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WEATHER

Today:



TODAY	TONIGHT
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Clean-up group plans meeting Monday, 2 p.m.

A meeting has been scheduled Monday to plan an upcoming clean-up effort for the community.

A clean-up has been planned for Sept. 16, organized by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce beautification committee. Anyone who is interested in joining the committee or helping with the project should attend the meeting, at 2 p.m. in the chamber board room.

For information, call Andi at the chamber, 263-7641, or Mel Prather, committee co-chair, 263-7690.

WHAT'S UP...

MONDAY

❑ Big Spring-Howard County Retired Teachers Association, Howard College Cactus Room. Lunch at 11:30 a.m. Pete Thiry, director of the local YMCA, will speak. All retired school personnel are invited.

❑ Big Spring Evening Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 East Third, call Janis Dean 267-3068.

❑ Disabled American Veterans Chapter No. 47, 6:30 p.m., Veteran Administration Medical Center, Room 212, call Don Scheiber at 263-7361.

❑ Christian Singles Fellowship, 7-9 p.m., First United Methodist Church, Youth Hall.

TUESDAY

❑ Intermediate line dance classes, 9 a.m. Senior Citizens Center, call 267-1628.

❑ Big Spring Rotary Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.

❑ Big Spring Band Boosters, 6 p.m., high school band hall. All band parents are invited.

WEDNESDAY

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

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

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

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Unemployment drops in Howard County, 26-year low for state

By CARL GRAHAM
Staff Writer



BELEW

As the unemployment rate for Texas hit a 26-year low in July, Howard County's jobless rate also dropped, according to the Texas Workforce Commission.

Howard County reported an unemployment rate of 5 percent in July, a drop from the 5.4 percent rate reported in June. Last year, Howard County had an unemployment rate of 6.3 percent in July and 6.0 percent in June.

Statewide, the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate dropped from 4.5 percent in June to a low of 4.1 in July, the lowest since a 3.9 percent rate recorded in May of 1974.

"One of the reasons Texas has such a low unemployment rate is due to a strong economic growth," said Virginia Belew with the Texas Workforce Center in Big Spring. "Also, Texas has shown unemployment rate trends similar to that of the national rate. When the national rate is good, so is Texas. Then you have military base closings and their impact has been restructured and replaced to re-create jobs such as happened in Lubbock, San Antonio and Austin."

The 4.1 percent compares to the state unemployment rate of a year ago for the month of June of 4.7 percent and July reporting a 4.6 percent rate.

"You would have to go back 26 years to find a lower statewide unemployment rate than what we had in July," said Diane Rath of TWC's Austin office. "That was when we hit a low of 3.9 percent in May of 1974. With July's gain, it will bring the overall annual job growth rate up to 4.3 percent, the strongest annual growth with the Service Producing Sector."

Though Big Spring had the lowest that had been reported since 1974, other areas such as Lubbock, San Angelo and Abilene reported lower rates. Lubbock reported an unemployment rate of 3.4 percent as did San Angelo. Abilene reported a slightly higher rate of 3.6 percent.

The highest unemployment rate was 13.6 in the

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Students learning through the newspaper

JOHN A. MOSELEY
Managing Editor



HERALD photo/Gina Garza

Anna Scott, left, and Sheena Smith, both first graders at St. Mary's Episcopal School, look for the letter A in the *Big Spring Herald*. The project is a part of Newspapers In Education which is sponsored by the *Herald*.

While the 2000-2001 school year has only just begun, the *Herald's* Newspapers In Education (NIE) program — designed to make the local daily newspaper a living textbook and reference source — is already being implemented in a number of Crossroads Area schools.

During the first week of classes, the *Herald* delivered 340 newspapers per day to eight different public school campuses and Howard College.

The cost of providing the NIE service, which also includes publication of the mini-page in each Thursday's edition of the *Herald* and staging each year's Howard County Spelling Bee, is provided through the partnership of several sponsors that include Wells Fargo Bank, Cosden Employees Federal Credit Union, The Choate Co., Harold Hall, Mike Thomas, ATS Telecom and John H. Rheinscheld.

Herald publisher John H. Walker stressed the newspaper's commitment is well established.

"We feel Newspapers in Education is a very important program, as do our partners in education," Walker explained. "We distributed more than 6,500 newspapers in school classrooms last year and we're already on a pace to exceed that number this year.

"The newspaper is a true living history book of current events," Walker added. "For example, this fall students can study about past presidential elections, while keeping track of the race between Gov. Bush and Al Gore. As a result, teachers will be able to use our coverage of the campaign and the general election to breathe life and immediacy to the historical record.

"And when the spring semester arrives," he added, "regardless of which candidate wins the election, those same students will have a chance to study one of the hallmarks of our democratic system — the peaceful transition of power from one administration to another — as it unfolds."

Walker noted that the NIE program is also intended to help create the newspaper reading habit in students.

"There's no question that

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Fines

Court sends out warrants for failure to pay tickets

By GINA GARZA
Staff Writer



GREEN

Big Spring Municipal Court Judge Timothy Green has issued 108 warrants for arrest and expects many more to go out in the near future.

Warrants for arrest are issued in cases where people don't pay their traffic tickets or other fines in a reasonable time.

"The reason there are so many warrants is because of computer problems," Green said. "That caused these warrants to be backed up. We do have the problem fixed and now can issue warrants as needed and not just all at one time."

The court is asking for those who have outstanding traffic tickets or have been charged with Class C misdemeanors to either go to the municipal court office or call to make arrangements to pay their fines.

"There is a lot of time that elapses between the time a person gets a ticket to the time a warrant is actually issued," Green added. "So really, people have plenty of time to take care of these."

Green said that arrangements can be made to pay the fines over time if necessary. There is usually a two week to three month time period that be arranged for payment.

"We really want these fines paid off so we will make arrangements with those who ask for it," he

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State hospital schedules key training session

By CARL GRAHAM
Staff Writer



HUIBREGTSE

A meeting of all current and potential board members of Big Spring State Hospital's Volunteer Services Council will be held Wednesday at the Big Spring Country Club for a day-long training session.

The training will be from 10 a.m. through 3 p.m. and lunch will be served.

Volunteer Services Council Board chairperson Doris Huibregtse will speak on "Understanding yourself and others."

"We will be doing a personality profile in which we analyze different types of personalities," said Huibregtse. "We will be able to determine why a person thinks and acts the way they do. Everyone has different personalities and different traits about them."

According to Billie Russworm, Big Spring State Hospital director of community relations, the training is required for all board members or potential board members.

"The training workshop is required by the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation," said Russworm. "Anyone who is currently on the board or who is considering being on the board is required to attend."

"We will be developing a mission statement and working on where we want to direct our energies," said Russworm. "Those attending will be responsible for crafting the mission and vision for the Volunteer Services Council."

Connie Edgemon, Big Spring State Hospital director of information management, will assist board members in developing mission and vision statements.

Also, Safety Officer Chris

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Queen named as scene set for Howard County Fair

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

COUNTY FAIR

Schedule
4 p.m.-10 p.m. Friday
10 a.m.-10 p.m. Saturday
1 p.m.-10 p.m. Sunday
4 p.m.-10 p.m. Monday

Entry fees
$4 for adults
$2 for children 6-11
Free for children under 6

Organizers are making last-minute preparations for the Howard County Fair, which opens Friday.

One of those, the 2000 Queen's Pageant, was held Saturday at the Big Spring Mall. Ten young hopefuls competed for the crown, each appearing before the judges and the crowd in casual attire and later in evening gowns.

After the judging was over, last year's queen, Chelsea Schwartz of Garden City, crowned Heather Harris, a 17-year-old Big Spring High School senior. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Harris of Big Spring. Harris is the president of the National Honor Society, chairman of the Key Club, a member of Who's Who of American High School students, member of the Spanish Club and in her spare time shows steers and goats.

Finishing as the second runner-up was Sterling Burchett, who also came away with Miss Congeniality. She is the daughter of Bill and Vanessa Burchett. The first runner-up was Kara Jeffcoat, a senior at Coahoma High School.

Others in the contest were Linda Branham, Ashley Richardson, Chasity Jansa, Lacey J. Lyons, Sydney Rojas, Celia Northcutt and

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HERALD photo/Carl Graham

These three young women won top spots in this year's Howard County Fair Queen's Pageant, held at the Big Spring Mall Saturday. From left, Heather Harris was crowned as queen while Sterling Burchett was second runner-up as well as being named Miss Congeniality. Kara Jeffcoat was first runner-up. There were 10 contestants.

OBITUARIES

Curtis Hood

Curtis Hood, 87, of Big Spring, died on Friday, Aug. 18, 2000, at a local hospital.



Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 21, 2000, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Rev. Roger Huff, pastor of First Church of the Nazarene, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born on Dec. 19, 1912, in Georgetown, Texas, and married Elma Evelyn Holland on Aug. 20, 1940, in Big Spring, Texas. They would have celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Sunday.

He came to Big Spring in 1932 and worked for the Texas & Pacific Railroad for 35-1/2 years as a switchman until retiring.

Mr. Hood was a member of First Church of the Nazarene and the United Transportation Union.

Survivors include his wife, Elma Hood of Big Spring; one son and daughter-in-law, Larry Don and Kathy Hood of San Angelo; one daughter, Teresa Luann Hood of Big Spring; four grandchildren, Debra Malone of Ft. Pierce, Fla., Joey Mauldin of Royal Palm, Fla., Kim Scott and her husband, Kevin of San Angelo, and Nikki Hood of McKinney; six great-grandchildren; a niece, Irene Cramer and a nephew, Charles Hood, both of Big Spring.

He was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers and two sisters.

The family suggests memorials to the First Church of the Nazaren Building Fund, 1400 Lancaster, Big Spring, Texas 79720.

The family will receive friends from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

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

Paid obituary

George Rodriguez

George Rodriguez, 33, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, Aug. 16, 2000, in Big Spring.

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 19, 2000, at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Stanton, with the Fr. Arturo Pestin officiating and Deacon Ernie Sanchez assisting. Burial followed at St. Joseph Cemetery.

Mr. Rodriguez was born Jan. 27, 1967 in Stanton and graduated from Stanton High School in 1986.

He was employed at Sharp Energy in Big Spring.

Survivors include two brothers, Pete Rodriguez Jr. of Stanton and Daniel Rodriguez of Big Spring; three sisters, Toni Rodriguez and Teresa Rodriguez, both of Stanton, and Lupe Aguirre of Granbury; three nieces; and two nephews.

Funeral arrangements were under the direction of Stanton Memorial Funeral Home & Chapel.

Willie Mae Witt

Willie Mae Witt, 83, of Clearwater, Kan., formerly of Big Spring, died Tuesday, Aug. 15, 2000, in a Clearwater nursing home.

Graveside funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Monday, Aug. 21, 2000, at Mt. Olive Memorial Park with Rev. Roger Huff, pastor of the First Church of the Nazarene, officiating.

She was born on Aug. 19, 1916, in Colorado City and worked as a bookkeeper for Higginbotham-Bartlett Lumber Co. there in the early 1950s and for the USDA Soil Conservation Service for 14 years, retiring in the mid 1960s. She moved to Clearwater in 1997.

She was a member of the First Church of the Nazarene.

Survivors include one sister, Lorhea E. Patton of Clearwater, and one nephew, Billy Patton of Wichita, Kan.

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

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Willie Mae Witt, 83, died Tuesday. Graveside services will be 2:00 PM Monday, at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Curtis Hood, 87 died Friday. Funeral services will be at 11:00 Monday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

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McAllen-Edinburg area, followed by Brownsville with an 8.7 percent.

The TWC reported that transportation, communications and public utilities added 3,000 jobs in July while nonagriculture jobs declined by 22,000, due mostly to losses in government.

Even though unemployment rate was low in Big Spring, the local workforce center continues to take applications for participation in the Workforce Investment Act, a federal program that helps displaced workers get the training they need for employment.

"The criteria is pretty broad," said Belew. "If anyone has been laid off or terminated through no fault of their own such as a business closing or downsizing for example, they are probably eligible."

NIE

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we want youngsters to become newspaper readers," he explained. "But that desire is more than just an effort to increase readership and improve our business decision. The *Herald's* primary commitment to the NIE program is to play our role in making sure that our community's future leaders and the next generation's voting public are well informed in addition to being well educated."

One of this year's NIE sponsors, Rheinscheld, has also provided additional motivation for youngsters to read the newspaper.

In agreeing to help sponsor the program, Rheinscheld challenged the *Herald* to off a $5 daily reward for the first student who comes to our office and points out a grammatical or spelling mistake made in locally generated stories, editorials, columns, news and sports briefs, photo cutlines and headlines.

Leland Millett, the new journalism teacher and newspaper advisor at Big Spring High School, who is familiar with newspaper writing style, which differs somewhat from that taught in English classes, will serve as referee.

"We felt Mr. Rheinscheld's challenge was a great idea," Walker said. "We agree with him that if we tout ourselves as a learning tool, then we should do our very best to produce an accurate publication. I think his challenge will help our staff rise to the occasion and help us to be better journalists and provide a better newspaper."

The total number of newspapers being provided to local schools will increase, as teachers in the Big Spring, Forsan, Coahoma, Sands, Grady and Garden City school districts, as well as St. Mary's Episcopal School, who have already signed on for the program begin to implement it in their classrooms.

Herald circulation manager Jeremy H. Westerfield said he hopes in the near future to include teachers in the Stanton and Colorado City school districts in the number of those taking part in the NIE program.

"We've gotten off to an extremely good start," Westerfield noted, "but we want to be able to build from here. Ideally, we'd like to have all of our area schools involved in the program."

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explained. "We'd rather them take care of the ticket than for us to have to arrest them."

There is a pay schedule to accommodate those needing it.

"We do work out a payment schedule according to the person's paydays," he said. "We really do try to work with people just so these tickets are paid off."

Green added that there is a warrant officer responsible for presenting the person with a warrant.

"If he comes knocking on your door, he'll either take your money or take your body straight to jail," said Green. "We give $100 a day for jail time and most people won't stay more than two days."

For information or to make arrangements to clear up one of these fines, call 264-2531 or go to City Hall at 310 Nolan.

"I think the reason a lot of people don't take care of the tickets is because they don't realize we do work out payment plans for them," Green said. "We just really want to resolve these outstanding tickets."

FAIR

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Stephanie Gale Sparks.

This year's fair has been condensed into four days, which is expected to create a busier atmosphere. Many traditional events and some new ones have been planned through the fair's end on Monday, Aug. 28.

Several changes are aimed at bringing in more people and keeping them involved in fair events, said Tammy Watt, president of the fair board. Special promotions, a new color scheme and layout of the main exhibit barn are some of the changes.

"We hope people are pleasantly surprised," Watt said. "We think they will be."

Included among several promotions for exhibitors are a scavenger hunt, "mystery man" contest and chances to earn prizes by visiting the booths inside the main barn.

"We are trying to get people moving around so our exhibitors get the exposure they need for the money they spent," Watt said.

For those planning to test their skills, all food and creative arts entries will be taken Thursday from 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

This year's entertainment will be headlined by cowboy songwriter and recording artist Red Steagall, performing under the HEB Entertainment Tent on Saturday, Aug. 26, for one show at 8:30 p.m.

Other entertainment events include two shows by Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys, Friday at 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Garden City farmer, team roper and musician Mike Hillger will do two shows on Sunday, Aug. 27, 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. On Monday, Aug. 28, a popular competition — Battle of the Cheerleaders — takes place at 7 p.m. in the Rodeo Bowl.

Fair hours, for the four-day run are 4-10 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Saturday, 1-10 p.m. Sunday and 4-10 p.m. Monday. Entry fees are $4 for adults, $2 for children 6-11 and those under age 6 are free.

Sunday visitors can have their hand stamped and return to the fair after attending local church services without paying another admission fee.

For the young and young at heart, a fair carnival will be run by Candy Apple Amusements, which promises an area for small children as well as bigger and better rides for others. A mobile dairy demonstration is described as a "must see for kids."

We want to give as many people as possible the chance to join in what we think is going to be the best Howard County Fair yet."

Staff writer Carl Graham contributed to this article.

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Churchwell will be addressing safety issues.

The workshop will assist in unifying the volunteers toward assisting employees in the care of patients with mental illness.

The volunteer Services Council is comprised of 236 volunteers who provide the extras in which the state is unable to provide, such as birthday cakes, clothing and Christmas presents.

Anyone interested in attending the workshop should call Russworm at 268-7535.

MEETINGS

COAHOMA ISD
7 p.m. Monday, Administration Building Board Room

Items on the agenda include:

- Bids on replacement vehicle for superintendent
- Revisions to local policy on class ranking and promotion on second reading
- Review updated legal policies and act on local policies
- Consider approval of construction of softball field
- 2000 accountability report
- Enrollment report
- Tax report
- Health insurance
- Financial statements
- Budget workshop

HOWARD COLLEGE
12:15 p.m. Monday, Board room, Dora Roberts Student Union Building

Items on the agenda include:

- Public hearing on proposal to increase total tax revenues

BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

TEXAS LOTTERY

Lotto: 18,23,33,40,45,46

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

POLICE

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

- **DONALD PRESCOTT**, 51, of Hilltop Rd., was arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct/fighting.
- **MICHAEL LOCKHART**, 44, of Seymour, was arrested on a Hood County warrant.
- **JORGE ESCAJEDA**, 25, of 1002 Main Street, was arrested on a charge of assault/family violence.
- **RONNIE FREEMAN**, 43, of 1002 Runnels, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **TERRY HENDRICKS**, 31, of 1313 Utah, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.
- **ANDREW MARTINEZ**, 35, of Coahoma, was arrested on a Ector County warrant.
- **JACKIE CLARK**, 48, of 538 Westover, was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana and not having liability insurance.

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Driver Education
Big Spring High School

Big Spring Independent School District is offering **Driver Education** to those students who are eligible during this school year at Big Spring High School. Upon completion of this course the student will earn 1/2 local credit. **Registration will take place on Wednesday, August 23 and Thursday, August 24 at the Big Spring High School, Front Foyer, 707 Eleventh Place, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on both days.** For further information contact Mr. Collinsworth at 264-3641, Exts. 185 or 172.

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Democrats vow to work together after divisive convention

LOS ANGELES (AP) — They came to the Democratic National Convention as members of the same party. One group of Texas lawmakers backed Vice President Al Gore, the other defended Gov. George W. Bush.

Now, as the legislators return home to prepare for the session and their own elections, the question remains if they can work together.

State Sen. Ken Armbrister of Victoria and state Rep. Rob Junell of San Angelo were among five Democrats the Bush-Cheney campaign sent to Los Angeles last week to defend the governor against what they called unfair attacks against the state.

The group says their members are not disloyal Democrats, just proud Texans.

Their appearance solicited profanity-laced rants from some delegates who called the lawmakers traitors.

Despite the tension, the Democrats said they will work past the rift.

"In the Texas Legislature, when it's all over, I find that it's very difficult for anyone to be very effective if you have too long of a memory. It's easier to focus on public policy issues and not the personalities," said Sen. Rodney Ellis of Houston.

Junell and Armbrister joined former Texas Supreme Court Chief Justice John Hill, former Dallas Democratic Party chairman Sandy Kress and former state Rep. Mark Stiles in the self-described "truth squad."

"I absolutely don't feel like I'm selling out," Armbrister said. "I'm proud to be a part of that team that is doing those great things. But when I hear the national party saying Texas is the worst state in the country in every category, I feel a little bit sold out."

The state's criminal justice system, environment and educational policies have been wrongly attacked as a way to make Bush look bad, they claim.

"It's not only defending the Republican governor, we're defending the state of Texas," Junell said earlier in the week. "It would be great if we didn't have to say anything."

Austin Sen. Gonzalo Barrientos said the Bush campaign used the Democrats to try to distract delegates from discussing the governor's record.

"Once you look at the record, I don't care what people he brings up there. Does it disappoint me? Well, I'm not happy about it, but as I said it's a free country. As for me, I'm a solid Democrat," he said.

"A lot of those folks coming in, they're my friends, I respect them," said Sen. Mario Gallegos Jr. of Houston. "But you've got to ask yourself, 'Why are they coming?'"

Gallegos and other Democrats who support Gore say the governor has taken credit for Democratic successes in the Legislature such as an expanded Children's Health Insurance Program and teacher's pay raises.

Bush's camp says the governor has always given credit to bipartisan efforts.

Armbrister, who is considered a possible candidate for lieutenant governor should Bush become president, said he met with several of his colleagues after the Democrats for Bush had their first press conference Monday.

The lawmakers hugged, "visited back and forth and talked about things. I told them what this was about, and we'll get on with our business as friends and Texans," Armbrister said.

Pipeline explosion leaves six campers dead

CARLSBAD, N.M. (AP) — A natural gas pipeline exploded in flames Saturday, killing six people who had camped where the pipeline crosses the Pecos River, authorities said. Six other campers were injured.

The dead included four children and two adults, state police Capt. John Balderston said. They were members of at least two families. The names weren't immediately released, he said.

The pipeline was about 3 feet underground at the rupture point, El Paso Natural Gas Co. spokeswoman Norma Dunn said.

Dunn and Balderston said the cause of the blast was not immediately known.

"There's no indication that this was initiated by man," Balderston said.

"It's a major supply pipe," he said.

Balderston said the explosion left a large crater which he estimated was 60-feet long, about 50 feet wide and 20 feet deep. The fire was visible from Carlsbad, 20 miles to the north.

"We saw a large ball of flames," he said. "The fire department was able to find six people in the river, walking, west of the incident."

The injured were taken to University Hospital in Lubbock. Two of the injured, a 25-year-old woman and her 5-year-old daughter were initially taken to Guadalupe Medical Center in Carlsbad, then airlifted to Lubbock.

Connie Willis, a nursing supervisor at the Carlsbad hospital, said the woman and child were in critical condition.

Balderston said the families were camped beneath a bridge about 200 to 300 yards from where the explosion occurred. Dunn said the bridge carries the pipeline across the river. The pipeline then goes underground, and the explosion occurred on the east side of the river, she said.

"We have sent teams out to the hospitals to work with the families. That's our first concern right now — to make sure they have what they need so they can just focus on their family members," Dunn said.

In Lubbock, University Medical Center spokeswoman Kim Davis said all six of the injured survivors were hospitalized there.

"We're the only burn unit in the area so they all come to us," Davis said. "We're still trying to find out who people were. Family members have come to Lubbock to see if they could identify them. Two males, three females, and one female child that is 5 years old. They range in age from 5 into the 50s.

"All are in very critical condition and are being closely guarded. It's going to be nip and tuck for the next 24 hours. ... It's very grave," Davis said.

Burns range from 30 percent of some victims up to 85 percent on others, Davis said.

Doctors were preparing the 5-year-old to be moved to the Shriners Hospital in Galveston, she said, adding the child was about 75-80 percent burned.

Small plane crashes, four people are killed

CROSBY, Texas (AP) — A small plane crashed and burst into flames Saturday in a wooded area of a rural neighborhood of this northeast Houston suburb, killing all four people aboard, authorities said.

Two adults and two children were aboard the plane, but weren't immediately identified.

The plane, thought to be a Cessna or Piper, crashed about 10 a.m. in Harris County, near the Chambers County line, Harris County sheriff's deputy Jay Thomas said.

Players with a Crosby Peewee football league were practicing nearby when they saw the plane go down. Coaches ran into the woods, searching for survivors, but the plane burned after impact, officials said.

All that was left of the plane was the engine and unidentifiable charred remains of victims, search party members said.

Federal Aviation Administration officials arrived on the scene around 2 p.m. to investigate the crash. Officials with the Harris County Medical Examiner's office were also at the site.

FAA officials said they were awaiting a team from the National Transportation Safety Board to assist with the investigation.

U.S. adds two alleged Colombian drug kingpins to banned list

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. government on Friday added two Colombians to its list of 524 individuals and companies suspected of drug trafficking and banned from doing business in this country.

The two, Arcangel de Jesus Henao Montoya and Juan Carlos Ramirez Abadia, are responsible for huge volumes of drugs that have entered the United States, the Treasury Department said.

By adding the alleged drug kingpins to its list of "specially designated narcotics traffickers," Treasury blocked their access to any assets they may have in the United States and also barred U.S. companies from doing business with them.

Treasury also added to the list one individual and five businesses it said are acting as fronts for the North Valle drug cartel in Colombia.

In a statement, Treasury described Henao as a leader of one of the most powerful drug-trafficking groups that comprise the North Valle cartel and Ramirez as an overlord of the infamous Cali cartel.

Colombian President Andres Pastrana, an avid supporter of extraditing drug kingpins to the United States, this month signed an order clearing the way for Orlandez Gamboa to stand trial in Manhattan. Gamboa, who allegedly heads a drug cartel based in Barranquilla on Colombia's Caribbean coast, could become the third Colombian extradited to the United States since the country lifted its extradition ban.

President Clinton in 1995 authorized certain government agencies to apply economic sanctions against Colombian drug cartels. The action taken Friday brings the number of businesses and individuals whose assets have been blocked under that order to 532.

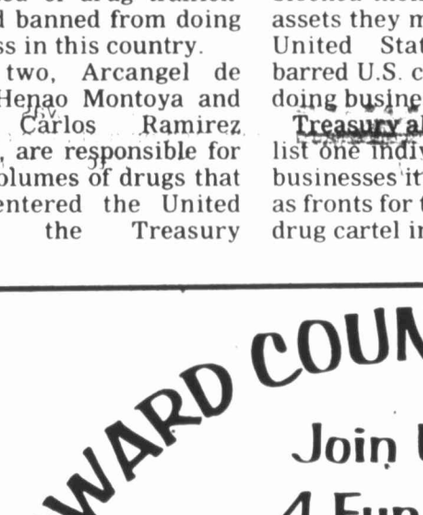
The list now includes nine alleged kingpins from Colombian cartels.

Henao and Ramirez are not on a newer list, compiled by the White House, of a dozen foreign nationals identified as drug kingpins and subject to asset seizure and other penalties.

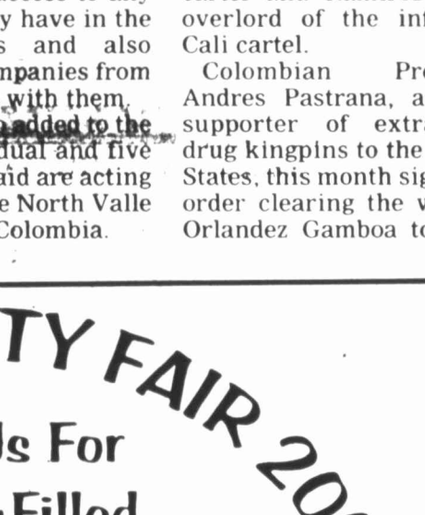
All 12 of those on the list, presented to Congress in June, were already under indictment; some of the six Mexicans are in jail in their home country. The list also includes a Burmese warlord, a Chinese national operating in Southeast Asia, two people from St. Kitts-Nevis and two from Nigeria.

Treasury officials have said they doubt the alleged drug lords kept assets in their names in the United States that could be frozen.

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OUR VIEWS

Committed to education of our youth

Although most of the schools in the Crossroads Area are less than a full week into the new school year, the *Herald's* Newspapers In Education program is off to a good start of its own.

Designed to make the daily newspaper a living textbook and reference source, the NIE program is already delivering 340 newspapers per day to eight different school public campuses and Howard College.

The total number of newspapers being provided to local schools will increase, as teachers in the Big Spring, Forsan, Coahoma, Sands, Grady and Garden City school districts, as well as St. Mary's Episcopal School who have already signed on for the program begin to implement it in their classrooms.

The *Herald's* NIE program, which also includes publication of the mini-page in each Thursday's edition, as well as staging each year's Howard County Spelling Bee, is provided with the help and partnership of several sponsors that include Wells Fargo Bank, Cosden Employees Federal Credit Union, The Choate Co., Harold Hall, Mike Thomas, ATS Telecom and John H. Rheinscheld.

That partnership is already on a pace to outstrip the newspaper's NIE efforts during the 1999-2000 school year, according to *Herald* publisher John H. Walker.

"We distributed more than 6,500 newspapers in school classrooms last year and we're already on a pace to exceed that number this year," Walker explained, noting that this fall's presidential campaign and the *Herald's* coverage of the race is just one the important tools teachers will have at their disposal as a result of using the newspaper in their classrooms.

"The newspaper is not only true living history book of current events," Walker noted. "It's also a tool for teachers to use in helping teachers in a variety of subjects."

In addition, the NIE program is also intended to help create the newspaper reading habit in students.

While there's no question that we at the *Herald* want youngsters to become newspaper readers, enhancing our business in the future, our commitment to the NIE program is much more than an effort to secure our role for the future.

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No such thing as a used car anymore



RHETA GRIMSLEY JOHNSON

There is no such thing as a used car anymore. Did you notice?

I was tooling about in my certified pre-owned vehicle the other day, considering that fact and other deep matters — how in America, the Land of the Euphemism, we're scared to say anything outright anymore. Blunt is bad.

I guess I was a little wrought up by the political conventions, which used to serve a real purpose and now are simply made-for-television balloon drops, giant and colorful winks at us dupes in the viewing audience.

We're supposed to stay tuned and become convinced Republicans are a compassionate, diversified lot, and not mainly well-to-do WASPs. (Who are you going to believe? Me or your lying eyes?)

The Democrats, on the other hand, spend their free airtime trying to appear as much like Republicans as humanly possible, unified and moderate and clean-shaven, which all leads to some really dull conventioneering.

What's the difference, anyhow, between a "compassionate Republican" and a "moderate Democrat"? The parties today are sitting smack in the middle of the road, honking their horns, and nobody's driving.

But this is not a rant about politics. Now that I've reached midlife, frankly, politics bore me. Or, as a wise old Indian euphemistically said, "from the high hill of my old age" I can recognize a great deal of repetition. In politics. And in life.

(I do vote. Who in her right mind wouldn't when she lives in a congressional district where you can vote against Bob Barr?)

But forget politics and remember for one moment old-fashioned forthrightness. It once was a virtue. Kids used to pass or fail; now they do "satisfactory" or "unsatisfactory" work, and for the latter earn "social promotions."

Senior citizens used to be old people who sometimes moved to old folks' homes. Now they get silver checking accounts and "assisted living."

Whenever I watch TV, I spend most of my energy trying to determine what the ads are selling. Everyone's dancing, no matter what they're hawking. Feminine products. Cures for erectile dysfunction. Purple prescription pills that you should ask your doctor about. (The prescription drug ads always point up the hideous trinity of drug and insurance companies and doctors.

If you know what ails you and what pill you need for it, why should you have to pay a doctor to write out the prescription? Recent reports show substantially more smokers have been able to quit, for instance, since nicotine patches are being sold over the counter.)

Drugs we can't afford. Technology we don't recognize. A lot of today's ads seem to be selling us simply on the idea of health and high technology, on our desperate need for gizmos we never heard of until six months ago. At the end of some of these generic-tech commercials, I wouldn't know what to go out and buy if my life depended on it.

"Reality TV" is a popular current concept, laughably labeled even by entertainment standards. (What's "real" about a bunch of fools marooned on an island, eating roasted rats and voting each other off one by one until the Cheese stands alone and wins a million dollars?)

"Reality TV" is more of an oxymoron than a euphemism, I suppose, since not much on the tube qualifies as realistic, not even the evening news. I haven't trusted an anchor since Uncle Walt became a silver senior.

None of us works anymore, of course; we pursue careers.

We don't have jobs, we have professions. (I contend that these affectations affect more than the language; it's why the political parties can get away with doing so little. They never even bother addressing the real problems — like our Third World health-care system and corporate-controlled government. The politicians and their handlers have us all convinced we're just a few paychecks — or TV shows — from being millionaires. And why challenge a system that any day now will make you a millionaire?)

I drive by a store where you can buy fake nails, the better to point your finger at welfare cheats, and then by a "gated community" — a fortified subdivision — and wonder what's to become of a society that would rather paint a pretty picture than take a hard look.

As long as the illusion stays intact, and we can afford the gas for our pre-owned vehicles to get to our action-adventure — never say violent — movies and family theme parks, nobody need face reality.

Every day, as the clever politicians say, is a New Beginning.



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Human Genome project politically incorrect



CHARLEY REESE

If anybody in hell is smiling, it's probably Adolf Hitler.

Hitler was greatly ridiculed, and rightly so, for his peculiar ideas of racial superiority, but now the U.S. government, through its human genome project, is surely going to resurrect a similar idea.

British scientists already say they have detected genetic differences between very bright kids and normal kids.

I have a hunch that all this new knowledge about the genes is going to prove to be pretty politically incorrect.

And if you don't think that somewhere down the line somebody isn't going to raise the idea of genetically constructing a perfect human, or a race of perfect humans, then you probably ought to read more literature. The itch that some people have to play God is incurable.

What is the difference between eugenics and genetic engineering? None that I can see.

The prevailing premise of the political leftists these days — partly in reaction to Hitler, partly to support their socialist dogma — is that everyone is created exactly equal. All one has to do is manipulate the environment, and any apparent differences can be made to disappear — e.g., differences in academic test scores.

For a long time, many people have not believed this. Many people, in fact, have contended that it is self-evidently false. People are born with differences. The more people learn about genetics, the more the "environment is everything" premise will be demolished, in my opinion.

The first response from the leftists will be, of course, suppression. Secular humanists are as frightened by heresy as any medieval bishop. This has already been going on for some time.

Remember the storm of hate and denunciation that greeted the book "The Bell Curve"? Remember the seminar on the question of whether people could inherit a genetic tendency toward crime that had to be canceled because of threats of violent demonstrations?

This time, however, mapping the human genome was too technical an undertaking for many people to realize where it would inevitably lead. Everyone was beguiled by the idea of finding cures for diseases — and perhaps by the political contributions from the biotech industry.

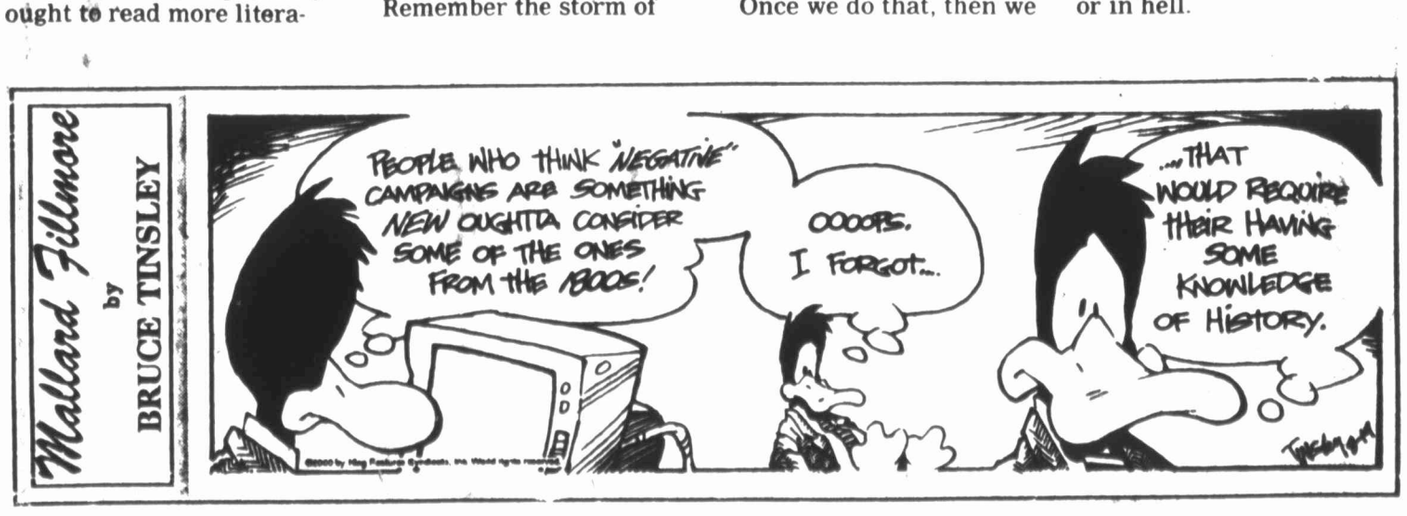
But whether you call it eugenics or genetics, it's the same thing. And like all knowledge, the problem is not the knowledge but how we receive it and make use of it.

We don't seem to have any problem recognizing that lions are not tigers and elephants aren't turtles. We're just going to have to realize that we humans come in many variations and avoid the trap of classifying these variations as superior or inferior. That was where eugenics went wrong.

Once we do that, then we can recognize that the original meaning of the Declaration of Independence was about equality before the law. No matter where our IQ falls and no matter what genetic traits we have, the law must see us all as exactly equal. Where we are getting into trouble today is in ordering teachers, to cite one example, to produce equal scores on standardized tests from unequal students. The silliness of this would be plain if we ordered football coaches to produce equal athletic prowess from all students.

Why do some people insist that the English or math teacher can do what we all agree the football coach cannot? Why are we willing to accept obvious differences in athletic, musical and artistic ability but not in academic ability? And why do we have a tendency to blame people for what they don't have?

Mapping the human genetic code is going to make available information that can be used for good — or for evil. How we use it will determine whether there are smiles in heaven or in hell.



Carter-appointed judge says he was source of grand jury story

WASHINGTON (AP) — Independent Counsel Robert Ray confirmed Friday that he has impaneled a grand jury to resume investigation of the Monica Lewinsky scandal as a federal judge said he inadvertently released that information a day earlier.

Appellate Court Judge Richard D. Cudahy, one of three judges on the panel that supervises Ray, said in a statement that it was he who disclosed the information. He said it occurred in a conversation with a reporter who called to ask about the panel's decision to grant an extension to Ray's investigation.

In a statement of his own, Ray said the disclosure was a setback. "The timing of yesterday's disclosure of the existence of a grand jury considering evidence in the Lewinsky investigation undermines our ability to complete this matter in a prompt, responsible, and cost-effective manner," he said.

Judge Cudahy, a veteran jurist appointed to the bench by President Carter in 1979, said that "the timing resulted solely from the press inquiry following on the issuance of the special division's order."

While discussing the extension, which was released Thursday by the three-judge panel, "the judge inadvertently referred to the existence of a newly-empaneled grand jury," Cudahy's statement said. "This fact, previously undisclosed, has led to considerable controversy, based on its timing." Indeed, Democrats criticized the timing of the legal developments involving President Clinton because they were made public on the day his vice president Al Gore was accepting his party's nomination at the Democratic National Convention.

Cudahy on Friday disclosed his role, "with apologies to all concerned," said the statement released by Cudahy's office. He came forward because of "the nature of the controversy," the statement said.

The Associated Press first reported the new grand jury on Thursday.

Impeachment investigator contends GOP 'sold out'

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republican leaders in the Senate succumbed to political pressure and "sold out" the House members who impeached President Clinton, ensuring the Senate would not remove him from office, the chief investigator contends in a new book.

"Before we ever appeared on the floor of the United States Senate, the House impeachment managers and I knew we didn't have a shot to win," writes David Schippers, top investigative counsel to Republicans on the House Judiciary Committee during the impeachment.

"In the U.S. Senate, politics trumped principles, and polls trumped honor," Schippers, who has returned to private law practice, says in a book to be published Monday.

Schippers said the "House managers" serving as prosecutors were hamstrung because the Republican-controlled Senate limited the trial to five weeks, refused to hear live witness testimony, and allowed depositions of only three prosecution witnesses.

Congressional Democrats argued at the time that Republicans were pushing a case based on private misconduct that never should have reached the level of impeachment. Some Republican senators questioned whether it would sully the Senate. Polls consistently showed about two-thirds of Americans believed Clinton should remain in office.

HOROSCOPE

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You make momentous decisions involving your work, creativity and love life. Knowing what you want helps you direct your energy. All you might know for a while is that you have to change. Work with this knowledge and experiment with different ideas. You assume responsibilities with unusual direction and strength. You are unusually lucky this year. If you are single, you often put others on a pedestal, and you are not sure what someone is all about. Events illuminate where you have closed down your perspective. You can grow if you work on a valid relationship. If you are attached, your relationship opens up considerably if you choose to be more realistic. Work together to create more of what you both want. Forget blaming. TAURUS pushes you professionally.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)
**** You make an important decision involving a friend. A partner and you discuss long-term dreams and decisions. Don't sell out, but acknowledge what you want. Take in someone else's view of a major decision. Tonight: You treat and another smiles.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
***** Your personality draws others to you. You know how to inspire others and lead them in a new direction. You discuss the long term in terms that mean something to others. A discussion helps a partner understand you better. Talk the day away if you need to. Tonight: Whatever puts a grin on your face.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
*** You could be confused, but in a pleasant way. You might not want to see the big picture. Dream about the future with a loved one. Try to remember the difference between dreams and realities. Another sees you in a new light and opens up. Tonight: Take some time for yourself.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
***** Join friends, even if a partner or loved one might be a bit disconcerted. Right now, you consider indulging this person an endless task. Limit how much you deal with the same issue. Reorganize plans, even if it means doing a little more than you had anticipated. Tonight: Go with the good times.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
*** Reach out for others and make a must appearance. A child or loved one reverses his plans, opinions or stance, leaving you groping. You might not be reading each other correctly. Work on understanding and better communication. Visit with an older relative. Tonight: In the limelight.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
**** Learn to understand others better. Think about what motivates you and why you do what you do. By getting more insight into what drives you, you learn to understand others. Detach and look at others with new eyes. Walk in another's footsteps. Tonight: Catch a movie.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
**** Another clearly doesn't hear your message. You could be baffled. Get down to basics. Consider different ways of communicating and of being more clear. You also might be deluding yourself about a loved one or child. Both of you need to get real. Tonight: Wind down with a dear friend.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
**** Others do see life differently than you do. Exchanging opinions always adds interest. Put a fortress around your checkbook. A family member works well, even though you view this person through rose-colored glasses. Still, be clear about your financial limits. Tonight: Go along with another's plans.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
*** You're out of sorts, and you let others know. Though plans involving friends and a loved one could be wonderful, you say "Bah-humbug." Lighten up and take a break. Get into a favorite sport and work through stress. Avoid making decisions. Tonight: Get a head start on tomorrow.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
*** You could worry far more than you need to about loved ones and a friend. Allow your imagination to play a bigger role in making plans. Let the child in you out and allow less structure in your life. You could get nervous when loosening up and letting go. Do it anyway. Tonight: Keep the weekend spirit going.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
*** You might not hear another at all. You have your own agenda and ideas. Others cannot seem to penetrate your natural defenses. Recognize the problems you might be causing yourself with your denial. Clear the fog and emphasize the importance of strong foundations. Tonight: Change plans if you must.

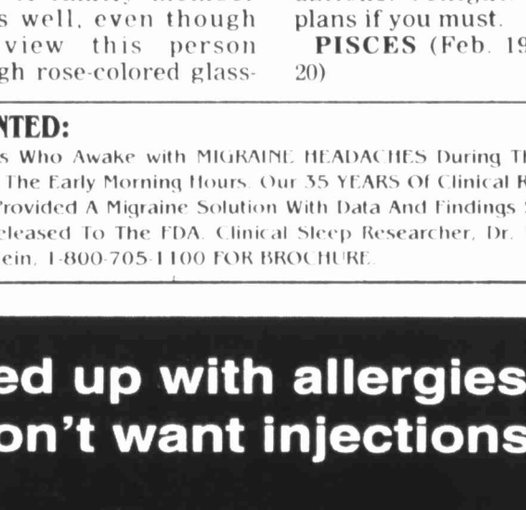
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
*** You make a decision involving your work and an authority figure. Realizing your limits remains instrumental in making your decision. Information you receive might not correlate with your ideas. Get down to basics if you're confused. Keep talking and find answers. Tonight: Chat over dinner.

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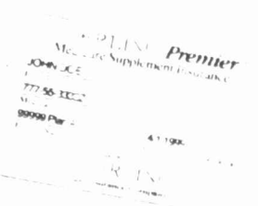
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IN BRIEF

Crossroads baseball to have signups

Two more signups for the Crossroads Fall Baseball League have been scheduled at the Big Spring Mall.

The first of these will be 6-8 p.m. on Friday and the final session will be 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday.

The cost of registration is $25.

YMCA swim workouts begin Monday

Big Spring YMCA swimming workouts for the fall will start Monday. Children who are ages six and up and can swim two lengths of the pool with proper breathing are eligible.

Anyone needing further information may call the YMCA at 267-8234.

Community pep rally slated for Monday

A community pep rally for the Big Spring High School varsity football team is set for Monday, Aug. 21 at the amphitheatre.

The event will be getting under way at 8 p.m. Cheerleaders and the Big Spring High School band will also be present.

Quarterback Club meets each Monday

The Big Spring Quarterback Club will be meeting at 7 p.m. each Monday at the Big Spring High School Athletic Training Center.

Anyone interested in supporting the Steers football program is invited to attend.

Leach denies interest in BYU vacancy

(AP) — Texas Tech head football coach Mike Leach said Friday he is not leaving the school to pursue the vacant coaching job at Brigham Young University.

"I'm staying here," Leach told Friday's editions of The *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*.

BYU head coach LaVell Edwards, 69, announced Thursday he will retire after the coming season after almost 30 years of being the head coach at the school.

ON THE AIR

ARENA FOOTBALLL

Noon — World Bowl, Nashville Kats at Orlando Thunder, ABC, Ch. 2.

AUTO RACING

Noon — NASCAR Pepsi 400, ESPN, Ch. 30.

3 p.m. — CART Motorola 200, ABC, Ch. 2.

BASEBALL

2 p.m. — Milwaukee Brewers at Houston Astros, FSN, Ch. 29.

7 p.m. — Texas Rangers at Boston Red Sox, ESPN, Ch. 30.

BOXING

8 p.m. — Sunday Night Boxing.

GOLF

9:30 a.m. — PGA Championship, TNT, Ch. 28.

12:30 p.m. — PGA Championship, CBS, Ch. 7.

4:30 p.m. — Senior PGA, ESPN, Ch. 30.

GYMNASTICS

11 a.m. — U.S. Olympic Trials, NBC, Ch. 9.

6 p.m. — U.S. Olympic Trials, NBC, Ch. 9.

TENNIS

3 p.m. — RCA Championship, NBC, Ch. 9.

WNBA

1 p.m. — Eastern Conference Final, Cleveland Rockers at New York Liberty, NBC, Ch. 9.

3 p.m. — Western Conference Final, Houston Comets at Los Angeles Sparks, LIFE, Ch. 40.

Lady Steers fourth, Forth earns tournament honor

HERALD staff report

The Big Spring High School varsity volleyball team finished the Monahans Tournament in fourth place Saturday after falling to Pecos 15-7, 9-15, 15-9.

"I guess that's not too bad," Big Spring head coach Traci Pierce said. "Only I would have liked to have done a little better."

In addition, one Lady Steer, Melissa Forth, earned a spot on the all-tournament team.

The Lady Steers started out against Clint Friday morning and beat the Lady Lions 15-11, 16-14.

"We had trouble getting started," Pierce said. "We didn't pick up on their serving very well."

One Lady Steer who helped save the day — and is now a member of the varsity — Jessica Woodward, served Big Spring to victory.

In the first game, she served 10 straight points to rally the Lady Steers from an 11-5 deficit. As for the second game, she served up seven straight points. Pierce said she wasn't alone among the standouts.

"Melissa Forth came down with some big hits," Pierce said. "She did a real good job out there."

Latrisha Rollins and Forth led in kills for the match with four apiece while Kim Wrightsil contributed one.

Next up was host Monahans and this one ended up going three games. The Lady Loboes won the first game 15-12, but Big Spring then came back to take the next two, 15-6, 15-11.

"They had one girl who had several blocks," Pierce said. "We finally adjusted to her."

Rollins led in kills for that match with seven. Forth and Wrightsil each had four apiece. Meghan Pudliner had one.

That led to a match against Andrews. The Lady Mustangs remained in the winners bracket with a 15-7, 15-5 triumph.

"They just double-teamed the middle and took Trish out of the match," Pierce said. "It is good that they did that since I'm sure other teams we face will do the same thing. We'll know what to do the next time."

Rollins led in kills again with four while Forth had three, Pudliner two and Wrightsil one.

The team then went back Saturday morning and faced Alpine. The Lady Steers won that match, 15-8, 15-7.

"We played a really good game," Pierce said. "We were passing the ball real well and had several big

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Steers show fight against Lee

By JOHN HASSELMEIER
Sports Editor



HERALD photo/John Hasselmeier

Big Spring running back Jaroe Parnell is shown breaking away for a long run against Midland Lee during a scrimmage Saturday afternoon at the Lee practice field.

MIDLAND - Anyone expecting to see Midland Lee star running back Cedric Benson break some long runs against Big Spring during Saturday's controlled scrimmage at the Lee practice field went home disappointed.

However, Big Spring head football Dwight Butler was one of several people who was far from disappointed as the defense shined brightly most of the time.

"We wanted our young men to come over here and find out what it takes," Butler said. "What better way to learn that from the national champion, the two-time state champions?

"It was a good scrimmage for us," Butler said. "This was a win/win for us. Regardless of what would have happened, we get to see where we're at and what kind of fighters we have and that's what we're here for. As of today, they're really good fighters."

As for the offense, Jason Choate, Jason Woodruff and Jaroe Parnell each broke a long run to highlight that unit's effort.

However, the offense did receive a scare as starting quarterback Choate, while playing free safety, went down after a hard hit of a Lee running back. He stayed down for a while before being helped to his feet. he walked off under his own power.

"He just got his bell rung a little bit," Butler said. "He's okay. He came up and tried to make a tackle and kinda got his head turned and got hit with a knee."

While Benson didn't break any long runs, Butler was quick to point out that the format of the scrimmage did having something to do with that.

"It was a very controlled scrimmage and it was very nice of them to do that," Butler said. "They were pretty limited on what they did with him. He didn't play a whole lot. He has nothing to prove to anybody. He's a great back. They're trying to look at different kids, like we are."

But then again, so did the defense.

"That's the most experienced people we have and we expect them to be a little further along than the offense," Butler said. "They're trying to look at some young ones just like we are."

"I think our interior defensive line was a pleasant surprise," Butler said. We've got some new people in there because we moved some of the others to the offensive line.

Butler said that the offense did give forth a quality effort as well.

"We saw some pretty good fight out of our young offensive line," Butler said. "They're gonna make some busts, but they're just trying to learn to play as a unit. An offensive line is not an individual deal.

"The play of our little fullbacks was decent," Butler said. "They did some good things. Our passing game was shaky. Our quarterbacks learn how to step up in the pocket instead of flush every time and not to be so anxious to pull it out and run."

Overall, Butler said he was pleased with the scrimmage.

"I think it was a good start and that's the key word — start," Butler said. "We don't want to be here (in terms of progress) four weeks from now, we want to be better but this is a good place to start."

Rangers lose one-run game to Red Sox

BOSTON (AP) — Pedro Martinez is doing fine and so are the Boston Red Sox.

Showing no sign of the stiff shoulder that forced him out of his last start, Martinez dominated the Texas Rangers, striking out 10 and allowing three singles in seven innings as the Red Sox won 9-0 Saturday.

Boston's hitting also is coming along after a prolonged cold spell as Jason Varitek drove in four runs and Lou Merloni sent in three as the Red Sox won their fourth straight game and eighth in their last 11.

Texas lost for the 10th time in 12 games.

The Red Sox began the day one game out of the wild-card lead, held by Oakland, which played at Detroit later Saturday. They remained four games behind the New York Yankees in the AL East and need a healthy Martinez (14-4) to have a legitimate playoff shot.

On Monday, he struck out four of Tampa Bay's first five batters but took himself out after the fourth inning with stiffness in his right shoulder. Boston won that game 7-3.

On Saturday, he lowered his major-league best ERA from 1.59 to 1.53, striking out 10 for the 12th time in 22 starts this year. Martinez didn't walk a batter for the fourth time in his last six starts. In fact, he didn't have one three-ball count and threw just 89 pitches.

In just his third season with the Red Sox, his 784 strikeouts tied Jim Lonborg for ninth place in club history.

Martinez struck out every Texas starter but Royce Clayton and allowed only one runner to reach second when Rusty Greer stole the base after singling in the first. Martinez retired 11 straight hitters before Scarborough Green beat out a grounder to first baseman Rico Brogna in the sixth. He then set down his last four hitters.

Unlike in most of his starts, Martinez had plenty of support as Boston got 11 hits.

Merloni went 3-for-5 and is 14-for-24 (.583) since being recalled from Triple-A Pawtucket on Monday.

The Red Sox scored a run in the first on two walks and Troy O'Leary's RBI single. In the second, they loaded the bases with no outs but didn't score.

They heated up in the third against Matt Perisho

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Woods leads by one stroke at PGA

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Finally, a major championship that lasts 72 holes.

Just when it looked as though Tiger Woods might take all the drama out of the PGA Championship, a shocking turn of events Saturday left him clinging to a one-stroke lead over Bob May and the unflappable Scott Dunlap.

Woods missed a 2-foot putt for his first double bogey in 153 holes of major championship golf, then had to survive some suddenly errant shots for a 2-under 70.

It was his 14th consecutive major round at par or better, but it was nowhere near the kind of score available Saturday at Valhalla Golf Club. Twenty-four players broke 70, and Jose Maria Olazabal tied a major championship record with a 9-under 63.

Still, Woods reached the par-5 18th with two rocket launches from his 3-wood, two-putted for birdie and still has command as he tries to become the first player since Ben Hogan in 1953 to win three majors in one year.

Woods was at 203, and has had at least a share of the lead for six straight rounds in the majors. May recovered from an early bogey for a 6-under 66, while Dunlap matched Woods shot for shot in his round of 70.

"I'm telling you, to shoot 70 as poorly as I struck the golf ball, that was pretty good," Woods said. "To have a one-stroke lead is kind of a bonus. A lot of players up there will make it more of a challenge and a lot more fun."

J.P. Hayes had a 68 and was at 205, while Australian Greg Chalmers had a 66 and was another stroke back. Olazabal's record-tying 63 put him in a group at 207 with Stuart Appleby and Thomas Bjorn.

This one still could be a runaway. Dunlap and May hardly have the experience so often required in the final round of a major.

May finally earned his PGA Tour card in November after four years on the European tour. The 31-year-old from Las Vegas is playing in his first PGA Championship, and would love to become the first rookie to win the Wanamaker Trophy since John Daly in 1991.

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JV volleyball team finishes third

HERALD staff report

The Monahans High School junior varsity volleyball team finished third at the Monahans Tournament this weekend with a 15-7, 15-7 triumph over the host school Saturday.

"It was great," Big Spring JV volleyball coach Gayla Stone said.

Stone added that two of her players really stood out during the tournament.

"My setter, Carli Wise, did a good job," Stone said. "She was very consistent. An outside hitter, Stormi Huff, was able to pick up blocks and had some good kills."

Things started out well for the JV Lady Steers as they won their pool Friday. They swept Van Horn 15-8, 15-11 and Kermit 15-5, 15-5 and split with Alpine 9-15, 15-10.

The JV Lady Steers started tournament bracket play Saturday against Fort Stockton. The JV Prowlers prevailed 16-14, 13-15, 15-10.

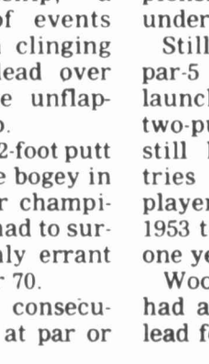
"It was exciting," Stone said. "We should have won. We had some bad passes. They also had one girl who got some good kills."

The Monahans match followed.

"We were able to relax and enjoy it," Stone said. "A few of the girls have been a little timid, but they took some chances this time."

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Hey, everybody, let's talk some scrimmage action!



JOHN HASSELMEIER

How about that scrimmage between Big Spring and Midland Lee Saturday at Lee?

I believe it's the first time that I've had to look for a place to park for a scrimmage. There were cars, cars, everywhere. I ended up parking about a half-mile away from the practice field.

I was very impressed with the Steers. They really stayed with it the entire time and kept their heads in the game.

Another thing that impressed me was the size of the Big Spring crowd. Sure, Midland's only 40 miles away, but, after all, people, this is a *scrimmage*! I think it's neat that so many people are that interested in how the Steers are doing.

Offensively, I saw some nifty runs from Jason Woodruff, Jason Choate and Jaroe Parnell. As for the defense, nobody and I do mean *nobody* got embarrassed even a little bit.

Believe it or not the scrimmage Saturday made me think back to a scrimmage that took place in 1992 between Red Oak and River Oaks Castleberry.

David Kuykendall, the Red Oak coach at that time there, was nice enough to let me ride the bus. (I have this thing about driving in the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex).

Anyway, we all got there while the junior varsity scrimmage was going on. It finished and I thought "Good, now we can see what the varsity will do." because I though the varsity was coming up next, but *au contraire*.

No, the time in between was filled with the introduction of every Castleberry Lion from varsity down to seventh grade! That, my friends was a major mega drag!

What follow wasn't a drag, however. The varsity Hawks took the field against the varsity Lions and "outscored" those River Oaksers, 2-1. One of those touchdowns came on a long run by tailback Damion Weatherspoon, who would break many more that season.

One thing I've forgotten to point out is that Red Oak High School hadn't won a game on the field the entire decade and this was *1992*! The 1990 team went 1-9, but that was on a forfeit.

While it was just a scrimmage,

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SPORTS EXTRA

CLASS 4A

CLASS 4A
Region 1

District 1 — El Paso Bowie; El Paso Burges; El Paso Parkland; El Paso Riverside; El Paso Ysleta; El Paso.

District 2 — Canutillo; Clint Mountain View; Clint; Fabens; Pecos; San Elizario.

District 3 — Amarillo Caprock; Amarillo Palo Duro; Borger; Canyon Randall; Canyon; Dumas; Hereford; Pampa.

District 4— Andrews; **Big Spring**; Levelland; Lubbock Estacado; Plainview; San Angelo Lake View; Snyder; Wolfforth Frenship.

District 5 — Azle; Burkburnett; Mineral Wells; Wichita Falls Hirschi; Wichita Falls Rider; Wichita Falls.

District 6 — Ft. Worth Boswell; Ft. Worth Brewer; Grapevine; Justin Northwest; N Richland Hills Birdville; Southlake Carroll.

District 7 — Ft. Worth Arlington Heights; Ft. Worth Dunbar; Ft. Worth East. Hills; Ft. Worth North Side; Ft. Worth Polytechnic; Ft. Worth Southwest; Ft. Worth Trimble Tech; Ft. Worth West. Hills; Ft. Worth Wyatt; Ft. Worth South Hills.

District 8 — Brownwood; Burleson; Cleburne; Crowley; Granbury; Joshua; North Crowley; Stephenville.

Region 2

District 9 — Denison; Denton Ryan; Denton; Frisco; Lewisville Hebron; Sherman.

District 10 — Ennis; Hewitt Midway; Midlothian; Red Oak; Waco University; Waxahachie.

District 11 — Dallas Adamson; Dallas Hillcrest; Dallas Jefferson; Dallas Roosevelt; Dallas South Oak Cliff; Dallas White.

District 12 — Dallas Lincoln; Dallas Madison; Dallas Samuell; Dallas Seagoville; Dallas Spruce; Dallas Sunset; Dallas Wilson.

District 13 — Dallas Highland Park; Lancaster; Mesquite Poteet; Richardson Pearce; West Mesquite; Wylie.

District 14 — Greenville; Mount Pleasant; Paris North Lamar; Paris; Sulphur Springs; Texarkana Texas.

District 15 — Athens; Corsicana; Jacksonville; Palestine; Terrell; Tyler Chapel Hill.

District 16 — Carthage; Hallsville; Henderson; Kilgore; Longview Pine Tree; Whitehouse.

Region 3

District 17 — Belton; Cedar Park; Killeen Harker Heights; Killeen Shoemaker; Lampasas; Marble Falls.

District 18 — Brenham; Huntsville; Magnolia; Montgomery; Navasota; Waller.

District 19 — Beaumont Ozen; Jasper; Livingston; Lumberton; Silsbee; Vidor.

District 20 — Nederland; Orange Little Cypress-Mauriceville; Port Arthur Jefferson; Port Arthur Lincoln; Port Neches-Groves; West Orange-Stark.

District 21 — Conroe Caney Creek; Conroe Oak Ridge; Crosby; Dayton; Houston Forest Brook; Houston Smiley; New Caney; Willis.

District 22 — Houston Davis; Houston Furr; Houston Jones; Houston Kashmere; Houston Scarborough; Houston Sterling; Houston Waltrip; Houston Wheatley.

District 23 — Channelview; Dickinson; Friendswood; Galena Park; Houston King; La Marque; Santa Fe; Texas City.

District 24— Angleton; Bay City; El Campo; Freeport Brazosport; Rosenberg Lamar Cons; West Columbia Columbia.

Region 4

District 25 — Austin Anderson; Austin Johnson; Austin Johnston; Austin Lanier; Austin McCallum; Austin Reagan; Austin Travis; Pflugerville Connally.

District 26 — Austin Lake Travis; Bastrop; Del Valle; Dripping Springs; Lockhart; San Marcos.

District 27 — Boerne; Fredericksburg; Kerrville Tivy; New Braunfels Canyon; New Braunfels; Spr Branch Smithson Valley.

District 28 — Castroville Medina Valley; San Antonio Kennedy; San Antonio McCollum; San Antonio Memorial; San Antonio Southside; Uvalde.

District 29 — San Antonio Alamo Heights; San Antonio Burbank; San Antonio Edison; San Antonio Fox Tech; San Antonio Houston; San Antonio Jefferson; San Antonio Lanier; San Antonio Roosevelt.

District 30 — Beeville Jones; Floresville; Gregory-Portland; Pleasanton; Port Lavaca Calhoun; Rockport-Fulton.

District 31 — Alice; CC Tuloso-Midway; Corpus Christi Calallen; Corpus Christi Flour Bluff; Kingsville King; Robstown.

District 32 — Brownsville Lopez; Edcouch-Elsa; Los Fresnos; Mercedes; Mission Sharyland; Pharr-San Juan-Alamo; PSJA Memorial; Roma.

AUSTIN (AP) — Here, from the University Interscholastic League, are the tentative UIL Class 2A district alignments:

CLASS 2A

CLASS 2A
Region 1

District 1 — Anthony; Big Lake Reagan Co.; McCamey; Ozona; Tornillo; Van Horn.

District 2 — Eldorado; Junction; Mason; San Angelo Grape Creek; Sonora; Wall.

District 3 — **Coahoma; Colorado City Colorado; Forsan**; Plains; Seagraves; **Stanton**.

District 4 — Idalou; Lorenzo; Post; Ralls; Sundown; Tahoka.

District 5 — Abernathy; Floydada; Friona; Hale Center; Lockney; Morton; New Deal; Olton.

District 6 — Amarillo Highland Park; Canadian; Clarendon; Panhandle; Spearman; Stinnett West Texas; Sunray; Wellington.

District 7 — Archer City; Electra; Holliday; Memphis; Quanah; Seymour; Wichita Falls City View.

District 8 — Albany; Anson; Hamlin; Haskell; Olney; Stamford.

Region 2

District 9 — Bangs; Cisco; Clyde Eula (basketball only); Coleman; Hawley; Tuscola Jim Ned; Winters.

District 10 — Comanche; De Leon; Goldthwaite; Hamilton; Hico; San Saba.

District 11 — Boyd; Henrietta; Jacksboro; Millsap; Nocona; Paradise; Peaster (basketball only); Ponder (basketball only).

District 12 — Argyle (basketball only); Aubrey; Celina; Gainesville Callisburg; Krum (basketball only); Pilot Point; Prosper; Valley View.

District 13 — Anna; Bells; Gunter; Howe; Sadler S & S Cons.; Tom Bean; Van Alstyne; Whitewright.

District 14 — Blue Ridge; Caddo Mills; Cooper; Farmersville; Honey Grove; Leonard; Nevada Community; Wolfe City.

District 15 — Godley; Grandview; Irving North Hills (basketball only); Keene (basketball only); Maypearl; Palmer; Rio Vista; Scurry-Rosser.

District 16 — Axtell; Blooming Grove; Clifton; Crawford; Hubbard; Italy.

Region 3

District 17 — Bogata Rivercrest; De Kalb; Hughes Springs; Mount Pleasant Chapel Hill (basketball only); Omaha Pewitt; Paris Chisum; Pattonville Prairiland.

District 18 — Diana New Diana; Elysian Fields; Gilmer Harmony; Gladewater Union Grove; Harleton; New London West Rusk; Ore City; Waskom.

District 19 — Alba-Golden; Big Sandy; Como-Pickton; Edgewood; Grand Saline; Hawkins; Lone Oak; Winona.

District 20 — Alto; Arp; Cayuga; Frankston; Kerens; Malakoff Cross Roads; Malakoff; Troup.

District 21 — Bruceville-Eddy; Buffalo; Centerville; Franklin; Jewett Leon; Mart; Riesel; Rosebud-Lott.

District 22 — Anderson-Shiro (basketball only); Corrigan-Camden; Elkhart; Grapeland; Groveton; New Waverly; Trinity.

District 23 — Colmesneil; Garrison; Hemphill; Nacogdoches Central Heights (basketball only); San Augustine; Shelbyville; Timpson; Woden (basketball only).

District 24 — Anahuac; Daisetta Hull-Daisetta; Deweyville; Hardin; Port Arthur Austin; Saratoga West Hardin; Warren; Winnie East Chambers.

Region 4

District 25 — Hutto; Jarrell; Lexington; Little River Academy; Moody; Rogers; Salado; Thorndale.

District 26 — Blanco; Center Point; Comfort; Florence; Johnson City; Lago Vista.

District 27— Brookshire Royal; East Bernard; Schulenburg; Somerville; Wallis Brazos; Weimar.

District 28 — Boling; Danbury; El Maton Tidehaven; Ganado; Louise; Van Vleck.

District 29 — Flatonia; Geronimo Navarro; Nixon Smiley; San Antonio Cole; Stockdale; Universal City Randolph.

District 30 — Brackettville Brackett; Dilley; Natalia; Pettus; Poth; Three Rivers.

District 31— Bloomington; Karnes City; Kenedy; Port Aransas (basketball only); Refugio; Woodsboro; Yorktown.

District 32— Banquete; Freer; La Villa; Premont; Riviera Kaufer; Skidmore-Tynan.

CLASS 1A

CLASS 1A
11-Man Football

(The following districts have byes: 4, 8, 11, 15, 17, 20, 24, 26, 28, 31)

Region 1

District 1 —Booker; Claude; Gruver; Shamrock; Wheeler; White Deer.

District 2 — Boys Ranch; Hart; Kress; Nazareth; Stratford; Vega.

District 3 — Anton; Bovina; Earth Springlake; Farwell; Sudan; Whiteface.

District 5 — Crosbyton; Meadow; O'Donnell; Petersburg; Smyer; Spur.

District 6 — Aspermont; Crowell; Knox City; Matador Motley County; Munday; Paducah.

District 7 — Fort Davis; Fort Hancock; Iraan; Marfa; Rankin; Wink.

Region 2

District 9 — **Garden City**; Robert Lee; Roby; Roscoe; Rotan; Sterling City.

District 10 — Bronte; Christoval; Eden; Menard; Mertzon Irion County; Miles; Water Valley.

District 12 — Baird; Cross Plains; Gorman; May; Ranger; Rising Star; Santa Anna.

District 13 — Alvord; Chico; Perrin-Whitt; Santo; Throckmorton; Tolar.

District 14 — Era; Lindsay; Muenster; Petrolia; Saint Jo; Windthorst.

District 16— Celeste; Collinsville; Detroit; Ladonia Fannindel; Quinlan Boles; Savoy.

Region 3

District 18 — Gilmer Union Hill; Karnack; Maud; McLeod; Overton; Simms Bowie.

District 19 — Beckville; Cushing; Joaquin; Mount Enterprise; Price Carlisle; Tenaha.

District 21 — Corsicana Mildred; Covington; Dawson; Frost; Itasca; Rice.

District 22 — Bosqueville; Chilton; Evant; Lometa; Meridian; Valley Mills.

District 23 — Bremond; Iola; Lovelady; Normangee; Oakwood; Wortham.

Region 4

District 25 — Apple Springs; Burkeville; Chester; Evadale; High Island; Pineland West Sabine.

District 27 — Bartlett; Burton; Granger; Holland; Milano; Thrall.

District 29 — Barksdale Nueces Canyon; Harper; La Pryor; Leakey; Medina; Rocksprings.

District 30 — Charlotte; D'Hanis; Falls City; Runge; Sabinal; Shiner.

District 32 — Agua Dulce; Ben Bolt; Benavides; Bruni; Kingsville Academy; Santa Maria.

6-Man Football
Region 1

District 1 — Briscoe Fort Elliott; Follett; Higgins; Lefors; McLean; Miami.

District 2 — Groom; Happy; Hedley; Samnorwood; Silverton; Turkey Valley.

District 3 — Amherst; Cotton Center; Lazbuddie; Maple Three Way; Spade; Whitharral.

District 4 — Afton Patton Springs; Guthrie; Haskell Paint Creek; Jayton; Rochester; Rule.

Region 2

District 5 — New Home; Ropesville Ropes; Southland; Welch Dawson; Wellman-Union; Wilson.

District 6 — Gail Borden; Hermleigh; Ira; Loraine; Roscoe Highland; Westbrook.

District 7 — **Ackerly Sands**; Grandfalls-Royalty; Imperial Buena Vista; Lamesa Klondike; **Lenorah Grady**; Loop.

District 8 — Balmorhea; Dell City; Marathon; Sanderson; Sierra Blanca.

Region 3

District 9 — Benjamin; Chillicothe; Goree; Harrold; Megargel; Vernon Northside.

District 10 — Bryson; Gordon; Moran; Newcastle; Strawn; Woodson.

District 11 — Blackwell; Lueders Avoca; Novice; Paint Rock; Trent; Veribest.

District 12 — Brookesmith; Cherokee; Lohn; Richland Springs; Rochelle; Valera Panther Creek.

Region 4

District 13 — Blanket; Gustine; Mullin; Sidney; Star; Zephyr.

District 14 — Blum; Cranfills Gap; Iredell; Kopperl; Morgan; Walnut Springs.

District 15 — Bynum; Coolidge; Fruitvale; Milford; Penelope; Trinidad.

District 16 — Abbott; Aquilla; Buckholts; Calvert; Jonesboro; Oglesby.

MAJOR LEAGUE STANDINGS

AMERICAN LEAGUE
East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	67	52	.563	—
Boston	64	55	.538	3
Toronto	63	60	.512	6
Baltimore	53	68	.438	15
Tampa Bay	52	68	.433	151/2
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	73	49	.598	—
Cleveland	63	56	.529	81/2
Detroit	59	61	.492	13
Kansas City	57	64	.471	161/2
Minnesota	55	69	.444	19
West Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Seattle	69	54	.561	—
Oakland	65	55	.542	21/2
Anaheim	63	60	.512	6
Texas	55	66	.455	13

Friday's Games
Boston 6, Texas 4
Toronto 3, Minnesota 2
Detroit 10, Oakland 1
Kansas City 4, Baltimore 1
Chicago White Sox 5, Tampa Bay 2
Cleveland 9, Seattle 8
Anaheim 9, N.Y. Yankees 8, 11 innings

Saturday's Games
(Late Games Not Included)
N.Y. Yankees 9, Anaheim 1
Boston 9, Texas 0
Cleveland 10, Seattle 4
Minnesota at Toronto
Oakland at Detroit (n)
Tampa Bay at Chicago (n)
Kansas City at Baltimore (n)

Sunday's Games
Oakland (Appier 11-9) at Detroit (Blair 9-3), 12:05 p.m.
Seattle (Sele 13-7) at Cleveland (Burba 10-5), 12:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Milton 12-6) at Toronto (Wells 17-5), 12:05 p.m.
Anaheim (Wise 1-1) at N.Y. Yankees (Cone 3-10), 12:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Suppan 6-7) at Baltimore (Ponson 6-8), 12:35 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Eiland 1-1) at Chicago White Sox (Biddle 1-1), 1:05 p.m.
Texas (Davis 4-4) at Boston (Fassero 8-6), 8:05 p.m.

Monday's Games
Texas at New York, 12:05 p.m.
Oakland at Detroit, 6:05 p.m.
Anaheim at Boston, 6:05 p.m.
Kansas City at Baltimore, 6:35 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Chicago White Sox, 7:05 p.m.
Only games scheduled

NATIONAL LEAGUE
East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	74	48	.607	—
New York	73	50	.593	11/2
Florida	61	60	.504	121/2
Montreal	52	66	.441	20
Philadelphia	50	70	.417	23
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
St. Louis	67	54	.554	—
Cincinnati	60	61	.496	7
Chicago	54	66	.450	121/2
Milwaukee	51	70	.421	16
Pittsburgh	50	71	.413	17
Houston	49	73	.402	181/2
West Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Francisco	70	51	.579	—
Arizona	68	53	.562	2
Los Angeles	62	59	.512	8
Colorado	60	62	.492	101/2
San Diego	57	65	.467	131/2

Friday's Games
Pittsburgh 6, Cincinnati 3
Houston 5, Milwaukee 4
St. Louis 7, Philadelphia 6
Florida 9, Colorado 8
Arizona 11, Chicago Cubs 2
San Francisco 2, Atlanta 0
Montreal 6, San Diego 3
N.Y. Mets 5, Los Angeles 3

Saturday's Games
Late games not included
Cincinnati 7, Pittsburgh 1
Los Angeles 4, N.Y. Mets 1
San Francisco 12, Atlanta 3
Milwaukee at Houston (n)
Florida at Colorado (n)
Philadelphia at St. Louis (n)
Chicago Cubs at Arizona (n)
Montreal at San Diego (n)

Sunday's Games
Pittsburgh (Silva 7-7) at Cincinnati (Dessens 5-3), 12:15 p.m.
Philadelphia (Bottenfield 0-1) at St. Louis (Reames 0-0), 1:10 p.m.
Milwaukee (Rigdon 1-2) at Houston (Lima 5-14), 2:05 p.m.
Florida (Sanchez 8-8) at Colorado (Astacio 9-8), 2:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Glavine 15-6) at San Francisco (Rueter 8-7), 3:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (B.J. Jones 8-5) at Los Angeles (Dreifort 10-7), 3:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Garibay 2-5) at Arizona (Johnson 15-4), 3:35 p.m.
Montreal (Lira 3-2) at San Diego (Witasick 0-1), 4 p.m.

Monday's Games
Philadelphia at Cincinnati, 6:35 p.m.
Chicago Cubs at Houston, 7:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh at St. Louis, 7:10 p.m.
Atlanta at Colorado, 8:05 p.m.
Milwaukee at Arizona, 9:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets at San Diego, 9:05 p.m.
Montreal at Los Angeles, 9:10 p.m.
Florida at San Francisco, 9:15 p.m.

WNBA PLAYOFFS

CONFERENCE FINALS
(Best-of-3)
EASTERN CONFERENCE
Thursday, Aug. 17
Cleveland 56, New York 43
Cleveland leads series 1-0
Sunday, Aug. 20
Cleveland at New York, 1 p.m.
Monday, Aug. 21
Cleveland at New York, 7 p.m., if necessary

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Thursday, Aug. 17
Houston 77, Los Angeles 56
Houston leads series 1-0
Sunday, Aug. 20
Houston at Los Angeles, 3 p.m.
Monday, Aug. 21
Houston at Los Angeles, 9 p.m., if necessary

CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES
(Best-of-3)
Thursday, Aug. 24
7 p.m.
Saturday, Aug. 26
2:30 p.m.
Sunday, Aug. 27
2:30 p.m., if necessary

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Friday's Games
El Paso 3, Arkansas 2, 10 innings
Round Rock 3, Wichita 1
San Antonio 7, Tulsa 6
Midland 7, Shreveport 1

Saturday's Games
Arkansas at El Paso
Round Rock at Wichita
San Antonio at Tulsa
Shreveport at Midland

Sunday's Games
Arkansas at El Paso
Round Rock at Wichita
San Antonio at Tulsa
Shreveport at Midland

WOODS

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He found everyone in the gallery cheering for Davis Love III, his playing partner in the third round. Imagine what he's going to experience playing in the final group with Woods.

"Everyone is asking how I'm going to feel playing with Tiger," May said. "It's going to be fun, and it's going to be a learning experience. There's not a whole bunch of pressure on me. I'm not supposed to win. He is."

Woods was supposed to win it Saturday.

After all, he effectively turned the U.S. Open and the British Open into 54-hole events. He led by 10 shots after 54 holes at Pebble Beach, and by six shots at St. Andrews in cruising to the career Grand Slam.

The sequel got spliced on the back nine at Valhalla.

With a three-stroke lead on the 12th tee, coming off birdies on three of his last five holes, Woods hit his drive into the trees, came up short of the green and chipped to 15 feet. The first one ran by the left edge. Then, he missed from 2 feet for his first double bogey since the third hole of the third round at Pebble Beach, which he enjoys playing..

LADY STEERS

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hits."

Rollins led in blocks with 10 and in kills with seven. Brittany Bryant led in assists with 23 and also had two blocks. Pudliner led in ace serves with three and also had two blocks. Forth had six kills. Paige King finished with 16 assists as well as two blocks.

One other noteworthy aspect to the match was the return of Krystle Long. She had two blocks and one ace serve.

"I'm bringing her back slowly, a little at a time," Pierce said.

The Lady Steers then faced Pecos in the third-place match, but the Lady Eagles ended up winning 15-7, 9-15, 15-9.

"They've got one hitter (LaMonica Dobbs) who we just could not stop," Pierce said. "She was the key."

Rollins led in both blocks and ace serves with six apiece in addition to 10 kills. Forth led in kills with 11. Pudliner had four blocks, King three ace serves and Woodward two aces.

Forth was later announced as all-tournament.

"She was surprised," Pierce said. "I really wasn't."

Pierce also said that three more players have earned spots on the varsity in juniors Melissa Ray and Woodard and freshman Wrightsil. Woodward is a 5-9 outside hitter, Ray a 5-7 1/2 outside hitter and Wrightsil a 5-6 middleblocker.

COLUMN

you would have had a tough time convincing those young men of that! They were happy, so happy that they sang (or in some cases *attempted* to sing) the entire way back to Red Oak! A whole lot has happened since then, but I do remember they sang the theme from *The Jefferson's*.

That turned out to be a pretty good year in Hawk country. Red Oak did not make the playoffs that year (eventual state champion Waxahachie and Cedar Hill prevented that), but did finish 6-3-1, which turned out to be the best Hawk record of the 1990's.

Oh, did I mention that the very first time I saw Big Spring head football coach Pat Loter was at a football scrimmage?

It wasn't just any scrimmage either, it was the first one my first year at Brownfield, way back in 1986. The Cubs were at Levelland and got smacked around 6-0 (that's number of touchdowns).

Anyway, I saw him walking by and recognized him from the picture. I thought "and there's their baseball coach". I think it was after Levelland's sixth score.

In any event, I'm really proud of the Steers and Steer fans. Let's go onwards and upwards from there, huh?

RANGERS

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(2-6) with three runs on four hits before knocking him out in the fourth when they took a 9-0 lead with five runs on four hits.

The third-inning runs came on singles by Nomar Garciaparra and O'Leary, an RBI double by Merloni and a two-run single by Varitek.

Boston then batted around in the fourth. Darren Lewis singled, stole second and scored on Carl Everett's double. Garciaparra was walked intentionally and Darwin Cubillan came in to pitch with two outs. Merloni touched him for a two-run single, Bernard Gilkey walked and Varitek followed with a two-run double.

Notes: Martinez left the game without allowing a run for the eighth time in 22 starts. ... Perisho is 0-6 in 11 starts since his last win June 17 at Tampa Bay against the Devil Rays. ... Garciaparra began the game in a 2-for-16 slump, matching his season-worst stretch at the start of the year. He went 1-for-2 with two walks Saturday. ... Boston 2B Mike Lansing is 0-for-7 since his two-run double in the ninth Thursday gave the Red Sox an 8-7 win over Texas. ... Green played for just the second time in the Rangers' last 16 games. He was in an 0-for-19 slump until his infield single. ...row.

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CORRECTION NOTICE

In our August 20th insert we advertised a Sting, Live In Central Park Enter to Win promotion. Due to a printing error, some inserts may not have had the rules included. We apologize for any confusion or frustration this may cause. The rules are:

"Best Buy Presents Sting in Central Park" Sweepstakes 1. NO PURCHASE NECESSARY. Promotion open only to legal U.S. residents 18 years of age or older. Begins 8:13:00:00 at 12:01 a.m. CT and ends 8:30:00:00 at 11:59 p.m. CT. Void where prohibited, subject to Full Official Rules. Full Official Rules available at www.BestBuy.com. Limit one entry per person. Visit our website at www.BestBuy.com and follow directions for completing, submitting the official webpage entry form or visit an in-store Web Station at participating Best Buy stores. Any other attempt at entries by Internet entry, e-mail, fully, penalty. 8:13:00:00 to 8:20:00:00 (8:20:00:00 to 8:27:00:00; 8:27:00:00 to 9:03:00:00). Entries for each period must be received between 12:01 a.m. CT on the first day and 11:59 p.m. CT on the last day. Non-winning entries for any drawing will not be carried over to subsequent drawings, but all entries received will be entered in the Grand Prize drawing. Grand Prize: 15 Trips for 2 to New York City to see Best Buy Presents "Sting Live in Central Park". Approximate Retail value: $6,850.00. First Prize: 50 Sony 51" Rear-Projection HDTV with Acoustic Surround Sound System; ARV: $3,398.00 each. Second Prize: 100 Compaq Multimedia PCs; ARV: $999.00 each. Third Prize: 250 Viewsonic Monitors; ARV: $499.00 each. Fourth Prize: 350 Acoustic Research Surround Sound system; ARV: $399.00 each. Fifth Prize: 2,500 Pioneer DVD Players; ARV: $249.00 each. Sixth Prize: 10,000 "Sting Brand New Day" CDs; ARV: $15.98 each. Total ARV of all prizes is approximately $2,415,000. Odds of winning any drawing depend on number of eligible entries received for that drawing. Best Buy, Best Buy.com, their affiliated companies, advertising and promotional agencies, and the immediate family members of each are not eligible to participate. Taxes are solely the winner's responsibility. All federal, state and local laws apply. Sweepstakes sponsored by Best Buy.com, Inc., 7075 Flying Cloud Drive, Eden Prairie, MN 55344.

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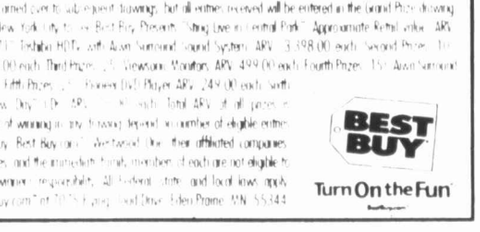


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Pettitte throws five-hitter to help New York defeat Anaheim

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

David Justice homered twice and the New York Yankees backed Andy Pettitte's five-hitter with a record-tying three sacrifice flies in the third inning of a 9-1 win Saturday over the Anaheim Angels.

Pettitte (15-6) walked three and struck out six to win his career-high sixth straight start. The left-hander pitched his 17th career complete game and moved into a tie for second in the majors for wins — two behind Toronto's David Wells.

In other games Saturday, Cincinnati defeated Pittsburgh 6-1, Cleveland bested Seattle 10-4, Minnesota beat Toronto 5-1, Los Angeles bet the New York Mets 4-1, San Francisco walloped the Braves 12-3 and Detroit edged Oakland 4-3.

New York jumped on Brian Cooper (4-8) for four runs in the first, backed by Luis Sojo's two-run shot — his second homer in the first three games of this series.

Cooper, recalled from Triple-A Edmonton before the game, also gave up RBI singles to Jorge Posada and Scott Brosius in the inning. Cooper gave up eight runs — six earned — and eight hits in four innings as he lost his fifth straight start.

Reds 6, Pirates 1

A bases-loaded triple by Dante Bichette and a pair of RBIs by Sean Casey helped the Cincinnati Reds break a four-game losing streak by beating the Pittsburgh Pirates 6-1 Saturday.

Steve Parris (7-14) allowed eight hits, struck out three and walked two in 6 1-3 innings. Scott Sullivan got the final three outs.

Jimmy Anderson (4-6) allowed six hits, struck out three and walked three in seven-plus innings for his first loss since June 14.

Indians 10, Mariners 4

Manny Ramirez hit his 13th career grand slam and Jason Bere took a shutout into the seventh inning Saturday, leading the Cleveland Indians to a 10-4 win over the slumping Seattle Mariners, who dropped their seventh in a row.

Ramirez connected for his 25th homer in the sixth inning off Jamie Moyer (11-7) as the Indians won their second straight in an important six-game homestand.

After finishing with Seattle on Sunday, Cleveland will have a day off before playing host to the Oakland Athletics for three games.

The Indians trail the A's by 1› games in the wild-card race. Oakland was at Detroit on Saturday night.

Bere (3-2) sidestepped trouble in the first two innings and allowed two runs and five hits in 6 2-3 innings.

David Segui and Kenny Lofton added solo homers for Cleveland.

Both benches emptied twice in the bottom of the eighth when former Indians reliever Jose Mesa threw two inside pitches at Omar Vizquel.

Twins 5, Blue Jays 1

Brad Radke allowed one run in seven strong innings as the Minnesota Twins defeated the Toronto Blue Jays 5-1 Saturday.

Radke pitched six scoreless innings after Dave Martinez's RBI single in the first.

Radke (9-13) gave up seven hits, walked one and struck out four. Eddie Guardado got the last five outs for his eighth save.

Toronto's Joey Hamilton allowed three hits in six scoreless innings. He struck out six and walked three.

The Twins scored three runs in the seventh off reliever Mark Guthrie (1-3). Cristian Guzman had a two-run double, and Matt Lawton added a run-scoring single.

Hamilton, working quickly, threw 102 pitches — 60 for strikes. He struck out the side in the fourth.

The Twins added two runs in the ninth on Ron Coomer's RBI triple and Koskie's run-scoring single.

Dodgers 4, Mets 1

Gary Sheffield homered twice and Chan Ho Park pitched a four-hitter as the Los Angeles Dodgers beat the New York Mets 4-1 on Saturday.

Sheffield has 40 homers, tying Sammy Sosa for the major league lead, and matching Mike Piazza's Los Angeles record.

Eric Karros also homered as Park (12-8) got his second complete game of the season. The right-hander handed the Mets their sixth loss in 26 games, striking out 10 and walking two.

After Derek Bell put the Mets ahead in the first inning with his 16th homer, the Dodgers took a 3-1 lead in the third against Rick Reed (7-4).

Sheffield drove a first-pitch fastball into the left-field pavilion after a single by Tom Goodwin. One out later, Karros hit his 28th homer.

Reed was charged with three runs and seven hits in seven innings.

Sheffield ended the scoring with another leadoff homer in the eighth against Pat Mahomes. It was Sheffield's 21st two-homer game, sixth this season.

Giants 12, Braves 3

Ellis Burks had two homers and four RBIs as the San Francisco Giants beat the Atlanta Braves 12-3 Saturday for their sixth straight win.

With the Braves leading 3-2 in the sixth, Barry Bonds was hit by a pitch, went to third on Jeff Kent's single, and scored when J.T. Snow's popup to left was lost in the sun by B.J. Surhoff.

Burks drove in Kent and Snow with a shot off Andy Ashby (9-9) that sailed over the left-field fence.

Burks added a solo homer in the Giants' five-run eighth. Rich Aurilia and Bobby Estalella followed with singles, Armando Rios hit a two-run double, Marvin Benard an RBI triple and Felipe Crespo a run-scoring sacrifice.

Javy Lopez hit his 20th homer of the season, a solo shot off Russ Ortiz (9-10) to lead off the fifth inning to give the Braves the 3-2.

Ortiz won his fourth straight start, going 6 2-3 innings with two earned runs on six hits, a strikeout and three walks.

Ashby went 5 1-3 innings allowing five earned runs on six hits with no strikeouts and a pair of walks.

Tigers 4, Athletics 3

Deivi Cruz tied a Detroit record with three doubles and Wendell Magee hit a bases-loaded triple, leading Brian Moehler and the Tigers over the Oakland Athletics 4-3 Saturday.

The Tigers won their season-high sixth straight game.

Moehler (10-7) extended his winning streak to four starts, the longest of his career. He gave up two runs and seven hits in seven-plus innings.

Todd Jones pitched the ninth for his league-leading 34th save.

Barry Zito (1-2) lost to the Tigers for the second time in six days, allowing four runs and nine hits in six-plus innings. He walked one and struck out five.

Zito struck out Detroit's first two batters of the game, but the Tigers scored four times before he could get the third out.

Bobby Higginson singled to center and Juan Gonzalez followed with a ground single off Zito's glove. Dean Palmer walked to load the bases, and Magee followed with a long fly off the scoreboard in right-center field.

Cruz then hit a soft liner past center fielder Terrence Long for a double that made it 4-0.

Hamm twins surprise, Roethlisberger survives

BOSTON (AP) — The Olympics will be double the fun for Paul and Morgan Hamm.

The 17-year-old twin brothers from Wisconsin parlayed their steady upward climb into a stunning surprise Saturday in the Olympic trials, becoming the first twins to make the U.S. Olympic gymnastics team.

Joining them in Sydney will be five-time defending national champion Blaine Wilson, 1997 junior national champion Sean Townsend, 1996 hard-luck gymnast Stephen McCain and 30-year-old John Roethlisberger, who wept openly when he heard his name called — his performance good enough to send him to a third Olympics.

Going as an alternate is Jamie Natalie, the NCAA champion who finished fifth in the overall scoring but apparently couldn't match Roethlisberger for experience or Morgan Hamm for versatility.

Wilson, Paul Hamm, Townsend and McCain finished first through fourth in the two-day competition, where scores were combined with those at U.S. nationals to determine four automatic slots.

The final two spots were chosen by the men's selection committee, headed by coach Peter Kormann.

The committee gave one to Roethlisberger, despite his seventh-place finish. He will become the sixth American male gymnast to compete in three Olympics. The final spot went to sixth-place finisher Morgan Hamm for his excellence on the floor and vault. Left out was Natalie, a high-bar specialist who didn't show the same consistency in other events.

Whether intentionally or not, the committee also gave men's gymnastics huge potential for a surge in popularity. After years in the shadows of the women's program, the men have a pair of all-American, freckle-faced teen-agers who look like a Wheaties box waiting to happen.

But it's big, powerful routines, not good looks, that have brought the Hamms to the forefront in a shorter time than most people expected.

Paul Hamm has always been a bit ahead of Morgan, and in two dominating days at trials, he looked every bit the Olympian.

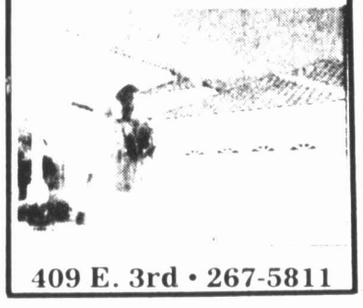
On high bar, he executed a near flawless move called a Kovacs, where he hurdled himself off the bar, then did two backward somersaults to cross back over and catch the bar on the same side he started. He scored a 9.775.

His pommel horse was fluid and powerful, legs circling every inch of the apparatus without a single break. He scored a 9.850 — the highest score of the day on the horse — and jogged off the mat with a quick clap of his hands, a touch of emotion to break through the icy steel nerves he has shown all week.

Morgan Hamm had nothing sealed coming into the finals, sitting in sixth and needing to shine for a wild-card spot. His vault in the day's fifth rotation may have sealed it.

Sprinting down the runway, he exploded off the springboard, then did a handspring off the vault and somersaulted with a 1› twist to a landing. He committed a small bobble there, but slapped hands with his coach, Stacy Maloney, knowing he was one step closer to Sydney.

Roethlisberger's day was a study in relief. For the first time since the qualifying process began, he didn't bobble a routine. All his scores were 9.400 or better.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Forsan I.S.D. will hold a public meeting at 6:00 P.M., August 29, 2000, in the Board Room of the Administration Office at Forsan, TX. **The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted.** Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rate

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	Local Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	$1.43000	$0 *	$1.43000	$3075	$2384
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	$1.39634	$0 *	$1.39634	$3392	$2127
Proposed Rate	$1.45000	$0 *	$1.45000	$3636	$2127

*The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded Indebtedness on construction, equipment or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	$35,152	$43,329
Average Taxable Value of Residences	$13,122	$19,663
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per $100 Value	$1.43000	$1.45000
Taxes Due on Average Residence	$187.64	$285.11
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		$97.47

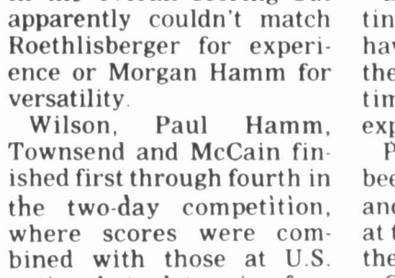
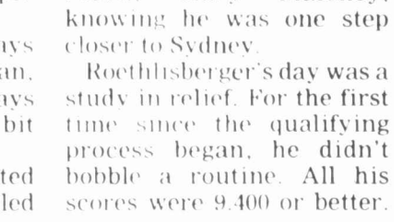
Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is $1.45634. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of $1.45634.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

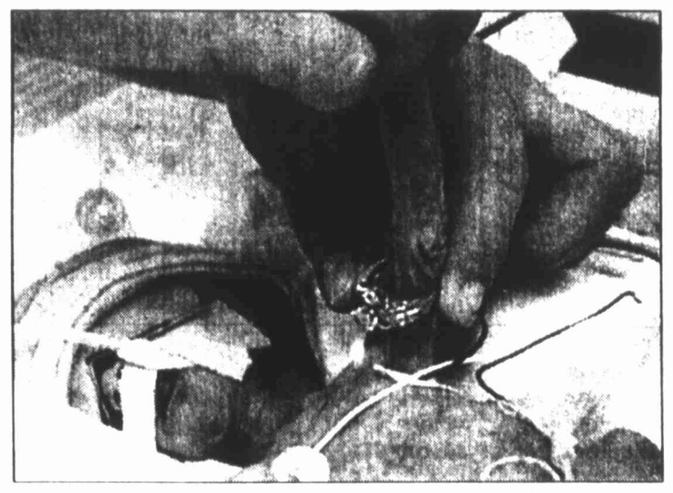
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Miracle man





Chances are Matt Hernandez is going to get awfully tired of hearing stories about his birth. But if he does, he can't blame his parents — it's an amazing tale that they will probably tell again and again.

Six months into her pregnancy, Jeannie Hernandez went for a checkup with her doctor in Odessa. She knew she was at a high risk of having problems, since she suffers from lupus and had lost three babies before. She and husband Gary were cautious.

But they were also proud, and that's why Gary took a videotape that day, hoping to get a tape of the sonogram to show the relatives.

Everything seemed fine in a physical examination, and the doctor was getting ready to say goodbye when he noticed the tape Gary was carrying.

"He said he would go on and do a sonogram," Gary said, "I guess since we had planned on it."

That's when he discovered that the amniotic fluid level was too low. Jeannie's baby would not be able to live in the womb much longer.

"He told us, 'We're going to take him today,'" Jeannie said. "We were kind of in shock. He said he wanted to get him out while he could."

"We weren't ready at all," agreed Gary. But they quickly got prepared for Jeannie to undergo an emergency C-section.

They knew the baby, which shortly would be named Matthew Gary Hernandez, was small, but nothing prepared them for his birth weight — 1.7 pounds. In the neonatal intensive care unit, he was one of the smallest babies.

He was the same size as one of his first gifts, a Beanie bear.

"I actually thought he was pretty big until I saw the other babies," Gary said. "But they were huge!"

That was Jan. 6, and Matt would not leave the hospital until April 13, 11 days after his original due date.

"We couldn't hold him for a whole month," recalled Jeannie. During that time, Matt's blood was drawn several times a day. He had repeated IVs, breathing treatments and tests.

His skin was thin, and his eyes were sensitive to light. He needed oxygen around the clock. He was too small to wear diapers, which were instead folded and gently placed beneath his body.

Jeannie and Gary traveled daily from their house in north Big Spring to visit their son. Some nights, that meant leaving as soon as Gary got home from work, about 7 p.m., and not coming back home until 1 a.m. or later.

All the time, Gary was working 12-hour shifts at the refinery, and Jeannie was trying to recover from her surgery. But still the couple said they kept a positive outlook and counted their blessings.

"We felt so lucky, when we saw the other people and the problems their babies had," Jeannie said.

Still, there were repeated phone calls from the doctor, saying Matt needed this test or that one. He was screened for cystic fibrosis, hearing and vision problems. He was born with a twist in his bowel that was originally thought might require surgery, but cleared up with time.



Above, left, Matt Hernandez likes to play with his father, Gary. Above, when Matt was born Jan. 6, he was so small his mother's wedding ring would fit over his entire arm. At left, Matt smiles for his mom, Jeannie Hernandez, who underwent an emergency C-section delivery three months before her due date. Matt weighed 1.7 pounds at birth, and is closer to 13 pounds today.

When they were finally allowed to take Matt home, there was a new set of worries. He was connected to an apnea monitor since he had had an episode of the breathing difficulty while in the hospital.

"I was really worried then," Gary confessed. "It was like, 'How are *we* going to take care of him?' At the hospital, there were nurses there all the time, right there if he ever needed anything."

But almost as soon as they got him home, Matt's condition started improving. He now weighs more than 12 pounds and eats baby food along with his formula.

"He eats all he wants," said Jeannie, smiling, adding that vegetables are among his favorites. "Every time I look at him, I can't believe how much he has grown."



And milestones, which mean so much to all new parents, mean even more to Jeannie and Gary — even his cries, which were once so soft they could hardly be heard. These days, he expresses his feelings with gusto, his parents said.

"Sometimes I say to Gary, 'Remember when he could hardly do this?'" Jeannie said.

And he smiles and plays with the same vigor, they added. He enjoys his new Entertainer, a specially-designed seat that allows him to turn around and face different toys on each side, and he gets a kick out of his favorite brightly-colored plush bug.

Their worries are not over, however, as they have still more doctor's appointments ahead to check Matt's immune system. Doctors have said it was weak, a problem that may disappear as he gets older.

Early Childhood Intervention workers visit him regularly, checking for any developmental areas in which he may lag behind. But, by all accounts, Matt is a healthy, happy baby boy.

For the Hernandezes, Matt was nothing short of a miracle. They keep pictures of him at birth on their computer screen-savers, and save miles of videotape of his first few months of life.

And, of course, they talk about his amazing story.

"I know one of these days he is going to say, 'Oh, no, not this story again,'" Gary said.

"We'll be showing him the video over and over," laughed Jeannie.

So Matt, give your parents a break. It really is a great story.



At far left, Gary Matthew Hernandez, shortly after his birth Jan. 6, is shown with his first gift, a Beanie bear, which was just his size. His parents kept the bear near his crib to help judge his growth. At left, Matt these days is much larger than his Beanie bear. Since he came home April 13, he has been growing by leaps and bounds.

Story by Debbie L. Jensen
Photos by Debbie L. Jensen and Gary Hernandez

Turtle owners say caring for their backyard pets is a snap

"There was a little turtle, he lived in a box." So the childhood rhyme begins. There are 13 turtles living in Betty Cain's backyard. They range in size from tiny baby to full grown. Betty has numbered the shell of each with red fingernail polish.

The other day she was working in the yard when she felt something nudge her heel. Right behind her were numbers 5 and 6; they seemed to be reminding her it was time to bring out the bananas, a favorite snack for the turtles.

Insects are the staple diet of turtles. Betty says she appreciates their fondness for mosquitoes.

Remember, "He snapped at a mosquito, he snapped at a flea, He snapped at a minnow and he snapped at me."

Betty has had only one unfortunate experience of a turtle latching onto a person. She was one of a group from College Baptist Church who were conducting vacation Bible school at the church mission in Ogden, Utah.

She brought along a turtle, thinking it would be of interest to the children. It was. One boy kept putting his finger between the bars of the cage and poking the turtle, who responded to his interest by clamping down on his finger.

It took the strength of a well-muscled teenager to pry the turtle's jaws apart and release the child's finger.

JEAN WARREN

The World Book says that turtles do not have teeth, but their jaws have horny edges that can cut hard substances.

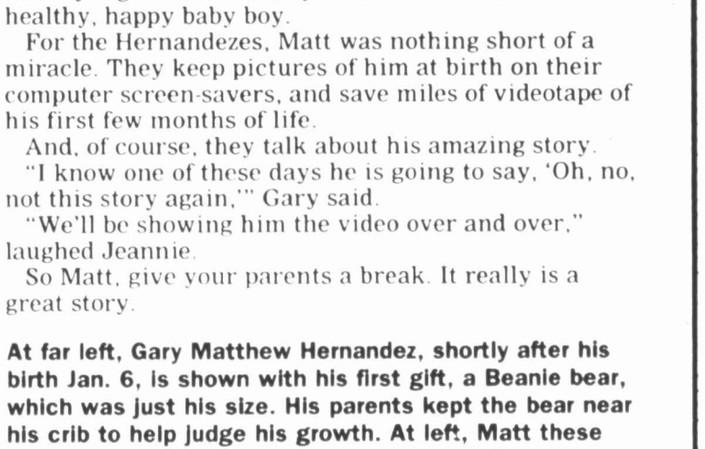
The World Book also states that turtles live longer than any other backboned animal. The common box turtle, a native of the United States, sometimes lives more than 100 years.

This means Betty can look forward to having her pets for a long time. She began acquiring them about 15 years ago. Some she picked up from the roadsides of New Mexico; others were given to her by her elementary school students.

The terms "turtle," "tortoise" and "terrapin" are all commonly used. There are about 60 kinds of turtles in the United States.

Turtles like the cool of the early morning hours and are usually not much in evidence during the heat of the day. So, early one morning recently I visited Betty, with the intention of photographing the turtles.

She corralled three in a plastic pan. We planned a picture of Betty kneeling on the sidewalk, with her care-



Courtesy photo

Pat Brodle feeds a strawberry to a pet turtle for a treat.

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WEDDINGS

Rios-Hernandez

Connie Rios and Oscar Hernandez Jr., both of Big Spring, exchanged wedding vows on July 15, 2000, at Evangel Temple with the Rev. Corina Salazar officiating.

She is the daughter of Domingo and Maria Rios of Big Spring.

He is the son of Elizabeth Hernandez and Oscar Hernandez of Big Spring and the grandson of Esther Hernandez and Mr. and Mrs. Jose Saldivar, all of Big Spring.



MR. AND MRS. OSCAR HERNANDEZ JR.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a sleeveless full dress with pearls and sequins, with a ribbon border on the base of the skirt. She carried a bouquet of fresh Cala lilies, roses and other exotic flowers.

Vanessa Ortiz, cousin of the bride, served as maid of honor and Monica Hernandez, Daisy Garibay, Erica Ortega, Blanca Duran and Erica Hector were bridesmaids.

Marissa Saiz was the flower girl and Elijah Torres was ringbearer.

Anthony Mendoza served as best man and Chris Rios, Joshua Hernandez, Jason Campos, Jason Cerda, and John Ray Hernandez were groomsmen. Arthur Saldivar was the usher.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the fellowship hall.

The bride's cake was three-tiered with a water fountain and two stairways descending into four satellites. The groom's cake was the shape of a golf course.

She is a 1998 graduate of Forsan High School. He is a 1999 graduate of Big Spring High School and is employed with H-E-B.

The couple made their home in Big Spring.

Roberts-Mackenzie

Erin Denise Roberts of Big Spring and Scott Allen MacKenzie of Gresham, Ore., were united in marriage on July 22, 2000, at the First Christian Church in Big Spring with the Rev. Gary Groves of First Christian Church of Midland, officiating.

She is the daughter of Wayne and Shelane Roberts of Big Spring and the granddaughter of Thelma Roberts of Big Spring and the late M.O. Roberts, Carleta and Shelby Parnell of Big Spring.

He is the son of Florence and Finlay MacKenzie of Gresham, Ore.

Pianist was Roy Hughes and Patricia Gillespie was the organist.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a white silk satin halter-style gown with a fitted bodice that was lightly embroidered with delicate flowers and seed pearls. An A-line ball shirt floated from the waistline to the floor, forming a slight train. She carried a cascading bouquet with large off-white roses accented with miniature roses in light shades of rose, mauve and white.



MR. AND MRS. SCOTT ALLEN MACKENZIE

Melissa Romine of San Antonio served as maid of honor and bridesmaids were Jaylon Davis of Dallas, Joey Roberts of Big Spring, sister in law of the Bride; Alexi Woodul of Austin, and Sharon Love of Gresham, Ore., sister of the groom.

Flower Girl was Emma Love of Gresham, Ore., niece of the groom.

Rob MacKenzie of Gresham, Ore., brother of the groom, served as best man and groomsmen were Dave Gaibler of Portland, Ore., Brad Roberts of Big Spring, brother of the bride, Shawn Petersen of Gresham, Ore., and Rick Hosea of Portland, Ore.

Ushers were Jeff O'Brien of Big Spring, Larry Wilson of Austin and Martin Love of Gresham, Ore., brother-in-law of the groom.

A reception was held at the Big Spring Country Club with "Music to the Maxx" of Lubbock playing for a dance.

The bride's cake was a four-tiered white cake decorated with satin ribbon and mixed flowers in mauve, white and green sitting on a circle of glass decorated with white lights and greenery.

The groom's cake was a German chocolate with the outline of the states of Texas and Oregon on top, decorated with bluebonnets and the Portland Rose.

The bride is a graduate of Big Spring High School and a graduate of Texas Tech. She is employed with Southwestern Medical Center of Dallas in the OB/GYN research department.

The groom is a graduate of Gresham High School, Gresham, Ore., and a graduate of Texas Tech. He is presently employed at Sewell Cadillac of Dallas.

After a wedding trip to Key Largo, Fla., the couple made their home in Addison.

Smith-Daniel

Molly Brown Smith, formerly of Big Spring, and Heath Jonathan Daniel, formerly of Garden City, both currently of Irving, were united in marriage on Aug. 19, 2000, at College Baptist Church with the Rev. Ken McMeans officiating.

She is the daughter of Mike and Marciel Smith of Big Spring.

He is the son of Tresa and Leon Reed of Midland and Lynn and Sally Daniel of Austin.

Instrumentalists/vocalists were Heather Daniel and Anna Castaneda.



MRS. HEATH JONATHAN DANIEL

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a white princess dress with short sleeves, beaded and pearled with a chapel-length train and an elbow-length veil.

She carried a bouquet cascade of white mountain lilies, white confetti roses, gerbera daisies and a variety of fresh greenery.

Marisa Smith, sister of the bride, served as maid of honor and Ciana Longbotham, Cori Umanita, Anna Castaneda, Natalie Newsom and Robin Moore, sister of the groom, were bridesmaids.

Tiffany Brown was a junior bridesmaid and Blake Moore was ringbearer.

Eric Seidenberger served as best man and groomsmen were Mark Daniel and Matt Daniel, brothers of the groom, Rex Norton, Jim Bob Scott and Coby Baxter, cousin.

Ushers/candlelighters were Mike Smith, brother of the bride, A.J. Umanita, cousin of the bride, and Jeff Johnston.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the Dora Roberts Civic Center with a buffet dinner and dance.

The bride's cake was a three-tiered stacked cake and satellite cakes with white frosting and fresh flowers. The groom's was a chocolate cake with chocolate frosting, garnished with greenery and fresh fruit.

The bride is a 1996 graduate of Big Spring High School and a 2000 graduate of University of Texas at the Permian Basin. She is employed at Capital One in Dallas.

The groom is a 1992 graduate of Garden City High School and is currently attending the University of Texas at Arlington.

After a wedding trip to Cozumel, Mexico, the couple will live in Irving.

TURTLE

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fully landscaped yard in the background and the turtles in front of her.

We placed sliced bananas on the sidewalk, and I headed the turtles toward her. Unfortunately, they did not cooperate but took off in every direction.

I had better luck getting a closeup of a terrapin belonging to Pat Brodie. She has collected turtles for a number of years and even has a turtle motif throughout her home.

She keeps a pan of dry dog food out for the turtles and often treats them to strawberries. She pointed out that they are territorial, each keeping to its own space.

Both Betty and Pat agree that turtles make great pets. They hibernate in cold weather and never require any special provision when their owners are on vacation.

Jean Warren writes a monthly column for the Big Spring Herald.

Now might be time to volunteer for BSSH

The beginning of each school year holds many promises for children and parents alike. But it also gives many of us who are finished buying school lunches and backpacks full of shiny new supplies the perfect opportunity to reevaluate our priorities, goals and ambitions for the upcoming year.



KATHY JOHNSON

If you've never volunteered for Big Spring State Hospital or any of the other worthwhile organizations in town, why don't you make that part of your "Back to School" mission for this year?

Our volunteer organization is 236 members strong, but we need so many more willing bodies to help the people with mental illness being cared for at Big Spring State Hospital.

Many of our potential volunteers are under the misconception that they must work hands-on with our patients, or they must come out to the hospital to volunteer. We have so many projects going on at all times with so many needs, that many of the things needed to help our patients can be done in your own home in front of the television set or on the telephone.

We need seamstresses, bakers, people who can stuff letters, sort through donated clothes, plan our special events or make craft items. The Volunteer Services Council also is looking for a few good shoppers. At Christmas, we purchase gifts for all of our patients and someone has to go out in the community and buy their presents.

If you are an A-1 shopper, you may be able to help us out. You can volunteer five hours the entire year or more than 200 – the schedule is up to you. Volunteers, along with the dedicated employees of Big Spring State Hospital have made the state hospital one of the shining stars in the state mental health system.

The state provides the necessities, but our volunteers provide the many extras. Birthday cakes and cookies, knitted caps, We Care Bags to welcome new patients and gardens of flowers – are all made possible through volunteers and make Big Spring State Hospital a better place for our patients.

If you would like to volunteer, please call our office at 268-7535. We can use your help.

The only requirement is that you want to make a life better for someone else.

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The Community Relations office will host a training workshop for all board members and potential board members of the Volunteer Services Council Aug. 23 at the Big Spring Country Club. Training will get under way at 10 a.m. and will wrap up at 3 p.m. Anyone who is a member of the board of directors or who would like to be on the board must attend the workshop. Call the office for more details.

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We had another successful volunteer workday on

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Beatrice Roberson
David Crockett - Director, Food and Nutrition Services
Ms. Roberson has been a patient at Scenic Mountain Medical Center for several weeks. During her stay, she has commented often on her fondness of the food prepared by our staff. "The food at Scenic Mountain Medical Center is very good." "They fixed my omelet just the way I like and I really enjoyed the catfish."
Beatrice Roberson
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ON THE MENU

SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER

MONDAY-Fish, french fries, mixed vegetables, coleslaw, milk/cornbread, fruit.
TUESDAY-Chicken fried steak, rice, spinach, salad, milk/rolls, fruit.
WEDNESDAY- Meatloaf, potatoes, squash, salad, milk/rolls, pie.
THURSDAY-Liver, macaroni & tomatoes, carrots, fruited gelatin, milk/rolls, cookies.
FRIDAY-Ham, sweet potatoes, green beans, salad, milk/rolls, cake.

WESTBROOK ISD

MONDAY-Chicken nuggets with dip, creamed potatoes, green beans, biscuits, syrup, honey, milk.
TUESDAY-Spaghetti w/meat sauce, blackeyed peas, spinach garlic bread, fruit cups, milk.
WEDNESDAY-Beef tips, noodles, broccoli w/cheese, corn, jello, hot rolls, milk.
THURSDAY-Tacos, taco sauce, cheese, lettuce, tomatoes, pinto beans, apple crisp, milk.
FRIDAY-Hotdogs, chili, lettuce wedge w/ranch dressing, potato wedges, cookies, milk.

SANDS CISD

MONDAY-Hot dogs w/chili, ranch style beans, tater tots, cake, milk.
TUESDAY-Chicken fajita burritos, salad, corn, fruit, milk.
WEDNESDAY-Beef tamales, pinto beans, salad, cornbread, milk, fruit.
THURSDAY-Bar-b-que, ribs, green beans, tater tots, hot rolls, milk, fruit.
FRIDAY-Burritos, salad, broccoli w/carrot sticks, fruit, milk.

COAHOMA ISD

MONDAY-Nacho grande (corndogs), beans, carrot sticks, grapes, milk.
TUESDAY-Chicken nuggets, gravy, potatoes, green beans, rolls, peaches, milk.
WEDNESDAY-Pizza, tater tots, salad, milk. (Teachers only-salad or baked potato, call by 8:30)
THURSDAY-Tacos (ham sandwiches), salad, ranch beans, apple cobbler, milk.
FRIDAY-Chili dogs (baked potatoes w/chili & cheese), chips pickle spears, peaches, milk.

STANTON ISD

MONDAY-Bean burrito (hot dogs on a bun), corn vegetable sticks, pears, milk, fruit drink.
TUESDAY-Spaghetti w/meat sauce (steak fingers), brown gravy, green beans, tossed salad, applesauce gelatin, french bread, milk, fruit drink.
WEDNESDAY-Country fried steak (meatloaf), whole potatoes, broccoli, fruit cocktail, hot rolls, milk, fruit drink.
THURSDAY-Nachos w/ground beef (chef salad), refried beans, lettuce & tomato, apples, cornbread, milk, fruit drink.
FRIDAY-Corn dog (sloppy joe on a bun), potato puffs, beans, fruit cup, milk, fruit drink.

FORSAN ELEMENTARY

MONDAY-Chicken fajita, corn, salad, pineapple tidbits, milk.
TUESDAY-Corndog, pork & beans, peaches, milk.
WEDNESDAY-Bar-b-que sandwich, chips, salad, cantaloupe, milk.
THURSDAY-Fish, pea salad, green beans, apricot halves, milk.
FRIDAY-Chef salad w/ham, broccoli, jello fruit salad, wheat crackers, milk.

FORSAN ISD

MONDAY-Burritos, buttered potatoes, salad, fruit pies, milk.
TUESDAY-Pizza, corn, salad, cookies/creme, milk.
WEDNESDAY-Bar-b-que on a bun, french fries, salad, pickle and onions, pudding, vanilla wafers, milk.
THURSDAY-Bean chalupas, corn, salad, taco sauce, fruit, milk.
FRIDAY-Braised beef tips, rice, green beans, jello and fruit, hot rolls, milk.

BIG SPRING ISD

MONDAY-Rib sandwich, waffle fries, pickle spear, melon slices, milk.
TUESDAY-Turkey fryz, mashed potatoes, green beans, pears, hot roll, milk.
WEDNESDAY-Nacho grande, pinto beans, corn, apple, milk.
THURSDAY-Pig in blanket, carrot sticks w/ranch dressing, seasoned new potatoes, jello w/mixed fruit, milk.
FRIDAY-Cheeseburger, salad, french fries, pork & beans, rainbow freeze bar, milk.

NEWCOMERS

New residents of Big Spring welcomed recently by Joy Fortenberry and the Newcomer Greeting Service include:

Cynthia Flarity, two sons, Cody and Kelvin, Fort Stockton.

Ernestina Hinojosa, son, Jonathon, daughter, Kandie, Stanton. She is the assistant manager at Taco Villa.

Jerry and Julie Terry, Hobbs, N.M. He is an I.C.U. nurse at Odessa Regional Hospital. She is a speech therapist for West Texas Centers for M.H.M.R.

Araymundo and Vicky Yanez, Del Rio. He is employed with the Veterans' Administration Medical Center.

Catherine Brashear, Waco.

Mark Thompson, Carthage, Mo., He is the general manager of Rip Griffin Truck Stop.

ANNIVERSARIES

Gresham

Gene and Jo Gresham, formerly of Big Spring, now of Athens, Texas, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Aug 26, 2000 at First Baptist Church in Athens from 2-4 p.m. The party will be hosted by their children and grandchildren.

He was born in Roscoe and she in Lamesa as Jo McCulloch. They met in the fall 1949 in Lamesa on a blind date. They married Aug. 20, 1950, in Lamesa.

They have four children: Kathrine Lackey of Flint, Edgar Gresham of Jacksonville, Elizabeth Hart of Jacksonville, and Carl Gresham of Rowlett. They also have nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

During their marriage they have lived in: Mineloa, Odessa, Crockett, Vernon, Lamesa, Klondike, Big Spring and Athens.

They are both retired school teachers and Baptists.

Gene's hobbies are golf, woodworking and traveling; Jo's are golf, crafts and traveling. Both are active in Kiwanis.

Their children said this about their parents' anniversary: Our parents' marriage has lasted because they always have put God first and left the lines of communication open.

HUMANE SOCIETY



Pictured is Pepe — Silver male poodle, neutered, 2 years old plus, very sweet.

Special Note: All dogs and cats presently available for adoption at the shelter have received their vaccinations, including rabies.

Kong — Black/brown male Australian Shepherd mix, 2 1/2 years old.

Paula Rags — Black and white female small Terrier/Shitzu mix, 4 years old, very sweet.

Goofy — Small wire haired male Chihuahua mix, neutered, 2 years old.

Hoss — Beautiful red brown male dachshund, neutered, 1 year old plus.

Tucker — Black and white male Corgi mix, 1 year old plus.

Rusty — Red brown male medium size mix, neutered, 1 year old.

Scout — Black and white male Border Collie mix, 6 months old.

Thelma — Golden brown female Pom/Corgi mix, 1 year old plus.

Louise — Golden brown female Pom/Corgi mix, 2 years old plus.

These, plus many more dogs and cats are awaiting adoption. Adoption fees for dogs are just $60, full blooded dogs are $100 and cats are $60. This includes spaying or neutering, vaccinations, wormings and rabies shots. Also covers feline leukemia tests for cats. All pets come with a two-week trial period. Call the shelter at 267-7832 for more information.

STORK CLUB

Kendall Jackson Downey, boy, June 2, 2000, 3:30 a.m., two pounds 14 ounces and 16 inches long; parents are Joe and Kristi Downey of North Zulch.

Grandparents are Jackie and Betty Downey of Big Spring and Kenneth and Bonnie Windsor of Zavala.

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Jesse James Partlow, July 24, 2000, 7:19 a.m., seven pounds five 1/2 ounces and 19 inches long; parents are Terry and Karla Partlow.

Grandparents are Mary Redford and James and Robbie Crenshaw, all of Big Spring

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Julian Rey Martinez, boy, July 26, 2000, 6:05 p.m., seven pounds five ounces and 19 inches long; parents are Edward Martinez and Gina Marie Lozano.

Grandparents are Elisa Martinez, Rosendo Delapaz and Sandra Lozano, all of Big Spring, and Phillip Lozano of Odessa.

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JOHNSON

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Wednesday in the Community Relations office. We worked on holiday craft items for the Christmas Bazaar, which will be Nov. 9.

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Volunteers have tickets they will sell to you for a chance on a quilt made by the wonderful women at the Ackerly Baptist Church. This year's quilt is multicolored and beautifully pieced together. Tickets are $1 each, six for $5.

Kathy Johnson is director of community development for Big Spring State Hospital.

WHO'S WHO

Amanda Ruth Nelson, a junior at Southern Methodist University in Dallas, formerly of Big Spring, is included on the recently released undergraduate honor roll for the Spring semester.



NELSON

To be on the SMU honor roll, students must achieve a 3.5 or higher grade point average, which places them at the top 22 percent of all undergraduates.

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Brenda Banks graduated from Sul Ross State University in Alpine on Aug. 12, with a Master of Education degree majoring in educational diagnostician. She completed her undergraduate work at Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls. She is employed by Big Spring school s, working at the Big Spring State Hospital classroom unit as a teacher and diagnostician.



BANKS

Mitford Tea Party
Sunday, August 27th
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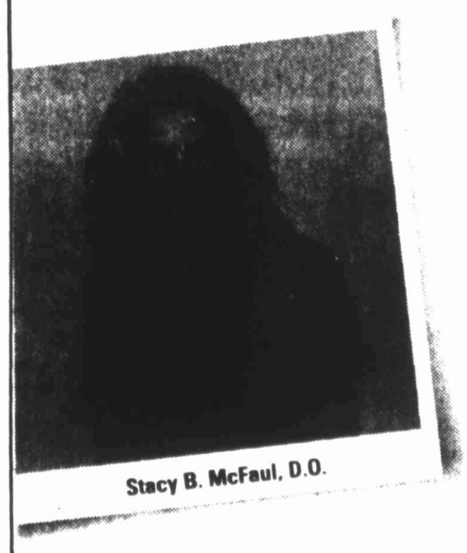
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Stacy B. McFaul, D.O.

Covenant Malone and Hogan Clinic would like to welcome the latest addition to our excellent team of physicians, **Stacy B. McFaul, D.O., a board certified radiologist**. Dr. McFaul completed her residency at the Tulsa Regional Medical Center. She joins our team after practicing with the San Antonio Imaging Professional Associates, PPLC. **Please join us in welcoming Dr. McFaul to our community.**

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Wal-Mart's McLane Co. to buy bankrupt food distributor

DALLAS (AP) — The exhilarating climb and dramatic crash of AmeriServe Food Distribution Inc. appeared to near an end Friday with the bankrupt company's announcement that it has agreed to be bought by a unit of Wal-Mart Stores Inc.

Terms of the sale to McLane Co., which supplies about one-third of the nation's convenience stores, was not disclosed. The sale is subject to approval by the U.S. bankruptcy court in Wilmington, Del.

Closely held AmeriServe provides food, beverages, paper goods and other supplies to several large restaurant chains, notably KFC, Pizza Hut and Taco Bell, all owned by Tricon Global Restaurants Inc. of Louisville, Ky., and Long John Silver's.

Tricon, which had extended $70 million in emergency financing to keep AmeriServe running, approved the selection of McLane, AmeriServe officials said.

About 600 of Tricon's restaurants were already served by McLane, and Tricon said it would agree to extend its contract with McLane through October 2010 and to a 5 percent increase in fees and speedier payment of bills.

Mitchell Speiser, an analyst for Lehman Brothers, said the sale lifts a weight off Tricon's shoulders. He feared Tricon would end up buying AmeriServe because it is so reliant on the company.

"We feel this is an excellent agreement for the company, its creditors and the employees," said AmeriServe chief executive Ron Rittenhouse, a former railroad executive who was brought in after the Addison-based distributor filed for bankruptcy.

Rittenhouse predicted there would be no layoffs among AmeriServe's employees — now fewer than 5,000 after 1,500 were laid off — as the company is absorbed by Temple, Texas-based McLane. He also predicted McLane would keep a presence in the Dallas area, where AmeriServe is based.

Martha Kahler, a McLane spokeswoman, said decisions about keeping AmeriServe employees have not been made.

McLane was an independent company for nearly a century before Wal-Mart bought it in 1990. It controls about one-third of the distribution to U.S. convenience stores and also supplies fast-food restaurants, theaters and Wal-Mart stores.

McCoy named Permian Basin Chef of the Year

By CARL GRAHAM
Staff Writer

As Big Spring Country Club executive chef Angelo McCoy headed off to Texas A&M University at College Station Friday to receive the Permian Basin Chef of the Year award, he wasn't thinking of "his" award. Rather, he was thinking of it as an award for the country club and the community.

McCoy, who was nominated by other chefs in the Permian Basin chapter, was notified in May that he was up for the honor.

"I am not much in to personal awards or glory for myself," said McCoy. "Any award that I receive, I receive because management was generous enough to allow me to go to the competition and show what I can do."

The 35-year-old chef said the secret to pleasing his customers is providing them a pleasany dining experience.

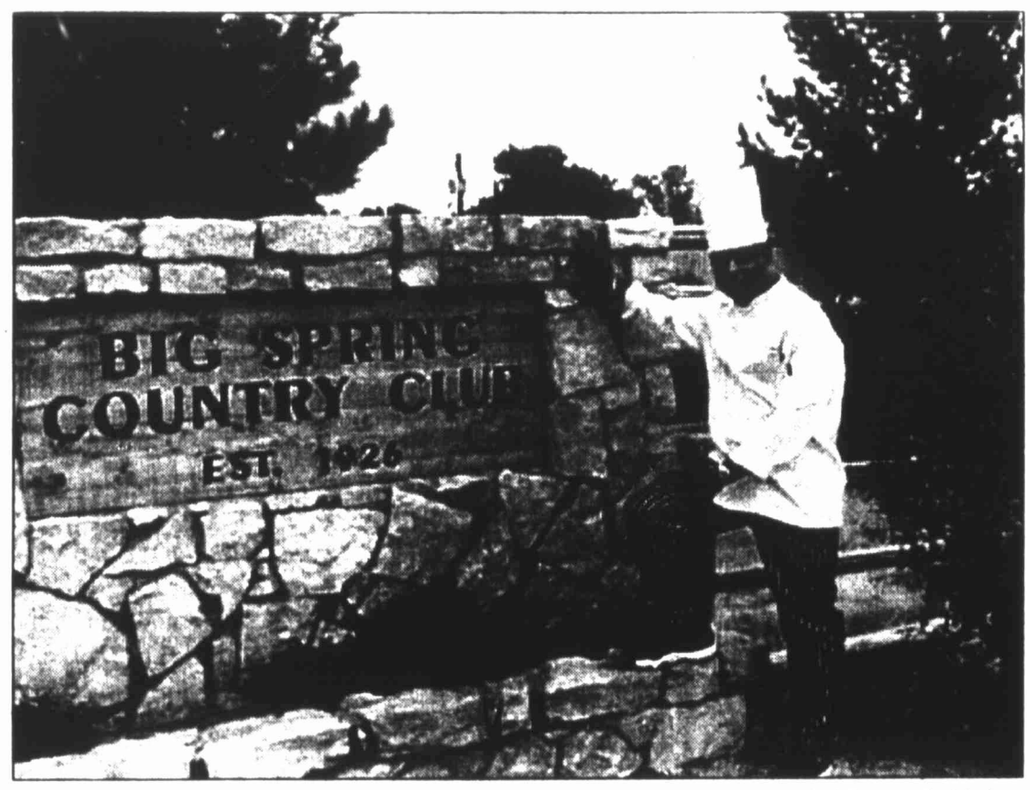
"Let's face it, people tend to eat with their eyes," said McCoy. "What I mean by that is that if the atmosphere and surroundings are good, the food looks and smells good, you have pretty much won the customer over already. It's very rare in this business that you have all those ingredients and yet the food is lousy."

A Los Angeles native who received his training at Odessa College, McCoy loves to inspire and motivate others to excel in their jobs as much as he has excelled in his.

"I like to take individuals who use initiative and express or show a desire to better themselves and work with that individual," said McCoy. "There is one particular event that stands out in my mind. When I first arrived here at the country club, there was a dishwasher who was on the verge of losing his job here. I worked with him, built up a rapport with him and now he has became a valued member of our food service team."

McCoy said that though he does use recipe cards, a lot of dishes have been his own creations.

"I like to do a lot of experimenting using my own creativity sometimes," said McCoy. "I learned to do that early in life when I would fix meals for my grandmother, who was blind. She must have liked what I fixed because she would invite others to come over and try my dishes out."



HERALD photo/Carl Graham

Big Spring Country Club executive chef Angelo McCoy was presented with an award at Texas A&M Saturday for being selected as the Permian Basin Chef of the Year by the Texas Chefs Association.

New spiel

Apartments promote high-speed Internet access to lure tenants

DALLAS (AP) — The age of technology and telecommuting has spawned a new amenity for renters: apartments with high-speed Internet access.

Apartment complexes that once sprouted signs with messages such as "If you lived here, you'd be home by now" are revising their sales pitch to attract a newer breed of individuals who want to surf faster.

Speedy connections via cable or digital subscriber line (DSL) technology are collectively called broadband. They are hundreds of times faster than a traditional dial-up connection and also free up the telephone.

It's a potent sales pitch for many in this computer age.

Case in point: Preston Oaks Apartments in Dallas, which advertises "High Speed Internet Here" on a large yellow sign strung on a fence near the entrance.

The complex finished retrofitting its 200 units with wireless broadband equipment about two weeks ago, and the upgrade already is paying dividends, assistant community director Lisa Thompson said.

"It's a huge fad. Everybody's doing it," she said. "We've had a great response. It's been a deciding factor and a great selling tool."

She said about 50 of the complex's 200 residents have signed up since the system went online two weeks ago — many of them new tenants who picked the complex over others because of the fast Internet.

The complex offers basic service — speeds up to 128 kilobits per second — for $24.95 a month, and a "really, really fast" 1.5 megabits per second for $44.95 a month, Thompson said.

CAIS Internet Inc., based in Washington, D.C., formed a partnership with SBC Communications Inc. of San Antonio in March and began outfitting apartments, including Preston Oaks, with the broadband equipment.

Gerry Henigsman, executive vice president of the Apartment Association of

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Gearing up for another good time at the Howard County Fair

Well, school is back in gear and things are getting started for a new year. With that comes the Howard County Fair. This year's fair promises to be one of the best ever. Outstanding entertainers and a wide array of shows and activities will be a part of the action-packed fair from Friday through Monday.

This year's fair offers food, fun education and entertainment for the whole family. Last Sunday's *Big Spring Herald* had a schedule for all events.

One of this year's activities include the Agricultural Products Show.



DAVID KIGHT

This year's Agricultural Products Show includes divisions in watermelon, cantaloupes (three per entry) pumpkins, peas and bean, various fruit (four per entry), pecans (four per entry), peppers (six per entry) tomatoes (six per entry), onions (four per entry), okra (six per entry), squash (six per entry), and the most unusual and miscellaneous categories.

All products must be grown by the exhibitor and must be a Howard County resident or in an adjoining county. No age restrictions. All entries must be checked in between 2 and 6 p.m. on Thursday.

Judging will be conducted by Horticulturist Debbie Frost from Midland and will be done on Friday.

Entries must be pick up at 3 on Monday, Aug. 28, or they become property of the Howard County Fair.

Also, this year will feature the Cotton Show. This is limited to Howard County Agricultural producers only.

This year's contest will feature the Tallest Stalk, the Most Unusual Stalk, Cotton Stalk with Most Bolls and Best Stripper Type of Cotton. $100 sponsored by Stoneville, Texas Inc. and a plaque will be given to the best Cotton Stalk Overall.

Larry and Bertie Fay Shaw and Mr. Rick Campbell will be serving as the Ag Products Show superintendents for this year's show.

For more information, or to receive a copy of rules and guidelines for agriculture products, call the county extension office at (915) 264-2236.

David Kight is the Howard County Extension agent — agriculture.

Bagwell's son Mike takes over as manager of Sportsman's Club

By CARL GRAHAM
Staff Writer

Mike Bagwell, manager of Al's Sportsman's Club at Lake Colorado City, is carrying on a family tradition that dates back almost 40 years.

When Mike's dad Chuck Bagwell, owner of Al's & Sons Barbecue, heard that the Sportsman's Club restaurant was for sale, he jumped at the chance to buy it. The restaurant had at one time flourished but had began to loose some of the regular traffic.

On Dec. 1, 1999, Chuck closed the deal on the restaurant and he was able to talk his oldest son Mike into managing it for him. Mike had just married the former Kathy Ogburn on Nov. 6. That was over eight months ago now and according to Mike, things are a little different being a manager instead of just another employee.

"This is part of the business that I hadn't ever gotten into," Mike said. "When we moved back to Big Spring from Dallas in December of 1991, Dad took over Al's & Son Barbecue so I worked for him after school. I started by doing like anybody else in the business, I started by washing dishes, bussing tables and slicing meats, so before I came here I had very little management experience."

Mike said that being the manager of a place, you get to know each employee on a personal basis.

"There is a big difference going from employee to management," said Mike. "All of a sudden you have the weight of all the employees problems on your shoulder not to mention your own problems. You just get to your problems later because you try to take of your employees first."

After graduating from Tarleton State University in Stephenville, Mike worked in the insurance business for Brandon Luce, manager for Farm Bureau Insurance Services, for about a year and a half before the opportunity to return to the food service business came about.

"Mike was really making us a good hand as an insurance agent," said Luce. "We got him fresh out of college and was a real go-getter. We sure hated to lose him but I understood the situation and the opportunity he had only comes around once in a great while."

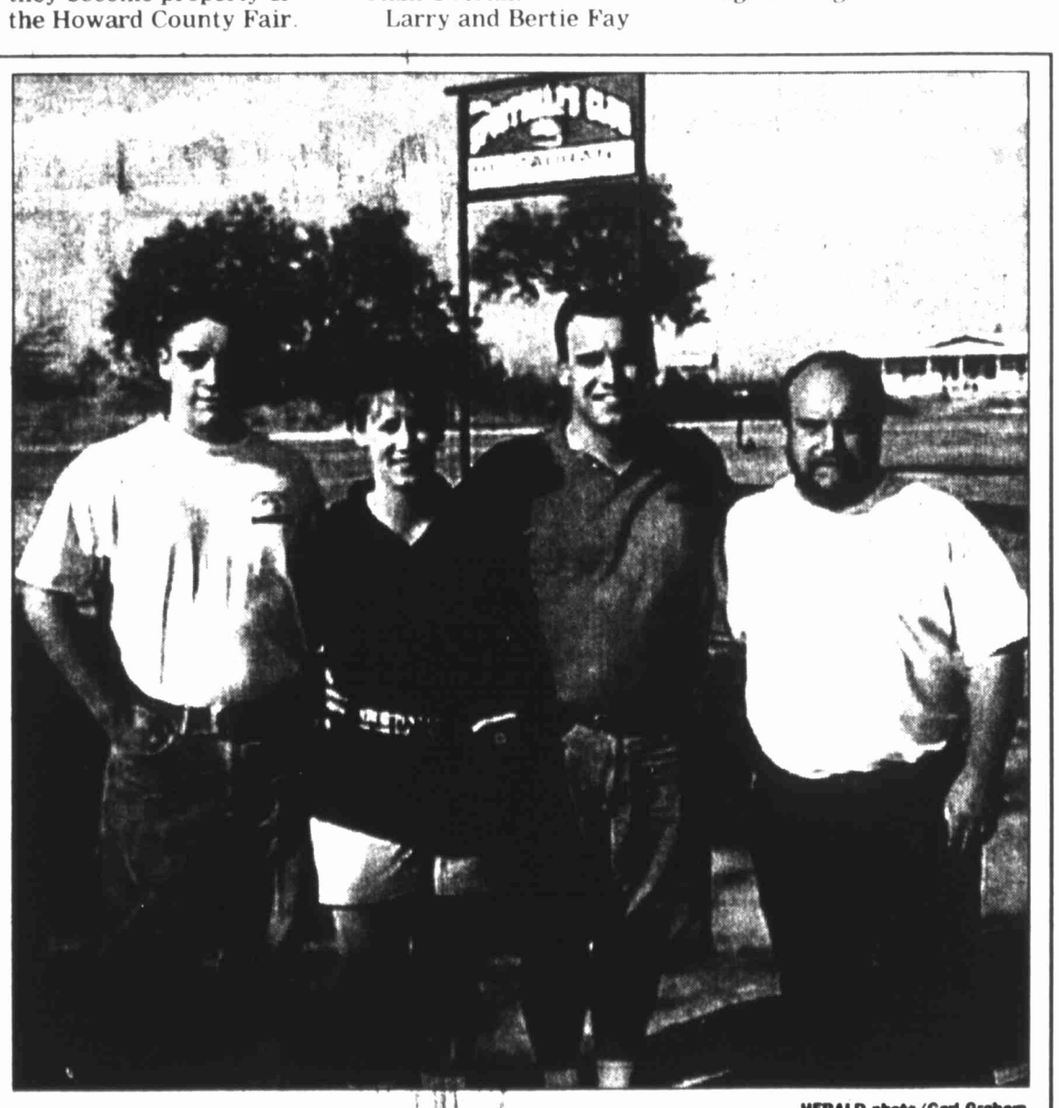
Mike said though it's hard work sometimes, he really enjoys coming to work each day.

"I love it out here," said Mike. "It's always a challenge to come to work and find out what is wrong with everybody on any particular day and to fill in wherever needed. I guess I have about done it all at one time or another. It also lifts me up a bit to look out and see some of our friends and customers from Big Spring dropping in on us."

The restaurant specializes in chicken fried steak and hand breaded catfish, just like grandma used to make.

"We have two sizes to choose from on several items on our menu," said Mike. "If you have a hearty appetite, I suggest you get the larger order. However, if you prefer the smaller portion, we have that as well."

It's hard to find a restaurant that has liver and onions on the menu but you will find it at the Sportsman's Club.



HERALD photo/Carl Graham

Matt Bagwell, from left, Kathy Bagwell, manager Mike Bagwell and owner Chuck Bagwell stand in front of their new sign at Al's Sportsman's Club at Lake Colorado City.

"You would be surprised at how many people travel 30 or 40 miles to get our liver and onions," said

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Tyron, Evangeline, 406 E. Cedar, Midland
Underman, Val, 4200 Highland R., Big Spring
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Joe Solis, 44, and Maria Elena Martinez, 45
Billy Don Clemons, 44, and Oleira Mae Kimble, 43

County Court:
Probated Judgment Theft, more than $50 but less than $500 Joanne Cerda, $200 fine, $257 court cost, 180 days in jail.

Probated Judgment Driving While Intoxicated, second offense Karri Dawn Tindol, $500 fine, $249.25 365 days in jail. Bobby Lynn Webb, $3,000 fine, $249.25 court cost, 365 days in jail.

Probated Judgment Driving While Intoxicated Ninfa M. Garcia, $1,500 fine, $275.25 court cost, 180 days in jail. Patricia R. Lozana, $1,500 fine, $275.25 court cost, 180 days in jail. Jonathon Michael Paul, $1,500 fine, $275.25 court cost, 180 days in jail.

Probated Judgment Driving While License Suspended Melton Viera, $250 fine, $284.25 court cost, 180 days in jail. Scott Bryant, $250 fine, $310.25 court cost, 180 days in jail. Rodolfo Alba, $250 fine, $260.25 court cost, 180 days in jail. Benny Islas, $500 fine, $260.25 court cost, 180 days in jail. Melton Viera, $250 fine, $260.25 court cost, 180 days in jail.

Probated Judgment Criminal Mischief of more than $50 but less than $500 Scott Anthony Fowler, $250 fine, $260.25 court cost, 180 days in jail.

Probated Judgment Possession of Marijuana, under two ounces Alisha Faye McGee, $300 fine, $260.25 court cost, 180 days in jail. Carol Ann Miears, $300 fine, $260.25 court cost, 180 days in jail.

Revocation of Probation and Imposition of Sentence Raul Flores, Jr., Assault, $500 fine, $369.25 court cost, 90 days in jail. Thomas William Murphy, Fail to Identify, $250 fine, $360.25 court cost, 5 days in jail.

Judgment and Sentence Driving While Intoxicated, second offense Theodore Ray, $2,500 fine, $314.25 court cost, 90 days in jail.

Judgment and Sentence Driving While Intoxicated Donald Craig Baker, $250 fine, court cost, 90 days in jail.

Judgment and Sentence Driving While License Suspended Ronnie Wayne Conway, $250 fine, $260.25 court cost, 30 days in jail. Lyndon Dee Teale, $500 fine, $ court cost, three days in jail. Ronnie Lee Kinard, $500 fine, $ court cost, three days in jail.

Judgment and Sentence Possession of Marijuana, under two ounces Craig Baker, $250 fine, court cost, 180 days in jail. Thomas Murphy, $ fine, $310.25 court cost, jail.

Judgment and Sentence Display Fictitious Motor Vehicle Inspection Certificate Patricio Rodriguez, $500 fine, $210.25 court cost.

Judgment and Sentence Burglary of Vehicle Paul Conway, $500 fine, $ court cost, 60 days in jail.

Judgment and Sentence Theft, more than $50 and less than $500: $500 fine $310.25 court cost, 90 days in jail.

Judgment and Sentence Violate Protective Order Roberto Dominguez, $ court cost, 90 days in jail.

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Mike. "I had one particular customer that always would order the liver and onions. He said 'I sit at one table and she sits at another, but it sure is good.'"

Hours of operation are 11-2 p.m. and 5-8 p.m. on Wednesdays and Thursdays, 11-2 and 5-9 p.m. on Fridays, 11-9 p.m. on Saturdays and 11-6 p.m., on Sundays.

The Sportsman's Club is closed on Mondays and Tuesdays.

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Greater Dallas, said it's standard practice in new apartment construction to include the fast connections. That, he said, has pressured existing properties such as Preston Oaks to retrofit their units.

The trend is also being driven by an increasing number of computer-savvy residents, many of whom work from home and require a speedy link to the office, said Henigsman, whose association represents 380,000 apartment units in the Dallas area.

Henigsman called the trend the latest in a string of escalating amenities that began years ago with extras like covered parking, security systems and cable TV.

"Apartments have always looked at trying to offer the newest type of amenity, and right now that type is very hot," he said of broadband. "I can remember when they used to advertise free ceiling fans and microwaves. Now you have to have a whole new list of amenities."

Fredell Belasco, owner of Apartment Locators in Houston, said she and her colleagues at the locating service had never heard of cable modems or DSL until a few months ago.

"Now, a lot more people are asking about it," said Belasco. "I think it's something that's going to come and stay. For a few, it's been a deciding factor on where they get an apartment."

Jupiter Communications, a New York-based research firm, predicts the number of broadband users will swell to about 6.5 million by 2002, up from 2.8 million this year and 100,000 three years ago.

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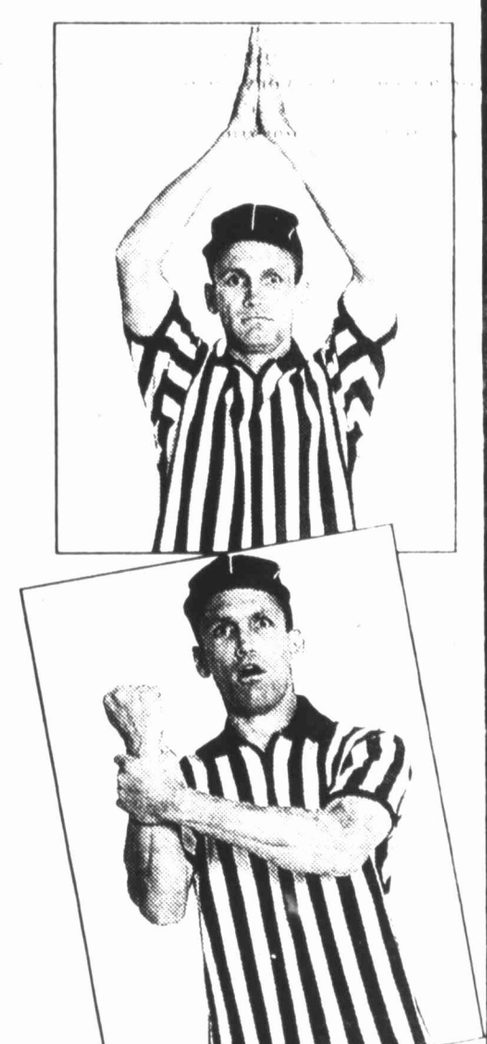
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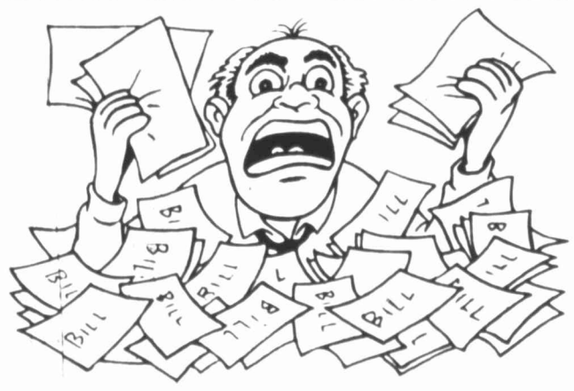
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Mother sad that daughter does not call her mom



ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

DEAR ABBY: I was a single mother throughout my only child's early years. I had no financial or moral support from the child's father. Luckily, I had a good job that enabled me to take good care of my daughter. I did not believe in giving my child a stepfather, so I remained single. My daughter had a good religious education, loving home, a dedicated and adoring mother, vacations, the best schools, health care, etc. We enjoyed a wonderful and loving relationship.

However, as soon as my daughter became a teenager, she decided to stop calling me "Mother." She insisted on addressing me by my first name because I was her "friend." For years, we have had numerous discussions on that subject — me explaining my unhappiness, she insisting on using my first name and ignoring my hurt feelings. I never wanted to be referred to as one of her many friends. I wanted to be called "Mother."

At 49 years old and married (no children), she has lived out-of-town for many years and her attitude is cold and distant. Her friends are the center of her life. How do you explain such treatment?

I now have the opportunity to become a foster mother to a child. I would insist that this child call me "Mother." Unfortunately, I fear that my desire to be called "Mother" is based only on the longing to be called that by my own child. Under such circumstances, should I go ahead and bring this young child into my home, maybe making her unhappy and leaving myself vulnerable for another disappointment in life? — DISAPPOINTED MOTHER IN FLORIDA

DEAR DISAPPOINTED MOTHER: I don't know what happened between you and your daughter, but it seems you and she have very different perspectives on her childhood and the nature of your relationship. Perhaps it's time for you to suggest to her that you both sit down and have a heart-to-heart conversation about those perspectives.

Under no circumstances should you take a child into your home for the reasons you have stated. It would be grossly unfair to the child.

DEAR ABBY: I recently overheard a conversation between two young women in their 20s. They were lamenting the fact that they smile too much because of cultural and social conditioning. They seemed to feel they must be "tougher" to succeed in the business world.

Abby, I have had a varied career as a museum manager, an office coordinator for a law firm and a property manager for a 33-story building. I was a competent, intelligent student in school, but by no means at the top of my class. I have a fine arts degree and reasonable computer skills.

A short time ago, I walked out of a new job because I didn't like the way my employer screamed at people. Within three days, I had three job offers. (I hadn't even begun to look for new employment.) The reason? I smile.

When someone walks into my office, I smile and greet the person pleasantly. Whether that someone is my boss, a client, co-worker, vendor or cleaning lady, I smile and am pleasant. I say please, thank you, and apologize for my mistakes. One employer said, "It's easier to train a smiler to use Excel than to teach a computer-literate sourpuss to smile. In the final analysis, it comes down to choosing whom I want to spend my day with." — SONYA IN SEATTLE

DEAR SONYA: I agree. A smile is definitely an asset not only in the business world, but in social situations as well. The young ladies you overheard have a lot to learn about interpersonal relationships if they think smiles are to be used sparingly. Smiles make people feel good and open many doors.

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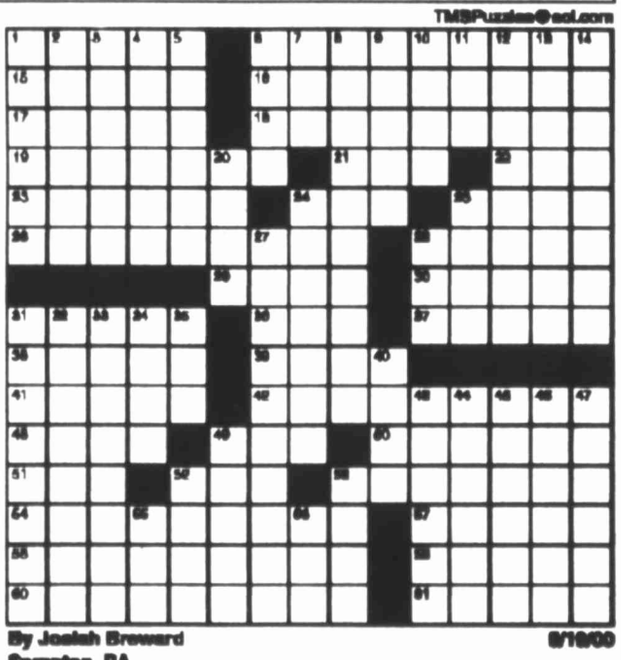
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By Josiah Broward
Scranton, PA

8/19/00

ACROSS
1 Checked out, in a way
6 Gulfweeds
15 I give up!
16 Superlatively ruffled
17 Buy time
18 Enter
19 Dagger
21 "Pygmalion" writer's inits.
22 Sun. homily
23 Speak mechanically
24 Adversary
25 Front of a calf
26 Nightmare worlds
28 "The Trip to Bountiful" writer
29 Fit of pique
30 Nocturnal primate
31 Waste piece from metal casting
36 Crime-busters' grp.
37 Bomb blast, in headlines
38 March 17th celebrants
39 Cross letters
41 Hawks' opponents
42 Pile of junk
48 Nights before
49 Treatment for swelling
50 Actress Jackson
51 Morse unit
52 Negative conjunction
53 Points of origin
54 Incompetence
57 Dinners
58 Maximally wacky
59 Hobgoblin
60 Pauses
61 Expression of contempt

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1 Pointed tooth
2 Cleopatra's lover
3 Slights
4 Actor Gould
5 Part of FDR
6 Nob Hill cops: abbr.
7 Exist
8 "It Don't Come Easy" singer
9 English church land
10 Contingencies: abbr.
11 Man's title
12 Coast
13 Bone inflammation
14 Most strict
20 Workout figs.
24 Earthenware decorated with opaque glazes
25 Smoke deposit
27 Ill-judged
28 Ga. neighbor
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40 Shakespearean villain
43 Tests the verticality of
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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
HOWARD COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given to any and all interested parties that the Howard County Appraisal District Board of Directors will accept sealed bid proposals on the purchase of a vehicle for use by the District. Sealed proposals will be accepted at the office of the Chief Appraiser until 5:00 PM central standard time on September 13, 2000. The Howard County Appraisal District Board of Directors will open the proposals at their regularly scheduled meeting at 5:15 PM central standard time on September 13, 2000.

All bid proposals must be enclosed in a sealed envelope and clearly marked "VEHICLE BID". All proposals must be made on the District's bid spec sheets. These sheets and specs can be obtained in the office of the Chief Appraiser, 315 Main Street, Big Spring, Texas, P.O. Drawer 1151, Big Spring, Texas 79720 phone (915) 263-8301.

The Howard County Appraisal District Board of Directors reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

2909 August 20 & 27, 2000

PUBLIC NOTICE

No. P-12698

ESTATE OF CECIL WESLEY PHILLIPS, DECEASED IN THE COUNTY COURT OF HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Cecil Wesley Phillips, Deceased, were issued on the 27th day of July, 2000, under Docket No. P-12698, pending in the County Court of Howard County, Texas to John B. Phillips and Joann Hollis.

Claims may be presented in care of John B. Phillips to the Estate addressed as follows:

Estate of Cecil Wesley Phillips
c/o John B. Phillips
P.O. Box 248
Garden City, Texas
79739-0248

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED this 27th day of July, 2000.

JOHN B. PHILLIPS,
Co-Independent Executor of the Estate of
Cecil Wesley Phillips,
Deceased

JOANN HOLLIS,
Co-Independent Executor of the Estate of
Cecil Wesley Phillips,
Deceased

2916 August 20, 2000

PUBLIC NOTICE

No. P-12697

ESTATE OF ETHEL IVA MOONEY, DECEASED IN THE COUNTY COURT OF HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Ethel Iva Mooney, Deceased, were issued on the 27th day of July, 2000, under Docket No. P-12697, pending in the County Court of Howard County, Texas to Kelly Ward Vietzke and Katherine (a/k/a Katie) Ward Grant.

Claims may be presented in care of Katherine (a/k/a Katie) Ward Grant to the Estate addressed as follows:

Estate of Ethel Iva Mooney
c/o Katherine (a/k/a Katie)
Ward Grant
15660 Three Otters Pl.
Manassas, Virginia 20112

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED this 16th day of August, 2000.

KELLY WARD VIETZKE,
Co-Independent Administratrix with the Will Annexed of the Estate of Ethel Iva Mooney, Deceased

KATHERINE (A/K/A KATIE) WARD GRANT,
Co-Independent Administratrix with the will Annexed of the Estate of Ethel Iva Mooney, Deceased

2915 August 20, 2000

PUBLIC NOTICE

The District Judge will conduct a hearing on September 6, 2000 at 10:00 A.M. to consider the salaries of the County Auditor, Assistant Auditors and Court Reporter. Citizens will have an opportunity to be heard.

Drew Lopez,
Assistant Auditor
2886 August 20, 2000

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Forsan Independent School District will accept bids for roofing repair and/or replacement as follows:

"Gravel Roof Bid" - 55,499 sq ft. of gravel roof repair/replacement

Specifications may be obtained from the Administration Office. Sealed bids will be accepted on any or all of the above projects until 10:00 a.m. on September 11, 2000, at which time they will be opened in the Superintendent's Office and examined. All bid envelopes must be clearly marked "Gravel Roof Bid". The bids will then be presented to the Board of Trustees for action at the regular board meeting on September 18, 2000. Questions should be directed to Jim Yancey, Forsan ISD, PO Drawer A, Forsan, Texas 79733. The Forsan ISD reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

2917 August 20, 2000

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF NONDISCRIMINATION IN CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION PROGRAMS - Big Spring ISD

Big Spring Independent School District offers career and technology education courses in the program areas of Agriculture, Business Education, Industrial Technology, Trades and Industries, and Marketing Education. Admission to these program areas and specific courses is based on interest, scheduling, grade level, and special requirements affecting some programs based on local and/or state rules.

It is the policy of Big Spring ISD not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, or handicap in its career and technology programs, services, or activities as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

It is the policy of Big Spring ISD not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, handicap, or age in its employment practices as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

Big Spring ISD will take steps to assure that lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in all educational and career and technology programs.

For information about your rights or grievance procedures, contact the Title IX Coordinator, Mr. Murray Murphy, at 708 11th Place, or telephone 915-264-3600, and/or the Section 504 Coordinator, Mr. William McQueary, at 708 11th Place, or telephone 915-264-3600.

NOTICIA PUBLICA DE NO DISCRIMINAR EN CARRERAS Y PROGRAMAS DE EDUCACION EN TECNOLOGIA - EN EL DISTRITO INDEPENDIENTE DE ESCUELAS DE BIG SPRING

El Distrito Independiente De Escuelas De Big Spring ofrece programas vocacionales en Agricultura, Educacion Comercios, Tecnologia Industrial, Negocios y Industrias, y Educacion en el Mercado. Admision a estos programas se basa en relas locales y de el estado.

Es norma de El Distrito Independiente De Escuelas De Big Spring no discriminar por motivos de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo o impedimento, en sus programas, servicios o actividades vocacionales, tal como lo requieren el Titulo VI de la Ley de Derechos Civiles de 1964, segun enmiendada; el Titulo IX de las Enmiendas en la Educacion, de 1972, y la Seccion 504 de la Ley de Rehabilitacion de 1973, segun enmiendada.

Es norma de El Distrito Independiente De Escuelas De Big Spring no discriminar por motivos de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo, impedimento o edad, en sus procedimientos de empleo, tal como lo requieren el Titulo VI de la Ley de Derechos Civiles de 1964, segun enmiendada; el Titulo IX de las Enmiendass en la Educacion, de 1972; la Ley de Discriminacion por Edad, de 1975, segun enmienda; y la Seccion 504 de la Ley de Rehabilitacion de 1973, segun enmiendada.

El Distrito Independiente de Escuelas De Big Spring tomara las medidas necesarias para asegurar que la falta de habilidad en el uso de la lengua inglesa no sea un obstaculo para la admision y participacion en todos los programas educativos y vocacionales.

Para información sobre sus derechos o procedimientos para quejas, comuniquese con el Coordinador de Titulo IX, Sr. Murray Murphy, en 708 11th Place, 915/264-3600, y/o el Coordinador de la Seccion 504, Sr. William McQueary, 708 11th Place, 915/264-3600.

2918 August 20, 2000