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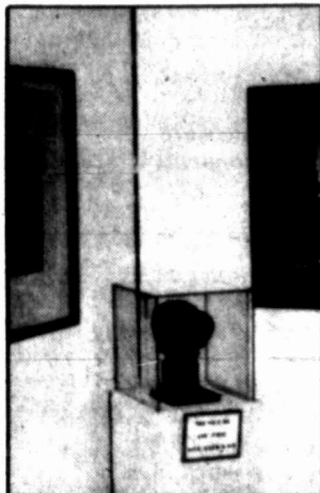
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NEWS DIGEST



▲ Tossing the crushed in with the others

After picking up a handful of crushed cans, Crystal Wingert throws the cans into a bin with hundreds of others during Saturday's recycling drive by the Howard County Coalition for the Environment.



◀ Exhibit ready

Paintings and other works of art sit in the main entrance of the Heritage Museum as the facility is currently hosting the 20th anniversary exhibit of the Permian Basin Museums Institute.

Physics ▶ in action

Meredith Mueller watches as Gretchen Mueller pulls on a rope to demonstrate the physics of flight as part of the permanent flight display at the Heritage Museum Wednesday.



■ Briefs

- **Book sale slated:** Howard College's Writer's Club, Thistles, will conduct a book sale from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Friday, April 6-8, in Howard College Student Union Building. They promise great prices on used books.
- **Health fair slated:** "Spotlight on Family Health" will be the theme for Health Fair 1994 set for 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 7 at Big Spring Mall. Those interested in being an exhibitor or giving demonstrations should call the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce at 263-7641.
- **Blood drive slated:** The Big Spring community will conduct a blood drive sponsored by the VA Hospital from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Thursday, April 7, in the hospital's activity room. All healthy persons age 17 and older are invited to give blood during the drive.

■ Weather

• **Sunny, high in the 60s:** Tonight, partly cloudy, low in the upper 40s, south winds 10 to 15 mph.
 • **Permian Basin Forecast:**
Tuesday: Mostly sunny with a high around 80. Low in the upper 40s.
Wednesday: Partly cloudy. Low in the lower 50s. High in the mid 70s.
Thursday: Mostly sunny. Low in the mid 40s. High in the mid 70s.

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2,179 abused children in county

Awareness month explores causes and means to help the abused child

By KELLIE JONES
Staff Writer

According to Federal Bureau of Investigation statistics, 2,179 children are being abused in Howard County. That number may be staggering, but it is a fact according to Rape Crisis/Victim Services.

Between October 1992 and September 1993, there were nine cases of child physical abuse, 55 cases of child sexual abuse, three cases of indecency with a child and seven cases of aggravated sexual assault of a child reported to the Big Spring Police Department and Rape Crisis/Victim Services.

Why is there such a difference between what is happening and what is being reported? Officials at Rape Crisis/Victim Services say there are a number of reasons such as the child is too scared to tell someone, does not know what happened to them is wrong or they do not know who they can talk to if it is a parent who has committed the crime.

I asked you for help and you told me you

would.
If I told you the things my dad did to me. It was really hard for me to say all those things, but you told me to trust you. Then you made me repeat them to 14 different strangers.

I asked you for privacy and you sent two policemen to my school in front of everyone. To "go downtown" for a talk in their black and white car.

Like I was the one being busted.*

According to FBI statistics, one in three girls will be sexually abused by age 18 and one in five boys will be sexually abused by the time they reach the age of 18. Education can help prevent sexual exploitation of children. Children and adolescents can learn to recognize potentially exploitative situations and can learn to say "no" to inappropriate touching. Parents and schools can teach these skills to children.

"Any person must (according to law) report child abuse to Child Protective Services or a Child Abuse Hotline. Persons in helping professions are required to report suspected abuse. Please see ABUSE, page 2

Rape Crisis-Victim Services there when you need them

By KELLIE JONES
Staff Writer

Sexual assault and rape are the most underreported crimes in the country. Lack of knowledge and fear of being scrutinized by the public are reasons why.

Because of this, April is being designated as Sexual Assault Awareness Month and Rape Crisis/Victim Services want people to know that they are available 24 hours a day to assist victims and their families.

Between Oct. 1992 and Sept. 1993, there were 50 cases of sexual assault reported and the Rape Crisis/Victim Services officials say that number is just a fraction of the actual number of times this crime occurs.

"The community needs to know that this happens everywhere, even in Big Spring. It's important for the victim to know that they are not alone and people need to understand what they are going through. We need to make society and the community take a look at their own beliefs and ask themselves what can we do to prevent this," said Victim Assistance Outreach Coordinator Colleen Craver. Often times, the victim is put under a microscope more than the assailant. People ask what she was wearing, what was she doing in that

Reward time: Drawing on the pavement

By KELLIE JONES
Staff Writer

Drawing on the sidewalk with chalk is one way that Bauer Elementary rewards its students who receive A's in conduct.

Last Thursday, first through fifth graders braved the windy and cool weather for a chance to draw their favorite pictures or sayings on the sidewalks surrounding the school.

Among the favorite pictures were the Easter bunny, Easter baskets and references to bringing former Dallas Cowboy head coach Jimmy Johnson back to Texas Stadium.

This is the first year that Principal Andre Clark has awarded her students for good behavior. At the end of each month, those children who made an A in conduct are rewarded with a VIP/Good Behavior Party. "We have had a play day, a mini-carnival, popcorn and a movie and ice cream floats this year. I attended a principal's conference last summer and heard about how others award their students and the idea just sprang from there," said Clark.

"We teach assertive discipline and reward the child who has good behavior. Assertive discipline shows the child how to discipline themselves. This is something they strive for and is a motivational tool to behave in class," said Clark.

Out of the 310 students at Bauer, 222 were able to participate in the March party.

"We have seen a change in the school. They are striving very hard to be good. It is much more pleasant around here. They are creating good life-long habits," said Clark.

"They look forward to it. They want to complete their assignments and behave well in class, in the cafeteria and at P.E. They really get excited and like doing something fun with their classmates," said Estella Aguirre, a fourth grade teacher.

"You get to have fun and color on the sidewalks," said fourth grader Christina Muniz. "You don't have to do schoolwork!," added fourth grader Raul Garza.

Coahoma students debate, talk, write to the top

By BARBARA MORRISON
Staff Writer

COAHOMA — Resolved: That the United States should place greater emphasis on humanitarian considerations in the conduct of its foreign policy.

This statement is what Coahoma's Jamie Wright successfully argued in the recent District 6AA University Interscholastic League Academic Meet staged in Stanton on March 23 and 28.

"It took me a long time to get there," explained Wright, a senior at Coahoma High School. "But I finally did it. I won!"

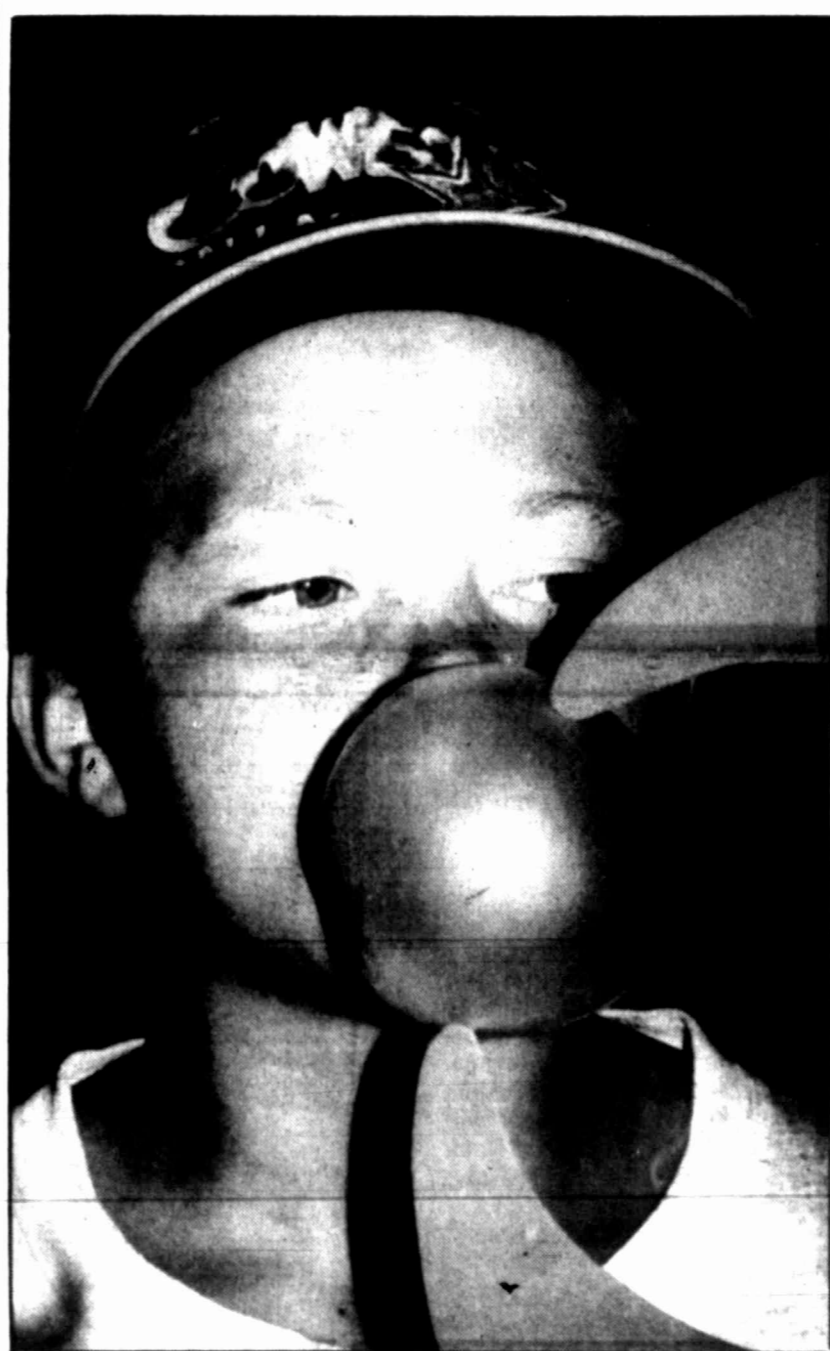
Wright explains she and several others have been competing in the district competition for the past several years. "I never gave up and the work paid off," she explains. "Winning was really neat."

Wright took first place in the Lincoln Douglas debate style. In order to obtain that achievement, she went through nine rounds of preliminaries — arguing both affirmative and negative, for and against the resolution. "It seemed like I was debating all day," she sighed.

In arguing the case, Wright explained the debater must take a stand and place an American value on trial. "You have to show whether



Coahoma High School administrators are extremely pleased with the recent efforts of their University Interscholastic League competitors. Seven students earned the right to advance to the regional competition. Pictured from left are: Jamie Wright, Angela Crippen, Kelly Gray, Donna Spindler, Justin Wood and Bethany Graves. Not pictured is Denyce Hays.



How big can you blow?

Brandon Long holds still as his bubble gets measured during a bubble-blowing contest at the Big Spring Mall Saturday afternoon.

Moore board, city meet jointly

Personnel matters top of a joint executive session

By TIM JONES
Staff Writer

Two meeting announcements were posted separately April 1 for a joint meeting between representatives of the Moore Development For Big Spring Board and Big Spring's City Council.

Moore Board and the council will meet Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce board room, 215 W. Third St.

The two entities can and will be meeting together Wednesday in an executive session, according to Mayor Tim Blackshear.

The Moore Board's printed agenda indicates they will meet in executive session "to discuss personnel." Following will be "consideration of any action required as a result of executive session."

The city's agenda indicates "discussion of City Manager, Lanny S. Lambert." Then, they will reconvene into open session "to take any action which may be necessary."

The Moore Agenda was posted at 2:15 p.m. Friday and the City Council agenda at 2:05 p.m.



Helping hand

Toddler Anna Gonzales holds the basket as mother Nery Gonzales reaches down to pick up a candy egg for her during an Easter egg hunt along Sgt. Paredes Street Saturday afternoon.

Springboard

To submit an item to Springboard, put it in writing and mail or deliver it to us one week in advance. Mail to: Springboard, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79720; or bring it by the office, 710 Scurry.

Today

- There will be gospel singing at the Kentwood Center on Lynn Drive at 7 p.m. Everyone welcome. For information call 393-5709.
- Tops Club (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) will meet 6:30 p.m. Weigh-in starts at 6 p.m. at Canterbury South, 1700 Lancaster. For more information please call 263-1340 or 263-8633.
- Al-A-Teen will meet 7:30 p.m., 615 Settles.
- New Phoenix Hope group of Narcotics Anonymous will meet 8 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad.
- Turning Point A.A. will meet from 8 to 9 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad. This meeting is open to all substance abusers.
- Howard County Youth Horsemen will meet 7 p.m. at Howard County Youth Horsemen Arena Clubhouse. For more information call Paula Perry at 393-5617.

Tuesday

- Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209

UIL

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this value, like freedom, is restricted or upheld within the present system of foreign policy," she explained.

Coordinator Dottie Rogers was ecstatic. "These kids did great," she said. More than 100 contestants participated in the competition including 35 CHS competitors.

"The school administration is so proud. We've received a tremendous amount of support and encouragement from our superintendent, Sonny Monroe, and our principal, Larry Hudson. They've been wonderful and really want the academic program to grow."

Debate, however, was not the only success for CHS. The school made a clean sweep in the Persuasive Speaking division.

Senior Donna Spindler led the way by winning first place, followed by sophomore Bethany Graves in second and senior Justin Wood placed third. Angela Crippen won the Informative Speaking title.

Persuasive speaking requires the speaker to draw a topic from a pool, research the topic and then be able to give an informative speech which will force the listener to make a decision regarding the subject.

"We've had to speak on anything from Kerrigan to Bosnia," explained

Wright St., has free bread and whatever else is available for area needy from 10 a.m. to noon.

•The Big Spring Senior Citizens Center will have ceramics classes from 9:30-11:30 a.m.; 55 and older invited.

•Pastoral counseling offered by Samaritan Counseling Center will be at First Christian Church located at 10th and Goliad. For an appointment call 1-800-329-4144.

•Family support group for current and former patients and families will meet at the Reflections Unit at Scenic Mountain Medical Center at 6 p.m. For information call Scott Augustine at 263-0074.

•Al-Anon will meet 8 p.m. at 615 Settles.

•Diabetic support group for all seniors will meet 2 p.m. at Canterbury South. For more information call 263-1265.

•VFW Post #2013 will meet 7 p.m. at the VFW hall.

•Coahoma Senior Center Project Group will meet 11 a.m. at the Coahoma Community Center, 306, North Ave. Visitors welcome. For more information call 394-4439.

•A.A.R.P. will meet 10 a.m. at the Kentwood Center. For more information call Lucille Hopper at 267-7046.

•The Big Spring Bass Club will meet 7 p.m. at the Elks Lodge. Public invited.

•Support group for MS and related diseases will meet 7 p.m. at Canterbury South, 1700 Lancaster.

Graves. "We both drew the same topic and had to fight over the magazines in the preliminaries," laughed Spindler.

Both girls gave presentations discussing the feasibility of the elections in South Africa producing a true democracy. "And we both won," they laughed.

Senior Kelly Gray will also advance to the regional competition. Gray placed third in the Prose category with his interpretation of University Days by James Thurber.

"It's a humorous piece," said Gray, "and it's real hard sometimes for humor to go against the serious dramatic. But it's my favorite piece and I enjoy it."

One of the special effects Gray has added is using an English accent when speaking one of the roles. "That usually gets a comment from the judges," he laughs. "They like it when I go from English to Texan."

Denycy Hays will represent the district in the Accounting division. Hays earned that right by placing third at the Stanton competition.

In addition to Rogers, the team is coached by Sarah Crippen, Carrie Conley, Mary Rowell, Dicky Stone and Marva Pruitt. The group will travel to Abilene for the regional meet on April 23.

James A. Howard

Services for James A. Howard, 49, Big Spring, will be 10 a.m. Tuesday, April 5, 1994 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Rev. Ed Walker, pastor of Baptist Temple Church, officiating. Interment will follow in Trinity Memorial Park under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Mr. Howard died Sunday, April 3 at his residence.

He was born Aug. 21, 1944 in Tarzan. He had lived in Big Spring for two years and had worked for AMOCO for several years. Mr. Howard was a member of Baptist Temple Church and had served in the United States Army.

Survivors include one son: Todd Howard, Lubbock; three sisters: Annette Howard, Andrea Howard, both of Big Spring, and Patsy Ford, Midland; one brother: Keith Howard, Big Spring; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

Jesse G. Esquibel, Sr., 67, died Thursday. Funeral Mass will be 2:00 p.m., Monday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, with interment at Mount Olive.

James Parham, 69, died Thursday. Graveside services will be 10:30 a.m., Wednesday at Colorado City Cemetery.

CINEMARK THEATRES

MOVIES 4 Big Spring Mall 263-2479

*MAJOR LEAGUE 2 PG STEREO Call 263-2479 for movie times

*MIGHTY DUCKS II PG STEREO Call 263-2479 for movie times

*NAKED GUN 33 1/3 PG-13 STEREO Call 263-2479 for movie times

LIGHTNING JACK PG-13 STEREO Call 263-2479 for movie times

*Pass & Super Saver Restricted

Public invited. For information call 267-1069.

•Family support group for current and former patients and families will meet at the Reflections Unit at Scenic Mountain Medical Center at 6 p.m. For more information call Scott Augustine at 263-0074.

•Al-Anon will meet 8 p.m. at 615 Settles.

•Diabetic support group for all

Abuse

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Offenders do not seek treatment voluntarily; abuse will most likely continue unless a report is made. It is very important to reassure a child that he or she did nothing wrong and is not to blame," said Loretta Burns, education coordinator/case manager at Rape Crisis/Victim Services.

I asked you for help and you gave me a doctor with cold metal gadgets and cold hands who spread my legs and stared, just like my father. Who said it wouldn't hurt, just like my father, who said not to cry. Just like my father. He said I looked fine - good news for you, you said. Bad news for my case."

"Sexual abuse does happen to boys but it's harder for society to accept it. If an adolescent is raped by a 36-year-old woman, people say he was lucky, that there was nothing wrong," said Victim Assistance Outreach Coordinator Colleen Craver.

Sexual abuse often begins when a child is young and lasts several years. Most children do not tell anyone about sexual abuse and the typical offender is a male using his position of power to take advantage of a child's trust. Child sexual abuse occurs in all socio-economic and racial groups and children rarely lie about sexual abuse incidents.

According to Rape Crisis/Victim Services, 80 to 90 percent of the offenders are known to the child and 60 percent of rapes reported by adolescents are committed by acquaintances or dates.

I asked you for help and you forced my Mom to choose between us - She chose him, of course. She was scared and had a lot to lose. I had a lot to lose, too, the difference was you never told me how much.

Oil/Markets

May crude oil \$14.16, up 37, and May cotton futures 77.65 cents a pound, down 56; cash hog is steady at 44.25; slaughter steers is 50 cents higher at 77 cents even; April live hog futures 46.90, up 25; April live cattle futures 77.35, up 73 at 10:31 a.m., according to Delta Commodities.

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| Amoco | 52 | -1 |
| Atlantic Richfield | 93 1/2 | -1 |
| Atmos Energy | 26 | - |
| Boston Chicken | 38 | - |
| Cabot | 62 1/2 | -1 |
| Chevron | 83 1/2 | - |
| Chrysler | 50 1/2 | -1 |
| Coca-Cola | 40 1/2 | - |
| De Beers | 20 1/2 | - |
| DuPont | 52 1/2 | - |
| Exxon | 61 1/2 | -1 |
| Fin. Inc. | 70 | - |
| Ford Motors | 67 1/2 | -1 |

Police

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents:

•An aggravated assault is being investigated in the 300 block of W. Eleventh. The report said that a Hispanic adult male made threats to his fifteen-year-old son and three of the boy's peers with a handgun, then fired shots toward them as they fled. BSPD is still investigating the matter.

•A burglary in the 200 block of E. Eighth was reported of rifles and shotguns, VCR, TV, microwave oven and a checkbook, valued at \$875.

•Russell Wayne Gates was arrested on local warrants.

•Brandon McCauley, 2107 Main #1, was arrested for family violence.

•A dorm room on the Southwest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf campus was burglarized; a color TV and remote control was taken.

•A burglary in the 1700 block of Monticello reported \$5,600 worth of jewelry, wallet, checkbook and a VISA card that

seniors will meet 2 p.m. at Canterbury South. For more information call 263-1265.

•Compassionate Friends, a support group for parents who have experienced the death of a child, will meet 7:30 p.m. in room 113 of the Family Life Center building, First Baptist Church, 705 W. Marcy. Enter by SE door. For information call 267-2769.

I asked you to put an end to the abuse - you put an end to my whole family. You took away my nights of hell and gave me days of hell instead. You've exchanged my private nightmare for a very public one."

There are several programs that Rape Crisis/Victim Services provides such as We Help Ourselves (WHO) for grades kindergarten through twelfth. WHO teaches children about how to say no to inappropriate touches and to stay away from strangers.

VOICES is a support group for adolescents who have been sexually abused.

RESPOND is a program for college students that focuses on date rape, sexual harassment, suicide and hazing.

Here are some things that Rape Crisis/Victim Services says are indicators of child sexual abuse:

- acts/behaves different from his/her normal behavior
- shys away from touching
- won't dress in gym clothes
- acting out
- unusual sexual knowledge
- delinquent acts
- physical complaints
- sex play
- early to school or staying late
- lack of concentration
- unusual fear of males
- sleep disturbances

Not only does the center help with crisis intervention for sexual abuse, they also provide support and help for a number of other crimes such as attempted suicide, assault, attempted murder, stalking, victims of domestic violence, victims of assault or sexual harassment and victims involved in accidents where alcohol played a factor in the situation.

For help or to volunteer, you can contact the center at 263-3312.

"These are excerpts from a poem written by a 12-year-old girl and her views of being a victim of incest."

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| New Perspective | 14.75-15.65 | |
| Van Kampen | 14.72-15.44 | |
| Gold | 390.50-391.00 | |
| Silver | 5.89-5.72 | |

were stolen from inside a vehicle.

•Thefts were reported at the 1700 block of E. Marcy, the 1100 block of N. Lamesa and the 500 block of S. Birdwell.

•A burglary of a habitation was reported in the 3200 block of Avenue B.

•An assault, reported by its victim, took place at an undetermined block location on Northwest Fourth.

•Burglary of a vehicle was reported at 1105 Birdwell.

Sheriff

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following incidents:

•Kenneth James Adams, 29, of 2600 Crestlin # 17, Big Spring, was arrested for public intoxication and Class "C" assault; fined \$150 by Justice of the Peace China Long, and released from county jail.

•Domingo Castillo, 23, of 1209 Madison, Big Spring, was arrested for unlawfully carrying a weapon; posted a \$2,000 bond, released from county jail.

RE-ELECT BOBBY C. CATHEY COUNTY COMMISSIONER

PRECINCT 4 EARLY VOTING APRIL 4-8

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EXPERIENCED IN CONSTRUCTION

AND ROAD MAINTENANCE

4TH GENERATION HOWARD COUNTY

LANDOWNER AND TAXPAYER

Pd. Pol. Adv. By Bobby C. Cathey, Rt. 1, Box 418, Big Spring, Tx.



Briefs

Money is topic of Brown Bag seminar

"Money Management for the Future" will be the topic of discussion at the April 5 Howard College Brown Bag Seminar.

Stock broker Dan Wilkins will be speaking to the public about how to manage money.

The seminar will be held on the HC campus from noon until 1 p.m. in the Tumbleweed Room of the Dora Roberts Student Union Building.

You can bring a lunch or cafeteria service will be provided.

For more information, contact Howard College at 264-5020.

Forsan students take UIL contest honors

FORSAN — Several Forsan High School students received high honors at the recent district University Interscholastic League competition.

In the one-act play competition, Shane Sims and Stephanie Barraza were chosen as members of the all-star cast. Receiving honorable mention was Shannon Lepard.

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particular place, etc. "The victim is always asking what if? They need to understand that they are not to blame because they made an incorrect choice," said Craver.

"The most common clothing a woman is wearing is blue jeans. The second most common thing is her pajamas. This shows that it's not what they wear" said Education Coordinator/Case Manager Loretta Burns.

"Society needs to be supportive and lobby to change the laws for stiffer penalties. Not only does the victim need help but so does family and friends," said Craver.

There are about 30 volunteers that help out at the Rape Crisis/Victim Services center. They must go through a thorough background check then a 40 hour training course before becoming a volunteer. Volunteers are on call three times a month for a twelve hour period.

Volunteers help the victim and family with emotional and physical support. They often go to the scene if the police department calls them out or to the hospital. They provide support and help set things up if a victim needs medical care or counseling. A volunteer stays with the victim throughout the process, even going to court if necessary.

Another aspect of sexual assault is adults who are just now facing the fact that they were victims of sexual abuse or incest as a child. There were 47 reported cases of this between Oct. 1992 and Sept. 1993.

Looking back I wouldn't say

I had the best childhood I've seen worse, but I've seen better. The memories never seem to fade in my mind. I guess that will come with time.

I don't know who to blame But it's me who carries the shame I want to go on but I just can't ignore this pain

Without My Consent, they took what Brought them pleasure Without My Consent, it seem to last forever

As the happy child I was Told I should be I laughed and played during The day Only to cry myself to sleep

All the things in my life That meant so much to me Were taken away Without My Consent

This is part of a poem written by a Texas woman who was sexually abused as a child and is just now coming to terms with what happened to her. Writing poems, keeping journals and drawing pictures are ways that victims express their anger and help in the healing process.

If you have been a victim of sexual assault or want to volunteer, you can contact Rape Crisis/Victim Services at 263-3312 or write to them at P.O. Box 1693, Big Spring, Texas, 79720.

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Pelican Brief R
2:00 Nightly
Easter Egg Hunt
Saturday, April 2nd - 1 P.M. Ages 3-10

Legal

Protective were no

Other UIL participants and their finishes were: Bryan Alexander, second in Lincoln Douglas debate; Shannon Lepard, second in prose; and Stephanie Barraza, third in the news writing category.

In addition, Clay Thomas brought home a second-place award in editorials. Those four individuals will advance to the regional competition.

Other Forsan students receiving awards were: Ryan Toomire, fourth in prose; Barraza, fourth in poetry; and Shane Sims, fifth in informative speaking.

Forsan schedules Reunion for Aug. 6

Forsan School's All-Class Reunion will start at 9 a.m. Aug. 6 at the Forsan High School cafeteria.

Ex-students, teachers and friends are invited to renew friendships and exchange notes. Dress is casual. Pre-registration is desired. Fee is \$10 per person; students and children under 17 years old are \$6 each.

For more information, contact Boyce Hale, HC-76, Box 157-F, Big Spring, Texas 79720, 1-915-267-6957; or Darrell Adams, 2808 South County Road, Midland, Texas 79703, 1-915-697-4352.

Now, Roy and are almost 50 and their granddaughters and Alexis, 2, T about the future the past.

"I've got so much Gomez said, [fl] written record of six months. "She time. Life would be easier for her worked."

Michelle Gomez fall after years of emotional abuse that their November 1 Mary Helen Gomez many of her problems only a that Michelle Gomez never mailed.

Shortly after she apartment she DeLaCruz, Michelle divorce and movers into Roy Gomez home. Death there led her in December porary protective made permanent

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Protective orders were not enough

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AUSTIN — Their former son-in-law pulled the trigger, but Roy and Mary Helen Gomez blame a legal safety net that failed for the death of their daughter, Michelle Gomez.



The family of Michelle Gomez, who was murdered by her ex-husband March 24, sits with her photograph recently in Austin. At left, is her brother Michael, her parents Roy and Mary Helen Gomez and her two children, Alexis, left, and Elisiana.

"The system killed my daughter," Roy Gomez said this week. "And I don't want the people who handled her case to have an out, to wash their hands clean ... by blaming a sick individual."

Michelle Gomez, 24, was shot to death March 24 by her ex-husband, Don DeLaCruz, who later killed himself. Protective orders, the state's year-old stalking law and legal intervention couldn't save the mother of two young girls.

Now, Roy and Mary Helen Gomez are almost 50 and preparing to raise their granddaughters, Elisiana, 4, and Alexis, 2. The Gomezes worry about the future as they fume about the past.

"I've got so many questions," Roy Gomez said, flipping through the written record of his daughter's last six months. "She really had a hard time. Life would have been much easier for her had the system worked."

Michelle Gomez left DeLaCruz last fall after years of verbal and emotional abuse that began shortly after their November 1989 marriage, said Mary Helen Gomez, who learned of many of her daughter's marital problems only after finding letters that Michelle Gomez had written but never mailed.

Shortly after she moved out of the apartment she shared with DeLaCruz, Michelle Gomez filed for divorce and moved with her daughters into Roy Gomez's South Austin home. Death threats from DeLaCruz led her in December to seek a temporary protective order, which was made permanent in January.

Police didn't arrest DeLaCruz for violating the protective order as often as they could have, Roy Gomez says. And when DeLaCruz was taken into custody, judges released him, Gomez said.

"It's very frustrating," Gomez said. Michelle Gomez's death is spurring some of those involved in "the system" to reassess their roles, and changes are likely.

The Austin Police Department is trying to streamline procedures to

identify stalking victims and act accordingly. A Municipal Court judge will try to coordinate with other judges to more wisely apply bond requirements in such cases.

But the Gomezes see only missed opportunities to save their daughter's life, such as the time in January when they gave police proof that DeLaCruz had violated Michelle's protective order.

A telephone trace revealed DeLaCruz had called three times, and a warrant was issued for his arrest.

"Michelle called 911 and told them where he was and to go arrest him. But the operator said they don't go after misdemeanor warrants," Roy Gomez said.

Stalking without causing bodily harm or involving a weapon is a Class A misdemeanor, and police cannot force their way into a residence without a felony warrant, said Senior Sgt. Robert Collins.

Legislation to make such verbal threats a felony stalking offense is not going to happen, said Allen Horne, legislative aide to Democrat Mike Moncrief of Fort Worth, the Senate stalking law sponsor.

"We did think about that when we first developed the law, but anytime you make a first offense a felony, that is going to add to our jail overcrowding," Horne said. "We did not think we could pass that through the Legislature."

By the time Michelle Gomez's divorce was final March 3, DeLaCruz had been arrested twice for violating

the protective order. He served three weeks in jail and was treated at Austin State Hospital for depression.

Joe Garrison, DeLaCruz's attorney, disagrees that "the system" is to blame for Gomez's death.

Police, attorneys, courts, counselors, prosecutors and intervention hot lines consistently save lives in similar circumstances, often quietly and behind the scenes, Garrison said.

"These people are going way beyond what they are supposed to do," he said. "We prevent murders all the time. How long we prevent them, God only knows."

The means necessary to protect someone from an obsessed, determined stalker does not exist, Collins said.

"There is not enough money to put somebody in protective custody 24 hours a day, and in some cases that's the only thing you can do," he said. "You just can't put people in jail and throw away the key because you think they may do something, and that basically was what this case boiled down to."

Despite legal limitations, Austin police are making changes to more easily identify stalkers.

"With the large volume of cases we get, some do slip through the cracks. There's just no way around it," said Sgt. Dusty Hessekew of the assault detail.

From the time the stalking law took effect in March 1993 until the end of the year, 70 stalking cases were reported in Austin.

Researchers working to find what's killing dolphins

The Associated Press

DALLAS — With more dolphins dying than ever before along Texas beaches, marine biologists are looking at everything from agricultural runoff to whirring boat propellers as causes.

Although pollution is a less likely culprit, environmentalists suspect pesticide- and fertilizer-laced water that makes its way into coastal bays and estuaries from farms is a factor.

Biologists' biggest problem is analyzing fresh tissue samples, which haven't been available from more than 100 strandings, or beaching of dead or distressed animals, so far this year.

"The problem is, most of the animals coming ashore so far have been found in quite advanced states of decomposition," said Dr. Graham Worthy, director of the Texas Marine Mammal Stranding Network.

In just the past week, about 60 of the playful sea mammals have washed up on beaches.

"Normally, we'd see about 150 animals a year die in Texas. In the first three months of this year, we've had 140," said Elsa Haubold, operations coordinator for the mammal stranding network.

A certain number of "strandings" from old age, illness or even trauma is expected, but the recent rash of incidents is unusual.

More than two dozen dolphin carcasses washed up late last month on the Texas coast, most near Surfside Beach in Brazoria County. Other strandings were reported from Sabine Pass to Padre Island.

"Something odd is definitely going on," Worthy said.

He said one possible explanation is a spreading infection among only dolphins because other animals aren't dying in large numbers.

"We won't know for sure until we can perform necropsies on some fresh tissue," Worthy said.

With 367 miles of Texas coastline, finding such a specimen is difficult.

More than 150 coastal residents have volunteered through the Texas Marine Mammal Stranding Network to respond to reports of dolphin sightings.

Anyone who sees what looks like a beached dolphin is advised to call the stranding network at 1-800-9MAMMAL, but not to touch the animal.

All marine mammals — dolphins, porpoises, whales, walrus, seals, sea lions and manatees — are protected by federal law.

Dr. Daniel Odell, resident biologist for Sea World Inc. in Orlando, Fla., said although dolphins are common, "when they're dying in large numbers, people get concerned."

Mack Hannah Jr. dies at 90

The Associated Press

HOUSTON (AP) — Mack H. Hannah Jr., who founded the first black-owned savings and loan in Texas and was a confidant of President Lyndon Johnson, has died after a long illness. He was 90.

Hannah, who was born in Brenham but called Port Arthur home, died Saturday at St. Joseph's Hospital in Houston.

Friends called him a role model and a force for economic development in the black community.

"He did so many things of value and importance, not only for the black community, but for the city and this country," said longtime business associate Harrel Gordon Tillman.

Said the Rev. Bill Lawson, a Baptist minister who knew Hannah for 38 years: "He represented self-reliance. His model was to take what you have and your disabilities and with grit and determination, you can

make it."

After successful careers as a casket salesman and in the home construction industry in Port Arthur, Hannah founded the Houston-based Standard Savings Association in 1951. It was the first savings and loan in Texas controlled by blacks.

His business ventures also included tenures as director of Great Liberty Life Insurance Co. of Dallas and Texas Southern Finance Co. in Houston.

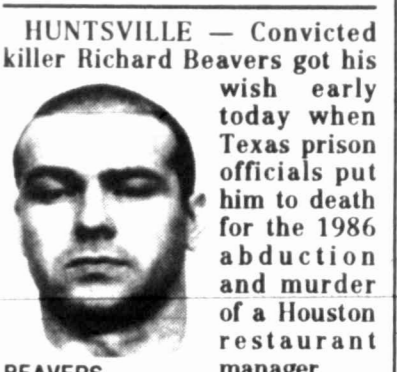
He was considered an influential political power in the 1970s. In a 1981 interview, Hannah said he counted NAACP leader Roy Wilkins and former President Johnson as "friends, close friends."

In another interview, he recalled how he delivered thousands of minority votes for Johnson in the 1948 U.S. Senate election, which LBJ won by 87 votes.

"After that election, I never had trouble getting through to the White House," he said.

Convicted man gets wish to die

The Associated Press



HUNTSVILLE — Convicted killer Richard Beavers got his wish early today when Texas prison officials put him to death for the 1986 abduction and murder of a Houston restaurant manager.

Beavers, 38, had asked that all appeals on his behalf be stopped and volunteered to receive lethal injection. The execution was the second in Texas in a week and the third this year.

"Jesus Christ, the way of truth and light. I thank you Lord Jesus for giving me the courage, for giving me the way," he said in a brief final statement as the lethal drugs began flowing at 12:21 a.m. CDT. He was pronounced dead eight minutes later.

Despite his wishes, the Texas Resource Center, which arranges legal help for condemned inmates, asked several courts in friend-of-the-court petitions to halt Beavers' execution. Late Sunday, the U.S. Supreme Court was the last to refuse a reprieve request.

Beavers, a sixth-grade dropout from Alexandria, Va., was executed for killing 24-year-old Douglas Odle. Odle and his wife let Beavers, their former neighbor, into their Houston apartment on Aug. 18, 1986, to use the telephone.

He abducted the two and took them at gunpoint to an automatic teller machine to withdraw money so he could buy heroin. Then he demanded they go to the restaurant Odle managed and forced him to turn over \$6,200 from the safe.

Later, at a remote spot southeast of Houston, Beavers made Odle get down on his knees and shot him in the head.

He then took the man's wife, Jenny, to another spot and shot her as well. The bullet destroyed her eye and caused some brain damage, but she lived to testify against Beavers.

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Fire at haunted house injures 9

EL PASO (AP) — Fire officials are investigating an Easter blaze at the city's only amusement park that seriously burned four passenger's aboard a haunted house ride.

Nine people, including a firefighter, were injured in the incident that closed Western Playland shortly after the 4 p.m. MDT fire in the Gold Nugget haunted house ride.

Raul Tarango, administrative chief of the El Paso Fire Department, said he didn't know the last time the ride was inspected by the department. However, he said, that would normally be done annually.

The cause of the fire is under investigation, he said. Park officials did not immediately return a phone call Sunday by The Associated Press.

Discrimination's end being sought

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — Organizers of the new Hispanic Military Officers Association say the group was formed partly in response to discrimination at the Texas National Guard.

"This (discrimination) is not something that is happening just in the Texas Guard," said Ret. Maj. Gen.

Belisario Flores, a former assistant adjutant general in the Texas Air Guard.

"The same kind of pervasive discrimination happens all over the country in the military. Maybe through an organization such as ours, we can put a dent in it."

A state and federal investigation indicated discrimination was keeping Hispanics from reaching the top ranks of the Guard.

Now retired Hispanic military officers in Texas have joined forces to create an organization they believe will help end discrimination in the armed services.

Consortium to give better education

GOODWELL, Okla. (AP) — Panhandle State University and five Texas colleges are working together to try giving students better services for less money.

"We're right out here with them. We need to be one happy family," says Panhandle State president Ron Meek.

Joining forces with Panhandle State to form the new Higher Education Consortium of Texas and Oklahoma are West Texas A&M University in Canyon, Frank Phillips College in Borger, Clarendon, Texas, College; Amarillo College, and Texas State Technical College in Amarillo.

Four of the schools are junior colleges and two are four-year univer-

sities, including Panhandle State.

"You look at the map and you can easily see that the Texas Panhandle and the Oklahoma Panhandle are really isolated," said Mark E. Workman, director of computer information at Frank Phillips College.

Veteran Bandido dead at age 78

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — The motorcycle rider considered to be the Bandidos' elder statesman, and possibly one of the gang's original 19 disciples, has died. Robert "Grandpa Bob" Shields was 78.

His funeral, tentatively scheduled Wednesday, likely will draw hundreds of aging motorcycle riders to Corpus Christi, once considered the Bandidos' national headquarters.

The Bandidos have planned a motorcycle procession to a grave site in Odem, about 10 miles north of Corpus Christi across Nueces Bay.

Friends and fellow Bandidos said Saturday that Shields died in his sleep Thursday night at his Corpus Christi residence after a long struggle with cancer.

"Grandpa was one of the original Bandidos who got his charter in Lake Charles, La., in 1966," Bob Dumas, a businessman and longtime Bandido, told the Corpus Christi Caller-Times. "He may be the last of the original Bandidos."

Quality of raid videotapes poor

WACO (AP) — Federal agents say they're disappointed with the quality and content of videotapes shot from a helicopter and airplane during last year's ill-fated raid of the Branch Davidian compound.

The Waco Tribune-Herald received copies of the videotapes from the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms under the Freedom of Information Act.

The tapes, however, were frequently out of focus and failed to offer a continuous view of the Feb. 28, 1993 raid, the newspaper reported Sunday.

"It almost looks like a homemade job," said Bob Pritchett, head of ATF's disclosure branch.

"There's not anything there. I guess we know why they didn't introduce it into evidence at the trial" of 11 Branch Davidians in San Antonio, he said. "I got bored after 10 minutes. I said, 'Let me know if anything interesting comes up.' Nothing ever did."

Stored artworks sell begins budget battle

DALLAS (AP) — A city councilman's suggestion to auction artwork to balance budget cuts is a horrifying thought for Dallas Museum of Art officials.

The museum, which faces a \$200,000 budget cut after City Hall pledges to increase minority arts funding, is trying to derail Councilman Bob Stimson's proposal.

"We would regard this as a very, very ill-fated move that can only bring embarrassment and disrepute upon the city and the museum," said DMA director Jay Gates.

Stimson, who plans to meet with DMA officials today, said he now recognizes that the situation is "more complicated" than simply putting a "for sale" sticker on museum pieces.

The council member has fielded telephone calls from critics since suggesting selling some stored artwork in tight budget times.

Church leaders, racers join against casino gambling

HOUSTON (AP) — Religious leaders faced off against racing industry promoters a few years ago when the Legislature considered legalizing pari-mutuel betting.

Now the former enemies are unlikely allies in the high-stakes game to keep casino gambling out of the state.

The casino issue came up again last month, when Las Vegas gaming mogul Stephen Wynn announced a partnership with Maxxam Inc. chief executive officer Charles Hurwitz to bring casinos to Houston if they're

legalized.

They are the latest of many corporations picking Texas sites in hopes that state lawmakers allow casinos.

Church leaders and racing industry proponents are staunchly opposed to casino gambling in Texas, but for different reasons.

UH's minority hiring plan failing so far

HOUSTON (AP) — University of Houston officials say they're doing their best to hire more minorities for top jobs. So far, the effort appears to be failing.

The school has no blacks or Hispanics in executive academic positions, only a handful of minorities are full professors and there's only one minority associate dean.

UH definitely is not alone in struggling to change from an institution dominated by white men to one more reflective of society.

But school leaders acknowledge that the diversity problems put the university at risk of becoming irrelevant to the two races that by 2000 will constitute two-thirds of new entrants in the work force.

"We're not where we would like to be in terms of diversity," UH Chancellor Alex Schilt told the Houston Chronicle for Sunday's editions.

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Advice: Keep nerves steady

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Clinton's top economic aides have some advice for investors trying to cope with two weeks of plunging stock prices: Keep your nerve steady, think long term and don't try to out-guess the market.

Robert Reich, the secretary of labor, and Robert E. Rubin, director of the National Economic Council, urged investors in interviews today and Sunday to ride out the turmoil, while focusing on predictions of solid economic growth and moderate inflation this year.

"One doesn't make predictions about the stock market because no one knows from day to day," Reich said today on ABC. "Any predictions must be based, over the long term, on the fundamentals, on where the economy really is. And what we're seeing is, again, good, solid, sustainable growth on all fronts."

A government economic report, issued when the stock market was closed in observance of Good Friday, is expected to touch off a new round of selling today.

The Labor Department reported the biggest surge in non-farm payrolls in six years in March, fueling fears that inflation soon will reemerge.

"The key is to keep your balance and keep your nerve steady and keep your eyes on what you think is going to happen over the long term," said Rubin, who before entering government was co-chairman of the Wall Street powerhouse Goldman, Sachs & Co.

"One thing I would absolutely not try to do is out-trade or out-guess the market. ... Nobody knows what the market's going to do day-to-day," he said on ABC-TV's "This Week with David Brinkley."

By focusing on the long term, Rubin and other administration officials are trying to keep people from abruptly yanking their money from

Investors nervous as market opens

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Investors were keeping a nervous eye on Wall Street this morning, wondering whether the stock market would rebound or continue to suffer the after-effects of last week's heavy sell-offs.

"It'll be a volatile day," David Blitzer, chief economist at Standard & Poor's Corp., a New York financial market information service, said Sunday. "It could go up and down a whole lot."

The Dow Jones industrial average dropped by nearly 139 points, or 4 percent, last week amid heavy selling. The best-known barometer of U.S. stock prices closed Thursday for the Easter weekend at 3,635.96, off more than 8 percent from its all-time high of 3,978.36 reached Jan. 31.

Much of the drop was blamed on the Federal Reserve's decision to raise short-term interest rates, reversing a 5-year-old strategy of lower rates to stimulate the economy.

The Fed said higher rates were needed to thwart inflation and thus reassure investors. But stockholders

stock mutual funds, which have swelled over the past three years as people bailed out of low-rate bank certificates of deposits.

The Dow Jones industrial average has fallen about 8 percent from its peak on Jan. 31 and economic experts appearing on the ABC show warned of further declines.

"I think there's no doubt that the market's going to at least open on the down side," said Chemical Bank economist Irwin Kellner.

Investment banker Kenneth Lipper of Lipper & Co. said the next several weeks are "going to be choppy and very scary, and very challenging to the average investor."

became jittery amid uncertainty over when interest rates will stop rising.

President Clinton's economic adviser, Robert E. Rubin, appeared on ABC-TV's "This Week with David Brinkley" Sunday to assert that the market remains healthy.

"I've lived through a lot of difficult markets," said Rubin, who once directed trading operations at Goldman, Sachs & Co., one of Wall Street's biggest and richest investment banks. "You've got to keep your balance, and keep your eyes on the fundamentals."

Indeed, some strategists said they believe the stock market has been overreacting to an inflation scare that doesn't exist. For that reason, they said, the three-day Easter break may have served as a cooling-off period for investors who had been ready to sell but have since reconsidered.

In Britain, all financial markets were closed for Easter Monday. The holiday also kept trading light in Tokyo, where share prices fell slightly on worries that the U.S. stock market would fall even further.

The 225-issue Nikkei Stock Average fell 154.94 points.

Some analysts have worried that a 1.5 percentage-point rise in long-term interest rates since October will squelch home sales and other engines powering economic growth.

But Rubin predicted long-term rates set in financial markets would remain "at levels that are consistent with the kind of growth we're projecting."

He declined to comment on short-term interest rates, saying that would infringe on the independence of the Federal Reserve, which sets them.

He also dismissed a suggestion from his interviewers that the White-water controversy was adding to the stock market's gyrations.

Study: Klds world-wide sexually active

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Adolescents around the world, no matter what their culture, are sexually active before age 20 — even if their parents are reluctant to admit it, a new study says.

And the age at which sexual activity begins is decreasing as overall health improves, according to the report released Sunday by Population Action International.

The non-profit family planning advocacy group said that by the year 2000, a billion teen-agers will be facing sexual challenges and desires.

While some 700 million teen-agers around the world are struggling with increasingly complex questions about sex, the report said most are not getting the help they need to find answers.

"The school systems in most countries ... have largely failed to meet the sexual health education needs of youth and children," said the Population Action report, "Youth at Risk."

The report said recent changes in society are affecting sexuality, including the spread of AIDS, changing laws on abortion and a worldwide trend to delay marriage.

Around the world, adults are reluctant to admit that their children are having sex, but studies in several countries show that most adolescents, no matter what their culture, are sexually active before age 20, the report said.

Adolescents are less likely to use contraceptives than adults, particularly in developing countries, and many young people have little knowledge of reproductive physiology, the report found.

Approaches to sex are often affected by culture, but social forces are changing attitudes, the report said, citing the impact of urbanization, changing family structures and mass media.

"Government support for adolescent programs has been constrained by societal discomfort in acknowledging adolescent sexual activity and by the misconception that access to sexuality education or contraception promotes sexual activity among youth," the report said.

It cited World Health Organization studies in several countries to show that children with a good sex education are more likely to delay their first intercourse.

The best approach, the report concluded, is to encourage a delay in sexual activity while providing birth control counseling and contraceptives.

But the report said most family planning programs do little to reach adolescents; laws and practices often restrict youngsters' access to contraception and abortion services.

Even marriage does not resolve all the problems of teen-age sex.

In South Asia, for example, where marriages occur early, complications in pregnancy and childbirth are greater for adolescent mothers. Unsafe abortions are also a major cause of adolescent mothers' deaths, the report said.

Early childbearing, with or without marriage, often limits educational and employment opportunities for young women and contributes to rapid population growth, the report said.

WHO estimates that one in 20 teen-agers worldwide acquires a sexually transmitted disease each year. In the United States, the risk is one in eight.

And the impact of sexual diseases on young women is usually greater because detection is more difficult and the results more serious, the Population Action report said.

On the positive side, the report described successful programs for dealing with adolescent sex in Grenada, Colombia, Mexico, Nigeria, Ethiopia, Indonesia and the Philippines.

It said the most effective programs involve youth in their planning and implementation and then obtain the support of community leaders and parents.

Briefs



Worshippers embrace during Easter Sunday service at the Goshen United Methodist Church that was destroyed when a tornado struck during Palm Sunday services, killing at least 44 people.

Church members return; fear felt by worshippers

PIEDMONT, Ala. (AP) — Eight-year-old Michelle Noah's chin trembled and tears filled her eyes as she sat staring at the ruins of the red-brick church where 20 people died a week earlier.

"It just looks scary to me now," she said Sunday, her broken leg propped up on a folding chair during Easter sunrise services outside the shell of Goshen United Methodist Church, leveled by a tornado on Palm Sunday.

There was no fear in the voice of Marcus Woods, 13, who lost his father and little sister to the winds.

"I just wanted to be here," said the youth, sitting in a wheelchair because of a badly bruised right knee.

And there was courage in the voice of the Rev. Kelly Clem, whose 4-year-old daughter Hannah was among six children killed last week by whirling bricks during their Easter pageant.

"There's no place I'd rather be today," said Mrs. Clem, who greeted parishioners, some for the first time since tornadoes and storms killed at least 44 people across the Southeast last Sunday.

Russian leader denies his Jewish heritage

ALMA-ATA, Kazakhstan (AP) — Russian nationalist leader Vladimir Zhirinovsky was given a Jewish last name at birth but changed it when he was 18, public records show.

Zhirinovsky never mentions his original surname — Eidelstein — in his 1993 autobiography and vehemently denies that either he or his parents were Jewish.

His origins have political significance in Russia because of his attacks on Jews. The documents also raise questions about his candor.

Zhirinovsky soared to prominence when his ultranationalist party emerged as the biggest vote winner in December's national parliamentary elections, and he has said he will run for president in 1996. Much of his political strength rests on extreme nationalists who are virulently anti-Semitic.

White hands still counting the money

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — Blacks will soon replace whites in the president's office and Parliament. But in banks and boardrooms throughout South Africa, white hands will still count the money.

The euphoria greeting the first all-race election April 26-28 cannot mask the sobering economic legacy of apartheid.

About one-third of blacks are unemployed, compared to 3 percent of whites. Most black households

earn less than \$270 a month, and many lack electricity and plumbing, while white families earn from \$1,200 to \$3,000 a month.

—Although blacks make up 75 percent of the country's 40 million people, they own just 15 percent of the land, control 2 percent of the capital and hold only 2.4 percent of managerial jobs in business.

When their leaders assume power after the election, South Africa's black citizens expect the new government to make significant changes in their lives. They may react violently if they do not see improvement soon.

Pedophile setting starting to change

BOSTON (AP) — The pedophiles' techniques aren't new: befriending some lonely children, gain their trust, lure them into sex.

But the setting is changing. Now, instead of hanging out in video arcades, pedophiles are increasingly staring into computer screens, using electronic mail and computer bulletin boards to meet children, authorities say.

"Pedophiles are like anyone else. They're becoming more high tech and using it to their advantage," said Special Agent Don Huycke of the U.S. Customs Service, which investigates international child pornography cases.

"This whole information super-highway is wonderful, but it's loaded with dangers," said police chief Alfred O. Olsen of Warwick Township, Pa., a national specialist in computer crime.

Last week, John Rex, 23, of Chelmsford, Mass., was indicted on charges he used a computer bulletin board to find children for sex. He is accused of raping two youths he met by exchanging messages through the bulletin board and of trying to recruit two teen-agers to kidnap young boys for him.

In Fresno, Calif., last year, Mark Forston was convicted of sodomizing a 16-year-old boy he had lured to his home after the two met on a computer network.

One Meridian Plaza, what to do with it?

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Staring down 15th Street toward the heart of downtown, it's hard to miss the ramshackle building standing woefully empty amid a cluster of glittering high-rises.

Once it was One Meridian Plaza, a 38-story skyscraper where more than 2,500 men and women worked. But for most of the 1990s, it has been the building no one knows what to do with.

On Feb. 23, 1991, oil-soaked rags ignited one of modern Philadelphia's most spectacular fires. It started on the 22nd floor and chewed its way up, killing three firefighters and turning Center City into one big police line.

For 19 hours it burned, generating window-melting 2,000-degree heat. Today, all that remains is a boarded-up shell, a poisonous interior, a batch of federal and state lawsuits and an assortment of unfulfilled promises.

"What has happened here is that the towering inferno has become the Tower of Babel," said Bennett Levin, the city's commissioner of licenses and inspections. His office oversees the building's rehabilitation.

Inside the 23-year-old building, privately contracted workers in protective suits and filtered masks work daily to remove PCB-contaminated items.

Outside it, courtroom battles rage. The building's saga, many say, hinders the city's efforts to revitalize downtown. A convention center opened three blocks away last year, and a companion hotel is under construction as the city tries to attract business, suburbanites and tourists.

But efforts to restore the building facing City Hall have been diverted by myriad legal battles over who is responsible.



Heavily armed Israeli border police chat in front of a Yasser Arafat portrait at Jericho's main square Sunday. Israeli troops in Jericho and the Israeli occupied Gaza Strip have begun dismantling installations and moving out equipment.

Israeli troops pack up under barrage of stones

The Associated Press

DEIR EL BALAH, Occupied Gaza Strip — Israeli troops packed up files at a military base under a hail of stones today while the army stepped up preparations for pulling out of the Gaza Strip and West Bank region of Jericho.

Soldiers reportedly received orders to be ready to complete the withdrawal within five days of Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization signing an autonomy accord.

Israeli negotiator Yossi Sarid said he expected the agreement to be reached by the end of April and the army withdrawal to be completed within days after that.

"The difference (in time) between concluding the negotiations and implementation on the ground is gradually disappearing," Sarid, the environment minister, told reporters after the weekly Cabinet session.

Israel and the PLO resumed accelerated talks in Cairo, Egypt, today. Chief PLO negotiator Nabil Shaath said he expected agreement soon on the size and deployment timetable of the Palestinian police force that will patrol the autonomous areas in the occupied territories.

Up to 50 deportees, including top PLO officials, and 300 Palestinian police officers are due to arrive in autonomy zones by Thursday.

As many as 10,000 Palestinian police could eventually be working in the Gaza Strip and Jericho, the first areas to get self-rule under the peace plan signed in Washington on Sept. 13.

Israel was supposed to withdraw by April 13, but negotiations were stalled after a Jewish settler killed 30 Palestinians in a Hebron mosque Feb. 25.

Israeli Cabinet ministers said 160 international peace monitors assigned to Hebron in the wake of

the massacre would also be in place within days. Their deployment was part of the agreement to restart peace talks.

In Jericho, flatbed trucks parked outside military headquarters and workers lighted a bonfire of discarded papers, while bulldozers on the outskirts flattened an area for a crossing point into the autonomy area.

Sufian Abu Zayde, the PLO spokesman in Gaza, said there was full cooperation between the army and the PLO on the redeployment and handover of buildings to the Palestinian police.

Abu Zayde said the troop movements were good for Palestinian morale. "It is clear that in a few days, we will not see Israeli forces here. ... That shows the agreement is starting to be implemented on the ground," he said.

At a seaside army base in Gaza City, soldiers emptied mobile homes and moved them onto trucks. Equipment is either being trucked to Israel or to the Gush Katif bloc of Jewish settlements, where troops are to be posted once autonomy begins.

Arab workers planted flowers in front of the future Palestinian police headquarters and began paving a parking lot.

At military headquarters in the Gaza Strip town of Deir el Balah, soldiers loaded a semi-trailer in the courtyard with cabinets, file boxes and a refrigerator with some tomatoes and sausages left inside.

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Shuttle crew prepares for 'green' mission

The Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — Six astronauts have earned what amounts to a college geography degree preparing for this week's mission to photograph some of Earth's most environmentally sensitive locales.

The countdown was scheduled to begin today for Endeavour's launch on Thursday. The nine-day flight is part of NASA's Mission to Planet Earth, an ongoing program to study the home planet from space.

The shuttle crew will take pictures from 138 miles above the Amazon River, the Andes, the Alps, Patagonia, the Galapagos Islands, the Sahara desert, Death Valley and other sites.

Meanwhile, the earth will be scanned by what NASA says is the most sophisticated radar ever sent into space for environmental purposes.

On the ground, hundreds of scientists and graduate students will act as "truth squads," measuring the vegetation, soil moisture, snow, water and weather conditions at 19 "superites" so NASA can compare the findings.

"Our planet is unexplored in many regions, and we lack firm numbers on what's going on in the ecosystem," said astronaut Thomas Jones, a planetary scientist and former CIA engineer.

Endeavour is loaded with \$366 million worth of radar equipment provided by the United States, Germany and Italy, an \$8 million air pollution monitor, 14 cameras and hundreds of rolls of film and digital tapes.

It will be a picture-taker's paradise.

The astronauts plan to take up to 14,000 pictures of more than 400 spots on Earth (but primarily the 19 superites) to supplement the radar imaging. They expect to map 5 percent of Earth's surface.

Official registration for new students at Bauer Magnet School, Grades 1-5, will be held on Wednesday, April 6, 1994 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon in the principal's office.

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Duke, Arkansas fight for title tonight

By The Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Arkansas coach Nolan Richardson wants two things that Duke's Mike Krzyzewski already has — a national championship and respect for his program.

His shot at both comes tonight when his Razorbacks (30-3) play Duke (28-5) in what figures to be an intriguing NCAA title game.

Richardson has been to the Final Four before — the Razorbacks made it that far in 1990, losing in the semifinals — and he has been a winner at every level of coaching. He won a junior college national championship and, while coaching Tulsa, won the NIT.

"It would be a triple crown as a basketball coach" to win an NCAA title, Richardson said Sunday.

And he expects it would do big things for the program. Despite spending nine weeks ranked No. 1 this season, more than any other team, Richardson and his players feel

the Razorbacks have not received the kind of respect afforded teams such as Duke, North Carolina and Indiana.

"We will probably never, ever get total credit for what we do because we're way down in Arkansas," Richardson said.

The Razorbacks clearly have the respect of Krzyzewski, who has won two national titles and has his team in the championship game for the fourth time in the past five years.

"All I know is they've been No. 1 most of the year. I don't know how much more respect you can give a team other than voting them No. 1," Krzyzewski said. "I know in the profession, they are very, very highly respected."

He said the Razorbacks are the best team Duke will have played this season. "They're smart. They know how to use their strengths. I'm not sure that they have weaknesses."

Did he say smart? Richardson would be pleased to hear that. During Sunday's news conference, he mentioned that he had seen

a television show that morning in which a sportswriter predicted the "smarter team" would win.

"You know who that is," he said. Then, motioning to his players, he added, "You know it ain't these guys."

The Arkansas players said such a label is disconcerting, but at least one Razorback was able to make light of it. Corliss Williamson, the 245-pound forward who will likely have a large bearing on how the game winds up, put it this way:

"If there are two guys in a fight, and you have one smart guy and one dumb guy who is a lot bigger and a lot stronger, who do you think is going to win?"

Arkansas is clearly the bigger team. When Richardson uses his big lineup, the Razorbacks are 6-foot-11 at center, 6-9 and 6-7 at forward, and the lightest one in the group is Williamson. But he is also the strongest.

Williamson had 29 points and 13 rebounds in Saturday's semifinal victory over Arizona. Krzyzewski said he is among

the top five players in the country.

How well Duke is able to muscle with the Razorbacks could be crucial. The Blue Devils' center, 6-11 Cherokee Parks, woke up Sunday morning with a swollen knee that Krzyzewski said was apparently the result of an injury that occurred against Florida in the semifinals.

Parks did not practice Sunday and was expected to be held out of all activities until game time.

"I'm sure he'll play, and we'll go from there," Krzyzewski said. "We've been a no-excuse team the whole year long. I don't see any reason to change now."

While Richardson has relied more on his big lineup and a half-court game in recent weeks, he may opt for a smaller, quicker group and more pressure. Duke has had some trouble at the guard spot this season, although the play in the backcourt has been solid through the tournament.

Richardson said he had not decided which way he would try to attack the Blue Devils. But he did say he didn't think Duke was as

quick as Arizona, and that controlling the tempo would be important to both teams.

"Simplicity is the name of the game — play hard," he said. "We're going to try to put the ball in the hole the most and stop the other team from doing that. If we do that, we're all right."

Duke has an All-American and a great leader in Grant Hill, whom Krzyzewski said is the best player he has coached. The biggest question facing the Blue Devils is whether they will have enough depth to withstand Arkansas.

If it is, Hill, Clark and Antonio Lang will leave Duke with three national championships. It would also be the third for Coach K, which would tie Bob Knight for third on the all-time list behind John Wooden's 10 and Adolph Rupp's four.

"It's been fantastic," Hill said of his career. "And hopefully we can have one more fantastic night."



University of North Carolina players celebrate their 60-59 win over Louisiana Tech in the NCAA Women's Championship game in Richmond, Va. Sunday.

North Carolina takes women's title on last-second 3-pointer

By The Associated Press

RICHMOND, Va. — Seven-tenths of a second was all North Carolina's Charlotte Smith needed to change her legacy from a brawler to the owner of the greatest shot in the history of Tar Heel women's basketball.

"Maybe now people will remember me for something else besides the fight," Smith said after she stunned Louisiana Tech with a 3-pointer at the buzzer in Sunday's NCAA championship game.

The basket, just Smith's ninth 3-pointer of the season, gave the Tar Heels a 60-59 victory and their first national title.

It came exactly two weeks after Smith, North Carolina's top rebounder and No. 2 scorer, was ejected from the Tar Heels' second-round East Region game for punching Old Dominion's Beth McGowan. The ejection also meant Smith had to sit out North Carolina's next game, a victory over Vanderbilt in the regional semifinals.

"I was hoping I could do something" to make amends for the fight, she said. "I'm just glad things worked out the way it did."

Even before her dramatic shot, Smith had a huge impact on the championship game. The 6-foot junior forward scored 19 of her 20

points in the second half. She also set a championship game record by grabbing 23 rebounds and was named the outstanding player of the Final Four.

Her efforts helped North Carolina (33-2) finish the season with its 14th consecutive victory and complete a turnaround from a last-place finish in the Atlantic Coast Conference three years ago.

"A few years ago, we were taking our lumps from everybody," coach Sylvia Hatchell said, "and that's helped to make us a better team."

Louisiana Tech (31-4) saw its 25-game winning streak end and settled for its third runner-up finish.

"We've accomplished a lot of goals, but losing like that, it really hurts," said senior guard Pam Thomas, who led the Lady Techsters with 15 points.

Coach Leon Barmore said the loss was his fault because he failed to assign someone to guard Stephanie Lawrence, freeing her to fire the 30-foot inbounds pass to Smith for the winning shot.

"I wish we could have won," Barmore said, "but I'll tell you what. I will not allow this team to leave this arena and this town with their heads down."

The Lady Techsters held North Carolina to 34.4 percent field-goal shooting, the lowest ever by a winning team in the championship

game, and they forced the Tar Heels into 21 turnovers.

There were 10 ties and three lead changes before Thomas put Louisiana Tech up 59-57 on a 19-foot jumper from the right wing with 15 seconds left.

North Carolina's Tonya Sampson missed badly on a leaning shot from the free-throw line with five seconds to go. The Tar Heels' Marion Jones and Louisiana Tech's Kendra Neal battled for the rebound until a joint possession was declared with seven-tenths of a second remaining.

North Carolina, which was awarded the ball on the alternating possession rule, called a timeout to set up a play.

Hatchell wanted Lawrence, who was on the baseline just to the left of the basket, to lob a pass down low into the lane to 6-foot-5 Sylvia Crawley. When Lawrence saw Crawley was covered, she called another timeout.

On the second try, Lawrence looked at Sampson flashing across the line, but she was covered. So she fired a strike to Smith, who was wide open on the right wing after working around a screen by Crawley.

"I knew that as soon as I got the ball, it would have to go up," Smith said.

Cardinals ruin rare Sunday opener for Cincinnati fans

By The Associated Press

CINCINNATI — Marge Schott tried to keep opening day on hold. Ray Lankford got it going with a bang.

Lankford led off the new season with a homer — a rare feat in the major leagues — and had three hits as the St. Louis Cardinals beat the Cincinnati Reds 6-4 Sunday night in front of a half-filled stadium and a fuming owner.

"I was just anxious to get going," Lankford said.

Everyone was except Schott.

The first Sunday night opener on ESPN sent baseball into a new era — new divisions, a new playoff format, new television contract — overshadowed by another aggravation from the Reds' owner.

She snubbed the opener after

learning a business group couldn't put together a traditional pre-game parade because it was Easter. She instead designated today's game as the opener and saved all the pageantry for it.

Players on both teams thought it detracted from the atmosphere — only 32,803 tickets were sold, the smallest opener in Riverfront Stadium's 24 years.

Lankford had another thought in mind when he came to the plate for the first time: do something good with the country watching.

"When I was in here stretching I started thinking about being the first batter of '94," Lankford said. "I wanted to do something. I couldn't have asked for anything better than that to open the season."

He became the first batter in eight years to make a home run the first hit of a new season. Boston's Dwight

Evans homered on the first pitch from Detroit's Jack Morris in 1986.

"When your leadoff hitter puts you out in front 1-0, that's a nice feeling," manager Joe Torre said.

The Cardinals felt good about everything except Schott's it-doesn't-exist approach.

Bob Tewksbury pitched six innings on a 39-degree night and had the pivotal hit. He doubled home two runs in the fourth off Jose Rijo to put the Cardinals ahead to stay 5-3.

With runners on second and third and two out, Rijo was just trying to get ahead in the count to Tewksbury, who drove in five runs last season but is a .147 career hitter. Rijo left a fastball over the plate and Tewksbury lined it past a drawn-in Roberto Kelly in center.

"I'm sure Jose was not happy with the pitch, and I wouldn't be if I was pitching, either," Tewksbury said.

Los Angeles slugger lands in more hot water after disappearing act

By The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Now that the Los Angeles Dodgers have found Darryl Strawberry, they must decide what to do with him.

Strawberry failed to show up for an exhibition game Sunday and was AWOL until the Dodgers made an all-day search and located him late at night. General manager Fred Claire did not say what reason Strawberry gave for his disappearance, but said it was not a good one.

"I have spoken to Darryl and he is with his family," Claire said in a statement. "I am not satisfied with the explanation he has given me for his failure to report for the game today."

Claire said he would speak to

Strawberry today and determine "appropriate disciplinary action."

"This type of behavior is extremely detrimental to the ballclub and will not be tolerated," he said.

The team planned to work out at 11 a.m. PDT today at Dodger Stadium. Los Angeles opens the season at home Tuesday against Florida.

"I'm relieved to know he's OK," Dodgers manager Tom Lasorda said from his home. "I don't know any of the particulars. I don't know any of the details. Until I do, I can't say any more."

Strawberry, shadowed by personal problems throughout his career, was placed on waivers during the winter, but no clubs took him, mostly because he has two seasons left on a five-year, \$20.25 million contract. Claire also tried to trade Strawberry and found no takers.

Strawberry, who homered Saturday night in an exhibition loss to California at Anaheim Stadium, was scheduled to start Sunday's game at the same ballpark. But the 32-year-old outfielder did not make it to the game, prompting the Dodgers to issue an all-out search for him.

After the game, Claire said the team had contacted Strawberry's wife, his agent, the California Highway Patrol and area hospitals, and still couldn't find him.



STRAWBERRY

Big Spring High 1994 Football Schedules

| Varsity | | | Date | Opponent | Time |
|----------------|----------------------------|-------|-----------------|--------------------------|--------|
| Aug. 19 | at Lamesa (Scrimmage) | 7:30 | Oct. 20 | Abilene High | 7:00 |
| Aug. 26 | Midland High (Scrimmage) | 7:30 | Oct. 27 | at Monahans* | 7:00 |
| Sept. 2 | Borger | 7:30 | Nov. 3 | Andrews* | 6:00 |
| Sept. 9 | at Sweetwater | 7:30 | Freshman | | |
| Sept. 15 | at Lubbock Estacado | 7:30 | Date | Opponent | Time |
| Sept. 23 | Snyder | 7:30 | Aug. 18 | at Garden City | 7:00 |
| Sept. 30 | at Levelland | 7:30 | Aug. 25 | Reagan County JV | 6:00 |
| Oct. 7 | Lake View* | 7:30 | Sept. 1 | Monahans (A)* | 7:00 |
| Oct. 14 | Ft. Stockton (Homecoming)* | 7:30 | Oct. 8 | Greenwood (B) | 5:00 |
| Oct. 21 | at Pecos* | 7:30 | Sept. 8 | at Sweetwater (A-B)* | 5:6:30 |
| Oct. 28 | Monahans* | 7:30 | Sept. 17 | Andrews* | 10:00 |
| Nov. 4 | at Andrews* | 7:30 | Sept. 22 | at Snyder (A) | 5:00 |
| *District game | | | Sept. 29 | at Levelland (A-B) | 5:6:30 |
| Junior Varsity | | | Oct. 6 | Lake View (A)* | 6:00 |
| Date | Opponent | Time | Oct. 13 | at Greenwood (B) | 7:30 |
| Sept. 1 | at Stanton | 5:30 | Oct. 20 | Lamesa (A-B) | 5:6:30 |
| Sept. 8 | Sweetwater | 6:00 | Oct. 27 | at Odessa Sophomores (A) | 5:00 |
| Sept. 17 | Lubbock Estacado | 11:00 | Nov. 3 | Monahans (B)* | 7:00 |
| Sept. 22 | at Snyder | 6:30 | Oct. 27 | Snyder (A-B) | 5:6:30 |
| Sept. 29 | Levelland | 7:00 | Nov. 3 | at Andrews (A)* | 7:00 |
| Oct. 6 | at Lake View* | 7:00 | | | |
| Oct. 13 | at Midland High | 7:00 | | | |

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SPORTS EXTRA

ON THE AIR

Baseball
Seattle Mariners at Cleveland Indians, 12 p.m., ESPN (ch. 30).
Montreal Expos at Houston Astros, 1:30 p.m., HSE (ch. 29).
Pittsburgh Pirates at San Francisco Giants, 3 p.m., ESPN.
Atlanta Braves at San Diego Padres, 4 p.m., TBS (ch. 11).

Basketball

NCAA Championship
Duke vs. Arkansas, 8 p.m., CBS (ch. 7).

Local Sports Schedule

Monday

High School Softball
Coahoma at San Angelo
High School Baseball
C-City at Big Spring JV
High School Golf
Coahoma (boys/girls) at Ozona

Tuesday

High School Baseball
Sweetwater at Big Spring, 5 p.m.
Howard College Baseball
Ranger JC at Howard, 1 p.m. (DH)



Dallas Star Pelle Eklund (6) gets upended by Washington Capital Jim Johnson after scoring on Capital goalie Don Beaupre during a Sunday game. Dallas beat Washington 6-3.

Associated Press photo

Briefs

Big Spring second at Levelland

The Big Spring boys' track team took second at a meet in Levelland Friday. Lake View won the 10-team event.

Here are the top finishers for Big Spring:

- High Jump
Wes Hughes, second, 6-6
Tyronne Banks, second, 6-6
Shot Put
Jason Roberts, fifth, 45-1
Mario Cavazos, sixth, 43-6
Long Jump
Banks, fifth, 20-10
3200
Jesse Ornales, sixth, 11:14
Sprint relay
Harvey Simpson, Banks, Lonnie Jackson and Randy Farr; second, 42.2
800
Joe Franklin, 1:58.3
High Hurdles
Justin Taylor, first, 14.3.
Tim Rigdon, sixth, 16.1
100
Simpson, third, 10-9
400
Lehebron Farr, third, 48.2 (school record)

- 300 hurdles
Taylor, second, 40.3
200 dash
L.Farr, third, 22.3
R.Farr, fourth, 22.4
1600
Ornales, fifth, 4:53
Mile Relay
R. Farr, L. Farr, Dustin Waters and Taylor; second, 3:27.

Howard sweeps New Mexico Military

The Howard College baseball team won all three games in a road series with New Mexico Military Institute Friday and Saturday.

In the Friday game, Howard (35-3, 14-1 in the Western Junior College Athletic Conference) won 10-3 behind a strong pitching effort from John Major, who remained undefeated on the season. Jason Long hit his sixth homer in that game, and Jeff Orth had three RBIs to show for his hits.

Major struck out 10.

Saturday, Howard won the first game 13-3 and the second one 5-3. In the first game, Brian Thompson (6-1) was the winning pitcher, and Derek Thompson knocked home three RBIs with two hits.

In the second game, starter Kelly Jones turned in a gutsy effort and won 5-3. Jones scattered six hits and struck out seven.

For first time since '65, baseball has no Nolan

By The Associated Press

ARLINGTON — These days, Nolan Ryan's time zips by almost as fast as his 100 mph heater did.

So it's no wonder that the all-time major league strikeout king has few regrets about the major league season beginning today without him for the first time since 1965.

"I wonder how I had time to play baseball because my days are so full," Ryan said after throwing out the first pitch in The Ballpark, the Texas Rangers' new home.

The biggest chunk of Ryan's time goes to his businesses, including four ranches, two banks and nearly as many endorsements as that other baseball player, Michael Jordan.

He's also been spending quality time with wife Ruth and his three children. He often can be found on the mound at Alvin High, his alma mater, throwing batting practice to son Reese's varsity team.

"I throw them good curveballs and give them some with good velocity," said Ryan, adding that the torn right elbow that ended his career two starts early is held together by scar tissue.

"My theory is don't just go out there and lob them in, let them work on something. That way, when they

get in a game and see a curveball, they'll have more confidence because they've seen it before," he said.

Ryan also has had more time to be with daughter Wendy, a junior volleyball player at Alvin High, and eldest son Reid, a senior pitcher at Texas Christian.

"I work my schedule around their games," he said.

With so much on Ryan's agenda, he hardly has time to think about his amazing career or the Hall of Fame induction likely awaiting him in 1999.

Not that he would anyway.

"I don't even think about it," he said, laughing because it's the answer he's given for years, yet people keep asking. "I just basically started a new era of life. I've never really been the kind to look back and reflect."

Ryan, 47, broke into the majors briefly in 1966 with the New York Mets. He returned to the majors in 1968 and stuck around for 27 seasons, one of the more than 50 records he holds.

He's now under a 10-year personal services contract with Texas, requiring him to work between 30 and 60 days a year at \$210,000 annually. It's basically meant to make sure he wears a Rangers hat into the Hall of Fame.

BASKETBALL

NBA Standings

Table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct., GB. Includes Eastern Conference (Atlantic, Central, Midwest, West) and Western Conference (Midwest, Pacific) divisions.

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Table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct., GB. Includes Florida at Quebec, Tampa Bay at Pittsburgh, Florida at N.Y. Rangers, Philadelphia at Winnipeg, Tuesday's Games.

BASEBALL

MLB Standings

Table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct., GB. Includes National League (East, West, Central) and American League (East, West, Central) divisions.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Optioned Mike Oquist, pitcher, to Rochester of the International League.
CALIFORNIA ANGELS—Optioned J.T. Snow, first baseman, to Vancouver of the Pacific Coast League.
CHICAGO WHITE SOX—Purchased the contracts of Joe Hall and Darin Jackson, outfielders, and Dennis Cook and Scott Sanderson, pitchers.

HOCKEY

NHL Standings

Table with columns: Team, W, L, T, Pts, GF, GA. Includes Eastern Conference (Atlantic, Northeast, Central) and Western Conference (Central, Pacific) divisions.

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Saturday's Games
Calgary 3, Detroit 3, tie
Edmonton 5, Los Angeles 3
N.Y. Rangers 4, New Jersey 2
Philadelphia 6, Hartford 5
Buffalo 6, Quebec 2
Ottawa 2, Florida 2, tie
Anheim 3, Toronto 1
N.Y. Islanders 3, Montreal 3, tie
San Jose 7, Vancouver 4
Sunday's Games
St. Louis 3, Detroit 3, tie

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Q. Did it cost more money to film Schindler's List in black and white than it would in color?
Q. Are Quincy Jones and Nastassja Kinski still a couple?
Q. Which five cities in the U.S. pay teachers the most?
FIND THE ANSWERS EVERY SUNDAY IN PARADE

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Table with 30 columns representing different TV channels (KMID, KPEJ, KERA, etc.) and rows listing various programs and their scheduled times.

Jacqueline Bigar - Horoscope
FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 1994
ARIES (March 21-April 19): Good news surrounds you. Ask for what you want from a boss. Don't mince words. Focus on getting more of what you want out of life. Another is clearly impressed by your intellect. Tonight: Follow the gang. *****
TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Be achievement-oriented today. A boss looks to you for direction. Be careful, however, about long distance communication. Tonight: Follow a friend's lead. ***
GEMINI (May 21-June 20): What seems far-fetched turns into a viable solution. The scenario involves travel and better understanding between you and a partner. A business partnership flourishes if you focus on the positive. Tonight: With the apple of your eye. *****
CANCER (June 21-July 22): Listen to an associate who understands money better than you. Financial dealings and security. Work opportunities surprise you. You see the path to more funds and greater success. Tonight: Finish up your tax returns. *****
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Let go of your need for control. The easier going you are, the better off you will be. Nurture a business partnership that could boost you financially. Tonight: Just be a yes person for a while. *****
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Great ideas seem to be your forte today. Let your mind expand and creativity flow. Brainstorm with associates. Strive for improvement in your work situation. The force is with you. Tonight: Communicate. ***
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You might feel more secure than you have in a long time. Let a loved one in on a secret. Talks about long-term goals are important. Consider bringing more work home. Remain upbeat with a parent. Tonight: Tackle a home project. *****
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Another really feels like talking. Use this opportunity to present new ideas. Creativity flows. Be aware of a relationship's caring and positive aspects. Tonight: Family night. *****
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): New ventures emerge that could involve finances. A friend means well, but be careful of any risks that could jeopardize you. Tonight: Brainstorm with a buddy over dinner. *****
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Your actions are inspired right now. You make your point clearly. Others respond to you. Communications are active. Responses are positive from family members and someone with financial backing. Tonight: Review the budget. *****
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You are on target. Business offers materialize. Use your intuition dealing with a money matter. Realize that you, too, have limitations. Count on a friend to play devil's advocate. Tonight: As you wish it, you can get it. *****
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Behind-the-scenes happenings need to remain secret. An offer that comes along from a friend is hard to resist. Be more aware of what you want long term. High energy and strong intellect work in your favor. Tonight: Hush, hush. *****
IF APRIL 5 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Expect much from this extraordinary year. Focus on long-term goals and new horizons. Friendship will come easily to you. Because of your strong intuition, you'll do well in public and within the community. Your professional status is likely to be enhanced if you follow your instincts. Partnerships will play a significant role, financially and emotionally. If you are attached, your relationship needs special care. Watch how you vent anger. If you're single, expect to meet people through normal activity. Partnerships will be beneficial for you in general. AQUARIUS helps you get what you seek.
THE ASTERISKS (*) SHOW THE KIND OF DAY YOU'LL HAVE: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

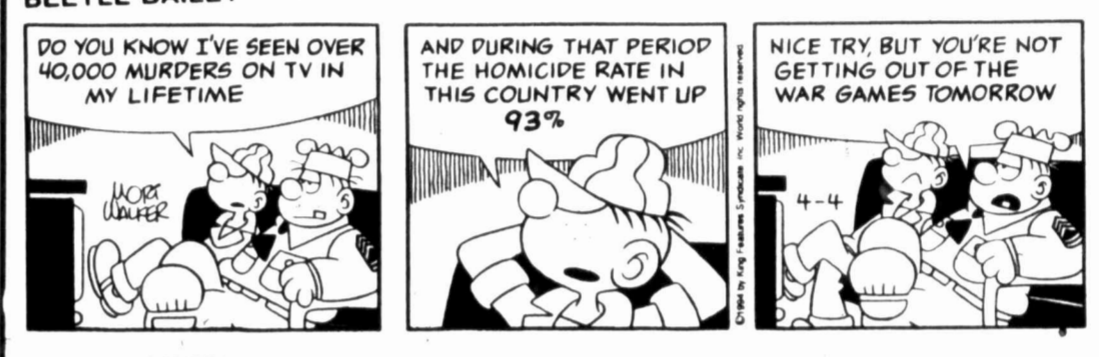
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Rigged cabinets trap snoopy guests
DEAR ABBY: Your reader asked how one gets marbles into a medicine cabinet to catch snoopy guests. Easy.
Take a long, sturdy piece of thin cardboard and hold it in front of the bottom shelf to act as a "dam." Drop in the marbles and raise the cardboard to the next shelf and repeat the action. Close the door and gently slide the dam out. Your booby trap is set.
My grandmother, Julia Pullen, laughed when she heard about this. She thought you should know that a variation of this saved her crystal after the recent Northridge earthquake. The china cabinet didn't fall over, but the crystal fell against the glass door. Three grandchildren, using long knives and working one shelf at a time, slid the knives between the door and the crystal to hold the crystal in place. My husband slipped his hand in and nudged each piece securely back onto the shelf. We saved all but one piece, which was broken in the earthquake.
The "knife method" might also work to get the marbles in the medicine cabinet, but be careful — you wouldn't want to lose your marbles. — JULIA IN CALIFORNIA
DEAR ABBY: I could not believe the number of readers who wrote to explain how to booby-trap a medicine cabinet. Read on:
DEAR ABBY: The solution to putting marbles into the medicine cabinet is very simple. Tie a string to the bottom of a plastic bag; fill the bag with marbles and place the bag on a shelf with the string coming out over the top of the door. Close the door and pull the string and bag out the top. — PHIL IN A MOBILE HOME PARK
DEAR ABBY: For the man who wanted to know how to booby-trap a medicine cabinet: Cut both ends out of a soup can and tape a string to the top. Place the soup can on an empty shelf and fill with marbles. Tape the other end of the string to the partially closed door so that when it is opened it will pull the can out and release the marbles. Warning: Don't forget the trap, or you will be the one who gets caught. — MARLIN HUTMAKER IN WAHPETON, N.D.
DEAR ABBY: In response to the letter about the snoopy guest who had a habit of looking in everybody's medicine cabinet, the guest probably needs help. I used to do that, too, because I was a drug addict looking for Valium or Percodan or whatever my host had that was better than what I had. I'm in recovery (AA) now. — BIG MIKE IN ATLANTA
DEAR ABBY: About marbles in the medicine cabinet: I saw that on a hidden-camera TV show when I was a kid, and yes, I used to open everyone's medicine cabinet. However, after that show, I have never snooped in a friend's cabinet again. I must admit that it is not out of respect for their privacy, but out of fear of embarrassment in case they pull that joke. — LOST MY MARBLES IN WICHITA
DEAR ABBY: Tell "Dick in Walnut Creek, Calif." to empty a shelf in his medicine cabinet and hold a piece of cardboard against the space to make a pocket into which he can put marbles. Close the door on the cardboard, then pull the cardboard out. Be prepared for some laughs.
I did it once to see if I had any snoopy guests, and it paid off. A guest was in the bathroom when my wife and I heard the racket of marbles hitting the sink!
The guest came out with a red face and walked right out of the front door. We couldn't stop laughing. — RICK M., WEST CONCORD, MASS.



HAGAR THE HORRIBLE
AND WHATEVER YOU DO, JOEY, NEVER TELL ANYONE THAT YOU'RE TICKLISH!

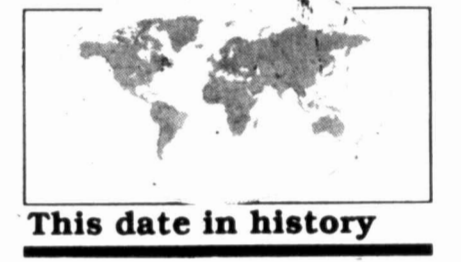


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We're seeing who can keep a jelly bean in their mouth the longest without biting it.



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MINIMUM CHARGE \$5.89
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WONDERING WHAT'S GOING ON in Big Spring? Call 267-2727. A service of the Convention & Visitors Bureau, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.
CITY BITS. Open up a new world of advertising, or tell someone Hello, Happy Birthday, I Love You, etc. Club Announcements, Organizational functions, and all types of announcements for as little as \$5.88 per day. Call Christy or Chris Today! 263-7331, for more information.
RECOVERY IS A JOURNEY...NOT A DESTINATION. New Phoenix Hope Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets 8:00pm Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad.



This date in history

The Associated Press
Today is Monday, April 4, the 94th day of 1994. There are 271 days left in the year.
Today's Highlight in History:
On April 4, 1968, civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King Junior was shot to death in Memphis, Tenn., where he had gone to support a strike by city sanitation workers. He was 39.
On this date:
In 1818, Congress decided the flag of the United States would consist of 13 red and white stripes and 20 stars, with a new star to be added for every new state of the Union.
In 1841, President William Henry Harrison succumbed to pneumonia one month after his inaugural, becoming the first U.S. chief executive to die in office.
In 1850, the city of Los Angeles was incorporated.
In 1887, Susanna Medora Salter became the first woman elected mayor of an American community — Argonia, Kansas.
In 1902, British financier Cecil Rhodes left \$10 million in his will to provide scholarships for Americans at Oxford University.
In 1949, 12 nations, including the United States, signed the North Atlantic Treaty.
In 1974, Hank Aaron of the Atlanta Braves tied Babe Ruth's home-run record by hitting his 714th round-tripper in Cincinnati.
In 1981, Henry Cisneros became the first Mexican-American elected mayor of a major U.S. city — San Antonio, Texas.
In 1988, the Arizona Senate convicted Governor Evan Mecham of two charges of official misconduct, and removed him from office. (Mecham was the first U.S. governor to be impeached and removed from office in nearly six decades.)

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Ask about our 7 day special...
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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HOWARD
To those indebted to, or holding claims against the estate of BILLY BOB WHITTINGTON, deceased, Probate Case Number 11,848.
The undersigned, having been duly appointed Independent Executor of the estate of Billy Bob Whittington, deceased, late of Howard County, Texas, by BEN LOCKHART, Judge of the County Court of said county, on the 23rd day of March, 1994, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make settlement, and those having claims against said estate to present them to Margo Whittington, P.O. Box 2701, Big Spring, TX 79721, within the time prescribed by law.
Executed this 23rd day of March, 1994.
MARGO WHITTINGTON,
Independent Executor of the estate of
Billy Bob Whittington, deceased
8756 April 4, 1994

VEHICLES

Autos for Sale 016

1982 AUDI 5000, automatic, 4 door, push button seats and windows, stereo, tires in good condition. \$2500.00. 267-2501 or 263-2356.

1985 2-28 CAMARO. One owner, new paint and tires, loaded. Excellent condition. \$4,300 o.b.o. 263-7236.

1987 GMC JIMMY - 4 wheel drive. Extra clean, good condition, one owner. 2202 Alabama. (915)267-8324.

1990 CADILLAC DeVille, 4 door. Fully loaded, new tires. 60,000 miles. \$10,900. 267-5233 or 263-0067.

1992 GRAND PRIX Four door, excellent condition, 70,000 miles. \$8,750. 267-1512.

'85 CHEVY MILLER Conversion Van. Loaded, low miles. \$5,200. '83 Honda Civic. Low miles. \$1,700. 263-5924.

Recreational Veh. 028
1976 GMC EL DORADO Motorhome. Low mileage. \$4500.00. Call 267-2324.

Travel Trailers 030
1979 22ft COACHMAN Travel Trailer. Call 263-1647.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements 036

LAST MINUTE TAX FILERS!
Need your taxes figured? Degreed accountant, reasonable rates. Call C & E Association. 267-8249 263-8786.

PAUL NG, ACUPUNCTURIST, will be at Hall Bennett Clinic, April 4-8. Please call for an appointment at 267-7411, 8:00-5:00.

Help Wanted 085

OFFICE MANAGER. Typing and computer literate. Duties vary from Receptionist/Secretary. Accepting resumes thru 4-11-94. P.O. Box 1693, Big Spring, Texas 79721. No Phone Calls!

SMALL SOUTHERN Baptist Church currently seeking part-time Bi-vocational Youth Director. If interested send resume to Russell Hayes, 1108 West County Road 130, Midland, Texas 79706.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services (TPDRS) invites all interested individuals and non-profit agencies, organizations, or government entities to submit proposals to provide HomeMaker Services. All services will be used in the Department's Child Protective Services program.
The contractor will receive referrals from local Child Protective Services staff. The emphasis of this program is to place homemakers in the homes of Child Protective Services clients to prevent the removal of children and/or reunite families.
Interested parties must propose to deliver services in the seventeen (17) counties listed below:
Andrews, Glasscock, Reeves
Borden, Howard, Terrell
Crane, Loving, Upton
Dawson, Martin, Ward
Ector, Midland, Winkler
Gaines, Pecos

The contract awarded under this RFP will be effective June 1, 1994 through May 31, 1995. Payment for these services will be on a unit rate basis, per hour or direct service with a maximum expenditure of \$108,060.00 for the contract year.
A "Request for Proposal" packet may be obtained beginning April 4, 1994 by contacting:
Loly Valdez
TPDRS Contract Technician
2525 N. Grandview, Suite 100
Odessa, Texas 79761
(915) 365-2694

The last day to request a packet is April 23, 1994. The deadline for submitting proposals is May 9, 1994 at 4:30 p.m.
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'88 FORD BRONCO II XLT 4wd, clean. 267-5513.
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Financial 080

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Appliances 299

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SPRING CITY AUCTION-Robert Pruitt Auctioneer, TXS-079-007759. Call 263-1831/263-0914. We do all types of auctions!

Dogs, Pets, Etc 375

ONE MALE AKC registered Shar-Pei puppy. Fawn with black mask. Lots of wrinkles. \$250. Call 264-0406.

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LVN/RN VACANCIES
3 LVN vacancies on Medical Services Unit 2 on 3-11 shift, 1 on 11-7 shift. Base pay \$1,612.00 plus night differential of \$154.00. 1 RN vacancy on Medical Services Unit on 11-7 shift. Salary range \$2,226.00-3,212.00 plus night differential of \$154.00 Texas Licensure required. Contact:
Big Spring State Hospital
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P.O. Box 231
Big Spring, Texas 79721
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THE Daily Crossword by William Canine

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