

BIG SPRING HERALD

COPYRIGHT 2000

"Reflecting a Proud Community"

50 CENTS DAILY/\$1.25 SUNDAY

TUESDAY

May 16, 2000

WEATHER

Tonight:



TONIGHT 65°-70° WEDNESDAY 85°-90°

First of two district court trials under way

The first of two trials scheduled this week in 118th District Court got under way with testimony today.

David Heredia Nieto, 27, of Big Spring went on trial today for attempted burglary of a habitation and burglary of a habitation with commission of a felony.

A six-man, six-woman jury was seated Monday for the trial, which is being heard before District Judge Robert A. Moore. Howard County District Attorney Hardy Wilkerson is prosecuting the case. Nieto is being represented by defense attorney Don Richard.

A jury was also selected Monday for the trial of Jerry McCain, 37, of Odessa. McCain goes on trial Thursday on charges of driving while intoxicated, third offense. Assistant District Attorney Robin Orr will be trying that case.

Blood drive set Wednesday in Coahoma

A blood drive is planned from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday in the Coahoma Community Center.

It is sponsored by the Coahoma Lions Club and donors may call 394-4277. Walk-ins are also welcome.

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

□ Big Spring Art Association, 7 p.m., Library annex, 500 main, Community room.

□ Big Spring Chapter No. 67, Order of the Eastern Star meeting, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Lodge, 219 Main.

WEDNESDAY

□ Optimist Club, 7 a.m., Howard College Cactus Room.

□ Senior Circle Big Spring Mall walkers meet 9:15 a.m. in front of movie theater box office.

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

□ Line dancing, 1 p.m., Senior Citizens Center, Industrial Park.

□ Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 West Third.

INSIDE TODAY...

Abby	9
Classified	8-9
Comics	10
Horoscope	9
Nation	5
Obituaries	2
Opinion	4
Sports	6-7
Texas	3

Vol. 97, No. 171

To reach us, please call 263-7331. Office hours are 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. If you miss your paper, please call 263-7335 before 7 p.m. on weekdays and 11 a.m. on Sunday.



State Rep. David Counts helps MHMR client Rita Rea adjust to the computer at the Vo-Tech Resources Center.

New computer lab viewed at Vo-Tech Resources

By LYNDLE MOODY
Staff Writer

State Rep. David Counts toured the new computer lab of the West Texas Centers for MHMR Howard County Vo-Tech Resources Center Monday.

"The computers were excess computers from state agencies and they have never been used for a more important cause," Counts said. "You can see their face light up when

they see they can do what everybody else can do on a computer."

Vo-Tech Resources moved into its new location in the College Park Shopping Center about a month ago.

The larger space allows room for a computer learning center for Vo-Tech Resources clients.

"Without the help of the Moore Board (Moore Development For Big Spring Board), we wouldn't have the building, and without David's help we

would not have the equipment," said Shelley Smith, CEO of West Texas Centers for MHMR.

Moore Development contributed \$55,000 to the remodeling project of the former Eckart Drug Store into the resource center.

Counts became aware of the need for computers to assist with training modules at the Vo-Tech Resources location both in Snyder and Big Spring and was able to secure 10 complete IBM personal

Computer systems through the Texas Legislative Council.

"Representative Counts really goes out of his way to support the services we provide and more importantly, he is a true advocate for people with disabilities," Smith said.

Vo-Tech Resources provides a range of training from daily independent living skills to vocational services, supported employment and competitive employment.

Community gathers to honor its peace officers

By CARL GRAHAM
Staff Writer

Members of the Big Spring community came to Municipal Auditorium Monday to pray for area law enforcement officers and honor those across the United States that have given their lives in the line of duty.

State Rep. David Counts (D-Knox City) and First Baptist Church Pastor Eddie Tubbs read the names of 142 law enforcement officers from across the United States who died over the past year. While their names were being read, Boy Scouts Erin Partee and Jeff Stanley from Troop 401 candles representing each fallen officer.

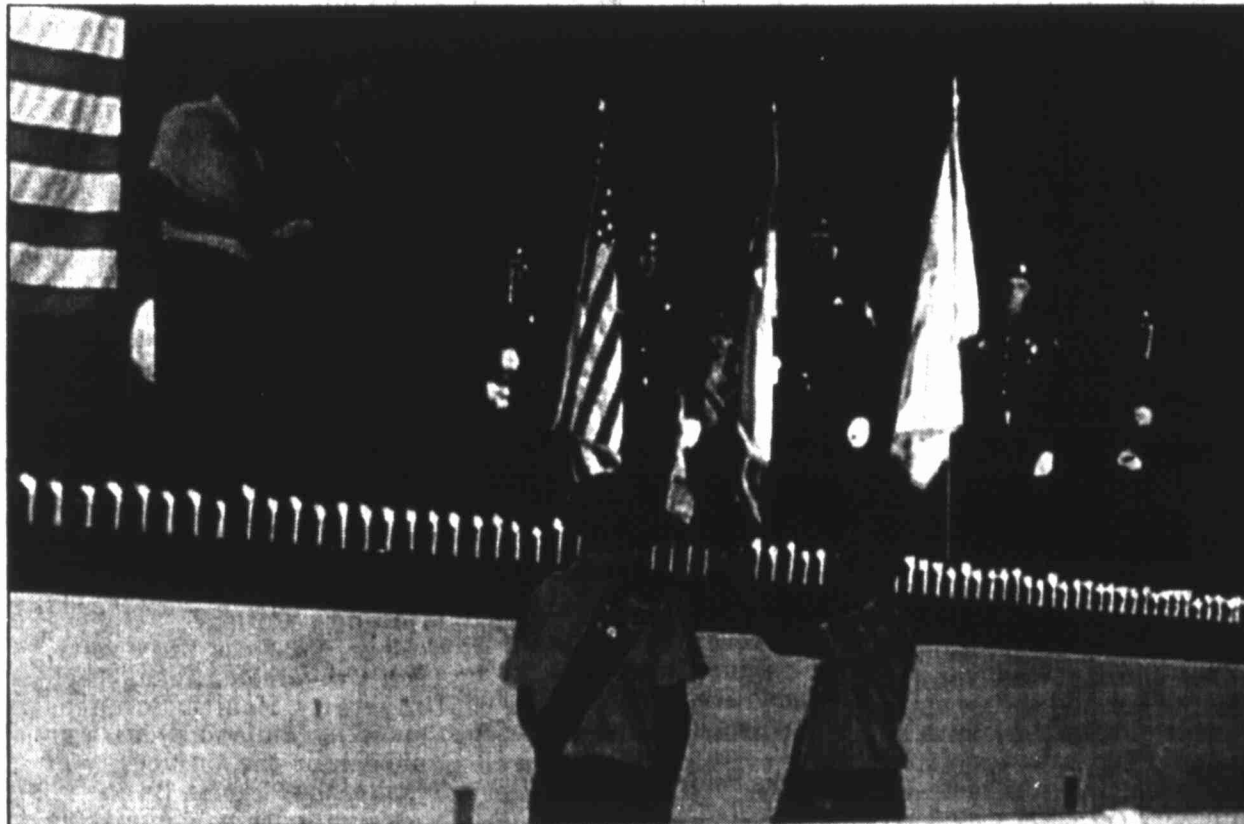
Earlier, Big Spring Mayor Russ McEwen gave a prayer of thanksgiving for the men and women charged with the task of keeping the peace.

In an emotional moment for everyone, Tricia Cauble, sister of the late Department of Public Safety Trooper Troy Hogue, read a letter from the family of the slain officer. Trooper Hogue was killed on Dec. 30, 1994, while investigating a one-car accident near the Salem Road exit east of Big Spring.

"I can still remember when Troy was just a kid, he would wait to see if Santa would bring him his usual order for a set of guns," said Cauble.

"He loved to watch Gunsmoke and when Marshal Matt Dillon would do his draw, Troy would draw as well, trying to beat him to the draw. Sometimes he would win, sometimes he would lose."

Cauble read several letters



While Pastor Eddie Tubbs and State Rep. David Counts read the names of the 142 law enforcement officers who lost their lives last year in the line of duty, Boy Scouts from Troop 401, Erin Partee, left, and Jeff Stanley light candles that represented each one.

that Troy's wife and family have received since his untimely death over five years ago.

A bouquet of flowers, was given by Cauble and Pastor Roger Huff to the wife of DPS Trooper Shown Parker, Gayann, who organized the event.

Others offering their prayer and testimony were the Rev. Michael Willard, pastor of Mount Bethel Baptist Church; Mark Raley of the San Angelo Police Department; and Cpl.

John Leubner of the Big Spring Police Department.

Raley addressed the police officers, telling them to not go out into the streets alone, but to go with God, who would give them protection.

Huff, president of the Howard County Ministerial Fellowship, closed the ceremony by leading the congregation in "Amazing Grace."

Afterward, an emotional Counts said he felt humbled to be asked to be a part of the pro-

gram.

"I feel so humbled that I was asked to be here and be a part of this," said Counts. "I am just emotionally drained. The words of Troy Hogue's sister were real. She wasn't someone we couldn't connect with."

Counts said it felt good to have an occasion like the one Monday night, "to not only honor those that have fallen, but to honor those that are here around us that protect us that we might sleep."

Public workshop slated in Big Spring May 24 during Mental Health Month

By GINA GARZA
Staff Writer

May is Mental Health Month, and West Texas Centers for Mental Health Mental Retardation (MHMR), along with Shannon Behavioral Health Services and Howard College, is co-sponsoring a workshop called "Mental Health Matters."

The workshop is scheduled May 24 in the East Room of Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, starting at 9 a.m. and continuing until 3 p.m. No lunch is provided but a lunch break will be given.

"This is a workshop dealing with general mental health problems and issues," said

Shannon Nabors, area adult mental health director for West Texas Centers for MHMR.

Richard Nongard, M.A., licensed marriage and family therapist, will be the leader of the workshop.

The course will offer practical, realistic intervention ideas and solutions for making changes, organizers said. It will also address such disorders as depression, anger, anxiety, suicide, violence, stress and substance abuse.

Other issues the course will offer include:

- Brief therapy techniques that work to make progress toward change and overcome lack of time and resources.
- How to maximize client resistance and ending denial.

• Strategies for reducing client resistance and ending denial.

• Professional self-care plans for managing personal frustration and stress.

There will be resource materials available such as workbooks and screening tools for \$14 each.

West Texas Centers for MHMR serves 23 counties, including Andrews, Borden, Dawson, Fisher, Gaines, Garza, Glasscock, Howard, Kent, Loving, Martin, Mitchell, Nolan, Reeves, Runnels, Scurry, Terrell, Terry, Upton, Ward, Winkler and Yoakum.

Cost of the workshop is \$35 and is approved for continuing education credit. For more information or to register, call (915) 659-7109.



Travis Wallace, left, and Jackie Alvarez enjoy the bean bag toss at the Anderson Kindergarten Field Day on Friday.

Letter carriers drive nets more than 8,000 pounds for local food bank

By CARL GRAHAM
Staff Writer

The National Association of Letter Carriers held its annual food drive for the West Texas Food Bank Saturday and according to local Postmaster Richard Saxton, everything went great.

"We want to say a big thank you to all of our customers who left their canned goods out so that we could pick them up," said Saxton. "Despite it being such a busy weekend with Relay For Life and other things, we picked up over 8,000 pounds of food, an increase over last year's 6,700 by 19 percent."

Saxton said the drive was possible only through the support of the entire county.

"I need to acknowledge our

folks for all putting in a long, hard day Saturday," said Saxton. "Our clerks, letter carriers, highway contractors, just the whole staff was available."

Elizabeth Wallace, West Texas Food Bank Director, was elated with the success of the drive.

"We appreciate getting all the little notes with the pick-up of the canned goods," said Wallace. "A lot of people were thanking us for doing this drive when we should be the one thanking them. Without them, the drive would not have been possible and we would not have the over 8,000 pounds of food that the letter carriers collected. This will get us through the summer and into late



The West Texas Food Bank is still busy cleaning and sorting more than 1,800 pounds of food brought in Saturday from the National Association of Letter Carriers annual food drive. Sorting and cleaning are, from left, Elizabeth Wallace, supervisor for the food bank; Marty Thurston, volunteer; Wayne Lovell, truck driver for food bank; and Patsy Powell, part-time food bank employee.

HERALD photo/Carl Graham

See FOOD DRIVE, Page 2

MAY 16 2000

OBITUARIES

Cleo A. Henson

Funeral service for Cleo A. Henson, 95, Stanton, will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 17, 2000, at Belvue Church of Christ in Stanton with Van Pendergrass of Downtown Church of Christ officiating. Burial will follow at Evergreen Cemetery.

Ms. Henson died on Monday, May 15, 2000, in a Stanton nursing home.

She was born on Aug. 25, 1904, in Bell County where she grew up. She lived in California for many years before coming to Stanton in 1984. She was a member of Belvue Church of Christ.

Survivors include: a brother, Lynn Henson of Tarzan; a sister, Eldora Stephen of Smithville; and several nieces and nephews.

Arrangements are under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home.

Roy M. Peet

Roy M. Peet, 84, of Big Spring, died on Sunday, May 14, 2000, at his residence.

Graveside funeral service will be at 2 p.m.

Wednesday, May 17, 2000, at Trinity Memorial

Park with Dr. Ed Williamson,

pastor of First United Methodist Church, officiating.

He was born on April 25, 1916, in Colorado.

Mr. Peet came to Big Spring in 1960, and worked for Estah's Flowers until opening Inland Port in 1969. He owned and operated Inland Port for 31 years. He was an avid gardener, which was the love of his life, and loved anything pretty.

He was a Methodist and had served in the Army Air Corps.

Survivors include: his close friends, Maria Hoag and Betty Pearson, both of Big Spring, Pat and Jack Rogers of Cloudcroft, N.M., and Iris McGlothlin of Big Spring; and many other friends.

Honorary pallbearers will be Q.T. Coats Jr., Jake Glickman, Allen Pearson, Russell Keller, George King, Jack Rogers and all other friends.

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

Paid obituary

Christine Bigby

Christine Bigby, daughter of William M. and Coral E. Preston Hanson, was born Nov. 21, 1900, in Glasscock County.

She departed this life Monday, May 15, 2000, in her daughter's home in Mansfield, Mo., at the age of 99, five months and 24 days.

On March 31, 1921, she was united in marriage to William A. Bigby and to this union one daughter and one son were born.

She was preceded in death by

her parents, her husband, William, on Dec. 22, 1961, a son, James L. Bigby, a brother, Chester Hanson, and four sisters, Maude Hanson, Phoebe Clark, Edith "Tump" McDaniel and Kathrine Heath.

Christine is survived by: a daughter, Billie Clements of Mansfield, Mo.; a daughter-in-law, Patricia Bigby of Bolivar, Mo.; four granddaughters, Linda Casey and her husband, Robert, of Burkburnett, Brenda Long of Colorado Springs, Colo., Pamela Holt of Bolivar, Mo., and Patti Olive and her husband, Steven, of Seymour, Mo.; two grandsons, Jim Bigby and his wife, Jerri Beth, of Bolivar, Mo., and Bill Clements, of Mansfield, Mo.; 11 great-grandchildren, 13 great-great-grandchildren; a brother, L.H. "Bud" Hanson of Midland; a number of nieces and nephews; as well as a host of other relatives and friends.

She was born and raised in Glasscock County. After she and William were married, they made their home on their ranch in West Texas and lovingly raised their children.

Besides helping in the operation of the ranch, Christine was also a devoted homemaker to her husband and family.

Following William's passing, Christine took on the full responsibility of the ranch and continued to operate it until moving to Mansfield, Mo. about 30 years ago.

Christine was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Garden City.

She was a lifetime member of the American Legion Auxiliary, as she was the widow of a World War I veteran.

In her spare time she enjoyed sewing, painting, quilting and traveling, and particularly liked visiting the Branson area. Her family was very important to her and she greatly loved spending time with them.

Christine was a loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, great-great-grandmother, sister, and aunt, and was a caring neighbor and friend. She will be fondly remembered and greatly missed, but the wonderful memories she created for her family and friends will live on forever.

Funeral service will be at 2 p.m., Thursday, May 18, 2000, at Holman-Howe Chapel, Mansfield, Mo., with the Rev. Kenneth Morris officiating. Burial will follow at the Mansfield Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Clint Berry, Bobby Casey, Gene Long, Jim Bigby, Damon Holt and Justin Thurman.

Honorary pallbearers will be, Robert Casey, Bill Clements, Steven Olive and Jason Whitaker.

Paid obituary

Dan W. Smith

Funeral service for Dan W. Smith, 59, Big Spring, is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Mr. Smith died Monday, May 15, 2000, at his residence.

He was preceded in death by

his parents, her husband, William, on Dec. 22, 1961, a son, James L. Bigby, a brother, Chester Hanson, and four sisters, Maude Hanson, Phoebe Clark, Edith "Tump" McDaniel and Kathrine Heath.

Christine is survived by: a daughter, Billie Clements of Mansfield, Mo.; a daughter-in-law, Patricia Bigby of Bolivar, Mo.; four granddaughters, Linda Casey and her husband, Robert, of Burkburnett, Brenda Long of Colorado Springs, Colo., Pamela Holt of Bolivar, Mo., and Patti Olive and her husband, Steven, of Seymour, Mo.; two grandsons, Jim Bigby and his wife, Jerri Beth, of Bolivar, Mo., and Bill Clements, of Mansfield, Mo.; 11 great-grandchildren, 13 great-great-grandchildren; a brother, L.H. "Bud" Hanson of Midland; a number of nieces and nephews; as well as a host of other relatives and friends.

She was born and raised in Glasscock County. After she and William were married, they made their home on their ranch in West Texas and lovingly raised their children.

Besides helping in the operation of the ranch, Christine was also a devoted homemaker to her husband and family.

Following William's passing, Christine took on the full responsibility of the ranch and continued to operate it until moving to Mansfield, Mo. about 30 years ago.

Christine was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Garden City.

She was a lifetime member of the American Legion Auxiliary, as she was the widow of a World War I veteran.

In her spare time she enjoyed sewing, painting, quilting and traveling, and particularly liked visiting the Branson area. Her family was very important to her and she greatly loved spending time with them.

Christine was a loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, great-great-grandmother, sister, and aunt, and was a caring neighbor and friend. She will be fondly remembered and greatly missed, but the wonderful memories she created for her family and friends will live on forever.

Funeral service will be at 2 p.m., Thursday, May 18, 2000, at Holman-Howe Chapel, Mansfield, Mo., with the Rev. Kenneth Morris officiating. Burial will follow at the Mansfield Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Clint Berry, Bobby Casey, Gene Long, Jim Bigby, Damon Holt and Justin Thurman.

Honorary pallbearers will be, Robert Casey, Bill Clements, Steven Olive and Jason Whitaker.

Paid obituary

MYERS & SMITH

FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

Nola Wood, 88, died Saturday. Services are 2:00 PM today at 1st Church of God. Burial in Trinity Memorial Park.

Dan W. Smith, 59, died Monday. Services are pending.

NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH

Funeral Home

Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory

906 Gregg St. (915) 267-6331

Roy M. Peet, 84, died Sunday. Graveside services will be 2:00 PM Wednesday at Trinity Memorial Park.

Big Spring Herald ISSN 0746-6811 USPS 0555-940 Daily except Saturday.

BY THE MONTH HOME DELIVERY: Evenings and Sunday, \$6.95 monthly; \$83.42 yearly (includes 10% discount for yearly).

MAIL SUBSCRIPTIONS: \$12.50 monthly; \$125.00 annually. The Herald is a member of the Associated Press, Audit Bureau of Circulation, American Newspaper Association and West Texas Press. Periodicals postage paid at Big Spring, Texas, 79729-0988.

POSTMASTER: Send change of address to: Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas, 79729.

Big Spring Herald ISSN 0746-6811 USPS 0555-940 Daily except Saturday.

BY THE MONTH HOME DELIVERY: Evenings and Sunday, \$6.95 monthly; \$83.42 yearly (includes 10% discount for yearly).

MAIL SUBSCRIPTIONS: \$12.50 monthly; \$125.00 annually. The Herald is a member of the Associated Press, Audit Bureau of Circulation, American Newspaper Association and West Texas Press. Periodicals postage paid at Big Spring, Texas, 79729-0988.

POSTMASTER: Send change of address to: Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas, 79729.

Big Spring Herald ISSN 0746-6811 USPS 0555-940 Daily except Saturday.

BY THE MONTH HOME DELIVERY: Evenings and Sunday, \$6.95 monthly; \$83.42 yearly (includes 10% discount for yearly).

MAIL SUBSCRIPTIONS: \$12.50 monthly; \$125.00 annually. The Herald is a member of the Associated Press, Audit Bureau of Circulation, American Newspaper Association and West Texas Press. Periodicals postage paid at Big Spring, Texas, 79729-0988.

POSTMASTER: Send change of address to: Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas, 79729.

Big Spring Herald ISSN 0746-6811 USPS 0555-940 Daily except Saturday.

BY THE MONTH HOME DELIVERY: Evenings and Sunday, \$6.95 monthly; \$83.42 yearly (includes 10% discount for yearly).

MAIL SUBSCRIPTIONS: \$12.50 monthly; \$125.00 annually. The Herald is a member of the Associated Press, Audit Bureau of Circulation, American Newspaper Association and West Texas Press. Periodicals postage paid at Big Spring, Texas, 79729-0988.

POSTMASTER: Send change of address to: Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas, 79729.

Big Spring Herald ISSN 0746-6811 USPS 0555-940 Daily except Saturday.

BY THE MONTH HOME DELIVERY: Evenings and Sunday, \$6.95 monthly; \$83.42 yearly (includes 10% discount for yearly).

MAIL SUBSCRIPTIONS: \$12.50 monthly; \$125.00 annually. The Herald is a member of the Associated Press, Audit Bureau of Circulation, American Newspaper Association and West Texas Press. Periodicals postage paid at Big Spring, Texas, 79729-0988.

POSTMASTER: Send change of address to: Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas, 79729.

FOOD DRIVE

Continued from Page 1

November to early December." Wallace said that there were still some food coming in today that would add to the total collected over the weekend. She said though the drive was a one-day event, residents may still bring their canned items into the food bank at 1208 East Third St.

Five rescued at North Pole 12 hours after biplane sank

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — Five stranded travelers, including famed pilot Dick Rutan, were rescued from the North Pole about 12 hours after their Russian-designed biplane landed and then sank through the ice, the Coast Guard said today.

The group boarded a commercial plane late Monday and arrived early this morning at Eureka, Nunavut, Canada, a small settlement in the Queen Elizabeth Islands west of Greenland. Another plane hired by their families was going to transport them back to Alaska.

"Everybody's safe and sound, no injuries," said Lt. Kevin Dunn, who helped arrange the rescue with Canadian officials.

The travelers had been stranded about a mile from the North Pole on the North American side. Among the group was Rutan of Mojave, Calif., who became famous in 1986 as one of the two-person crew who made the first flight around the world without stopping or refueling.

The five aboard the An-2 biplane were traveling with a single-engine Cessna 185, with two people aboard.

The planes left Anchorage on May 8 and stopped in Fairbanks before heading to the North Pole. They arrived Thursday and spent about an hour on the ice, before setting off for Spitsbergen, Norway. They spent the weekend in Spitsbergen before heading back.

"We can't claim to be on a scientific expedition," said Lee Wareham, the Cessna pilot. "We just felt like going to the North Pole."

Wareham was able to land his small plane and take off again before the ice began breaking up. The larger biplane couldn't get turned around in time for takeoff before it began sinking.

Everyone aboard was able to get off safely and had enough gear to camp out on the ice for about a week. The temperature was about zero degrees.

BRIEFS

A BLOOD DRIVE IS planned Wednesday, May 17 from 4-8 p.m. in the Coahoma Community Center. It is sponsored by the Coahoma Lions Club and donors may call 394-4277. Walk-ins are also welcome.

WESTERN HILLS ANIMAL CLINIC will be offering animal vaccination shots on Thursday from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Forsan City Fire Station.

TO RECOGNIZE NATIONAL PET WEEK, local veterinarians are offering free male cat castration to cut down on unwanted kittens and reduce the spread of disease.

Highland Animal Hospital and Sierra Animal Clinic are

offering the service this week. Appointments are needed, and some vaccinations may be required.

Call Highland, 267-8291, or Sierra at 263-1198, for more information.

door. Call 267-2769.

"Most Excellent Way," an addiction support group, 3610 Dixon, call 264-9900.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting at 8 p.m. closed meeting.

Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas will have Dr. Ronald Meyer, D.Min., ECDC, LMFT, specializing in individual and marriage counseling, Attention Deficit Disorder and chemical dependency, available for clients in Midland. Appointments for counseling services are made by calling 1-800-329-4144.

Narcotics Anonymous, 6 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 268-4189 (pager no.)

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

THE PERMIAN BASIN AREA Foundation announced that applications for the Marie Hall Scholarships are available for distribution to students in the area.

Scholarship awards, ranging generally from \$250 to \$1,500 per semester, are available to students of any academic pursuit. Recipients must attend one of the following colleges or universities: Angelo State University, Howard College, Midland College, Odessa College, Sul Ross University, Tech University, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in Midland, Odessa or Lubbock or the University of Texas of the Permian Basin.

An application is available contacting the financial aid office of the college. Deadline to return the application is May 31.

VOLUNTEER SEARCH AND RESCUE team will have an organizational meeting from 2 to 3 p.m. Sunday, May 21, at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Board Room.

Anyone interested in serving in any capacity on the team is welcome to attend. Personnel are needed to assist with all aspects of search and rescue especially water rescue, medical personnel, equestrian units and many other volunteer services.

Representatives from local emergency management services are invited and encouraged to attend. For more information contact Casey Clark, 264-9623.

TEXAS LOTTERY Pick 3: 2,6,2

Cash 5: 4,10,16,22,27

Lottery numbers are unofficial until confirmed by the state lottery commission.

charge of public intoxication.

WELDON MICHAEL GIBBS, 21, no address given, was arrested on charges of driving while license invalid and driving while intoxicated.

ASSAULT was reported in the 400 block of E. Fourth.

ATTEMPTED BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported in the 200 block of West Marcy.

BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 400 block of E. 10th and in the 400 block of E. Fourth.

BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported in the Eastside.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1500 block of East Cherokee.

CLASS A ASSAULT was reported in the 1200 block of Lindbergh.

THEFT was reported in the 2300 block of Wason, in the 900 block of Willa, in the 400 block of Scurry, in the 2000 block of Gregg, in the 1200 block of E. 11th in the 1800 block of Gregg.

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activities for the week ending midnight May 14:

Aggravated assault/Family Violence, 2

Assault (Class C), 2

Assault/Family Violence, 4

Assault on Public Servant, 1

Assault By Threat, 2

Burglary of a Habitation, 1

Criminal Mischief, 13

Evading Arrest, 1

Resisting Arrest, 1

Telephone Harassment, 2

Theft (Convenience Store)

Theft (less than \$50), 1

Theft (more than \$50 but less than \$500), 3

Violation of Protective Order, 1

Available at Big Spring

Available at Big Spring

Available at Big Spring

Available at Big Spring

Available at Big Spring

Available at Big Spring

Available at Big Spring

Available at Big Spring

BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

offering the service this week. Appointments are needed, and some vaccinations may be required.

VOICES FOR CHILDREN, ALSO known as Court-Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), is seeking volunteers from the Big Spring area to serve children involved in court cases. The agency, based in Midland, serves the Big Spring area, representing the needs of children who have been removed from their homes due to allegations of abuse or neglect.

To become a volunteer, a 40-hour training session is required, as is a background check and interview. A training session will be scheduled soon.

CASA's new office is located at 201 W. Wall, Suite 909. For information, call Kari Coleman, 683-1114.

THE PERMIAN BASIN AREA Foundation announced that applications for the Marie Hall Scholarships are available for distribution to students in the area.

Scholarship awards, ranging generally from \$250 to \$1,500 per semester, are available to students of any academic pursuit. Recipients must attend one of the following colleges or universities: Angelo State University, Howard College, Midland College, Odessa College, Sul Ross University, Tech University, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in Midland, Odessa or Lubbock or the University of Texas of the Permian Basin.

An application is available contacting the financial aid office of the college. Deadline to return the application is May 31.

VOLUNTEER SEARCH AND RESCUE team will have an organizational meeting from 2 to 3 p.m. Sunday, May 21, at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Board Room.

Anyone interested in serving in any capacity on the team is welcome to attend. Personnel are needed to assist with all aspects of search and rescue especially water rescue, medical personnel, equestrian units and many other volunteer services.

Representatives from local emergency management services are invited and encouraged to attend. For more information contact Casey Clark, 264-9623.

SUPPORT GROUPS

TUESDAY

Support for MS and Related Diseases, 6:30 p.m. second Tuesday of each month, Canterbury South. Public invited. Call Leslie, 267-1069.

Al-Anon, 8 p.m., 615 Settles.

Seniors' diabetic support group, 2 p.m., Canterbury South. Call 263-1265.

Compassionate Friends support group for parents who have experienced death of a child, 7:30 p.m. first Tuesday in February, April, June, August, October and December in the Family Life Center Building, First Baptist Church, 705 West Marcy. Enter by southeast

door. Call 267-2769.

"Most Excellent Way," an addiction support group, 3610 Dixon, call 264-9900.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting at 8 p.m. closed meeting.

Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas will have Dr. Ronald Meyer, D.Min., ECDC, LMFT, specializing in individual and marriage counseling, Attention Deficit Disorder and chemical dependency, available for clients in Midland. Appointments for counseling services are made by calling 1-800-329-4144.

Narcotics Anonymous, 6 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 268-4189 (pager no.)

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

THE PERMIAN BASIN AREA Foundation announced that applications for the Marie Hall Scholarships are available for distribution to students in the area.

Scholarship awards, ranging generally from \$250 to \$1,500 per semester, are available to students of any academic pursuit. Recipients must attend one of the following colleges or universities: Angelo State University, Howard College, Midland College, Odessa College, Sul Ross University, Tech University, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in Midland, Odessa or Lubbock or the University of Texas of the Permian Basin.

An application is available contacting the financial aid office of the college. Deadline to return the application is May 31.

VOLUNTEER SEARCH AND RESCUE team will have an organizational meeting from 2 to 3 p.m. Sunday, May 21, at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Board Room.

Anyone interested in serving in any capacity on the team is welcome to attend. Personnel are needed to assist with all aspects of search and rescue especially water rescue, medical personnel, equestrian units and many other volunteer services.

Representatives from local emergency management services are invited and encouraged to attend. For more information contact Casey Clark, 264-9623.

TEXAS LOTTERY Pick 3: 2,6,2

Cash 5: 4,10,16,22,27

Lottery numbers are unofficial until confirmed by the state lottery commission.

charge of public intoxication.

WELDON MICHAEL GIBBS, 21, no address given, was arrested on charges of driving while license invalid and driving while intoxicated.

ASSAULT was reported in the 400 block of E. Fourth.

ATTEMPTED BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported in the 200 block of West Marcy.

BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 400 block of E. 10th and in the 400 block of E. Fourth.

BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported in the Eastside.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1500 block of East

Gov. Bush touts free trade, links with Mexico

AUSTIN (AP) — Shortly after he was elected governor, George W. Bush attended the inauguration of Mexican President Ernesto Zedillo. Friendship blossomed as the Texan promoted free trade and close ties.



BUSH

Now Bush, the presumptive Republican presidential nominee, cites his relationship with Mexico as one of his foreign policy credentials and extolls the benefits of the North American Free Trade Agreement despite critics' arguments that the pact hurts U.S. workers.

"NAFTA is good for Texas, it is good for Mexico, and it is important for our citizens to understand it is good for America," Bush says. With Texas accounting for nearly half the U.S. exports to Mexico, he says, "I have seen firsthand the benefits of trade and free

trade."

As a presidential candidate, he is taking his views further, favoring permanent normal trade relations with China and admitting China and Taiwan into the World Trade Organization. There, too, organized labor contends that granting China permanent normal trade status would pull jobs from the United States. A House vote on China trade is set for this month.

Vice President Al Gore, Bush's Democratic presidential rival, also favors China's entry into the WTO, permanent normal trade relations with China and the "one-China" policy currently governing U.S.-Taiwan relations.

Bush is expected to speak more about trade Wednesday in Everett, Wash., outside Seattle. He calls China a "strategic competitor," says its economic rise is inevitable and contends that by trading freely the United States can help create expectations for democracy in that country.

"If I am president, China will

find itself respected as a great power, but in a region of strong democratic alliances. It will be unthreatened, but not unchecked," Bush said last fall.

Bush's father, the former president, also was a proponent of NAFTA and normalized trade with China.

China's relationship with the United States was given annual renewals during the Bush presidency, even in 1989, the year of the Tiananmen Square crackdown on pro-democracy demonstrators.

Most of George W. Bush's trade background relates to Mexico, which shares a 1,200-mile border with Texas. Ties with Mexico have been a priority since he was elected governor in 1994.

When some Republicans would speak against Mexican immigrants, Bush would refuse to take part, said Jorge Gonzalez, chairman of the economics department at Trinity University in San Antonio. Instead, Bush built relationships with Mexico's leaders and touted free trade as a way to

create economic opportunities on both sides of the border.

"I think this has paid off very well for the state of Texas," Gonzalez said.

Trade between the United States and Mexico now totals about \$200 billion annually, and Texas accounted for almost half the \$87 billion in U.S. exports to Mexico last year, according to the Texas Department of Economic Development.

Electronic equipment comprises the largest portion, followed by transportation equipment, industrial machinery, chemicals and rubber and plastics.

Since NAFTA's passage in 1993, Texas has accounted for one of every 10 new jobs added to the U.S. economy, said Bush spokesman Scott McClellan.

But not everyone in Texas likes the effect of the trade pact, which the Texas AFL-CIO says sent thousands of jobs across the border because of lower wages. The labor group cites El Paso as the Texas city suffering the worst, with a loss of 25,000 jobs.

Debate for serial killer rages into second week

HOUSTON (AP) — Two forensic psychiatrists who examined a confessed railroad killer have made two very different conclusions about his state of mind when he killed a Houston-area physician.

One says Angel Maturino Resendiz was mentally ill. The other says he was sane.

Defense attorney Allen Tanner today is expected to grill the court-appointed doctor who wrote in a May 3 report that Maturino Resendiz suffers from a personality disorder, not acute paranoid schizophrenia, as a defense expert testified.

"People who think of themselves as magical or having the power of seeing into the future, they're not psychotic or schizophrenic. They simply have peculiar, strange, or what some may call superstitious thoughts," Dr. Ramon Laval testified Monday afternoon.

His testimony was based on three visits last month and research of the Mexican citizen's records.

Defense expert Dr. Bruce Cohen told the jury that Maturino Resendiz, 40, suffered from paranoid schizophrenia, which causes its victims to be delusional and lose touch with reality.

Laval, instead, said he believes the defendant had a deviant personality but still could discern right from wrong.

Maturino Resendiz' attorney has acknowledged his client embarked on a two-year killing spree that included the slaying of Dr. Claudia Benton in her West University Place home, but that he is innocent by reason of insanity.

Near the end of testimony Monday, prosecutor Lyn McClellan asked Laval if he thought Maturino Resendiz was sane when he stabbed, beat and raped Benton.

"He was sane," Laval replied. Maturino Resendiz is on trial for her slaying.

Maturino Resendiz' beliefs that he has supernatural powers, such as the ability to predict disasters or leave his own body, are not signals of major mental illness, Laval testified.

"However idiosyncratic, strange or weird, these are not delusions," he said.

Dr. Melissa Ferguson, another psychiatrist and director of the Harris County Mental Health-Mental Retardation Authority's jail unit, said she detected no severe mental illness upon Maturino Resendiz' arrival July 14.

He later was admitted to the jail's psychiatric ward on a suicide watch, but Ferguson said she diagnosed him with depression-related psychosis, not paranoid schizophrenia.

"I didn't see any paranoia at all," said Ferguson, who met with the defendant more than 40 times. "And at that point, I did not see any frankly delusional thought content."

She did note, however, that his thoughts seemed to revolve around "hyperreligious" subjects that indicate a personality disorder. The defense claims deluded Judeo-Christian beliefs were at the root of the killings.

The prosecution's first rebuttal witness after Tanner rested his case midday Monday was a convicted bank robber who testified that he and Maturino Resendiz counseled fellow inmates on how to plead insanity or incompetence at the Marianna Federal Corrections Institute in Florida.

Scott Mitchell Rollins, 43, who remains at a federal prison in Florence, Colo., said Maturino Resendiz even helped him make a bogus incompetence claim to try and win a new trial when they were prison mates in 1990.

"We ordered some books and read up on it," Rollins said.

Tanner implied that Rollins agreed to testify as a ploy to try an escape in Houston. Rollins denied that.

Experts warn businesses to beef up computer security

PLANO (AP) — Even after high-profile computer scourges such as the "Love Bug" virus, FBI agent Michael Morris is astounded by how little many companies are doing to protect themselves.

Many companies spend heavily on the latest anti-hacker technology, only to leave themselves vulnerable to older, simpler methods of breaking into their computers, Morris said Monday.

Further, in their zeal to avoid bad publicity that could rattle investors, many companies never report system break-ins to authorities or even to their own legal departments, according to results of a recent survey by the FBI and a private technology company.

"They're trying to keep it quiet so it doesn't hurt the bottom line," Morris said.

Morris and other experts from government and industry spoke Monday at a conference of corporate information and computer-security officials. It was one in a series of regional meetings sponsored by the federal Commerce Department and several industry groups.

Daniel Harris, a security specialist with the Aon Corp. insurance and consulting firm, said companies need to begin by deciding what parts of their system are most likely to be attacked and by controlling e-mail and its attachments.

Bruce L. Murphy, head of technology-risk services at consulting giant PricewaterhouseCoopers, warned that the next virus could be worse than this month's "Love Bug" strain, which spread through the e-mail systems of anybody who opened an attachment called

"ILOVEYOU." It clogged many e-mail systems with junk messages and attacked recipients' hard drives, deleting files. Damage estimates range into the billions.

Murphy noted that virus outbreaks are occurring more frequently and with more-damaging results. He said the "Love Bug" might have been just a test for a more vicious one to come and that the next bug might be a diversion to cover a massive financial theft or fraud over the Internet.

"If we don't take care of it, we're really going to have a serious breach and a serious outage," he said.

A recent survey by the FBI and the Computer Security Institute found that of 643 corporations and government agencies responding, 90 percent reported security breaches

within the past year and more than a third experienced significant loss or damage.

Morris, the Dallas-based FBI agent who has investigated hackers in Texas, said in addition to e-mail viruses, corporations are experiencing more high-tech theft of trade secrets by rivals and their own employees.

"In the Dallas area, we have trusted employees who are walking out the door with valuable trade secrets," he said. "With many of our companies, their most valuable asset is trade secrets."

In some cases, Morris said, companies are reluctant to erect security measures because it conflicts with their business goals.

"The more secure you are, the less easy it is to do business with other people," he said.

Available at Big Spring Mall.

Wednesday thru Sunday!

SALE! 19.99-26.99

Wrangler® rugged jeans for men & young men

Wrangler® cotton denim jeans are extra sturdy, and extra comfortable. Two great styles:

- 13MWZ cowboy-cut and 936 slim-fit boot-cut. Waist 29-42.

In indigo:

- Regular inseam, reg. 24.00, SALE 19.99.
- Long inseam, reg. 26.00, SALE 21.99.

In all other colors:

- Regular inseam, reg. 28.00, SALE 24.99.
- Long inseam, reg. 30.00, SALE 26.99.

Men's Sportswear. Available at Big Spring Mall.

Wrangler

1-800-374-1313 or log on at www.bellbottoms.com

MAY

16

2000

EDITORIAL

"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."

-FIRST AMENDMENT

Opinions expressed on this page are those of the Editorial Board of the Big Spring Herald unless otherwise indicated.

John H. Walker
Publisher

Debbie Jensen
Features Editor

John A. Moseley
Managing Editor

Bill McClellan
News Editor

OUR VIEWS

Peace officers put lives on the line for us

From shop owner to city official, school teacher to pastor, Howard County came together Monday night in tribute to peace officers everywhere. They came to pray for those men and women who have been charged with the task of protecting their safety. They came to pay their respects to the 142 officers who were killed in the line of duty last year across the United States.

It is only fitting that our community take pause to honor these individuals who face such a difficult job on a daily basis. Not only do they have to be prepared to confront life-threatening situations, they also have to deal with the day-to-day disgruntlements from their own friends and neighbors. Needless to say, when an officer, deputy or trooper pulls us over for a possible infraction, they are not seeing us in our friendliest demeanor.

At times, they have to be both counselor and rescue worker. Most times they are understaffed and under equipped. Nevertheless, they do their job and they do it well.

Too many times, we forget to tell them how much we appreciate the job they do. As State Rep. David Counts put it — without them, we would be unable to sleep at night.

Thank you, peace officers of the Crossroads Area. Though we may not always show it, we do appreciate the job you do.

OTHER VIEWS

The Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee needs to heed the old adage of "those who live in glass houses..."

That is the most apt way to describe the federal racketeering lawsuit filed earlier this month by Democrats against U.S. Rep. Tom DeLay, R-Texas.

The lawsuit alleges DeLay extorted contributions from donors and transferred the money to three non-profit groups to help fund GOP candidates. This tactic is not a partisan method. It is the

art of politics, pure and simple. If DeLay is found guilty of any wrongdoing, which seems highly improbable, the hoosegow is going to be mighty crowded with a bipartisan batch of racketeers masquerading as legislators.

It isn't difficult to determine the origin of such a frivolous lawsuit. Rather than clean up the system both parties use, Democrats played the hypocrite card in an attempt to discredit GOP leadership.

AMARILLO GLOBE-NEWS

How To Contact Us

In order that we might better serve your needs, we offer several ways in which you may contact us:

- In person at 710 Scurry St.
- By telephone at 263-7331
- By fax at 264-7205
- By e-mail at either bsherald@xroadstx.com or jwalker@xroadstx.com.

- By mail at P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79721
- Our normal hours of operation are from 7:30 a.m. until 5 p.m.
- Our offices are closed on weekends and holidays.

LETTER POLICIES

The Herald welcomes letters to the editor.

- Please:
- Limit your letters to no more than 300 words.
 - Sign your letter.
 - Provide a daytime telephone number, as well as a street address for verification purposes.
 - Letters of a political nature will not be published.
 - We reserve the right to edit letters for style and clarity.
 - We reserve the right to limit publication to one letter per 30-day period per author.
 - Letters that are unsigned or do not include a telephone number or address will not be considered for publication.
 - We do not acknowledge receipt of letters.
 - Letters from our circulation area will be given preference.
 - Letters should be submitted to Editor, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79721.

Spending just one hour in the Big Easy

A drummer with a Louis Armstrong rasp is singing for tips in an outdoor cafe.

No dummy, this drummer. No improvisational meanderings to places the tourists can't recognize. He sings only crowd-pleasers. The saints march. Bill Bailey won't come home. We're up a lazy river.

Diners can't stuff dollars into the tip jar fast enough. "Pay a bit before you split," the jar instructs. We wave our dollars and pay.

I have just one hour to kill in this beguiling, overgrown, funky city that has a lake lapping at its threshold. One lousy hour. Then, it's on to business. You might as well limit me to half a teaspoon of banana pudding, or one bar of a Hank Williams ballad. I have never figured out how people who work here get their jobs done.

But a taste of honey is better than none at all. I wolf down a muffuletta while listening to faux-Satchmo, then amble out to Decatur Street. Characters straight from the pages of John

Kennedy Toole's strange novel "A Confederacy of Dunces" are all about. Here in New Orleans, weird works.

In shop windows I see red satin underwear and pralines the size of mud puddles. You can buy anything in the Quarter, then wrap it around your neck and wear it.

It looks like rain. I hope it will rain. I love to hear the big fat drops on the leaves of the split philodendron and on the tin roofs. I like watching the splashes in the sugar cane kettle fountains in French Quarter courtyards where plumbago and monkey puzzle trees grow.

The sidewalks get steamy, and the tourists get wet.

People make much of the "energy" of cities. Most energized cities only make me tired. The opposite is true here. You slow down to match the slothful pace of the place. You loiter and linger. You make half a block, then turn around and make it all over again. Wouldn't want to miss anything.

They don't ever change the French Quarter, at least not its essence, which is a big part of the appeal. As far back as the 1920s, New Orleans passed laws that would protect the architectural distinctions of the Quarter. Thank goodness for far-sighted for eathers.

The result is, you never come

back to visit and find some beige high-rise where a beloved landmark used to sit. There may be an angel store located where a favorite bar once roared, but the exterior will look the same.

Even the showgirls have long shelf lives. Chris Owens has ruled on Bourbon for as long as I can remember. She looks like Cher's well-preserved older sister, and the crowds still seem to love her. Traditional titillation.

The first time I toured the French Quarter it was with a Baptist preacher who was married to a distant relation. He seemed more than delighted to show us his hometown's bawdy sights — at least from the car, deemed a safe distance. That cheerful pastor's tour proved, once again, that when it comes to sin in the South, New Orleans gets special dispensation.

I was just a girl then, amazed that such a wild place and its people not only existed but drew crowds. Life was not hidden, but celebrated. From the back seat of that Buick, I got a quick education.

A few years ago I drove down from Memphis to New Orleans to write about the Pope's visit. I wasn't really surprised to see that even the chief Catholic couldn't inhibit the Quarter. There were T-shirts printed

with the Pope's picture, along with raunchy instructions on how he should go about eating a crawfish. There were faithful crowds to welcome him, but business on Bourbon rocked on as usual.

I guess the Bible Belt has to have a release valve like the big pressure cookers you use for canning, and New Orleans definitely is it.

As the rest of society gets looser, you'd think the Big Easy might lose some of its naughty appeal. Wickedness is so commonplace that it's hardly worth a road trip.

After all, these days TV ads for Sears lingerie show more than Blaze Starr ever did. MTV is a continuous sex show. Song lyrics bypass suggestiveness and go straight to the hard stuff. Pornography is online and on the shelves.

But somehow, maybe out of habit, this city remains the preferred destination for debauchery. New Orleans history is squarely on the side of high jinks. When it comes to ample servings of food, fun, color, music and sin, there's no real American competition.

An hour here is worth a week almost anywhere else, and seems fuller, fatter than a regular hour. It crawls slowly, like a funeral procession, to the sound of trumpets and drums.



RHETA GRIMSLEY JOHNSON



News media failing to do duty

If I had to name one thing that is the biggest threat to America continuing as a free society, I'd have to say it's my colleagues and me — the press. We are failing in our duty.

William Randolph Hearst stated that duty succinctly some years ago:

"According to the American principle and practice the public is the ruler of the State, and in order to rule rightly it must be informed correctly."

The operative word is "correctly." It is impossible for American citizens to form intelligent judgments of their elected officials without a steady flow of correct, unbiased, unsensationalized news of their governments at all levels.

Most Americans simply do not get that from either newspapers or television. If you do, then you are one of the lucky few, and you ought to express your appreciation.

Unfortunately, the trend is toward newspapers that devote far more space to entertainment news than to their own state legislatures. Americans are far more informed about the lives of essentially useless people in the entertainment industry than they are about

the daily conduct of their elected officials.

Take this little test. Read your newspaper 365 days and, at the end of that time, ask yourself: Do I know what my congressman did during the past year? Do I know what my U.S. senators did? Do I know what important new laws my state legislature passed? Can I feel confident that I am informed as to the workings of my local government?

Thomas Jefferson keenly appreciated the necessity of a free and responsible press, but even he, in his day, became deeply depressed by its poor performance.

"At present it is disreputable," Jefferson said, "to state a fact on newspaper authority; and the newspapers of our country by their abandoned spirit of falsehood, have more effectively destroyed the utility of the press than all the shackles devised by Bonaparte."

On another occasion, he wrote to a friend, "The man who never looks into a newspaper is better informed than he who reads them; inasmuch as he who knows nothing is nearer to the truth than he whose mind is filled with falsehoods and errors. It is a melancholy truth that a suppression of the press could not more completely deprive the nation of its benefits than is done by its abandoned prostitution to falsehood."

A century later, H.L. Mencken, himself a newspaper-

man, could still say, "The average newspaper, especially of the better sort, has the intelligence of a hillbilly evangelist, the courage of a rat, the fairness of a prohibitionist boob-jumper, the information of a high school janitor, the taste of a designer of celluloid valentines, and the honor of a police-station lawyer."

Some years ago when I was on the other side of the fence and working in state government, I quickly realized that the members of the press had absolutely zero interest in the workings of government. Their attitude was that unless there is a controversy or scandal, don't wake me up.

If anything, this attitude has gotten worse. And it has a demoralizing effect on good public servants and good public officials. Of course, the press's attitude delights the bad officials. They know that the members of the press are too lazy to dig out any of their shenanigans.

Unfortunately, the news media seem to prefer propaganda campaigns to straight reporting. The political agendas of the national government and the national press are identical.

The press has become the junkyard dog of the political establishment. You'd think someone who intended to sell his soul would want more than a bone and a pat on the head, but that's probably a fair price considering the state of the souls in question.

ADDRESSES

• **BILL CLINTON**
President
The White House
Washington, D.C.

• **PHIL GRAMM**
U.S. Senator
370 Russell Office Building
Washington, 20510
Phone: 202-224-2934

• **KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON**
U.S. Senator
703 Hart Office Building
Washington, 20510
Phone: 202-224-5922

• **CHARLES STENHOLM**
U.S. Representative
17th District
1211 Longworth Office Bldg.
Washington, 20515
Phone: 202-225-6605

• **HON. GEORGE W. BUSH**
State Capital
Austin, 78701
Phone: Toll free 1-800-252-9600;
512-463-2000; fax 512-463-1849.

• **RICK PERRY**
Lt. Governor
State Capital
Austin, 78701; Phone: 512-463-0001; Fax: 512-463-0326

• **JAMES E. "PETE" LANEY**
Speaker of the House
State Capital
Austin, 78701
Phone: 800-839-2478; 512-463-3000.

• **ROBERT DUNCAN**
Senator
Texas 28th District
Citizens FCU Building
Big Spring, 79720
Phone: 268-9909; (800) 322-9538,
(512) 463-0128.

• **DAVID COUNTS**
Representative
Texas 70th District
P.O. Box 338
Knox City, 79529
Phone: (940) 658-5012.

• **JOHN CORNYN**
Attorney General
P.O. Box 12548
Austin, 78711-2548
Phone: 1-800-252-8011.

• **HOWARD CO. COMMISSIONERS**
Office — 264-2200.
• **BEN LOCKHART**, county judge —
Home: 263-4155; Office: 264-2202.

• **EMMA BROWN** — Home: 267-2649.
• **JERRY KAGONE** — 263-0724; Work
(Jerry's Barbers): 267-5471.

• **BILL CROOKER** — Home: 263-2566.
• **GARY SIMER** — Home: 263-0269;
Work (Ponderosa Nursery): 263-4441.

• **BIG SPRING CITY COUNCIL**
• **RUSSELL MCNEVEN**, Mayor — Home:
263-0907; Work (Parks Agency): 267-1413.

• **GREG BRIDSON** — Home: 267-6009;
Work (Ponderosa Restaurant): 267-7121.

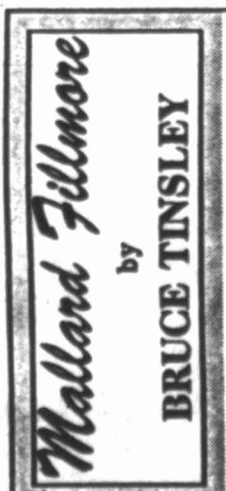
• **OSCAR GARCIA**, Mayor Pro Tem —
Home: 264-0026; Work (Cornell
Corrections): 268-1227.

• **STEPHANIE HORTON** — Home:
264-0306; Work (VA Medical Center):
263-7361.

• **CHUCK CANTON** — Home: 263-7490; Work (Chuck's Surplus): 263-1142.

• **TOMMY TUNE** — Home: 267-4652;
Work (Howard College): 264-5000.

• **JOANN SMOOT** — Home: 267-6965;
Work (BSISD): 264-3600.



Federation

WASHINGTON Federal Reserve the economy is too fast, is like aggressive inflation and best rate by a hating number of mists believe.

The record-my, now in streak of unites continues to despite five qu est rate incre since last Jun things down a Economists a the Fed, inclu Alan Gree expressed con rapid economi spark inflation "Things are s down," said Da omist with Sta DRI. "We are s strength in th the Fed feels

Sweetener

WASHINGTON Saccharin has from the federa causing chemica both smoked an been added, al holic drinks and The release M National Toxic Carcinogens de as a possible chemical, but id hand tobacco s inhaled tobacco smokeless toba carcinogens.

A statement fr Institute of Healthy Science charin was dro after new studi clear associatio sweetener and h

"Two decades charin was sho bladder tumors prudent, protect sider the sweete ly human carcin Kenneth Olden, NIEHS and Toxicology Prog

Los Alamos

LOS ALAMOS More than three Alamos was re dents Monday, that burned d raged out of c fronts, includ reservation wh have been destr

Nearly 9,000 allowed back severely damag town of 11,000, uated entirely Police Chief R they might hav out gas and e week.

The Los Alam ratory remaine

Despite the tions in Los quickly backed ing road into Pojoaque, abou north. Once t Starkovich is about waterin mowing the lay a light coating veway.

Tougher

WASHINGTON coalition of tougher standa colleges seekin their courses.

"We don't be well served w walk in off th teacher," sai president of Council for Teacher Edu other educat alternative c grams that e nesspeople or don't have e

garage door sa seen on HGTV When you pur June 30, 2000 FREE box of C Call for BOB'S WOOD 409 E 3 8:00 AM-5:00

Federal Reserve expected to boost interest rates

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Federal Reserve, worried that the economy is zooming ahead too fast, is likely to take a more aggressive stance in fighting inflation and boost a key interest rate by a half-point, a growing number of private economists believe.

The record-breaking economy, now in its longest-ever streak of uninterrupted growth, continues to speed ahead despite five quarter-point interest rate increases by the Fed since last June to try to slow things down a bit.

Economists and members of the Fed, including Chairman Alan Greenspan, have expressed concerns that too-rapid economic growth could spark inflation down the road.

"Things are sure not slowing down," said David Wyss, economist with Standard & Poor's DRI. "We are seeing continued strength in this economy and the Fed feels the strength is

becoming a little too much. We are doing too well for our own good."

Given that, many economists predict the central bank is poised to double its normal dose of anti-inflation medicine and raise its federal funds rate by one-half percentage point, instead of the usual quarter-point. That key rate governs the interest that banks charge each other on overnight loans.

The Federal Reserve's Federal Open Market Committee was to meet today to review interest rate policy. An announcement of its decision was expected by midafternoon.

A half-point boost would push the federal funds rate to 6.5 percent. Since June 30, the Fed has increased the funds rate from 4.75 percent to the current 6 percent.

Commercial banks would respond to such a half-point increase in the funds rate with a similar boost to their prime

rate, the benchmark for millions of consumer and business loans. The prime rate now stands at 9 percent and at 9.5 percent would be at its highest level in nine years.

The booming economy, which grew at a sizzling rate of 5.4 percent in the first three months of 2000, has pushed the nation's unemployment rate below 4 percent for the first time in 30 years.

Economists view such developments as signs that demand is having trouble keeping up with supply, sowing the seeds of inflation.

"Those were all flashing red signals" leading many economists and investors to forecast a half-point interest rate boost, said David Jones, economist at Aubrey G. Lanston & Co. The normal quarter-point rate increase, Jones said, would create "the perception that the Fed is falling behind the curve" in terms of fighting inflation.

The economy's expansion has managed to last so long because inflation has been dormant, allowing the central bank to let the good times roll without having to worry too much about cooling things off with higher interest rates.

But there are indications that inflation pressures are beginning to mount.

A measure of wages and benefits increased in the year's first three months at the fastest pace in eight years, seemingly a confirmation of Greenspan's repeated worries that tight labor markets will eventually translate into inflationary wage demands.

A minority of economists believe the Fed will stick with its incremental quarter-point increases today, arguing that anything larger could jolt investors not only in the United States but in countries still trying to emerge from the global financial crisis of 1997-98.

Drug shows promise for keeping alcoholics abstaining from drinking

CHICAGO (AP) — A drug designed to help alcoholics abstain from drinking showed promise in its first American test, according to researchers.

Acamprosate worked best in people who aimed to avoid alcohol entirely, rather than just cutting down, said researcher Barbara Mason of the University of Miami School of Medicine.

"It's not magic," she said. "It's not something a spouse can put in the coffee of the alcoholic in the morning and the problem will go away. It has to go hand-in-hand with having abstinence as your treatment goal."

Acamprosate is now sold in Europe, South America, Asia and elsewhere, Mason said. It is manufactured by Lipha s.a. of Lyon, France, which paid for the new study.

Mason presented the study's results Monday at the annual meeting of the American Psychiatric Association.

Dr. Anita Goodman, executive vice president of Lipha's clinical development group in the United States, said the company plans to get the drug on the American market "as soon as we can." That step, which would require federal approval, will take at least a year.

Doctors already have some drugs available to maintain

abstinence. One, disulfiram, makes a user feel nauseous and otherwise sick if he or she also uses alcohol. Another medication, naltrexone, acts on brain circuitry to reduce the desire to drink. Acamprosate acts on different brain circuitry.

Mason's six-month study involved 601 alcoholics who were treated at 21 medical centers. They were randomly assigned to take either acamprosate tablets or a placebo twice a day, starting two to 10 days after their last bout of excessive drinking.

They also received psychological treatment, education about effects of alcohol, strategies to help them cut down and quit drinking and exercises to identify what led them to drink.

Only 41 percent of the participants, or 241 people, began the study with a goal of complete abstinence, Mason said.

Of those people, those on the placebo stayed away from alcohol on 58 percent of the days they were studied. Those taking 2 grams a day of acamprosate, didn't drink on 70 percent of the days they were studied; for people on 3 grams, the figure was 73 percent.

In all, the members of the placebo group cut their weekly intake of drinks by 36 percent; the two other groups each reduced it by 40 percent.

Sweetener dropped from list of chemical cancer threats

WASHINGTON (AP) — Saccharin has been dropped from the federal list of cancer-causing chemicals, but tobacco, both smoked and dipped, have been added, along with alcoholic drinks and sunlamps.

The release Monday of the 9th National Toxicology Report on Carcinogens deleted saccharin as a possible cancer-causing chemical, but identified second-hand tobacco smoke, directly inhaled tobacco smoke and smokeless tobacco as known carcinogens.

A statement from the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences said that saccharin was dropped off the list after new studies showed "no clear association" between the sweetener and human cancer.

"Two decades ago, when saccharin was shown to produce bladder tumors in rats, it was a prudent, protective step to consider the sweetener to be a likely human carcinogen," said Dr. Kenneth Olden, director of the NIEHS and the National Toxicology Program.

But Olden said an advance in scientific understanding "allows us to make finer distinctions today. ... In other words, with better science we can now make a better call."

Studies now show that laboratory rat bladder tumors once linked to saccharin are "not relevant to the human situation," Olden said, adding that decades of human saccharin use "adds to our confidence."

Saccharin previously had received a clean bill of health from such groups as the American Cancer Society, the American Medical Association, the American Dietetic Association and the American Diabetes Association.

The carcinogen report also delisted ethyl acrylate, a chemical used in the manufacture of latex paints and textiles. It had been listed in 1989 as "reasonably anticipated to be a human carcinogen." A review of lab studies showed the chemical caused cancer in rats only when it was fed to the animals in high concentrations. Human expo-

sure in such a way, the report said, "is unlikely."

The report, which identifies a total of 218 cancer threats, formally endorses years of scientific studies that have linked cancer with tobacco.

Additions to the list of "known human carcinogens" include environmental, or secondhand, tobacco smoke; directly inhaled tobacco smoke and smokeless tobacco. New items on the list also include alcoholic beverages; sunlamps and sunbeds, and six industrial chemicals and dyes.

Also added to the list was tamoxifen. Although it fights breast cancer, the drug also increases the risk of uterine cancer.

Seven chemicals, including diesel exhaust particulates, were added as substances "reasonably anticipated to be human carcinogens." The other additions to this list are industrial chemicals.

Linking saccharin to cancer originated with 1977 laboratory studies in which male rats fed

huge doses of the sweetener developed bladder tumors. Some compared the dosage to a human drinking 800 cans of diet soda daily for a lifetime.

The studies led the Food and Drug Administration call for a ban on saccharin, but Congress in 1977 placed a moratorium on the FDA ban. Congress did pass legislation requiring all saccharin products to carry a label warning that the sweetener "may be hazardous to your health" because it caused cancer in lab animals.

The 1981 Report on Carcinogens first listed saccharin as an "anticipated human carcinogen."

But human studies soon began to question the dangers of the sweetener and in 1991, the FDA withdrew its proposed ban.

With the delisting from the carcinogen report, saccharin supporters will next ask Congress to remove the warning label, said Keith Keeney of the Calorie Control Council.

Los Alamos fire burns Indian land

LOS ALAMOS, N.M. (AP) — More than three-quarters of Los Alamos was reopened to residents Monday, while the fire that burned down 260 homes raged out of control on other fronts, including an Indian reservation where historic sites have been destroyed.

Nearly 9,000 residents were allowed back into the less-severely damaged parts of this town of 11,000, which was evacuated entirely on Wednesday. Police Chief Rich Melton said they might have to get by without gas and electricity for a week.

The Los Alamos nuclear laboratory remained closed.

Despite the primitive conditions in Los Alamos, traffic quickly backed up on the winding road into the city from Pojoaque, about 15 miles to the north. Once back home, Bill Starkovich immediately set about watering his flowers, mowing the lawn and sweeping a light coating of ash off his driveway.

"I wanted to make the house look nice for my wife," he said.

The gigantic blaze, with an 89-mile perimeter, was burning into a canyon Monday on the edge of an Indian reservation, where tribal fire spokesman Alvin Warren said it destroyed some "culturally sensitive archaeological sites" over the weekend. He did not elaborate.

So far firefighters have managed to keep the flames away from the tribal homes at the Santa Clara Pueblo, where about 1,500 people live. However, the fire came within a quarter-mile of cliff dwellings in a popular hunting and fishing area about 15 miles northeast of Los Alamos.

In all, the 44,000-acre blaze was 35 percent contained. More than 1,500 firefighters worked furiously to surround it.

"Any time they see a plume of smoke, it will be attacked vigorously," fire spokesman Jim Paxon said. "Today, we're mopping up and holding the line." But Paxon warned: "This does

not mean the total threat of fire to Los Alamos is gone. It's diminished."

The main worry was the National Weather Service's forecast of wind gusting to 50 mph Tuesday. Firefighters have said it may be more than a week before other evacuees can return and weeks before the blaze is out.

The wind was at 50 mph when the fire, which was set by the government to clear brush, first jumped into Los Alamos on Wednesday, forcing the evacuation of a total of 25,000 people.

Seven thousand residents of suburban White Rock were allowed back home Sunday, and Los Alamos Fire Chief Doug MacDonald said officials were sure there would be no problem in reopening 80 percent of Los Alamos while the fire continued to burn Monday.

"We feel confident or we would not make the recommendation to come back," he said. "We evacuated once and we don't want to evacuate twice."

Tougher standards proposed on college prep programs

WASHINGTON (AP) — A coalition of educators wants tougher standards for teachers' colleges seeking endorsement of their courses.

"We don't believe children are well served when anyone can walk in off the street and be a teacher," said Arthur Wise, president of the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education. He and other educators are cool to alternative certification programs that enlist former businesspeople or other experts that don't have extensive teacher

training.

The council unveiled a list of standards Monday the nation's roughly 1,300 teacher-college programs would have to meet before receiving its seal of approval.

Instead of showing what classes are taught, colleges would have to prove their graduates are good teachers to earn accreditation, the group said. However, the plan does not specifically call for testing individual teachers for their expertise, which has had high failure rates in states like

Massachusetts.

Critics of the council say the group does little more than keep the status quo. Teachers, for example, are not required to get specific training in a subject like algebra or chemistry, nor must they pass a universal test to become teachers.

"We believe the power of the decision of who is a qualified teacher should be made at the principal level — and for that you need to know individual scores," said Charles R. Hokanson Jr., a researcher at Thomas Fordham Foundation.

You Are Invited
Wells Fargo Bank
Texas, N.A.
Name Change Celebration
Wednesday,
May 17th, 2000
Bank Lobby
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Food, Fun, Give-aways
Join us for the Next Stage

WELLS
FARGO

400 Main Street
Big Spring, Texas

Member FDIC

WINDSOR DOOR
A United Dominion Company

No Pinch Pro Tech Door

is the ultimate in garage door safety. Model 650 as seen on HGTV®

When you purchase this door by June 30, 2000 you'll receive a FREE box of Omaha Steaks.

Call for more details

BOB'S CUSTOM WOODWORK
409 E 3RD 267-5811
8:00 AM-5:00 PM Mon.-Fri.

For A Limited Time Only!

WANTED 7 HOMES

FOR TRAINING VINYL SIDING APPLICATORS

TO APPLY HEARTLAND DUTCHLAP SUPER POLYMER VINYL SIDING OR SOFFIT & FASCIA (OVERHANG) INSULATION PACKAGE INCLUDED

Call Now

Toll Free 1-877-335-2937

AN OFFER YOU CAN'T REFUSE THESE HOMES WILL BE DONE REGARDLESS OF COST

IN BRIEF

Coahoma's Delvin White selected for all-star game

Coahoma senior Delvin White has been selected to play in the Texas Baseball Coaches Association All-Star Game scheduled for June 17 at the Ballpark in Arlington.

The fireballing Bulldogs ace is the first Coahoma player ever selected to the coaches' all-star game.



WHITE

White, who helped lead Coahoma to its sixth straight district championship and threw a two-hit shutout at Sonora's Broncos in area play-off action on Friday, was selected to the North squad's pitching staff.

Coahoma, New Deal still finalizing playoff series

New Deal's Lions and Coahoma's Bulldogs will play a best-of-three series Friday and Saturday in their Class 2A regional quarterfinal play-off.

The opening game of the series will begin at 7 p.m. at an as yet undetermined field in Lubbock.

Game 2 of the series will be played at 1 p.m. Saturday. A third game, if necessary, would start 30 minutes following the completion of Game 2. The site for those games has also not been determined.

New Deal, 18-7 on the year, reached the regional quarterfinal with a 7-1 area playoff win over Reagan County on Friday. Coahoma, 24-5, swept its area series with Sonora with 10-0 and 11-3 wins.

Camp of Champs slated to begin June 5 at BSHS

The Camp of Champs weightlifting camp at Big Spring High School will begin June 5 at the BSHS Athletic Training Center.

The camp is designed for youngsters in grades 5-8. For more information, call Ricky Long at 263-0519 or the Big Spring High School athletic department at 264-3662.

Softball tournament set for June 9-11 in Stanton

A challenge men's softball tournament has been scheduled for Friday through Sunday, June 9-11, in Stanton. The tournament will feature one to six home run per game challenges, the lowest prevailing.

The deadline for entries is 7 p.m. Thursday, June 8.

For more information, call Mike Martinez at 756-2603, or Mack Galan at 684-5277 or 559-0134.

Coahoma Reds get back on track with 9-2 victory

After suffering their first loss of the season, Coahoma's Reds got back on track Monday with a 9-2 win over the Coahoma Rangers.

Justin Darden improved his record to 6-0, as he and Taylor Hailé combined for a three-hitter.

Blaine Kerby led the way offensively with a 3-for-3 showing at the plate, driving in four runs.

Collum McMillan also did well at the plate, reaching base on all four of his chances.

ON THE AIR

Television

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

6:35 p.m. — San Francisco Giants at Atlanta Braves, TBS, Ch. 11.

7 p.m. — Tampa Bay Devil Rays at Texas Rangers, FXS, Ch. 29.

NBA PLAYOFFS

7 p.m. — Utah Jazz at Portland Trail Blazers, TNT, Ch. 28.

9:30 p.m. — Phoenix Suns at Los Angeles Lakers, TNT, Ch. 28.

NFL PLAYOFFS

6 p.m. — Eastern Conference final, New Jersey Devils at Philadelphia Flyers, ESPN, Ch. 30.

Rodriguez homer lifts Rangers to 6-5 win over Tampa Bay

ARLINGTON (AP) — Texas manager Johnny Oates can't settle on what spot in the Rangers lineup to put Ivan Rodriguez because he excels in all of them.

"Each year, we've talked about what we want him to do. I'm about to run out of superlatives to describe him," Oates said. "It's not just his durability, but his ability to adapt his game to whatever the manager asks him to do."

Rodriguez hit a three-run homer in the eighth inning Monday night, lifting the Rangers to a 6-5 victory over the Tampa Bay Devil Rays.

"Last year, we put him in the second spot in the lineup and told him we needed for him to run a lot and try to create some scoring chances, and the next time I look up, he's stolen 15 bases," Oates said.

"This year, we put him in the No. 3

spot and told him he wouldn't be able to run as much, that he'd have to sit there. The No. 3 hitter is the best hitter on the ballclub. Not only do you expect to get on base, you have to hit the ball out of the ballpark. He does whatever you tell him to do."

In a couple of years, Oates said, Rodriguez may be playing second.

"He could be a great second baseman. He probably won't pitch, even though he's asked to. He could be a great pitcher. A couple of times, he's asked to bat left-handed, and I asked him not to."

"This year, he's on a pace to hit more home runs than Mark McGwire or Sammy Sosa. Will he? I don't know, but don't say that he can't or he will, just to show you," Oates said.

Darren Oliver (1-2) allowed four runs on five hits in seven innings for his first

win in eight starts this season. John Wetteland pitched a perfect ninth for his sixth save.

Jose Canseco, Jose Guillen and Gerald Williams homered for the Devil Rays.

Canseco's two-run homer tied it 3-3 in the top of the seventh, but the Rangers scored three times in the bottom of the inning.

"We played well, but came up short," Devil Rays manager Larry Rothschild said. "The object of the game is to win, and we've come up short a lot lately. These games need to start becoming wins and not losses."

Luis Alicea singled and Chad Curtis walked off Tampa Bay reliever Rick White (1-3) in the bottom of the eighth, and Rodriguez homered to center field to make it 6-3.

Royce Clayton's RBI single gave Texas

a 1-1 tie in the second, and his two-run homer put the Rangers up 3-1 in the fourth. Clayton's homer, his eighth of the season and third in four games, came after Devil Rays starter Dave Eiland hit leadoff hitter Mike Lamb.

"I wasn't sharp the first three or four innings," Eiland said. "I'm not going to blame it on anything. I battled through it, and the last couple of innings I felt pretty good. I don't get behind Clayton and throw him the lazy slider, we win the game."

White allowed three runs and two hits in one inning of relief.

"It took Eiland a while to settle down. He gave us six good innings. He did his job. White has been throwing well. Those things are going to happen. The timing is what you would want. But it will happen," Rothschild said.



Six Big Spring High School athletes were honored with individual awards Monday night during the annual Lady Steers Awards Banquet sponsored by the Lady Steers Booster Club. Front row, from left, are: Cathy Jaure, most valuable player in volleyball and winner of the Academic Achievement Award; Melissa Forth, most valuable player in basketball and most improved in volleyball; and LaTrisha Rollins, outstanding defensive player in basketball. Back row: Nina Evans, leadership award in volleyball, and Melissa Flenniken and Brittany Bryant, who shared most improved honors in basketball.

Philadelphia gets back into series with 107-86 demolition of Pacers

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — All of a sudden, Philadelphia is back in the series. And once again, the Indiana Pacers are perilously close to ending Larry Bird's coaching career.

First, the Milwaukee Bucks extended Indiana's first-round series to a deciding fifth game. Now, after two straight victories, the 76ers are within one game — at home on Friday — of taking the Pacers to a seventh game in the Eastern Conference semifinals.

"Now we have an opportunity to play Game 6. It's phenomenal. It's a tribute to my guys," Sixers coach Larry Brown said after a 107-86 victory Monday night. "We might not always play perfect basketball, but the effort is there. Going home, with our fans, I'm thrilled about that."

Philadelphia didn't play perfect basketball, but it was more than adequate to take care of the reeling Pacers, who were without Reggie Miller and his 25-point playoff average. Miller, suspended one game for retaliating against the 76ers' Matt Geiger in Game 4, will be back on Friday.

A seventh and deciding game, if necessary, would be back in

Indianapolis on Sunday.

"The way we played, we wouldn't have beaten them even with Reggie. We were soft," Indiana's Mark Jackson said. "All I know is we need to regroup before we find ourselves fighting for our lives again. But history tells me we're going to come out aggressive. For some reason, we're a better team when we're up 3-2 than when it's 3-1."

Bird, who will step down as coach at the end of the playoffs — win or lose — would not blame the loss on Miller's absence.

"Reggie helped us with the first wins, but we had some breakdowns tonight. We came out and lost our confidence," Bird said. "It's easy to lay the blame on someone, but it was all of us."

No team has ever come back from a 3-0 deficit to win a best-of-seven NBA series.

"The pressure is kind of on those guys," said Allen Iverson, who had 37 points for Philadelphia. "Everybody expected they would beat us. When it comes down to talent in this league, we're not at the top ... but we have more heart than anybody else in the league."

The Stars are 1-8 after losing the first two games of a series. Their only comeback was 1968 against the Los Angeles Kings.

Backed into a corner, Dallas came out checking and shooting.

The Stars had just 11 shots in the first two periods of Saturday's loss, but had nine by the end of the first period and 26 at the end of two. Colorado outshot Dallas by six in Game 1, but Dallas came in the first period with shoulders lowered, notching 25 hits to Colorado's 17.

"They did to us what we did in Game 1," Avalanche center Joe Sakic said. Dallas got the better of Colorado in the first period, but watched the effort go to waste as the Avalanche scored the first goal — just 25 seconds into the second period on a power play.

Sandis Ozolinsh found the net when his shot from about 50 feet found its way through Adam Deadmarsh's legs and Ed Belfour's pads.

It was reminiscent of Game 1, when

"We really feel like we've got a shot. We're going to bring our 'A' game, and for them to get out of there with a win, they're definitely going to have to bring their 'A' game."

The 76ers hit seven of their first eight shots and took a 15-0 lead.

"You hope to get a good start, but there's no way in the world I imagined we'd get off to that lead," Brown said. "I know they lost a great player. You can't make up for somebody of his ability not playing, but all the conversation was they didn't need him, they would win without him, so it's just a tremendous effort on our part."

Iverson hit his first three shots and had seven points during the 15-0 run. But without Miller, the Pacers had virtually no scoring besides Rik Smits, who had 14 of his team-high 15 points in the first half.

A 10-2 run pushed the lead to 29-16 at the end of the first quarter, and the 76ers kept control in the second period with a 14-2 streak.

Philadelphia pushed the lead to as many as 25 points and led 60-37 at halftime, when the Pacers left the floor to a chorus of boos.

Safe for now
Knight keeps job, but for how long?

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Now that Bob Knight knows he will stay at Indiana, the question is: How long?

Coaches and players, fans and critics all are wondering the same thing: How long before Knight chews out a ref or a player who makes a mistake or a reporter who asks a question Knight doesn't like?

How long before Knight pounds a table or throws a chair again? How long before he punches or grabs someone who baits him on the court or at some restaurant?

How long before Knight does something that's "desecrated" and "civilized," as Indiana president Myles Brand described the behavior he expects from the coach?

How long before Knight embarrasses Indiana again, as Brand said he has numerous times, and is summarily fired under the new "zero-tolerance policy?"

Knight's half-hearted apology — he said he was sorry for having a temper but not for anything he did — earned him what Brand called "one last chance" to keep his job.

But no sooner was Knight suspended for three regular-season games and fined \$30,000 Monday than he showed he had no intention of coddling critics or making peace with the press.

Rather than attend the news conference at which Brand dished out the punishment and laid down the new rules, Knight went turkey hunting in the morning and spent the afternoon at his office at Assembly Hall in Bloomington. As he left the office, reporters asked him for a comment, and Knight responded as acridly as ever:

"Why talk now when so many things have been said without ever giving me a chance to talk?"

A short time later, Knight took off for a vacation in Scotland.

Knight had plenty of chances to talk during the seven-week investigation into an allegation that he choked a player in 1997, and each time he was asked, he

refused.

He declined to talk about whether he intimidated an athletic department secretary twice, as she claimed, or whether he brandished soiled toilet paper in front of his players or fought with a former coach.

No matter what the trustees found or didn't find, Indiana player Dane Fife knows Knight will have to make some tough adjustments to keep his job.

"He can't be the same," Fife said. "He's got to be careful with reporters, and when he's on the court he can't be kicking chairs or smacking the press table."

"He's going to have to change, he's going to have to control himself and coach differently," Fresno State coach Jerry Tarkanian said.

"He can't still (challenge) players and be intense. I just take it to mean he can't do any choke holds or body slams," said Northwestern Coach Kevin O'Neill, who believes Knight will learn from this experience, but isn't likely to change his coaching style.

But experts in anger management are dubious about Knight's ability to reform his volatile personality at age 59.

"I think what I'm seeing in his behavior is that he feels genuinely remorseful for his behavior, but the test will be how well he can manage his anger in the future," said Dennis Marikis, an anger management consultant in Ohio. "The real test will be six months from now when he's got his team behind closed doors. I think that's when things change."

Indiana psychology professor David Pisoni remains skeptical. "It's very difficult for people to change their behaviors for many years," Pisoni said.

Indianapolis sports psychologist Greg Hale would like to have seen Knight take more responsibility for his behavior.

"He didn't acknowledge some of the wrongs. He just said, 'I'll do better.' In just the same way he'd expect his players to accept responsibility for an errant pass or not blocking out, I'd expect him to take responsibility."

Trustee Stephen Backer said that "ineffective action taken in

See KNIGHT, page 7A

Modano provides spark as Stars even series with Avalanche

DALLAS (AP) — After being outshot, outplayed and outplayed in Game 1, the Dallas Stars were desperate.

If Dallas came out flat again and headed into Friday's Game 3 with a two-game deficit, there would be little hope of a repeat for the Stanley Cup champions.

Instead, Modano provided the spark Monday night, scoring two goals as the Stars won their eighth consecutive Game 2 with a 3-2 victory over the Colorado Avalanche in the Western Conference finals.

The Stars have rallied from a 2-0 deficit just once in their 33-year history, and that was 32 years ago. Even with a 1-1 tie in the series, Dallas still has to win at Colorado to advance to the Stanley Cup finals, and the Avalanche are undefeated at home in six playoff games this season.

"It was desperation time on our part," said Modano, who has eight goals in the playoffs. "With the way they came out in Game 1, it was our turn to respond."

The Stars are 1-8 after losing the first two games of a series. Their only comeback was 1968 against the Los Angeles Kings.

Backed into a corner, Dallas came out checking and shooting.

The Stars had just 11 shots in the first two periods of Saturday's loss, but had nine by the end of the first period and 26 at the end of two. Colorado outshot Dallas by six in Game 1, but Dallas came in the first period with shoulders lowered, notching 25 hits to Colorado's 17.

"They did to us what we did in Game 1," Avalanche center Joe Sakic said. Dallas got the better of Colorado in the first period, but watched the effort go to waste as the Avalanche scored the first goal — just 25 seconds into the second period on a power play.

Sandis Ozolinsh found the net when his shot from about 50 feet found its way through Adam Deadmarsh's legs and Ed Belfour's pads.

It was reminiscent of Game 1, when

Dallas controlled the puck most of the game and still lost.

"When you have as many minutes in the offensive zone and nothing comes about, that is when the frustration sets in," Stars coach Ken Hitchcock said. "The energy drops."

But unlike Game 2, the Stars' intensity seemed to increase after Colorado scored.

Dallas peppered Patrick Roy with shots for the next few minutes before Modano tied it at 5:24 when he slipped a shot under Roy's pads as both were falling to the ice.

Sakic took Modano out from behind as he charged the net to rebound Brett Hull's miss, but also knocked down Roy in the process. Modano swiped it in just before hitting the ice.

Modano scored again on a power play with 1:45 left in the second, lifting a shot over Roy's glove shoulder.

Roy, the NHL's leader in career playoff wins with 119, allowed eight goals in his

previous seven playoff games.

Modano's second goal left Colorado in a tough position.

The Avalanche, already without injured defenseman Ray Bourque, lost Adam Foote 2:42 into the first period when he took a stick to the side of the head.

Foote got hit next to his right eye when Jere Lehtinen's shot caught Foote on the follow-through.

He was taken to a hospital, but was later released and waiting for the team at the airport.

Bourque, who has missed four straight games, is expected to play Friday.

"It's tough to lose Foote like that, but that is no excuse," said Peter Forsberg, who pulled Colorado to 3-2 with 5:37 left. "We have to do better than we did."

Hull gave Dallas a 3-1 lead 5:48 into the third period. Avalanche rookie defenseman Martin Skoula turned the puck over on the play when he tripped next to the net.

SPORTS EXTRA

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

American League

ANAHEIM ANGELS—Sent C Bret Hemphill outright to Edmonton of the PCL.

TEXAS RANGERS—Activated INF Frank Catalanotto from the 15-day disabled list. Sent OF Rusty Greer to Tulsa of the Texas League on a rehab assignment. Named Bobby Jones coach. Named James Byrd manager of Tulsa and Bob Miskis manager of Charlotte of the FSL.

National League

CINCINNATI REDS—Traded RHP Gene Altmann to the Milwaukee Brewers to complete the deal for OF Alex Ochoa.

SAN DIEGO PADRES—Activated OF Tony Gwynn from the 15-day disabled list. Optioned INF John Roskos to Las Vegas of the PCL.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

DETROIT LIONS—Re-signed DT Kevin Pritchett.

NEW ORLEANS SAINTS—Named James Jefferson area scout and Ricky Porter director of player development and community relations.

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS—Named Bucky Brooks and Mike Murphy area scouts.

TAMPA BAY BUCCANERS—Re-signed S Damien Robinson to a one-year contract.

AL LEADERS

BATTING—Erasmo, Anaheim, .376; Rodriguez, Seattle, .367; Thomas, Chicago, .359; Segui, Texas, .359; Martinez, Seattle, .355; Lawton, Minnesota, .353; Rodriguez, Texas, .353.

RUNS—Rodriguez, Seattle, 41; Mondesi, Toronto, 35; Rodriguez, Texas, 35; Glaus, Anaheim, 32; Colangelo, Toronto, 32; Dye, Kansas City, 31; Damon, Kansas City, 31.

RBI—Jagimi, Oakland, 46; Rodriguez, Seattle, 40; Martinez, Seattle, 40; Dye, Kansas City, 38; Ramirez, Cleveland, 37; M Vaughn, Anaheim, 35; Rodriguez, Texas, 35.

HITS—Erasmo, Anaheim, 62; Rodriguez, Texas, 54; Lawton, Minnesota, 53; Segui, Texas, 51; M Sweeney, Kansas City, 50; Kennedy, Anaheim, 48; Mates, Texas, 48; Dye, Kansas City, 48.

DOUBLES—Lawton, Minnesota, 16; Glaus, Anaheim, 15; Dye, Kansas City, 14; Thron, Boston, 13; Olerud, Seattle, 13; Daubach, Boston, 12; Fulmer, Toronto, 12; Segui, Texas, 12; Thron, Minnesota, 12; Durham, Chicago, 12; Platt, Oakland, 12; Kennedy, Anaheim, 12; Singleton, Chicago, 12; Martinez, New York, 12; Polanco, Detroit, 12; Jauer, Seattle, 12.

HOME RUNS—Jagimi, Oakland, 16; Rodriguez, Texas, 15; JoCruz, Toronto, 13; Dye, Kansas City, 13; Rodriguez, Seattle, 13; M Vaughn, Anaheim, 13; Colangelo, Toronto, 12; Cervetti, Boston, 12.

STOLEN BASES—Damon, Kansas City, 14; DeShields, Baltimore, 12; Erstad, Kansas City, 10; Mondesi, Toronto, 10; Kennedy, Anaheim, 9; Fabelo, Anaheim, 8; Jeter, New York, 8.

PITCHING (5 Decisions)—Baldwin, Chicago, 6.0, 1.000, 2.61; Nelson, New York, 6.0, 1.120, 1.25; Olerud, Seattle, 7.1, .875, 2.92; P Martinez, Boston, 6.1, .857, 1.01; Helling, Texas, 5.1, .833, 2.28; Bottalico, Kansas City, 4.1, .800, 7.04; Fassero, Boston, 4.1, .800, 3.86.

STRIKEOUTS—P Martinez, Boston, 82; CFriely, Cleveland, 60; Rodriguez, Cleveland, 50; Mussina, Baltimore, 46; O Hernandez, New York, 45; Clemens, New York, 44; Trachsel, Tampa Bay.

MAJOR LEAGUE STANDINGS

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

W L Pct. GB

Boston 23 12 .657 —

New York 22 13 .629 1

Tampa Bay 21 19 .525 4 1/2

Baltimore 16 21 .432 8

Central Division

W L Pct. GB

Chicago 21 16 .568 —

Cleveland 19 16 .543 1

Kansas City 19 19 .500 2 1/2

Minnesota 17 22 .436 5

West Division

W L Pct. GB

Oakland 21 18 .538 —

Seattle 19 17 .528 1/2

Anaheim 19 20 .487 2

Texas 18 20 .474 2 1/2

Monday's Games

Boston 8, Toronto 1

Tampa Bay 5, Oakland 6

Seattle 14, Minnesota 0

Only games scheduled

Today's Games

Kansas City (Durbin 1-2) at Oakland (Hudson 4-2), 2:35 p.m.

Detroit (Nomo 1-2) at Cleveland (Nagy 1-4), 6:05 p.m.

Boston (Wakefield 1-2) at Toronto (Painter 1-0), 6:05 p.m.

Chicago White Sox (Eldred 2-2) at N.Y. Yankees (O Hernandez 4-2), 6:05 p.m.

Tampa Bay (Trachsel 3-2) at Texas (Clark 3-2), 7:05 p.m.

Minnesota (Bergman 2-1) at

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

W L Pct. GB

Atlanta 25 12 .676 —

Montreal 19 16 .543 5

Florida 21 18 .538 5

New York 20 19 .513 6

Philadelphia 13 23 .361 11 1/2

West Division

W L Pct. GB

Cincinnati 21 16 .568 —

St. Louis 21 16 .568 —

Pittsburgh 17 19 .472 3 1/2

Houston 15 22 .405 6

Chicago 15 25 .375 7 1/2

Milwaukee 14 24 .368 7 1/2

Monday's Games

Cincinnati 4, Houston 3

Only game scheduled

Today's Games

Arizona (Johnson 7-0) at Montreal (Vazquez 3-1), 6:05 p.m.

St. Louis (An Beres 2-2) at Philadelphia (Person 3-1), 6:05 p.m.

San Diego (Hickock 0-5) at Florida (Sanchez 4-1), 6:05 p.m.

Pittsburgh (Ritchie 2-1) at Cincinnati (Bee 2-2), 6:05 p.m.

San Francisco (Ortiz 2-4) at Atlanta (Edmonds 5-1), 6:40 p.m.

Los Angeles (Brown 2-1) at Chicago Cubs (Tapani 1-4), 7:05 p.m.

3/3: Olerud, Toronto, 43.

Edmonds, St. Louis, .393; V Guerrero, Montreal, .382; Piazza, New York, .381; Vidro, Montreal, .377; DeBelt, New York, .355; Cirillo, Colorado, .352.

RUNS—Helson, Colorado, .38; Edmonds, St. Louis, .37; Bonds, San Francisco, .37; Vidro, Montreal, .34; Bagwell, Houston, .34; S Sosa, Chicago, .33; Vito, St. Louis, .32; Sfrinley, Arizona, .32.

RBI—Helson, Colorado, .41; S Sosa, Chicago, .40; Gies, Pittsburgh, .38.

NL LEADERS

BATTING—Helson, Colorado, .417;

HS BASEBALL

Biggs, Houston, 3.

HOME RUNS—Bonds, San Francisco, 15; McGwire, St. Louis, 14; Helton, Colorado, 13; S Sosa, Chicago, 13; Sfrinley, Arizona, 13; Griffey Jr., Cincinnati, 13; Edmonds, St. Louis, 13; Sheffield, Los Angeles, 12.

STOLEN BASES—Edmonds, Chicago, 14; Reese, Cincinnati, 13; Cedeno, Houston, 13; L Castillo, Florida, 10; Owens, San Diego, 10; Furcal, Atlanta, 9; BL Hunter, Colorado, 9; Goodwin, Colorado, 9.

PITCHING (5 Decisions)—RD Johnson, Arizona, 7.0, 1.000, .95; Stephenson, St. Louis, 5.0, 1.000, 1.67; Reynolds, Houston, 5.0, 1.000, 2.90; Scottiemy, Arizona, 7.1, .875, 4.57; Villone, Cincinnati, 5.1, .833, 3.74; Glavine, Atlanta, 5.1, .833, 2.29.

STRIKEOUTS—RD Johnson, Arizona, 88; Dempster, Florida, 57; Astacio, Colorado, 49; Olerud, Atlanta, 49; Hitchcock, San Diego, 48; Lieber, Chicago, 47; Williamson, Cincinnati, 44.

SAVES—Alfonseca, Florida, 13; Recker, Atlanta, 9; Benitez, New York, 9; Urbina, Montreal, 8; Shaw, Los Angeles, 8; Vito, St. Louis, 7; 9 are tied with 6.

CONFERENCE STANDINGS

Baseball

Sunday, May 14

New York 51, Miami 63, series tied 2-2

Utah 88, Portland 85, Portland leads series 3-1

Providence 117, L.A. Lakers 98, L.A. Lakers lead series 3-1

Monday, May 15

Philadelphia 107, Indiana 86, Indiana leads series 1-2

Tuesday, May 16

Utah at Portland, 7 p.m.

Providence at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 17

New York at Miami, 7 p.m.

NHL PLAYOFFS

CONFERENCE FINALS

(Best-of-7)

Sunday, May 14

New Jersey 4, Philadelphia 1, New Jersey leads series 1-0

Monday, May 15

Dallas 3, Colorado 2, series tied 1-1

Tuesday, May 16

Philadelphia 6, New Jersey 6 p.m.

Philadelphia at N Jersey, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 17

Philadelphia at New Jersey, 6 p.m.

Dallas at Colorado, 2 p.m.

Monday, May 22

New Jersey at Philadelphia, 6 p.m., if necessary

Reds' Villone says near miss provided focus for 4-3 victory

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

A hard line drive by Jeff Bagwell grazed the arm of Cincinnati Reds pitcher Ron Villone, changing his attitude for the game.

"Bagwell nearly hit me on the arm, and for a pitcher, that is serious. That makes me mad sometimes. After that, I was focused and I went after everybody. I was really aggressive," Villone said after pitching Cincinnati to a 4-3 victory over the Houston Astros on Monday night in the National League's only game.

"I'm a nice guy usually, but on the field I dislike everybody with a different color uniform on."

Villone has enjoyed success against Houston throughout his career.

He improved to 4-1 with a 1.72 ERA against the Astros, all in the last two years. He held the Astros to two hits in seven innings Monday, striking out three and walking five.

"I'm not thinking about it, but maybe it's in their minds," Villone said. "I'm just treating them like anybody else. Every game I try to be smart and know what I'm doing out there."

"But it seems like every game against them things have gone the right way. I don't know if it's a coincidence or I'm lucky or what."

Villone improved to 5-1 with a 3.74 ERA this season as he won his third straight game.

KNIGHT

Continued from page 6A

the past regarding Knight's behavior" over his 29-year career added to the problem.

"I think that the coach has to definitely learn how to control his anger, and he may need to seek outside help to do that," Backer said. "I think all of us hope coach Knight can change his behavior and live within the

"He's very deceptive, he's sneaky," Cincinnati manager Jack McKeon said. "He's turned into a pretty good pitcher for us."

The Astros were impressed by Villone.

"The big thing about him is he's effectively wild," Bagwell said. "He'll throw some pitches all over the place, and then he'll make a great pitch in the paint."

The Reds have won seven of eight games to move into a tie for first place in the NL Central Division with St. Louis.

Jose Lima (1-6) matched scoreless innings with Villone until the seventh, when Aaron Boone hit a two-run homer with two outs. Ken Griffey Jr. hit another two-run homer in the eighth.

It was Griffey's third homer and his second game-winning homer for the Reds in three games.

"He's been our biggest clutch performer," McKeon said of Griffey. "He drives in a lot of runs for us when we need them to win or tie the game."

Lima, who has lost a career-high six straight decisions, pitched his best game of the season, allowing two runs and seven hits in seven innings to lower his ERA from 9.53 to 8.49.

"What I needed was a good outing to get me going. My father has cancer and that has been bothering me," Lima said.

Houston is 0-8 in games decided by one run this season and 0-18 when it has trailed after the

eighth inning.

"In 1998, we came back all the time. Good teams do that. If you don't, you are mediocre," Bagwell said.

Boone broke up Lima's shutout by hitting a 2-2 pitch over the right-field fence with Eddie Taubensee on first in the seventh. It was the 17th homer allowed by Lima this season.

Danny Graves pitched two innings for his sixth save despite allowing an RBI double to Bagwell in the eighth and a solo homer to Daryle Ward in the ninth.

In American League games Monday, it was Seattle 14, Minnesota 0; Boston 8, Toronto 1; Texas 6, Tampa Bay 5; and Oakland 6, Kansas City 3.

Mariners 14, Twins 0

Seattle's biggest offensive game at Safeco Field made it easy for Aaron Sele to get his first win in his new home.

Edgar Martinez hit two homers and drove in five runs, and Sele pitched seven scoreless innings in Seattle's 14-0 win over the Minnesota Twins.

The Mariners jumped to a 9-0 lead after three innings, and the 14 runs were the most they've scored at Safeco Field, the \$517.6 million stadium they moved into last July 15.

Martinez hit a two-run homer in the third inning to give Seattle a 7-0 lead and added a three-run shot in the fifth.

Alex Rodriguez also homered for the Mariners.

The investigation, which Brand claimed was exhaustive and thorough, concluded that Knight didn't choke former player Neil Reed but did grab him by the throat in an inappropriate manner. It found that there was not enough evidence, only the testimony of two or three witnesses, to support the allegation about the soiled toilet paper.

Campo knew magnitude of Cowboys job following view of Yankee highlights

AUSTIN (AP) — Dave Campo realized the magnitude of being in charge of the Dallas Cowboys while watching a highlight film of the New York Yankees.

"All of a sudden, it hit me," Campo said Monday while addressing a gathering of the Southwest Region of the Associated Press Sports Editors. "I called my wife and said I just figured out what this is all about."

Campo's revelation came while at a banquet in Connecticut. The Yankees were being honored as the team of the century and clips were being shown of Babe Ruth, Lou Gehrig, Mickey Mantle and others of the 25-time World Series champions.

Campo balled his hand into a fist to emphasize how his stomach tightened when his mind linked the Cowboys and Yankees.

"As the Yankees are to baseball, when you talk about football, you're talking about the Cowboys," Campo said.

Even though he is only the fifth coach in the franchise's history, Campo has spent the last 11 seasons on the staff, the last five as defensive coordinator. He was promoted in January after Chan Gailey was fired by team owner Jerry Jones.

"I understand what I'm getting into and what this franchise means to this state," he said. "Having been there for 11 years, I understand Jerry and

know how to work with Jerry. It's business as usual, just a little more business."

The Cowboys, first-round playoff losers the last two seasons, report to training camp in mid-July.

Before then, the Cowboys are expected to nullify the contract of cornerback Deion Sanders and get a final decision on the status of receiver Michael Irvin, who hasn't played since a neck injury early last season.

Releasing Sanders would be a cost-cutting move for the Cowboys, who seemingly have replaced him already by drafting three defensive backs and signing one in free agency.

Campo, though, said Sanders isn't gone yet.

"I don't know what's going to happen with Deion Sanders. Knowing Jerry Jones, he could be in a Dallas Cowboys star next season," Campo said. "You never know with Jerry."

Charlie Casserly, general manager of the expansion team in Houston, told reporters across Texas that he's a Campo fan.

"I think Dave has done one of the best coaching jobs in the NFL the last few years," Casserly said. "The guy deserves a lot of credit for what he's done there."

He added that the Cowboys have quietly had a productive offseason.

"They could be one of the surprise teams in the league," he said.

WE PUT THE BEST ROOF OVER YOUR HEAD

(& other things as well)

• Wood, Composition & Metal Roofs •

• Carpentry & Repairs •

Licensed Real Estate Inspection - Free Estimates

KENN CONSTRUCTION

267-2296

Doing Business Since 1986

*Custom Kitchens & Bathrooms

*Replacement Windows

Serving Forsan, Garden City, Coahoma areas.

Prattville, Alabama

CAPITOL HILL GOLF COURSE

Named two of the TOP 35 new public courses in America for 1999 by Golf magazine.

THE SENATOR course named in the TOP 10 new public courses in the country,

And THE LEGISLATOR named among the Top 25 "very worthy newcomers."

This newest honor is one of many earned by Alabama's ROBERT TRENT JONES GOLF TRAIL,

named "one of the TOP 10 trips in the world" by Frequent Flyer magazine.

Come see for yourself.



ROBERT TRENT JONES
GOLF TRAIL



CAPITOL HILL
334.285.1114

1.800.949.4444 Trail reservations

Herald Classifieds

AUTOS FOR SALE

1986 Cadillac Fleetwood Brougham, 31,000 actual miles, \$3,200. Call 263-1281 or 425-1800.

1992 Buick Skylark, 58,000 actual miles. Excellent condition. Dark red. \$4,300. Call 263-0506

1997 Ford Crown Victoria, V-8, 4 dr. loaded, new tires, brakes, battery, shocks. Extra clean, 66K. 267-2107 after 5pm.

HOT TIRE DEALS
Get ready for summer driving with great deals on tires, alignments, brakes, and shocks from Phillips Tire, 507 E. 3rd. 267-8271

2000 Ford Windstars \$2000 off MSRP & as low as 0.9% APR WAC
BOB BROCK FORD
500 W. 4th

PICKUPS

'97 Chevy Z71, red, 3-door, loaded, gooseneck hitch. Call 267-5414, leave message.

SUV'S

1988 GMC "Jimmy". White. \$3,000. 267-0506.

SUBURBANS

1988 GMC Suburban. Good condition. 105,000 miles. \$3,900. 394-4718.

VANS

1988 Chevrolet Good condition. Good condition. OBO. See at 267-3454.

People just like you read the Big Spring Herald Classifieds. Call us today at 263-7331 and place your ad.

PERSONAL

NEED CASH NOW OPEN E-Z CASH
of Big Spring
Checking Acct. Required
263-4315

DRIVING SCHOOL

STUDENT DRIVERS WANTED

Sign up now for Classes starting June 5th. Sign up: Mon. thru Fri. May 29th - June 2nd, 5:00 - 7:00pm. For more information, call us @ The Big Spring Mall. 268-1023 or 270-4651. Lic # 1200

BUSINESS OPP.

DENTAL BILLER
\$15-\$45/hr. Dental Billing software company needs people to process claims from home. Training provided. Must own computer. 1-800-223-1149 ext 460

BUSINESS OPP.

AT&T MCI PAYPHONE ROUTES
Hot Locations, Great Income
(Local) Rte. Free Info 800-800-3470

HELP WANTED

AIM HIGH

New Bonuses Available!

* Up to \$12,000 Enlistment Bonus for those who qualify, and for a limited time receive \$1,000 if on active duty by 31 May 2000 (mechanical/electronic career fields)
* Tuition Assistance
* Medical & Dental Care
If you're 17-27, call 1-800-423-USA for an information packet or visit www.airforce.com.

HELP WANTED

ACCOUNTANT

Manufacturing company located in Big Spring, Texas has immediate opening for an Accountant. Duties required will consist of compiling and preparing data for journal entries, general ledger and related financial statements and reports. Responsible for A/P & A/R. Prefer previous accounting experience in a manufacturing setting. Accounting degree required. Send updated resume with salary history to: Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431/1069, Big Spring, TX 79721.

Drillers & roughnecks needed. At least 2 yrs experience. Must be able to pass drug test. Call 267-6554 or 267-3126, MF, 8-5.

HELP WANTED

Drivers - Flatbed

Your Experience Pays More!

* \$2,000 Sign-On Bonus
* Quality Home Time
* Late Model Equipment
CDL-A & 3 mos. OTR
ECK MILLER
800-611-6636
www.eckmiller.com

Carpenters wanted. Must be willing to work. Need own transportation to and from work. Exp. in carpentry, painting & sheetrock a must. Must have basic hand tools. Call 267-2286

Come Join Our Team!
Comanche Trail Nursing Center has opening for Prep/Cook. Paid vacation, paid holidays, insurance and a great working environment. Please no phone calls. Apply in person 3200 Parkway.

Covenant Malone and Hogan has an immediate opening for a Medical Records Supervisor. Minimum qualifications include high school graduate or equivalent, two year's management experience, and previous computer experience. Preferred qualifications include A.R.T. or R.R.A. certification with 4 years management experience.

Salary is commensurate to experience and a full benefit package is available. Only qualified applicants need apply to the Personnel Office of Covenant Malone and Hogan Clinic, 1501 West 11th Place, Big Spring, Texas 79720, or fax resume to 915-264-7019.

CPA firm needs accountant/bookkeeper for client services department. Experience should include full charge bookkeeping and some computer knowledge. Send resume to 1290-A c/o Big Spring Herald P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, TX 79721.

Dental Hygienist 30 hrs. per week M-F 1-800-335-3176
Dental Hygienist/Pharmacy Technician-P/T, On-call, 800-331-8777 ext. 2780.

Don's Tire & Truck Service
S. Service Rd 1-20 & Hwy 350
Big Spring, Tx
* Taking Applications: Experienced Diesel & Gas Mechanic. Must Have Valid Texas Drivers Lic Full or Part Time/ Top pay for right person/Vacator. Only those willing to work need apply in person only.

Under New Management Team
Looking for robust and friendly wait staff and cook to come join our team. Full and part time positions available. Medical insurance, advancement opportunities, paid vacation and flexible schedule. Apply in person M-F 8-5 EOE
Dennys Restaurant
1710 E. 3rd.
Big Spring, Texas

HELP WANTED

Covenant Malone and Hogan Clinic

Covenant Malone and Hogan Clinic has an immediate opening for a Medical Technologist. Minimum qualifications include Baccalaureate degree or equivalent, meet CLIA requirement for MT(ASCP) or equivalent, preferred qualifications include certification by the Board of Registry of the American Society for Clinical Pathology, and one year work experience in a clinical laboratory.

Salary is commensurate to experience and a full benefit package is available. Only qualified applicants need apply to the Personnel Office of Covenant Malone and Hogan Clinic, 1501 West 11th Place, Big Spring, Texas 79720, or fax resume to 915-264-7019.

The City of Big Spring is accepting applications for Municipal Court Judge. Applications will be accepted through May 19, 2000. For further information and detailed qualifications contact City Hall Personnel at 310 Nolan, Big Spring, TX 79720 or call 915-264-2346. The City of Big Spring is an equal opportunity employer.

Under New Management Team
Looking for robust and friendly wait staff and cook to come join our team. Full and part time positions available. Medical insurance, advancement opportunities, paid vacation and flexible schedule. Apply in person M-F 8-5 EOE
Dennys Restaurant
1710 E. 3rd.
Big Spring, Texas

HELP WANTED

* Staff Pharmacist
* Secretary/Maintenance
* Sanitation Aide
* Microbiologist
* Nuclear Medicine Technologist
* RN for Pre-Screening
* RN - Emergency Room
* RN - Med/Surg

FOR JOB REQUIREMENTS PLEASE CALL
915-268-4833

Scenic Mountain Medical Center offers competitive salaries and an excellent benefits package. Please mail, fax, or e-mail your resume, or call for an application to be sent to you.
Scenic Mountain Medical Center
1601 W 11th Place
Big Spring, TX 79720
Phone: (915) 268-4833
Fax: (915) 263-0151
E-Mail: robibanks@yahoo.com
WEBSITE:
SMCCARES.COM
Equal Opportunity Employer

Maintenance Technician needed immediately for 52 unit property Big Spring, TX. Great benefits. Must be A/C certified, experienced & have own tools. No phone calls. Apply 501 W. 17th Street or fax (915) 267-1313

LEASE OPERATOR

CX Transportation is currently seeking an owner/operator for our asphalt division, hauling asphalt out of Fina's Big Spring Refinery to various points in Texas.

Driver qualifications include:
1. Class A CDL
2. X endorsement
3. One year tractor trailer experience
4. Pass DOT, Phy. and drug screen
Tractor Qualifications:
1. Pass DOT, annual inspection
If you are interested in this position please call 1-800-729-4645 or come by CX Transportation yard at 120 & Midway Rd. Big Spring, Tx.

CRUDE OIL HAWLER

CX Transportation is currently seeking an experienced tractor trailer driver for our crude oil division. Qualifications include:
1. Class A CDL, X endorsement
2. 1 year current tractor trailer experience
3. Crude oil gathering experience helpful
4. Pass DOT, Phy. and drug screen
This job consists of gathering crude oil in the Howard and surrounding counties and delivering it to unload stations in the same counties. Benefits include:
1. Home most nights
2. Blue Cross/Blue Shield, dental, vision insurance available
3. 401K retirement
4. Paid holidays and vacations
5. \$200.00 Sign on Bonus
If you are interested in this position please call 1-800-729-4645 or come by CX Transportation yard at 120 & Midway Rd. Big Spring, Tx.

Forsen Post Office needs

part time help. \$6.52 per hr. 2 hrs. Sat. week days as needed. Call 457-2323

GILL'S FRIED CHICKEN

is now hiring for any shift. Must be able to work weekends. Also need poultry cutter. Apply in person @ 1101 Gregg.

R. N. On Call Nurse

Outstanding opportunity for R.N. with a national hospice provider in the Big Spring area. One-year recent home health or hospice experience required. Excellent benefits including competitive salary.

Send or Fax cover letter and resume:

VistaCare Family Hospice
Attention: Michael Kell
3210 E. 11th. Place
Big Spring, TX. 79720
Fax: 915/263-5053

REGISTERED NURSE

Outstanding opportunity for R.N. with a national hospice provider in the Big Spring area. One-year recent home health or hospice experience required. Excellent benefits including competitive salary.

Send or Fax cover letter and resume:

VistaCare Family Hospice
Attention: Michael Kell
3210 E. 11th. Place
Big Spring, TX. 79720
Fax: 915/263-5053

Spiritual Care Coordinator

Graduate of accredited seminary or other training program, ecclesiastical endorsement and/or ordination required. Clinical Pastoral Education Certificate preferred. One year experience dealing with patients undergoing significant stress, the dying process, or grief preferred. Must be able to provide non-denominational spiritual care to patients/families from varied religious backgrounds. Competitive wages and benefits. VistaCare is an Equal Opportunity Employer & offers a drug free workplace. Send or Fax cover letter and resume: VistaCare Family Hospice
Attention: Michael Kell
3210 E. 11th. Place
Big Spring, TX. 79720
Fax: 915/263-5053

Let Your Big Spring and Howard County Experts Help YOU!
Big Spring Herald
PROFESSIONAL SERVICE DIRECTORY
1 Month: \$43.26 • 2 Week Service Directory: \$25.75 • 6-mo Contract: \$38.63 per mo.
Call 263-7331 to place your ad today!!

APPLIANCE REPAIR

A-2-Z Service
washers & dryers
ranges
refrigerators
microwaves
air conditioning service
Call 393-5217
for appointment
25 Years Experience

HONEY TAX SERVICE, INC.

1010 Main St.
915-263-7373
Bookkeeping, Payroll, & Tax Preparation for individuals, Partnerships & Small Corporations.

CARPET

DEE'S CARPET

267-7707

Check prices with me before you buy. Samples shown in your home or mine. Lower overhead means lowest prices.
Deanna Rogers, Agent

CARPET CLEANING

*Steam clean method
*Upholstery Cleaning
*Spot/Stain removal
*Odor control (pets, etc.)
*Fabric protector

CLINE BUILDING MAINT. INC.

(915) 263-0999
(800) 649-8374

CELLULAR SERVICE

LONE STAR PAWN

Prepaid Cellular & home phone service. No contracts, credit check, deposit. Good Rates.
1601 E. FM 700
263-4834

CONCRETE

FRANCO'S CONCRETE SERVICE

Specializing In: Brick - Block Work Stucco - Fireplaces Driveways Patios - Sidewalks
(915) 263-6460

BEST PRICES!

* Driveways
* Patios
* Sidewalks
Storm Cellars
All kinds of concrete!
Fences & Stucco work.
Call 756-3029

Do you have a service to offer?

Place your ad in the Herald Classified Professional Service Directory
Call 263-7331 Today!

COMPUTERS

COMPUTER Repair/Upgrade

SOFTWARE INSTALLATION
REASONABLE RATES
WORK GUARANTEED
12 YRS EXP
CALL JERRY AT
267-4343

DIRT CONTRACTORS

SAM FROMAN DIRT CONTRACTOR.

Topsoil, fill sand,
915/263-4619.
Leave message.

EARTHCO

Dirt Construction & Paving
Septic System Installation
TX Lic# 01866
TIM BLACKSHEAR
915-263-8456
102 Wooten Rd.
Big Spring

ERRANDS

ERRANDS, ETC.

Grocery & Gift Shopping - Laundry, Office Supply, pickup. Notary
Fully Bonded.
Call Barbara @ 267-3936 or (cell #) 634-5133.

FENCES

B&M FENCE CO.

All types of fences & repairs. Free Estimates!
Phone DAY: 263-1613
NIGHT: 264-7000

QUALITY FENCE

Terms available
Free Estimates
Cedar, Redwood Spruce, Chainlink.
Day: (915) 267-3349
Nights: (915) 267-1173

BROWN FENCE CO.

All types of fencing, carpents & decks.
FREE ESTIMATES! Call
263-6445 daytime
398-5210 nite

FIREWOOD

DICK'S FIREWOOD

Serving Residential & Restaurants Throughout West Texas.
We Deliver.
1-915-453-2151

GARBAGE SERVICE

NO GIMMICKS

SAVE UP TO 50% on household garbage service
Permitted & Insured

CARL'S SERVICES
263-5281
plan@crcom.net

HARDWOOD FLOORS

HardWood Floors Sales, Installation, Repairs Clean, Sand, and Finish.
16 yrs. Exp. References, Guaranteed Professional, Quality Service.
Kelly D. Smith
(915) 685-3524

HOME IMPROVEMENT

GIBBS

REMODELING Room Additions, Remodeling: All tile work, hang doors, much more.
Call 263-8285.

J & M CONSTRUCTION

-New-
-Remodeled-
-Plumbing-
-Electrical-
-Kitchen Remodel-
-Bath Remodel-
394-4805

HOUSE CLEANING

Let Someone Else Do Your House Cleaning!
I will clean your home at a reasonable rates.
FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL
GLORIA LOZANO
267-4694

HOUSE LEVELLING

Jeff Burrow House Level & Foundation Repair
Spec. in: Solid slab, pier & beam, Ins. claims. Serving the Big Country since 1962.
Toll Free 1-877-883-8391
FREE ESTIMATES

B&B Houseleveling & Foundation Repair

Specializing in Solid Slab & Pier & Beam Foundations. FREE ESTIMATES
10 Year Guarantee
915-264-6178
Visa/MC accepted

HOUSE LEVELLING

House Leveling by David Lee & Co.

Floor Bracing Slab - Pier & Beam. Insurance Claims. Free Estimates. References
"No payment until work is satisfactorily completed."
915-263-2355

INTERNET SERVICE

Local Unlimited Internet Service
No Long Distance
No 800 Surcharge
All Services on Internet Available
Web Pages for Business & Personal Use.

CROSSROADS COMMUNICATIONS
268-8800
(fax) 268-8801
We make it EASY for YOU to get on the INTERNET
BIG SPRING'S PATH TO THE INFORMATION HIGHWAY!!!
LAWN CARE

B & R Lawn Service

Weed-eating, edging, hedge trimming, trees & stump removed.
Free Estimates.
All work guaranteed.
264-0284

CUT RITE LAWN CARE

WE WANT YOUR GRASS
TREE TRIMMING
YARD CLEANING
Greg Richardson
267-4977

D & A LAWN SERVICE

Lawn Mowing weed eating edging Lots and larger lawns welcome
CALL 264-9106
268-1110
& we'll return your call
MANUFACTURED HOMES

REPOS

Used homes and new! We have it all. We take anything in trade.
Beacon Homes
267-1717

MOVING

CITY DELIVERY

Furniture Movers Move One item or Complete household Local - Statewide
28 YRS EXP.
HONEST & DEPENDABLE
CALL TOM COATES
908 Lancaster
263-2225

MOVING

Morehead Transfer & Storage

Move across the street or across the nation.
FREE ESTIMATES
267-5203
Charlie Morehead
Ingram

PAINTING

For Your Best House Painting & Repairs Interior & Exterior
* Free Estimates *
Call Joe Gomez
267-7587 or 267-7831

BRAD DUGAN PAINTING

Tape bed, Texture and acoustic and WALL PAPERING
Free Estimates call
267-2028 or 631-6155

PEST CONTROL

SOUTHWESTERN A-1 PEST CONTROL

Since 1954
263-6514
2088 Birdwell Lane
Max F. Moore
www.swa1pc.com
mm@swa1pc.com

RENTALS

VENTURA COMPANY

267-2655
Houses/Apartments Duplexes, 1,2,3 and 4 bedrooms furnished or unfurnished.

ROOFING

B & R Roofing, Metal, Composition. All types of repairs. Color Metal, Carports & fences. Free Estimates 264-0284

SPRING CITY ROOFING

Johnny Flores Shingles, Hot Tar & Gravel. All types of repairs. Work guaranteed!!
Free Estimates 267-1110

H&S CONST. ROOFING

Metal & composition repairs
FREE ESTIMATES
Mobile 664-6113
Business 264-1138
Tim Holmstetter

ROOFING

FULLMOON ROOFING, INC.

Big Spring & Surrounding areas Bonded & Insured
FREE ESTIMATES
No Money down
COMPETITIVE PRICES
915-267-5478

SEPTIC REPAIR/INSTALLATION

B & R SEPTIC
Septic Tanks - Grease - Rent-a-Potty.
267-3547 or 264-6050

CHARLES RAY Dirt & Septic Tanks

Pumped Top Soil Sand & Gravel.
350 & 504 Ray Rd.
267-7378 Luther
399-4380
TNRCC20525.
751144070

AFFORDABLE SEPTICS

Owners David Al & Kathryn Stephens
• State Licensed
• Install & Repair
• Licensed Site Evaluator.
264-6199
Free Troubleshoot

EARTHCO See our ad under Dirt Contractors.

SIDING

H&S CONST. SIDING & WINDOWS

Steel & Vinyl siding soffit & fascia custom windows
Mobile 664-6113
Business 264-1138

TREE REMOVAL

Why pay too much for a simple tree removal?
Free Estimates Call Paul @ 264-7752.

TREE TRIMMING

LUPE'S TREE TRIMMING

More than 20 years of experience. Stump grinders available. For Tree Trimming and removal. Call Lupe
915-267-8317

Rolling Plains Memorial Hospital, an 85 bed JCAHO accredited facility, is currently seeking a full-time Radiology Technologist. Day shift and rotate call and willing to cross-train in CT, Nuclear Medicine and Mammography. Must have current ARRT registration or registry eligible as well as being TDH certified. RPMH offers excellent salary and benefits. Friendly community atmosphere and progressive department. Contact Personnel Director at (915) 235-1701, ext. 222 or mail resume to P.O. Box 690, Sweetwater, TX 79556, or fax to 915-235-1783.
EOE

BIG SPRING HERALD Advertising Department

Has an opening for full time advertising position Mon.-Fri. Duties to include sales, answering switchboard and dealing with money. Must be able to accurately type 20+ words a minute. Salary plus commission.

HELP WANTED

Make up to \$2,000.00 in 11 days. Looking for enthusiastic adult to manage a fireworks stand outside Big Spring June 24 thru July 4. Phone 1-210-622-3788 or 1-800-364-0136

Need a mechanic. Send resumes to P.O. Drawer H, Coahoma, Texas 75611.

Need mature lady to work PT in laundry. Must be in good health, have car and work well w/public. Pick up application @ 1208 Gregg or 208 11th. Place

Nutritionist Needed for WIC

Certified Professional Nutritionist must have B.S. in Nutrition, Dietetics, or Home Economics with a minimum of 12 semester hours of Food and Nutrition. Counsel WIC clients (pregnant women and mothers of infants/young children) on basic nutrition and determine nutritional risk using established protocols. Applications available at WIC Dawson County, 1502 N. Ave. K, Lamesa, TX or send resume to Celia Smith, WIC Director, South Plains Community Action Assoc., Inc., P.O. Box 610, Levelland, TX 79336 (806) 894-6104 EOE

Own A Computer? Put It To Work! \$350-\$800 WK P/T-F/T (1888) 321-7083 www.EZ-PC.net

Part time nursery worker needed Sundays & Wednesdays. Apply at the First Church of the Nazarene, 1400 Lancaster.

SUMMER WORK College students/00 HS Grads \$10.15 base-appt. Internships/scholarships. Conditions apply. FT/PT flex. Customer service/sales (915) 522-2454 www.workforstudents.com

Experienced auto parts salesperson. Must have computer experience. Bring resume to Westex Auto Parts Inc. 1511 Hwy. 350. 263-5000.

Experienced CDL driver. Morrison Supply. 3200 East I-20, Big Spring, TX. Call 263-8411 for appointment.

Floor hands & derrick hands needed. Must be able to pass drug test. Apply @ Robinson Drilling Of Texas. 607 Main, Big Spring.

Forsan Post Office needs part time help. \$6.52 per hr. 2 hrs. Sat., weekdays as needed. Call 457-2323

GILL'S FRIED CHICKEN is now hiring for any shifts. Must be able to work weekends. Also need poultry cutter. Apply in person @ 1101 Gregg.

R. N. On Call Nurse

Outstanding opportunity for On Call R.N. with a national hospice provider in the Big Spring area. One-year recent home health or hospice experience required. Excellent benefits include competitive salary.

Send or Fax cover letter and resume: VistaCare Family Hospice Attention: Michael Keller 3210 E. 11th. Place Big Spring, TX. 79720 Fax: 915/263-5053

REGISTERED NURSE

Outstanding opportunity for R.N. with a national hospice provider in the Big Spring area. One-year recent home health or hospice experience required. Excellent benefits include competitive salary.

Send or Fax cover letter and resume: VistaCare Family Hospice Attention: Michael Keller 3210 E. 11th. Place Big Spring, TX. 79720 Fax: 915/263-5053

Spiritual Care Coordinator

Graduate of accredited seminary or other training program, ecclesiastical endorsement and/or ordination required. Clinical Pastoral Education Certification preferred. One year experience dealing with patients undergoing significant stress, the dying process, or grief preferred. Must be able to provide non-denominational spiritual care to patients/families from varied religious backgrounds. Competitive wages and benefits. VistaCare is an Equal Opportunity Employer and offers a drug free workplace.

Send or Fax cover letter and resume: VistaCare Family Hospice Attention: Michael Keller 3210 E. 11th. Place Big Spring, TX. 79720 Fax: 915/263-5053

HELP WANTED

TexaStone Quarries now hiring! Learn to be skilled laborer w/ benefits. Call 354-2569.

LOOK AT THE OPTIONS!

Various types of runs for van, Subbed, & Owner Opal CDL

Training Available. Call now to learn why we are the fastest growing truckload carrier in America!

TRANSPORTATION 1-800-284-6785 (see-mv)

HIRING IMMEDIATELY

Truck drivers needed for local oil field work. Prefer ex-Dowell, ex-BJ, ex-Halliburton hands. Must be able to travel. No need to relocate. Class A CDL, clear driving record, two years truck driving experience a must. Call 1-800-588-2869 Mon-Fri, 8am-5pm. No calls after 5pm.

Key Energy Service Co. Stanton, TX is seeking experienced Truck Drivers. Also need mechanic. Clean Class A CDL drivers license preferred, but will train qualified applicants. Benefits included. Call for more info. 8-5 M-F 915-756-2875.

DELTA LOANS

Loans from \$50-\$450. Se Habla Espanol. Phone Apps. Welcome. 115 E. 3rd. 268-9090.

MIDWEST FINANCE Loans \$100-\$430. Open M-F 9-6pm. 612 Gregg. 263-1353. Phone app's welcome. Se Habla Espanol.

NEED CASH NOW OPEN E-Z Cash

\$100 to \$1000.00. No Credit Check. Checking Acct. Required. 263-4315

NEED EXTRA CASH FOR VACATION & GRADUATION Come see us! No Credit - No Problem. Loans \$100-\$450. Apply by phone 267-4591 or come by.

SECURITY FINANCE 204 S. Goliad - Big Spring. Loans from \$100 - \$470. Phone apps welcome. Se Habla Espanol. 110 West 3rd. 263-1138

ANTIQUE

Depression Era Glass Show/Sale, May 20-21, Odessa, Ector Coliseum, Bldg. A. Door Prizes-Glass repair.

DOGS, PETS, ETC.

Free to good home. 2 female Blue Heelers, 8 mos. old. Call after 6:00pm. 268-9343.

FOUND/LOST

FAT BLACK CAT MISSING FROM SALEM AREA. Small white spot on chest. Neutered male. Named MOJO. Please call 394-4376.

FURNITURE

E-Z Rentals. 120 days same as cash! Name brand TV's, VCR's, furniture, appliances, etc. 263-4315

Girls French Provincial bedroom furniture and white & brass trundle bed. Furniture come with a dresser, mirror, desk & hutch set, lingerie chest. Have mattress for trundle. call 267-7625. Excellent condition. Coronado Addition.

Unbeatable Values at

Branham Furniture 2004 W. 4th. In Bedroom, livingroom suites, dinette, sofa sets, computer desk, bunk and canopy beds, mattresses, futons, vanities and new appliances.

Z's BASIC FURNITURE Living room, bedroom suites, dining room sets, at unbeatable low prices. Located in old Wheel's building. Come see us today. 115 E. 2nd. 263-4563.

MISCELLANEOUS

Having septic tank problems? Taking Bids? Call us, we're very competitive. Licensed Installer. Triple T Septic Service. 399-4384

Mobile home to be moved, 14x70, \$7500. VespPro Alto Sanphone, \$900. Ex. cond. Coca-Cola Machine - holds small or large bottles. \$350. King size waterbed, couch. 264-0855.

WEDDING CAKES!! Arches, silk bouquets, catering. Order now to reserve your date. The Grishams 267-8191

PORTABLE BUILDINGS

Backyard Special - 8' x 40' storage buildings \$25.00 a month. Delivery & financing. 915-563-3108

Must Sell - Slight damage - 14' x 40' barn. Delivery available. 915-563-3108.

PORTABLE BUILDINGS

SIERRA MERCANTILE For all your building needs. Portable On site - Carpets 1-20 East - 263-1480

Single-wide carpet - All steel - Heavy duty \$25.00 a month. 915-563-3108.

SPAS

Bargain! One only - 3 person spa/hot tub. Will deliver. 915-563-3108.

TOOLS

1 sixteen inch Skill scroll saw and table. Call. 267-2910.

ACREAGE FOR SALE

8 acres w/trailer, metal storage bldg. near Coahoma 263-4410.

BUILDINGS FOR RENT

For lease: Beauty Shop with 4 stations and equipment. Good location. Call Westex Auto Parts 263-5000.

FOR LEASE: building on Snyder Highway. Approx. 1800 square feet with office on 1 acre. \$250 per month 100 deposit. Call Westex Auto Parts 263-5000.

For lease, small building on Snyder Hwy. with overhead door, \$250/mo. + \$100/dep. Call Westex Auto Parts, 263-5000

Great location downtown. Lrg. store or office bldg. 215 Main. Call 267-2138 next to Inland Port.

CEMETERY LOTS FOR SALE

2 spaces in Trinity Memorial Park. In older section. Call 918-582-4200.

COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE

For Sale or Lease: Office, shop & yard in Coahoma. Call 1-800-238-7477

FARMS & RANCHES

SALE OF FARM REAL ESTATE 150 acres more or less 168.48 acres more or less

The Farm Service Agency (FSA) will sell at a Trustees Foreclosure Sale to the highest bidder or bidders, for cash, at the Northeast entrance of the Martin County Courthouse in Stanton, Texas, June 6, 2000. FSA's minimum bid for the 150 acre tract is \$39,329 and \$32,526 for the 168.48 acre tract. For specific information contact the FSA Farm Loan Manager, Mike Miller, 107 E. Broadway, Stanton, TX 79782. (915) 756-3308.

HOUSES FOR SALE

1206 Ridgeway. For Sale by Owner. Owner will finance with low down & low monthly payments. Very nice clean 2 bdr. 1 bth. home. Call Kelly @ 915-425-9994

1310 Park Ave. For sale or rent. No owner finance. 2 BR, 1 bath, CH/A, \$18,000. 264-6931. Leave message.

3239 Duke-4br, 2 bath, central heat/air. New carpet & paint. Moss School District. 267-7648 or 267-6311.

FORECLOSED HOMES

Low or 0 down! Gov't and Bank repo's being sold Now! Financing available. call Now! 1-800-355-0024 ext 8040

BRAND NEW HOME

just finished, 3222, fireplace, formal dining with bay window, utility and sequestered master bedroom. Large fenced yard. \$87,900. Drive by 3213 Fern and call 915-520-9848 for an appointment to show.

College Park bargain. Nice 3 bedroom, 2 bath home. \$50's. Call Doris, agent for Home Realtors, 263-6525 or 263-1284.

For Sale By Owner: 3 bdr. 2 bth. 2 car garage, carpet, fireplace, & more. 505 Highland Drive. Call Tom @ 263-3916, office 263-2300.

Owner Finance-Low Down Payment. 3 BR 1 1/2 bath. 1704 Morrison. Call 264-9907.

Recently remodeled with new carpet, paint and much more. 3 bdrms, 1 bath, carpet, fenced, CH/A. Seller will help buyer closing costs. NO OWNER FINANCE. Move in for approx. \$1,000. prnts approx \$350. Seller is a licensed realtor. 267-3613 Coldwell Banker/Sun Country or 263-6892

Sold/Lease Totally Remodeled. 4br, 2bth, 2 carport. 2800 sq. ft. CH/A. For sale. \$50's. or \$650/mo. No pets. Ref. 267-7025.

MOBILE HOMES

*\$250 per month! For beautiful 3 bedroom, includes delivery, AC and 5 year warranty!! 1-800-755-9133. 9.50% WAP. 36mos, 10% down, WAC.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, May 17:

Partnership matters come to the forefront this year. Others dominate and could be controlling at times. Your sense of humor and good will defuse difficult situations. You become the personality kid, but you do need to let others know your limitations. Your career packs surprises, and boredom will not be a problem. If you are single, romance comes in many forms, via many different people. You have your pick, but be sure about what you want. If attached, your tie grows because of your dynamic energy. Add to your relationship by indulging in something you both have wanted, SCORPIO often challenges you.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

*** Opt for a new beginning financially. Discussions with a partner allow you to see both sides of an issue, even if you don't want to. Extravagance could easily become a theme. Be realistic about expenditures. Tonight: Join a friend.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

*** You and another might not always see eye to eye, but at present you couldn't care less. Laughter permeates your surroundings. You actually have to work to be serious and businesslike. A boss, though reactive, sees the humor. Tonight: Go along with another's plans.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

*** Attempt to clear your desk. Your mind might wander. You could be quite taken with someone. Do not minimize the importance of a loved one in your life. Be aware of your actions. You could be hurting

another's feelings. Tonight: Bring extra work home.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) *** Let your imagination speak. Others pick up on your mood and run with the moment. A meeting might need more organizing than you are willing to do presently. A relationship spices up, but be sure you want what comes along this path. Tonight: Togetherness works.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) *** Pressure escalates at home, but your strong sense of humor helps resolve any problems. Go where you can be successful. Your efforts make a difference. Emphasis is on work and achievement. Unexpected interpersonal developments need to be eyed with detachment. Tonight: A must appearance.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) *** Your efforts pay off. Make inquiries; help others open up. Your sense of humor comes out, but be careful about indulging in gossip. Laughter doesn't need a reason! Relax and enjoy yourself. Detach from a volatile situation. Tonight: Take in another point of view.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) *** Expenses seem trivial next to the happiness that surrounds a partnership. Loosen up about your long-term goals for now. Go with the flow. An adviser has a different perspective than you do. Swap ideas. Don't feel insecure next to another's expertise. Tonight: Let another take the lead.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) *** Your sensitivity emerges with a difficult associate. Allow your sense of humor to speak. Follow-through counts. Understand where a peer is coming from. Allow more frivolity and laughter into your life.

Let someone else call the shots. Tonight: Surprises follow you!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) *** Take your time. Don't feel pressured. You are in the process of making important decisions; you gain a lot of information by just observing. A co-worker's giddiness adds to the fun at the office. Let the good times roll. Tonight: Bring extra work home.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) *** Focus on success and getting more of what you want. Your sense of humor emerges with a child or loved one. Creativity surges in the present convivial atmosphere. Worry less about being a role model. Tonight: Where your friends are.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) *** Take charge. Get into work and get the job done. A family member can't help but delight you. Laughter surrounds a personal matter. Standing up to a boss just won't fly. You are spontaneous in

your work. Tonight: Do what you must.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) *** An overview helps you remember what is important. Listen to your sixth sense with a neighbor, who tends to be rather dour. Laughter and joking mark your interactions. Let another express his sense of well-being. Tonight: Be spontaneous.

BORN TODAY Actor Dennis Hopper (1936), actor Bill Paxton (1955), designer Christian Lacroix (1951)

For America's best extended horoscope, recorded by Jacqueline Bigar, call (900) 740-7444, 99 cents per minute. Also featured are The Spoken Tarot and The Runes, which answer your yes-or-no questions. Callers must be 18 or older. A service of InterMedia 1 Inc., Jenkintown, Pa.

Jacqueline Bigar is on the Internet at <http://www.jacquelinebigar.com>.

© 2000 by King Features Syndicate Inc.

Mother's ill-timed surgery cuts into vacation plans

DEAR ABBY: I was an only child. I am 53 years old and have been married 33 years. All my life, my mother told me never to tell my maternal grandmother when our family had plans, because she would always "get sick" and spoil everything. For several months, my husband and I have been looking forward to a vacation in a cabin in the mountains. We have not had one mainly because of the illness and death of our son.

My mother has scheduled back surgery three days before our vacation. She had three choices, but selected that day. She keeps telling me not to cancel my vacation, but I know I will pay dearly if I don't. I will never hear the end of it.

We really need this time away. My husband cares for his invalid mother on a daily basis, and I have a very stressful job. We could use this time to gather our wits about us.

Should I cancel our plans and accept what I know is my responsibility, or go ahead and take a vacation and "face the music"? — TORN IN KENTUCKY

DEAR TORN: Take the vacation you and your husband so sorely need. If your mother tries to lay a guilt trip on you when you return, don't take the bait. Calmly point out that she chose the date for her operation knowing when they were leaving, and she had other options.

If this sounds harsh, forgive me, but you must take care of yourself first, and your reasons for going are compelling.

DEAR ABBY: I am furious at "Lesson Learned in Florida," who thought marrying a "relative stranger" for the sake of his child was a mistake! How about sleeping with a "relative stranger" for the sake of physical pleasure? I guess that part didn't bother him as much.

And the divorce was painful and traumatic for him? How about the quality of life for a little girl who must struggle with two selfish, irresponsible parents who have joint custody? How about the confusion and turmoil of straddling two homes? Now that WILL be traumatic for an innocent little victim of his bad behavior.

For those who haven't made these foolish and unfortunate mistakes yet, take this advice: Don't marry strangers, but don't sleep with strangers, either. Keep your pants zipped until you know and love your chosen mate. The result will be that a planned and wanted child will be raised in a home where married people love and care for each other. — MELISSA ATTINOTO, ORION, MICH.

DEAR MELISSA: I agree that it's irresponsible to sleep with strangers. It is even more irresponsible to have sexual relations without protection. Both the man and the woman risked a possibly life-threatening, sexually transmitted disease, as well as an unplanned pregnancy.

However, not all children of divorce are traumatized by

"straddling two homes," as long as each home is filled with unconditional love.

DEAR ABBY: I want to join "Pro-Choice Grandma." Where is it written that the only "choice" pregnant women will make is abortion? Choice means just that — the woman has a right to decide for herself, her body and her pregnancy. She might just as easily choose to have her baby, have it adopted or keep it herself.

The way I see it, I can be pro-choice and pro-life at the same time. I would make a CHOICE to keep my baby. My niece chose adoption when she was pregnant after a date rape. I might have counseled her (had she asked me) to have her baby, but if she had chosen abortion, I believe that would have been her affair.

Each person's pain or joy is her own. There's no reason why another person should claim the right to decide how things should be for another. The right to "choose" for one's self is an individual right. — GRANNY IN LONG BEACH

DEAR GRANNY: Absolutely. And it is a right that women had to wage a vigorous and protracted battle to win. However, it is also a right that, if taken for granted, will surely be lost — and no one should forget that fact.

DEAR ABBY: I just read the letter concerning the elimination of Morse code by government and commercial agencies, and I want you to know that I am glad I knew Morse code for "SOS." Cell and digital phones don't always work in the boon-docks!

I'm a female in my mid-30s. One night a few years ago, my cousin and I were driving through Oklahoma on a lonely, dark stretch of road. When I ran out of gas, I turned on my emergency flashers, but nobody stopped. After waiting for approx'ately an hour without getting any help, I decided to use Morse code. I flashed "SOS" to several big trucks going by, and within 10 minutes, a state trooper pulled up. He said several people had called and reported seeing me blink "SOS." (Nobody called about the emergency blinkers!) — DOTS AND DASHES IN TENNESSEE

DEAR DOTS AND DASHES: I am pleased that the truckers in Oklahoma knew Morse code and helped rescue you and your cousin from a potentially dangerous situation.

Your letter proves that sometimes the old methods are still the best.

CONFIDENTIAL TO "LOST IN LOVE": Don't marry for money; you can borrow it cheaper. (Scottish proverb)

For everything you need to know about wedding planning, order "How to Have a Lovely Wedding." Send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Wedding Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

© 2000 UNIVERSAL PRESS SYNDICATE

NOBODY ASKS FOR IT Help STOP Sexual Assaults. Call 263-3312. Rape Crisis Services/Big Spring



ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

TUESDAY

MAY 16

	KMD ②	KPEJ ③	KERA ⑤	FAM ⑥	KOSA ⑦	WFAX ⑧	KWES ⑨	WTBS ⑪	UNI ⑬	DISN ⑭	NASH ⑮	TMC ⑯	SHOW ⑰	HBO ⑲	KMLM ⑳	A&E ㉑	DISC ㉒	TNT ㉓	USA ㉔	SCFI ㉕	LIFE ㉖	TLC ㉗
6:PM	News (CC)	Home Imp. Judge Judy	Creatures Zombozo	Who's Boss? (CC)	News (CC) Ent. Tonight	News (CC) Fortune	News (CC) Seinfeld (CC)	Fresh Prince: Major League	Por Tu Amor	Movie: Principal Takes a	Movie: Poker Alice (CC)	Movie: The Truman	Movie: Knock Out (CC)	Movie: Muppets From Space (CC)	News John Hage	Law & Order (CC)	Wild Discovery (CC)	ER (CC)	JAG (CC)	Xena: Warrior Princess	Intimate Portrait (CC)	Amazing Medicine
7:PM	Be a Millionaire	Unauthorized: Brady Bunch	Nova (CC)	Movie: Made in Heaven	Be a Millionaire	Be a Millionaire	3rd Rock From Sun	Baseball: San Francisco	Rosalinda	Holiday (CC) Movie Surfers	Movie: Alice (CC)	Movie: What Dreams May Come (CC)	Movie: South Beach	Movie: Space (CC)	News John Hage	Law & Order (CC)	On the Inside	NBA Basketball Playoffs	Walker, Texas Ranger (CC)	Hercules: The Legendary Journeys	Chicago Hope (CC)	Trauma: Life in the ER
8:PM	Dharma-Greg Sports Night	After Different strokes	Secrets of the Dead (CC)	60 Minutes II (CC)	Dharma-Greg Sports Night	Will & Grace Just Shoot Me	Giant at Atlanta	Tres Mujeres	Primer Impacto Nac.	Movie: Honey, We Shrunk Ourselves	Championship Bull Riding	Movie: Snake Skin	Movie: The Corner (CC)	Movie: Dennis Miller: Life in Word	News John Hage	Law & Order (CC)	On the Inside	NBA Basketball Playoffs	Walker, Texas Ranger (CC)	Hercules: The Legendary Journeys	Chicago Hope (CC)	Trauma: Life in the ER
9:PM	NYPD Blue (CC)	Mad Abt. You Nanny (CC)	Frontline (CC)	When Stars Were Kids	Judging Amy (CC)	NYPD Blue (CC)	Dateline (CC)	Braves (-35) Movie: The Man With the Golden Gun	Golden Gun	Viviane a la Medianoche	Movie: Mickey Mouse	Movie: The Drug Buster (CC)	Movie: Cocktail (CC)	Movie: Joseph Good Flick S.	News John Hage	Law & Order (CC)	On the Inside	NBA Basketball Playoffs	Walker, Texas Ranger (CC)	Hercules: The Legendary Journeys	Chicago Hope (CC)	Trauma: Life in the ER
10:PM	News (CC) Nightline	Jerry Springer (CC)	News-Lehrer	700 Club (CC)	News (CC) Nightline	News (CC) Nightline	News (CC) Nightline	News (CC) Nightline	News (CC) Nightline	News (CC) Nightline	News (CC) Nightline	News (CC) Nightline	News (CC) Nightline	News (CC) Nightline	News John Hage	Law & Order (CC)	On the Inside	NBA Basketball Playoffs	Walker, Texas Ranger (CC)	Hercules: The Legendary Journeys	Chicago Hope (CC)	Trauma: Life in the ER
11:PM	Politically Inc. (-30)	Newsradio Unhappily	Frontline (CC)	Who's Boss? Partridge	Show (CC) (-37) Late Late	Ent. Tonight Politically Inc.	Ent. Tonight Politically Inc.	Ent. Tonight Politically Inc.	Ent. Tonight Politically Inc.	Ent. Tonight Politically Inc.	Ent. Tonight Politically Inc.	Ent. Tonight Politically Inc.	Ent. Tonight Politically Inc.	Ent. Tonight Politically Inc.	News John Hage	Law & Order (CC)	On the Inside	NBA Basketball Playoffs	Walker, Texas Ranger (CC)	Hercules: The Legendary Journeys	Chicago Hope (CC)	Trauma: Life in the ER
12:AM	CC) Hollywood	CC) Hollywood	CC) Hollywood	CC) Hollywood	CC) Hollywood	CC) Hollywood	CC) Hollywood	CC) Hollywood	CC) Hollywood	CC) Hollywood	CC) Hollywood	CC) Hollywood	CC) Hollywood	CC) Hollywood	News John Hage	Law & Order (CC)	On the Inside	NBA Basketball Playoffs	Walker, Texas Ranger (CC)	Hercules: The Legendary Journeys	Chicago Hope (CC)	Trauma: Life in the ER

HAGAR



B.C.



GEECH



WIZARD OF ID



HI AND LOIS



GASOLINE ALLEY



SNUFFY SMITH



BEETLE BAILY



BLONDIE



FAMILY CIRCUS



DENNIS THE MENACE

THIS DATE
IN HISTORY

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Tuesday, May 16, the 137th day of 2000. There are

229 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On May 16, 1929, the first Academy Awards were presented during a banquet at the Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel. The movie "Wings" won "best production" while Emil Jannings

and Janet Gaynor were named best actor and best actress.

On this date:

In 1770, Marie Antoinette, 14, married the future King Louis XVI of France, who was 15.

In 1866, Congress authorized minting of the five-cent piece.

In 1868, the Senate failed by one vote to convict President Andrew Johnson as it took its first ballot on one of 11 articles of impeachment against him.

In 1920, Joan of Arc was canonized in Rome.

In 1946, the musical "Annie Get Your Gun" opened on Broadway.

In 1948, the body of CBS News correspondent George Polk was found in Salomika Harbor in Greece, several days after he left his hotel for an interview with the leader of a Communist militia.

In 1960, a superpower summit in Paris collapsed on its opening day as the Soviet Union leveled espionage charges against the United States in the wake of the U-2 spy plane incident.

In 1965, the musical play "The Roar of the Greasepaint - the Smell of the Crowd" opened on Broadway.

In 1975, Japanese climber Junko Tabei became the first woman to reach the summit of Mount Everest.

In 1977, five people died when a New York Airways helicopter, idling atop the Pan Am Building in midtown Manhattan, toppled over, sending a huge rotor blade flying.

Ten years ago: Death claimed entertainer Sammy Davis Jr. in Los Angeles at age 64 and "Muppets" creator Jim Henson in New York at age 53.

Five years ago: The Clinton administration threatened punitive tariffs that would double the prices for Japan's most popular luxury cars. Japanese police arrested doomsday cult leader Shoko Asahara, holding him in connection with the nerve-gas attack on Tokyo's subway two months earlier.

One year ago: The Justice Department said preliminary figures from the FBI indicated a decline in serious crime in 1998 for the seventh consecutive year.

Today's Birthdays: Author Studs Terkel is 88. Actor George Gaynes is 83. Actor Harry Carey Jr. is 79. North Carolina Gov. Jim Hunt is 63. Jazz musician Billy Cobham is 56. Actor Pierce Brosnan is 47. Actress Debra Winger is 45. Soviet gymnast Olga Korbut is 45. Actress Mare Winningham is 41. Singer Janet Jackson is 34. Rhythm-and-blues singer Ralph Tresvant (New Edition) is 32. Actress Tracey Gold is 31. Tennis player Gabriela Sabatini is 30.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

ACROSS

- 1 Brit's title in India
- 6 Murdered
- 11 mitzvah
- 14 Spartan market
- 15 Silverheels role
- 16 Supreme: abbr.
- 17 Masked crime-fighter (with "The")
- 19 Sultry West
- 20 Always, to poets
- 21 Part of QED
- 22 Cottontail
- 24 Echo
- 26 Part of South Africa
- 27 New Year in Hanoi
- 28 Silence
- 31 Sister's attire
- 34 Embankments
- 35 Surprising word
- 36 Goofs up
- 37 Port and hock
- 38 Bombard
- 39 Oahu garland
- 40 "Amore"
- 41 Unwanted plants
- 42 Unevenly
- 44 Punster
- 45 Small pies
- 46 Keeping up with the
- 50 Shuttlecock
- 52 Time periods
- 53 Nice summer?
- 54 Sleeve card
- 55 With 11D, theme song of 17A
- 58 King of France
- 59 Greek giant
- 60 Given out in portions
- 61 Stop
- 62 Kernels
- 63 University in Atlanta

DOWN

- 1 Lyricist Carol Bayer
- 2 Concur
- 3 Gardener's, at times
- 4 Wrath

5 Feast

6 Got up

7 George Harrison tune, "My Sweet"

8 Raggedy doll

9 Repeats

10 Writes music

11 See 55A

12 Jai

13 Let it stand

18 Pursuit

23 Forbid

25 Elevator man?

26 Uses a microwave?

28 Like a julep?

29 Auctioneer's last word

30 Drunkards

31 Program menu category

32 Neighborhood

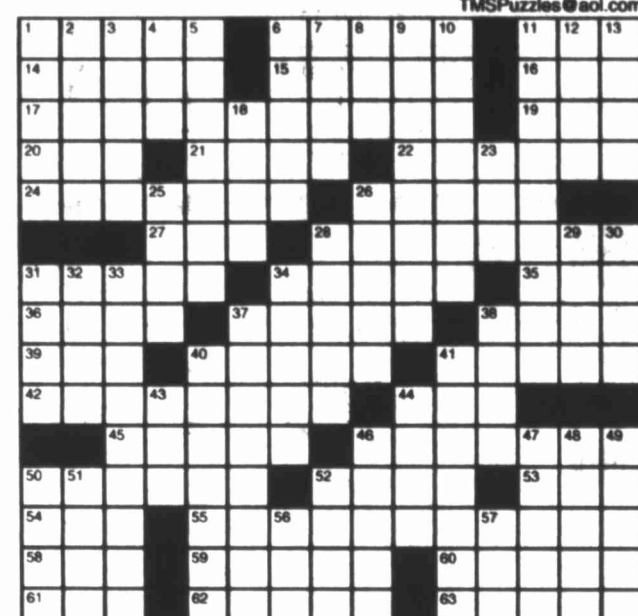
33 Alter ego of 17A

34 Gauges

37 Minor prevarication

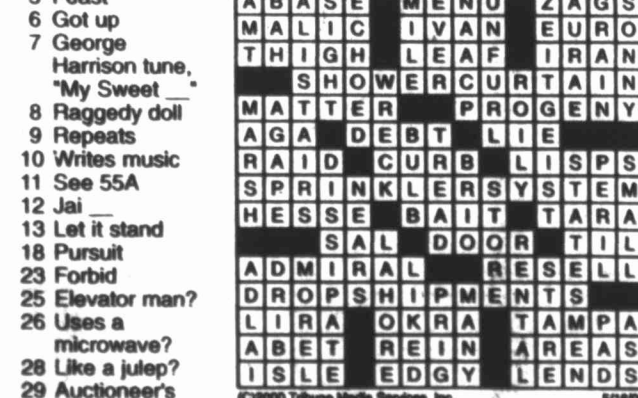
38 Seeger or Sampras

48 Old anesthetic

By Edgar Fontaine
Dighton, MA

5/16/00

Monday's Puzzle Solved

©2000 Tribune Media Services, Inc.
All rights reserved.

5/16/00

40 Savings & Loan

41 Childishy

43 Blackguard

44 Refuses to

46 Alden and Bull

47 Altercation

48 Old anesthetic

49 Squalid

50 Nude

51 Computer image

52 Major Hoople's oath

56 Native of. suff.

57 Opposite of masc.

BIG
SPRING HERALD

Reflecting A Proud Community

915-263-7331

(Main switchboard)

915-263-7335

(Circulation calls only)

(Fax) 915-264-7205

John H. Walker
John A. Moseley
Edwin VelaTony Hernandez
Dianne Marquez
Office Hours are 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday

The Herald is a member of The Associated Press, Texas Press Association, Audit Bureau Circulation and Southern Newspaper Publishers Association.

Published afternoons Monday through Friday and Sunday mornings, except Christmas Day. All materials copyrighted. Postmaster: Send address changes to Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas 79721. Periodicals postage paid at Big Spring, Texas. USPS 1431-45.