

Commissioners implement burning ban throughout county

By CARLTON JOHNSON Staff Writer

Several West Texas counties, in light of the long dry spell that's plagued the region as well as the recent North Texas grass fires, have imposed county burning bans until the dry spell is broken.

Martin and Howard Counties are among these counties.

Martin County Judge Bob Davenport said, "It's a touchy issue and I hope these (dry spells) aren't normal times."

The Martin County Commissioners' Court was unanimous in issuing its outdoor burning ban.

Davenport said its not a permanent

thing, but this is an emergency type of burning outside, but not make any situation because one spark could cause a disaster.

The Howard County Commissioners' Court was not so united in issuing its outdoor burning ban, despite recommendations from Big Spring Fire Chief Frank Anderson and a plea from a local resident.

Several farmers are boll weevil trap burning and some just to clear land. but the dry conditions have at least three members of the court a bit nervous.

Commissioners Sonny Choate and Emma Brown were dead set against imposing a ban on county residents.

Choate said, "We as a court should urge people to use their heads when laws.

Commissione Bill Crooker was in direct opposition saying the court should urge people to not burn trash period.

'We risk lives, we risk homes and we risk property by burning in the midst of a dry spell like this. People need to take a little more time to take trash to the dump," Crooker said.

Anderson said, "Conditions are very extreme in the county right now and the least little spark could ravage the entire county. Our vegetation is bone dry. I recommend a total burning ban except for supervised targeted burning where a large tanker and fire engine can be on site.

POWERFUL UNITS

cans, containers and pits is unacceptable and will end up causing some big losses In April 1988, Scenic mountain went

up in flames because of a spark from a welding torch being used to build a new water tank. Winds blew the sparks into the grass and 150 acres of brush and grassland and the one-million-gallon city water storage tank were destroyed.

Choate still objected to issuing a ban because he said it infringes on the citizens private property rights.

"If we restrict people on their own property, we'll end up having county crews picking their trash out of our bar ditches. I'm not for making rules

He added, "Open burning such as on private property," Choate said.

Crooker said, "I'm in disagreement and think we need to encourage people not to burn. When you lose a home, you've lost a lot.

One local citizen addressed the court saying he disagreed with Choate and Brown and that 57 other counties in the state have banned outdoor burning.

He said, "At the very least, banning outside burning along with a fine should be sufficient enough to stop the burning. There's no need for people to burn trash.'

Choate said, "I think were about to do something we're going to find to live with.'

Commissioners' passed the measure 3-2.

Commissioners discuss **Woodie Howell lawsuit** 'threat' by his attorney

Howell blames "dirty" politics; attorney promises not to sue **By CARLTON JOHNSON Staff Writer**

The Howard County Commissioners' Court met in executive session late Monday morning to discuss pending lawsuits and possible litigation with former Sheriff's deputy and Republican Sheriff candidate Woodie Howell.

Following the executive session Howard County Judge Ben county. Lockhart said the commission-"I'm not suing the county and ers' court, after talking with I don't know what they are talking about," Howell said. attorneys in Austin, authorized He added the only reason the situation.

us that they have been in contact with Howell's attorney Cindy Weir-Ervin of Odessa and she indicated to them that she anticipates filing suit at some point on behalf of Howell against Howard County," Lockhart said.

Sources indicate that any litigation on behalf of Howell would include the claim he was wrongfully fired from the Howard County Sheriff's office. Howell and Ervin did not attend Monday's commissioners' court meeting, but Howell did respond to the charge that he would file suit against the



ting assignment on a train. Rail traffic through Big Spring is expected to increase dramati-Two Union Pacific locomotives sit in the Big Spring Yards this morning, wai

"Our attorneys have advised See LAWSUIT, Page 2

MAKING A VOLCANO



Tiffany Richards, Ben Richardson and Alyssa Nunez add more dirt onto a pile on the College Heights Elementary School playground as they were building a volcano for a class project. Once the mountain was built high enough, their teacher added baking code and vinegar for a lava effect.

cally if the Interstate Commerce Commission approves the pending merger of Southern Pacific Into UP. The respect to miles operated and rolling stock.

Big Spring police nab two Florida murder suspects

By CARLTON JOHNSON Staff Writer

Two Florida murder suspects turned up in Big Spring this past weekend, but are now being expedited back to face charges in the murder of Bagdad, Fla. resident Calvin McCullers.

McCullers was found in his Bagdad, Florida home over the weekend. His throat had been slashed. Authorities believe he was killed Feb. 13.

On Saturday, officers with the Big Spring Police Department arrested the suspects while investigating the homicide after being contacted by Santa Rosa County officials

Police arrested 24-year-old Dennis Penn and 19-year-old Marcus Brian McCullers,

the victim's stepson Saturday.

A female suspect, 17-year-old Catherine Caudell of Florida, was also taken into custody and questioned, but later released without charges being filed against her.

Florida investigators say Marcus McCullers' girlfriend was afraid Florida welfare workers would take her child, so McCullers and Penn allegedly concocted a scheme to leave Florida and killed the victim to steal his car.

Detectives Paul Lio and Tom Gunn traveled to Big Spring Monday to escort the suspects back to Florida to face murder and robbery charges as well as Texas charges of being fugitives from justice.

Lio said other motives for the killing are also possible.

The suspects and their girlfriends, along

with a six-week-old child ran out of money when they reached Texas and were staying at the Mayo Ranch Motel in Big Spring trying to figure out how to get their car repaired which had broken down on them. Detectives say the suspects were headed to New Mexico or California.

The child is currently in the care of Texas welfare officials.

One break in the investigation came when the estranged husband of Marcus McCullers' girlfriend implicated him to authorities

Lio said, "The BSPD was they key break in this case and we appreciate their level of cooperation. The suspects will now be formally charged and booked in Florida and put through the legal system.

GOP hopefuls make final push for support in Arizona

ATLANTA (AP) - With GOP presidential hopefuls making a final push to sway votes in Arizona, Pat Buchanan defended his campaign and its supporters today, saying they were not extremists, but "good Americans. They want to participate."

Steve Forbes, hoping to repeat his primary in victory in Delaware on Saturday, also focused on Arizona.

Forbes said, "I'm not going to make any predictions. We are

attracting more and more support as we speak. We'll just take it from there."

Bob Dole played the endorsement game, making a pilgrimage on Sunday to the Arizona hilltop home of GOP conservative patriarch Barry Goldwater to win his endorsement and courting former President Bush. His campaign moved on to Georgia today.

Buchanan, in morning interviews, dismissed his Republican opponents, saying. "They

sound like Bill Clinton. They call me the same names Bill Clinton calls them. They look like they've picked up his vocabulary.'

Buchanan dismissed suggestions he is attracting extremists.

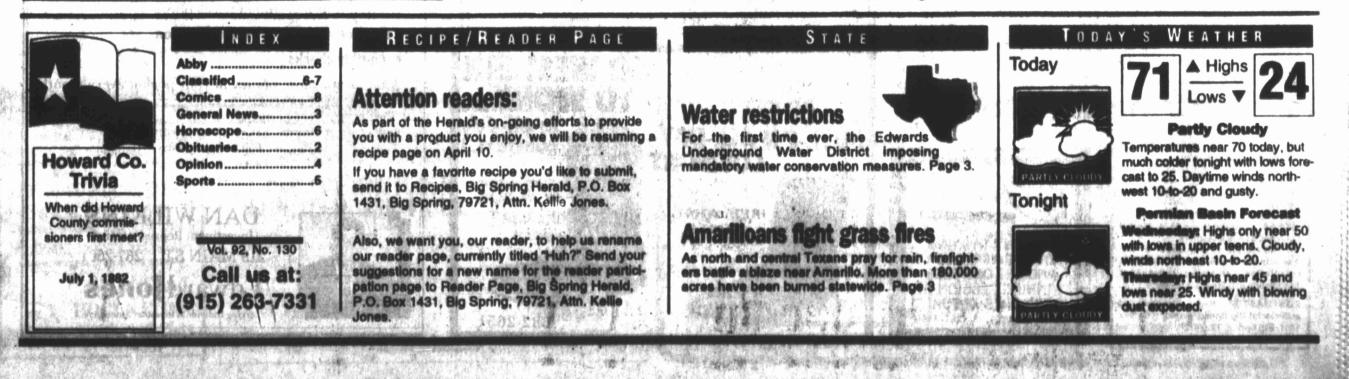
"These are good Americans. They want to participate. All we're saying is open the door, we want to come in."

Arizona is the big prize on Tuesday, with 39 delegates up for grabs.

Races are also being held Tuesday in North Dakota and South Dakota, followed by a "first-in-the-South" contest in South Carolina on Saturday.

Dole, the Senate majority lead er, reorganizing his staff and trying to overcome two straight loses in New Hampshire and Delaware, disclosed that he'd talked to Bush soon after the New Hampshire vote.

Asked if he expected an endorsement, Dole said, "Well, it would be nice. I don't know."





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OBITUARIES

Eleno Subia Barrera

Rosary will be recited for Eleno Subia Barrera, 30, of Slaton and formerly of Big Spring, on Tuesday, Feb. 27, 1996, at 7

p.m. at White Memorial Chapel in Lubbock. Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated Wednesday, on Feb. 28, 1996, at 4 p.m. at Our Lady Guadalupe of Catholic Church BARRERA with Father James

O'Connor officiating. Burial will follow in Peaceful Gardens in Woodrow, Texas. Barrera died Sunday, Feb. 25, 1996.

He was born on Jan. 12, 1966, in Big Spring, to Jose and Cruz Barrera. He attended Estacado High School and married Julie Parra. He moved to Slaton in 1991 from Lubbock. He was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Slaton.

He was preceded in death by his father Jose Barrera and one brother: Jose Damas Barrera, Jr

He is survived by his wife Julie, Slaton; one son: Joey Ballero, Lubbock; one stepson: Chris Parra, Slaton; one daughter: Elaine Barrera, Slaton; his mother and stepfather: Cruz Barrera and Ricardo Valdez; his maternal grandmother: Luz Subia, Big Spring; four brothers: Johnny Barrera and Isreal Barrera, both of Lubbock; Andy Barrera and Cleto Barrera, both of St. Paul, Minn.; six sisters: Viola Mendoza and Lydia Yanez, both of Big Spring; Lucy Ybarra, Kansas; Martha Soria, Mary Constancio and Andrea Constancio, all of Minnesota as well as numerous aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

Arrangements are under the direction of White Funeral Home of Lubbock

Kenny Dewees

Graveside services for Kenny Dewees, 69, of Big Spring, will be at Trinity Memorial Park on Wednesday, Feb. 28, 1996, at 10:30 a.m. with Tom Sorley officiating. He died Sunday, Feb. 25, 1996, at St. Mary's of the Plains Hospital.

He was born in Eola, Texas, and had lived in the Ballinger

Myrtle Wilson

Services for Myrtle Maude Wilson, 55, of Big Spring, were Feb. 22, 1996, at J.M. Day Funeral Home in Madisonville, Texas with Rev. James Scott officiating. Interment followed at High Prairie Cemetery. She died Feb. 19, 1996.

She was preceded in death by her nephew: Jimmy Ennis Wilson Jr. Mrs. Wilson greatly enjoyed sewing, gardening, canning and being with her family.

She is survived by her husband Bill Wilson, Big Spring; her parents: Ennis and Stella Boyd Wilson, Madisonville; two daughters and a son-in-law: Donna Michelle and Tony Salazar, Big Spring and Paula Sue Coleman, Houston; one son and daughter-in-law: Billy and Marie Wilson Jr., Big Spring; one sister and brother-in-law: Maggie Ann and Tony Walker. Cleburne; one brother: Jimmy Wilson, Florida; seven grandchildren, two aunts: Locie Wilson, Normangee and Maxine Boyd, Virginia and numerous nieces and nephews.

Arrangements were under the direction of J.M. Day Funeral Home of Madisonville. (Paid obituary)

Arvin Henry

Memorial services for Arvin N. Henry, 63, of Big Spring, will

Wednesday, Feb. 28, 1996, at First Church of the Nazarene with Rev. Gary Smith, pastor, officiating. He died Monday Feb. 26, 1996, at a local hospital. He was born on

Nov. 12, 1932, in-

He came to Big Spring in 1957 husband and father

the U.S. Ain Force as a sergeant He was a member of Staked Plains Modge, No., 598, A. Ful& A.M., the Suez Shrine, the Suez Shrine Temple, the Lubbock Scottish Rite and was active in the Suez Motor Patrol. Survivors include his wife, Colleen Henry, Big Spring; one son, Gary Belew, Big Spring; one daughter: Sandra Belew Beckcom, Fayetteville, Ark.; one brother: Ed Henry, Denton; four grandchildren and one nephew. The family suggests memorials to: Shriners Burn Institute; 610 Texas Ave.; Galveston, Texas: 77550 or the American Diabetes Assocation; P.O. Box 62182; San Angelo, Texas; 76906. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral, Home.

TEXAS LOTTERY

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents during the 24hour period ending 8 a.m. Tuesday:

•DANIEL ESCOTO ALFRE DO, 43, of 507 W. Fifth, previously arrested for assault, was released after paying a fine.

•JOE DELGADO, JR., 28, of 1311 Mobile, previously arrested for theft and possession of marijuana, was released after paying a fine.

•BERLEY SAPP, II, 69, no address given, was arrested for public intoxication.

•INVESTIGATING SUSPI-CIOUS ACTIVITIES in the 500 block of Scurry, at Gregg and Marcy, 400 block of Northwest Eighth, at Fourth and Goliad, 600 block of East Third, 1500 block of East Fourth, at the South Service Road of Interstate 20 and North Owens. 1600 block of Scurry, 1300 block of Settles and 300 block of East Third.

•CRIMINAL MISCHIEF in the 1500 block of East Fourth, 400 block of Gregg, 500 block of West Fourth, 500 block of Gregg, 2900 block of Cherokee, and 800 block of West Interstate

•ANIMAL PROBLEMS at West Interstate 20 and mile marker 177 and in the 1600 block of Canary.

•BURGLARY OF A VEHI-CLE in the 1900 block of Wasson and 500 block of West Fourth

•MINOR ACCIDENTS in the 2400 block of East Marcy, 200 block of East 10th, at 15th and Scurry and at North U.S. Highway 87 and the city limits.

•DISTURBANCES/FIGHTS in the 200 block of East 10th, 2000 block of Goliad, 1600 block of Martin Luther King and 2900 block of West 80.

•THEFT OF SERVICE in the 800 block of West Interstate 20. **PHONE HARASSMENT** in the 500 block of Westover and OfBlock of Birdwell.

18, of 1600 Robin, was arrested for theft in Midland County. She was released to Midland County deputies.

•SUE COX PEREZ, 48, of Colorado City, was arrested by the Mitchell County Sheriff's Department on an outstanding warrant. She was later released after the Howard County Sheriff's Department received a \$1,400 bond by mail.

•DELOS N. MOMANUS, 40. of Luling, was transferred by the Big Spring Police **Department** and arrested for theft. He was later released on \$1.000 bond.

of 700 Bell, was transferred from the Big Spring Police Department and arrested for possession of a controlled substance. He was later released on \$5,000 bond.

of Snyder, was arrested by the Scurry County Sheriff's Department for an outstanding warrant. He was later released after the Howard County Sheriff's Department received a \$400 bond by mail.

•HARASSMENT in the 1100 block of Centerpoint.

•GRASS FIRES in the 3400 block of Webb Lane and at South Service Road of Interstate 20 and mile marker

IN BRIEF

Engagement, wedding and anniversary photos must be picked up by March 15

Anyone who has had an engagement, wedding or anniversary announcement run in the Big Spring Herald needs to pick up their pictures no later than March 15.

If you, a friend or relative has had an announcement published since 1980, please come by the Herald at 710 Scurry to pick up the picture. Any picture not picked up by

March 15. will be discarded.

Herald, today at 4:15 p.m. at the Howard College Auditorium.

•Red Hot Review - Tonight at the Howard College Auditorium March cotton futures 83.20 cents at 7 p.m.

ABWA to hold membership tea

The Scenic Cactus Chapter of ABWA will be having a Membership Tea Drive on Sunday from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Dora **Roberts Community Center. All** working women are encouraged to attend.

Local resident seeks Guiness record entry in tapdancing

Big Spring resident and dance instructor Laurie Churchwell will attempt to set a new world record in tap dancing.

The current record for tap dancing distance is 13.1 miles and Churchwell will attempt to tap dance 16 miles on March 9. She will use the Harold Davis **Fitness Center, Dorothy Garrett** Coliseum and the sidewalks in between.

Blood drive slated for March 9

A community blood drive sponsored by KBST and the Big Spring Mall will be Saturday. March 9, at the mall from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The drive will be conducted by United Blood Services of San Angelo.

Donors are asked to bring proper identification such as a driver's license, social security card or UBS blood donor card. Donors should also know the specific names of any medication they are currently taking.

UBS needs to collect approximately 300 units of blood a week to adequately service more than 20 hospitals across West Texas, including Scenic Mountain Medical and the VA Hospital.

UBS representatives urge anyone with O blood to donate. O Negative blood is universal and can be transfused to anyone.

For more information, contact United Blood Services of San Angelo at (800)756-0024.

Bone marrow drive March 9 for young Megan Stanley

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a pound, down 22 points; April crude oil 19.73, up 34 points; Cash hog steady at 43 cents even; slaughter steers steady at 50 cents higher at 63.50 cents even; April live hog futures 47.17 cents, down 30 points; April live cattle futures 65.05 cents, down 72 points. Courtosy: Delta Corporation. Noon quotes provided by Edward D. Jones & Co.

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Big Spring woman charged with manslaughter

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By SARA SOLIS **Staff Writer**

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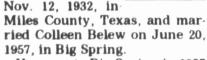
A local woman has beencharged with manslaughter for the November murder of a Big Spring woman.

Janie Juanita Mendez, 52, of 1309 Elm Street, was arrested by Detective Jim Rider at her residence, Capt. Lonnie Smith of the Big Spring Police Department, said.

Mendez has been charged

emergency room at Scenic Mountain Medical Center Nov. 19, 1995 after receiving a blunt force trauma to the head. She died 24 hours later. Smith said the exact instrument which caused Acosta's death is still being investigated. Mendez is currently in the custody of the Big Spring Police Department and is being held on \$50,000 bond, Smith said. Acosta's mother, Amelia Fuentes also died in 1995 from questionable causes. Fuentes died May 27 from what was ruled natural causes at the time. **Detective Jim Rider recently** obtained information that Fuentes did not die of natural causes as previously believed and at the family's request the body was exhumed Feb. 14 for the purpose of performing an autopsy. The autopsy was performed by Dr. Spencer of the University Medical Center in Lubbock and the results have not been released. The Big Spring Police Department is now conducting a questionable death investigation into Mrs. Fuentes' death.

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and was stationed her with the Highway Patrol as a state trooper for 15 years. He then worked for the City of Big Spring Police Department as a lieutenant for 14 years. He then owned and operated Midway Plumbing with his son. He was a loving

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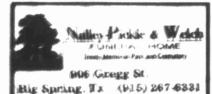
MANUEL MEDRANO, 41,

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area most of his youth and was a veteran of the U.S. Army during World War II. He married Billie Ellis on Sept. 6, 1945, in Ballinger. He owned and operated a service station and garage at the intersection of Interstate 20 and Highway 80 for 30 years. He had been a Lubbock resident for three years.

Survivors include his wife Billie; one son: Randy Dewees, Lubbock; two daughters: Pam Tonn, Lubbock and Kendra Sorley, Danville, Calif.; a brother: L.P. Dewees, Odessa and a sister: Wilma Turmer, Odessa; two stepbrothers: William and James Campbell and three stepsisters: Mildned Campbell, Willa Mae Campbell and Betty Jean Knight 10 grandchildren and two gneat-gnandobildnen.

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MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288 Marace C. Wallin. 87. died Friday Services will be 11:00 A.M. Thesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home Chapel, with buried at Trinity **Memorial Park**

LAWSUIT

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could think of for his name being on Monday's agenda is because maybe someone in the county feel like they've done something wrong and could be sued or because it's two week before the primary election and his name appeared on the agenda as a political move to hurt his campaign.

I think this is just dirty politics two weeks before the election." Howell said

He added, "I'm not going to sue the county because usually the individuals in the wrong don't pay the citizens of Howard County do and I'm not going to sue the citizens of Howard County."

Howell's attorney, Cindy Weir-Ervin, of Odessa, said, "Woodie's not going to sue the county. This makes me mad, because this is not the first time the commissioners have misrepresented the facts."

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•INVESTIGATING CRIMI-NAL ACTIVITIES in the 1600 block of Martin Luther King, 1200 block of East 17th and 1000 block of Bluebonnet.

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•THEFTS in the 700 block of West Interstate 20, 1100 block of North Lamesa, 500 block of Washington and 200 block of Runnels.

•FORGERY at a local Big Spring merchant.

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following incidents in a 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. Tuesday: •ROBERT LEE VELA, 20, of 1507 Lincoln, was transferred from the Big Spring Police Department, previously arrested for possession of marijuana under two ounces and violation of Ector County probation, pleaded guilty in County Court and was sentenced to ten days in county jail and fined \$192 plus court costs.

•PATRICIA YVETTE MIER,

This does not apply to recent announcements as those people have 30 days after the date of publication to pick up their photographs.

Herald seeks recipes from readers for new page

The Herald is currently seek ing input from our readers to begin a recipe page scheduled to be published the second Wednesday, of each month, beginning in April

If you have any recipes you would like to see published. please submit them to the Herald office at 710 Scurry or mail them to: P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79721, attention: Kellie Jones.

Submissions for the first recipe corner need to be in the Herald office no later than April 1. It is scheduled for April 10. For more information, call

Kellie Jones, 263-7331.

HC upcoming events schedule Here is a list of upcoming events at Howard College:

 Howard County Spelling Bee, sponsored by the Big Spring

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The drive is set for Saturday. March 9 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Garrett Hall at First United Methodist Church, 400 Scurry.

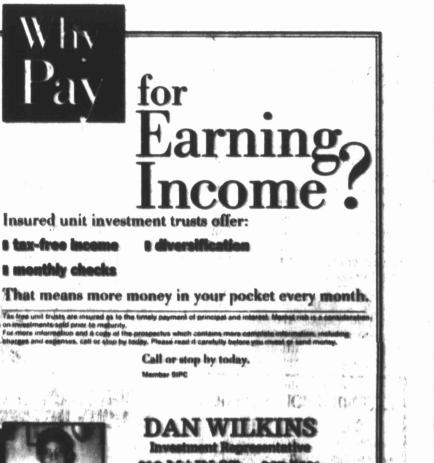
The suggested donation for the drive is \$20 and is open for anyone ages 18 to 60. Contact Nancy Marshall at 263-8053 for more information. For information about bone marrow transplants in general, contact Vicky Turner at 1-800-643-2448.

Chamber's Business After Hours set for March 19

Business After Hours, March 19, from 5:15 to 7 p.m., at the Best Western Mid Continent Inn on the North Service Road of I-20.

There will be refreshments and door prizes. Bring a guest and your business cards.

Business After Hours is a program of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce and is specifically designed to encourage networking and to showcase sponsors. There is no charge to attend. This is the first of many for 1996, with a different sponsor and location each time.



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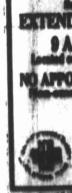
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GENERAL NEWS

New wildfire breaks out near Amarillo; 180,000 acres now burned

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The 2,000-acre fire, in an area of scatted homes some three represent an area of miles northwest of Amarillo, was extin-guished about 6:30 281 p.m., but hot spots continued to flare up.

A spokesman for the Potter County Sheriff's Size of Dallas. A spokesman for the Department said at least one house was

destroyed. No major injuries were reported, although some firefighters suffered smoke inhalation, the spokesman said. Since January, some 3,000 separate blazes have consumed

more than 180,000 acres, almost 10 times as much land as all of last year, officials with the State **Division of Emergency Manage**ment said.

Those 180,000 acres represent an area of 281 square miles, about 85 percent the size of Dal-

DALLAS (AP) — A new wild-fire broke out Monday in rural More than 130 homes and 115 vehicles have been destroyed by Potter County near Amarillo, fire, state figures show. The dolwhile North and Central Texas lar amount of the damage has

Also Monday, Buddy Young, regional director for the Federal **Emergency Management Agen**cy, announced a "fire suppression grant" for Potter County. A fire suppres-

sion grant reimburses Those 180,000 acres the state for 70 percent of the costs of fighting the fires. The Potter County grant could also be expanded to other square miles, counties in the immediate area in more fires about 85 percent the start, said spokesman Goodman.

Last week, FEMA announced a fire suppression grant for Parts of North and Central Parker, Wise and Jack counties,

> where 16,500 acres burned. The fire suppression grants are in addition to the federal emergency declarations in 21 Texas counties last weekend. The emergency declaration pays for the federal government to

fires might break out. No Texas counties have been declared disasters areas, which would send federal money to help pay for damage caused by the fires.

FEMA Morrie stage equipment in areas where

Firefighters from various departments watch as a wall of flames approach their position in a field near Agnes, in Parker County, where more than 25,000 acres have been burned thus far.

U.N. denounces Cuba at U.S. insistence

UNITED NATIONS (AP) - At council.

Washington's insistence, the U.N. Security Council denounced Cuba today for downing two American planes, but in much milder terms than the Clinton administration had sought.

After 16 hours of wrangling, the council adopted a statement saying it "strongly deplores" the attack Saturday, in which Cuban MiGs shot down two unarmed planes belonging to Brothers to the Rescue, a Miami-based group of Cuban exiles. The four Cuban-Americans aboard are presumed dead. The United States originally asked the 15-member council to say it "condemns" the attack as

an unlawful use of force and a threat to international order. None of that wording made the

Bruno of Radriguez Rarrilla, i defended the attack before the

"International peace and security is not what is threatened today," Rodriguez said.

Texas received scattered rain

showers Monday afternoon, and

the forecast called for a chance

of rain through the night and

Much of the state is parched

North Texas, for example, has

received only about 7 inches of

rain since August. The normal

rainfall for that period is about

17 inches, said Lori Bovitz, a

meteorologist with the National

into Tuesday.

from lack of moisture.

Weather Service.

"It is the peace, sovereignty and security of Cuba which have been endangered for more than 35 years because of ... those in a position of strength who promote action against my country," he said.

Cuba claims the planes were shot down over its territorial waters, which the United States denies. In the past, the exile group has rescued Cuban refugees from the waters off Cuba, and has dropped leaflets over Cuba criticizing Fidel Castro's communist government.

A Cuban Foreign Ministry spokesman called the resolution "a total miscarriage of justice" that lacked "any clear condemnation of the United States as final statement. (Eleost in ation of the United States as Cwba's, acting combassador, 59the clear originator, of this sequence of events."

planes to take off from Florida despite knowing they would violate Cuban airspace, the spokesman, Miguel Alfonso Martinez, said in Geneva.

The Security Council presidential statement, accepted unanimously although without a formal vote, carries less weight than a formal council resolution, which would have required a vote.

international It cites covenants banning the use of weapons against civilian aircraft and asks the International Civil Aviation Organization in Montreal to conduct an immediate investigation.

Through that request, U.S. officials hope to lay a legal foundation for any future sanctions that might be imposed against Cuba.

Council diplomats said that apart from the Americans, there was little or no support for puni-

The United States had pressed the council to act on the statement without delay.

"It is important to the United States to get action on this heinous crime, and to have the international community make clear this is a major breach of international law," U.S. Ambassador Madeleine Albright said. "It is a criminal act.

As current holder of the rotat ing council presidency. Albright at one point threatened to keep the council in session until dawn, if necessary, diplomats said.

Council members beat that deadline by just three hours.

China's ambassador Qin Huasun had stalled, staying he needed to consult his government in Beijing. China also wanted to wait until the Cuban foreign minister, Roberto Robaina, arrived.

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Bodies of American students returned home from Israel after bombing attack Sunday

Duker flew to Israel last fall to continue her studies and be with her boyfriend, Matthew M. Eisenfeld. Early today, flagdraped coffins bearing Duker and Eisenfeld returned home aboard a plane to tearful families and a planned joint burial. Duker, 22, and Eisenfeld, 25, were among 25 people during

two bombing attacks on buses early Sunday in Jerusalem. In a letter written Monday,

Duker's sisters appealed for peace and paid tribute to Sara. "For those who would use her death as an excuse to

blame and hate, we can only say that our sister never hated anyone, and would never have wanted to contribute to the hate in this world," wrote Tamara, 20, and Ariella, 14.

Duker was the "antithesis of iolence" said Rabhi Mena-

TEANECK, N.J. (AP) - Sara who cared for others, and who felt that she could make a difference in others' lives," he said

Duker had been taking classes at Hebrew University in Jerusalem and working in a school microbiology lab. She was a graduate of Barnard College in New York.

Eisenfeld was a second-year rabbinical student at the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York, and was in the school's Jerusalem study program.

"He was a gentle soul with a very fine mind," said Benny Segal, head of studies at a Jerusalem seminary.

The couple had been dating. and Duker had gone to Israel in the fall in part to be near Eisenfeld, relatives said.

Funeral services were schediled today for Duker in T neck, and on Wednesday for Eisenfeld in his hometown of West Hartford, Conn. They

U.S. officials allowed the tive actions against Cuba. Edwards sets first-ever usage restrictions

appeals court, ending the threat of a federal takeover of the Edwards Aquifer, has ordered an end to a lawsuit brought by the Sierra Club against the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

The action by the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals came Monday on the 58th day of the second-longest drought in San Antonio history. It also came on the same day the Edwards Underground Water District declared mandatory conservation measures for the first time since adopting its drought management plan in 1989.

A three-judge appeals court panel in New Orleans told Senior U.S. District Judge Lucius D. Bunton III of Midland to end a 5-year-old endangered species lawsuit.

The appeals judges said all the remedies requested by the Sierra Club in its lawsuit have been granted, so the case should be concluded.

"I think it's a good decision and a correct one," said Russell Johnson, attorney for the San

sets the stage for Round Two." Sierra Club attorney Stuart Henry said he is pleased with the suit's accomplishments getting the wildlife service to issue a plan to protect endangered species in Comal Springs and the state to create an authority to regulate pumping.

But he said more lawsuits to protect plants and animals that depend on aquifer-fed springs in New Braunfels are likely.

"If the aquifer keeps going down, and we start getting takes (deaths) of endangered species, I guess we'll have to start filing some lawsuits against San Antonio and a bunch of other pumpers," Henry said. "I don't know that we've got much choice. I hope like the dickens it rains.'

Even the appeals court in its order acknowledged the possibility of more litigation, saying that if the Sierra Club wants additional relief it must file a new lawsuit.

and Bunton had threatened sev-

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - An Antonio Water System. "But it eral times to impose federal pumping limits, but the appeals court on Oct. 18 ordered Bunton to hold back, pending its review

of the case. The wildlife service Feb. 14 issued its recovery plan for aquifer species. The appeals court said that was the last step needed to satisfy Bunton's May 1993 final judgment in the case. The Texas Attorney General's

Office last fall appealed to the 5th Circuit over Bunton's appointment of a monitor to oversee the aquifer. The state also objected to being billed for one-third of the monitor's cost.

The appeals court Monday agreed with Bunton's actions, but instructed him to take the "steps necessary to conclude this case promptly."

While the order apparently brings at least a temporary halt to action in federal court, the Texas Supreme Court is scheduled next month to consider whether the authority created The Sierra Club had asked by the state to regulate the aquifer may go to work.

Eventually, the council agreed to let Rodriguez address the body.

Rodriguez

instead..

When the council agreed upon the statement, Albright invited Rodriguez to take a seat at the

hem Meier, the principal of her religious high school. "I remember her as a real

individual, who was brilliant, were to be buried side by side



sraelis pressure Palestinian arrests

JERUSALEM (AP) - Under pressure from Israel after two deadly bombings, Palestinian police have arrested more than 120 militants of the Islamic Hamas group.

Hamas members said today that only two of the detainees are leading Hamas figures and none belong to Hamas' military wing, Izzedine al Qassam, which carried out two weekend suicide bombings in Israel.

Prime Minister Shimon Peres has vowed to destroy Hamas and told Yasser Arafat he must disarm the group and arrest its leaders if he wants to remain a credible peace partner.

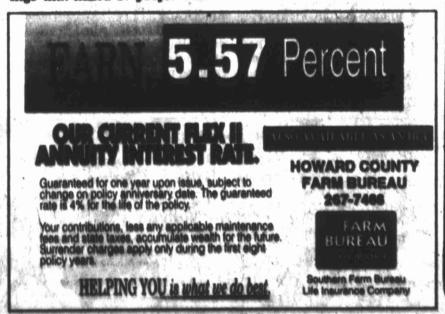
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The Palestinian leader was to meet today with Israel's military commander. Lt. Gen. Amnon Shahak, to discuss the crackdown. Shahak will give Arafat a list of about 10 Hamas leaders Israel wants arrested,

Israeli officials said. Foremost on the wanted list is Mohammed Deif, the reported mastermind behind the bombings that killed 27 people Sunday in Jerusalem and the coastal town of Ashkelon.

Sunday's bombings on a Jerusalem bus and at a hitchhiking post for soldiers at Ashkelon were planned in Gaza, but the suicide bombers came from a refugee camp near the West Bank city of Hebron, which is still under Israeli control, Palestinian officials said.





OPINION

BIG SPRING HERALD Tuesday, February 27, 1996

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Quote of the Day

"The impossible is often the untried."

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columnist or writer. **Charles C. Williams** Publisher

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Making a difference each and every day

ver the past couple of weeks, members of our community have had the chance to make a difference. As you know, we have a tendency to believe that Howard Countians move to the head of the line when it comes to helping a worthy cause. Once again, you've proven us right.

Back on Feb. 18, a catfish fry and auction was held to raise monies for Bobby McCormick. McCormick, you may recall, is the gentleman who has undergone a half-dozen heart surgeries and, quite simply was out of money and out of insurance coverage.

Because you were given the chance to help, you chose to do so and nearly \$5,000 was raised at the benefit, which was put on by Mel's Catfish, Martha's Hideaway and H.O.G., the Harley Owner's Group.

Most recently you dug into your pockets to help kids as they sought to cover a gym floor with coins for the proposed Kids' Zone Playground.

Because of your support, along, of course, with the enthusiasm that often can only be found in a child, an estimated \$6,000 was raised.

Because of you, a difference has been made in two areas.

Because of you, we're proud to call Big Spring and Howard County home.

It is said that things change over the years ... that people come and go and that attitudes change. One thing that hasn't changed, however, is the fact that given the chance, the residents of Big Spring and Howard County will try to make a difference. Don't ever change that.

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BUCHANAN MAY BE OUTSIDE THE MAINSTREAM, BUT HIS CANDIDACY has a strong appeal people feeling insecure ABOUT THEIR JOBS



Never too young to be on wrong end of a lawsuit

Some time back, I wrote about sustained when Connor allegeda 9-year-old Little League player ly hit her when he was 4 years who was sued for a hefty sum old. because he made a throw that conked a woman who was watching from a blanket on the grass.

The case was interesting because the lawsuit was left on the boy's front porch. where he found and read it and almost went into shock.

Which wasn't surprising. Most 9-year-olds might twitch at reading a legal document that accuses them of causing pain, misery and suffering, as well as a husband's lack of consortium, and demanding what would amount to a lifetime of weekly allowance.

To bring the case up to date, a judge this week tossed the suit. That means the kid is off the hook, although his parents could still be sued, so I'll keep track of that.

"The sitter says he gave her a

crushed larynx and other injuries and that she can no longer work attend school or lead a normal life. **Mike Royko** is Syndicated suing us for \$2 mil-Columnist

lion. Yes, you read that right. Two million dollars.

In a phone interview, Mrs. Schaars provided some details. "She was baby sitting one Sat urday night, but she didn't tell me about it until two days later.

She

"This happened in April 1994, and I got a letter in June saying they needed our insurance papers immediately or they would file suit.

"I notified our insurance company, and they offered \$1,000. That's what the insurance company offers if an accident happens on your property and you aren't negligent.'

But the lawsuit was filed. "During her deposition," Mrs. Schaars said, "she couldn't say why she needed \$2 million. She said it was for lost wages, but she had never filed an incometax return. She did some detailing on cars for her father, but she mostly baby-sat and lived at home. Actually, she was an excellent sitter. She would play with the kids and not just sit and watch TV with them."

ed to play checkers, but the sitter told him to wait because she was busy trying to get his older brother to eat. So it could be a classic case of sibling rivalry rearing its ugly head.

Mrs. Schaars says she doesn't know how much pain and suffering her former sitter is currently enduring because she is now living in another community. "Maybe she doesn't want to be seen around town talking normally because that might indicate that her pain and suffering has subsided."

The case comes to trial next month, so we will see how much the family has to pay for little Connor's wicked forearm chop.

This case reminds me of something that happened when I was about 17 and was sitting with two of my little nephews. One of them snuck up on me and

plunged a ballpoint pen into my

VINER VIEWS

The North American Free Trade Agreement - as shown by the campaign-trail success of Republican presidential candidate Pat Buchanan — has become a major issue in this political season. But it has become one for all the wrong reasons.

Buchanan uses his "America first" campaign theme to say that free trade in general - and NAFTA in particular - are bad for the United States. On what does he base his assumption? On a couple of rocky years in Mexico.

NAFTA, which is designed to integrate trade among the United States, Mexico and Canada, still holds enormous hope as it enters its third year of existence.

NAFTA seeks to equalize trade restrictions among the nations. U.S.-Canadian trade already is virtually free of tariffs. Not so with the United States and Mexico. The Mexican government already, though, has reduced tariffs by 5 percent, compared to a 2 percent reduction enacted by the U.S. government.

Clearly, the Mexican economy has suffered. The devaluation of the peso last year came as Mexico sought to deal with a virtual economic collapse. The buying power of Mexicans has suffered over the short term. The future, however, isn't nearly as bleak, especially if Mexico's economy continues to rebound from its disastrous 1995. Indeed, Mexico already is showing signs of economic growth in 1996, a trend that figures to cut significantly into this country's trade deficit.

The impact on Texas, of course, is enormous. Discussions already are underway to extend Interstate 27 north of Amarillo and south of Lubbock in anticipation of increased truck volume. Yes, that increased traffic has some problems, such as the safety of Mexico's trucks; the state must ensure that those trucks meet stricter safety requirements than they do at the moment.

It is oh, so easy to score cheap political points by singling out some of the recent difficulties in this still-new trade arrangement. We ought to take the long view in judging the success or failure of NAFTA.

At the end of its second year, NAFTA still holds major promise for Texas and the rest of the nation.

Amarillo Globe-News on NAFTA

The Republican Revolution that was to be led by Speaker Gingrich and his band of House disciples has been shoved aside. Make room for the Buchanan Brigade - sweeping across the Republican primary landscape and coming to Texas next month.

Gingrich and the House Republicans talked of a contract with America. Pat Buchanan makes no mention of any such contract, choosing instead to feature a peculiar but fiery blend of religious right moral views and economic protectionism borrowed from the books of liberal Democrats.

It's great entertainment to see Buchanan - a mere columnist and commentator - shock the establishment figures of his party. Buchanan is the fire and brimstone of his party - the George Wallace of the 1990s who uses a nativist campaign to raise resentments against ethnic groups and immigrants.

Pat is always on the attack. His relentless bashing of Mexico and the North American Free Trade Agreement adds a strong anti-foreigner bent, delighting a constituency which blames outside forces for many of their problems and fears.

Establishment Republicans are reeling. Their standard bearer - Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole - is a listless and tired figunchead at this point, straining badly under the hot light of Buchananisms.

In Texas, Republican leaders like Gov. George W. Bush and Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison must surely be shuddering. Both are ardent free traders and believe in NAFTA heart and soul.

it's not hard to see why. Mexico is hugely important to the Texas economy. This state leads the nation in exports to Mexico, and regions like the Rio Grande Valley must have robust trade with Mexico in order to survive.

The thought of Buchanan waving the Republican flag in ber and in any way threatening an economic cornerstone of this state is stuff of nightmare proportions.

The Monitor (McAllen) on Buchanan and border

But when I wrote that column, I said that the boy was the youngest personal-injury defendant I had ever heard of.

Which just shows how naive I am in underestimating the initiative of modern victims and their eager lawyers.

I recently heard from Mackie Schaars, of Carrollton, Texas, who wrote:

"You said that boy was the youngest defendant you have heard of. Well, have I got one for you.

"My son Connor, age 6, is named in a lawsuit, along with my husband and me.

"It was filed by our former baby-sitter for personal injuries

"She said: 'I want to tell you why I have a raspy voice. Connor hit me in the throat, and the doctor thought I had lacerated vocal cords. But then he said my larynx was crushed.'

"I asked her how it happened, and she said she was squatting down in the kitchen talking to my other son, who was 6 at the time, when Connor charged up and hit her in the throat with his arm

"So I talked to my sons about it. I asked them if they hit her. They said yes, but they couldn't remember why. And they said she told them, 'Be careful, that could really hurt someone if you hit them in the throat.'

But what about Connor? Is he a large brute of a child, given to delivering potentially lethal blows or kicks, a la Mutant Ninja Turtles or Power **Rangers**?

"No," his mother says, "he's ordinary in size and strength. And one of his teachers says he's one of the sweetest children she ever worked with.'

The family's lawyer says that the suit asks for \$1 million for the pain and suffering the babysitter has already experienced. And the other \$1 million is for the pain and suffering she will experience in the future.

Darn, there is so much misery in the world.

The lawyer says he believes Connor delivered the allegedly crushing blow because he want-

forearm, causing me considerable pain and suffering. Had I been quick-witted, I would have gone to Casimir, the neighborhood lawyer, and sued little Gus, my sister and brother-in-law for a million or two. I know blood is thicker than

water, but a million bucks can

buy a lot of plasma. Instead, I took the pen and jabbed little Gus in his arm. causing him a bit of pain and suffering, as well as wailing and howling. As a result, Casimer the lawyer lost a client. But little Gus grew up to be a respectable citizen. And to this day he has never stabbed anyone in the arm or elsewhere.

TRIBUNE MEDIA

Pat Buchanan is a godsend for Bill Clinton

By TERRY PLUMB

Rock Hill (S.C.) Herald deposits. Pat Buchanan is a godsend for

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President Clinton. Buchanan, who may yet inflict real damage to Bob

Dole's campaign for president, has all but co-opted elements of the Republican Party that any candidate for the GOP nomination must control to prevail.

More important, he dominates the party by sheer force of personality.

But most reassuring to the White House incumbent must be the thought that Buchanan can't be elected. Buchanan not only won't win his party's nomination, he'll also leave so much blood on the floor that no Republican will be able to find the traction or energy needed to evict Clinton.

Barring a serious downtown in the economy or a disaster in Bosnia, Clinton will waltz back into office. All he has to do is keep looking presidential. Expect more trips to places where he can wear a leather flight jacket and look determined but empathetic while surveying flooded houses.

The Whitewater probe won't help Clinton, but neither will it inflict major damage. People who hate the first family couldn't be made to think worse of the Clintons. Others assume there was something fishy about their real-estate deals but recognize that Arkansas isn't

the only state where S&L executives played fast and loose with As for Hillary Clinton, she

polarized the nation

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Buchanan won't treat the

Clintons kindly, but first he

will lay waste to Bob Dole,

Lamar Alexander and Steve

Buchanan on the stump. He

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come across as nice men who

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Buchanan, who once wrote

brings more than vitality to the

table. He carries heavy political

speeches for President Nixon

and who may match Tricky

Dick in the scruples area,

bites have teeth. The other guys

Forbes. None of them can touch

baggage. When Pat starts ranting about the evils of immigration and the need to erect trade barriers, he's tapping a rich vein in American politics: the dark side of populism.

He is the resurrection of such political ghosts as George Wallace and Father Coughlin. Any moment you expect to hear him talking about the Yellow Peril and the evil machinations of Wall Street bankers.

For the Republicans, this is a major problem. Big business traditionally has fueled GOP presidential campaigns. Buchanan's America First campaign strikes directly at megacorporations, which are increasingly dependent on free trade. When he damns NAFTA and rattles the saber at China, **Buchanan sends shivers** through the board rooms of America.

He's even got Dole badmouthing corporations that lay off thousands of workers while racking up record profits.

What's next? Forbes declaring that the richest Americans don't deserve a tax break at the expense of the working poor?

Buchanan will lose favor with the Religious Right. Sure, they love his stance on abortion, but sooner or later Pat Robertson and followers are going to figure out that he's not one of them. He's not only Catholic and Irish, but he's a Yankee, big-city Irish Catholic. This guy would be more at home tending bar and breaking faces in a New York speakeasy than discussing his conversion experience over a plate of fried chick-

The Republicans' best hope may rest in Lamar Alexander, a faceless former Tennessee governor who reassures less than inspires, and wins over voters by promising to bring common sense to Washington. Maybe, his wife bakes...

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CATCHING SOME RAYS

McHugh resigns at **CISD** HERALD STAFF REPORT

Eddie McHugh, head football coach and athletic director for the Coahoma school system, has resigned his postion effective the end of June, school officials



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said. Coahoma school superintendent L.D. Monroe confirmed McHugh's resignation, saying the

action took

the district

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by surprise.

"He's been a valuable employee," Monroe said. "We wish him well."

Monroe the search for a replacement will begin immediately. Applications for the position will be accepted until March 8. **Efforts to contact McHugh**

were unsuccessful.

McHugh is finishing his second year as Coahoma AD. A Coahoma native, McHugh compiled a 10-10 record as head coach of the Bulldogs.



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Texas catcher David Valle soaks up the sun during spring training workouts at the team's facility in Port Charlotte, Fla.

Spurs' owners promise to keep team in San Antonio

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SAN ANTONIO (AP) -Owners of the San Antonio Spurs say they rejected recent serious bids to buy the NBA franchise because the suitors refused to promise not to move the club to another city.

SCOREBOARD

Frank Phillips at LADY HAWKS 6 p.m.

Frank Phillips at HAWKS, 8 p.m.

Twenty-one businesses and individuals who own the franchise paid \$85 million for the Spurs in March 1993.

Spurs chairman Robert McDermott said Monday that the ownership group rejected two serious \$90 million offers last fall by prospective buyers who would agree only to "do their best" to keep the franchise in town.

And they didn't even deliberate less formal offers as high as \$152.5 million because they would have ensured the team's departure, McDermott said.

It wasn't unclear Monday if San Antonio Mayor Bill Thorpton, once an opponent but now a proponent of providing the Spurs a new arena, was aware of those votes. He was out of town until Friday and unavailable.

The current investor group has voted down two offers from (serious) prospects who signed confidentiality agreements and submitted plans, but not commitments, to keep the team in San Antonio," McDermott said. He did not name them, citing those confidentiality agree-

The current investor group has voted down two offers (serious) from prospects who signed confidentiality agreements and submitted plans, but not commitments, to keep the team in San Antonio.

Robert McDermott

ments.

The two secret-ballot votes weren't unanimous, but a majority of the shareholders supported keeping the Spurs in town and under current ownership, McDermott said.

If the team were moved to a larger market and into a stateof-the-art basketball arena it could be worth \$150 million or more, McDermott estimated.

The current owners say they bought the Spurs to keep the team in San Antonio. Several owners including McDermott have said they won't sell their stake to an investor who wants to move the team.

McDermott said they have received as many as four "queries" about selling the team that weren't taken seriously because they would have guaranteed the Spurs' departure.

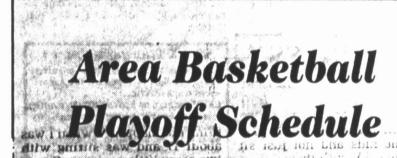
"The queries we have received about buying the Spurs and moving them to another location have been as high as \$152.5 million,' McDermott said.

Owners representatives and other sources confirmed those events, adding that at least four brokers from Austin, Houston, Dallas and a California city have expressed interest in handling the sale of the Spurs. One is believed to have had a New **Orleans** tie

And more than a year ago, two Albuquerque investors inquired about buying the team, those sources said.

McDermott also declined to name those who have informally courted the Spurs, but the San Antonio Express-News quoted one source as saying a North Texas representative of the investment banking firm Salomon Brothers Inc., appears to have initiated one of the inquiries.

It was Salomon that helped former Spurs owner B.J. "Red" McCombs sell the team. Officials with Salomon couldn't be reached.



Dixon latest Cowboy to leave for greener pastures

IRVING (AP) - The Super alty to a team is over. They go Dallas would be able to keep running back Emmitt Smith's Bowl has meant unexpected riches for Larry Brown, Russell Maryland and Dixon Edwards.

It's also meant a big headache for coach Barry Switzer, who

play for the dollar.'

Edwards said he had no regrets about leaving Dallas, which traditionally has spent; less money on linebackers than

Smith, Switzer said, "I doubt it. contract. Jones paid out \$40 There's just too much money out there people are willing to pay."

The Cowboys can match any Cowboys is being hit hard.

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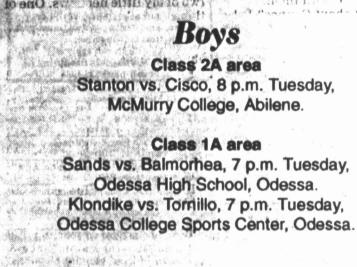
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must find players to replace the starters off a championship team.

> Linebacker Dixon Edwards signed a contract for \$10 million over four years, including a \$2.5 million signing bonus, with the Minnesota Vikings on Monday.

Switzer was disgusted. The Cowboys have lost 21 starters to free agency in three years.

"It's ridiculous the way money is being thrown around." Switzer said. "It can certainly fracture the esprit de corps of a team. The day of loy-

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other defensive players. эk,

"It was fun, but it didn't seem like it was tough for Dallas to see me leave, so it's not tough for me to leave," Edwards said.

Edwards is the third Dallas defensive starter to leave this offseason, following cornerback Brown, the Super Bowl MVP, and defensive lineman Maryland, both of whom signed with the Oakland Raiders.

Switzer said he wouldn't be surprised if linebackers Darrin Smith and Robert Jones also left.

When asked if he thought Jones likely will renegotiate

offers to Smith, and it would cost another team a first-round draft pick to sign him.

"We'll just have to see on Darrin," Switzer said.

Switzer said the Cowboys are paying the price for winning three Super Bowl titles in four years.

"We're paying for our success now," the coach said. "We knew it was going to happen. This is nothing unexpected."

The Cowboys only have about \$2 million remaining under the salary cap and owner Jerry

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"We jug have to find some players in the draft or at the low, bottom dollar of free agency," Switzer said. "This is not a great year for college linebackers, either.'

Safety Brock Marion and offensive lineman Ron Stone are two other restricted free agents on the Dallas roster.

Other unrestricted free agents include quarterback Jason Garrett, punter John Jett, cornerback Robert Bailey, safety Scott Case, center Dale Hellestrae and special teams star Bill Bates.

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Lady Longhorns make Top 25 **Drexler out 5-6 weeks** Texas was running out of time to maintain its string of yearly appearances in The Associated Prese women's basketball poll. Thanks to a big victory in front of a big crowd, that string is still intact. his right knee. With just two polls remaining, Texas made its first Top 25 appearance of the season on Monday. The Longhorns grabbed the No. 25 spot and now have been ranked at least once in each of the 20 years The AP poll has existed. N 2 2 2 2 4 6

Texas was the only newcomer.

Last week, Texas did not receive a single vote. But an attention-grabbing 76-60 upset of Texas Tech, accomplished before a lively crowd of 14,115 In Austin, Texas, swung enough votes from a national media panel to get the Longhorns (17-7) ranked.

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HOUSTON (AP) - Houston Rockets guard Clyde Drexler will be sidelined five to six weeks following arthroscopic surgery to repair cartilage damage in

Muster falls again

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MILAN, Italy (AP) — Italy's Andrea Gaudenzi upset top-seeded Thomas Muster of Austria 6-3, 6-4 in the first round of the Italian Indoors.

It was the second consecutive first-round elimination for Muster, who lost to Sandon Stolle in Dubal earlier this month after reaching the No. 1 ranking in the ATP Tour computer. He is currently No. 2.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR WEDNESDAY, FEB. 28:

Options pop up left and right, and sometimes you wish you didn't have so many choices. Examine things with an eye toward your long-term desires because this year is the time to make them happen. You have unusual energy and drive, and your charisma is high as well. If you are single, you are the cat's meow. Romance is present. If attached, work on an important project together; it will bring you closer together. CANCER pushes your buttons.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Be more settled about choices involving a family member. You have many positive alternatives. Your career is demanding; think through a decision with great care. You also may want to consider setting up a second office. Tonight: It's your turn to make dinner. ***

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You hear news that may encourage a change of plans. Be ready to be flexible, because so much is likely to turn up on your plate. Discussions have a positive outcome, so you feel good. Maintain a high profile, and zoom in on what you want. Tonight: Be out and about.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your sense of direction is important regarding finances. A partner makes an offer that you can hardly believe. Open up to what is possible, and don't question a bit of good luck. A boss favors your work and is excited by what you are doing. Tonight: Balance your budget. ****

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Listen carefully to information that comes your way. Take a leap of faith, and go for something you strongly desire. Stay detached and on top of problems. Consider traveling or an educational opportunity. Doors are opening. Tonight: Go for what you want. *****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Be honest about what is going on with you. Stop and examine things before you leap into action horoscope, recorded by

stay in touch with what is positive. You are direct and know what you want. Tonight: Go out. ****

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Handle responsibilities in your usual gracious style. There may be no stopping you right now. An offer from a close associate may be too good to decline. Review what you want, and make plans to make it so. Tonight: Enjoy another late night. ****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Seek new information. When your life seems to lack organization or direction, realize you might be on overload. Know what you want. Discussions are important in reaching a community decision. A travel possibility arises. Tonight: Go where the music is. *****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) One-to-one relating helps you make decisions. A financial possibility is exciting, but don't spend before you have the money. A partner supports you in an intriguing venture. High energy surrounds an investment. You cannot be too centered. Tonight: Make love, not war. *****

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You have so many options that you might not be ready to make a choice. Give yourself permission not to make decisions and simply relish the moment. You will have a ball, no matter what you do. Be open to the unexpected. Tonight: Have fun out on the town. *****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Your creativity opens you to new levels. Take unprecedented risks, and make choices that feel right to you. Your intuition is right on; honor it, and follow through. A friend gives you wonderful advice; do not hesitate to run with it. Tonight: Get errands done. ****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Let your creativity open doors for you. Success is yours right now if you go down the right path. A friend is there for you and makes a big difference as vou make vour choices. Use your creativity, and answers will come. Romance flourishes. Tonight: Be frisky. *****

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THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS, WILL HOLD A MEETING ON TUESDAY, MARCH STH, 1985, AT 5:30 PM, IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, SHITCHLESDAY, MARCH STH, 1986, AT SUILDING 1106, SIG SPRING MCMAHONWRINKLE AIRPARK, 2000 AIRPARK DRIVE WEST, SIG SPRING, TEXAS TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING REQUEST FOR A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT THE HOWARD COUNTY ASSOCIATION FOR

RETARDED CITIZENS, owner of a 2.60 Acre Tract out of a 20.27 Acre Tract in Section 4, Block 32, (2005 E FM 700) Howard County, Texas, is requesting the approval of a Specific USe Permit for the use of a **Bingo Hall** 9744 February 21 & 27, 1996

PUBLIC NOTICE REQUEST FOR BIDS ON

TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION Sealed proposals for 8.532 miles of milling, fabric underseal and surface on US 83 from Radium to California Creek covered by CSR 33-4-51 in Jones County, will be received at the Texas Department of Transportation, Austin, Texas, until 1:00 P.M., March 12, 1996, and then publicly opened and read. Plans and specifications, including minimum wage rates as provided by Law, are available for inspection at the office of Joe Higgins, Area Engineer, Hamlin, Texas, and at the Texas Department of Transportation, Austin, Texas, Bidding proposals are Transportation, Austin, Texas. Bidding proposals are to be requested from the Construction and

e Division, 200 East Riverside Drive Austin, Texas 78704-1205. Plans are available through commercial printers in Austin, Texas, at the expanse of the bidder. The Texas Department of Transportation hereby noti-fies all bidders that it will insure that bidders will not be

discriminated against on the ground of race, color, sex or national origin, in having full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation, and in consideration for an award. Usual rights res 9733 February 20 & 27, 1996

PUBLIC NOTICE RESIDENTIAL HOME OWNERS HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION I All res neowners who acquir in 1995, must file an exemption form with the

Appraisal District to be granted the exemption for 1996, even if they purchased a home with a home mption from the previous owner. II. If neither spouse is receiving an over-65 exemption and either spouse turned 65 years of age before midhight January 1, 1996 you can quality for the over-65. exemption, BUT YOU MUST APPLY with the

Appraisal District. III. If neither spouse is receiving an exemption for FICA disability and either spouse became disabled before midnight January 1, 1996 you can quality for a disability homestead exemption BUT YOU MUST APPLY with the Appraisal District.

IV. All residential homeowners who received an mption, homestead, over-65 or disabled, for 1995 the District will carry the exemption(s) forward without tion. You need only apply if you fall in one of the above 3 categories. Keith Toomire

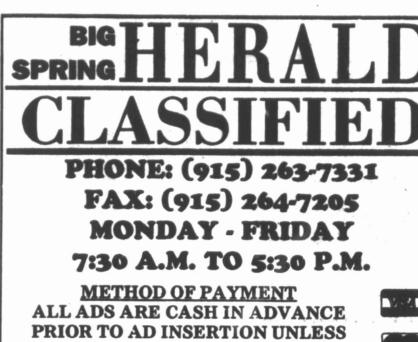
Chief Apprais ard County Appraisal District 9709 February 13 & 27 & April 10, 1996

PUBLIC NOTICE HOWARD COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT

1996 EXEMPTIONS AND VALUATION APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS DISABLED VETERANS AND THEIR SURVIVORS If the veteran's percent of disability has changed, he needs to reapply. Also, the surviving spouse of a veteran who died in 1995, has to reapply to be eligible fo the exempt

AGRICULTURAL LAND OWNERS Property owners who have applied under articles VIII 1-D or VIII 1-D-1 (Texas Constitution) for ag-use valu-ation in <u>1995</u> or <u>articr years</u> need <u>not re-apply</u>. If the use of all or part of qualifying land changes to a non-qualifying use, the property owners must notify the Chief Appraiser in writing before April 1, 1996. Property owners who have not applied for ag-use val uation in prior years should file an applicatio PERSONS, CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS

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Applications may be picked up at the switchboard between the hours of 7AM and 9PM or fax resume to (915) 263-6454 or (915) 263-0151 ATTN PERSONNEL/HUMAN RESOURCES.

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The information for a blind box IS V-6, auto., lots of extras. 905 W. 4th. CONFIDENTIAL, therefore, the Big Spring Herald cannot disclose the identity of th FOR SALE: 1988 Chevrolet Suburban. Good condition. \$7,000. Call 263-0385.

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that is long overdue. A partner 0000, 99 cents per minute. Also expresses his concerns in a positive and dynamic manner. Tonight: Vanish. ***

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Listen to a friend who is a fountain of knowledge. Do not deny what is obvious when exploring an option. You are on a winning path and need to

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No thanks to the groom, couple's notes are late

written that it is the bride's duty to write all the thank-you notes? Aren't wedding gifts intended to be enjoyed by both the bride and the groom? At least half of our wedding gifts came from my husband's side



Abigail Van Buren Columnist

kept putting it off for so long, I was embarrassed, and I finally wrote them all myself.

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Please print this in your column. Many newlywed wives will thank you. - FRANK'S WIFE IN SPRINGFIELD, VA.

DEAR WIFE: Times have changed. More newlywed wives are now fully employed outside the home.

In years gone by, the husband brought home the bacon and the wife fried it. No more. There's a new innovation, as I clearly state in my wedding booklet: "The bride and groom share the writing of thank-you notes. She writes to her friends and family, he to his."

DEAR ABBY: Though they did not ask, I am writing this on behalf of all "steps" and "inlaws" in hopes of enlightening our society.

When I was a teen-ager, my father died of a massive heart attack. Four years later, my mother married a wonderful man whom I loved dearly. Eighteen years later, we buried

DEAR ABBY: Where is it him after he lost his struggle with cancer.

> Over the past month, I have been amazed at the insensitivity of people. There seems to be a common misconception that because a mother, father or child is a "step," the significance of that relationship is diluted.

Even Let me assure you that neither blood ties nor time deterthough mines the depth and strength of my husa relationship. The case of Am band Susan Smith comes to mind. agreed to Those were her flesh-and-blood write children whose seat belts she Authorized by 1989 Texas Law Section 33.06 thank-you strapped before pushing that 9708 February 13 & 27, 1996 notes for car into the lake! the gifts

One of the coldest, albeit most innocent, shocks I got was when a co-worker asked me after I returned from the funeral of my second father, "Was he your real father or just your stepfather?" Just? That made him sound positively throwaway!

My mother received a staggering outpouring of love and caring. She lost a husband, and I lost a father — not a stepfather. I hope this letter will cause people to think with their hearts and not their dictionaries.

I am signing my name, but if you use this, I respectfully request anonymity. Thank you. - GRIEVING DAUGHTER

DEAR GRIEVING: Thank YOU for a heartfelt message. Please accept my condolences. For everything you need to know about wedding planning, order "How to Have a Lovely Wedding." Send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Wedding Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

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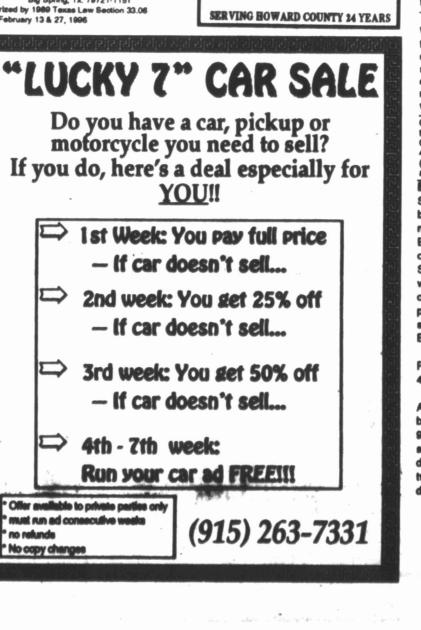
PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the provisions of the State Property Tax Code, Section 33.05 styled: DEFERRED COLLECTIONS OF CERTAIN TAXES (a) An individual is entitled to defer or abate a suit to collect a delinquent tax if he is 65 or older and he

owns and occupies as a residence homestead the property on which the tax subject to the suit is delinb) To obtain a deferral, an individual must file with the

Chief Appraiser for the Appraisal District in which the property is located an affidavit stating the facts required to be established by Subsection (a) of this section. The Chief Appraiser shall notify each taxing unit participating in the district of the filing. After an affidavit is filed under this subsection, a taxing unit may not file suit to collect delinquent taxes on the rty until the individual no longer owns and occuples the property as a residence homestead. (c) To obtain an abatement, the individual must file in the court in which suit is pending an affidavit stating the facts required to be established by Subsection (a) of this section. If no controventing affidavit is filed by the taxing unit filing suit or if, after a hearing the court finds the individual is entitled to the deferral, the court shall abate the suit until the individual no longer owns and occupies the property as a residence homestead. (d) A tax lien remains on the property and interest continue to accrue at a rate of 8% per year during the period collections of taxes is deferred. on Forms are available at:

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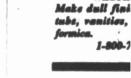




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