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THURSDAY
July 2, 1998

Tonight

TONIGHT	FRIDAY
70°-75°	97°- 99°

'Pops in Park' admission free

Gates at the Comanche Trail Amphitheater will open at 6 p.m. Friday for the July 3 "Pops in the Park" symphony, chorale and fireworks show.

Admission to the program, which will begin at 8:45, is free.

At about 9:45, the symphony, under the direction of conductor Gene Smith Smith, will begin a selection of "music to watch fireworks by."

The fireworks will be fired from an area along Lone Star Lane, by the old Boy Scout Hut. The fireworks will be best viewed from the Amphitheater.

Persons are advised to begin arriving early for the evening's activities, as well as to bring a seat cushion.

Concession stands and arts and crafts booths will open at 6 p.m.

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

❑ Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright, has free food for area needy from 10 a.m. to noon.

❑ Evening line dancing class, 6:30 p.m., Big Spring Mall, the room near Hallmark and Bealls. For more information call Dorothy Kennemur at 398-5522 or e-mail at drk-bigspring@xroadstx.com

❑ Giddeons International Big Spring Camp No. 4206, 7 a.m., Hermans.

❑ Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room. Call Billy Smith at 267-6479.

❑ Big Spring Senior Citizens Center art classes, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. for 55 and older.

❑ Genealogical Society of Big Spring, 7:15 p.m., Howard County Library. Call Bernice Cason at 267-8542 or 267-7236.

❑ Texas Tech Ex-Students Association Big Spring Chapter, 6 p.m., Sparenberg Building, 309 S. Main.

❑ Masonic Lodge No. 1340, 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster. Call Ron Long, 267-8715.

FRIDAY

❑ Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Music by CW & Co. Area seniors invited.

SATURDAY

❑ Big Spring Squares. Call 267-7043 or 263-6305 for more information.

MONDAY

❑ Big Spring Evening Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E. Third. Call Al Vales at 263-6810

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Heatwave breaks, but could return for weekend

By JOHN WALKER
Managing Editor

Howard County's consecutive string of days above 100 degrees was snapped at 14 when Tuesday's high was "only" 96 degrees and Wednesday's reading of "just" 98, but look for the heat to return over this holiday weekend.

Additionally, weather forecasters say there is a slight chance of thunderstorms tonight, Saturday and Sunday.

"It looks like temperatures will be a little warmer again this weekend, especially Saturday and Sunday," explained National Weather Service meteorologist John Pendergrast.

But Pendergrast said the end of the weekend could mean an increased chance for rain.

"Looking into the extended forecast, it looks like another tropical disturbance is moving into the Gulf of Mexico and that could bring some moisture into the region.

"We have increased rain chances late this weekend and early next week," he said.

Overnight lows the next few nights are expected to edge closer to the 70-degree mark, according to the forecast, while highs will range from the upper 90s to lower 100s.

"It kind of remains to be seen as to how much of an impact that disturbance in the Gulf will have," he said.

Pendergrast said the high pressure trough that had kept the high temperatures in the region over the past two weeks, as well as throughout the month of June, is still aloft.

"It's still there, although it is not as strong as it was. It still has enough strength, however, to impact our weather."

It was that high pressure trough that resulted in June's record heat, as temperatures reached or exceeded 100 degrees on 25 days. The average high for the month was 103.2 degrees, more than 14 degrees above the 98-year average

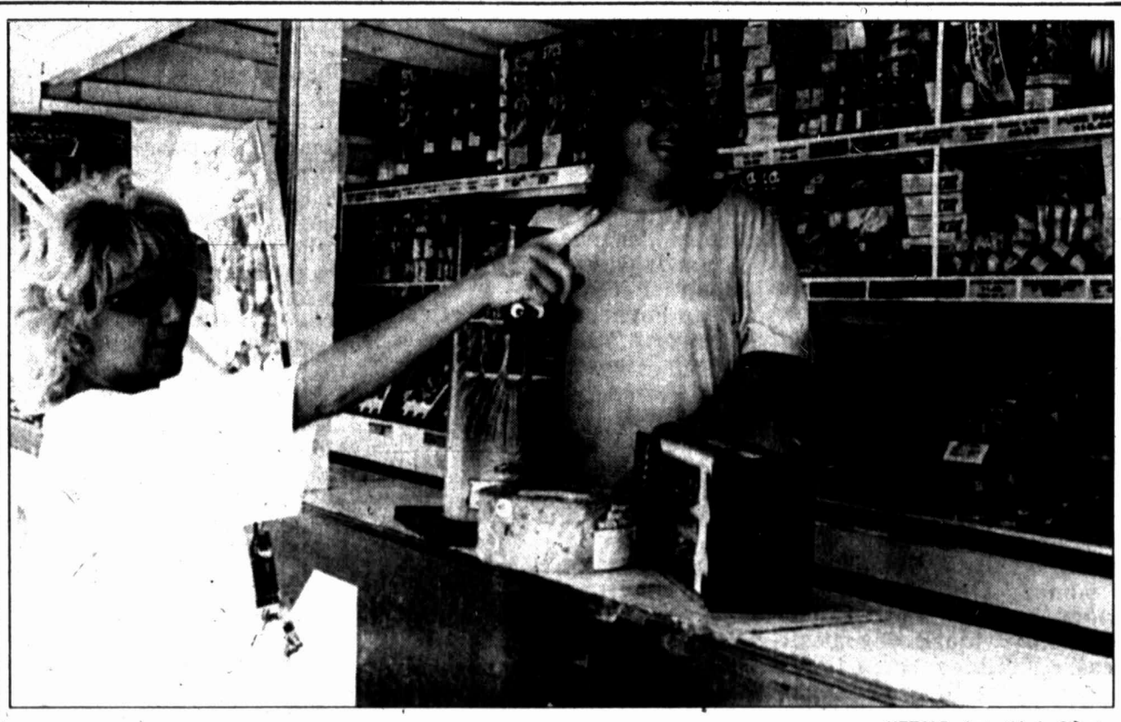
Pendergrast said that even though the trough remained in place, there is adequate moisture for some thunderstorm activity.

"There's going to be a lot of sunshine, too," he added.

Friday's forecast calls for partly cloudy with highs ranging from 98 to 102 degrees. Lows Friday night are expected to drop to the mid-70s.

The July 4 forecast is for highs near 105 with a slight chance of thunderstorms and lows in low-to-mid 70s.

By Monday, temperatures are expected to soar once again, climbing as high as 108 degrees.



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Fourth of July celebrant Barbra Baker, left, selects iems from the Truckload Fireworks stand on Highway 87 South, assisted by employee Christy Clarke.

The ban: A popping dilemma

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

Drought conditions in Howard County prompted a county-wide ban of aerial fireworks this Fourth of July. And all local officials concur - "It's like a tinder box out there."

Local officials urge county and city residents to respect the ban this weekend. In fact, they urge residents not to set off any fireworks at all.

Local fireworks stands have signs posted outlining the law and the reasons behind the restrictions. "The following aerial fireworks are restricted from use by order of the county judge for Howard County: Skyrockets and missiles with fins..."

Skyrockets, commonly referred to as bottle rockets, and any missile that sits on its own base, resembling a real rocket, are banned, according to the posted ordinance.

However, even mild fireworks, such as Black Cat fire crackers, have a potential to spell disaster for the county.

"If you set off fire crackers in the dry grass, you're asking for trouble," said Danny Stokes, independent contractor for a stand located south of town on Highway 87.

SULLIVAN

The Grand Finale, a $25 item, resembles some of the special displays set for Friday night's Pops in the Park celebration, and has the potential to be dangerous, Stokes said.

"Anything shot into the air can be dangerous. I hope the people who are buying things have enough sense to be extra careful," Stokes said.

Howard County Volunteer Fire Chief Tommy Sullivan said he's asking residents to refrain from setting off any fireworks.

"We lost another fire truck last week, and that's two trucks in about two and a half months. It's (the county) like a tinder box, and with our long response times a fire could get really big before we can get to them," Sullivan said.

He added that residents are urged to attend the Pops in the Park celebration, and to not set off their own show.

The penalty for shooting fireworks in the county carries a fine of up to a $500, and any damage resulting from a fire will become the financial responsibility of the perpetrators, or parents, said officials.

In the city, the fine is up to $500, plus damages, said Sergeant Roger Sweat of the Big Spring Police Department.

"As dry as it is, anything combustible is going to go up," Sweat said.

Burr Lea Settles, fire marshal for Big Spring, said he hopes families will take advantage of the Pops in the Park celebration and enjoy a picnic under the trees, the symphony music and city-sponsored fireworks.

"I hope parents will be more aware of the situation this year because of the dryness. I hope parents will watch their kids

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Water use soars

As drought drags on, water usage increases

By T.E. JENKINS
Staff Writer

As the drought affecting West Texas continues to tighten its grip, water usage in Big Spring has soared.

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"The city pumped 207,805,000 gallons of water to the homes and businesses of Big Spring in the month of May," said city secretary Tom Ferguson. "That's in comparison to 136,300,000 gallons pumped in May of last year. That's quite an increase."

The Colorado River Municipal Water District (CRMWD) reported a daily average of 8.92 million gallons delivered to Big Spring from June 22 through the 28th, with a peak day of 9.79 million gallons.

CRMWD also serves the cities of Odessa, Snyder, Midland, and Stanton.

Odessa received a daily average of 34.351 million gallons, and had a peak day of 36.551 million gallons. Midland was only second to Odessa, with a daily average of 28.264 million gallons, and a peak day of 29.288 million gallons. Snyder had the second lowest use, with a daily average of 3.848 million gallons, and a peak day of 4.792 million gallons. Stanton had the lowest delivery, with a daily average of 453,000 gallons, and a peak day of 524,000 gallons.

Although two of the three main water sources for West Texas are well below capacity, according to CRMWD officials, there is no danger of running out of water.

"We're not in a panic mode as of yet," said CRMWD General Manager John Grant. "You really have to look at how much water is still there to fully understand."

"The fact that we're not in

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Grand jury delivers 16 indictments Wednesday

By T.E. JENKINS
Staff Writer

A Howard County Grand Jury on Wednesday handed down indictments on 16 of the 18 cases it heard.

"They jumped right in and gave the cases the consideration they deserved," said Howard County District Attorney Hardy Wilkerson.

The case against ex-Big Spring police officer William Sledge was not heard, however, due to ongoing talks between the District Attorney's office and Sledge's lawyer.

Sledge was put on administrative leave pending the outcome of an investigation into his alleged possession of testosterone enanthate, and resigned before departmental actions could be taken.

The criminal investigation into these allegations was completed and submitted to the 118th District Attorney, who reviewed the information and decided to file charges.

"We didn't present the case against Sledge because we are still in the process of talking to his lawyer," said Wilkerson.

The District Attorney's office also passed on presenting charges against Steven Clay Sedberry for aggravated sexual assault of a child. According to the D.A.'s office, they are still gathering information to build a strong case against Sedberry.

Indictments were:

- Mary Castillo, delivery of a controlled substance (second degree felony).
- Alberto Contreras, theft of a firearm.
- Ernest Garcia Jr., two counts of delivery of a controlled substance (second degree felony).
- Jerry Jiminez Gomez, driving while intoxicated, third offense.
- Robert C. Gonzales, two counts of delivery of a controlled substance.
- John Hood, injury to the elderly.
- Paul Kelly, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.
- William Killcrease, two counts of forgery.
- Doyle Ray Miears, robbery.
- Ronald Lee Miears, robbery.
- Daryll Levay Polk, possession of a controlled substance (third degree felony).

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Police are investigating hot coolers

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

Local residents need to keep a sharp eye on their window air conditioning units.

The Big Spring Police Department reports that six refrigerated air units were reported stolen from homes Wednesday and today, at an estimated value of more than $1,500.

Sergeant Roger Sweat of the BSPD, said the perpetrators of these crimes have unbolted air conditioning units from the windows, and have also stolen units from homes where the resident was sleeping.

"Another person was in the back of his house, heard a noise and went into the room to find a big hole where his air conditioner used to be," Sweat said.

The thefts have occurred on Harding and Cherokee streets in the west part of Big Spring; in the 500 block of Young and the 1200 block of Ridgeroad.

"So you can see, this is not one specific area," Sweat said.

In one instance of theft, two units were taken from houses that sit side by side. Other thefts have occurred in vacant and newly remodeled homes, he said.

At least two people are involved, although it is unclear

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Activities shaping up for Old Settlers Reunion in August

By JOHN WALKER
Managing Editor

Everything from a "42" tournament to horseshoes to a dunking booth will be part of the 75th Howard/Glasscock Old Settlers Reunion on Saturday, Aug. 1 at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

Reunion activities will get under way with registration at 9 a.m. at the center.

"We wanted to try and expand the scope of the reunion," explained Old Settlers Board president John Burson. Burson said that was the reason for the addition of the "42" tournament, the horseshoes and the dunking booth.

"While the older persons attending the reunion will probably be interested in the "42" tournament, we thought some of the younger persons would be interested in the horseshoes and the dunking booth," he added.

Board members said they wanted to do something to attract more participation.

"We have an older audience," explained board member Wade Choate. "There are many younger members of pioneer families, as well as families who have been here 20 or 30 years or longer, who are not participating.

"We want to try and attract them so that we have future audiences and the reunion can grow."

This will be the third year for the reunion to be held since previous organizers allowed it to die in 1995 after 72 consecutive years.

That year, the late Mack Underwood got involved with several of the current board members and was instrumental in getting the reunion started again.

For his efforts, Underwood's memory is now honored annually with the presentation of the "Mack Underwood Travel Award" for the person traveling the greatest distance to attend the reunion.

Other awards include the Pioneer Award, presented to one family from Howard and one family from Glasscock County; the couple married the longest to each other and the couple with the most children.

Those awards will be presented at the completion of the lunch, which is being catered by Al's and Son Barbecue.

The luncheon will be served from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. and will cost $6 for persons between the ages of 12 and 64. The cost will be $3 for those under 12 and over 65.

The reunion dance, featuring Terry Sneed and the Up the Creek Band, will begin at 8 that night at the community center. Tickets to the dance will be $5 per person

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and not let their kids use fireworks this year," Settles said.

Stokes, operating a fireworks stand to help raise tuition for his wife's radiology school, said business has been slow these first few days.

"I remember the last big fire, and that's something I'd like to not see again. Any thing that puts out sparks has a potential fire problem, if they're in the wrong place.

"The main thing is if you're going to shoot them, be real careful and use common sense," Stokes said.

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if they are working together. Apparently the suspects remove the unit and then carry it to a waiting vehicle, he said.

Thus far, no descriptions are available due to a lack of witnesses, he said.

Sweat said being observant and neighbor helping neighbor is the best prevention for this type of theft.

"If neighbors watch and neighbors observe some suspects, tell us.

"And if someone tries to sell you a good refrigerated air conditioning unit (inexpensively), you can bet it's hotter than it is outside," Sweat said.

Anyone with any information call the BSPD at 264-2550.

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• Dante Ivan Rodriguez, driving while intoxicated, third offense.

• Ramon T. Vasquez, delivery of a controlled substance (first degree felony).

This was the first group of charges heard by the newly formed grand jury, who's term will run until the fourth Monday of August.

"I think we have a really good start on this term of court," said Wilkerson afetr the hearing. "We have a lot of important cases coming up this month."

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danger of running out of water just demonstrates the excellent planning that has been laid down in the past. You really have to think about the long terms, planning about 50 years in advance, to keep something like this going in West Texas."

CRMWD draws the city's water from three different sources: Lake J.B. Thomas, the E.V. Spence reservoir, and Lake O.H. Ivie.

Thomas has been the hardest hit by the drought and is currently only 5.57 percent full. Spencehasn't fared much better, falling to 19.21 percent full, although part of that drop in capacity has come from the district's intentional drawing down of the water level in an effort to improve its quality.

How does CRMWD deal with such a drop in lake levels?

"All we can do is wait," said Grant. "We haven't had a real good rain in these areas in almost six years, and it really hurts the lakes. All three were built for the purpose of being a municipal water supplies, and this drought hasn't helped them at all."

"CRMWD hasn't delivered any water to Big Spring from lake Thomas since October of last year. Big Spring has been receiving a combination of water from both Ivie and Spence, but nothing from Thomas."

O.H. Ivie is currently at 88.87 percent, down more than 15 percent in comparison to water levels a year ago.

"You have to understand the system by which we measure these waters can be misleading," said Grant. "Even though Thomas is down to a little more than 5 percent of its full body, there is still a huge amount of water there."

There has been no rainfall reported at any of these bodies of water since June 21. "All we can do is wait," said Grant.

Spiderman burglar is caught in state's web

MIAMI (AP) — Police think they've caught a thief nicknamed Spiderman for scaling high-rise luxury buildings and taking millions of dollars in jewels and other items, The Miami Herald reported today.

Derrick G. James, an ex-paratrooper, is suspected of being the agile burglar and could be charged with more than 100 burglaries involving $6 million worth of goods, the newspaper quoted a police source as saying.

State and local officials are close to filing charges against James, 33, who was being held on unrelated traffic and probation violation charges, the paper said.

Police searched an Oakland Park apartment James shares with his girlfriend. Police also interviewed the girlfriend and James' brother.

The Florida Department of Law Enforcement said it believes it knows Spiderman's identity, but would not confirm today that a suspect was in custody.

The agency did charge Derrick Davis, 28, of Miami Lakes, Tuesday with 32 felony counts, and said he was Spiderman's accomplice.

Youths help Dallas police in stings on sales of cigarettes

DALLAS (AP) — Using a handful of teen-agers as bait, Dallas vice officers kept busy issuing citations to stores and their employees for selling tobacco products to underage buyers.

In a series of stings on Tuesday, 15-year-old Danny Cushing reported to "work" in jeans, a polo shirt and a baseball cap. His job was to walk into a store and attempt to buy cigarettes from cashiers.

Under state law, stores are not permitted to sell cigarettes, cigars, snuff or any other tobacco product to anyone younger than 18.

Whenever Danny succeeded, vice officers appeared and wrote citations to both the store and the employee who made the sale.

"It is your responsibility to know who you're selling to," Senior Cpl. W.R. Martin told a cashier cited for selling a pack of Marlboros to Danny in an Oak Cliff Chevron station. "Be aware. We're making spot checks."

Some merchants complained they were unfairly targeted by police.

"I try to check everybody's ID," said Laura Young, the Chevron cashier. "The lady was there, and I was taking care of her and then, oh ... they bum-rushed me."

Police say they are enforcing the law the only way they can.

"We're not trying to trick anybody," said vice Lt. Don Richie, who is supervising the stings. "The kids tell the truth and show their real IDs if they're asked for them."

REUNIONS

THE BSHS CLASS OF 1978 is having a 20-year class reunion in July. We are trying to locate the following people: Paul Abundez, Beverly Adams, Sandra Alarcon, Alice Amaro, Valerie Anderson, John Armstrong, Ronnie Barber, Mark Bergeron, Becky Bettis, Michael Bickford, Michael Blalack, Twayne Bledsoe, Debbie Bonner, Rusty Braun, Clara Brown, Marie Buckner, Bob Burer, Denice Byrd, Isabel Cisneros, Charlotte Coleman, Andre Couvillion, Shelia Crockett, Laura Davila, Teresa Davis, Sandra Denton, Lana Derryberry, Paula Dockter, Karl Evans, Elizabeth Florez, James Forney, Clay Fuller, Mark Garrett, Ellie Garza, Joe Granato, Andrew Grosse, Glorya Hammon, Mitch Harris, Jowonnah Hawkins, Oscar Hernandez, Ben Hicks, Don Hollingsworth, David Howell, Ronnie Ille, Tony Jacobs, Maria Jara, Vikki Jenkins, Lee Jimenez, Gerald Johnson, Lloyd Johnson, Dana Kennemer, Mark Key, Leslie Marie Kimble, Diana Larez, Marty Latta, Ray Leudecke, Tammy Lewis, Mary Helen Lopez, Rafael Lopez, Lynne McBride, David McCutcheon, Tracie McElyea, Kathie McIntire, Tony Mann, James Martin, Jay Martin, Sharon Mathews, Wayne Mayo, Jeff Meeks, William Merrick, Mary Merworth, Doris Mitchell, Alana Morris, Brett Morton, Dianne Murphy, Gilbert Narbaiz, Ernie Nichols, Mike Padgett, Josephine Padilla, Vicki Phillips, Roy Lee Pierce, James Pinkard, Pam Price, Tom Purcell, Jim Reed, Phil Riegel, Karen Riley, Clem Sanchez, Joyce Scott, Chris Shortes, Kenneth Smith, Rhonda Smith, Robert Smith, Wayne Soles, Brad Springer, Debbie Steagald, Jeff Stovall, Craig Strong, Susan Sweeden, Donna Taylor, WEsley Taylor, Shelly Thomas, Casey Thompson, Frank Vasquez, Harry Vela, Gary Don WEeks, Donna Wiley, Tammey Woodard and Chippo Wright.

If you have any information to help in this endeavor, please call Jackie Swinney at 263-1137.

THE BSHS CLASS OF '68 is having a 30-year class reunion on Oct. 9-10.

We need your help in locating the following classmates: Thomas Land, Johnny Perez, Glenda Wilkes McNallen, Johnetta McCullough Morris, Nancy Ivie, Mario DeLeon, Jeff Phares, Mike Warren, Kathy Molpus, Delores Williams, Gary Lagerstrom, Wanda Ball, Paula Ramirez, Donna Ferguson, Patty Goodman, Janice Morris, Kay Aton, Sheila Tidwell, Craig Frank, Dana Baker, Jill Lewis, Billie Mike Eggleston, Debbie Reaves and Brenda Smith.

Please call Jeanie Johnson Knocke at 263-1757 or Vivian Dickson Glickman at 267-6808 if you have any information about any of the names listed.

BSHS CLASS OF '88 is going to be having its 10 year reunion in October. The following is a list of missing classmates:

Manuel Alvear, Thomas Ashley, Juan Baldwin, Kenneth Banks, Beki Bertrand, Michelle Brooks, Nora Chapel, Garry Chavez, Alice Cruz, Josephine Cruz, Unis Drew, Carey Duffy, Thomas Figeroa, Julie Fortner, Yvette Garcia, Albert Garza, Angie Gonzales, Stephen Gonzales, Terry Hart, Mary Ann Herrera, Tracy Hicks, Sammy Hilario, Diana Howard, Sean Jackson, Rebecca Johnke, Paula Jolley, Michelle LaGrand, Patrick Landers, Debbie Lee, Donavan Lucero, Christina Marquez, GIna Martinez, Stephanie Marx, Katherine McDowell, Oscar Melendez, Ronnie Mendoza, Shawn Meredith, Ida Montez, Kelly Myles, Elsie Nieto, Lucinda Oliver, John Osborne, Joann Paredez, Kelly Parks, Dean Payne, Joel Price, Debra Renteria, Diana Rodriguez, Mary Rodriguez, Robert Rodriguez, Trevor Roten, Elizabeth Saenz; Denise Salazar, Lisa Seeley, Heath Shotts, Jason Smidt, Allan Smith, Joseph Sosa, Randy Vanderbilt, Anna Vega, Delma Vela, Linda Vela, Robert Villa, Mary Lou Villa, Charles White, Danny Williams, and Jerry Ybarra.

If anyone has any information on the missing classmates, please contact Cheri Wyrick Reibe; 2513 Central, Big Spring; or call 268-9587; or Leslie Patterson Stevens; 2717 Carol Drive; Big Spring; or call 267-6620.

SUPPORT GROUPS

THURSDAY

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.

•A.D.D.A.P.T. non-profit support and learning organization about attention deficit disorder, learning disorders and dyslexia. Meets second Thursday of September, October, November, January, February, March, April and May, Cerebral Palsy building, 802 Ventura, Midland.

•Grief Support related to the death of a loved one. Call Nurses Unlimited, Inc., at 264-6523.

•Alzheimer's Association Support Group, fourth Thursday of the month, Comanche Trail Nursing Center, 3200 Parkway, 7 p.m.

•Narcotic Anonymous, 8 p.m. St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

•Al-Anon support group, 8 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center small cafeteria.

FRIDAY

•Turning Point A.A., 8-9:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad. Open to all substance abusers.

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

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

BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

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MARKETS

July cotton 81.50 cents, down 50 points; Aug. crude 14.60, up 23 points; Cash hogs steady at $1 lower at 38; cash steers steady at 62 cents even; July lean hog futures 57.50 down 5 points; Aug. live cattle futures 64.50, up 30 points.

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NUV	9 9/16 nc
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Palex Inc.	9 3/8 + 1/4
Pepsi Cola	42 1/8 + 1/8
Parallel Petroleum	4 7/16 nc
Rural/Metro	12 3/8 + 1/8
Sears	61 7/8 nc
Southwestern Bell	39 5/8 nc
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Texaco	61 + 1/8
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Unocal Corp	37 15/16 + 5/8
Wal-Mart	60 7/8 + 3/8
Amcap	17.96-19.06
Euro Pacific	29.15-30.93
I.C.A.	31.74-33.68
New Perspective	23.02-24.42
Prime Rate	8.50%
Gold	294.30-294.80
Silver	5.26- 5.31

POLICE

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

• **KENNETH STEEN**, 35, was arrested for injury to a child.

• **JOHN JIMINEZ**, 18, was arrested on local warrants.

• **EVERETT PARTON**, 33, was arrested for public intoxication.

• **WENDELL HANKINS**, 26, was arrested for public intoxication.

• **CHAD DEAX**, 24, was arrested for no Texas drivers license.

• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** in the 1000 block of Birdwell, the 100 block of W. 22nd, and the 200 block of W. Marcy.

• **THEFT** in the 700 block of W. I20, the 1800 block of E. Marcy, the 400 block of E. 4th, the 1700 block of E. Marcy, the 600 block of Aylesford, the 2300 block of Wasson, and the 1800 block of Gregg.

• **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** in the 4000 block of Parkway.

• **CRIMINAL TRESPASS** in the 100 block of W. 13th.

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sherrif's Office reported the following activity between 8 a.m. Wednesday and 8 a.m. Thursday:

• **SHAWN LEIGH JIMINEZ**, 34, was arrested for evading arrest/detention using a vehicle.

• **JUDITH ANN WILLIAMS**, 21, was arrested for speeding/failure to display drivers license.

• **BOBBY GLENN RUTH JR.**, 22, was arrested for fleeing police officer/driving while license suspended, invalid.

RECORDS

Wednesday's high 98
Wednesday's low 78
Average high 94
Average low 69
Record high 106 in 1994
Record low 62 in 1951
Precip. Wednesday 0.00
Month to date 0.00
Month's normal 0.11
Year to date 4.79
Normal for the year 8.90

FIRE/EMS

Following is a summary of Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reports:

Wednesday

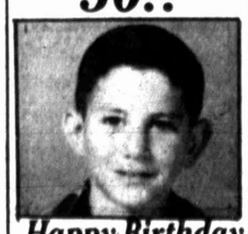
10:59 a.m. — 700 block W. I-20, medical call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

9:58 p.m. — 1200 block Mesquite, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

CLARIFICATION

In a June 21 advertisement in the Big Spring Herald, Curtis Smith was erroneously listed as owner of radio station KBYG. Smith is the operations manager.

Look Who's 50!!



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BRIEFS

Learn from U.S. mistakes, Clinton says

GUILIN, China (AP) — Standing before the spectacular limestone peaks of a restored green paradise, President Clinton urged China today to learn from the United States' mistakes and not harm the environment for the sake of economic growth.

He pledged U.S. support to the cleansing of rivers, air and land in China, which has five of the most polluted cities in the world.

"Let us, Chinese and Americans, preserve what we have inherited from the past and, in doing so, preserve the future we are working so hard to build for our children," Clinton said today.

After a boat ride on the picturesque Li River, Clinton was flying to Hong Kong on Air Force One, the first passenger plane to land at the new Chek Lap Kok International Airport. The airport was being dedicated earlier in the day by Chinese President Jiang Zemin, who was in Hong Kong for the first anniversary of the former British colony's return to Chinese rule.

Japan OKs plan to control failed banks

TOKYO (AP) — Japan's government approved an ambitious plan today to assume control over failed banks and gradually shut them down, a step considered crucial to pulling the country out of its worst recession since World War II.

The so-called "bridge bank" scheme, patterned after the U.S. bailout of failed savings and loan institutions in the 1980s, is designed to prevent bank failures from cutting off credit to healthy borrowers and driving Japan deeper into economic stagnation.

Japan's financial institutions are saddled with a staggering $535 billion in bad loans left from the collapse in the early 1990s of the "bubble" created by rampant stock and real estate speculation.

In the first stage of the rescue plan, Japan would dispatch government accountants and lawyers to manage banks that go bust while looking for a buyer.

The second stage calls for transforming the most troubled institutions from state-run enterprises to state-owned enterprises operating under a public bank holding company. The entire plan should take no more than five years.

FBI mum on biological weapons arrests

OLMITO, Texas (AP) — The FBI is saying little about the arrests of three South Texas man accused of threatening federal agents with biological weapons.

Johnnie Wise, 72, Jack Abbott Grebe Jr., 43, and Oliver Dean Emigh, 63, were arrested Wednesday and charged with federal conspiracy to use "weapons of mass destruction."

FBI Special Agent John J. DeLeon III said the weapons were biological but he refused to give other details, saying criminal complaints against the suspects were sealed.

He wouldn't discuss the type of chemical involved or how much the suspects allegedly possessed.

The three, who were held overnight in the Cameron County Jail, were expected to be arraigned today in Brownsville federal court.

Judge dismisses Hubble tax evasion case

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sharply rebuking Whitewater prosecutor Kenneth Starr's tactics, a federal judge Wednesday dismissed a tax evasion case against presidential friend Webster Hubbell and declared the charges were tainted by "a quintessential fishing expedition."

Starr vowed an immediate appeal, while a relieved Hubbell expressed his gratitude to the judge.

"We're just very, very grateful. ... We didn't expect anything this quick," Hubbell said after the charges against him and his wife Suzy — as well as accountant Charles Owen and tax lawyer Mike Schaufele — were dropped just five days after the court heard arguments.

U.S. District Judge James Robertson ruled that Starr did not gotten proper permission to expand his probe and had trampled on Hubbell's Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination by using business documents turned over under an immunity grant as the basis for the prosecution.

Courts-martial, dismissal advised for Marines

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — A military judge recommended courts-martial for the pilot and navigator of a Marine jet that sliced through a gondola cable at an Italian ski resort last winter, killing 20 people.

Lt. Col. Ronald Rodgers, who presided over hearings at Camp Lejeune for the four Marines in the jet, recommended that Capt. Richard Ashby, the pilot, and Capt. Joseph Schweitzer be prosecuted.

He also said charges against Capt. William Raney II and Capt. Chandler Seagraves, who were in the back seat, should be dismissed, Marine officials said Wednesday.

Rodgers submitted his findings to Lt. Gen. Peter Pace, commanding general of Marine Corps Forces Atlantic in Norfolk, Va., who is expected to decide this month whether to order the courts-martial.

Marine Corps investigators have said the EA-6B Prowler, a radar-jamming plane, was flying too low and too fast on the Feb. 3 training run from Aviano Air Base in the Italian Alps.

The plane hit the cable at 370 feet, well below the minimum allowed altitude of 1,000 feet. The four fliers, all on assignment from Cherry Point Marine Air Station in North Carolina, denied flying recklessly.

The incident near Cavalese soured Italian-American relations, prompting calls to close U.S. bases throughout Italy and charges that American fliers routinely "hot-dog" in Italian airspace.

Defense attorneys have said the plane hit the cable after accidentally dipping too low. Prosecutors claim the crew was joyriding.

Rodgers recommended that Ashby, 30, of Mission Viejo, Calif., be tried on charges of involuntary manslaughter, negligent homicide, damage to military property, damage to private property and dereliction of duty.

"It just amazes me, the recommendation," Ashby said in a telephone interview. "I'm pretty down, actually."

Wildfires force thousands from homes in Florida

ORMOND BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Authorities ordered nearly 25,000 people out of their homes and closed more than 125 miles of one of the nation's busiest highways early today as wildfires broke away from firefighters.

Dozens of homes and businesses in this community near Daytona Beach were damaged or destroyed. Len Ciecieznski, a spokesman for hard-hit Volusia County, said it was unknown how many buildings burned before the blaze was partially contained.

"It's scary. This is awful. This is awful," said Helga Atkins as she rushed to her car with belongings in Ormond Beach as husband Tom carried urns with their pets' ashes.

Residents were huddled outside in the early morning, gazing toward the fire, when four fire trucks roared up. Out walked fireman Shannon Prachniak.

"It's advisable for you all to pack up and move on," Prachniak said. "This thing is strong and moving toward you guys. Pack up now."

By midnight, more than 125 miles of Interstate 95 — the major north-south artery for the East Coast — was closed between Titusville and Jacksonville. Parts of I-95 were closed in southeast Georgia for four hours Wednesday.

A fire west of Ormond Beach forced the mandatory evacuation for 10,000 of the city's 35,000 residents. Another 10,000 residents across the county also were told to seek shelter elsewhere.

"This area has been menaced by hurricanes," Ciecieznski said. "This is probably the first time in Volusia County history that we've had this kind of an evacuation during a fire."

To the south, in neighboring Brevard County, more than 4,000 people were ordered to abandon their homes late Wednesday, some for a third time in two days. Some 400 firefighters were battling a fire near Cape Canaveral, while flames destroyed about 25 homes near Mims and Scottsmoor.

"They are fighting it house by house, street by street," said Joan Heller, an emergency management spokeswoman.

TxDOT is giving raises to stem tide of resignations

HOUSTON (AP) — The state Department of Transportation has given almost all of its engineers an immediate 6.8 percent raise in an attempt to end a recent flurry of resignations, officials say.

More than 300 engineers have left the department in the past three years, the Houston Chronicle reported today.

Most who resigned reportedly took higher pay with private companies, where they went to work on the same sorts of road projects as consultants to the state.

The unusual raise was implemented without legislative action by a reclassification of job titles and went into effect Wednesday.

It affects 1,388 engineers statewide.

"This was really a needed thing," said Gabriel Johnson, director of planning and development for the department's Houston district.

State officials said the vacancies have delayed the design and construction of road projects and have bled the agency of much-needed experience.

Privatization is supposed to save money, but the companies typically offer state engineers a raise of 25 percent to 40 percent to join the private sector, Johnson said.

Department employees receiving the 6.8 percent raise this week were earning from $26,340 to $54,948.

Rifle, shotgun purchases to draw background checks

WASHINGTON (AP) — The National Rifle Association and gun control advocates are in rare agreement about one aspect of a new federal restriction on rifles and shotguns — few people know about it.

Starting Dec. 1, deer hunters and other sportsmen will have to pass an instant background check before they can buy a long-barreled gun.

The background check, done on the spot in the gun store, will be the first national screening of hunters, target shooters and others buying rifles and shotguns.

Handgun Control Inc. President Bob Walker said the inclusion of long guns drew little notice when Congress passed the Brady law in late 1993 and even less since then.

"There appear to be quite a few people that have either forgotten about this or never paid any attention in the first place," agreed Tanya Metaksa, the NRA's chief lobbyist.

Buyers of "long guns" were exempt from the Brady Act's requirement of a background check and five-day waiting period for handgun purchases. The law took effect in early 1994.

But that compromise legislation also looked ahead five years to a day when an instant, national computerized background check system would be in place, eliminating the need for the five-day waiting period and allowing the expansion of background checks to all gun purchases from registered dealers. That day is Dec. 1.

Both sides in the perennial argument over gun control are girding for friction as gun buyers confront the new restriction. Gun merchants, who must explain the new system to prospective buyers, predict startled and angry customers.

"Unless they are pretty active in gun issues or very well-read, I bet you the overwhelming majority of gun owners are totally unaware this is going to kick in," said Steve Schneider, owner of Atlantic Guns in Silver Spring, Md.

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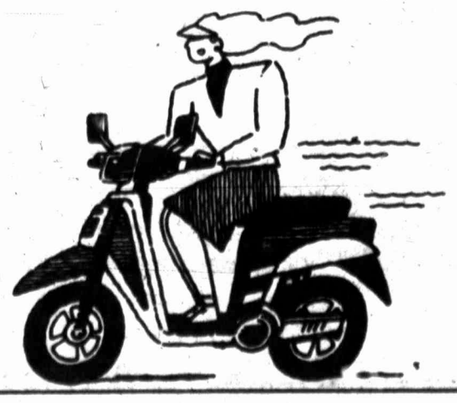

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OUR VIEWS

Let your flag and your spirits fly high this holiday

This weekend, local residents will find plenty of ways to celebrate freedom and share community pride. It's also time to get out Old Glory and display her prominently. Fly your flag this weekend, and let's impress the many out-of-town visitors that should be arriving Friday.

In fact thousands are expected to pack the Comanche Trail Amphitheater Friday about 8:30 p.m., for our unique Pops in the Park event. This Big Spring Symphony and Chorale concert with a professional fireworks display, promises entertainment for the whole family.

In addition to the patriotic program and displays lighting up the sky, there will be arts and crafts and food booths available and the whole event begins with a parade of flags around the amphitheater. Organizers have been advertising this concert all over the area, so we may draw an unbelievable crowd.

Saturday will continue the celebratory atmosphere with parades both in Big Spring's Highland South neighborhood and in Coahoma. Starting time for both is 10 a.m., so get there early for a good vantage point.

Highland's parade often features a large number of children riding on skates, decorated bicycles and such. The neighborhood also conducts a mailbox/yard decorating contest, so it should be a very festive celebration with several hundred in attendance.

In Coahoma, the parade is sponsored by the Coahoma Lions Club and often includes all sorts of floats, vehicles and costumed participants.

It will be followed by a patriotic program in the high school auditorium with Rep. David Counts as speaker. This is the weekend for Coahoma's all-school reunions, so that community is expecting large crowds for its entire slate of July 4 events.

If you don't have a flag to display this weekend, one will be printed in Friday's Big Spring Herald. So fly the colors, then gather up your family and get ready for an action-packed weekend of patriotism and pride.

OTHER VIEWS

"A ... finding in the notorious Fells Acres day care case is welcome, if long overdue.

Judge Isaac A. Borenstein ruled that children in the lurid mass child-molestation case cannot testify in a new trial because their memories had been tainted hopelessly by investigators' improper questioning.

The ruling makes a retrial unlikely.

Three members of the family that ran the Malden day care center were convicted in the midst of nationwide hysteria over alleged sexual abuse in day care. ...

They were found guilty of sexually molesting about 40 children, ages 2 to 4.

The (two) women spent eight years in prison before the shaky prosecution began to unravel and they won provisional release in 1995.

The case was troubling from the outset because children were led, perhaps pressured, into giving testimony involving evil clowns, animal sacrifices and other bizarre atrocities for which no physical evidence was ever produced.

It was chillingly reminiscent of the Salem witch trials, in which public hysteria and children's tainted testimony combined in an enduring archetype of justice gone awry. ...

After 13 years, an appropriate conclusion to the Fells Acres case may be at hand. The stain on the criminal justice system will linger for years. ...

Telegram & Gazette, Worcester, Mass

A linchpin of the GOP's Contract With America was pulled when the Supreme Court struck down the line-item veto.

In 1996, Congress voted to give the president the veto.

Now the Supreme Court says the veto is not allowed under the constitution.

It will take a constitutional amendment to grant the president that power.

If that is what it will take, we say go for it.

The veto is one of the best ways to keep huge pork projects funded as political paybacks from getting into omnibus bills or getting them killed when they are placed there.

Chillicothe (Ohio) Gazette

I enjoyed firecrackers; but I don't recall why

BILL MCCLELLAN

When I was 7, or thereabouts, my brother stuck a Black Cat firecracker in the end of a set of bicycle handlebars and put his ear up to the other end.

I don't know what possessed him to do that. But he survived that potentially disasterous situation, a little worse for the wear and a lot worse for the hearing.

I use to enjoy setting off fireworks. Maybe it runs in the family, this fascination with things that go bang.

Once, I set the pasture across the road on fire with a bad shot from a bottle rocket. I tried to stomp the fire out, but when that didn't work, I ran and hid under the bed, where I planned to spend the rest of my life.

I got licks for that one. But it didn't stop me from fooling around with fireworks.

A year or two later - on Christmas Eve, in fact - I was popping firecrackers on the screened-in porch at the back of the house. My last Black Cat was expended to blow a plastic army man to smitherens. He had stepped on a land mine, and given his life for his country.

Now out of fireworks, I discovered that not only could I blow up little plastic men, I could also set them on fire. The sizzling sound the plastic made as it fell through the air was really fascinating.

Hours later, and after the plastic men had long since met a fiery end, Mom and Dad decided to hold our traditional Christmas program around the tree. It was following the prayer when someone began beating frantically on the door, not to proclaim Christ's birth, but the arrival of firetrucks.

Who would have figured that the straw seat on which those pieces of plastic army men had made their final resting place would catch fire, burning most of the porch and part of the back bedroom?

I didn't get licks that time. It's hard to spank a kid on Christmas Eve. It did, however, become my job to clear the back yard of goatheads - a task that took most of the summer.

Still, I enjoyed popping firecrackers.

Often, my brother and I would get on Grandma's garage and throw them off the roof, trying to get them to pop before they hit the ground.

Okay, so it wasn't the smartest thing to do, but what is it about what you've read so far that leads to you think I would have figured that out by age 11?

Grandma was very proud of her house, and wouldn't let us get up there, probably for fear that we would fall off and land in her flower bed. She was president of the flower club, you know. Anyway, on this particular occasion Grandma was gone, so naturally we climbed up on the house.

We had a great time, lighting firecrackers and tossing them like hand grenades over the side, down into the midst of an imaginary enemy below. .

It wasn't until we ran out of firecrackers and were climbing down the drain that we realized what we had done. As best I remember, those firecrackers took out a dozen periwinkles, several petunias, some begonias and at least two rose bushes.

All it took was one look to know we weren't going to be able to blame this one on the dog. We were going to have to face Grandpa.

Grandpa had one remedy for everything that ailed a person. Tobacco.

For a sore foot, heat some water, add three crushed cigarettes. Soak. For an ant bite or a bee sting, chew the end of a cigarette to make a mush, and put it on the bite. Stops the pain and the swelling.

So when he showed up that evening, his discipline was real simple. He walked to the closet, pulled out a strap he had hanging on a nail there, and growled, "Drop yer drawers!"

Then he shoved an unfiltered Chesterfield in mine and my brother's mouth, and said, "Chew 'em up, boys. You're gonna' need 'em."

I didn't get licks that time, either. I fainted dead away.

It was in my early teens when I had my last encounter with firecrackers. It was at Uncle Elber's place and I had a few fireworks left over from Fourth of July. I went out behind the barn and began setting them off, spooking the chickens a bit, but causing no real harm.

Just as I tossed one into the air, Elber came around the corner. It exploded right over his bald head.

For a while there, Elber had a red spot on his head. I, in return, had the impression of a mesquite branch on my behind, complete with little puncture marks, because Elber didn't even bother to whittle off the thorns first.

I used to enjoy setting off fireworks. For the life of me though, I just can't recall why.

Clinton's inconsequential trip to China

CHARLEY REESE

William J. Clinton is an expensive president. His 1,000-person-plus, 100-ton-plus entourage for his China trip is so out of the ball park, even The New York Times got sniffy about it.

It's all on our dime, too. That's too much money for the pleasure of having Clinton out of the country. After all, he's not doing anything but having a couple of inconsequential meetings and staging a bunch of photo ops.

The Chinese have him where his barber doesn't work, and he knows it. The idea of Clinton pressuring the Chinese government to do anything is a joke. Once he gets past White House interns and ambitious gals looking for connections, Clinton is a feather when it comes to pressure.

The Chinese will score a propaganda home run, the American people will get nothing and Clinton already has all he's going to get, which apparently was a lot of cash.

In a safe world, Clinton's trip to China would be merely amusing. But the world is never safe, and neither are the humans who live in it. Bad or corrupt politics and inept diplomacy just create the next war. Anyone who in any way contributes to starting a war is guilty of a crime against humanity.

And China is a good candidate for starting the next war. It remains a communist dictatorship. Its economy, despite its propaganda, is not doing much for the Chinese people. It has an enormous population. Sooner or later, it will try to expand its territory. So today it is pursuing what it needs to become a military power: foreign capital and technology.

We made a big mistake when we put a cheap grifter with a greased zipper in the White House. He's doing nothing but giving the Chinese government what apparently it paid for -- a propaganda show, technology and capital.

From the Chinese government's point of view, Clinton is a propaganda prop. They are using him to paint a false picture of a "new China" with a vibrant economy. They are using him to tell Chinese and Tibetan patriots that they can expect no help from the United States.

That's the why of the Tiananmen Square ceremony: to put the American president on the blood-stained stones, smiling and shaking hands with the men who shed the blood. It amounts to a glob of spit on the graves of the martyrs to Chinese freedom. No decent American would have agreed to it.

I don't think most Americans have come to grips with how corrupt the federal government has become. It's corrupt in the money and moral sense, but it is also corrupt in the sense that there are hardly any public officials left who wouldn't sacrifice the interests of the American people for their own firry about it. But there are always consequences, and the consequences of a bad national government are likely to be poverty, loss of liberty and wars we lose instead of win.

That may seem like a leap from a cheap politician's photo-op trip, but the present is always where the future is planted. The crop Clinton is planting will yield a bitter harvest.

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History in stitches

Quilt chronicles Coahoma school life through the years

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

In careful stitches on red-and-white fabric, nearly a century of Coahoma school buildings, traditions and mascots are remembered.

In a quilt made by Earlene Reid for this weekend's all-class reunion, school buildings that have been gone for decades are pictured, along with other mementos.

Earlene, urged to make the quilt by her daughter-in-law Shyrlee Reid, started with color copies of pictures from old school annuals.

The reproductions were coated with a special craft glue that will preserve them. Surrounded by lace in Coahoma school colors, each is centered on a red-and-white block.

"These pictures have really brought back memories for people," Shyrlee said, pointing to the oldest school building pictured, which was built before 1916. "This one was the building you hear so many stories about. This is the one where they put that cow up in the bell tower."

Also on the quilt is the Midway School, which was in use until the late 1950s or early '60s. There are also several different Bulldog mascot drawings, and a copy of the alma mater.

"She's been making quilts forever," Shyrlee said of her mother-in-law, who spent two weeks on the historic Coahoma quilt. "I guess I kind of 'hornswoggled' her into doing this one."

At this weekend's reunion, which will include former students and graduates of Coahoma schools from many years, the quilt will be given away as a prize to one lucky donor to the scholarship fund.

Exes conduct some type of fundraiser every year or so to keep their scholarship fund going, but this was the first time a quilt was considered, said Shyrlee. Her husband, Phillip, is president of the exes association this year.

On Saturday, after the parade through town, a patriotic program and barbecue lunch, exes will meet to elect a new slate of officers and conduct other business.

The parade, which traditionally features cars, bicycles, walkers and floats, begins at 10 a.m. at the stadium.

The Freedom program, with guest speaker Rep. David Counts and music performances, begins at 10:30 a.m. in the high school auditorium.

Lunch, catered by Al's Barbecue, will be served in the west end of the elementary school beginning at 11:30 a.m., or immediately following the program.

Saturday night, a street dance is planned for the Dairy Queen parking lot, with Dalton Carr providing music.

COAHOMA EXES

Saturday reunion activities:
10 a.m.-- Freedom parade sponsored by the Coahoma Lions Club.
10 a.m.-6 p.m. in stadium parking lot – rummage, antique and craft sale, sponsored by Coahoma Band Boosters.
10:30 a.m. – Patriotic program in auditorium, with Rep. David Counts as speaker.
11:30 a.m. – barbecue lunch.

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Shyrlee Reid, left, and Donna Merrick, both Coahoma exes, pose with a quilt made by Earlene Reid for this weekend's reunion. The quilt features historic pictures of school buildings and other mementos, and will be given to one lucky donor to the exes scholarship fund.

Don't get yourself in a pickle!

Follow pickling instructions carefully at home

Tasty pickled products can add spice to meals and snacks. Pickling is a process of preserving food, usually fruit or vegetables, with salt, vinegar, or both. To make safe and high-quality pickles at home, use only top-quality ingredients, use proper proportions or ingredients called for in instructions, and process properly in a boiling water canner.

There are four general types of pickled products. Brined, or fermented pickles go through a curing process in brine solution for up to three weeks or longer. Fresh-pack or quick process are made by combining recipe ingredients without heat and processing right away. Fruit pickles are made of whole fruits simmered in a spicy-sweet-sour syrup that includes vinegar or lemon. Relishes are made from chopped fruits or vegetables cooked in spicy vinegar solution.

Correct proportions of ingredients are essential to safety and success. Weigh or measure all ingredients carefully.

Produce should be tender vegetables or firm fruits with no signs of decay. Always use a pickling variety of cucumbers. Cucumbers that are purchased in the supermarket are usually coated in a waxy substance that makes them unsatisfactory for pickling. Select cucumbers which are uniform in shape and size in order to assure proper development of flavor.

DANA TARTER

Use pure granulated salts, often called pickling or canning salts on the label. Table salts have anti-caking ingredients that can result in a cloudy brine. Iodized salts can turn the pickles dark. Do not cut back on the salt in sauerkraut or fermented pickles because salt inhibits growth of bacteria and using less can make the pickles unsafe or undesirable. Also do not use salt substitutes as they contain ingredients which can also make pickles undesirable.

Vinegar of 5 percent acidity should be used. For lighter pickles, use white vinegar. Never use homemade vinegar.

White sugar should be used unless the recipe calls for brown sugar. If you would like to use sugar substitutes, use only recipes developed for these products.

Soft water is best for brining pickles. Hard water can cause cloudiness and off-colors. If only hard water is available for use, distill or boil water for 15 minutes and allow to set for 24 hours. Skim off any scum and use water only from the top of the container so not to disturb the sediment, which may have settled to the bottom.

Use whole, fresh spices, as powdered spices may cause cloudiness or darkening in pickles. Spices deteriorate quickly and lose pungency when stored. For best results when storing spices, keep them in a dark, cool place in airtight containers.

Firming agents are not necessary if produce is of high quality. Some recipes use pickling lime. Be sure this is of food grade and follow instructions exactly for safety's sake.

Use only scientifically tested recipes for pickled products and process products correctly. The amount of acidity is important for safety as much as for taste and texture. It is important not to alter tested recipes.

By following directions carefully, you can prevent growth of Clostridium botulinum bacteria, which can cause a type of food poisoning which can be fatal.

If you would like more information about pickled products, contact the Howard County Extension Office at 264-2236 and ask for the Pickled Product Pointers publication.

Journalist gets diploma 77 years after dropping out

By DEEPTI HAJELA
Associated Press Writer

NEWARK, N.J. — William Madden has been many things in his lifetime: writer, reporter, columnist. Until recently, there was one thing he wasn't — a high school graduate.

That changed recently when the Manahawkin resident got his diploma from Leonia High School, 77 years after he dropped out to become a newspaper sports editor.

"It was a very decent gesture on their part," said the 94-year-old Madden, who still writes a weekly column for the Beach Haven Times-Beacon on the Jersey Shore.

The idea came about when a staffer saw one of Madden's columns in that paper last fall where he mentioned he didn't have a diploma, said Christine Cummings, assistant superintendent of schools for the Leonia school district.

"I proposed to the Board of Education that he get one," Cummings said. "After 77 years of continuous journalism work, he certainly demonstrated that he satisfied the requirements for his diploma."

'I needed to take one more class. It was Latin. I don't know if I would have passed.'
William Madden, 94-year-old high school graduate

He had been invited to take part in the graduation ceremonies for this year's senior class, but district officials decided to wait until the Board of Education meeting June 9 to present the diploma so that the spotlight would be focused on Madden, Cummings said.

Madden was just two weeks shy of graduating from Leonia High School in 1921. A pitcher for his baseball team, he was also a correspondent covering his high school's sports for The Record of Hackensack.

When the sports editor of the paper took over as managing editor, The Record had a vacancy to fill and offered Madden the job.

For Madden, there was never any question of not taking the $15-a-week job.

"I needed to take one more class. It was Latin. I don't know if I would have passed," he joked. Besides, "a diploma didn't mean anything at that stage."

And in those days, what he called "The Golden Age of Sports," one couldn't dream of a better job.

"To be a sports editor was it," Madden said. "The best thing you could usually hope for was to be a clerk and work your way up."

Since then, Madden has been hired and fired from a number of newspapers, including some that no longer exist such as the Hudson Dispatch, the Hoboken Observer, the Hackensack Star-Telegraph and the Paterson Morning Call.

He's also worked for The Jersey Journal and The Star-Ledger of Newark.

He takes pride in knowing that while he may have left certain papers, he's never left journalism, even after close to eight decades.

"I've worked every day," he said. "Every day of my life, someone's paid me to write."

The biggest change between those days and now, Madden said, are the readers.

"Eighty years ago, you knew that a lot of people were reading the paper," he said. "Today I wonder if anyone is reading. People look at headlines, they don't get past page 3."

Playful approach will combat child's crankiness

QUESTION: My little girl, Tara, is sometimes sugar-sweet, and other times she is unbearably irritating. How can I get her out of a bad mood when she has not really done anything to deserve punishment?

DR. JAMES DOBSON

DR. DOBSON: I would suggest that you take her in your arms and talk to her in this manner: "I don't know whether you've noticed it or not, Tara, but you have two 'personalities.' A personality is a way of acting and talking and behaving. One of your personalities is sweet and loving. No one could possibly be more lovable and happy when this personality is in control. It likes to work and looks for ways to make the rest of the family happy. But all you have to do is press a little red button, 'ding,' and out comes another personality. It is cranky and noisy and silly. It wants to fight with your brother and disobey your mom. It gets up grouchy in the morning and complains all day.

"Now, Tara, I know that you can press the button for the neat personality or you can call up the unpleasant one. Sometimes you need help to make you want to press the right button. That's where I come in. If you keep on pressing the wrong button, like you have been doing today, then I'm going to make you uncomfortable one way or the other. I'm tired of the cranky character and I want to see the grinny one. Can we make a deal?"

When discipline becomes a game, as in a conversation such as this, then you've achieved your purpose without conflict and animosity.

QUESTION: Many of our friends have begun to homeschool their children with seemingly positive results. My wife and I are considering this possibility as well, but aren't quite sure. What are your views on this educational option? What would you do in my shoes?

DR. DOBSON: This is a subject on which my mind has changed dramatically over the years. There was a time when I subscribed wholeheartedly to the notion that early formal childhood education was vital to the child's intellectual well-being. That was widely believed in the '60s and '70s. I no longer accept that idea and now favor keeping kids with their parents for a longer time.

Dr. Raymond Moore, author of "School Can Wait" and an early leader of the home-schooling movement, had a great influence on me in this regard. The research now validates the wisdom of keeping boys and girls in a protected environment until they have achieved a greater degree of maturity. Not only do they benefit emotionally from that delay, but they typically make better progress academically. That's why home-schooled individuals often gain entrance to the most prestigious universities and colleges in the country. What their parents can teach young children in informal one-on-one interactions surpasses what their little minds can absorb sitting among 25 age mates in a classroom.

You asked what I would do in your shoes? If Shirley and I were raising our children again, we would home-school them at least for the first few years!

QUESTION: Would you speak to the impact of what has been called 'the absentee father' -- especially during the tougher years of adolescence?

DR. DOBSON: It is stating the obvious, I suppose, to say that fathers are desperately needed at home during the teen years. In their absence, mothers are left to handle disciplinary problems alone. This is occurring in millions of families headed by single mothers today, and heaven only knows how difficult their task has become. Not only are they doing a job that should have been shouldered by two; they must also deal with behavioral problems that

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SLICE of *life!*

COMMUNITY NEWS

No matter how you scoop it, Americans love ice cream. Here are some stats:

International Ice Cream Association

•U.S. Production of ice cream and related frozen desserts topped more than 1.5 billion gallons in 1996. That's 23.2 quarts per person in the country.
•More than 89 percent of households consumed ice cream and frozen desserts in 1996.
•Regular ice cream accounts for the largest share of the market, with 57 percent. Reduced fat, lowfat and nonfat ice cream account for 27 percent, followed by frozen yogurt at 8 percent, water ices at 4 percent, sherbet at 3 percent and all others at 1 percent.
•The top five flavors, based on supermarket sales, are: Vanilla, 29.5 percent; chocolate 10.2 percent; nut, 10.1 percent; Neapolitan, 8.4 percent; and candy mix-in, 6.3 percent.
•No surprise, sales of ice cream products are highest in July, which is also National Ice Cream Month.
•Nearly one-third of American households consume at least one gallon of ice cream and related frozen desserts every two weeks.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Highland, Coahoma plan parades for Fourth of July

Coahoma Lions Club is seeking entrants for its July 4 Freedom Parade. The parade will form at 9 a.m. at the football field, beginning at 10 a.m. Call 394-4424 for more information.

Saturday at 10 a.m., the Highland South Fourth of July parade will begin from the corner of Highland and Stonehaven Drive, proceeding west on Highland to Goliad. Participants need to be in place by 9:30 a.m.

For more information, or to participate, contact Julie Wolf, 263-7664 or Kellie Wash, 263-0987.

THE LAST WORD

Imagination is a poor substitute for experience.
Havelock Ellis

It is good to know the truth, but it is better to speak of palm trees.
Arabic proverb

The eyes are not responsible when the mind does the seeing.
Publilius Syrus

These days, even our candy is going interactive

CHICAGO (AP) — Is even the sweet life going interactive?

Some of the biggest talk recently at the second All Candy Expo was about so-called interactive candy, a growing field expected to generate more than $200 million in revenues this year.

Cleveland-based Tapper Candies debuted its Spitter, a spring-loaded toy that shoots SweeTARTS out its round, plastic body — a grasshopper, a red ant or a hornet — and even comes with a belt clip.

"Interactive candy is not a fad," said Jay Tapper, president of Tapper Candy. "The all-time truth is children love candy and children love toys. Interactive candy is a new category."

Americans ate an average 26.2 pounds of candy in 1996... That equals nearly $21.1 billion in gum and candy sales.

The conference of more than 300 candy manufacturers sponsored by the National Confectioners Association brings buyers and sellers together under one roof to look at — and taste — products expected to grace store shelves in time for the holiday season that begins with Halloween.

Americans ate an average 26.2 pounds of candy in 1996, up nearly 2 percent from the previous year, according to the U.S. Commerce Department. That equals nearly $21.1 billion in gum and candy sales — and everyone attending wants a bigger share of the market.

So CAP Candy, a division of toy manufacturer Hasbro Inc., was promoting a new $10 toy called Sound Bites that "sends safe sound vibrations through a standard lollipop into your mouth ... and your inner ear." The toy is a hot seller in six cities, including Chicago and New York, and is expected to hit stores nationwide between August and December.

The company also has formed licensing agreements with candy companies for its Spin Pop, a battery-operated, rotating lollipop holder introduced in 1993. The company estimates that it has sold 50 million Spin Pops since then, with varieties featuring Godzilla, characters from the upcoming movie "Small Soldiers" and even a roll of rotating Lifesavers.

"I think that our target demographic kids today has sophistication in everything that they buy and every environment where they are. Kids are expecting the same level of sophistication in the candy category," said CAP spokeswoman Susan Gustafson.

Another hot new product came from a familiar face — M&M/Mars Inc. The company plans a $70 million marketing campaign to introduce M&M Crispy, a variety of the "melts in your mouth, not in your hands" chocolate candy with a crisped rice center. It's the first new M&M's variety since 1991, when almond and peanut butter types appeared.

Several companies were promoting tiny, concentrated breath mints to try to gain market share in one of the fastest-growing segments of the industry.

But most of the action was in the "candy room," where buyers and brokers became kids in a candy store without a cash register.

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fathers are more ideally suited to handle. It is generally understood that a man's larger size, deeper voice and masculine demeanor make it easier for him to deal with defiance in the younger generation. Many mothers raise their teen-agers alone and do the job with excellence, but it is a challenging assignment.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Dr. James C. Dobson's "Focus on the Family" appears each Thursday as a cooperative effort of Scenic Mountain Medical Center and the Big Spring Herald. Letters to Dr. Dobson may be sent to P.O. Box 444; Colorado Springs, Colo., 80903.

Up-and-coming star Affleck has his own measure of career success

MARINA DEL REY, Calif. (AP) — When Ben Affleck looks back on his life, he doesn't have to go far. There was his first movie role at age 7 and the Academy Award at 25.

His introspection is worthy of an actor twice his age. In fact, there is so much self-reflection, you feel you've joined "Zen with Ben."

In less than a year, Affleck went from low-budget obscurity to an Oscar-winner. Now he's a co-star in one of the summer's loudest adventure movies, "Armageddon."

"You have to make sure that you don't start feeling entitled, so that you don't become spoiled, you don't become self-indulgent," Affleck says. "I want to grow and change, but I don't want to grow and change for the worse."

Affleck and co-writer Matt Damon, who met 17 years ago, turned their screenplay for "Good Will Hunting" into an Academy Award winner this year. Affleck said he thought about using his Oscar as a hood ornament for his 1969 Cadillac, but finally put it on a shelf in his rented Hollywood Hills apartment.

As Affleck sits next to a hotel window for an interview, the sun dapples his stubbled face. Wearing jeans and brown work boots, propped comfortably on a coffee table, he has a Camel Light in one hand and three cans of Diet Coke nearby.

Affleck has been in the business since he was 7 when his mother's friend cast him in an independent production. He went on to work in a PBS series and other television projects before joining "School Ties" in 1992.

He gained notice last year playing a guy who falls for a lesbian in Kevin Smith's "Chasing Amy," a project whose budget would have covered only one production hour for Disney's $135 million-plus "Armageddon."

In "Armageddon," he plays A.J., a scrappy oil driller who joins a team contracted to save the world from an asteroid.

He says doing an action flick is one more project, not a sell-out. Every role he takes on embodies an essence of him, he says.

"There's a certain sensibility and humor that I have in this movie that is similar to my own, but I try to stay away from playing myself," Affleck says.

A.J., his character in "Armageddon," is trying to kindle a newfound love while he fights to rescue the world. More essence. Meanwhile, Affleck himself is trying to manage his success while maintaining personal and romantic relationships. He's done the random dating thing and questioned the virtue of pretty over brainy in his bachelor days.

"I'm ultimately romantic. At times I will get very swept away, and then it can sometimes become overwhelming and I run away," he says.

Affleck had a 10-year on-again, off-again relationship with a woman that ended last year despite counseling and reconciliation attempts.

"I've made enough mistakes to realize that one of the things that's really important is to keep a certain part of your life to yourself," he says. "I've got to maintain some sense of normalcy and sanity in my life."

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IN BRIEF

Tory Mitchell reception set for tonight at BSHS

A reception honoring Big Spring High School sprinter Tory Mitchell has been scheduled for 6:30 tonight at the BSHS Athletic Training Center.

The public is invited to attend.

Mitchell, the state Class 4A champion in the 100 and 200 meters, added to his list of accomplishments by winning both events at the National Junior Track and Field Championships.

Clyde Himes finishes third at Pecos rodeo

Clyde Himes of Stanton finished third in the final steer wrestling standings at the West of the Pecos Rodeo following Wednesday's final performance.

Himes' clocking Tuesday of 4.2 seconds improved on his 5.1 time in Monday's first go round, leaving him with a total of 9.4 seconds for the "average."

Casey Callahan of Cameron took first place in the event with an 8.7-second total, while Keith Webster of Ponder was second at 8.9 seconds.

Big Spring youngsters take medals in Lubbock

Three youngsters from Big Spring walked away from the USA Track and Field Junior Olympics Sectional Meet in Lubbock with medals during the weekend.

Braden Wegner, 14, took first place in the pole vault in his age group and was third in the 100 meters, while 9-year-old Ryan Tannehill was first in the high jump and third in both the long jump and 100 meters in his age division.

Tyler Tannehill, 7, finished third in his age group's long jump competition.

All three are now eligible to compete in the Junior Olympics regional meet set for later this month in Houston.

Coahoma coed ragball tourney Friday, Saturday

The annual Coahoma coed ragball tournament will be Friday and Saturday at the Coahoma softball complex.

Entry fee is $10 per person. There is no limit to the number of players on each team, but there must be at least five men and five women on the field.

For more information, call Cindy or Troy Kerby at 394-4748.

Clayton Pate to attend Hawaii baseball tourney

Clayton Pate, who earned honorable-mention all-district status playing catcher for Big Spring's Steers baseball team during both his junior and senior seasons, has been selected to participate in the Mililani Invitational Baseball Tournament in Honolulu during August.

Pate will be among a number of players from throughout the country attending the competitive camp setting.

ON THE AIR

TODAY:
BASEBALL

7 p.m. — Chicago White Sox at Houston Astros, FXS, Ch. 29.

7:30 p.m. — Los Angeles Dodgers at Texas Rangers, LIN, Ch. 98.

FRIDAY DAYTIME:
GOLF

10 a.m. — Greater Hartford Open, second round, ESPN, Ch. 30.

Noon — Senior Classic, first round, ESPN, Ch. 30.

2 p.m. — U.S. Women's Open Championship, second round, ESPN, Ch. 30.

TENNIS

11 a.m. — Wimbledon, men's semifinals, NBC, Ch. 9.

SOCCER

2 p.m. — World Cup quarterfinals, ABC, Ch. 2

Rare blown save by Wetteland gives Dodgers 7-5 win

ARLINGTON (AP) — From 1985-91, John Wetteland was an erratic pitcher in the Los Angeles Dodgers' organization. He's polished his act since then, and when he blows a save opportunity these days, it's a rare event.

Wednesday night was one of those times.

Eric Karros' two-run double capped a ninth-inning rally against the All-Star closer that was helped along by a Texas error on a potential game-ending double-play grounder, giving the Dodgers a 7-5 victory over the Rangers.

"John Wetteland is a tremendous closer," Dodgers manager Glenn Hoffman said. "To get Wetteland like that at the end, down to the last strike, a lot of guys showed me something. A lot of guys picked up the team."

Wetteland (2-1), named to his second All-Star team earlier in the day, entered the ninth with a 5-4 lead. He gave up a one-out single to Wilton Guerrero before second baseman Mark McLemore booted Jim Eisenreich's potential game-ending grounder.

One out later, Gary Sheffield singled home Guerrero, tying the game. Karros then hit a liner into the right-field corner, scoring Eisenreich and Sheffield to hand Texas its first loss in 43 games when leading after eight innings.

It was Wetteland's third blown save in 25 chances as Texas dropped its fourth straight.

McLemore tried to hurry on Eisenreich's seemingly routine grounder, and in retrospect, McLemore felt he should have settled for the out at first.

"I was trying to do too much," McLemore said. "I was just trying to keep the run out of scoring position. I should have just got the out at first base. We've got John Wetteland out there and he's going to get the next guy."

Wetteland took his share of the blame, especially giving up the hit to Sheffield on an 0-2 pitch.

"The record will show I was one pitch away from getting the job done and I didn't get the job done," Wetteland said.

Scott Radinsky (3-4) pitched the eighth for the win and Antonio Osuna got three outs for his sixth save. Raul Mondesi homered, tripled and drove in three runs for the Dodgers, who have won four of five.

Osuna has a chance to nail down the closer's role, and he's trying to take advantage.

"It's the opportunity I've been working for," Osuna said through an interpreter. "Coming from behind is a big one for us. That's the situation I've liked to pitch in all my life."

The Rangers trailed 4-0 before rallying to take a 5-4 lead in the sixth when Tom Goodwin scored from third while teammate Roberto Kelly was in a rundown between first and second.

The Rangers tied the game 4-4 on two-out singles by Fernando Tatis, Goodwin and Kelly off reliever Greg McMichael.

With McLemore batting, McMichael faked a throw to third, then fired to first. Kelly had already taken off in an attempt to steal second, and Goodwin dashed home from third.

Rangers pitchers excited by All-Star nods

Sele, Wetteland disappointed Helling not selected as well

ARLINGTON (AP) — Pitchers Aaron Sele and Jon Wetteland are delighted about being named to the American League All-Star Classic, but said they're disappointed fellow Texas Rangers hurler Rick Helling will be staying home.

Sele and Helling each have a league-high 11 victories this season and have near-identical earned-run averages.

"I'm really excited. It really was a shock to me. We knew there definitely would be one pitcher from our team if not two or three," Sele said. "But I honestly expected Rick to be on the team and not myself."

The snub of Helling was not a total surprise. He's starting for the Rangers on Sunday. AL All-Star manager Mike Hargrove said several days ago he wasn't inclined to pick a pitcher who started just two days before the game.

Catcher Ivan Rodriguez and outfielder Juan Gonzalez were voted by fans as All-Star starters.

"That gives us a total of four," Rangers manager Johnny Oates said Wednesday night. "It's going to really be nice watching on TV and seeing four uniforms side by side on the third base line being introduced."

"On the flip side, I'm disappointed that Rick Helling was not named, and I thought second-baseman Mark McLemore had legitimate chances. But no matter who you pick, there's going to be somebody upset. It's a tough job."

Entering Wednesday, Wetteland was 2-0 with a 1.50 ERA and 22 saves. He has allowed five earned runs in 30 innings with 38 strikeouts and four walks.

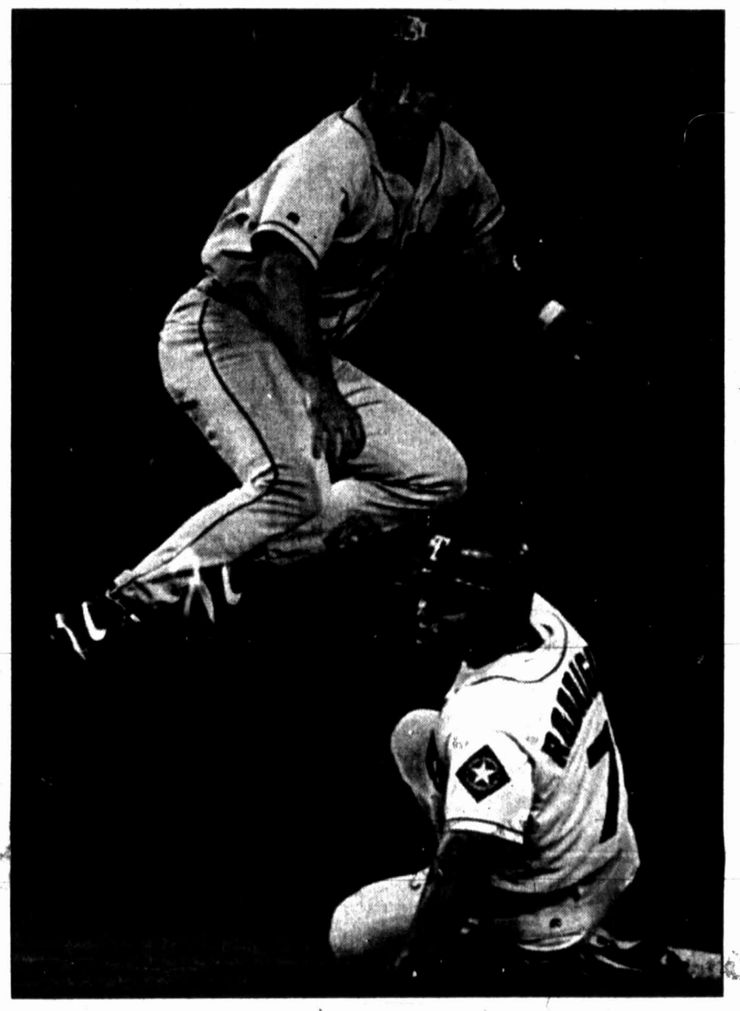
"It really speaks well for the Texas Rangers to have a large contingent going to the All-Star Game, but let's not forget that Rick Helling has also won 11 games in the American League, which is pretty awesome," Wetteland said.

"I know he feels fine about it, because Rick is the type of guy who's always thinking about the best interests of the team, but we feel bad he's not able to go."

Helling is 11-4 with a 4.25 ERA and Sele is 11-5 with a 4.26 ERA. Both have started 17 games. Helling has gone 114.1 innings and Sele 112 innings. Helling has struck out 84 and walked 40, while Sele has struck out 99 and walked 43.

Wetteland was named to the All-Star team in 1996, but didn't get into the game.

"It was a great experience even though I didn't get to pitch," Wetteland said. "Mostly, I was in awe, looking around to see who I was on the field with. I thought, 'Wow, these guys are so much better than I could ever be.' I'm sure I'll be in awe again."



AP file photo

Rangers catcher Ivan Rodriguez, shown here in a file photo breaking up a double play against the Milwaukee Brewers, will start on the American League squad in the the Major League All-Star Game, joined by teammate Juan Gonzalez. Pitchers Aaron Sele and John Wetteland were added to the AL roster Wednesday.

McGwire getting $150,000 more from bonuses

NEW YORK (AP) — Big homers meant big money for Mark McGwire when he was elected to the NL All-Star team.

The St. Louis Cardinals first baseman, who has 37 homers, will get $150,000 in All-Star related bonuses, according to a contract study by The Associated Press.

McGwire, who has an $8 million base salary, gets a $50,000 bonus because he was elected to start in Tuesday night's game at Denver, and another $100,000 for leading NL players in fan voting.

Cal Ripken was No. 2 on the bonus list. The Baltimore third baseman, an All-Star for the 16th consecutive season, gets $100,000 added to his $6.3 million base.

Orioles second baseman Roberto Alomar was third with a $75,000 bonus.

The most popular All-Star bonus was $50,000, with 24 players getting that amount. Sixteen players get $25,000, Gary Sheffield gets $20,000, two get $15,000 and two get $10,000.

Just 12 All-Star players didn't get any bonus money.

Those who didn't include: Barry Bonds, Bartolo Colon, Tom Glavine, Ben Grieve, Derek Jeter, Greg Maddux, Pedro Martinez, Mike Piazza, Edgar Renteria, Jeff Shaw, Sammy Sosa and Fernando Vina.

Some players hurt by All-Star snub, others say it was expected

NEW YORK (AP) — Kerry Wood didn't mind, Brian Jordan did and Rafael Palmeiro expected it.

All three players were passed over Wednesday when All-Star game reserves for both leagues were named for next week's game at Coors Field in Denver.

Wood was among the most noteworthy omissions by NL manager Jim Leyland, who selected five of his former Florida players, but couldn't find room for Jordan, the NL's leading hitter.

"What are you going to do?" Jordan said. "What are you going to do?"

Wood, who tied a major league record with 20 strikeouts in a nine-inning game this season, got the news he wasn't an All-Star after striking out 13 in eight innings of a win over Arizona on Wednesday.

"I wasn't expecting to make it," Wood said. "Maybe next year."

One of his teammates thinks Wood belongs among the stars.

"I think baseball missed a big chance to get great ratings," Mark Grace said. "They could market it 'Kerry Wood starts against the best American League hitters.' That's the one that's an oversight. That kid is too good to not go."

Another Cub too good not to go was Sammy Sosa, who has 33 homers. He finished sixth among NL outfielders in the fan vote, but was placed on the team by Leyland.

Despite having a banner year, Palmeiro didn't get a nod from Cleveland manager Mike Hargrove, who made Boston's Mo Vaughn the backup for starter Jim Thome at first.

"Some guys are going to be left out when you have so many great players at one position, as we have at first base in the American League," he said.

Leyland named five members of the 1997 World Series championship team that were traded away in an offseason payroll purge by Florida management. Moises Alou (Astros), Kevin Brown (Padres), Robb Nen (Giants), Gary Sheffield (Dodgers) and Devon White (Diamondbacks) will now join Edgar Renteria, the lone representative from this year's club, for a mile-high Marlins reunion.

Players union getting money, files grievance on guarantees

NEW YORK (AP) — The NBA players union secured several lines of credit from major banks and received promises of financial assistance from the baseball, football and hockey unions on the first full day of the league's lockout.

The union also filed a grievance with arbitrator John Feerick, who ruled in the Latrell Sprewell case, on behalf of the 200-plus players with guaranteed contracts — including 11 who were supposed to be paid this month.

On a busy day of developments in the labor stalemate, it was also learned that CBS and Fox are considering televising exhibition games involving NBA free agents if the lockout lasts into the fall.

The heads of the two network sports divisions also have talked about creating a new league if the 1998-99 NBA season ends up being canceled.

"If you look at it, it's a lot easier to start a rival basketball league than a football league," agent Mark Fleisher said. "The rosters are only 11 or 12 deep, rather than 45 or 50 in football, almost a third of the NBA's players just became free agents and arenas are easier to secure than stadiums.

"Also, you have Michael Jordan unsure of what he'll do. What if you offered him $100 million to join a start-up league. You'd be immediately viable right there," Fleisher said.

With both sides expecting a protracted deadlock, financial matters were foremost on the minds of the union.

In addition to securing lines of credit from several banks for any players who run low on money during a long lockout, the union received loan promises from NFL Players Association executive director Gene Upshaw, baseball union leader Donald Fehr and NHL Players Association director Bob Goodenow.

The latest grievance before Feerick was filed Tuesday, when the old collective bargaining agreement was still in effect, after the league announced Monday that players would not be paid during the lockout.

Kenny Anderson of the Boston Celtics on Wednesday became the first player to miss a paycheck.

Anderson's contract calls for him to receive his entire 1998-99 salary of $5.8 million on July 1.

Rookie of the year Tim Duncan and union officers Dikembe Mutombo and Jim McIlvaine also are due to receive portions of their salary during the month of July.

Even though Anderson didn't go unpaid until July 1, the union claims the NBA and the Celtics committed an "anticipatory breach of contract" by announcing their intentions on June 29.

Feerick's jurisdiction ended at midnight, June 30, but cases filed before then remain open.

The union's filing beat the deadline by a few hours, but the league will argue that the standard player contract calls for a player to inform a team by letter that he has not been paid and then wait a minimum of five days before he can file an arbitration case.

Martin Countians lead way at 4-H club's annual event

HERALD Staff Report

KNOTT — Three Martin County youngsters led the way recently during the Howard County 4-H Shooting Sports Club's annual trap, skeet and five-stand competition.

Jim Bob Haggerton hit a total of 243 targets to win the senior division's all-around buckle, while Orin Romine's 184 score gave him the all-around title in the junior division. Clint Schuelke won the junior division's overall buckle with a 140.

A total of 55 shooters from six counties took part in the shoot.

In trap competition, six members of the Howard County team turned in placing finishes.

Haggerton finished fourth with a 97 while Clay Hart was fifth with 94. Billy Kinsey was first in the junior trap competition with a 74, while Schuelke was third with a 71 and Romine was fourth with a 71. K.K. Kellar was sixth in the sub-junior division with a 32.

In the skeet event, Romine finished second with a 70 in the junior division, while Schuelke was third with a 69. Kinsey was fifth with a 66, while Travis Hipp was sixth with a 65.

Four senior shooters from Howard County's team also placed in skeet shooting. Haggerton led the way with 99 for first place, while Hart was third with a 96, Paul Kinsey was fifth with a 93 and Michael Brooks was sixth with a 93.

The host squad was just as dominant in the five-stand event. In the junior division, Romine was first with a 43, Schuelke was third with a 42, Hipp was fourth with a 39 and Billy Kinsey was fifth with a 38.

In the senior five-stand competition, Haggerton finished second with a 47, Paul Kinsey was fourth with a 45, Lorin Wolf was fifth with a 43 and Katie Gaskins was sixth with a 43.

Other members of the Howard County team competing in the events were Jackson Inman, Aaron Martin, Nathan Sellars, Chris McBrayer, Carmen Hipp, Riley Hipp, Weylin Wolf and Kyle Kight.

SPORTS EXTRA

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League

ANAHEIM ANGELS—Agreed to terms with RHP Seth Etherton and assigned him to Midland of the Texas League.

BOSTON RED SOX—Placed RHP Rich Garces on the 15-day disabled list. Recalled RHP Dario Veras from Pawtucket of the International League.

CLEVELAND INDIANS—Signed LHP C.C. Sabathia and SS Zach Sorensen.

KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Signed 3B Byron Gettis, SS Griffin Moore and RHP Josh Sopkin and assigned them to their Gulf Coast team.

OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Agreed to terms with OF Matt Stairs on a two-year contract extension through the 2000 season.

SEATTLE MARINERS—Designated IF Jeff Huson for assignment. Called up OF Rickey Cradle from Tacoma of the Pacific Coast League.

TORONTO BLUE JAYS—Signed OF Tony Phillips to a minor league contract and assigned him to Syracuse of the International League.

National League

NL—Announced Chicago Cubs C Sandy Martinez dropped his appeal of a two-game suspension and began serving the penalty that followed his role in a fight on May 25.

HOUSTON ASTROS—Agreed to terms with P Brad Lidge.

NEW YORK METS—Placed INF/OF Matt Franco on the 15-day disabled list, retroactive to June 29. Recalled OF Benny Agbayani from Norfolk of the International League.

FOOTBALL
National Football League

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS—Signed RB Fred Taylor.

HOCKEY
National Hockey League

MONTREAL CANADIENS—Traded D Peter Popovic to the New York Rangers for D Sylvain Blouin and a 1999 sixth-round draft pick.

NASHVILLE PREDATORS—Signed C Craig Darby and D Chris Armstrong.

SAN JOSE SHARKS—Signed D Gary Suter.

AL LEADERS

BATTING—BWilliams, New York, .353; IRodriguez, Texas, .353; HMorris, Kansas City, .352; Starr, Oakland, .335; Thome, Cleveland, .331; Segui, Seattle, .330; MVaughn, Boston, .327.

RUNS—Griffey Jr., Seattle, 72; Grieve, Oakland, 63; ARodriguez, Seattle, 62; Edmonds, Anaheim, 62; Thome, Cleveland, 62; Durham, Chicago, 59; Higginson, Detroit, 59.

RBI—JuGonzalez, Texas, 98; Griffey Jr., Seattle, 74; Thome, Cleveland, 70; RPalmeiro, Baltimore, 70; ARodriguez, Seattle, 66; Belle, Chicago, 64; MRamirez, Cleveland, 62.

HITS—ARodriguez, Seattle, 112; Erstad, Anaheim, 110; IRodriguez, Texas, 103; MVaughn, Boston, 101; Grieve, Oakland, 100; Higginson, Detroit, 100; McCracken, Tampa Bay, 99; JuGonzalez, Texas, 99; ONeill, New York, 99.

DOUBLES—Thome, Cleveland, 29; EMartinez, Seattle, 28; Erstad, Anaheim, 26; CdelPadro, Toronto, 26; IRodriguez, Texas, 26; Justice, Cleveland, 25; Grieve, Oakland, 24; Edmonds, Anaheim, 24; JuValentin, Boston, 24; JuGonzalez, Texas, 24.

TRIPLES—Offerman, Kansas City, 9; Garciaparra, Boston, 6; Durham, Chicago, 6; DJeter, New York, 5; GAnderson, Anaheim, 5; OLeary, Boston, 5; BWilliams, New York, 5.

HOME RUNS—Griffey Jr., Seattle, 34; ARodriguez, Seattle, 27; RPalmeiro, Baltimore, 25; JuGonzalez, Texas, 24; Canseco, Toronto, 24; Thome, Cleveland, 21; MVaughn, Boston, 21.

STOLEN BASES—Henderson, Oakland, 35; Lofton, Cleveland, 28; TGoodwin, Texas, 25; Stewart, Toronto, 23; ARodriguez, Seattle, 23; BLHunter, Detroit, 22; Canseco, Toronto, 21.

PITCHING (10 Decisions)—DWells, New York, 11-2, .846, 3.75; Cone, New York, 11-2, .846, 4.39; PMartinez, Boston, 10-2, .833, 3.02; Wakefield, Boston, 9-3, .750, 4.40; Helling, Texas, 11-4, .733, 4.25; WWilliams, Toronto, 8-3, .727, 3.63; Arrojo, Tampa Bay, 10-4, .714, 3.02.

STRIKEOUTS—RJohnson, Seattle, 158; PMartinez, Boston, 137; CFinley, Anaheim, 128; Clemens, Toronto, 113; Erickson, Baltimore, 101; Sele, Texas, 99; Cone, New York, 99.

SAVES—Percival, Anaheim, 25; Gordon, Boston, 24; Wetteland, Texas, 22; RaMyers, Toronto, 22; MRivera, New York, 20; MJackson, Cleveland, 18; RHernandez, Tampa Bay, 17; JMontgomery, Kansas City, 17; Aguilera, Minnesota, 17.

MAJOR LEAGUE STANDINGS

American League
East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	57	20	.740	—
Boston	49	32	.605	10
Toronto	43	41	.512	17 1/2
Baltimore	37	47	.440	23 1/2
Tampa Bay	34	48	.415	25 1/2

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	47	34	.580	—
Minnesota	39	43	.476	8 1/2
Kansas City	37	45	.451	10 1/2
Chicago	33	49	.402	14 1/2
Detroit	32	48	.400	14 1/2

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Anaheim	49	33	.598	—
Texas	46	37	.554	3 1/2
Oakland	37	45	.451	12
Seattle	35	49	.417	15

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National League
East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	55	29	.655	—
New York	43	36	.544	9 1/2
Philadelphia	40	41	.494	13 1/2
Montreal	33	49	.402	21
Florida	30	53	.361	24 1/2

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	51	32	.614	—
Milwaukee	43	38	.531	7
Chicago	44	39	.530	7
St. Louis	39	43	.476	11 1/2
Pittsburgh	39	45	.464	12 1/2
Cincinnati	35	50	.412	17

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Diego	54	30	.643	—
San Francisco	49	36	.576	5 1/2
Los Angeles	41	42	.494	12 1/2
Colorado	37	48	.435	17 1/2
Arizona	29	55	.345	25

Wednesday's Games
Toronto 15, N.Y. Mets 10
Chicago Cubs 6, Arizona 4
San Diego 8, Oakland 4
Detroit 9, Pittsburgh 1
Boston 6, Montreal 1
Minnesota 2, Cincinnati 1
Atlanta 6, Tampa Bay 5
N.Y. Yankees 5, Philadelphia 2
Florida 5, Baltimore 3
Cleveland 5, Milwaukee 2
Houston 10, Chicago White Sox 4
Kansas City 6, St. Louis 4
Los Angeles 7, Texas 5
Seattle 9, Colorado 5
San Francisco 6, Anaheim 3, 10 innings

Today's Games
Atlanta (Maddux 11-2) at Tampa Bay (Arrojo 10-4), 11:35 a.m.
Arizona (Suppan 1-6) at Chicago Cubs (Trachsel 6-5), 1:20 p.m.
Florida (Fontenot 0-6) at Baltimore (Ponson 1-6), 2:05 p.m.
Colorado (Kile 5-10) at Seattle (Swift 7-4), 2:35 p.m.
Detroit (Powell 0-0) at Pittsburgh (Loaiza 5-4), 6:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Milton 4-7) at Cincinnati (Harnisch 7-3), 6:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Jones 6-5) at Toronto (Hentgen 9-4), 6:05 p.m.
Montreal (Pavano 2-1) at Boston (Martinez 10-2), 6:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Colon 8-4) at Milwaukee (Woodall 4-2), 6:15 p.m.
Philadelphia (Green 6-4) at N.Y. Yankees (Irabu 6-3), 6:35 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Baldwin 2-3) at Houston (Lima 7-4), 7:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Pichardo 4-6) at St. Louis (Acevedo 2-2), 7:10 p.m.
Los Angeles (Park 6-5) at Texas (Oliver 4-5), 7:35 p.m.
San Diego (Hitchcock 4-1) at Oakland (Rogers 7-3), 8:15 p.m.
San Francisco (Rueter 9-3) at Anaheim (Dickson 8-5), 9:05 p.m.

Friday's Games
Pittsburgh (Cordova 6-6) at Chicago Cubs (Tapani 8-6), 2:20 p.m.
Florida (Sanchez 3-5) at Montreal (Vazquez 2-6), 6:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Karl 6-3) at Philadelphia (Schilling 7-8), 6:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Stottlemyre 9-5) at Cincinnati (Remlinger 4-9), 6:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Yoshii 4-3) at Atlanta (Glavine 11-3), 6:40 p.m.
Arizona (Benes 6-8) at Houston (Reynolds 9-5), 7:05 p.m.
Colorado (Wright 5-8) at San Diego (Hamilton 5-9), 8:05 p.m.
Los Angeles (Valdes 6-7) at San Francisco (Hershiser 6-6), 9:35 p.m.

NL LEADERS

BATTING—BJordan, St. Louis, .345; MaGrace, Chicago, .337; LWalker, Colorado, .336; Gwynn, San Diego, .336; Bichette, Colorado, .335; Kendall, Pittsburgh, .333; DeBell, Houston, .331.

RUNS—Biggio, Houston, 73; McGwire, St. Louis, 67; ChJones, Atlanta, 65; Sosa, Chicago, 65; Bagwell, Houston, 64; Glanville, Philadelphia, 63; Galarraga, Atlanta, 63.

RBI—McGwire, St. Louis, 87; Sosa, Chicago, 81; Castilla, Colorado, 73; Alou, Houston, 71; GVaughn, San Diego, 71; Galarraga, Atlanta, 71; ChJones, Atlanta, 68.

HITS—Bichette, Colorado, 118; Glanville, Philadelphia, 108; DeBell, Houston, 108; Biggio, Houston, 107; Sosa, Chicago, 106; MaGrace, Chicago, 106; Castilla, Colorado, 103.

DOUBLES—Fullmer, Montreal, 34; DYoung, Cincinnati, 29; LWalker, Colorado, 29; BBoone, Cincinnati, 27; DeBell, Houston, 25; Biggio, Houston, 25; Bichette, Colorado, 25.

TRIPLES—DeShields, St. Louis, 7; AJones, Atlanta, 6; Glanville, Philadelphia, 6; BLarkin, Cincinnati, 6; Dellucci, Arizona, 5; VGuerrero, Montreal, 5; NPerez, Colorado, 5; SFinley, San Diego, 5.

HOME RUNS—McGwire, St. Louis, 37; Sosa, Chicago, 33; GVaughn, San Diego, 28; Galarraga, Atlanta, 27; Castilla, Colorado, 24; ChJones, Atlanta, 20; JLopez, Atlanta, 19; Alou, Houston, 19.

STOLEN BASES—EcYoung, Los Angeles, 32; Womack, Pittsburgh, 28; Renteria, Florida, 27; Biggio, Houston, 25; Clayton, St. Louis, 17; DeShields, St. Louis, 17; QVeras, San Diego, 16.

PITCHING (10 Decisions)—GMaddux, Atlanta, 11-2, .846, 1.64; Glavine, Atlanta, 11-3, .786, 2.71; KBrown, San Diego, 10-3, .769, 2.69; Rueter, San Francisco, 9-3, .750, 4.34; Wood, Chicago, 8-3, .727, 3.37; Hampton, Houston, 8-3, .727, 2.80; Miceli, San Diego, 7-3, .700, 3.10; Gardner, San Francisco, 7-3, .700, 4.95; Harnisch, Cincinnati, 7-3, .700, 2.95; RJMartinez, Los Angeles, 7-3, .700, 2.83.

STRIKEOUTS—Schilling, Philadelphia, 175; Wood, Chicago, 139; Stottlemyre, St. Louis, 120; KBrown, San Diego, 119; GMaddux, Atlanta, 107; Estes, San Francisco, 106; Nomo, New York, 99.

SAVES—Hoffman, San Diego, 24; Nen, San Francisco, 23; Shaw, Cincinnati, 22; Urbina, Montreal, 20; Beck, Chicago, 19; BWagner, Houston, 18; JFranco, New York, 18.

TEXAS LEAGUE

Wednesday's Games
Tulsa 8, Arkansas 4
Jackson 7, Shreveport 3, 14 innings
Wichita 8, El Paso 5
San Antonio 3, Midland 2

Today's Games
Arkansas at Wichita
Shreveport at El Paso
Tulsa at Midland
San Antonio at Jackson

Friday's Games
Arkansas at Wichita
Shreveport at El Paso
Tulsa at Midland
San Antonio at Jackson

TEX-LA LEAGUE

Wednesday's Games
Alexandria 21, Rio Grande 11
Abilene at Greenville, ppd., rain
Bayou 7, Lubbock 6, 11 innings

Today's Games
Rio Grande at Alexandria
Abilene at Greenville
Lubbock at Bayou

Friday's Games
Lubbock at Abilene
Alexandria at Amarillo
Rio Grande at Bayou

WNBA

Wednesday's Games
Cleveland 92, Washington 80
Detroit 82, New York 65

Thursday's Games
Phoenix at Cleveland, 6 p.m.
Utah at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m.

Friday's Games
Washington at New York, 6:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Houston, p.m.

SOCCER

Wednesday's Games
Chicago 4, Dallas 1
Kansas City 1, N. England 0

Thursday's Game
Miami at Washington D.C., 6:30 p.m.

Friday's Game
Columbus at San Jose, 9:30 p.m.

Wells celebrates All-Star selection with another strong performance

HERALD Staff Report

Hours after making his first All-Star team, David Wells showed why he belongs on the AL squad.

Wells pitched seven strong innings and Tino Martinez drove in four runs to lead the New York Yankees to a 5-2 victory over the Philadelphia Phillies on Wednesday night.

Wells (11-2) held the Phillies to one earned run and extended his streak of innings without a walk to 36.

"I had no breaking ball whatsoever," said Wells, one of five Yankees picked for the AL All-Star team earlier in the day. "If you don't have your best stuff, you have to pull a rabbit out of your hat."

Wells won for the eighth time in nine starts, and Mariano Rivera got five outs for his 20th save in 23 chances.

The Yankees got all the offense they needed from Martinez, who broke out of a slump with a two-run homer in the second and a two-run single in the fifth.

"I was just happy I was able to come through," said Martinez, who was 18-for-101 (.178) since being hit in the back by a pitch from Baltimore's Armando Benitez in mid-May. "I just want to be consistent and I haven't been doing that."

The Yankees won for the sixth time in seven games and improved to 12-3 against NL teams, the best interleague mark in the majors. Scott Rolen homered for the Phillies, who lost their fourth in a row.

In other interleague games, it was Toronto 15, New York Mets 10; San Diego 8, Oakland 4; Detroit 9, Pittsburgh 1; Boston 6, Montreal 1; Minnesota 2, Cincinnati 1; Atlanta 6, Tampa Bay 5; Florida 5, Baltimore 3; Cleveland 5, Milwaukee 2; Kansas City 6, St. Louis 4; Los Angeles 7, Texas 5; Houston 10, Chicago White Sox 4; Seattle 9, Colorado 5; and San Francisco 6, Anaheim 3 in 10 innings.

In the only non-interleague game, the Chicago Cubs beat Arizona 6-4 in the National League.

Mariners 9, Rockies 5

Ken Griffey Jr. hit his American League-leading 34th home run and David Segui, left off the AL All-Star team earlier in the day, hit two homers for Seattle.

Griffey went 4-for-5 with three doubles, giving him a major league-leading 56 extra-base hits. Segui hit a solo shot in the third and a two-run homer in the fifth. Edgar Martinez also homered for the host Mariners, who lead the majors with 133 homers even though they're in last place in the AL West.

Blue Jays 15, Mets 10

Alex Gonzalez hit a three-run homer in an eight-run eighth inning for Toronto, which had its biggest offensive day of the season.

The Blue Jays, who won for the eighth time in 10 games, scored their most runs since beating Milwaukee 15-7 on July 13, 1996. Edgardo Alfonzo homered twice for the visiting Mets.

Padres 8, Athletics 4

Greg Vaughn hit his 28th homer, a controversial three-run shot, and Kevin Brown got his 10th win for San Diego at Oakland.

Vaughn, named an NL All-Star reserve before the game, got credit for his fourth-inning homer after an appeal to the umpires — who first ruled the ball hit the center-field wall and was in play. The Padres argued that the ball bounced off a camera booth beyond the wall, and the umpires eventually agreed.

Tigers 9, Pirates 1

Seth Greisinger (1-3) held Pittsburgh to five hits in eight innings for his first major league victory.

The host Pirates were in danger of being shut out for the third time in four games until scoring in the eighth on Doug Strange's sacrifice fly. Bobby Higginson had a two-run double in a three-run fifth for Detroit.

Red Sox 6, Expos 1

At Boston, Bret Saberhagen pitched seven innings of three-hit ball and Nomar Garciaparra extended his hitting streak to 22 games for the Red Sox.

Saberhagen (10-5) retired the first 10 batters and had still faced the minimum before Shane Andrews homered with one out in the sixth. That was the only run allowed by the two-time Cy Young Award winner, who struck out five and walked none.

Twins 2, Reds 1

Brad Radke, Minnesota's lone All-Star representative, got his ninth win as the Twins halted Cincinnati's five-game winning streak.

Radke (9-6) allowed nine hits and struck out four in six innings after being named to his first All-Star team earlier in the day. Rick Aguilera pitched a perfect bottom of the ninth for his 17th save.

Braves 6, Devil Rays 5

Chipper Jones' second homer of the game — a two-run, two-out shot off Roberto Hernandez in the ninth inning — lifted Atlanta to victory at Tampa Bay.

Jones lined a 1-1 pitch over the right-field wall after Walt Weiss singled off Hernandez (0-3), who was trying to protect a 5-4 lead the Devil Rays took with two runs in the eighth.

Marlins 5, Orioles 3

Livan Hernandez won his fourth straight decision as Florida handed host Baltimore its eighth straight loss.

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FISHING REPORT

Here is the weekly fishing report for July 2 from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department:

CENTRAL

BROWNWOOD: Water fairly clear; 87 degrees; black bass are slow. Crappie are slow on minnows fished in 25 to 30 feet of water. White bass are schooling from sunup to 7a.m.; midday 18-23 feet on white and chartreuse slabs. Channel and blue catfish are slow on cut and prepared baits fished in 5-15 feet of water. Yellow catfish to 10 pounds are fair to good on trotlines baited with live perch.

BUCHANAN: Water clear; 85 degrees; black bass to 4 pounds are slow fair early and late on buzzbaits, spinnerbaits, Slug-go's and floating worms fished in the upper part of the lake. During the day try crankbaits, Carolina or split-shot rigs with 4" worms in motor oil or watermelon. Mainlake points and islands are producing best. Crappie are slow to fair at night under the lights on minnows. White bass fair fished with the same method as crappie. Channel and blue catfish are fair on prepared baits fished in 5 to 10 feet of water. Yellow catfish are fair to 4 pounds on trotlines with live bait.

PROCTOR: Water murky; 86 degrees. Black bass are slow to 4 pounds on shad in 12 feet of water. Crappie are slow on live minnows fished in 15-20 feet of water. Striped bass are slow to 6.6 pounds fished on slabs and live shad in 12 feet of water. Yellow catfish are slow.

SOUTH

AMISTAD: Water fairly clear; 89 degrees; black bass to 12.4 pounds are fair on spinnerbaits fished in 8 to 12 feet of water. Striped bass to 10 pounds are schooling on topwaters. White bass are slow on slabs fished in 20 to 25 feet of water. Crappie are slow on live minnows fished in 20 to 25 feet of water. Channel and blue catfish to 5 pounds are good shrimp fished in 5 to 15 feet of water. Yellow catfish to 21 pounds are fair on trotlines baited with punch bait.

WEST

ALAN HENRY: Water fairly clear; 82 degrees; black bass are slow. Crappie are slow on minnows fished in 15 to 20 feet of water. Channel and blue catfish are slow to fair on prepared. Yellow catfish are slow.

ARROWHEAD: Water clear; 85 degrees; black bass are slow. Crappie to 1.5 pounds are fair to good on minnows fished in 6 feet of water around the derricks. Channel and blue catfish are fair to good night crawlers. Yellow catfish to 36 pounds are fair to good on juglines baited with live perch.

FT PHANTOM HILL: Murky; 84 degrees; black bass to 6.75 pounds are fair to good on Texas-rigged plastic worms and Rat-L-Traps fished in 10 to 15 feet of water. Crappie are fair on minnows fished in 15 feet of water. Hybrid stripers are slow. Channel and blue catfish to 3.4 pounds are fair on prepared baits fished in 20 feet of water. No report on yellow catfish.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water fairly clear; 83 degrees; black bass are fair to 4 pounds on crankbaits in 15-20 feet of water. Crappie are fair on live minnows fished at night in 20 to 25 feet of water. White bass fair to good, being taken on Rat-L-Traps in 8-12 feet of water. Fish are schooling. Hybrid striped bass are slow. Channel and blue catfish are fair on cutbait. Yellow catfish to 40 pounds are fair on trotlines baited with live perch.

KEMP: Water fairly clear; 84 degrees; black bass are slow. Strippers are fair, on slabs and bucktail jigs. Crappie are slow. Channel and blue catfish are fair on prepared baits fished in 5 to 10 feet of water. Yellow catfish to 44 pounds are fair on trotlines baited with live parch.

OAK CREEK: Water fairly clear; 80 degrees; black bass to 3 pounds are fair on topwaters fished early and late in 3 to 6 feet of water and on Texas-rigged worms fished in 10 to 15 feet of water during the day. Crappie are fair to good on minnows fished in 10 to 15 feet of water. White bass are slow to fair Rat-L-Traps, white Road Runners and chartreuse slabs fished in 10 to 18 feet of water. Blue and channel catfish to 5 pounds are good on chicken livers and cut shad fished in 5 to 10 feet of water. Yellow catfish to 81/4 pounds are fair on trotlines baited with perch and goldfish.

O.H. IVIE: Water fairly clear; 80 degrees; black bass to 10 pounds are fair on 4-inch, Carolina-rigged green french fry worms fished in 10 to 15 feet of water on main lake humps and windblown points. Crappie are slow on minnows fished in 25 to 30. White bass are fair on slabs, Rat-L-Traps and minnows fished in 15 to 20 feet of water. Channel and blue catfish to 4 pounds are slow to fair on cutbait and chicken livers fished in 15 to 25 feet of water. Yellow catfish to 15 pounds are slow on trotlines baited with live perch.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water clear; 80 degrees; black bass to 5 1/2 pounds are good early and late on topwaters. As the day heats up the bass are good on Carolina-rigged purple worms fished in 5 to 25 feet of water. Crappie are fair on minnows fished in 20 to 30 feet of water. White bass are schooling early and late and being taken on Rat-L-Traps and Pop R's. Stripers to 10 pounds are good on topwaters early and late and also on live perch fished in 20 to 30 feet of water. Channel and blue catfish are fair to good on prepared baits and chicken livers fished in 4 to 10 feet of water. Yellow catfish to 68 pounds are fair on trotlines baited with shad and perch.

SPENCE: Water fairly clear; 85 degrees; black bass are slow to fair early and late on topwaters. As the day warms, the fish are being taken on Carolina-rigged worms fished in 20 to 25 feet of water. Crappie are slow on minnows fished in 20 to 25 feet on water. Stripers are fair to good early and late on topwaters and Rat-L-Traps fished around the dam. Some good fish are also being taken in the river channel on live shad in 30 to 40 feet of water. White bass are fair to good on topwaters and are schooling early and late around the dam. Channel and blue catfish are fair to good on cutbait and chicken livers fished in 5 to 12 feet of water at night. Yellow catfish are slow.

STAMFORD: Water murky; 81 degrees; black bass are slow on Texas-rigged Power Worms and spinnerbaits fished in 20 feet of water. Crappie are slow on minnows fished in 15 to 20 feet of water. White bass are schooling and being taken on Rat-L-Traps, slabs and topwaters fished in 10 to 15 feet of water. Channel and blue catfish to 4 1/2 pounds are good on punch bait fished in 1 to 7 feet of water. Yellow catfish to 48 pounds are good on trotlines in 15 to 20 feet of water baited with goldfish.

WHITE RIVER: Water fairly clear; 86 degrees; black bass to 4 pounds are slow to fair on spinnerbaits fished in 3 to 15 feet of water. Crappie are slow on minnows fished in 5 to 15 feet of water near the dam. Walleye are slow. Blue and channel catfish to 3 pounds are slow to fair on chicken liver fished in 6 to 12 feet of water.

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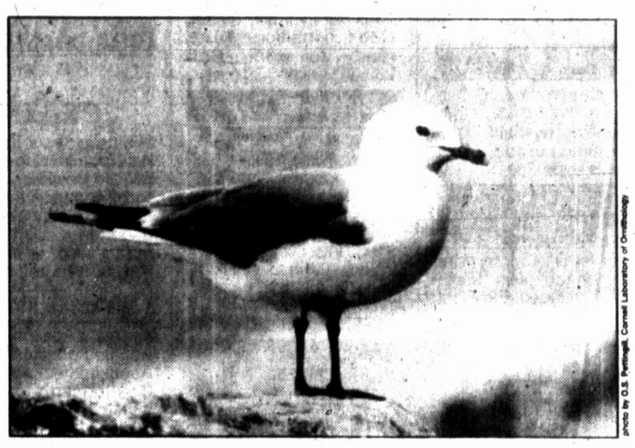
Amazing Survivors

All About Gulls

When we go to the beach or visit a harbor, we often see many "sea" gulls. There are about 45 different kinds of gulls. There are herring gulls, California gulls and ring-billed gulls, to name a few.

Even though gulls have webbed feet and can swim well, they rarely go far out to sea. Many might follow boats in hopes of getting food, but most of these birds don't fly out very far.

Gulls can also be found inland near rivers and lakes. The number of gulls is growing because many have discovered that garbage dumps are very good sources of food!



The adult ring-billed gull has a black ring on its yellow bill. This gull is very common, especially inland.

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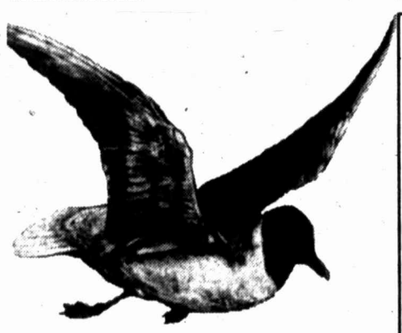

Flying

Gulls may fly more than 100 miles a day while going between their feeding and nesting sites. They depend on their long wings to catch drafts. They also glide a lot.

Large flocks of gulls have become a problem when they've roosted near airports and crashed into planes.

Feeding

Gulls usually follow the coastal shores in search of food.

Often they pick up an oyster or clam, fly up high, and drop the shell to the ground to smash it open.

Gulls catch much of their own food, such as fish, clams and worms. They will eat animals such as rats and rabbits. Often gulls eat the eggs and young of other birds.

You might have seen gulls eating picnic scraps or pieces of bread people have tossed into the air.

Many gulls follow farmers as they plow the fields. Gulls eat the worms, insects and mice the plow brings up. They will eat wheat and grain.

They also find food by scavenging, or eating dead fish and scraps. This ability to scavenge is why they have adjusted so well to dumps and waste sites.

Gulls help humans and the environment by cleaning up dead animals and garbage.

Gulls can drink salt water as well as fresh. They have special glands in their heads to get rid of the extra salt.

Feeding gulls is fun at the beach.

Meet Jane Seymour

As a child, Jane Seymour dreamed of being a ballerina. In fact, she danced until an injury forced her to stop at age 17.

Today, she is an actress. She plays Dr. Quinn on the show "Dr. Quinn, Medicine Woman."

Jane, whose real name is Joyce Frankenburg, grew up in England with two younger sisters. Her father, a doctor, was English and her mother is Dutch.

Her first movie role was in 1973.

She lives in Malibu, Calif., with her husband, director James Keach, and their children. They also have a home in Bath, England.

In her free time, Jane teaches dance and acting to troubled kids.

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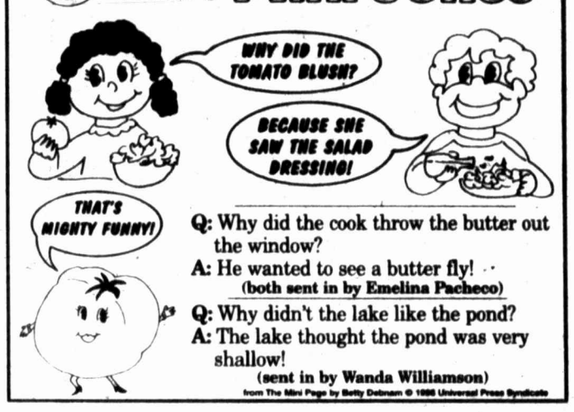

Q: Why did the cook throw the butter out the window?
A: He wanted to see a butter fly!
(both sent in by Emelina Pacheco)

Q: Why didn't the lake like the pond?
A: The lake thought the pond was very shallow!
(sent in by Wanda Williamson)

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Rookie Cookie's Recipe

Chipper Beef

You'll need:

- 3 tablespoons butter or margarine
- 3 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 1½ cups milk
- 1 3-ounce package dried beef
- ½ teaspoon pepper

What to do:

1. Microwave butter or margarine in a medium bowl on HIGH 45 seconds or until melted.
2. Stir in flour until smooth.
3. Add milk. Stir until smooth.
4. Microwave on HIGH 4 to 5 minutes or until smooth. Stir every 2 minutes.
5. Tear dried beef into small pieces. Stir beef and pepper into sauce. Mix well.
6. Microwave on HIGH 1 to 2 minutes or until warm. Pour equal amounts over English muffins or toast.

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GULLS TRY 'N FIND

Words about gulls are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. See if you can find: GULLS, NESTS, WATER, CLIFFS, ROOFTOPS, PARENTS, EGGS, CHICKS, FLOCK, TERN, BILL, GROUND, SEA, FISH, CAP, CATCH, DIVE, LAND, FEED, FLY.

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Mini Spy . . .

Mini Spy and Alpha Mouse are watching the sea birds on their beach walk. See if you can find:

- letter A
- snake
- number 3
- word MINI
- fish
- flying duck
- bell
- peanut
- lipstick
- letter I
- question mark
- number 7

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Gull Family Members

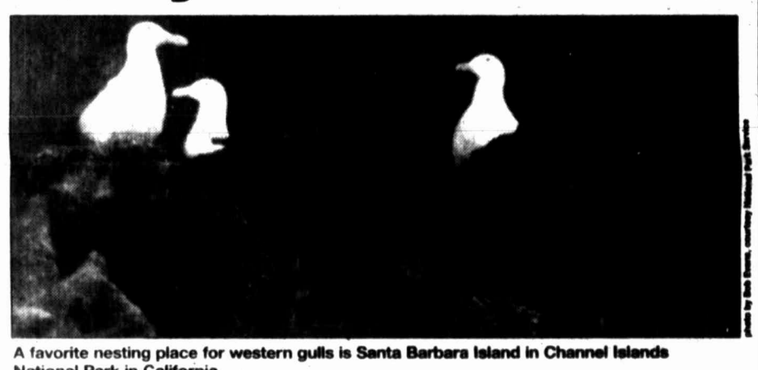
Nesting

Most gulls build their nests on the ground near water. Some build nests on cliffs or in trees. A few even build on rooftops and chimney stacks.

Both parents help hatch the eggs and feed the chicks. Females usually lay two or three eggs once a year.

After the breeding season, each mate goes its own way until it is again ready to breed. Gulls often meet their same mates and breed at the same nesting spot every year.

Gulls do not have nests when they are not breeding, but roost near food sources on offshore islands or sandbars.



A favorite nesting place for western gulls is Santa Barbara Island in Channel Islands National Park in California.

photo by Bob Evans, courtesy National Park Service

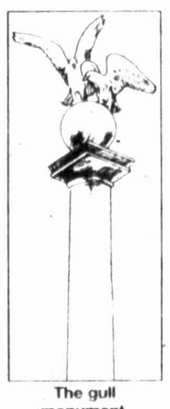
The Utah state bird

In 1848, groups of settlers in what is now Utah had just planted their first crops. They had little food left and were hundreds of miles from any place they could buy more. They desperately needed the food from their new crops.

Then a real-life nightmare struck. Millions of grasshoppers swarmed onto their fields and began destroying their crops.

Just in time, a huge flock of gulls flew from the Great Salt Lake and ate the insects. The gulls saved the settlers' food, and probably their lives. The settlers believed the coming of the gulls was a miracle.

The sea gull is the state bird of Utah. It is honored by a monument in Salt Lake City.



The gull monument.

Meet the tern

Terns are close relatives of gulls.

Terns are generally smaller and slimmer than gulls. Terns fly with their bills and heads pointed down. Gulls fly with their bills pointed forward.

Terns are more graceful than gulls. They are called "sea swallows."

Terns eat only the fish they catch. They are not the scavengers that gulls are.

Terns dive for their food. Gulls usually land on the water to feed.

Some terns have forked tails. Most gulls do not.

The common tern has a black-tipped orange bill, a split tail and a black cap.

photo by Uve Hustitz for the Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology

Meet the pelican

Pelicans are distant cousins of gulls. They have long bills and sagging throats. They are excellent fliers. Some fly hundreds of miles a day in search of food.

Pelicans eat mostly fish. They use their throat pouches as nets. They can scoop up as much as two gallons of water. They swallow the fish soon after they catch them.

Pelicans like to be together. They fly, roost, feed and breed in groups. When pelicans fly in a group, they will follow the leader in a line.

Pelicans can live long lives of up to 25 years. One pelican in a zoo lived to be 54 years old!

The brown pelican is the only pelican that dives underwater for fish.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
Close relating reveals a viewpoint that could confuse you more. Pressure intensifies around money. All the talk in the world isn't going to change the situation. Stay as clear and direct as you can. Time reveals a broader perspective. Tonight: A close encounter.*****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
You rain on your own parade. Pull back, and take responsibility. It seems that someone doesn't think the way you do. Confusion surrounds your home life. Nothing will change now. A boss's messages aren't clear. Ask for more feedback. Tonight: Scurry out the door.****

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
Work needs to be primary, especially if you want to get out the door early. Confirm meetings and appointments; don't stand on ceremony. Communications are off; you are tired. Thinking grows more muddled as the day progresses. Tonight: Get a good night's sleep.***

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
Tap into your creativity, and let it all hang out. Your humor helps you, even if doesn't make those around you more cheery. Someone is unusually somber, but listen to him graciously. Use special care with money. Tonight: Welcome the weekend with open arms.****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
Someone doesn't mean to pressure you, but that is how you feel. Establish stronger boundaries. Perhaps you need to bow out more often. Work is demanding, and a family member reacts to your professional push. Don't worry about a tiff; it will pass. Tonight: Head home.***

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
Consider what you want from someone. It might be very little, perhaps simply some moral support. Your pace becomes hectic; delay plans, if need be. Confirm all appointments. There could be a change. Make yourself a priority. Tonight: Listen to favorite music.****

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
You try to balance everything. Juggling seems to backfire now. A loved one lets you know that you have enough on your plate. He could be disillusioned. A partner is unusually difficult, but that isn't new. Curb confusion; just ask. Tonight: Spend time with a loved one.***

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
Though you feel energetic, you still cannot resolve a domestic matter. Don't take it personally; that's the kind of day this is. A boss is also unusually foggy and indirect. Maintain a sense of humor, and proceed with your good sense. Tonight: Beam in what you want.****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
Consider taking a day off. You need downtime to get yourself centered. You have an odd sense of what is needed. Intuition is off. Pressure is intense at work, and may be more than you care to handle. Tonight: A good night's sleep.**

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
Aim for what you want. Being shy doesn't cut it, especially if you are dealing with financial matters. A loved one continues to be demanding and draining. A decision needs rethinking, as you will see later in the day. Tonight: Spend time with friends!****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
Others look to you for feedback. Accept your responsibilities, but do not take on anything else. You are happy that others defer now, but in the long run, you won't like it. A family member needs your attention. Advice only brings confusion! Tonight: Clean up details at work.***

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
Your mind is already in weekend mode. Intuition is off; don't rely on it. Your reverie interferes with communications and getting the job done. If you can, take the day off. If you can't, stay as focused as possible. You won't want to do any extra work. Tonight: Escape.****

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Grandpa with early bedtime gets heave-ho from wedding

DEAR ABBY: Please correct me if I am wrong, but I believe my cousin, "Lenore," is the most selfish person I know.

Lenore is getting married in an evening ceremony and has decided to dis-invite our grandfather, Pop-Pop. Pop-Pop was so excited about attending, he bought a new suit and showed it off to everyone who visited him.

ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

Pop-Pop's health is failing and he goes to bed early — 8:00 p.m. The wedding is at 6:00 p.m., and Lenore and her mother (my aunt) have decided it would interrupt the "perfect wedding" if Pop-Pop were to leave early, so he has been told to stay home. This means Grandmom will attend her first grandchild's wedding alone. Also, my grandparents will have to pay for a nurse to stay with Pop-Pop.

Many people have volunteered to take Pop-Pop home when he becomes tired, but my cousin and her mother say the decision has been made.

What do you think, Abby? Isn't it awful to exclude Pop-Pop just because he is old? — APPALLED COUSIN

DEAR APPALLED COUSIN: Yes, it is awful, particularly since your grandfather was looking forward to attending the wedding. Short of boycotting the wedding, there is little to be done. Lenore's day, however, will be perfect in her eyes only. The rest of the family will remember it as the day Pop-Pop was dishonored.

NOT CONFIDENTIAL TO MORT: Happy 59th anniversary, Darling. Thank you for making me the luckiest married woman alive.

To receive a collection of Abby's most memorable — and most frequently requested — poems and essays, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby's "Keepers," P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

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6 PM :30	News (CC) Fortune	Simpsons Home Imp.	Science Guy Creatures	Ultimate Adventures	News Grace Under	News (CC) Fortune	News Seinfeld (CC)	Andy Griffith Andy Griffith	Sin Ti	Movie: Annie (CC)	Waltons (CC)	(5:50) Movie: Marathon	"	(CC) "	Kendalls John Hagee	Law & Order (CC)	Gimme Shelter	Babylon 5 (CC)	Last Word Sports News	Sportscenter Major League	Great Sioux Uprising	Planet Groove
7 PM :30	C-16 (CC) "	Movie: Intensity (CC)	Scenic Rail Journeys	Rescue 911 (CC)	NASCAR: 50 Years	C-16 (CC)	Friends (CC) Suddenly	(:05) Thunder (CC)	Esmeralda	"	Mesquite Rodeo	Man (CC)	Movie: The Inkwell (CC)	Movie: Born on the Fourth	Light of the Southwest	Biography	Wild Discovery	Movie: A Fire in the Sky	Major League Baseball:	Soccer: Fusion at	Movie: Voyage to the	"
8 PM :30	Prey (CC) "	"	Mystery! (CC)	Movie: Deception: A	Diagnosis Murder (CC)	Prey (CC)	Seinfeld (CC) Just Shoot Me	(:05) Thunder (CC)	Pueblo Chico P. Impacto	(:10) Movie: Hocus Pocus	Prime Time Country (CC)	Movie: Marshal Law	"	of July "	"	Unexplained	Into Unknown Movie Magic	"	Chicago White Sox at	United Billiards: 9-	Bottom of the Sea (CC)	Hit List "
9 PM :30	Thursday Night (CC)	Team Knight Rider	Nova (CC)	Mother's Secret	48 Hours (CC)	Thursday Night (CC)	ER (CC)	(:05) Movie: Cobra	Bienvenidos	(CC) "	Today's Country (CC)	(:40) Movie:	My Best Friend's	Comedy Jam	News Life in-Word	Poirot	Wings	"	Houston Astros	Ball Baseball	Movie: Crash Dive	Comicview
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11 PM :30	Politically Inc. Hollywood	Vibe "	Fleetwood Mac	Bonanza-Lost	Show (CC) Married... With	Ent. Tonight Politically Inc.	Show (CC)	(:10) Thunder (CC)	Al Ritmo de la Noche	Zorro (CC) Mickey Mouse	Dukes of Hazzard (CC)	(:20) Movie:	SG-1 Beverly Hills	Arliss (CC) Sex and-City	Duplantis Ask Joe Good	Biography	Wild Discovery	Movie: When Time Ran	FOX Sports News	Baseball Surfing: Pro	Bend of the River (CC)	227 (CC) Midnight Love
12 AM :30	(12:06) Ricki Lake	Magic Hour (CC)	Rock & Roll (CC)	Paid Program Paid Program	Late Late Show	News Ent. Tonight	(11:47) Late Night (CC)	(12:10) Thunder (CC)	Club America	Movie: Never a Dull	Prime Time Country (CC)	New York Cop	Compromising Movie: Dead	Movie: She's the One (CC)	Light of the Southwest	Unexplained	Into Unknown Movie Magic	Out "	Last Word Golf	Bodybuilding Amer. Muscle	Movie:	"

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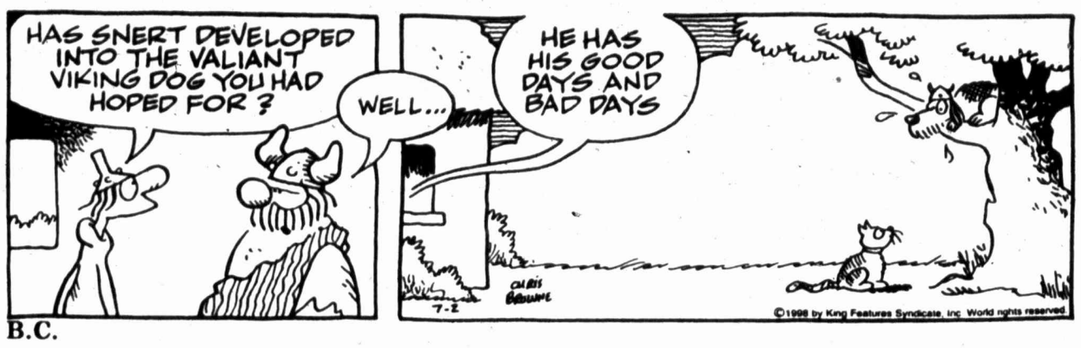

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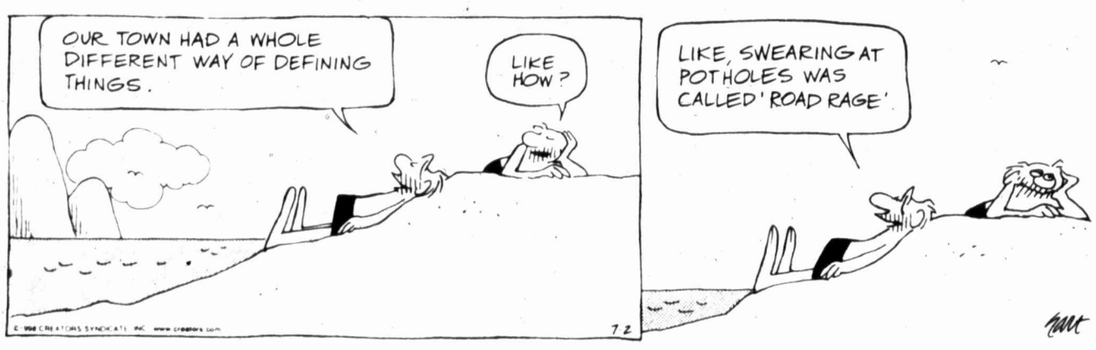
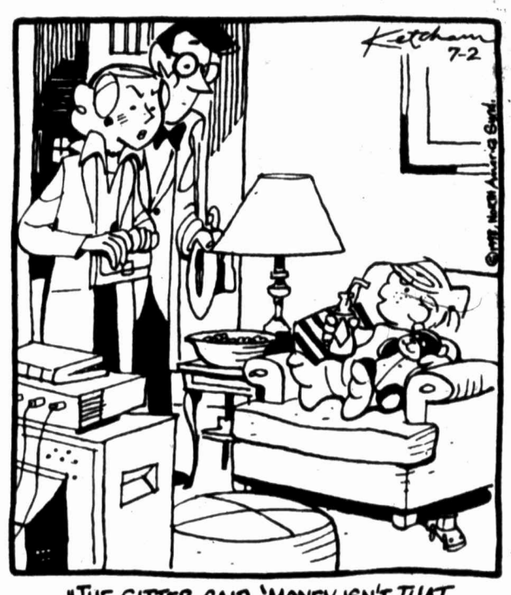


FAMILY CIRCUS

"I hafta go to the bathroom. Could you put the game on 'pause'?"

DENNIS THE MENACE



"THE SITTER SAID, 'MONEY ISN'T *THAT* IMPORTANT,' AND LEFT."

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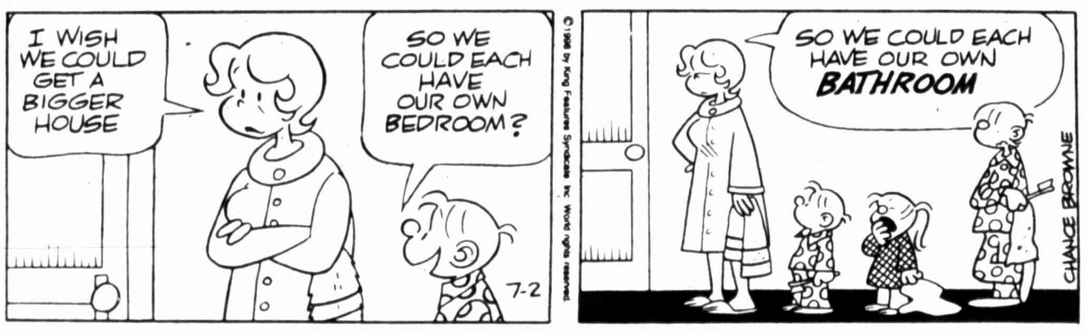

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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

Today is Thursday, July 2, the 183rd day of 1998. There are 182 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 2, 1776, the Continental Congress passed a resolution saying that "these United Colonies are, and of right, ought to be, Free and Independent States."

On this date:

In 1566, Nostradamus, French astrologer, physician and prophet, died in Salon.

In 1881, President Garfield was shot by Charles J. Guiteau at the Washington railroad station; Garfield died the following September.

In 1890, Congress passed the Sherman Antitrust Act.

In 1926, the U. S. Army Air Corps was created.

In 1937, aviator Amelia Earhart and navigator Fred Noonan disappeared over the Pacific Ocean while attempting to make the first round-the-world flight at the equator.

In 1947, an object crashed near Roswell, N.M.; the Army Air Force later insisted it was a weather balloon, but eyewitness accounts gave rise to speculation about an alien spacecraft.

In 1955, "The Lawrence Welk Show" premiered on ABC television.

In 1961, author Ernest Hemingway shot himself to death at his home in Ketchum, Idaho.

In 1964, President Johnson signed into law a sweeping civil rights bill passed by Congress.

In 1976, the Supreme Court ruled that the death penalty was not inherently cruel or unusual.

In 1987, 18 illegal aliens were found dead inside a locked boxcar near Sierra Blanca, Texas, in what authorities called a botched smuggling attempt; one man survived.

Ten years ago: 19-year-old Steffi Graf defeated eight-time Wimbledon winner Martina Navratilova to capture her first Wimbledon crown.

Five years ago: The White House acknowledged that it had erred in firing seven travel office employees and urging the FBI to investigate them. Sheik Omar Abdel-Rahman, some of whose followers were accused in the bombing of the World Trade Center, surrendered to immigration officials in New York City.

One year ago: Actor James Stewart died in Beverly Hills, Calif., at age 89.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Brock Peters ("To Kill a Mockingbird") is 71. Former Philippine first lady Imelda Marcos is 69. Jazz musician Ahmad Jamal is 68. Actress Polly Holliday is 61. Former White House chief of staff John Sununu is 59. Actor Ron Silver is 52. Luci Baines Johnson Turpin, daughter of President Johnson, is 51. Actor Saul Rubinek is 50. Rock musician Roy Bittan (Bruce Springsteen & the E Street Band) is 49. Actress Cheryl Ladd is 47. Actress-model Jerry Hall is 42.

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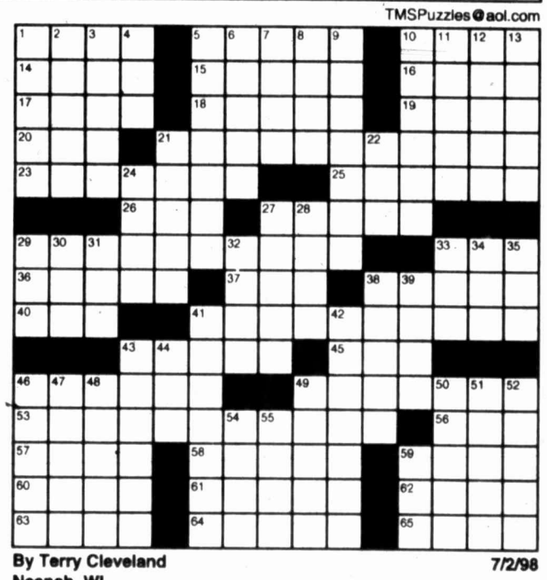

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