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WEATHER

Tonight:



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## Identification kits for youth to be available

Parents will be able to receive a free photo identification and fingerprint card for their children Saturday at HEB Grocery.

The program is conducted by the Missing Children Alert Program (MCAP), a registered non-profit agency.

Parents will receive a three-piece, fold-out identification card that is six inches wide and 12 inches long. It contains the child's dental chart, anatomy chart, physical description, medical history, and DNA sample. It even includes what kind of bike they ride and who their best friends are.

The fingerprint/photo ID program will take place from 12 noon to 3:30 p.m., or until the last child in line is helped.

## WHAT'S UP...

### TODAY

- Genealogical Society of Big Spring, 7:15 p.m., Howard County Library.
- Masonic Lodge No. 1340, 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster.

### FRIDAY

- The Greater Big Spring Rotary Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.
- AMBUCS, noon, La Posada.
- Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. All seniors invited.

### SATURDAY

- The Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- The Pottin House, 200 Gregg, a restored historic home, is open from 1 to 5 p.m. A one-time admission fee of \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizens are encouraged.
- Dance, 8:30 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 West Third. Members and guests welcome.
- Big Spring Squares, call 267-7043 or 263-6305 for more information.

### MONDAY

- Big Spring Evening Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 East Third.

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## Refurbished Railroad Plaza to be scene of 'Brown Baggin' event

By GINA GARZA  
Staff Writer

With the help of several local businesses and labor provided by inmates from the Big Spring Wilderness Camp, the Railroad Plaza downtown has been cleaned up, repaired, repainted and replanted.

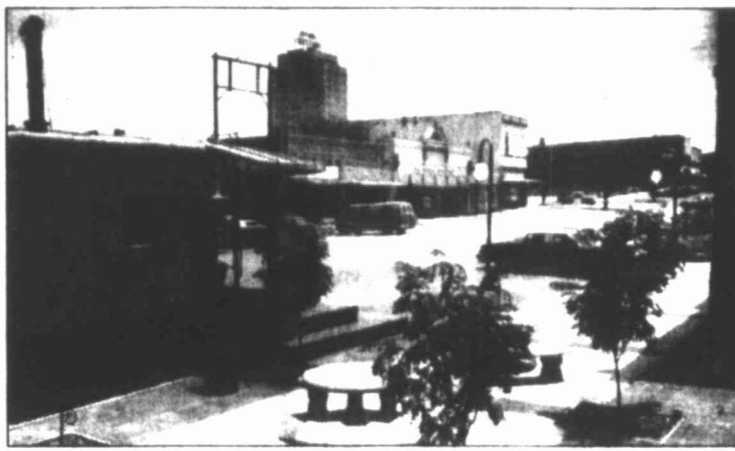
As a result, Big Spring Main Street Inc. officials have their eyes set on drawing visitors to the plaza

located at the corner of Main and First Streets.

That's why the Main Street board has scheduled a "Brown Baggin' at the Plaza" get together for Monday during the lunch hour.

Big Spring residents are encouraged to pack up their lunches and bring them to the Railroad Plaza whenever their lunch break begins

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The Railroad Plaza in downtown Big Spring, pictured in this file photo taken in 1991 just after its completion, has been repaired, repainted and replanted. Big Spring Main Street Inc. officials are inviting the public to bring their lunch to the plaza on Monday and take part in "Brown Baggin' at the Plaza."

HERALD file photo

## Wes-Tex Telecom buys local Internet service

By CARL GRAHAM  
Staff Writer

West-Tex Telecommunications, which provides local, long distance and wireless service in the Big Spring area, will now be offering Internet service to its customers.

West-Tex Telecom executive vice president J.R. Wilson on Wednesday announced the purchase of Crossroads Communications. The Internet provider will be called Crestar Communications.

"We are proud to announce the purchase of Crossroads Communications from Rick Peurifoy," Wilson said.

West-Tex Telecom is a subsidiary of Wes-Tex Telephone Cooperative Inc., which includes Wes-Tex Wireless.

"Crossroads fit right in the puzzle for providing local Internet service for Big Spring and for providing long distance service for Big Spring," said Wilson. "It was a natural process. Despite the change in name, customers will have no configurations to change, and the e-mail address will remain the same."

In fact, the building will remain the same, though only temporarily. Due to some structural problems at its new Big Spring location at 711 Scurry St., move-



HERALD photo/Allison Thomas  
Bob Wilson, left, executive vice president of Crestar Communications, formerly Crossroads Communications, goes over a new contract with new employees Kayla Karr, Rock Leung and Bob Adkins.

in has been delayed, said Wilson.

"We would love to be in the new building by the end of July," Wilson said. "For now, we are located in the Crossroads Communications location," at 700 Runnels St.

"Once we get our customer service center across from the Big Spring Herald up and going, we will actively begin soliciting

new customers here in Big Spring," said Wilson. "As we move into the future, we look forward to providing more services and features to better serve all your telecommunications needs under both the Wes-Tex Telecom and Crestar Communications names way into the future."

"Our goal is to become the best local, regional and state DSL (digital sub-

scriber lines) and Internet provider that we can possibly be."

DSL is another service Crestar plans to offer. For now, however, the emphasis will be on customer satisfaction with existing services, said Wilson. He said the company is considering extending hours of its technical support as well as pos-

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## Help available for low-income homeowners

By ALLISON THOMAS  
Staff Writer

Local homeowners with low incomes may have the opportunity to receive housing rehabilitation assistance through the Big Spring Public Housing Authority (PHA), which was recently awarded a \$225,000 HOME Program grant from the State of Texas.

"We were pleased to receive this amount," said Mark Gentry, executive director of the Big Spring



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PHA. The HOME Program offers eligible homeowners within the city limits of Big Spring the opportunity make needed improvements.

"The grant is geared toward seniors and persons with disabilities, although anyone is welcome to apply," said Gentry.

The assistance is largely based on the income of the applicants, although houses are also chosen according to the extent to which the HOME Program can improve them.

"If a house is so far gone putting \$25,000 wouldn't help it, it won't be accepted for the program," said Webbie Carvajal, associate consultant with Grant-

Works, the firm administering the grant.

Those receiving assistance must either own their home, or must be able to obtain a 99-year lease. Mobile homes will not be accepted into the program.

"Most of those chosen are elderly people living on a fixed income," said Carvajal. "This helps them fix their homes. They make them livable, and really very nice."

The program offers assistance in the form of repairs to electrical, plumbing, roofing, painting, flooring and structural items.

"This grant is to bring the homes back up to code," said Gentry. "This is not a remodeling program, it's to improve liveability."

Repairs are made according to importance. There is no cost to the homeowner in any of the repairs.

"Some of the houses we look at don't even have indoor plumbing," said Carvajal. "We work on what is needed the most. For instance, it's useless to have new carpeting with a bad roof."

An average of \$30,000 is spent on each house. Usually five or six homes in the community are chosen for repairs.

"We try to divide the grant equally," said Carvajal. "We stretch it as far as it can stretch."

Information sheets and applications are available at

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## Blood drive held today to aid local fire chief

HERALD Staff Report

United Blood Services and the city of Big Spring are holding a blood drive until 6 p.m. today for Fire Chief Brian Jensen. The mobile blood unit is located in the City Hall parking lot at 310 Nolan.

"It's wonderful to see the employees of the city of Big Spring come together when one of their own is in need," said Kyle Carter, senior community relations representative with UBS. "There has been a great interest in helping this

individual and this is one small way people can come to his aid."

Jensen took a PSA test during the Big Spring Health Fair on April 15. He was notified of an abnormal result and was later found to have prostate cancer.

He had mentioned to some co-workers that he planned to donate his own blood in advance of having surgery July 19. The city had planned a blood drive anyway, so they decided to do it in Jensen's name.

"It's great to know that people you work with every day care enough to do something like this for you," said Jensen. He added that he hoped to encourage

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HERALD photo/Carl Graham  
Richard Grove of Big Spring, right, visits with United Blood Services worker Rocky Barron prior to giving blood this morning at City Hall. The blood drive runs through 6 p.m. The drive is to assist Big Spring Fire Chief Brian Jensen who was recently diagnosed with prostate cancer and will have surgery July 19.

## Rabies

### Three more incidents of fox bites are reported

By CARL GRAHAM  
Staff Writer

Three more reports of rabid animals have surfaced in the past week, causing the Big Spring animal control officer Lt. Drew Bavin to issue a warning to residents to be aware of their surroundings at all times.

"We need to once again remind people they need to get their pets vaccinated against rabies and to be aware of the possibility of wild animals having rabies," said Bavin. "Be sure to be aware of your surroundings while out walking your pet. If you happen to see a fox or skunk out, move away from it as soon as possible. Do not try to capture it. These animals are nocturnal and should not be out during daylight hours."

According to Bavin, a 7-year-old girl was bitten by a fox on Friday at the Texas RV Park on South U.S. Highway 87. That same fox also scratched a 17-year-old boy at the same location.

On June 28, a fox bit a domestic cat in the 2800 block of Stonehaven and that fox tested positive for rabies. On July 2, another fox bit a domestic cat in the 2800 block of McCauslan. That fox also tested positive, bringing the number to three incidents where foxes have bitten or scratched humans or pets within just over a week.

"If a person is bitten or scratched by a wild animal, they need to report it at once," said Bavin. "Contact the animal control office at 264-2372 between the hours of 8 a.m. through 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. On weekends and holidays, our hour-a-day number is 264-2570."

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OBITUARIES

Eugene "Buster" Clark

Eugene "Buster" Clark, 94, of Big Spring died at 1:30 a.m. Tuesday, July 4, 2000, at Comanche Trail Nursing Home.

Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Friday, July 7, at Airport Baptist Church with Raford Dunagan officiating. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born on Aug. 15, 1905, at Paradise, Wise County. He was the son of W.W. Clark and Ella Jane Meadows Clark. He married Claudie Lumpkin on Jan. 23, 1934, in Lubbock. She preceded him in death July 7, 1998. Mr. Clark farmed in the Lubbock area until 1940 when he moved to Big Spring. He worked at the Cosden Refinery from 1940 until 1968. He was the Crude Unit Operator. After retiring, he worked with his son in Clark Insulation. He had been a member of the Airport Baptist Church for over 50 years.

His love of the land provided vegetables and fruit for family and friends. He enjoyed riding through the countryside looking at the cotton.

He is survived by: one son and daughter-in-law, Joe and Kay Clark of Big Spring; one daughter and son-in-law, Marilyn and Bruce Lynskey of Midland; five grandchildren, Gwen Kincheloe and her husband, Bob, of Big Spring, Kim Rubio and her husband, Fabian, of Big Spring, Vincent Lynskey of Midland, Tomas Lynskey and his wife, Carrie, of Midland, and Leah Straub and her husband, Charles, of El Paso; five great-grandchildren, Jonathan, Jarred and Jessica Rubio, all of Big Spring, Katy Lynskey of Midland and Joshua Straub of El Paso; two brothers, Miles Clark of Palmdale, Calif., and Lloyd Clark of Denver City; two sisters, Nellie McHolland of



Irvine, Calif. and Ara Beth Martin of Littleton, Colo.

He was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers and one sister.

Pallbearers will be the grandsons, grandsons-in-law and great-grandsons, including Vincent Lynskey, Tomas Lynskey, Charles Straub, Bob Kincheloe, Fabian Rubio, Jonathan Rubio and Jarred Rubio. The family will be at 1016 Baylor.

Oh! call it not death, but that blessed sleep. And never again to wake up and weep. The morning shall come, the body shall rise and meet his dear Lord somewhere in the skies; then cheer up, dear ones, who sadly do weep for happy he is, in Jesus he sleeps: Yes, he is now free from sickness and strife. Then call it not death, but eternal life. (written by Lenora Clark, cousin)

Arrangements under the direction of Myers and Smith Funeral Home.

Paid obituary

Margaret Shuffield

Margaret Shuffield, 73, of Big Spring, died at her home Wednesday morning, July 5, 2000.

Graveside service will be at 4 p.m. Friday, June 7, at Trinity Memorial Park.

She was born Aug. 22, 1926, in Brady. She was the daughter of Lois Rogers Fisher and James Fisher. She married Sherman Shuffield on Aug. 11, 1945, in Brady. He preceded her in death on Feb. 14, 1973. She first came to Big Spring in 1951 from Vincent. She later went back to Brady, and returned to Big Spring in 1988. Mrs. Shuffield had worked at Mountain View Lodge in Big Spring and at the Shuffield Nursing Center in Brady. She had been active in the Retired Senior Volunteer Program at Canterbury. She was a Baptist.

She is survived by: one daughter and son-in-law, Linda and Kenneth Barfield of Big Spring; one stepdaughter, Laverne Gamel and her husband, Buddy, of Leander; one stepson, Don Shuffield and his wife, Jewel, of Fort Worth; two granddaughters, Carrie Blythe and her husband, Greg, and Lindsey Allen and her husband, Kirk, all of Coahoma; two great-grandchildren, Jared Blythe and Kelsey Allen, both of Coahoma; three sisters, Merle of Round Rock, Billie of Odessa, and K.K. of Alabama; one brother, Leslie of Brownwood; and several nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday at Myers and Smith Funeral Home.

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

Paid obituary

Robert E. "Bob" Van Meter

Robert E. "Bob" Van Meter, 69, owner of Van Meter Water Care and formerly of Big Spring, died Tuesday, July 4, 2000, at a Fort Worth hospital.

A memorial service will be 11 a.m. Saturday, June 8, at First United Methodist Church in Weatherford.

Bob Van Meter was born March 28, 1931, in Calera, Okla. Bob was a loving husband, father and friend and a doting grandfather. He

always took time to talk and made his concern for others his priority. He enjoyed dove hunting but more importantly, being with his hunting buddies. Bob was quick to tell an amusing story to put someone in a good mood and always left others with a smile on their face.

Bob married his wife of 48 years, Ana Ruth in September of 1952. He was a graduate of Southeastern State College in Durant, Okla., and served in the Army for two years during the Korean War beginning in 1953. In addition to owning Van Meter Water Care, Bob was a teacher for 15 years. The Van Meters have two children and four grandchildren.

Bob's parents, Roy and Irene Van Meter; four sisters, Betty, Mary, Lois and Dorothy; and two brothers, Joe and Dan, all preceded him in death.

He is survived by: his wife, Ana Ruth Van Meter of Weatherford; son, Keith Van Meter and wife Joni of Fort Worth; daughter, Sue Glassman and husband Gary of Fort Worth; grandchildren, Kelsey, Ross and Kate Van Meter, and Noah Glassman.

The family asks in lieu of flowers, please make donations to the First United Methodist Church of Weatherford.

Arrangements under the direction of White's Funeral Home, Weatherford.

Paid obituary

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and take part in the informal event.

Main Street board president Drew Mouton noted that Monday's lunch event will not only be a chance for local residents to see improvements made by the organization in recent months, but a chance to network with business contacts, as well as see old friends and make new ones.

"Big Spring Main Street Inc. owns the Railroad Plaza," Mouton explained. "We decided to create a committee to oversee what needed to be done downtown and the plaza is the first thing they decided to fix."

The committee, Mouton noted, saw that woodwork in several areas of the plaza needed to be replaced. Scraping and repainting of the railroad car was in order, as well, and inmates from the Wilderness Camp were called on to provide, the work.

"Plants and flowers were also donated and we had the watering system repaired," he added. "We just want people to see what has been done."

The Railroad Plaza, like Big Spring Main Street itself, saw interest from the community wane in the decade since it was first developed.

As one of the initial projects completed in the downtown revitalization effort, the Railroad Plaza has been the site of several faltering attempts to draw business and tourism interest to the area.

A number of new members, including Mouton, were selected to the Main Street board of directors earlier this year and the organization immediately went to work.

By drawing renewed attention to the Railroad Plaza, he noted, the committee hopes to expand the number of activities scheduled there.

"We hope people will take advantage of this plaza,"

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Mouton added, "We even want to have special events but there and we believe this is a good start."

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sibly having technicians make house calls for those customers who cannot bring equipment to the company office to be repaired.

"We are putting together a staff that will be better able to go out to a customer's residences to help solve a problem they are having," Wilson said.

Wes-Tex Telecom's purchase of Crossroads Communications took place on April 25, but wasn't formally announced until Wednesday.

"The reason for the delay in the announcement is due to the fact that we have been going through an inventory process, going through the system and checking it out, putting together a new technical staff and looking at areas we feel we can make improvements," said Wilson.

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The Big Spring PHA, located at 711 East 3rd Street. Applications will be taken at the PHA on Thursday and Friday, July 13 and 14, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

"This is a really worthwhile program," said Carvajal. "We want people to get out and apply for this. The more applications we receive, the more people we

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other men to undergo the PSA screening, and for both men and women to donate blood regularly.

"I want to encourage other men to have a PSA test even though they may not be the recommended age of 50," said Jensen, who is 45. "If I hadn't, I might not have discovered the cancer in time for treatment to be effective."

Persons wanting to donate blood must be at least 17 years old, weigh more than 110 pounds and be in good health. They are also asked to bring proof of identification and a list of medications they have taken in the past 30 days.

BRIEFS

AUDITIONS FOR TALENT TO participate in a dinner theater production are planned July 10 at 7 p.m. at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.

The auditions are for a production planned Sept. 1-2 at Dora Roberts Community Center. Call the chamber at 263-7641 for more information.

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH will resume regular hours for immunizations as of Tuesday. Shots will be given on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 a.m.

TEXAS LOTTERY

Pick 3: 0,9,8

Lotto: 8,26,33,38,46,48

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

until 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. until 4 p.m.

Please bring your child's shot record or a letter from the school. Call 263-9775 for more information.

THE BIG SPRING EVENING Lions Club will have free eyeglasses for all adults Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon at the Big Spring Evening Lions Club bingo building, 1607 East Third.

All adults needing eyeglasses who don't have the income to purchase the exam or glasses are welcome. The recycled eyeglasses are donated by the community as a service project of the Lions.

The Lions group offers the eyeglasses the second Saturday of each month. For more information call Donna Groenke at 393-5298.

FORSAN ALL-CLASS REUNION will be Aug. 5, 2000, 8 a.m. at the Forsan High School Cafeteria. Pre-registration is preferred. Call Bryce Hale at 267-6957.

Please contact other ex-students and let them know about our reunion.

The girls basketball teams of 1966 and 1967 will be honored. Both teams made the State Tournament. Anyone having a group picture of the teams, please contact Hale.

Mail newsletter items to Frank Tate; 5400 South Park Terrace Avenue; Apt. 14-203; Greenwood Village, CO; 80111-3344.

THE HOWARD COUNTY LITERACY Program is seeking adults for its literacy classes. Tutors will assist the students in learning how to read.

The program is confidential, taught from a curriculum specially designed for adults.

Flexible class times are available. To refer a student, call Loraine Redman, Howard County librarian, at 264-2260.

SUPPORT GROUPS

THURSDAY • Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.

MARKETS

July cotton 51.25, up 60 points; August crude 30.58, down 9 points; cash hogs steady at 50 even; slaughter steers steady at 68 even; July lean hog futures 70.75, up 95 points; August live cattle futures 67.55, down 15 points.

courtesy: Delta Corporation. Other markets not available at press time.

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activities between 8 a.m. Wednesday through 8 a.m. today:

• JOHN SIBLEY, 44, no address given, was arrested on a charge of burglary of a

building. • RAY ADAMES, 25, no address given, was arrested on a charge of driving while license invalid.

• SCOTTY BRYANT, 23, no address given, was arrested on a Howard County warrant.

KENDRA MATTHEWS, 18, no address given, was arrested on a charge of driving while license invalid.

• BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported in the 1800 block of Rannels and in the 600 block of Baylor.

• CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1500 block of State, in the 400 block of E. 4th and in the 2900 block of W. Highway 80.

• CLASS C ASSAULT THREAT was reported in the 1100 block of W. 5th.

• ASSAULT reported in the 1900 block of Lamesa Hwy.

• THEFT was reported in the 400 block of Birdwell, 1100 block of N. Lamesa and 2300 block of Wasson.

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activities throughout the weekend ending Monday at 8 a.m.:

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FAMILY VIOLENCE, 6  
BURGLARY OF HABITATION, 5  
BURGLARY OF BUILDING, 3  
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF, 6  
CRIMINAL TRESPASS, 1

DRIVING WHILE LICENSE INVALID, 3  
DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED, 1  
POSSESSION OF DRUGS, 3  
RUNAWAY, 2  
THEFT, 28  
THEFT FROM CONVE-NIENCE STORE, 23  
GAS THEFT, 28  
BEER THEFT, 3  
UNAUTHORIZED USE OF VEHICLE, 1

ACCIDENTS, 10  
MAJOR, 8  
MINOR, 2  
ARRESTS, 24

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activities between 8 a.m. Wednesday through 8 a.m. today:

• STEVEN JOHN ALVAREZ, 35, of 3304 W. Highway 80, was arrested on charges of criminal mischief and driving while license suspended. (HCSD)

• ADAM HERNANDEZ RANGEL, 33, of 703 E. 13th, was arrested on a charge of driving while license suspended. (BSPD)

• JASON RAY PAYNE, 21, of 1302 Grafa, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated. (BSPD)

• ROMELIA LEOS, 21, of 1206 Lancaster, was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana. (BSPD)

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NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH Funeral Home  
Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory  
906 Gregg St. (915) 267-6331  
Chloe E. Newton Pierce, 80, died Tuesday. Graveside services will be 11:00 AM Friday at Cross Cut Cemetery, near Cross Plains, Texas.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL  
24th & Johnson 267-4288  
Eugene (Buster) Clark, 94, died Tuesday. Funeral services will be at 10:00 AM Friday at Airport Baptist Church. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.  
Linnie Inez McMurry Spinks, 88, died Tuesday. Graveside services will be at 2:00 PM Friday at Trinity Memorial Park.  
Margaret Shuffield, 73, died Wednesday. Graveside services will be 4:00 PM, Friday at Trinity Memorial Park. The family will receive friends at Myers & Smith Funeral Home from 5 to 7 PM, Thursday.

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# Audit contends IRS owes taxpayers \$25 million in excess payments

WASHINGTON (AP) — Thousands of taxpayers were sent IRS notices demanding taxes they'd already paid and thousands of others forfeited their rights to get money back from the government, an independent audit found.

The audit found that the agency did not credit or refund \$25 million in income taxes overpaid by taxpayers who paid late, though still within the time allowed. Some faced federal liens because of the error.

And thousands of others forfeited their rights to refunds or credits, or were at risk of doing so, that totaled \$335 million. These individuals, families and businesses failed to file late tax

returns in time to qualify for the money.

The audit by the independent Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration, David C. Williams, examined 426,000 tax payments, totaling \$360 million, from 240,000 taxpayers that had been transferred as of March 1999 to the IRS Excess Collections Account. Payments are deposited into this account when the IRS is unable to match them with a tax return, usually because it is late.

Of the \$360 million, the audit found that:

—About \$25 million, or 29,820 payments, immediately should have been refunded or credited to taxpayers who filed returns late

but within the legal requirement of generally three years after the initial due date — usually April 15 of a given year.

The audit did not break down how many taxpayers that involved. The IRS says it has now dealt with the problem.

—Taxpayers forfeited \$162 million, or 191,700 payments, because they did not get a return to the IRS within the three-year window to claim a refund or to credit the payment toward another tax year.

—No tax return had been filed for \$173 million, or 204,480 payments. But these taxpayers still could get their credit or refund if they took action quickly.

Tax law requires a taxpayer to

file a claim for a credit or refund of an overpayment within three years after a return is filed or two years after the tax was paid, whichever is later. If no tax is due, the claim must be made within two years of the payment.

The chief culprit is the main IRS computer, which is not linked directly to computers in the agency's 10 service centers, where records of payment transfers to the excess account are kept.

When a late return is filed, the computer containing a taxpayer's main account has no record of the previous payments and the IRS sends out a notice demanding the money.

An IRS study from 1995 that was

cited by auditors said it was "unproductive" to spend time tracking down people who failed to file tax returns if they did not owe taxes and that agents sometimes transferred payments to the excess accounts to reduce the number of unresolved cases.

As a result, the auditors found that "many taxpayers received inaccurate or erroneous balance due notices, sometimes taxpayers made additional payments in excess of their tax liabilities and, in a few instances, taxpayers were subjected to federal tax liens."

The IRS says it has now returned or credited the money cited in the audit and is fixing the problem.

# Summer heats up, nation faces power outages

WASHINGTON (AP) — A New Hampshire nuclear power plant is out of business for a few days, and folks throughout New England are asked to conserve electricity.

A blistering heat wave and problems at a power station hundreds of miles away force electricity distributors in California to scramble.

With growing demand for electricity and a power industry in the midst of a rocky transition, customers are facing another summer of tight electricity supplies — and possible rolling blackouts in some parts of the country.

Federal officials and the power industry blame some of the problems on the lack of adequate transmission lines, antiquated switching systems and uncertainty about the direction the industry is going, including the quickening pace of deregulation.

Next week Congress will consider legislation aimed at speeding up the restructuring of the \$220 billion electric utility industry, including provisions that would impose new requirements to help ensure reliability. The Senate last week

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— Bill Richardson, energy secretary

approved a bill that would establish a new organization that would monitor and enforce reliability rules.

"The existing scheme of voluntary compliance with voluntary industry reliability rules is simply no longer adequate," says Sen. Frank Murkowski, R-Alaska, chairman of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources committee.

But even if Congress acts, it will come too late to ease power supply concerns this summer.

Power problems already have surfaced in New England and California and "could be an ominous sign" of things to come with the hottest months of the summer just ahead, said Energy Secretary Bill Richardson, who has toured the country for a series of electricity reliability meetings in recent months.

"The view (at these meetings) was unanimous. If we don't work together and fix

the problem, we'll all end up sitting in the dark," Richardson said. He said he was particularly concerned about potential power outages in the Southwest, California and parts of the Northeast, although other areas could be affected if there are unexpected breakdowns at power plants or an unusual heat wave.

Spurred on by the growing economy and increased reliance on computers and other electrical devices, electricity demand has been increasing about 2 percent a year, while generation capacity has lagged. The safety cushion between expected demand under normal circumstances and maximum electricity generation has been narrowing and now is less than 14 percent of capacity, according to industry figures. Not long ago it was nearly 25 percent, said a senior DOE official.

Signs of problems have already shown up this sum-

mer.

For most of last week, California was under a "stage II power watch" in which customers were asked to keep down electricity use and power was withheld from some commercial users because of tight supplies as temperatures soared in the 100-degree range. Two weeks earlier, rolling blackouts moved through the San Francisco Bay area after some power generators failed during a record 103 degree heat wave.

Although milder temperatures have eased the strain on the state's electricity system, the problem isn't over, said Patrick Dorinson, a spokesman for the California Independent System Operator, which manages the state's flow of electricity.

"Everything is on a day-to-day basis," he said. "We expect another heat wave next week."

In New England, a New Hampshire nuclear power plant went down for a few days last month, triggering an appeal throughout the region that users conserve electricity. The plant quickly resumed operation and cooler weather arrived, ending the threat.

# Five killed in rural Caldwell County fire

DALE, Texas (AP) — An early morning fire raced through a rural Caldwell County home on Wednesday, killing a 64-year-old woman and four children.

The victims were identified as Margaret Rodriguez, 64, her 12-year-old granddaughter Mary Linda Rodriguez, and three children of a family friend — Servando Herrera, 5, Nayda Herrera, 3, and Malena Herrera, 2.

Authorities found two of the bodies in a back bedroom and two others in the larger front bedroom Wednesday morning. They found the fifth victim Wednesday night.

The one-story, wood-frame house was completely engulfed in 50-foot flames when firefighters arrived roughly 12 minutes after neighbors reported the blaze, officials said. Firefighters said they could see heavy smoke and flames more than four miles away.

"When the first unit got here, (the house) was pretty much gone," James Blanton, an investigator

for the Caldwell County Sheriff's Office, told Austin American-Statesman for a story in Thursday's editions.

"It wouldn't have made a difference if you had a truck just down the street," he said.

The state Fire Marshal's office, Texas Department of Public Safety and Texas Rangers joined Caldwell County authorities Wednesday in trying to find the source of the fire. Investigators did not rule out the possibility of arson but said it seemed an unlikely cause.

Remnants of Fourth of July fireworks were found in the yard, said Mark Hanna, a spokesman for the state Fire Marshal's Office.

"The only thing that is real obvious is that there were fireworks strewn all over the yard, so obviously they had a big fireworks shoot the night before," Hanna told the Houston Chronicle.

"But we're also looking to see if there was something electrical or another reason it started."

# Barak in political peril, Palestinians take hard line as summit nears

WASHINGTON (AP) — As Israel and the Palestinians jockey for position for next week's summit, political problems are piling up for Prime Minister Ehud Barak while the Palestinians are taking a tough line in their demands.

Barak's inclination to make concessions on West Bank land, Jerusalem and Jewish settlers prompted two parties to pull out of his government — Wednesday, weakening his already shaky rule and impinging on his room to maneuver at Camp David, Md.

But the Palestinians, sensing the chance for a successful summit under

President Clinton's supervision, are warning Israel that giving up only part of the land for a state would not be enough.

Yasser Arafat has his eye on virtually all of the West Bank, Gaza and east Jerusalem. "If the Israelis think that by giving parts of the land to declare the Palestinian state in, then I don't think this would bring peace to the area," chief Palestinian negotiator Ahmed Qureia said Wednesday. "Rather, it would be the flame that would explode the situation."

Facing a deadlock and a mid-September deadline,

Clinton said Wednesday he was summoning Barak and Arafat to his Maryland retreat "to start drawing the contours of the long-awaited peace" that has eluded the two sides for a half-century.

In announcing his risky move at the White House, Clinton allowed that staging a summit has its perils. But he said if Barak and Arafat "do not seize this moment, if they cannot make progress now, there will be more hostility and more bitterness, perhaps even more violence."

Clinton also registered his support for Palestinians "aspirations" for determining their own future on

their own land — a thinly veiled message to Israel to give ground.

Barak is so inclined, prepared to give up far more land than even his peace-minded mentor, the late Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, was prepared to do as he secretly began the Israeli withdrawal from the West Bank and Gaza in 1993.

Seeing what was likely to unfold, two parties in Barak's ruling coalition said they would quit the government — and deprive the prime minister of the consensus he needs to make peace.

Natan Sharansky's immigrants party and the

National Religious Party said they could not remain now that Barak appeared ready to make generous territorial concessions.

For them, the price of peace appeared to be too high.

"The prime minister is traveling (to Washington) without trying to make consensus here," Sharansky said. "I prefer to be with the majority."

Leaked negotiating papers

have suggested that Barak would be prepared at a summit to give up 92 percent of the West Bank, and Barak has said that 50,000 out of some 195,000 Jewish settlers could be forced to choose between Palestinian rule and abandoning their homes.

These settlers, and their supporters, represent the ancient Jewish view of the West Bank — what they call Judea and Samaria.

# Man accused of luring Texas A&M student to his death

SAN MARCOS (AP) — A 31-year-old San Antonio man has been indicted for murder for the death of a Texas A&M student who forced a face-to-face rendezvous with a woman he met on the Internet.

Kenney Wayne Lockwood faces up to life in prison if convicted of luring 20-year-old Kerry Kujawa, of Richmond, to San Antonio and shooting him in the head during the second weekend of April.

Police say Lockwood, an

unemployed 6-foot-2 nurse, posed as "Kelly," a female Texas A&M prelaw student, on the Internet. Lockwood's alter ego was so convincing that Kujawa asked to see her, which led to his death.

Police believe Kujawa went to the Lockwood home and may have been killed because he discovered Lockwood was posing as "Kelly."

Lockwood was arrested April 28 at a San Antonio hospital, where he was a patient. He remains in Hays

County jail in San Marcos on \$500,000 bond.

Mike Lockwood, who lives in southern New Mexico, said his son has a violent temper, chronic medical ailments and sexuality issues. The name "Kelly" also may have come from Kenny Lockwood's only significant romantic interest when he was a student at John Marshall High School.

Kujawa was last seen April 7, when he told friends and family he was going to San Antonio to

visit his Internet friend.

His car was found at Easterwood Airport in College Station, where it had been in long-term parking since April 10.

Days after he failed to return to College Station, his parents received e-mail messages purportedly from him, sent from Kelly's e-mail address. The e-mails usually ended with: "I'll be back in a few days, everything is okay. Don't worry, I'm still taking care of Kelly."

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Photo ID packet brings peace of mind

Just the thought strikes fear into the heart of any parent: My child is missing. But in this increasingly complex world, the possibility of such a situation is all too real. That's why we are pleased that a local business has plans to offer parents help just in case the unthinkable happens. On Saturday at HEB Food Stores, parents can get a free photo ID and fingerprint card for their children.

In the event that a child becomes missing, the ID card will provide helpful information to aid authorities in getting the child back home as soon as possible.

The fingerprint/photo ID program is conducted by the Missing Children Alert Program (MCAP), a registered non-profit agency. It is completely free to the public and only takes a few, painless moments for the parent and child. In addition, everything is confidential.

More than 300 Big Spring children took part in the program last year, and as many or more are expected again this year.

Parents who participate will receive a three-piece fold-out ID card that contains the child's dental chart, anatomy chart, physical description, medical history, and DNA sample. It even includes information such as what kind of bike they ride and who their best friends are.

It is recommended that parents have their child photographed and fingerprinted every year in the event of such an emergency.

Take your child to HEB Saturday between noon and 3:30 p.m. and take the time to get a card. A short wait in line could bring priceless peace of mind in case of an emergency.

OTHER VIEWS

The Supreme Court's extreme decision regarding pre-football game prayers boils down to an assertion that if any student utters a prayer at a school event, then the school is deemed to have "established religion" and must take steps to stop it. It comes as little surprise, then, that in some parts of the country the Court's decision has sparked open defiance.

As The Associated Press reports, at least one Louisiana high school official already says pre-game prayers will go forward as long as students want them — unless there is local objection to the long-standing practice. "To make some allegation that this is an infringement of church and state is an extreme reach," says Pat Luke, principal of South Terrebonne High School. "I don't believe that this nation is one nation under nothing; it's one nation

under God."

Such reaction calls to mind last year's graduation season, during which the assembled crowd of thousands at a Maryland high school spontaneously broke into The Lord's Prayer after a court declared that a student could not be allowed to lead a prayer.

By overreaching, the Court may well undermine its own authority. The law may be the law — the Court is not a legislature, even if it sometimes behaves like one — but when the law is ridiculous, Americans have a habit of thumbing their noses at it. Or in this case clapping their hands in prayer. The national 55 mile-an-hour speed limit was eliminated principally because hardly anyone obeyed it. Prohibition similarly fell victim to popular will.

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WDIA, the radio station of goodwill

It was 4 p.m. Oct. 25, 1948, when a high-school teacher with an infectious laugh opened his smooth mouth and made history:

"Ha ha ha ha ha. Heh.

Heh. Top of the morning to you, my friends, from the home of colorful old Beale Street, the place where the blues began in Memphis, Tennessee, in the hub of the rich Mississippi Delta, WDIA — 50,000 watts of goodwill — invites you to join us in asking the Man Upstairs to smile on us today ..."

Nat D. Williams, first full-time black disc jockey in the mid-South, launched his WDIA radio show with a trademark cackle and a nod to Beale.

Less than a year later, every single on-air personality at WDIA — formerly a floundering white station that played a mishmash of songs from hillbilly to classical — would be black. And WDIA (1070 AM) would become the nation's first radio station with an all-black cast of DJs.

Rufus Thomas and B.B. King both got their start at WDIA, not to mention Theo "Bless My Bones" Wade, Robert "Honeyboy" Thomas, Joe Hill Louis and a host of others. They sang their own music, spun

records and often orchestrated on-air searches for lost children or false teeth.

The station took the "goodwill" part of Williams' salutation seriously. WDIA was the Goodwill Station, building an orphanage and sponsoring a baseball league for black kids denied access to the official Little League. (More recently, in 1982, the station raised \$200,000 to save from bankruptcy the all-black Mississippi town of Mound Bayou.)

WDIA today is in its third location, on Union Avenue. It's not far from the famously whimsical yet grand Peabody Hotel, the one that hosts two daily duck parades. The Mississippi River is just down the street, endlessly rolling and rolling, so primal and mighty that in comparison all other commerce looks feeble.

On a sultry, sleepy day, I took an elevator ride up to the third floor of an old office building to meet James Davis, a contemporary WDIA announcer and the station's accidental archivist.

Davis is 47, friendly and, to his credit, keenly aware of the historic import of working for WDIA. He cites one author who claims that "15 percent of blacks in this country were affected directly or indirectly by WDIA," by its activism or music or both.

Davis knows he himself was touched, growing up in remote Eupora, Miss., listening to WDIA on his transistor radio and feeling a part of exotic, "far-away" Memphis.

"I listened mostly at night when I could get the signal," he says, smiling at the memory. "The options for black radio then weren't that many. A station in Houston carried 30 minutes of black music that we could get. And later there was one hour out of Jackson ..."

He specifically remembers hearing Nat D. Williams and Rufus and advertisements for Loeb's Cleaners. And hearing about some of the legendary searches that helped locate, at various times, a little girl, a cow and those infamous lost choppers.

"There never will be, could be or should be anything quite like it again," Davis says.

He never dreamed he'd one day work for WDIA, but now "I can't imagine living and working in radio without ending up here eventually." Davis' initiative for the station's 50th anniversary resulted in a short video documentary. And he was the one who put out the call for WDIA youth baseball league jerseys; the one he found now hangs in Memphis' new Rock and Soul Museum.

WDIA's white founders, John R. Pepper and Burt Ferguson, in 1947 paid \$40,000 for their 250 watts. Soon they were losing money with a hodgepodge format that wasn't particularly distinctive. The men were looking to sell.

That's when Ferguson thought of Williams, who often was emcee for Beale Street talent shows and who "called" football games over the high-school PA

system. Ferguson's "daring" idea to give Nat Williams a show proved so popular that the station's entire course was reset.

"The station was aware from the first that it was making history," Davis says. In national promotions it billed itself as "The Mother Station of the Negroes" and annually hosted a star-studded Goodwill and Starlight Review. WDIA won a 1952 industry award for a program called "Brown America Speaks," which, Davis thinks, might well have been America's original talk show.

There's such a thing as radio static, but no such thing as static radio. WDIA's heyday would end. There were NAACP boycotts against the station for its lack of black managers and ownership. (Its first black owner bought the station in 1983. Today WDIA is owned by Clear Channel Radio out of San Antonio, Texas.) And, soon enough, there was competition. Plenty of it.

But for one brief, shining, funky moment there was only WDIA in Memphis, the Goodwill Station, where you could tune in to the "Anything Goes Gospel Show" or a musically daring program called "Premium Stuff."

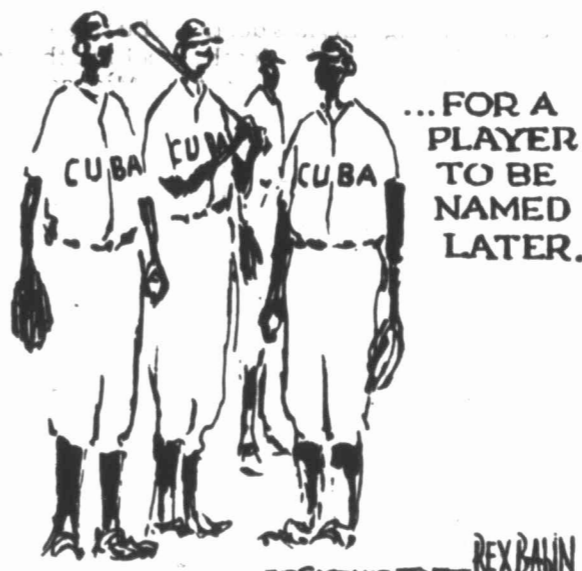
The announcer might ask you to send in your dollars for a home for black handicapped children, or invite you to play ball, or remind you to look along the riverbank for an old man's bifocals.

It was good radio.



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HOW U.S. TRADE WITH CUBA WILL WORK...



Cuban-Americans stand up for liberty

Well, it's no surprise that the Supreme Court sent Elian

Gonzalez back to a communist dictatorship and also ruled that Nebraska could not legislate against infanticide.

After all, the same court had earlier seen a threat in a student leading a prayer in a football stadium. Not a good week for children as far as the Supreme Court went. Not a good week for morality or the Constitution, either.

I'm sorry to see Elian being taken back to Cuba, but I'm even sorer to see so many Americans igno-

rant of or indifferent about the communist dictatorship in Cuba. Remember, I said sorry, not surprised.

A recent news story reported that 80 percent of the seniors from the top 55 colleges and universities — including Harvard and Princeton — scored a D or an F on a 34-question American history test. The people who did the study said that 99 percent of the students could identify Beavis and Butt-head, two sick TV characters, but only 23 percent identified James Madison as the principal framer of the Constitution.

Now these young men and women have had 16 or 17 years of formal education. And still, they're ignorant as toads about the history of their own country. Are your children in public schools? Why? It appears to be largely a consumer fraud.

So, if ignorance of their own country is so widespread, it's no surprise that so many Americans seem to think Fidel Castro is no worse than a grouchy cigar salesman.

I'm quite sure that most Americans don't realize that, prior to Castro, Cuba had the highest standard of living in Latin America. Now, it's close to the bottom.

And I just love all these news analysts claiming the Cuban-American community in Florida has lost its political clout.

That just shows you how stupid someone who claims to be an analyst can be. In the first place, the fight for Elian was in the courts, and no Cuban-American ever claimed to have clout in the courts. Cuban-Americans have all along been willing to accept the decisions of the courts. This was a legal battle, not

a political battle.

So, if you think they have lost their political clout, then come to Florida, alienate them and see if you can win a statewide election or an election in Dade County. The only clout they've ever had is that they are intelligent, hard-working, willing to put their money where their mouths are, and they vote. In other words, unlike so many of their critics, they do their duty as American citizens. They do know history, and they do not have defective memories.

They do all of this, by the way, because, unlike so many of their critics, Cuban-Americans do indeed dearly love this country, and they've proved it in every way a human being can.

The only thing they wanted for Elian was the liberty his mother died trying to give him.

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Tradition of service

Reid's election continues school board legacy of father, grandfather

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN Features Editor

When Dr. Jody Reid was elected in May to an at-large position on the Coahoma school board, he was carrying on a family tradition that goes back 50 years.

It was 1950 when his grandfather, Clay Reid, was elected to the same board, where would serve the district for 16 years. In the 1980s, his son — Jody's father, Donnie Reid — served on the board for nine years.

"My family has always been very involved in the community," said Jody, a chiropractor with Warren Chiropractic and a 1986 Coahoma High School graduate. "I take a lot of pride in our kids, our school, and I want to do my part to make it the best it can be."

While Donnie was serving on the board, he presented his son with his diploma, just as Clay had done for his son a generation before. Now, because of his service on the board, Jody will have the opportunity to present his young sons with their diplomas to complete the cycle.

"We're real proud of him," said Donnie, a farmer who has been

involved in area agriculture issues and groups. "I told him if you want to serve on the board, there has never been a better time. They've got a real strong superintendent."

Both Jody and Clay also had positive things to say about current superintendent Bill Kingston. In addition, Jody said the other six board members are all focused on the same goal — the best possible education for the students — and can work together to reach it.

"The board has a definite job, and that is to set policies and be sure there is a system in place for the administration to work under," Jody said. "It's our job to see that the school is headed in the direction we want it to go."

Donnie said he didn't try to give his son any advice before he began the campaign for office.

"He's pretty well got a mind of his own, like all us Reids," Donnie said. Clay agreed.

"He'll do a good job. He's a solid young man and a very special grandson," he said.

Jody said he wants to create the opportunity for a good education for all Coahoma students, including young Reagan Clay Reid, a second-



Dr. Jody Reid, left, is shown in Coahoma recently with his father, Donnie Reid, and his grandfather, Clay Reid. All three generations have served on the Coahoma school board. Jody was elected in May.

grader, and Ryan Reid, a first grader. "I just want my kids to get the same chance I got. I got a good education out there, one that allowed me to go on to the next level."

Two-parent families can produce the healthiest kids

QUESTION: Why do you think kids are more sexually active today than when I was young? Lust is certainly not new. What is causing this generation to be so promiscuous?

DR. DOBSON:

There are many factors that have brought on the epidemic we're seeing, not the least of which is the trash that is beamed to teenagers on television, in movies, and from the rock music industry. Young people today are bombarded by immoral entertainment that models promiscuous behavior and teaches them that "everyone is doing it." The diminishing influence of traditional Christian teaching is also responsible for the changing mores of our kids.



DR. JAMES DOBSON

There is another extremely important consideration that has been identified recently by behavioral research. A team of researchers from the Oregon Social Learning Center has found that parental divorce plays a direct role in fostering sexual experimentation among adolescents.

The investigators tracked the behavior of 201 junior high and high school boys who lived in "higher crime areas." They found that the boys who had sexual intercourse at an early age tended to be those who had experienced two or more "parental transitions," (divorce, remarriage or repartnering). Only 18 percent of these promiscuous boys came from intact families. By contrast, 57 percent of the virgins came from homes where divorce had not occurred. On average, these abstinent boys had experienced fewer than one parental transition.

A similar study was conducted on young women by sociologist Lawrence L. Wu of the University of Wisconsin, Madison. He studied 2,441 white women and 1,275 black women, and found that there was a strong correlation between those who bore babies out of wedlock and those who had been through a "change in family structure" when growing up. Wu concluded that the stresses of divorce and/or remarriage on children are directly implicated in out-of-wedlock childbearing.

In study after study, we are seeing that divorce, single parenting and family disruption are unhealthy for children. The future of the nation depends, quite literally, on millions of strong, committed and loving families.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Dr. James C. Dobson's "Focus on the Family" appears each Thursday as a cooperative effort of Scenic Mountain Medical Center and the Big Spring Herald.

'Sopranos' creator is trying to deal with actress' death

NEW YORK (AP) — Livia Soprano, the manipulative matriarch of New Jersey's fictional mob family, would have really enjoyed this: Even in death, people are consumed by her.

The writers of HBO's "The Sopranos" are trying to figure out how to deal with the death of actress Nancy Marchand, who played Livia. They have nearly nine months before new shows air.

Though Marchand made no secret of her lung cancer before dying June 18, series creator David Chase said the writers had only once before talked about losing her but quickly changed the subject because it was too unpleasant. Since then, people have

repeatedly come up to Chase and said, "This is a problem for you, isn't it?"

For while actor James Gandolfini, as Tony Soprano, is clearly the star, Marchand's scenes were some of the most electric. The relationship between Tony and his mother — the woman who tried to have him whacked in the first season — is the emotional underpinning of "The Sopranos," he said.

"One way or another, either through Livia's death or without Livia's death, Tony Soprano has to get over his mother, which he was doing," Chase said.

The intrusion of real life into fiction is an occasional challenge for TV writers, most recently seen with

Michael J. Fox's exit from "Spin City." Some series handle it more adroitly than others.

Fox's character, New York City Deputy Mayor Michael Flaherty, took the fall for a political scandal and quit his job. Fox is leaving the series because of Parkinson's disease.

When "Cheers" actor Nicholas Colasanto died suddenly in 1985, so did his character, the bartender Coach. Actor Woody Harrison took his spot behind the bar.

Michael Conrad, who as Sgt. Phil Esterhaus on "Hill Street Blues" warned his officers, "Let's be careful out there," continued in his role after contracting cancer, as did Jim Davis, who

was the patriarch Jock Ewing on "Dallas." After their deaths, the characters were killed and the shows went on.

After Dick York left "Bewitched" because of illness in 1969, actor Dick Sargent took over as Darrin and the series continued.

Don't expect a faux Livia on "The Sopranos."

"What we will probably do is deal with what does one feel like when a parent dies with whom you haven't had a good relationship," Chase said.

A misconception held by many of the show's fans is that Marchand limited her appearances during the second season because of her cancer. Instead, Chase said, her appearances were limit-

ed by her dark-hearted character's deeds: Tony understandably held a grudge over the hit attempt and didn't want to have anything to do with Livia.

Chase said he actually wrote scenes superfluous to the plot this past year just to get Marchand more air time. Livia was in police custody in her final scene, picked up with stolen airline tickets that Tony had given her.

No matter how Chase and his writers decide to deal with Marchand's death, they will do their best to keep it a secret.

One thing is for certain: It will mean the end for one of Tony's favorite sayings about his mother: "She's dead to me!"

Regis brings 'Millionaire' fashion style to the masses

NEW YORK (AP) — Former Cosmopolitan editor Helen Gurley Brown once joked that it took an act of Congress to get men out of the basic white shirt and regulation tie.

Turns out, it is quiz-show host Regis Philbin, a newly minted menswear purveyor, who is legislating this summer's hot new look, a cotton men's dress shirt with the same-color glossy necktie, both in solids, in black, tan, blue or green.

The ratings powerhouse attracted a crowd that snaked out the door and on to the sidewalk at Macy's Herald Square during the recent launch of the Regis by The Van Heusen Company label.

Kenneth Cole, Richard Tyler, Hugo Boss and Joseph Abboud have sent the monochromatic look down the runways. And a squadron of Hollywood's hottest, from Tom Cruise to Tom Hanks, have worn it on the red carpet. But it took Philbin, host of ABC's

"Who Wants to Be a Millionaire," to bring it to the masses.

"You'll probably see (the Regis look) in middle America in droves only because, remember, his 'Millionaire' show is the top-rated show across America; it's a phenomenon and it's on several nights a week.

"Now that's what I call penetrating a market," said Mike Cannon, men's fashion editor at Town & Country magazine, who expects the Regis-label ensemble to saturate Kiwanis Clubs across the heartland, even if it doesn't show up at social-page soirees.

"Regis Philbin is cool to a lot of guys — real men, not style-setters," said Cannon. "I think his universal appeal will penetrate the country much like the Farrah Fawcett hairstyle and the pashmina (shawl) did for women, and the Cabbage Patch doll did for kids."

M&M's not 'plain' anymore

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — Say goodbye to plain M&M's.

After 46 years as plain-old plain M&M's, the chocolate-coated candies are being renamed milk chocolate M&M's.

"For a long, long time, our chocolate has been too good to be called plain, but we were living with almost 50 years of heritage of calling them plain," said Michael Tolkowsky, vice president for marketing and licensing at M&M/Mars, based in Hackettstown, N.J.

M&M gave its candies the plain name in 1954, when it introduced peanut M&M's.

Last week, the company launched a \$10 million ad campaign with the slogan "Same great chocolate. Much better name," and has been phasing in the new versions of the brown-and-white packages for a few months, Tolkowsky said.

One television commercial now airing shows people describing their profes-

Last week, the company launched a \$10 million ad campaign with the slogan "Same great chocolate. Much better name."

sions with politically correct terms, such as "domestic care giver" instead of baby sitter. Then, an animated red M&M's character stands up to say, "I am not a plain M&M. I am a milk chocolate M&M."

Calling the candies plain "never really fit the eating experience of M&M's," Tolkowsky said.

He said the change isn't about helping sales, which rose 12 percent last year. The company conducted consumer research that shows the customers would not be confused by the name change and may actually give the candy more

attention. Analysts said the name change shouldn't turn customers away.

"I think M&M's is an institution," said Ann Gurkin, an analyst at Davenport & Co. in Richmond, Va. She, for one, never thinks about the varieties. "I call it M&M's," Gurkin said.

The new packages will feature a slightly updated logo and the permanent addition of the candy pieces, but will remain the familiar brown-and-white color scheme, Tolkowsky said.

The company also sells peanut butter, almond and crispy versions of M&M's.

M&M's were first called plain chocolate candies when they went on the market in 1941. In 1954, they switched to plain when peanut M&M's were created. The candy company has made a few color changes over the years, replacing violet M&M's with tan in the 1940s, and adding blue M&M's in 1995.

Slice of Life

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

FRANKLIN, Tenn. (AP) — Christian singer Gary Chapman married Jennifer Pittman in a ceremony at his Williamson County farm.

Chapman, who was divorced from Christian singer Amy Grant last year, was the host of "Prime Time Country" on TNN until the show was canceled last year.

Chapman's dog, Simon, was the ring-bearer at Saturday's ceremony. Chapman waved a raw hot dog to attract the ring-bearer's attention.

"Even Apostle Paul said, 'Bear with me in my folly,'" said Chapman's father, Texas preacher Terry Chapman. He performed the marriage ceremony.

Chapman and Grant were married for 16 1/2 years and have three children.

CLEARWATER, Fla. (AP) — A political advertising campaign using wrestler Hulk Hogan to pitch a development project to the people of Clearwater has one major flaw: Hogan resides just outside the city limits and isn't eligible to vote in the referendum on the plan.

Hogan, whose real name is Terry Bollea, tells viewers in the ads how the \$300 million downtown revitalization plan, which faces a do-or-die referendum vote next Tuesday, would create 2,000 jobs and mean \$3 million to schools. "That's why I'm voting 'yes' ... I hope you will, too," says Hogan, who has voted just once since registering in 1993.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

AUDITIONS FOR ACTORS TO participate in a dinner theater production are planned Monday at 7 p.m. at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.

The auditions are for a production planned Sept. 1-2 at Dora Roberts Community Center. Also needed are backstage production people. No experience is necessary.

Call the chamber at 263-7641 for more information.

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH has announced new summer hours for immunizations. Shots will be given on Tuesdays only from 8:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. Please bring your child's shot record or a letter from the school.


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# The Mini Page

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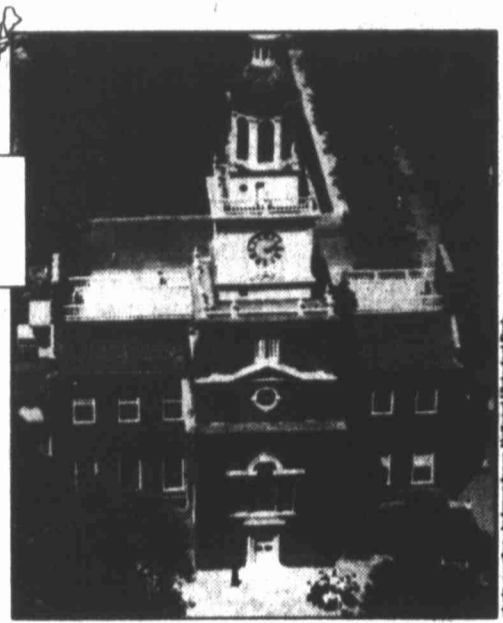
## Packed with History Pennsylvania From A to Z



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Pennsylvania was one of the original 13 Colonies. The state played an important part in our country's history. Ever since the Revolutionary War, it has also been a leader in industry. With so many sites to see, Pennsylvania attracts many tourists.

The Amish people, who live as their ancestors did years ago, have strong communities in Lancaster County and elsewhere. They live simply, without modern technology such as electricity. The Amish are a part of a unique group called the Pennsylvania Dutch. These people have a German background, but got their name from the word "Deutsch," which means German.



Independence Hall, first built in 1753, is still standing.

The state is the Birthplace of our nation. Both the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution were adopted and signed in Philadelphia at Independence Hall.

At Carlisle is the grave of Molly Pitcher, who brought pitchers of water to thirsty Revolutionary soldiers. It is also the site of a former school for Indian children. In the early 1900s, people thought Indian children could succeed only if they were forced to learn white people's ways.

Coal mining has long been an important industry.

The Delaware River forms the eastern boundary with New Jersey.

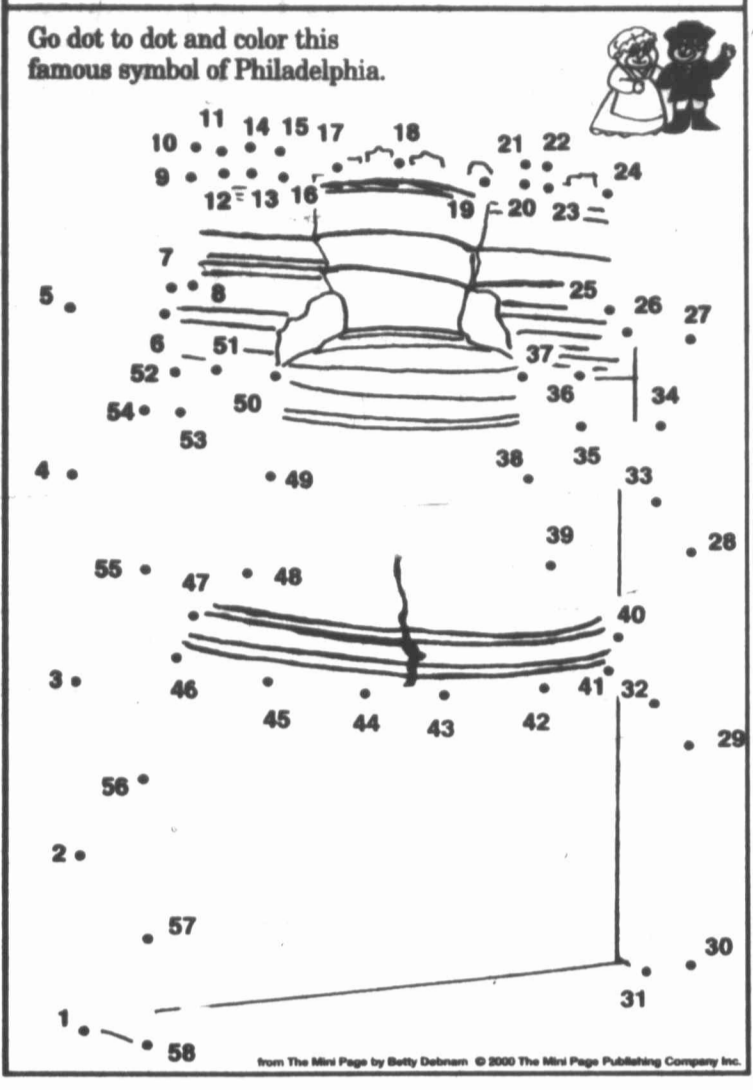
The Eisenhower National Historic Site at Gettysburg was the home of former president and first lady Dwight and Mamie Eisenhower.

Forests cover about 60 percent of the state. Pennsylvania means "Penn's Woods," named after William Penn, the Colony's founder.

Benjamin Franklin of Philadelphia was a leading statesman, inventor, printer, and signer of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution.

Gettysburg was the site of the bloodiest battle ever fought on American soil. After it was over, the South never regained the lead in the Civil War. Abraham Lincoln gave his famous Gettysburg Address there.

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Go dot to dot and color this famous symbol of Philadelphia.

### MIGHTY FUNNY'S Funny Phonics

It's fun to learn about phonics, or the sounds that letters make. The letter U has two sounds, long and short. This week's target sound is the long-U sound, as in cube.

**Q:** Who was the tallest president of the United States?  
**A:** Dwight D. Eiffel-tower!

**Q:** What does it mean if you have small pupils?  
**A:** It means you are a schoolteacher!

**Q:** What did the vacuuming lady say to the robber?  
**A:** "Hold up the sofa, please!"

Go on a U word hunt. What other words can you find with the long-U sound?

### Rookie Cookies Recipe

#### Mighty Mushroom Burgers


Pennsylvania is a big supplier of mushrooms.

**You'll need:**

- 1 can cream of mushroom soup
- 1 pound ground beef
- 1 (4-ounce) can mushrooms, drained

**What to do:**

1. Make 4 patties from the ground beef. Place in a casserole.
2. Pour soup evenly on top.
3. Top with mushrooms.
4. Bake in a preheated 350-degree oven for 1 hour. Serves 4.



## More About Pennsylvania

**Harrisburg** is the state capital. It is named after the founder, John Harris.

The **Hemlock** is the state tree.

**Hershey's** Hershey has a zoo, an amusement park, a museum, and the biggest chocolate factory in the world.

**Service Industries** such as banking, health care and tourism are very important. The manufacturing of chemicals and food products is big. The foods include pretzels, ice cream and potato chips. Companies such as US Steel, Heinz foods, Alcoa aluminum and Gulf Oil started there. Textile, glass and paper products and medicines are among other products.

**Johnstown** suffered one of the country's worst natural disasters when a flood killed more than 2,000 people in 1889.

The **Keystone State** is its nickname because it was in the middle of the 13 original Colonies. Six are to the north and six are to the south.

**Lake Erie**, one of the Great Lakes, is on the northern border.

Look through your newspaper for stories about the upcoming Republican National Convention in Philadelphia.

Next week The Mini Page is about the 300th birthday anniversary of the piano.

**Longwood Gardens** is one of the top public gardens in the world.

**Mountains** such as the Poconos, Appalachians, Alleghenies and the Blue Ridge attract hikers, fishers and skiers.

**Mountain laurel** is the state flower.

**Mushrooms** are the top farm crop. Farms cover about one-third of the land. The state has very rich soil. Other farm products include cattle, hens and dairy products.

The **National Aviary** in Pittsburgh was one of the first aviaries, or public homes for birds, in the country.

The first successful **Oil** well in the country was drilled near Titusville in 1859.

**Pittsburgh**, the second-largest city in the state, has about 370,000 people. There, two rivers join to form the Ohio River, which helped make the city a center of industry, known for steel and glass.

**Quakers**, led by William Penn, came seeking religious freedom.

The **Ruffed grouse** is the state bird.

**Steel** is still an important product, but it is not as big an industry as it once was.

**Three Mile Island** near Harrisburg was the site of the worst nuclear disaster in U.S. history. In 1979 there was a nuclear meltdown in the reactor, forcing some residents to evacuate.

Most people live in **Urban**, or city, areas. Philadelphia is the fifth-biggest city in the nation. With a population of about 12 million, the state ranks fifth in population among the states.

At **Valley Forge**, George Washington and his troops camped in the winter of 1777.

The architect **Frank Lloyd Wright** designed several famous buildings, including Fallingwater at Bear Run.

At **Punxsutawney** every Groundhog Day, the country watches to see if Punxsutawney Phil sees his shadow. If he does, there will be six more weeks of winter weather.

**York** was the site of the Continental Congress from September 1777 through June 1778.

The **Philadelphia Zoo**, the oldest zoo in the country, opened in 1874.

### BASSET BROWN THE NEWS HOUND'S PENNSYLVANIA TRY 'N FIND

Words that remind us of Pennsylvania are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. See if you can find: PENNSYLVANIA, OHIO, AMISH, COAL, OIL, INDUSTRY, STEEL, GLASS, TEXTILES, MUSHROOMS, ZOO, GETTYSBURG, WOODS, HERSHEY, ERIE, RIVER, LAKES, QUAKERS.

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### Mini Spy ...

Mini Spy and her friends are staging a re-enactment of the signing of the Constitution. See if you can find:



- canoe
- ladder
- number 3
- kite
- key
- number 6
- word MINI
- mushroom
- pencil
- fish
- horse's head
- number 8
- bell
- knife

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### IN BRIEF

#### Springtown recruit signs with HC rodeo

Jake Degeer, a native of Springtown, has signed with Howard College to compete on the HC rodeo team.

Degeer, who will be competing in calf roping, team roping and steer wrestling, was the Region III Team Roping Champion and the Reserve State High School Champion Roper.

In addition to those accomplishments, Degeer also graduated in the top percentage of his class with a GPA of 3.4. He was also a member of the Springtown High School National Honor Society.

#### Local paint horse wins championship

Paint horse Native Bar Jet, owned by local resident Charles R. Phillips, won the world championship July 4 at the World Championship Paint Horse Show in Fort Worth.

Native Bar Jet captured the win in Senior Barrel Racing and was shown by Lisa Ogden. The horse is a five-year-old gelding.

#### Fowler, Hilger win Midland golf toumey

Two members of Comanche Trail Women's Golf Association were the overall winners at the recent Tall City Classic, which took on a couple of courses in Midland.

Connie Fowler and JoAnn Hilger fired a net 118 over the two days, the first of which took place at Green Tree Country Club and the second was at Ranchland Hills Country Club.

In addition, Fowler won first place for closest to the pin on the first day of the event.

#### BSHS Volleyball Camp slated for July 20-25

Rose Magers-Powell will again conduct the Big Spring High School Volleyball Camp, slated for July 20-25.

Camp sessions for girls in grades 6-8 will be from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. July 20-22, while those in grades 3-5 will attend sessions from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on July 24-25.

Those in grades 9-12 will attend sessions from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. July 20-22 and again July 24-25.

Fees are \$60 for grades 3-5, \$85 for grades 6-8 and \$125 for grades 9-12.

For more information, call 267-4047 or 264-3662.

#### Texas Tech alumni plan Cowboys event

Members of the local Texas Tech Ex-Students Association are currently seeking persons interested in attending Texas Tech Alumni Night at Texas Stadium on July 30.

The Dallas Cowboys will be playing the Pittsburgh Steelers in a preseason game at 7 p.m.

Tickets are \$37 per person for lower-level end zone seating and include a pass to the Cowboys Corral and coupons for a free soft drink and hot dog.

Plans are also being made for other Big 12 alumni to attend, as well.

For more information, call Roxie McDaniel at 263-9668 or 267-5846.

### ON THE AIR

#### Radio

5:45 p.m. — Little League Baseball Playoff, KBST (AM 1490).

#### Television

7 p.m. — Regional coverage, Cincinnati Reds at St. Louis Cardinals, FSN, Ch. 29.

## Area Little League teams begin All-Star competition

Herald Staff Report

MIDLAND - Results were mixed for area teams in the first round of the Little League District 3 Major League Tournament Wednesday at Butler Park.

Quite possibly the most noteworthy story Wednesday was the performance of the Coahoma pitchers Javier Varela and Justin Darden against South Odessa as the two-some combined for a no-hitter in an 8-3 triumph.

As for the other area teams, Big Spring International shut down

Midland Tower, 3-0 while Big Spring National fell to Odessa Sherwood, 6-3.

Along the way, Varela came up with 10 strikeouts of South Odessa batters over the five innings he pitched. Offensively, Coahoma got a solo home run by Cody Griffith and also got a pair of two-run doubles from Taylor Haile and Justin Darden.

Chris Garcia, who pitched for Big Spring International, got the shutout despite giving up six hits to Midland Tower. Garcia, however, did ring up seven strikeouts.

As for Big Spring National, Alex Hoffman suffered the loss while Adam Johnson collected a clutch hit along the way. Had Big Spring National won the contest, the team would have faced Big Spring American at the local International League park.

In looking at action for today, Big Spring International is scheduled to face North Central at 6 p.m. while Coahoma was slated to face North Ector, a 14-4 winner over Lamesa, at 2 p.m.

Those games are in the winners bracket while Big

Spring National will look to regroup in loser's bracket at 6 p.m. Friday to play the loser of the Greenwood/Midland Mid-City contest.

Incidentally, another Big Spring team will be joining the action today in that same tournament as Big Spring American will be facing Odessa Sherwood at 6 p.m.

Some more Big Spring Little League teams will be opening play today in the District 3 Minor League Tournament, which is slated for Odessa.

In looking at today's

schedule, Big Spring National is slated to face Odessa Sherwood at 6 p.m. at North Ector Field No.1 while Big Spring American will play Mid-City at 6 p.m. at North Ector Field No.2. That's according to a bracket give to the Herald.

As for Big Spring International, it will await the winner of the Big Spring American/Mid-City contest. Coahoma also drew a bye and will await the winner of the Midland MC White and Odessa Jim Parker contest. MC White and Jim Park will play at 8 p.m. at Floyd Gwin Park No.1.

## Sampras, Agassi may meet again

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) — Pete Sampras and Andre Agassi are one round away from another Grand Slam final.

Sampras overcame a tough four-set match Wednesday with unseeded American Jan-Michael Gambill, winning 6-4, 6-7(4), 6-4, 6-4, to close in on his seventh Wimbledon title and record-13th Grand Slam championship.

Agassi blunted Mark Philippoussis, the game's biggest server, 7-6 (4), 6-3, 6-4 to stay on course for another showdown with Sampras.

Sampras beat Agassi in last year's final for his sixth title in seven years. The two Americans have played in three other Grand Slam championship matches, with Sampras holding a 2-1 edge.

First, Sampras will face Vladimir Voltchkov. The 22-year-old from Belarus who beat Byron Black 7-6 (2), 7-6 (2), 6-4 to become the first qualifier to reach the men's semis since John McEnroe in 1977.

Sampras can reach the final without having played a single seeded player.

Agassi will play serve-and-volley specialist Patrick Rafter, the 12th-seeded Australian who overwhelmed unseeded Alexander Popp of Germany 6-3, 6-2, 7-6 (1).

While Agassi put on a command performance to win handily, Sampras exhibited rare signs of weakness against Gambill and had to rely on his big serve on key points to pull out the match — extending his winning streak at Wimbledon to 26 straight.

Sampras looked flat for much of the match, committing uncharacteristic sloppy errors and letting Gambill take control of rallies with his two-fisted shots.

Sampras did what it takes to win on grass. He hit 26 aces, firing the final one down the middle on match point.

Gambill had 23 aces but never broke, going 0-3 on break points. Sampras converted on three of his 11 break points.

Gambill called for a trainer late in the second set and put a wrap around his left thigh. He clutched at the



Pete Sampras and Andre Agassi are shown shaking hands after the conclusion of the 1995 U.S. Open. The two are one round away from facing each other at Wimbledon. Last year, Sampras defeated Agassi to win the title at Wimbledon.

back of his leg and tugged at the wrap throughout the match, but appeared to be running freely.

Gambill hit a running forehand pass down the line to move ahead in the second-set tiebreak, then followed with an ace, a forehand volley and a serve winner to even the match.

Sampras looked vulnerable in the third set but Gambill missed his chance to take charge. Two break points slipped by in the sixth game, with Sampras saving one with an ace.

The match turned in Sampras' favor for good when Gambill sprayed an easy forehand wide to drop serve and fall behind 5-4. Sampras served out the set in the next game, which ended with a spectacular corner-to-corner rally and Gambill sailing a desperate forehand long.

Gambill, his shirt bloodied from an apparent cut on his chest, called for the trainer twice in the fourth set. He saved two break points in the seventh game, but Sampras got the final break two games later,

drilling a forehand pass down the line.

After his ace on match point, Sampras showed little emotion, offering only a brief, halfhearted wave to the crowd, realizing he will have to raise his game to win the title yet again.

On paper, Sampras should have little trouble with Voltchkov.

The Belarussian, Wimbledon junior champion in 1996, had played only in lower-tier Challenger events this year and came to the All England Club ranked No. 237. He learned to play tennis on a synthetic grass court outside the car factory in Minsk where his father worked.

Agassi vs. Philippoussis had shaped up as a classic duel between the counter-puncher and huge hitter. But the match turned out to be one-sided and anticlimactic, as Philippoussis failed to raise his level and push Agassi to the limit.

"He played awesome," former women's champion Steffi Graf said of her boyfriend Agassi. "He obviously didn't make many

unforced errors. I would say it was a flawless match."

Philippoussis slammed 22 aces, bringing his total to 154 for five matches. He also had six double faults and 15 unforced errors, compared to just two and seven for Agassi.

Agassi has been in a slump since winning the Australian Open in January. He has found his game at Wimbledon, where he was champion in 1992.

"I said all along, if I can get through the first week, I can start bringing out different parts of my game on this court," Agassi said. "Today I managed to keep the ball out of his wheelhouse. I feel great that it has some around at this particular time. I never felt like my game was missing something. I just needed to win some matches."

Agassi was credited with only two return winners, but he regularly put pressure on Philippoussis' serve. His two breaks were enough to clinch victory. Philippoussis failed to convert any of his five break points.

## Gonzalez becomes fifth player to hit for cycle

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

At this rate, baseball will have more cyclists than that tour in France.

Luis Gonzalez became the first Arizona player to hit for the cycle, going on the Tour de Enron against his former team Wednesday night as the Diamondbacks beat the Houston Astros 12-9.

In other National League games, it was Montreal 6, Atlanta 5; Los Angeles 7, San Diego 5; Pittsburgh 9, Chicago 6; New York 11, Florida 2; San Francisco 4, Colorado 2; St. Louis 4, Cincinnati 3; and Philadelphia 5, Milwaukee 2.

In other American League games, it was Boston 11, Minnesota 8; Cleveland 15, Toronto 7; New York 12, Baltimore 6; Tampa Bay 4, Detroit 1; Chicago 6, Kansas

City 3 in 13 innings; and Seattle 6, Anaheim 4.

Gonzalez, who went 4-for-6, was the 229th player to hit for the cycle in major league history, and the fifth this season. Mike Lansing of Colorado (June 18 vs. Arizona), Jose Valentin of the Chicago White Sox (April 27 vs. Baltimore), Jason Kendall of Pittsburgh (May 19 vs. St. Louis) and Eric Chavez of Oakland (June 21 vs. Baltimore) also did it this season.

The most cycles ever in one season was eight in 1933, according to the Elias Sports Bureau, "baseball's statistician." Gonzalez doubled in the first inning, singled in the third, tripled in the eighth and homered in the ninth off Butch Henry.

Travis Lee, Steve Finley and Damian Miller had three hits each for Arizona, which outpitched the Astros 16-

10. Mike Morgan (4-2) won despite allowing two runs and three hits in two innings.

#### Expos 6, Braves 5

Kevin Millwood (5-7) gave up run-scoring singles to Rondell White and Vladimir Guerrero as Montreal broke out of a seventh-inning tie at Turner Field. Millwood allowed five runs and 10 hits in 6 2/3 innings.

Javier Vazquez (7-4) won for the first time since beating Cincinnati on June 1, allowing three runs, six hits and four walks in six-plus innings.

#### Dodgers 7, Padres 5

Todd Hundley hit a tying three-run homer in the sixth and Eric Karros had a go-ahead, two-run shot in the eighth off Matt Whiteside (2-2) as Los Angeles rallied from a 5-0

deficit at San Diego.

Starter Darren Dreifort started the Dodgers' comeback with a solo homer in the fifth, but didn't get the decision. Antonio Osuna (1-4) pitched two scoreless innings and Mike Fetters got his second save.

#### Pirates 9, Cubs 6

Wil Cordero had two homers and a career-high six RBIs at Wrigley Field during the game.

He started with a three-run homer in the third off Scott Downs (3-3), then added a two-run single in the fourth and a solo homer in the sixth off Steve Rain.

Jimmy Anderson (2-5) won for the first time in nine starts since April 15 against the Mets, allowing four runs — three earned — five hits and three walks in five innings.

Downs (3-3) gave up seven runs and eight hits.

## Rangers use seven-run first to win

ARLINGTON (AP) — On a night when Kenny Rogers wasn't at his best, he and the Texas Rangers benefited from an early miscue by the Oakland Athletics.

Texas converted a first-inning fielding error by Oakland starter Mark Mulder into seven unearned runs and went on to beat the Athletics 9-4 Wednesday night and complete a three-game sweep.

The first-inning rally provided plenty of leeway for Rogers (9-5), who won his sixth straight game.

"It didn't throw my rhythm off because I didn't really feel like I had a rhythm out there. I was just fortunate," Rogers said. "I never gripe about getting seven runs in an inning. It was huge for me. I had room to make an error."

Rogers struck out four, walked three, and allowed 10 hits, the most since May 11, before being pulled after Jeremy Giambi led off the ninth with a homer.

The Athletics closed to 7-3 against Rogers after Giambi hit a two-run single in the second, and his brother, All-Star first baseman Jason, had an RBI single in the third. Oakland had the bases loaded with one out in the sixth when Ramon Hernandez grounded into a double play.

"He's just been a very professional guy. Kenny's only had one or two bad outings. Tonight might have been his second-worst game all year," Texas manager Johnny Oates said. "The seven runs helped him because he was really over-throwing early, pitching behind a lot and couldn't get his curveball going."

The error against Mulder (5-4) came on a questionable call. First base umpire Brian Gorman ruled the pitcher never touched the base when taking a throw from second baseman Randy Velarde after Rusty Greer's high chopper.

Oakland manager Art Howe didn't argue much, even though Mulder beat Greer to the base by a couple of steps, and a television replay indicated his foot did slide along the base.

"It's a shame that it had to come down to that," Howe said. "He missed it by a quarter of an inch, if that. He learned a valuable lesson."

Mulder said he did get the base with the side of his foot, but believes the bad call came because he reached back for a second touch to make sure.

"I thought I'd go back and get it for sure," Mulder said. "Obviously, when the umpire sees me going back, he is going to think that I missed it."

Mulder didn't have a 1-2-3 inning until the fifth, but he didn't give up another run until after Texas loaded the bases and he was pulled with two outs in the seventh. Rafael Palmeiro then greeted reliever Jeff Tam with a two-run single.

The 15 hits he allowed were the most by a major league pitcher this season. He struck out seven and walked three in 6 2/3 innings of work, during the contest.

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& kids clothing, lots of  
misc.

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You tell it as it is, but  
your comments often have  
a sharpness that pushes  
others away. Use your  
diplomatic skills, and you  
will find greater success.  
Others find you to be  
bright, direct and clear.  
Combine your talents with  
endurance and longevity,  
and you'll be a sure-fire  
winner. Accept responsibility,  
and be a leader at work  
or in your community. If  
you are single, your  
prominence exposes you to  
many different people. If  
you make a bad choice, try  
again. You are likely to  
succeed in 2001. If you are  
attached, work with your  
partner and share day-  
dreams together. Create a  
heartfelt goal together.  
LIBRA pushes your buttons.

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)  
\*\*\*\* New beginnings  
develop from a pivotal dis-  
cussion. Don't be insistent  
on having it your way.  
Allow another to express  
his innate creativity.  
Sometimes you need to  
defer more and curb your  
Martian nature. Enlist an  
expert if need be. Tonight:  
Let another decide, OK?

TAURUS (April 20-May

20)  
\*\*\*\* Recent celebrations  
could sap that extra zing  
out of you. Make calls.  
Become an armchair visitor  
rather than hopping in

your car. A boss appreci-  
ates feedback, so brain-  
storm together. Unusual  
ideas arise if you relax and  
work with a key associate  
or friend. Tonight: Just  
don't push!

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

\*\*\*\* Roll out the red car-  
pet for another. Let others  
know how very special they  
are. Expressing gratitude  
for a special action encour-  
ages greater openness and  
caring. Let your imagina-  
tion wander. Others also  
come up with a different  
approach. Tonight: Opt for  
different.

CANCER (June 21-July

22)  
\*\*\*\* An intuitive partner  
knows exactly what to do.  
Listen to his advice. You  
actually want the same  
thing. Reorganize work to  
eliminate excess red tape.  
Above all, ask for help if  
you need it. Be honest with  
yourself. It might just be  
time for a diet. Tonight:  
Head on home.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

\*\*\*\* Take action after  
you clear out your  
thoughts. A dream proves to  
be inspirational. Talk to  
a trusted adviser, but you  
don't have to tell all! Be  
selective with your words,  
yet make sure you don't  
leave a hard edge. Others  
make an effort to reel you  
in because they want you!  
Tonight: Out and about.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

\*\*\*\* Network; gather with  
friends and co-workers. You  
hear many diverse  
approaches. Take what  
works for you. You don't

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have to incorporate every-  
thing. Be selective. A friend  
might impose his opinions  
on you, but don't be sur-  
prised. Tonight: Your treat.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

\*\*\*\* You push hard to  
have others listen. You  
don't have to. Your charis-  
ma peaks, drawing others  
who are more than pleased  
to think about your opin-  
ions and ideas. Enlist  
another in a key project.  
Take a walk. You need a  
physical outlet for all this  
energy. Tonight: Your wish  
is another's command.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov.

21)  
\*\*\*\* Assume a low profile.  
Make calls, reach out for  
others and ask key ques-  
tions. Your ability to  
research and gather impor-  
tant information becomes  
one of your most important  
assets. Others ask questions  
that you might not yet be  
ready to answer. Tonight:  
Slow down, please.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-

Dec. 21)  
\*\*\*\* Friends beckon.  
Meanwhile, deal with an  
associate as well as a  
money matter. Get to the  
bottom of an offer that  
seems too good to be true.  
If you feel sluggish, start  
thinking in terms of getting  
more exercise. Tonight:  
Join friends.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-

Jan. 19)  
\*\*\*\* Others seek you out.  
Their comments might not  
always be pleasant, either.  
Take their opinions with a  
grain of salt, though good  
information might be sprin-

gled in. Take charge.  
Curtailed a wilder streak for  
now. Tonight: Leader of the  
gang.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb.

18)  
\*\*\*\* Go that extra step to  
work. You want to please  
another, who appreciates  
your efforts. Be incisive  
with a decision. Don't leave  
questions unanswered.  
Consider a loved one at a  
distance. Even if you can't  
be there, you could call.  
Tonight: Rent a movie.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March

20)  
\*\*\*\* A child or loved one  
wants to have it his own  
way. The real issue is, why  
not? One-on-one relating  
helps you make your point  
with friends and partners.  
They feel more important  
when they have your atten-  
tion. Deal with a money  
matter head-on. Tonight:  
Togetherness works.

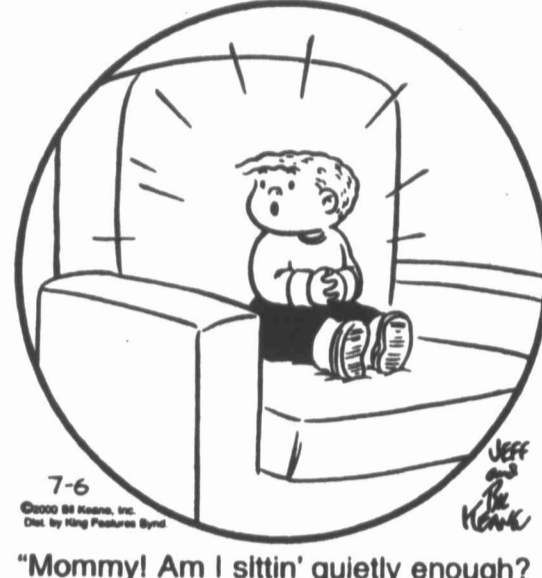
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6:30 News (CC) Fortune	Home Imp. Judge Judy	Wishbone Zoboomatoo	Early Edition	News Ent. Tonight	News (CC) Fortune	News Seinfeld (CC)	Fresh Prince Fresh Prince	Por Tu Amor	Movie: Rip Girls (CC)	TNN Music Awards (CC)	(15) Movie: Love Songs	Return of Swamp Thing	News John Hagee	Law & Order (CC)	Wild Discovery	Discovery	Atlanta	Learning Ch.	
7:30 Whose Line? Whose Line?	Movie: The Frighteners	Savage Earth (CC)	Movie: Child's Big Brother Raymond	Whose Line? Whose Line?	City of Angels (CC)	Be a Millionaire	(05) Movie: Road House	Rosalinda	(40) Movie: Wish Upon a Star (CC)	Movie: A Simple Plan	(CC) Extras	Movie: Ravenous	Broken Child (CC)	Light of the Southwest	On the Inside	On the Inside	Movie: Adventures in	Ferocious Oceans	
8:30 Be a Millionaire	Mad Abt. You Narry (CC)	Nova (CC)	Early Edition	48 Hours (CC)	20/20 Down-town (CC)	ER (CC)	Movie: Nowhere to Run	Aqui y Ahora	Escape to	Rich Mountain	Cagney & Lacey	(05) Movie: Very Bad	Real Sex 15 (CC)	News Life in Word	Investigative Reports (CC)	Law & Order (CC)	On the Inside	Problems	Ferocious Earth
9:30 20/20 Down-town (CC)	News (CC) Nightline	Jerry Springer (CC)	News-Lehrer	700 Club (CC)	News (35) Late	20/20 Down-town (CC)	News Wimbledon	Nowhere to Run	P. Impacto Noticiero Univ.	Zorro (CC) Mickey Mouse	In-Fisherman Bassmasters	Things (CC) (45) Movie: Your Friends & Neighbors	Movie: The Thirteenth	Duane Sherill Church	Biography (CC)	On the Inside	Problems	Ferocious Earth	
10:30 Politically Inc. (36) Meury	Newsradio Unhappily	Lords of the Mafia	Who's Boss? Who's Boss?	Show (CC) (37) Late	Ent. Tonight Politically Inc.	Tonight Show	Movie: The	El Gordo y la Flaca	Walt Disney Presents	Best-Outdoors Secrets-Hunt	Movie: Naked Lies (CC)	Floor (CC)	Nathan Knight	Murder One (CC)	Extra-Sensory Perception	(15) Movie: Adventures in	Storm of the Century	Storm of the Century	
11:30 Cops (CC) Hollywood	Lords of the Mafia	Paid Program	Paid Program	Grace Under	(12:06) Oprah Winfrey (CC)	(11:52) Late Night (CC)	Big Red One												

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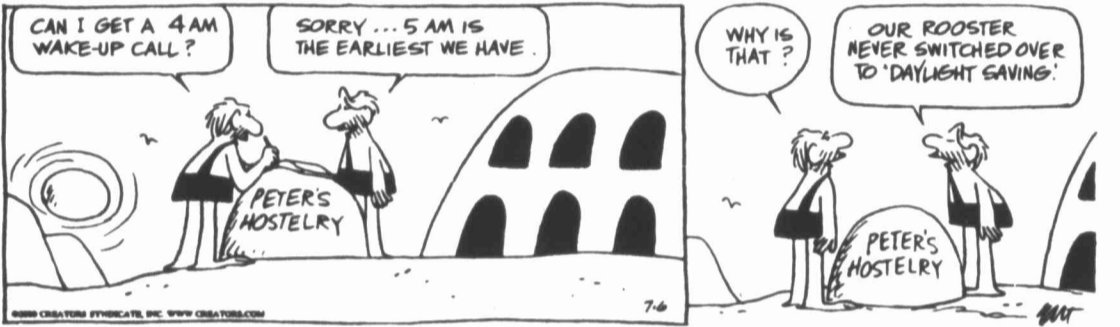
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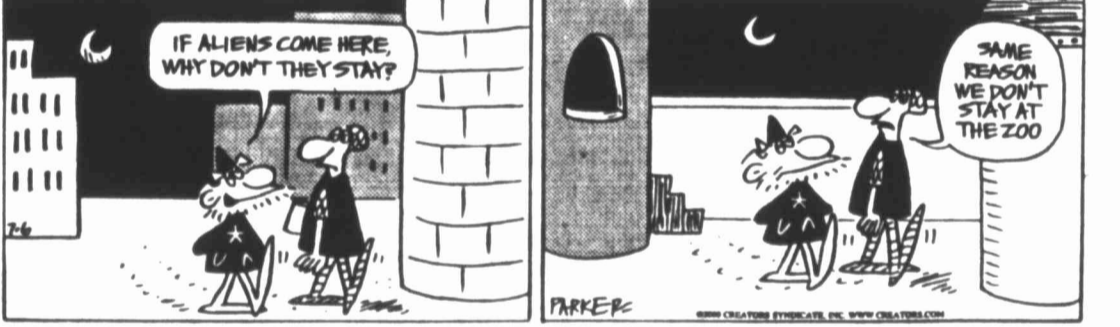
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

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Today is Thursday, July 6, the 188th day of 2000. There are 178 days left in the year.  
Today's Highlight in History:  
On July 6, 1944, 169 people died in a fire that broke out in the main tent of the Ringling Bros. and Barnum and Bailey Circus in Hartford, Conn.  
On this date:  
In 1535, Sir Thomas More was executed in England for treason.  
In 1777, during the American Revolution, British forces captured Fort

Ticonderoga.  
In 1885, French scientist Louis Pasteur successfully tested an anti-rabies vaccine on a boy who had been bitten by an infected dog.  
In 1917, during World War I, Arab forces led by T.E. Lawrence, "Lawrence of Arabia," captured the port of Aqaba from the Turks.  
In 1923, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics was formed.  
In 1945, President Truman signed an executive order establishing the Medal of Freedom.  
In 1957, Althea Gibson became the first black tennis player to win a Wimbledon singles title.  
She defeated fellow American Darlene Hard 6-3,

6-2.  
In 1967, the Biafran War erupted. (The war, which lasted 2 1/2 years, claimed some 600,000 lives.)  
In 1989, the U.S. Army destroyed its last Pershing 1-A missiles at an ammunition plant in Karnack, Texas, under terms of the 1987 Intermediate-range Nuclear Forces Treaty.  
In 1998, singing cowboy star Roy Rogers died in Apple Valley, Calif., at age 86.  
Ten years ago: NATO leaders concluded two days of meetings in London, pledging to sharply reduce both nuclear and conventional defenses in Europe.  
Five years ago: The prosecution rested at the O.J. Simpson murder trial in Los Angeles.  
One year ago: Ehud Barak took office as prime minister of Israel, pledging to seek peace with neighboring Arab countries.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

**ACROSS**

- 1 First, second and third
- 6 Highland girl
- 10 Attention getter
- 14 Extreme
- 15 Toast topper
- 16 Vow
- 17 Unbelievable bargain
- 18 Find fault
- 19 Wauki feast
- 20 Start of a Carnegie title
- 23 First-class
- 24 Set upon
- 25 G. A. Nasser's short-lived nation
- 27 Sockeye and chinook
- 31 Utter
- 32 Craze
- 34 Data presentation
- 36 Desert stopover
- 38 Part 2 of Carnegie title
- 39 Field Marshal Rommel
- 43 In a zozzag course
- 46 Time gone by
- 47 Castor or olive follower
- 50 Gold nugget examiner
- 52 Feed-bag bit
- 53 Inhalers audibly
- 55 Allow to use
- 57 End of Carnegie title
- 63 Pro (in proportion)
- 64 Rock's partner?
- 65 Aviator
- 66 News article
- 67 Arduous trip
- 68 Author of "Studies in the Psychology of Sex"
- 69 Withered
- 70 Huff and Jaffe
- 71 Singer Della

**DOWN**

- 1 Shrubbery
- 2 Chor voice
- 40 Stacked fuel
- 3 Ocean liner
- 4 Muse of poetry
- 5 Beauty parlors
- 6 Focal points
- 7 Bates or Greenspan
- 8 Medieval peon
- 9 La Scala voice
- 10 Ends of the Earth?
- 11 Finnish baths
- 12 Wrigley & Shea
- 13 Like so
- 21 Gradual diminution
- 22 Point in question
- 25 Sci-fi craft
- 26 Motorists' org.
- 28 Security breaches
- 29 Excessive enthusiasm
- 30 Peculiarly
- 33 Bro's sibling
- 35 Attempt
- 37 Muddled situation
- 40 Stacked fuel
- 41 Levin or Gershwin
- 42 Bottom line
- 44 States strongly
- 45 Shril bark
- 47 Husband of Isis
- 48 Existing naturally
- 49 Loading device
- 51 Sailor's jacket
- 54 Burn brightly
- 56 \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ prosequi
- 58 Asta's mistress
- 59 Red's
- 60 Part of BPOE
- 61 Lulu garlands
- 62 Scottish Gaelic

**Wednesday's Puzzle Solved**

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**Today's Birthdays:**  
Former first lady Nancy Reagan is 79. Actor William Schallert is 78. Talk show host Merv Griffin is 75. Actress Janet Leigh is 73. Actor Donal Donnelly is 69. Singer-actress Della Reese is 69. Actor Ned Beatty is 63. Singer Gene Chandler is 63. Country singer Jeannie Seely is 60. Texas Gov. George W. Bush is 54. Actor-director Sylvester Stallone is 54. Actor Fred Dryer is 54. Actor Burt Ward is 54. Actress Nathalie Baye is 52. Actor Geoffrey Rush is 49. Actress Shelley Hack is 48. Actor Grant Goodeve is 48. Country singer Nanci Griffith is 47. Actress Alyce Beasley is 46. Country musician John Jorgenson is 44. Hockey player Ron Duguay is 43. Actress Tamera Mowry is 22. Actress Tia Mowry is 22.  
Thought for Today:  
"Growing old is no more than a bad habit which a busy man has no time to form." —Andre Maurois, French author (1885-1967).

PEOPLE

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Tony Bennett turned wedding singer last weekend, dropping by a ballroom reception with a smile and a song: "I Left My Heart in San Francisco," of course.  
The 73-year-old crooner had just finished a sold-out show in Manchester, England, and was returning to his room at a posh hotel when the bride's mother approached him for the favor.  
"At first, we didn't think he was going to do it. Then, just before he went to bed, he got up and sang," a Bennett spokeswoman said.  
Mom was almost in tears, the cuddling couple were amazed, and the guests sang along.

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