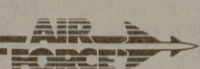


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Wednesday, October 13, 1993

## Researchers attempt to find cause of border birth defects

The Associated Press

HARLINGEN — No one offered proof Tuesday that pollution has caused high birth-defect rates in the Lower Rio Grande Valley, but several researchers agreed on a need to increase environmental monitoring.

"We need to look in the community at potential associations between neural tube defects and environmental contaminants," Dr. Lowell Sever said at the International Conference on Neural Tube Defects.

"There are some suspects, but there is not clear evidence that suggests that occupational or environmental chemicals cause these kinds of birth defects," said Sever, a staff scientist at the Battelle Seattle Research Center.

The main neural tube defects are anencephaly and spina bifida, both of which remain baffling to researchers.

Doctors have detected abnormal rates of the rare defects on both sides of the border in the Lower Rio Grande Valley, prompting fears that industrial pollution or pesticides were at least partly to blame.

Sever said a few studies have suggested that parental exposures to chemical solvents or pesticides may be associated with higher incidence of neural tube defects.

But he said the studies, because of extremely small samples and other limitations, fell far short of proving a link.

"There's really no smoking gun for neural tube defects," Sever said. Many conference participants said that folic acid supplements significantly reduce a woman's risk of giving birth to a baby with a neural tube defect. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration is considering a proposal to fortify staple foods with folic acid, a B vitamin found in fresh vegetables, citrus fruits and many multivitamin pills.

Scientists and government officials agreed that the Brownsville-Matamoros environment needed more regular monitoring for air and water pollution.

Dr. Elaine Francis of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency said earlier studies by the Texas Department of Health and the Centers for Disease Control showed that little was known about environmental exposures in the region.

## Police Beat

The following incidents were reported to University Police Department between Sept. 28-Oct. 6.

### Assault

Parking Area 26 - A Parking Services Officer was preparing to tow a vehicle for the accumulation of unpaid citations. The owner entered the vehicle and backed into the officer, pushing him out of the way.

### Disorderly Conduct by Exposure

Hensel Park - Citation issued.

### Burglary of Vehicle

Parking Area 26 - A Pioneer AM/FM stereo cassette player was removed from the dashboard.

### Driving While Intoxicated/Public Intoxication

University Drive - The erratic operation of a motor vehicle led to the arrests of the motorist and his passenger.

Parking Area 55 - An intoxicated motorist was detected exceeding the 20 mph posted speed limit and was arrested.

### Burglary of Coin-Operated Machine

MSC - The victim reported that someone is apparently using a key to remove the money from six newspaper vending machines.

### Misdemeanor Theft

Various Campus Locations - 12 bicycles were stolen.

College View Apartments - Seven suitcases were stolen from the front porch of the victim's apartment.

Sterling C. Evans Library - Someone lifted the top of a glass display case and stole two T-shirts, two caps, and two shot glasses.

Eppright Hall - The license plate and bracket with an attached motorcycle permit were stolen from the victim's motorcycle.

### Minor in Possession of Alcoholic Beverage

Various Campus Locations - 12 citations issued.

### Criminal Mischief

Moore Hall - Someone has tampered with the victim's telephone number in such a manner that when his number is called, the caller is re-routed to a telephone advertisement.

College Avenue Apartments - Someone damaged the victim's vehicle by removing the door lock on the passenger's door and inflicting two scratch marks on the driver's door.

### Furnishing Alcoholic Beverage to a Minor

Parking Area 42 - One citation issued.

### Places Weapons Prohibited

Parking Area 61 - A 1988 Chevrolet pickup truck was observed parked on campus with a 12 gauge shotgun displayed in the gun rack.

### Burglary of Building

Military Sciences Building - Ten color prints with burgundy frames were stolen from the walls of the basement floor. The pictures depicted scenes of historic battles.

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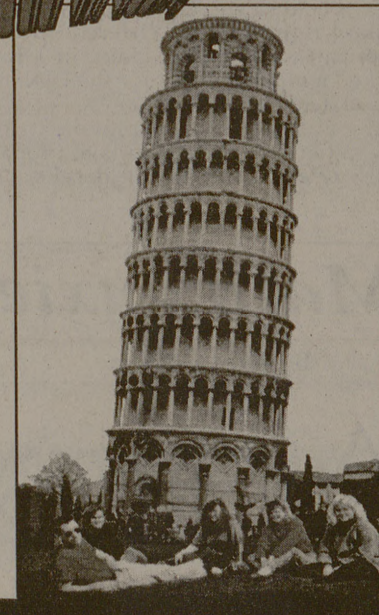
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## WHAT ON EARTH IS HAPPENING TO TELEVISION?

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
7:00 am	Sci-Fi Cartoon Quest (in progress)	Sci-Fi Cartoon Quest (in progress)	Sci-Fi Cartoon Quest (in progress)	Sci-Fi Cartoon Quest (in progress)	Sci-Fi Cartoon Quest (in progress)	Informational Programming (in progress)	Original Program Inside Space
8:00 am	Lost in Space	Lost in Space	Lost in Space	Lost in Space	Lost in Space	Sci-Fi Cartoon Quest	Mysteries
9:00 am	Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea	Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea	Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea	Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea	Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea	Sci-Fi Cartoon Quest	Sci-Fi Buzz
10:00 am	Dark Shadows	Dark Shadows	Dark Shadows	Dark Shadows	Dark Shadows	Flash Gordon	My Secret Identity
11:00 am	Dark Shadows	Dark Shadows	Dark Shadows	Dark Shadows	Dark Shadows	One Step Beyond	My Secret Identity
12:00 pm	Moonlight Matinee	Moonlight Matinee	Moonlight Matinee	Moonlight Matinee	Moonlight Matinee	Space: 1999	Mysteries of Science
1:00 pm	Dr. Who/Classic Cliffhangers Hour	Dr. Who/Classic Cliffhangers Hour	Dr. Who/Classic Cliffhangers Hour	Dr. Who/Classic Cliffhangers Hour	Dr. Who/Classic Cliffhangers Hour	Moonlight Matinee	Time Tunnel
2:00 pm	Land of the Giants	Land of the Giants	Land of the Giants	Land of the Giants	Land of the Giants	Moonlight Matinee	Moonlight Matinee
3:00 pm	Lost in Space	Lost in Space	Lost in Space	Lost in Space	Lost in Space	Radiation Theater	Radiation Theater
4:00 pm	Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea	Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea	Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea	Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea	Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea		
5:00 pm	The Incredible Hulk	The Incredible Hulk	The Incredible Hulk	The Incredible Hulk	The Incredible Hulk	Starman	Starman
6:00 pm	Night Gallery	Night Gallery	Night Gallery	Night Gallery	Night Gallery	Alien Nation	Amazing Stories
7:00 pm	Hitchcock Presents	Hitchcock Presents	Hitchcock Presents	Hitchcock Presents	Hitchcock Presents	Amazing Stories	Amazing Stories
7:30 pm	Battlestar Galactica/Buck Rogers	Battlestar Galactica/Buck Rogers	Battlestar Galactica/Buck Rogers	Battlestar Galactica/Buck Rogers	Battlestar Galactica/Buck Rogers	Sci-Fi Feature Film	The Prisoner
8:00 pm	Sci-Fi Series Collection	Sci-Fi Series Collection	Sci-Fi Series Collection	Sci-Fi Series Collection	Sci-Fi Series Collection		
9:00 pm	The Invaders	The Invaders	The Invaders	The Invaders	The Invaders	Tales Darkside	Original Program
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