against arch rival

Special to the Herald

The Coahoma seventh and eighth grades were both victorious on a cold and rainy night in Bulldog Stadium Thursday.

The seventh grade won 12-8 and improved their record to 4-0-1 on the season.

This was accomplished against a tough Colorado City team that was previously undefeated.

The Bulldogs got off to a slow start, unable to score in the first half. The Wolves scored on a quarterback keeper with no time left in the half.

The Bulldogs came out in the second half and scored on their first drive.

Adrian Amaro scored on a sweep around left end. On the ensuing 2-point attempt, a Wolf defender stepped in front of the pass attempt and returned it all the way back to score two points

for C-City. This made the score 8-6 in favor of Colorado City.

Coahoma struck again midway through the fourth quarter on a run off tackle by Jason Martinez. The defense then held tough as time ran out for the Wolves.

The eighth-grade team improved to 4-1 on the season and 1-0 in district 4-2A with an 8-0 victory over rival Colorado City.

The weather was a major factor in the game as each team fumbled snaps and dropped balls.

Despite the miscues, Coahoma managed to turn a scoreless first half into an 8-0 game early in the third quarter on the running of Josh Paniagua. Paniagua broke two big runs to get the Bulldogs into scoring position.

Lupe Abrego finished the drive from there on a 2-yard run. Blake Cates added the 2-point conversion.

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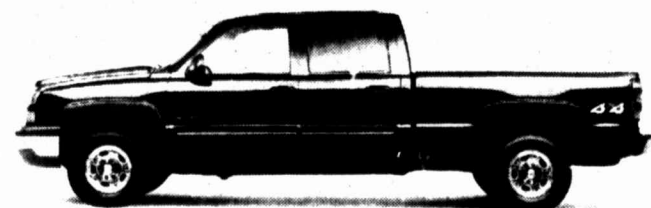


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and-eight Croft threw a long pass that was picked off by Frankie Arguijo at the Colorado City 23-yard line with 1:02 left in the first half. The Wolves ran three plays to finish the half with a 14-0 lead.

In the first half Colorado City struggled to get anything going on offense according to Cates.

"We really couldn't throw the first half," Cates said. "We weren't able to get going offensively."

The Bulldogs were 0-for-2 passing in the first half with an interception.

For the game the Bulldogs were 6-for-20, for 107 yards, a touchdown and interception.

Coahoma went three and out to begin the second half, but forced Colorado City all the way back to their own 9-yard line before they punted from their 17-yard line. Disaster struck again when Joe Holguin muffed the punt and the Wolves recovered at the Bulldogs' 44-yard line.

Seven plays later, Martinez scored from 2 yards out, following a 32-yard pass play, giving Colorado City a 21-0 lead with 5:08 remaining in the third quarter.

Freshman Donnie Garcia returned the ensuing kickoff 43 yards giving Coahoma excellent field position at their own 48-yard line. However, the drive stalled seven plays later at the Colorado City 24-yard line as the Bulldogs were unable to convert a fourth down.

Colorado City punted the ball back to Coahoma and the Bulldogs committed their fifth turnover of the game when Arguijo picked off his second Croft pass of the night at the Wolves' 45-yard line.

Three plays later, Martinez lofted a pass deep down the left sideline that was caught by Tony Salazar in stride and taken in for a 52-yard touchdown. Marsh kicked the PAT with 7:29 remaining in the game for a 28-0 lead.

Coahoma began the ensuing drive at their own 27-yard line. Mixing things up throughout the drive, back-up quarterback Blaine Kerby found Holguin for a 34-yard gain down to the Wolves 4 yard line. Following a personal foul, Kerby scored on a 1-yard run to cap a 12 play drive. The PAT pass failed, leaving Coahoma with a 28-6 deficit.

After Colorado City ended their ensuing drive at the Bulldog 27-yard line, Kerby found Holguin for a 29-yard gain and a 44-yard touchdown with 2:15 to play.

Coahoma recovered the onside kick, but wasn't able to move the ball and turned it over to Colorado City one final time. The Wolves ran out the clock to finish the game.

According to Cates the Bulldogs finished strong. "We stayed in and battled to the end," Cates said. "I think we can take that and go a long way with that."

Cates said Colorado City is deserving of their top-10 ranking. "My hats off to Colorado City," Cates said. "They have a nice team and their big plays just killed us."

The Bulldogs rushed 30 times for 66 yards, led by Gonzales' 24 yards on six carries.

Coahoma passed for 107 yards, led by Kerby who was 6-for-15 for 124 yards and a touchdown. The leading receiver was Holguin with four catches for 111 yards and a touchdown.

Coahoma (1-5, 0-1) travels to Anson Friday.



HERALD photo/Bruce Schooler
Coahoma freshman Donnie Garcia, left, tries to pry the ball away from a Colorado City runner during the Bulldogs' 28-12 loss to their arch rival Friday in Coahoma.

Forsan Junior High takes care of Bronte

Special to the Herald

The Forsan Junior High football team played host to the Bronte Longhorns Thursday night and came out victorious by a score of 28-0.

Monte Anderson led off the scoring with a 57-yard run and Ryan Flores scored the 2-point conversion to make the score 8-0 midway through the first quarter.

On Forsan's next possession, Flores scored on an 18-yard run and Jake Moore scored the extra point to make the score 16-0 at the end of the 1st quarter.

In the second quarter,

Anderson scored on a 42-yard run, breaking tackles and weaving his way through the Bronte defense. The extra point failed and the halftime score was 22-0.

Forsan's defense caused a turnover on Bronte's first possession of the second half and Anderson broke loose on a 49-yard run.

Leading the defense in shutting out the Longhorns were: Flores, Anderson, Moore, Evan Burton, Robert Strickland, Kenneth Rawls, Josh Hatfield, Steven Johnson, Tim Davila and Chase Pierce.

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"We told our kids at half-time they had played excellent football," Thompson said. "It was our game to win so we needed to guard against any letdowns and fight hard to the end."

Bronte drew first blood in the third quarter as Rawls, carrying the majority of the rushing load, was able to score on a 15-yard run.

Still sporting a six point lead, the Buffs, who had played turnover free ball in the first half, suffered their first miscue.

Facing a third and twelve, Baker found himself under heavy pressure and after an incredible scramble tried to find sophomore Adam Bailey. But the ball was tipped by a Bronte defender and fell into the hands of Longhorn defensive end Jonathan Ehl.

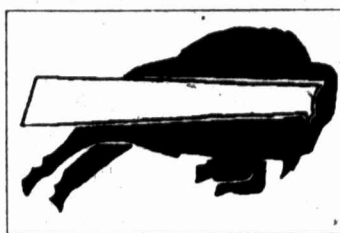
Bronte, now starting on the Forsan 37-yard line, moved even closer after a 15-yard personal foul call on the sideline and Rawls ran a quarterback keeper to give Bronte the lead with a 12-yard TD run, 29-28, with 7:24 left in the third.

The Buffs, however, regrouped and overcame the turnover, going 63 yards in five plays.

Newcomb carried the ball four times for 55 yards on the drive and scored from 31 yards out to regain the lead, 34-29.

Forsan seemed to grab some momentum, recovering a short kick and taking over on the Bronte 49.

The Buffs were unable to capitalize and turned



the ball over on downs. But the Buffalo defense was able to force the Longhorns into an unsuccessful fourth and 11 and once again tried to gain the advantage.

Starting at their own 11, Forsan rolled Baker to the left trying to convert a second and 13. But, Baker was hit hard from behind and lost control of the ball.

Coalson jumped on the ball giving the Longhorns a first down at the Buffalo 25-yard line.

Three plays later the Longhorns regained the lead, 37-34, seeing Rawls throw another TD, this time hooking up with Bret Willis.

Bronte soon extended their lead, forcing the Buffs to punt and then scored on the first play on a 67-yard run by Jaylon Saunders.

"The Buffaloes were able to draw to within two on a 17-play drive highlighted by an incredible, sideline catch by Baker on a pass from Newcomb and a Mitchell Murray TD on first and goal."

The Buffs still had hope of regaining possession, but Bronte was able to pick up a first down with less than a minute and a half to go in the game. The Longhorns ran out the clock after that, securing the hard fought two-point victory.

"This is the toughest loss this year," said Thompson. "We needed to develop a little bit of a killer instinct. But we played to win, they just got the breaks in the end and we ran out of time."

The Buffaloes play the Roscoe Plowboys at home next Friday at 7:30 pm.

Sands dishes out own mercy rule victory against Klondike

By TROY HYDE

Sports Editor
KLONDIKE — The Sands football team had things go its way Friday night on the road as the Mustangs started district play with a 56-8 win over rival Klondike in six-man action. The game was called with 9:10 to play in the fourth quarter due to the mercy rule.

"We had things go our way finally," said Sands head coach Wayne Henderson. "Our kids got some confidence early after we grabbed the early lead."

Sands jumped out early and kept the offense rolling throughout the

game. The Mustangs scored 28 points in the first quarter and led by 20 after one period and then added eight in the second quarter, 14 points in the third quarter and finished off Klondike with the final six points in the last frame.

"We played really well (Friday)," said Henderson.

The Mustangs' defense held Klondike to just 51 yards and forced three turnovers. And the

offense accounted for nearly 400 yards, led by senior running back Santos Ybarra and junior Matthew Ybarra. Santos Ybarra ran for 127 yards and three touchdowns and also scored on defense as he took an INT to paydirt from 24 yards out. He also forced two fumbles. Matthew Ybarra carried the ball 11 times and ran for 154 yards and scored twice.

Greg Carter had a nice effort on defense, as well, as he had two fumble recoveries and one forced fumble.

Sands will travel to Dawson next week to take on the Dragons.



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MAGIC WANDS

2 Rhodes Texas(tm) or Dinner Rolls, thawed but still cold
1 egg white, beaten
caramel or chocolate, melted
sprinkles and nuts

Roll a roll into a 14 to 16-inch rope to form a wand. With another roll, use a little piece to form a small rectangle and then wrap this around one end of the rope. Roll the rest of the roll into a very thin, long rope. Wrap it around the handle or spiral it up the wand. Place on a sprayed baking sheet and brush with egg white. Cover with plastic wrap and let rise for 30 minutes. Remove wrap and bake at 350°F for about 15-20 minutes. Let cool and then roll in melted caramel or chocolate and decorate as desired.



It's scary how fast Halloween is creeping up on us! About now you're probably wishing you could wave your magic wand and your holiday table would magically appear with wonderful and healthy taste temptations. You'll find these recipes are spellbindingly simple because the only ingredient in the potion is frozen dinner roll dough from your grocer's freezer. Just shape and bake, and they're made like magic.

Maybe you should make a spectacle this year when little party guests arrive on broomsticks. Why not serve them breadsticks in the shape of cool wizard wands?

Plain or dipped in sugary icings and sprinkles, they can zap, tap and eat them in a snap.

Or, you could brew a cauldron of stew served in a golden pumpkin bowl complete with a stemmed jack-o-lantern lid. After dinner, don't wash the pot . . . eat it! Witches and warlocks will love these pumpkin possibilities.

Spooky but scrumptious, once they smell the aroma of ghost-shaped rolls rising from the oven and wafting through the air, they'll start gobblin' them down until they disappear. There's not a ghost of a chance anyone will figure out the doughlightful-like trick you used to create these bewitching treats.



DIPPIN' GHOSTS

1 Rhodes Texas(tm) Roll or 2 Rhodes(tm) Dinner Rolls,
thawed but still cold
1 egg, beaten

Press 1 Texas roll or 2 Dinner rolls combined into a heel shape. On rounded end, cut down sides 1 1/2 inches to form arms. Pull arms out and tuck pointed ends under.

Place on a sprayed baking sheet. Pull bottom of ghost to one side. Indent eyes and mouth with a clean pencil eraser. Brush with egg. Let rise 30 minutes. Just before baking, exaggerate eyes and mouth with pencil eraser. Bake at 350°F 20 minutes, reinforcing eyes and mouth once after 5 minutes of baking.



PUMPKIN BOWL

1 loaf Rhodes(tm) Wheat or White Bread dough, thawed but still cold
1 egg, beaten

Pinch off a small piece of dough to use for a stem. Form this into a cone shape. Set aside. Shape dough into a round ball. With a knife, slash the ball from top to bottom-1/2 inch deep-6 times to imitate pumpkin sections. Using your finger or a knife handle, press a deep hole into the top of the bowl down to the base. Insert the stem piece into the hole. Place on a sprayed baking sheet and brush with egg. Cover with plastic wrap and let rise until double. Remove wrap and bake at 350 F for 20-30 minutes. Let cool, then slice and scoop out the top of the pumpkin and fill with stew or soup.

For 2 smaller pumpkin bowls, cut dough in half widthwise and follow instructions above.

BONE CHILLIN' BREADSTICKS

6 Rhodes(tm) Dinner Rolls, thawed but still cold
1/4 cup butter, melted
Parmesan cheese
poppy seeds

Using the flat of your hand, roll the center part of a roll into a 5-inch rope leaving both ends large and rounded. With scissors, clip 1 1/2 inches into the center of each end. Separate and lay the cut sides flat on a sprayed baking sheet. They will look like bones. Brush with melted butter and sprinkle with Parmesan cheese and poppy seeds. Cover with plastic wrap and let rise about 20-30 minutes. Remove wrap and bake at 350°F about 15-20 minutes. Remove from pan and serve.

Births



Jordan Taylor Roberts

Jordan Taylor Roberts, a boy, born Sept. 7, 2005, at 8:05 a.m. in San Angelo weighing 8 pounds and was 19 inches long.

He is the son of Jody and Ross Roberts. His grandparents are Carla and Roger Brooks of Lomax and Kay and Neal Roberts of Big Spring.

His great-grandparents are Jeneane and Genie Perry of Lomax, Hughetta Roberts of Big Spring and Glen Taylor of Wellington.

Jordan was also welcomed home by his great-great-grandmother, Helen Turnbow of Big Spring.

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Nyssa Kymm Tran

Nyssa Kymm Tran, a girl, was born Sept. 20, 2005, at 8:56 p.m. weighing 6 pounds, 13 ounces and was 19 1/4 inches long.

Her parents are Trung and Norma Tran of Big Spring. Her grandparents are Modesto Requejo of Big Spring, Emma Requejo of Walland, Tenn., and Ho Tran of New Orleans, La.

Richard Anthony Martinez, a boy, was born Sept. 20, 2005, at 7:21 a.m. weighing 7 pounds and 6 ounces.

He is the son of Joanna Gomez and Jose Martinez of Big Spring. His grandparents are Judy Gomez of Big Spring, Juan Gomez of San Antonio and Gloria Martinez of Big Spring.

Richard was welcomed home by big brother, Jose Jr. Martinez.



Korbin James Coker

Korbin James Coker, a boy, was born at Medical Center Hospital in Odessa July 31, 2005, at 1:49 a.m. weighing 8 pounds, 7 ounces and was 20 inches long.

His parents are Kyle and Teresa Coker of Big Spring. His grandparents are Jimmy and Donna Lee and Ron and Glenda Coker, all of Big Spring.

Korbin was welcomed home by big sister, Kyra Coker.



John Aaron Witherspoon

John Aaron Witherspoon, a boy, was born Sept. 20, 2005, weighing 9 pounds and was 21 inches long.

His parents are Jonathan and Anne Witherspoon of Kingwood. His grandparents are John and Sue Ann Damron of Big Spring and Cliff and Linda Witherspoon of Burleson.

His great-grandparents are Freda Johnson of Lander, Md., and Bryan and Mabel Shroder of Clinton, Mo.

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Engagement



Bradley Lynn Smith and Shannon Elizabeth Sullivan

Sullivan, Smith engaged

Shannon Elizabeth Sullivan of Midland and Bradley Lynn Smith of Big Spring are planning to be married at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 15, 2005, at First United Methodist Church of Midland.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Danny and Betty Sullivan of Midland. She is the granddaughter of Lillian Sullivan of Andrews and the late S.F. Sullivan and the late George and Loretta Wilson.

The future groom is the son of Rose Smith and Greg Smith, both of Big Spring and the grandson of Evangeline Sturm of Big Spring and the late

Louis Sturm.

She is a graduate of Texas Tech University, where she earned a bachelor's degree in merchandising with minors in marketing and mathematics. She is employed with Midland Independent School District as a first grade teacher at Burnet Elementary.

He attended Texas Tech University and is a graduate of the University of Texas at the Permian Basin. He earned a bachelor's degree in mathematics with a minor in chemistry.

He is employed as a mathematics teacher at Big Spring High School.

Wedding

Klick, Winn wed

Erica Michele Klick and Chad Christopher Winn, both of Mesquite, were united in holy matrimony at 7 p.m. Saturday, July 16, 2005, at First United Methodist Church of Duncanville.

The Rev. Mark Winn, uncle of the groom, of Sand Springs Baptist Church officiated the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Frank and Lorraine Tolerton of Mesquite.

The groom is the son of Amy Choate of Coahoma and Scott Winn of Kenneth City, Fla.

He is the grandson of Lorene Barbee of Big Spring and the late Jarrell Barbee, Era Burns of Stanton and the late Jesse Burns, Curtis and Kay Winn, Gladys Groff, all of Seguin and the late Leslie Groff.

Given away by her father, the bride wore an ivory gown with champagne beadwork. She carried a hand-tied, tear drop bouquet of ivory roses, stargazer lilies, tulips, pink mini-roses, sweet pea and purple chrysanthemum and baby's breath.

Vocalist for the evening was Melanie Barbee, and Mona Barbee provided accompaniment as the pianist/organist.

Maid of honor was Corby Klick, sister of the

bride, and bridesmaids were Amy Rogge and Tanya Williams. Serving as junior bridesmaids were April Choate, sister of the groom, Angie Winn, sister of the groom, and Amy Tolerton, step-sister of the bride.

Casi Lide served as the flower girl and the ring bearer was Cody Lide.

William Rogge IV stood up for the groom as best man and groomsmen were Tyson Alexander and Aaron Kirk.

Ushers for the ceremony were Aaron Tolerton, stepbrother of the bride, Jeremy Winn, cousin of the groom, Justin Barbee, cousin of the groom, Anthony Tolerton, stepbrother of the bride, and Lane Campbell, cousin of the groom.

Following the ceremony, the guests enjoyed a dessert and beverage buffet at the reception.

Jennifer Bacari, cousin of the groom, was the server.

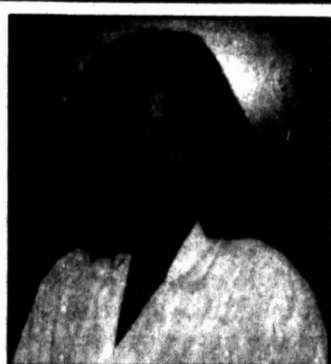
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Jeffcoat, Mellas engaged

Kara Alece Jeffcoat and H. Ray Mellas, both of San Angelo, announce their upcoming wedding at 6 p.m. Oct. 22, 2005, at the Cactus Hotel in San Angelo.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Alvis and Beverly Jeffcoat of Big

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The future groom is the son of Jay and Judy Tuff.

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Wedding



Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Tyler Green

Burt, Green wed

Callie Ann Burt and Joshua Tyler Green, both of Arlington, were united in marriage at 6 p.m. Saturday, May 21, 2005, at Trinity Baptist Church with The Rev. Robbi Ballew of Fort Worth officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Dr. Scott and Debbie Burt of Big Spring.

She is the granddaughter of Jim and Mary Burt of Big Spring, Ann Fitts and the late James Fitts, also of Big Spring.

The groom is the son of Tommy and Bridgette Green of Snyder.

He is the grandson of Bob and Betty Green, Zelma Marie Martin, all of Cisco.

The bride was given away in marriage by her father.

Vocalists for the ceremony were Brother Timmy Dunn, Robert Hillger and Keely Green.

Kaylon Cox, friend of the bride, served as maid of honor and bridesmaids were LeDawn Burt, sister of the bride, Codye Burt, sister of the bride, Ginger McFadden and Laura Lipham, friends of the bride.

Baylee Green, niece of the groom, served as the flower girl and ring bearers were Hayden and Holden Simon, friends of the bride.

Randy Green, brother of the groom, stood as best man for the ceremony while groomsmen were Ryan Keeney, cousin of the groom and Trey Bryan, Josh Lyles, Colby Driggers, all friends of the groom.



Mr. and Mrs. Zachary Wesley Johnson

Self, Johnson wed

Brandi Sha'Nea Self of Coahoma and Zachary Wesley Johnson of Big Spring were married at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 20, 2005, at First Baptist Church with the Rev. Elwin Collom officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Sue Self of Coahoma and the late Robert Self.

She is the granddaughter of the late Bill and Irene Gunter and the late Oscar and Ola Self.

The groom is the son of Ron Robey of Big Spring and Ron and Sherry Mowery of Granbury.

He is the grandson of Bill and Nelda Hodges of Bertram and the late Charles and Doris Robey. Given away by her

brothers, Robert and Randel Self, the bride wore a white sleeveless satin gown with a sequined overlay.

She carried a bouquet that was handmade by her mother consisting of blue and white roses with baby's breath.

Alrene White played the organ during the ceremony and Sara Fontana provided the music.

Matron of honor was the bride's mother, Sue Self.

Ron Robey, father of the groom, served as best man.

Following a honeymoon to San Antonio, the couple will make their home in Coahoma.



Mr. and Mrs. John Edward Nalley

Calvio, Nalley wed

Brandi Renee Calvio and John Edward Nalley, both of Big Spring, were united in marriage at 6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 23, 2005, at the Schooler's residence in Big Spring with Chaplain Joe Torres officiating.

Jimmie Stiehl and George Gutierrez of Big Spring are the parents of the bride.

Deborah Gutierrez of Big Spring is the bride's stepmother.

The bride's grandparents are Bonnie and the late J.O. Stiehl of Big Spring, Noemi Gutierrez of Earlimart, Calif., and the late George Gutierrez.

The groom is the son of John Nalley and the stepson of Lynda Nalley of Napa, Calif., and is the son of Belle Schooler and the stepson of Bruce Schooler of Big Spring.

He is the grandson of the late Thelma Collins and Herbert and Mary Sue McPherson of Big Spring.

The bride wore a white satin, tea-length dress with spaghetti straps, a sequined bodice and a waistline adorned with a white satin bow. She carried a bouquet of fresh baby pink roses and stephanotis.

Vocalists for the ceremony were Bo and Melody Spradling.

April Gutierrez, sister of the bride, of Big Spring served as maid of honor. Flower girl was Ashlin Calvio, daughter of the

bride, and ring bearers were Aaron Calvio, son of the bride, and Tyler Nalley, son of the groom.

Josh Nalley, brother of the groom, of Big Spring stood as best man.

The bride and groom visited with friends and family at a reception Sept. 24, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

Vicky Oppegard and Tina Broughton prepared a light meal for the reception.

The bride's cake was a three-tiered, white, squared, Italian-cream cake adorned with pink satin ribbon and fresh pink roses.

The groom's cake was a white cake topped with a variety of fresh fruits.

To compliment the meal and cakes, Jennifer Noble prepared a mint julep punch, as well as a refreshing coffee punch that was offered.

The reception hall was decorated by Sherry Hodnett, Whitney Oppegard and Kim Gee.

A slide show of memories of the couple was shared with their friends and family that also paid tribute to the bride's deceased grandfather, J.D. Stiehl, who was honored by the choice of wedding date.

Given as a gift, a second slide show prepared by April Gutierrez, sister of the bride, was also shown.

The couple will make their home in Big Spring, close to their families.

Cline, Campbell wed

Kandi Dawn Cline and Daniel Nathan Campbell, both of Big Spring, exchanged wedding vows at 7:30 p.m., Friday, Aug. 12, 2005, at Midway Baptist Church with the Rev. Sammie Segundo officiating.

The bride is the daughter of John H. Cline and Anita F. Cline of Big Spring. She is the granddaughter of Fay and Johnnie Hobbs and Clara Cline, all of Big Spring, and the late Johnnie Cline.

The groom is the son of Jim and Sammie Campbell of Big Spring. He is the grandson of Bill and Mary Jo Lewis of Lovington, N.M., and Kathryn Campbell of Aztec, N.M.

The bride was given away by her father. Vocalist for the ceremony was Zach Campbell, brother of the groom.

Krystal Cline, sister of the bride, served as maid of honor and bridesmaids were Stephanie Scott, Saige Campbell and Tonya Phifer.

Flower girls were Aubry and Faith Parum and Bryson Cline served as the ring bearer.

Jim Campbell served as best man and groomsmen were Zach Campbell, John Holloman and Chance O'Daniel.



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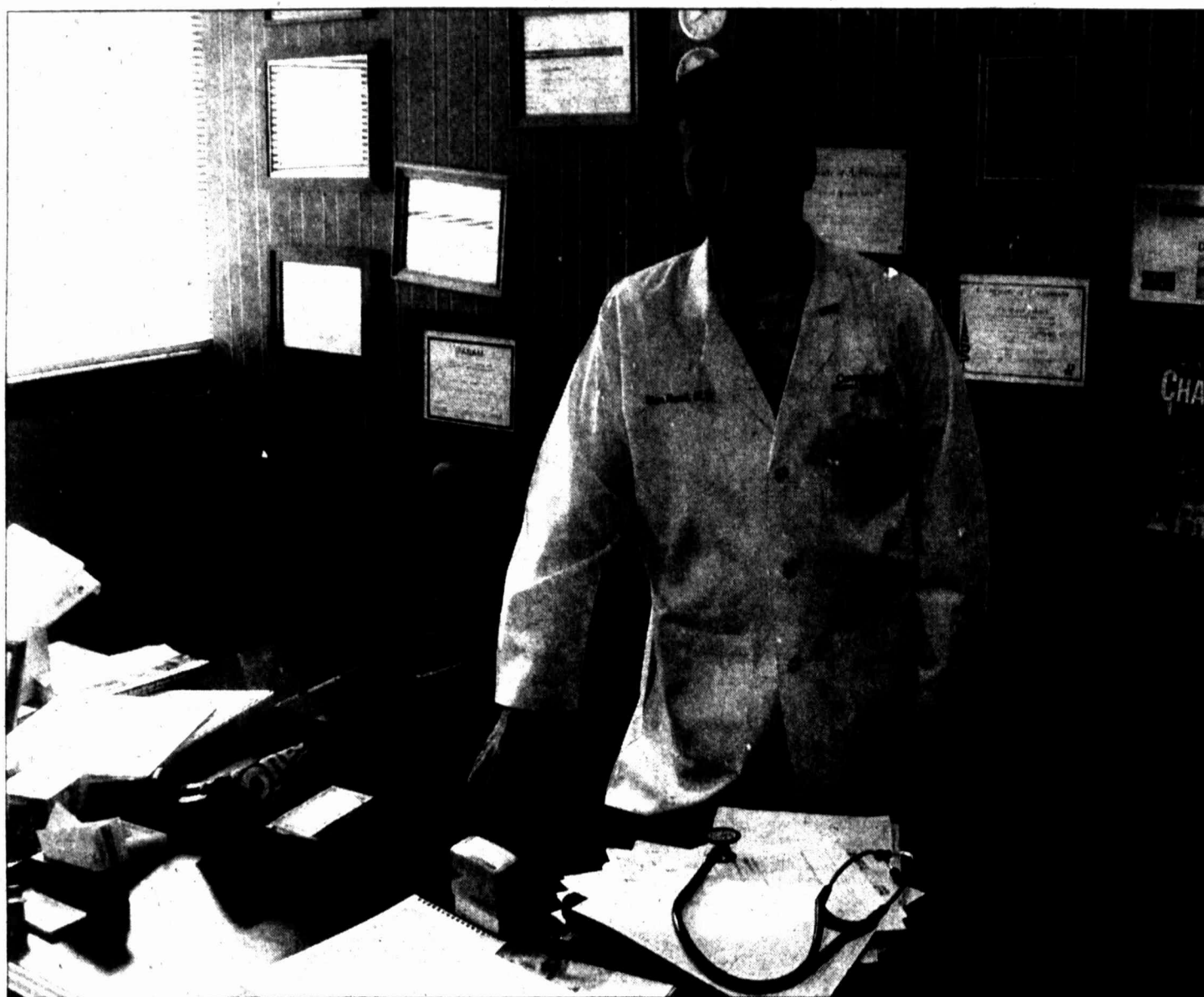
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Dr. Saeed Ahmed, who has practiced pediatrics at Scenic Mountain Medical Center for the past 10 years, was recently named a clinical assistant professor in pediatrics at the Texas Tech University medical school.

Healer, teacher

Dr. Ahmed named clinical assistant professor with Tech medical school

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

It's been quite a year for Dr. Saeed Ahmed.

Ahmed, who has practiced pediatrics at Scenic Mountain Medical Center for the past 10 years, was recently named a clinical assistant professor with the Texas Tech University medical school pediatrics department.

As such, he will be actively involved in teaching of student doctors, nurse practitioners, physician assistants and office-based research

personnel for the medical school. "It's certainly a great honor for a physician from a rural area like Big Spring to be (included on the medical school staff)," Ahmed said.

He will split his instructional time between the medical school's branch in Odessa and Big Spring, which will host pediatric students on a regular basis.

While being named an assistant professor is certainly an honor, it's not the only one that Ahmed has received this year.

Earlier this year, he was re-certified by the American Board of Pediatrics. Also, he was elected a

member of the Texas Board of Medicine as part of its expert panel in pediatrics.

As a panel member, he will regularly review complaints and cases pertaining to pediatrics that are brought before the state board.

Also this year, Dr. Ahmed was named a Diplomate of the American Academy of Hospitalists, which recognizes physicians who work primarily in a hospital setting.

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331, ext. 234, or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com.

Former Howard County 9-1-1 coordinator elected state chapter president

Carl Dorton, former long-time Howard County resident, has been elected vice president of the Texas chapter of the National Emergency Numbering Association (NENA), a national organization for 9-1-1 telecommunications and facilitators.

As such, he will take the position of president of the Texas chapter of NENA in August 2006.

He will be a spokesperson for 9-1-1 issues in Texas and the national

legislative arena, serving on several national 9-1-1 committees. Dorton holds an Emergency Numbering Professional (ENP) certification in communications, similar to that of a CPA in the accounting field.

Dorton served as 9-1-1 coordinator for Howard County from 1988 through July 1996 before moving to the Waco area. Currently, he serves as executive director for the McLennan County 9-1-1 Emergency Assistance District.

He and his wife, Sheila, are graduates of Coahoma High School.



Dorton

Marquez attends Hispanic forum in Washington, D.C.

Raul Marquez of Big Spring recently attended the Senate Hispanic Leadership Summit in Washington, D.C. The two-day conference provided a forum for more than 350 Hispanic participants from across the country to discuss a range of policy issues with members of the United States Congress and the Bush Administration.

The conference participants were nominated to attend by their member of Congress.

"Bringing together Hispanic leaders and our federal officials for an open dialogue and exchange of ideas is vital to our nation's continuing efforts to address the

most pressing issues affecting our families, communities and nation," said Sen. Kay B. Bailey Huchison, R-Texas, chairman of the Summit.

Senate Majority Leader William H. Frist, M.D., welcomed the delegates. Summit co-chair Sen. Mel Martinez joined Sen. Huchison to update participants on Congress' accomplishments in the last session and briefed them on the upcoming agenda. Various senators spoke on education opportunities, immigration reform and the energy bill.



Marquez

Oil, gas rig count down by two

HOUSTON (AP) — The number of rigs actively exploring for oil and natural gas in the United States decreased by two this week to 1,481.

Of the rigs running nationwide, 1,264 were exploring for gas and 209 for oil, Houston-based Baker Hughes Inc. reported Friday. Eight were listed as miscellaneous.

A year ago, the rig count was 1,230.

Baker Hughes has kept track of the count since 1944. The tally peaked at 4,530 in 1981, during the height of the oil boom. Several record lows were set in 1999, bottoming out at 488.

'Virtual Card' offers online security blanket

By CAROLINE E. MAYER

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WASHINGTON — John Roos used to be afraid to shop online. "I hate to give out my real credit card number," said the retired manager of a computer center.

But Roos, of New Rochelle, N.Y., recently bought a \$500 TV online after he discovered a little-known credit card service that allows him to give Internet retailers a substitute credit card number for his account.

Offered to holders of Citi, Discover and MBNA cards, these "virtual credit cards," or single-use card numbers, are designed to give some peace of mind to consumers concerned about credit card fraud. Although the system slightly differs on each card, the principle is the same: For no extra charge, consumers sign up at the credit card's Web site, often downloading software on their computers. Then, when they're ready to shop, they receive a randomly generated substitute 16-digit number that they can use at the online store. The number can be used once or, in some cases, repeatedly at the same store.

"The only people who know the real number are you and us," said Jim Donahue, spokesman for MBNA.

Although initially designed for Internet shopping, the card

number can also be used to buy goods and services over the phone and through the mail, but it cannot be used for in-store purchases that require a traditional plastic card.

MBNA has been offering its ShopSafe program for three years. "It's very popular with the people who use it," Donahue said.

In fact, consumers who use the number tend to use it more often and spend more, according to Orbiscom Ltd., the Irish company that provides the technology to the three credit card issuers. Orbiscom declined to provide exact usage numbers, saying only that transactions are doubling every year.

Even so, credit card industry officials say it's not widely popular. American Express, for example, discontinued its virtual card last year because "only a very small number of card members signed up," said spokeswoman Kim Forde.

"This technology has been around for six years and has never caught on, despite all that we hear about compromising data centers and stealing key consumer information," said David Robertson, president of the Nilson Report, a newsletter that monitors the credit card industry. "Americans, by and large, are trustful of buying online."

Yet some credit card issuers say use is increasing with each

report of identity theft, including the June disclosure that more than 40 million credit card numbers may have been compromised after a computer hacker broke into a card processing center.

Overall, 3.9 million Americans were victims of credit card fraud in the year that ended in May, according to a study by the research firm Gartner Inc. That's down from 5.5 million the previous year. The study found that 46 percent of victims had no idea how the fraud occurred, but 21 percent said they thought their credit card number was stolen off the Internet. The previous year, 18 percent blamed the theft on the Internet.

Steve Furman, Discover's marketing director for e-commerce, said its program, Deskshop, has "grown at a fairly strong pace over the last six to eight months."

Many Internet security and privacy experts, however, question its necessity. "It's a good idea and clever, but I've never seen the need to use it," said Bruce Schneier, chief technology officer of Counterpane Internet Security Inc. Noting that consumers have, at most, only a \$50 liability if a credit card is fraudulently used, Schneier said, "I don't have a lot of risk here." It would be more, troublesome if someone stole his Social Security num-



Washington Post photo/Caroline E. Mayer

Some fraud-wary credit card customers are opt for "virtual credit cards," or single-use card numbers.

ber and created a new account in his name, Schneier said; that kind of identity theft is much harder to correct.

But overall, Schneier added, most people distribute their credit card number widely. "I give it all the time to 7-Eleven store clerks every week."

Dan Clements, head of the Internet security firm CardCops.com, however, calls the limited credit card liability "an illusion." Clements said,

credit card numbers are sold and bartered all over the Internet and can be combined with other personal information easily available on the Web to create full-blown identity theft. Even so, Clements said, he doesn't use a virtual credit card number because "it's a hassle." Yet his solution, he admitted, is equally time-consuming: He asks for a new cred-

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Public Records

Howard County Justice of the Peace Outstanding IBC Warrants:

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Samantha Ann Berrera, 606 Lamar, Sweetwater
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Russell Burt, 4613 Storey, Midland
Paul D. Calhoun, P.O. Box 842, Plains
Linda Chandler, 6502 W. FM 846, Knott
Laura Collins, 402 E. Highway 121 Lot 661, Lewisville
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Donald Marvin Creager, 1000 Runnels Apt. 2, Big Spring
Natasha D. Rivera Dancer, 2203 Morrison, Big Spring
Stephanie R. Daniels, 506 N. Avt. T, Snyder
Johnnie Lou Dry, RR11, Box 156, Longview
Olga Fierro, 201 Jefferson, Big Spring
John R. Franklin, PO Box 1521, Stanton
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Concepcion Garcia, PO Box 16156, Lubbock
Joe E. George Jr., 6336 FM 585, Bangs
Katherine A. Gladhill, 7670 M. Trailer/2718 Rear, Lubbock
Michael Gidewell, P.O. Box 204, Fort Davis
Naomi Gonzales, 1209 Runnels, Big Spring
Elizabeth Gonzalez, 931 E. 17th Street, Odessa
Ray Charles Green, 3016 S. CR 119, Midland
Rebecca Ann Grisham, 2800 Navajo, Big Spring
Nicholas Hasenbalg, 207 W. Williams, Breckenridge
Robert Stephen Hoback, 1516 Cumberland Rd., Odessa
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Sharon Annette James, 1311 W. Second, Big Spring
Ronald Jeffery, 1101 Fitch, Odessa
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Gladys Lamonda, 400 Circle Street, Big Spring
Johnathan Lee Lanham, 3708 28th St., Lubbock
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Stephanie Marie Macias, 909 S. Sixth Street, Lamesa
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Lattia Thurman, 612 Steakley, Big Spring

CARD

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it card number every three months. "For the consumer, it doesn't really buy that much except for peace of mind," said Richard M. Smith, an Internet security and privacy consultant based in Boston.

That was precisely why Roos signed up — and also how Discover plans to promote its Desktop this fall.

Furman said: "Is it necessary? It's akin to any other security thing you're willing to do. You put on your seat belt; you install an alarm system in your home. It's one extra layer to protect yourself."

Kristi Oden Womack, 710 Bell, Sweetwater

County Court Decisions:

Probated Judgment: Angela Ann McGee, failure to identify as a fugitive from justice - intentionally giving false information, \$250 fine, \$266 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).
Probated Judgment: Ernesto Rodriguez, driving while intoxicated - second offense, \$1,000 fine, \$376 court costs, 365 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).
Probated Judgment: Kody Chance Jackson, consumption of alcohol by a minor - third offense enhanced, \$250 fine, \$266 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).

Judgment and Sentence: Tyson Smith, possession of marijuana - two ounces or less, \$750 fine, \$261 court costs, 10 days in jail.

Probated Judgment: Cindy Beth Payne, possession of marijuana - two ounces or less in a drug free zone, \$250 fine, \$261 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).

Probated Judgment: Johnny Ray Payne Jr., theft - more than \$50 less than \$500, \$500 fine, \$266 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 24 months probation).

Probated Judgment: Kevin Ray Kirkham, possession of a dangerous drug, \$500 fine, \$266 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).

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Judgment and Sentence: Joe Cruz Gutierrez, evading arrest, \$250 fine, \$266 court costs, 90 days in jail.

Judgment and Sentence: Joe Cruz Gutierrez, resisting arrest, \$250 fine, \$266 court costs, 90 days in jail.

Judgment and Sentence: Joe Cruz Gutierrez, criminal mischief - more than \$50 less than \$500, \$250 fine, \$266 court costs, 90 days in jail.

Probated Judgment: Ruben Lee Trevino, possession of a dangerous drug, \$1,500 fine, \$266 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 24 months probation).

Probated Judgment: Rodney Wayne Tubbs, theft - more than \$50 less than \$500, \$250 fine, \$261 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).

Probated Judgment: Ricardo Martinez Garcia, failure to identify as a fugitive from justice - intentionally giving false information, \$500 fine, \$266 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).

Probated Judgment: Clinton A. Muse Jr., driving while license suspended, \$250 fine, \$261 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).

Probated Judgment: Steven Michael Burton, possession of a dangerous drug, \$500 fine, \$291 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation).

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District Court Filings: Response Insurance Co. vs. Ashlie Nicole Hale, injuries or

damage with a motor vehicle. LVNV Funding L.L.C. as Successor in Interest to Sears vs. Miguel A. Arellano, accounts, notes and contracts.

Crossroads Housing vs. Sophie Corcoran, other civil. State of Texas vs. Patrick Rios, other civil. State of Texas vs. Luis Pena, other civil.

Ricky Mitchem, dba Mitchem and Sons Wrecker vs. Cross Country Motor Club Inc., accounts, notes and contracts. Amador Gonzales Jr. vs. Union Pacific Railroad Co., injuries or damage with a motor vehicle.

Marriage Licenses:

Paul Matthew Woolman, 33, and Barbara Lynn Mullis, 34, both of Big Spring.

Brandon Michael Fleck, 23, of San Angelo, and Kimberly Brooke Fleck, 23, of Big Spring. James Ruy Webster, 54, and Cynthia Rogers Reyes, 45, both of Snyder.

Derrick Todd Drake, 19, and Pamela Marquez, 20, both of Big Spring.

Richard Reeves Moren, 46, and Susan Marie Herrera, 49, both of Big Spring.

Warranty deeds:

Grantor: Shirley Paige
Grantee: Gary Dale Paige
Property: A tract out of Section 43, Block 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date Filed: Sept. 28, 2005

Grantor: Don Davis
Grantee: Raymond and Frances Catano
Property: Lot 3, Block 12, Earles Addition
Date Filed: Sept. 30, 2005

Grantor: Jose G. Trevino and Jovita Trevino
Grantee: Bert Hillger
Property: A tract out of Section 31, Block 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date Filed: Sept. 30, 2005

Grantor: Jerry L. Gorham and Betty L. Gorham
Grantee: Jerry L. Gorham, Betty L. Gorham, trustees of a joint revocable trust
Property: Three tracts out of Section 11, Block 32, T-2-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date Filed: Sept. 30, 2005

Grantor: Kenneth Randall Stasey
Grantee: Wendell Stasey
Property: The N/2 of Section 21, Block 33, T-2-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date Filed: Oct. 4, 2005

Grantor: Michael Nairn
Grantee: Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Homes
Property: The S/50 feet of Lot 4, Block 83, Original Town of Big Spring
Date Filed: Oct. 4, 2005

Grantor: Mike Steward and the H2O Company Inc.
Grantee: Preston W. Harrison
Property: Lots 11 and 12, Block 5, Porter Addition
Date Filed: Oct. 4, 2005

Warranty deeds with vendors lien:
Grantor: Hubert Barber and Willie R. Barber
Grantee: Savannah Smith
Property: Lot 2, Block 4, Mittel Acres
Date Filed: Sept. 28, 2005

Grantor: Charles G. Morgan and Billie Christie Morgan
Grantee: Denys Coates
Property: A tract of land out of Section 17, Block 31, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey

Date Filed: Sept. 28, 2005

Grantor: Randall Earl Reid and Leota Fae Reid
Grantee: James M. Roman
Property: Lot 27, Tract 4, Amended Plat of Foster Subdivision
Date Filed: Sept. 28, 2005

Grantor: Mustang Farmer's Gin Inc.
Grantee: Farmer's Cooperative Assoc. of Stanton
Property: Five tracts out of Sections 34 and 41, Block 34, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey
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Grantor: J.J. Fulesday and Pauline S. Fulesday
Grantee: Earl E. Cunningham and Rose E. Cunningham
Property: Lot 34, Block 16, Kentwood Unit No. 2
Date Filed: Sept. 28, 2005

Grantor: John Rodney Lewis
Grantee: James Phelps and Theresa Phelps
Property: Lot 3, Block 30, College Park Estates
Date Filed: Sept. 28, 2005

Grantor: Leland Pierce and Merline Pierce
Grantee: Chris Evans and Kim Evans
Property: Seven tracts out of Section 5, Block 32, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date Filed: Sept. 30, 2005

Grantor: Randy Murley and Janey Murley
Grantee: Ronald Craig Maxwell and Anita Dianne Maxwell
Property: Lots 7 and 8, Block 6, Washington Place Addition
Date Filed: Sept. 30, 2005

Grantor: Chad Phillip Williams and Angie Leigh Williams

Grantee: Robin E. Petty
Property: Lot 9, Block 1, College Park Estates
Date Filed: Sept. 30, 2005

Grantor: Troy Koenig
Grantee: Bill McEwin
Property: The N/50 feet of the SW/4 of Block 43, College Heights Addition
Date Filed: Sept. 30, 2005

Grantor: Robert Preston Williams and Patricia A. Wilson
Grantee: Randy Murley and Janey Murley
Property: A tract out of Section 43, Block 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. Survey
Date Filed: Sept. 30, 2005

Grantor: Robert L. McDonald Sr. and Gloria Byrd McDonald
Grantee: Linda Susanthe Reed
Property: Lots 8 and 9, Block 9, Capehart Addition
Date Filed: Oct. 3, 2005

RIBBON CUTTING



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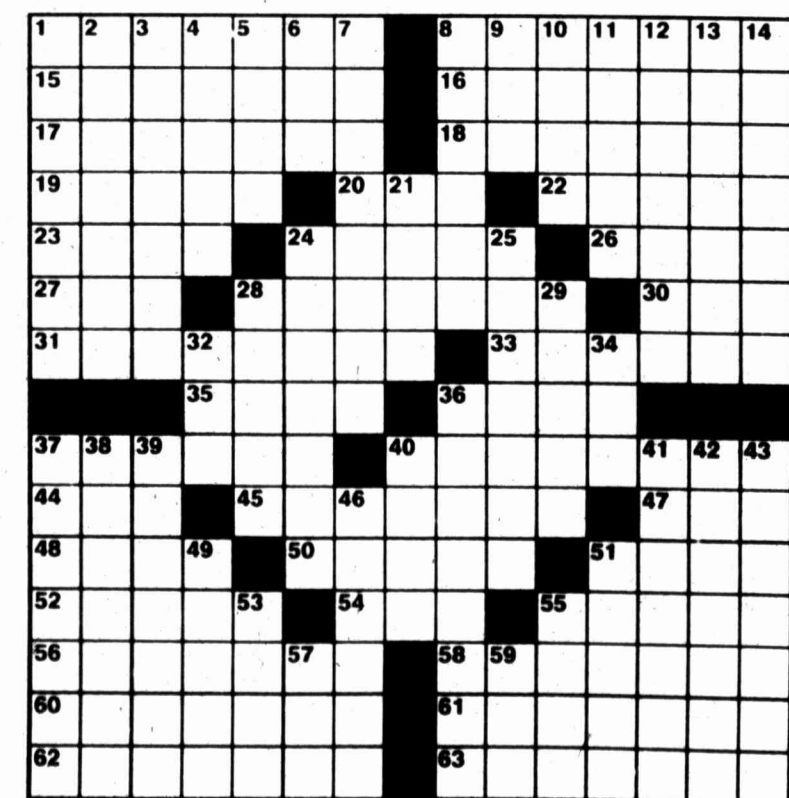
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Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$10,734.77, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and costs thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by **HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL** as Plaintiffs, against **Desiree Thompson**, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on the 16th DAY OF APRIL, 2005, in a certain suit styled **HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. DESIREE THOMPSON**, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is **4885** and the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent

ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

All parties to this suit, including Plaintiffs, Defendant(s), and intervenors, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties, and cost allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefore, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, and all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file in said causes by all other parties herein, and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 14th day of November, 2005 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and cost allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

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TO: **May Dell Henry Wilson Cline Johnson and Patsy Charlyne Wilson Wofford aka Patsy Charlyne Wofford**

if living, and if any or all of the above named Defendants be dead, the unknown heirs of the unknown heirs of said above named persons, and the unknown owner or owners of the hereinafter described land, and the executors, administrators, guardians, legal representatives, legatees and devisees of the above named persons, and any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the land described in Plaintiffs' petition on file in this cause, to-wit:

Lot 8, Block 3, Lockhart Addition, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$11,361.24, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and costs thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by **HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL** as Plaintiffs, against **Mary Dell Henry Wilson Cline Johnson and Patsy Charlyne Wilson Wofford aka Patsy Charlyne Wofford**, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on the 27 DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2005, in a certain suit styled **HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. MAY DELL HENRY WILSON CLINE JOHNSON AND PATSY CHARLYNE WILSON WOFFORD AKA PATSY CHARLYNE WOFFORD**, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is **4992** and the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties

to this suit, are NONE.

Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

All parties to this suit, including Plaintiffs, Defendant(s), and intervenors, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties, and cost allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefore, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, and all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file in said causes by all other parties herein, and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 14th day of November, 2005 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and cost allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

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BY HOLIDAY MATHIS
Ever since Venus started
exploring the always
adventurous territory of

wild ideas about how we can create love in our lives have come to mind. Should we stalk it, seduce it, travel the world

searching for it or hold our breath until it arrives? The sensible Capricorn moon helps us choose the most appropriate approach.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). A bit of social savvy goes a long way toward promoting personal interests. What appears casual is the result of careful calculation. Realizing this, you're inspired to put more effort into your own "casual" response.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Your impulse for excess is always straining against the boundaries of financial wisdom. Luckily, today you are interested in items that

will, if you hold on to them long enough, eventually be quite valuable.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You're introspective, as though you're psyching yourself up for a big game. Next week will throw challenges into your professional path. Today's rest will allow you to be in fine form to handle those challenges.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). The stars are rooting for you to complete an entire list of tasks. As for the overall feeling of this day, it's completely up to you. Choose to put on a happy face, and you'll genuinely laugh your way through.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). All the character development you've been doing lately, the self-help reading, nurturing your talents, etc. will pay off. Your work is performed in an instant — the instant you walk into a room and make an impression.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). So even if you're doing nothing but cleaning your home now, you're still using your creativity to do it. Fill your eyes with fresh imagery, your ears with

music and your heart with poetry.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your sign is known for having a quick eye, and you'll use it to decide what you want. You know the moment it crosses your path. Move just as quickly to secure your prize.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You successfully reconcile your personality with that of your most difficult family member — what a feat. For this, you will be commended — probably not now, but when the holidays come ... wow!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You're not tired, and you're not bored. But you may be profoundly listless. This quality makes others assume you're simply above being bothered by the little stuff, and maybe it's true.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The stars focus on vanity or at least feeling more attractive. You can save yourself a bundle by realizing one important fact. Your appeal is more about attitude than it is about styling yourself any certain way.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). When you're in the sunlight, a close friend walks with you. But you want someone who would walk you through the dark times, too. Make sure the people around you now are not the fair weather types.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). When you want to be, you're a master at manipulating others into sharing your beliefs. But don't use this superpower just because you can! It's far more interesting to hang out with people who challenge you.

FORECAST FOR THE

WEEK AHEAD: Enticing Venus has a conflict with unpredictable Uranus this week, bringing multiple eruptions of chaotic energy into the realm of love and romance. It's hard to get plans off the ground when constantly putting out "fires." These blazes come in a range of forms, like egotistic outbursts from those we don't expect to behave in such a manner or the romantic equivalent to a fender bender in which encounters leave one or more parties emotionally scraped or dented. The other astrological square occurring this week is between Mercury and Saturn (Oct. 10 through 17). Saturn takes us to school, pointing out our daily habits that are not contributing to our overall success. When we say we want something, but our actions tell another story about where priorities lie, Saturn gives us a slap on the wrist with the cosmic ruler. If all of this sounds a bit harsh, at least it's done in an interesting, perhaps even humorous, manner thanks to a trine involving Mercury and Uranus. By Saturday, the funny stories you'll have to tell will make this seem like a very worthwhile and productive week.

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TO: **Yongyudh Pibulthanapattana** and any and all other unknown owners or persons, including adverse claimants, owing or having or claiming legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the following described property delinquent to Plaintiffs herein, for taxes, to-wit:

Lot Ten and the South half of Lot 11, Block 15, Boydston Addition, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$2,653.06 exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and costs thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by **HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL** as Plaintiffs, against **Yongyudh Pibulthanapattana**, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on the 16th DAY OF MAY, 2005, in a certain suit styled **HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. YONGYUDH PIBULDHANAPATTANA**, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is **4716** and the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

All parties to this suit, including Plaintiffs, Defendant(s), and intervenors, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties, and cost allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefore, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, and all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file in said causes by all other parties herein, and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 14th day of November, 2005 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and cost allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

#4726 October 2 & 9, 2005

Legals

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TO: **Terry W. Sawyers and Nancy T. Rando**

and any and all other unknown owners or persons, including adverse claimants, owing or having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the following described property delinquent to Plaintiffs herein, for taxes, to-wit:

Lots 12 and 13, Block 15, McDowell Heights Addition, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$2,821.12, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and costs thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by **HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL** as Plaintiffs, against **Terry W. Sawyers and Nancy T. Rando**, as Defendant(s), by petition filed on the 16th DAY OF AUGUST, 2005, in a certain suit styled **HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. TERRY W. SAWYERS and NANCY T. RANDO**, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is **4734** and the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, thereon up

to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

All parties to this suit, including Plaintiffs, Defendant(s), and intervenors, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties, and cost allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefore, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, and all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file in said causes by all other parties herein, and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.

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#4731 October 2 & 9, 2005

Tomorrow's Horoscope

Annie's Mailbox

Dear Annie: My son, "Stevie," is 5 years old, and he just started kindergarten. The problem is, he is still sleeping in our bed, and it's his father's fault. My husband wants him with us. When we remodeled Stevie's bedroom, our son started sleeping in his own bed, but my husband kept saying, "Don't you want to sleep with Mommy and Daddy?"

I tried telling Stevie that he has to sleep in his own bed before he starts school, and he said, "No, I don't. Daddy says I can sleep with you guys as long as I want." When I discuss this with my husband, he insists that we only get a short time to enjoy our children when they are small. He figures when Stevie is a teen, he will lock himself in his bedroom, so we may as well have him with us as long as we can.

Now the problem has become compounded. Our daughter is 3 years old and sleeps in her own room. When she gets up at night to go potty, she sees the three of us sleeping together, so naturally, she wants to join in. Something's gotta give. Please help. — Bed's Too Crowded in Pennsylvania

Dear Too Crowded: How's your sex life? Is it possible your husband is using Stevie's presence to avoid intimacy? If that's the case, you need to discuss it. If that is not what's going on, then your husband is simply being selfish.

Parents sometimes do not realize the harm they do their children in an effort to cling to them. One of the greatest gifts a parent can give a child is the tools to become independent. If you want what is best for Stevie, you and your husband should encourage him to sleep in



KATHY MITCHELL
MARCY SUGAR

his own room, which now will take more effort than it should have. He's a big boy. Allow him to be proud of it.

Dear Annie: I recently visited a coffee shop at a local mall. I noticed two handwritten signs next to an oversized tip container. One sign read, "We are not cheap, you shouldn't be either." The other had a drawing of a familiar cartoon character and said, "This show is brought to you in part by the letters T-I-P-S."

If I hadn't already placed my order, I would have left. All the employee did was hand me a plastic-wrapped muffin and a cup of coffee, to which I added the cream and sugar myself.

I find these signs offensive and tacky. Are the people who work behind the counters horribly underpaid, or are they just greedy? — Albany, N.Y.

Dear Albany: According to Peggy Post, you are under no obligation to leave a tip in a countertop tip jar. Most such workers receive adequate base salaries. You may want to slip something into the jar, however, if you feel the server has been especially friendly or has provided some additional service to you.

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