

# BIG SPRING HERALD

Reflecting A Proud Community

THURSDAY  
January 9, 1997

50 cents

## New library's dedication slated for Saturday afternoon

By CARLTON JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

The Howard County Library has completed its move into the old Bluebonnet Savings building at 500 Main St., and the new facility will officially be unveiled to the public during a special ceremony at 3 p.m. Saturday.

The new Dora Roberts Howard County Library will be officially dedicated in honor of Dora Roberts during the ceremony and the Friends of the Library and the library staff will be on hand after the ceremony to provide tours of the new facility.

Longtime Big Spring resident and former Herald editor Joe Pickle will serve as the ceremony's dedication speaker and Howard County

Commissioner Bill Crooker will serve as emcee.

County Librarian Loraine Redman said Jackie Henry will sing the "Star Spangled Banner" as well as "Wind Beneath My Wings."

A local Boy Scout Troop will also perform Saturday's flag ceremony by raising both the American flag and the state flag of Texas.

A permanent plaque will also be mounted on the new building in appreciation of the seven donors who donated gifts of at least \$10,000 to the library project.

Those donors include the Dora Roberts Foundation, Hillcrest Foundation, Davidson Family Charitable Foundation, Friends of the Library of Howard County, Mildred Gray Estate, Texas State Library and

the taxpayers of Howard County.

A memorial plaque wall will also be part of the new facility so that people may honor their loved ones. Memorial plaques for this particular project are being sold by the Friends of the Library.

Redman said the new library will officially open to the public on Monday, and business hours for the new facility will remain the same as at the old location. Those hours are 9 a.m. to 5:45 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 9 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Saturday.

The library has been closed since Dec. 23 while Redman and her staff prepared for the physical move of the library on Dec. 30.

During the move, more than 150 volunteers helped Redman and the library staff move more than 65,000 books as

well as dozens of pieces of equipment.

The last 250 books were moved by the dozens of volunteers who formed a "book brigade."

The final books were moved one by one along the brigade, which began on the steps of the old library building and proceeded south up Scurry Street, turning left on 6th Street, and wound up on the south end of the new building.

One group that has been instrumental in helping the library prepare for the move is the Friends of the Library, which has sort of adopted the children's section of the facility.

The name of the children's section is "Fantasy Land," chosen last year following a name the library contest.

According to Redman, the library staff and the Friends of the Library

want the children's section to be a place where children will enjoy coming to learn, read and explore.

Some of the items that will be a part of Fantasy Land include bean bags, a shelf for big books, little square cushions in primary colors, a globe of the world and posters with all of the flags of the world.

Another featured attraction of the new library that Redman is excited about is the puppet stage to be placed in the children's section.

The idea for a puppet stage received a boost last fall from the 1905 Hyperion Club, which donated \$600 for the construction of the stage.

Redman plans to have different shows for area children during the different holidays and when they come through on field trips.

## Bus driver ticketed in accident

Four students taken to SMMC by parents later

By CARLTON JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

Melissa Strain, 36, the driver of the Big Spring Independent School District (BSISD) bus that overturned Wednesday morning on an ice-slick Interstate-20, was ticketed for driving too fast for the road conditions.

Strain, along with five students, were transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center (SMMC) immediately following the accident, which occurred in the westbound lane at Exit 174 at about 9:50 a.m.

Another four students later went to the hospital for treatment after first having been transported to their respective schools.

Amber Rich, SMMC's communications director, said all of the students and Strain were treated and released.

"None of the injuries were serious and no one had to be admitted to the hospital," Rich said.

Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) Trooper Tyler Harpole said slick road conditions contributed to the accident, but added that considering the conditions, the crash could have been much worse.

Harpole said Strain told him she was driving down I-20 and had started to slow down for the exit when the bus hit a



Big Spring Fire Department paramedic Mitch Gill returns to his vehicle after helping transport five students and a bus driver to Scenic Mountain Medical Center following a Wednesday morning accident caused by icy roads.

slick spot.

"According to the driver," Harpole said, "the bus then went into a broadside skid and turned over into the ditch (median)."

The DPS is finished with its investigation, but the school district will wait until its insurer has examined everything before it does anything further.

"Our fleet insurer will come down and do an investigation

and examine the accident report and interview the people involved in the accident," BSISD Superintendent Bill McQueary said.

"When we receive that report, we'll decide what action, if any, to take. Our thoughts are with the parents and the students and we're just grateful that there were only bumps and bruises," he added.

In addition to the DPS, units from the Big Spring Police

Department, Howard County Sheriff's Department, Big Spring Fire Department and Big Spring EMS responded to the accident scene.

Westbound traffic was backed up for more than a mile as traffic slowed while law enforcement officials blocked the eastbound lane at Exit 174 and diverted traffic along Business Route 20. Eastbound traffic resumed its normal flow at 11:07 a.m.

HERALD photo/Carlton Johnson

## One rape suspect jailed in Midland; Other still sought

By JOHN H. WALKER  
Managing Editor

While one man accused of committing a sexual assault in Howard County is in jail, a white male suspected in a series of sexual assaults is still being sought.

Juan Carlos Valles, 31, of Stanton, remains in Midland County Jail on a \$20,000 bond following his arrest for the Jan. 3 sexual assault of a Howard County woman.

According to police reports, Valles impersonated either a police or security officer to gain the woman's confidence and assaulted her near Moss Creek Lake after transporting her from a location in Big Spring.

Police said Valles was dressed like a law enforcement or security officer and wore a coat with a badge and shoulder patches.

But while Valles is in jail, law enforcement officers are still looking for a white male approximately 30 years of age and between 5-foot, 6-inches and 5-foot, 9-inches tall. He was described as having short light brown hair and a muscular build.

Two sexual assaults on Dec. 20 and Dec. 28, in the east and southeast portions of the city, prompted the Big Spring Police Department to warn local residents to use caution if they are out after dark or during the early morning hours.

Based on the description given of the attacker by the two Big Spring victims, which fits the same description given by an Odessa woman who was attacked on Dec. 14, Odessa authorities are also interested in the Big Spring case.

Please see ARREST, page 2A

### RAPE SUSPECT



This is a composite sketch of the man Big Spring police officials suspect of sexually assaulting two women. He is described as a white male, about 30 years of age, short light brown hair, five foot six to five foot nine inches tall with a muscular build. The man has reportedly worn female clothing during both assaults. If you have any information about this suspect, call CrimeStoppers at 263-TIPS or BSPD criminal investigation division at 264-2548.

## First minority business luncheon of '97 well attended

By CARLTON JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

The first small and minority business gathering of 1997 was a success, according to Howard College's Business Development Center (BDC) Coordinator Delia Barraza.

Wednesday's luncheon at the Spanish Inn was attended by a group of about 30 small and minority business owners from around the Big Spring community.

"This was a fairly good turnout considering the weather conditions," Barraza said.

Barraza is encouraging local small and minority businesses to start the new year by learn-

ing about available contracts and by networking with other businesses.

In addition to the networking opportunities, Shirley Shroyer, who works with the BDC, led a panel discussion on how businesses can effectively market their products.

Representatives from local media businesses, including the Herald, Big Spring Cable, Channel 9, Crossroads Communications, El Pueblo, and radio stations KBST and KBYG addressed questions about the marketing avenues available in Howard County and what businesses should ask their media account representatives.

Barraza said questions includ-

ed a wide range of topics on marketing and contracts available for small and minority business owners.

Media representatives also addressed questions about businesses' marketing plans and how rate structures work.

Buyers at the gathering included the Veterans' Administration Medical Center, Howard College and Fina Barraza said these companies were there to make contacts with small businesses, contacts that could result in business relationships.

The next small and minority business gathering is scheduled for 7:30 a.m. Feb. 12 at El Nopal.

"These gatherings give businesses a chance to network,

learn how they can do more business and get information about marketing their products," Shroyer said.

The BDC is also excited about another tool that can help local business owners.

Barraza said the BDC is anxiously awaiting businesses in the area to bring new business ideas to them.

The reason is because the December issue of "Biztalk," a publication on the internet, details how businesses can win \$5,000 by preparing a business plan of their idea or business.

According to Barraza, winners will be selected based on content, presentation, clarity,

Please see LUNCHEON, page 2A

## Property tax deadline of Jan. 31 fast approaching

By CARLTON JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

People may not want to think about it just yet, but it's tax time again — property taxes that is.

Property taxes are due Jan. 31 without penalties or interest.

Residents missing the deadline face having to pay the balance of their 1996 property taxes as well as penalties and interest.

Penalties and interest increase at the first of each

month until July 1, at which time residents will be assessed an 18 percent late payment penalty plus an additional 15 percent penalty for attorneys having to file the delinquency on the county's tax rolls.

Property taxes not paid by Jan. 31 carry an additional 7 percent penalty on Feb. 1; a 9 percent penalty on March 1; an 11 percent penalty if not paid by April 1; a 13 percent penalty if not paid by May 1 and a 15 percent penalty if not paid by June 1.

Several residents in the past

have entered into tax payment agreements with the county, but according to the Howard County Tax Office a tax payment agreement will not excuse late penalties and interest.

Howard County Tax Assessor/Collector Kathy Sayles said her office will accept payments that are postmarked by midnight Jan. 31.

"People who have not received their property tax statements should contact my office at 264-2232 or stop by as soon as possible and before Jan. 31," Sayles said.

Total delinquent tax figures don't become available until after July 1. In the past, Howard County has seen an increase in the amount of taxes it has been able to collect before they become delinquent, but Sayles said there are still delinquent amounts owed by residents to Howard County entities dating back 20 years.

Those delinquencies include city of Big Spring, \$480,964; Howard County, \$490,446; Howard College, \$270,930; city of

Please see TAXES, page 2A

### INDEX

Abby .....5B  
Classified .....3-5B  
Horoscope .....5B  
Life! .....5-6A  
Local .....2A  
Obituaries .....2A  
Opinion .....4A  
Sports .....1-2B

### TODAY'S WEATHER

▲ Highs  
▼ Lows

Today: Sunny with a high in the 40s. Low in the lower 20s.  
Friday: Partly cloudy and warmer. High around 40. Low in the mid teens.  
Extended outlook: Saturday, cloudy, windy and cold with a chance of snow. High in the lower 20s. Low in the teens. Sunday, cloudy with a high in the mid 20s. Low in the teens. Monday mostly cloudy. High in the 30s.

Vol. 93, No. 77

Call us at:  
(915) 263-7331

JAN 09 1997

OBITUARIES

Jacquelyn Lewis Tooley

Jacquelyn Lewis Tooley, 74, Big Spring, died on Tuesday, Jan. 7, 1997, at her residence. Services will be 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 10, 1997, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Dr. Kenneth Patrick, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

She was born on May 14, 1922, in Colorado City, Texas.

She spent her early years in Big Spring and attended Big Spring schools. She returned to Big Spring in 1982 and taught elementary school at College Heights.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include one daughter, Michelle Tooley of Nashville, Tenn.; three sons, Josiah Tooley of Midland, Ga., Michael Tooley, Colorado Springs, Colo., and Terry Tooley of Washington, D.C.; one granddaughter, Brandi Tooley of Colorado Springs, Colo.; three brothers, Dan Lewis of Lubbock, Larry Lewis of McAdoo and John Lewis of Concord, Calif. and several nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Funeral services will be held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

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

*Paid obituary*

R.D. Burchell

Service for R.D. Burchell, 69, Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

He died Thursday, Jan. 9, 1997, in a local hospital.

The family will be at the Iden Home, 5000 South Birdwell Lane.

Robert J. Harder

Service for Robert J. Harder, 87, Big Spring, is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

He died Wednesday, Jan. 8, 1997, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center following a long illness.

RECORDS

Wednesday's high 32  
Wednesday's low 25  
Average high 55  
Average low 26  
Record high 82 in 1969  
Record low 6 in 1920  
Precip. Wednesday 0.08  
Month to date 0.10  
Month's normal 0.18  
Year to date 0.10  
Normal for the year 0.18

**MYERS & SMITH**  
FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL  
24th & Johnson 267-8288  
Mike Skalicky, 65, died Wednesday. Funeral services will be 12:00 Noon, Saturday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home Chapel.  
Robert J. Harder, 87, died Wednesday. Services are pending.

**NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH**  
Funeral Home  
Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory  
906 Gregg St.  
(915) 267-6331  
Jacquelyn Lewis Tooley, 74, died Tuesday. Services will be 2:00 PM Friday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.  
R. D. Burchell, 69, died Thursday. Services will be at 10:00 AM Saturday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

**FAMILY MEDICAL CLINIC**  
IS hosting a mobile mammography unit Wednesday, Jan. 29. The process takes about 25 minutes and an appointment can be made by calling Shannon Clinic at 1-800-530-4143, extension 3235.

**THE HOWARD COUNTY SPELLING BEE** is set for March 3-7. Paideia spelling bee books are now available at the Big Spring Herald. To order yours, contact Katy McAteer at 263-7331.

**AREA MILITARY VETERANS CAN** get flu vaccinations at no cost at the Big Spring Veteran's Administration Medical Center. Inoculations will be given in the main lobby at the VA.  
Veterans registered at the Big Spring Veteran's Administration Medical Center will be required to show their blue or purple VA cards while any veteran not registered must do so prior to receiving a flu shot.  
**HOWARD COLLEGE WILL** have new student orientation Sunday, Jan. 12, 2 p.m., in the cafeteria located in the Dora Roberts Student Union Building. All new students enrolling at Howard College for the first time are encouraged to attend. For more information

Arrest

Continued from page 1A  
Both Big Spring victims and the Odessa victim are described as white females in their early to mid 50s and all three victims said the perpetrator wore female clothing.

According to the BSPD, the suspect may have been seen walking the areas east of Big Spring High School in the early morning hours. Another report cites a subject entering a residence that may be related to the two assault cases.

Anyone with information regarding these offenses or having information on who may be responsible for these assaults should contact the BSPD Criminal Investigation Division at 264-2548 or Big Spring Crimestoppers at 268-8477.

Authorities with the Odessa Police Department and the Department of Public Safety are also working on the case.

Luncheon

Continued from page 1A  
and likelihood of the businesses success portrayed in the business or marketing plan submitted.

"The BDC will assist in anyway we can and will show people how to prepare their business plans," Barraza said. "We would like to see a business (from Big Spring) start a new business funded by Biztalk."

For more information concerning the small and minority business gatherings and other areas in which the BDC may assist small and minority business owners, contact Barraza at the BDC by calling 264-5164.

Taxes

Continued from page 1A  
Forsan, \$6,259; city of Coahoma, \$38,133; Forsan Independent School District (FISD), \$242,608; Big Spring Independent School District (BSISD), \$904,867; and the Coahoma Independent School District (CISD), \$178,777.

According to Sayles, property tax statements are mailed out usually in the first week of October, but this time her office was not able to get them out until the middle of October.

As of Dec. 31, the outstanding amount of 1996 property taxes due to the various county entities, included Howard County, \$4,013,205; city of Big Spring, \$1,752,813; city of Coahoma, \$49,674; city of Forsan, \$8,640; BSISD, \$8,137,654; CISD, \$1,463,000; FISD, \$2,273,108; and Howard College, \$1,767,185.

IN BRIEF

**THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF Retired Persons** will offer the 55 Alive/Mature Driving course at the Big Spring Mall Tuesday and Wednesday Jan. 21 and 22 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., which includes one half hour for lunch. Enrollees must attend both sessions to receive a certificate and need not be a member of the AARP but must be at least 50 years of age. Tuition is \$8. Interested persons are requested to make reservations by calling the mall office during normal business hours at 267-3853 or evenings at 267-2070.

**FAMILY MEDICAL CLINIC** IS hosting a mobile mammography unit Wednesday, Jan. 29. The process takes about 25 minutes and an appointment can be made by calling Shannon Clinic at 1-800-530-4143, extension 3235.

**THE HOWARD COUNTY SPELLING BEE** is set for March 3-7. Paideia spelling bee books are now available at the Big Spring Herald. To order yours, contact Katy McAteer at 263-7331.

**AREA MILITARY VETERANS CAN** get flu vaccinations at no cost at the Big Spring Veteran's Administration Medical Center. Inoculations will be given in the main lobby at the VA.  
Veterans registered at the Big Spring Veteran's Administration Medical Center will be required to show their blue or purple VA cards while any veteran not registered must do so prior to receiving a flu shot.

**HOWARD COLLEGE WILL** have new student orientation Sunday, Jan. 12, 2 p.m., in the cafeteria located in the Dora Roberts Student Union Building. All new students enrolling at Howard College for the first time are encouraged to attend. For more information

contact the Student Services Office at 264-5028.

Big Spring High School students involved in Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) are currently selling a Big Spring Steer card for \$10 offering discounts at various merchants. The owner of the card can use it once a day for a full year to receive discounts.

For more information and to purchase a card, contact DECA Sponsor Lee Lowery at the high school at 264-3641, extension 151.

**THE BIG SPRING GOSPEL** Opry is Friday at 7 p.m. at the Howard College Auditorium. Admission is free to this monthly event featuring musical entertainment.

**COAHOMA, CLEAN AND PROUD**, a Keep Texas Beautiful organization, will be collecting recyclable items Saturday. Due to the cold weather, we will not be located in the empty lot West of Little Sooper. Instead call us and we will come by your residence (in Coahoma or within a few miles of the city) and pick it up between 10 a.m. and noon. You need to call before 10 a.m. on Saturday. We will be collecting all types of paper, including newspaper and pasteboard, cardboard, feed sacks, aluminum, steel, feed sacks, numbers 1 and 2 plastic, carpet padding and Campbell soup labels. For information, call Irene at 394-4424.

**LIONS EYE GLASS RECYCLING** Program will have free used eye glasses for adults on Saturday, Jan. 18, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon at the Big Spring Evening Lions Club, the Bingo building, 1607 East Third. We recommend examinations by your doctor for a prescription. We will serve all adults needing eye glasses who don't have the income to purchase the exam or glasses. Please bring proof of income, social security income, etc. For additional information contact Squeaky Thompson, 267-5931.

SPRINGBOARD

**IF YOU HAVE ANY CHANGES IN A SPRINGBOARD ITEM OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT GINA GARZA, 263-7331 ext. 238, BETWEEN 8 A.M. AND 2 P.M. All Springboard items must be submitted in writing. Mail to: Springboard, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas 79720; bring it by the office at 710 Scurry; or fax it to 264-7205.**

**TODAY**  
-Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has services 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.  
-Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright, has free food for area needy, 10 a.m. to noon.  
-Big Spring Senior Citizens Center art classed, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., 55 and older.  
-Support Group for Depression, 7 p.m., Dora Roberts Rehab Center, Third and Lancaster.  
-Al-Anon, 8 to 9 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center small cafeteria.  
-Alcoholics Anonymous, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting, 615 Settles, 8 to 9 p.m. closed meeting at Scenic Mountain Medical Center cafeteria.  
-American Legion Auxiliary Post 506, 7 p.m. Call 263-2084.  
-Christmas in April, noon, 1607 E. Third. Call Theresa Hodnett, 263-0147.  
-West Texas Republican Women's Club, noon, Big Spring Country Club.  
-Masonic Lodge #598, 7:30 p.m., 219 Main.

**FRIDAY**  
-Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Music by CW & Co. Area seniors invited.  
-Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, 7 p.m. Bible study.  
-Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. Big Book Study.  
-Signal Mountain Quilting Guild, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281. Bring a lunch.  
-Big Spring Gospel Opry, Howard College Auditorium, 1001 Birdwell, 7 p.m. Free admission. 267-7214.

**SATURDAY**  
-Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open meetings at noon, 8 p.m. and 10 p.m.  
-Howard County Scottish Rite Club, 7:30 a.m., Masonic Lodge, 21st and Lancaster. Breakfast (\$4) served. All Scottish Rite

**SUNDAY**  
-Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.  
-Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 11 a.m. closed meeting and 7 p.m. open meeting.  
-New student orientation, 2 p.m., cafeteria in the Dora Roberts Student Union Building at Howard College. Call Student Services at 264-5028 for more information.  
-Big Spring Evening Lion's Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E. Third. Call Jan Noyes, 267-5811.  
-Project Freedom, Christian support group, 7 p.m. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241.  
-TOPS Clubs (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 5:30 to 6 p.m. weigh in and 6 p.m. meeting, Carriage Inn, 501 W. 17th. Call 263-1340 or 263-8633.  
-Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. at the VA Medical Center on fourth floor.  
-Big Spring Commandery No. 31, stated meeting, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Temple, 211 1/2 Main. 6:30 p.m. dinner.  
-Big Spring Assembly No. 211, Social Order of the Beauceant stated meeting, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Temple, 211 1/2 Main. 6:30 p.m. dinner.  
-Howard County NAACP, 7 p.m., Chamber of Commerce conference room. Call Stephanie Horton, 264-0306.

**TUESDAY**  
-Comanche Lake Duplicate, 1 p.m., Dora Roberts Civic Center.  
-Most Excellent Way, a chemical dependency support group, 7 p.m., Living Water Church, 1008 Birdwell Lane. Call 267-1424 after 5 p.m. or 263-3168 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.  
-Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, 7 p.m.; Spanish services.  
-Al-Anon, 8 to 9 p.m., 615 Settles.  
-Narcotics Anonymous, 6:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church.  
-Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. closed meeting at the VA Medical Center on fourth floor.  
-MS group, 6:30 p.m., Canterbury South. Call Diane at 263-0148.

**WEDNESDAY**  
-Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. 12&12 Study.  
**THURSDAY**  
-Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has services 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.  
-Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright, has free food for area needy, 10 a.m. to noon.  
-Big Spring Senior Citizens Center art classed, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., 55 and older.  
-Support Group for Depression, 7 p.m., Dora Roberts Rehab Center, Third and Lancaster.  
-Al-Anon, 8 to 9 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center small cafeteria.  
-Alcoholics Anonymous, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting, 615 Settles, 8 to 9 p.m. closed meeting at Scenic Mountain Medical Center cafeteria.  
-Masonic Lodge #1340, 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster. Call Preston Harris, 263-7136.  
-Rackley-Swords Chp. 379 Vietnam Veterans of America, 7 p.m., 124 Jonesboro Road.  
-American Legion Post 506, 7 p.m. Call 263-2084.

**FRIDAY**  
-Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Music by CW & Co. Area seniors invited.  
-Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, 7 p.m. Bible study.  
-Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. Big Book Study.  
-Signal Mountain Quilting Guild, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281. Bring a lunch.  
-Big Spring Gospel Opry, Howard College Auditorium, 1001 Birdwell, 7 p.m. Free admission. 267-7214.

**SATURDAY**  
-Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open meetings at noon, 8 p.m. and 10 p.m.  
-Howard County Scottish Rite Club, 7:30 a.m., Masonic Lodge, 21st and Lancaster. Breakfast (\$4) served. All Scottish Rite

ON THE RUN

Masons welcome.  
-Alzheimer's Support Group, 10 a.m., Carriage Inn Retirement Center, 601 W. 17th.  
-Coahoma, Clean and Proud will be collecting recyclable items from 10 a.m. to noon. Because of the cold weather, we will not be located in the empty lot West of Little Sooper. Instead call us before 10 a.m. and we will pick up the items from your house. Call Irene at 394-4424.

**SUNDAY**  
-Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.  
-Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 11 a.m. closed meeting and 7 p.m. open meeting.  
-New student orientation, 2 p.m., cafeteria in the Dora Roberts Student Union Building at Howard College. Call Student Services at 264-5028 for more information.

**MONDAY**  
-Big Spring Evening Lion's Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E. Third. Call Jan Noyes, 267-5811.  
-Project Freedom, Christian support group, 7 p.m. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241.  
-TOPS Clubs (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 5:30 to 6 p.m. weigh in and 6 p.m. meeting, Carriage Inn, 501 W. 17th. Call 263-1340 or 263-8633.  
-Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. at the VA Medical Center on fourth floor.  
-Big Spring Commandery No. 31, stated meeting, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Temple, 211 1/2 Main. 6:30 p.m. dinner.  
-Big Spring Assembly No. 211, Social Order of the Beauceant stated meeting, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Temple, 211 1/2 Main. 6:30 p.m. dinner.  
-Howard County NAACP, 7 p.m., Chamber of Commerce conference room. Call Stephanie Horton, 264-0306.

**TUESDAY**  
-Comanche Lake Duplicate, 1 p.m., Dora Roberts Civic Center.  
-Most Excellent Way, a chemical dependency support group, 7 p.m., Living Water Church, 1008 Birdwell Lane. Call 267-1424 after 5 p.m. or 263-3168 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.  
-Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, 7 p.m.; Spanish services.  
-Al-Anon, 8 to 9 p.m., 615 Settles.  
-Narcotics Anonymous, 6:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church.  
-Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. closed meeting at the VA Medical Center on fourth floor.  
-MS group, 6:30 p.m., Canterbury South. Call Diane at 263-0148.

**WEDNESDAY**  
-Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. 12&12 Study.  
**THURSDAY**  
-Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has services 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.  
-Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright, has free food for area needy, 10 a.m. to noon.  
-Big Spring Senior Citizens Center art classed, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., 55 and older.  
-Support Group for Depression, 7 p.m., Dora Roberts Rehab Center, Third and Lancaster.  
-Al-Anon, 8 to 9 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center small cafeteria.  
-Alcoholics Anonymous, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting, 615 Settles, 8 to 9 p.m. closed meeting at Scenic Mountain Medical Center cafeteria.  
-Masonic Lodge #1340, 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster. Call Preston Harris, 263-7136.  
-Rackley-Swords Chp. 379 Vietnam Veterans of America, 7 p.m., 124 Jonesboro Road.  
-American Legion Post 506, 7 p.m. Call 263-2084.

**FRIDAY**  
-Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Music by CW & Co. Area seniors invited.  
-Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, 7 p.m. Bible study.  
-Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. Big Book Study.  
-Signal Mountain Quilting Guild, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281. Bring a lunch.  
-Big Spring Gospel Opry, Howard College Auditorium, 1001 Birdwell, 7 p.m. Free admission. 267-7214.

**SATURDAY**  
-Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open meetings at noon, 8 p.m. and 10 p.m.  
-Howard County Scottish Rite Club, 7:30 a.m., Masonic Lodge, 21st and Lancaster. Breakfast (\$4) served. All Scottish Rite

**SUNDAY**  
-Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.  
-Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 11 a.m. closed meeting and 7 p.m. open meeting.  
-New student orientation, 2 p.m., cafeteria in the Dora Roberts Student Union Building at Howard College. Call Student Services at 264-5028 for more information.

**TEXAS LOTTERY LOTTO: 17, 18, 20, 32, 34, 39  
PICK 3: 1, 2, 3**

More than 90 species of birds found in county

Special to the Herald  
The Big Spring Bird Watchers weathered the cold blustering winds recently to work on the 97th Christmas Bird Count for Howard County. Nine observers spent the day counting and looking for birds, seven from Big Spring and two from Midland.

According to Big Spring resident Pat Simmons, there were 93 species recorded with a total of 16,838 individual birds counted. The greater majority of those were Sandhill Cranes. The cranes and waterfowl have been exceptional in number this year. Also, an unusual count this year not normally found here were 10 Evening Grosbeaks at the Country Club golf course. If you have never seen the Mountain Bluebird, you are missing something beautiful, 272 were counted. There were some good recording despite the weather.

Simmons said, "Volunteers from 50 states have the opportunity to participate in the 97th Christmas Bird Count. This is done for a two week period from December 20 to January 5."

Each group has a designated circle 15 miles in diameter about 177 square miles where they try to cover as much ground as possible within a 24 hour period. The data collected by each count group are sent into the National Audubon Society headquarters in New York. Count data is published in a special book-sized edition of National Audubon Society Field Notes magazine.

She added, "For nearly a century, the Christmas Bird count has provided invaluable insight into the past and present status and health of continental bird populations, as well as the general health of our environment." The CBC has proved to be a perfect example of how volunteer generated data is important. About 45,000 volunteers participate in the Christmas Bird Count.

Editor's note: A program and instructions for beginning bird-watching will start in January. We encourage you, if you enjoy watching birds at all, to join us in this exciting outdoor adventure. We will have a slide presentation and field trips to get you familiar with birds of this area. Those that are interested call Pat Simmons, 263-4607.

MARKETS

March cotton 73.60 cents a pound, down 36 points; Feb. crude oil 26.46, down 16 points; Cash hogs steady at \$1.50 higher at 54; slaughter steers steady at 66; February lean hog futures 78, up 35 points; February live cattle futures 65.20, up 92 points. Courtesy: Delta Corporation.

Noon quotes provided by Edward D. Jones & Co.  
Index 6597.58  
Volume 166,543,990

ATT	39 + 1/2
Amoco	83 + 1/2
Atlantic Richfield	135 1/2 + 2 1/2
Atmos Energy	23 1/2 + 1/2
Cabot	24 1/2 nc
Chevron	47 1/2 + 1/2
Chrysler	35 1/2 + 1/2
Cifra	1.23-1.27
Coca-Cola	58 1/2 + 1/2
De Beers	28 1/2 + 1/2
DuPont	102 1/2 + 1/2
Excel Comm.	20 - 1/2
Exxon	101 + 1 1/2
Fina	50 - 1/2
Ford Motors	34 - 1/2
Halliburton	67 + 1 1/2
IBM	160 + 1/2
Laser Indus LTD	11 1/2 + 1/2
Medical Alliance	12 + 1/2
Mobil	127 1/2 + 1 1/2
Norwest	44 1/2 - 1/2
NUV	9 1/2 nc
Phillips Petroleum	44 1/2 + 1/2
Pepsi Cola	29 1/2 - 1/2
Polaris	23 1/2 - 1/2
Rural/Metro	32 1/2 - 1/2
Sears	46 1/2 + 1 1/2
Southwestern Bell	50 1/2 - 1/2
Sun	24 1/2 nc
Texaco	105 + 3
Texas Instruments	67 - 1
Texas Utils. Co	41 1/2 nc
Unocal Corp	41 1/2 nc
Wal-Mart	23 1/2 + 1/2
Amcap	14.25-15.12
Euro Pacific	26.05-27.64
I.C.A.	24.44-25.93
New Economy	17.14-18.19
New Perspective	18.26-19.37
Van Kampen	14.41-15.13
Prime Rate	8.25%
Gold	357.40-357.90
Silver	4.66-4.69

**WHEAT**  
Furniture & Appliance Co.  
FREE DELIVERY  
115 E. 2ND 267-5722

**EXCALIBUR**  
Keyless Entry  
\*Safety  
\*Convenience  
\*1/2 day installation on most cars

149.00 installed

**SOUND DECISION**  
2601 Wason 267-6863

**ON PAGE 2 OF THE JANUARY 5 SEARS PREPRINT THE COPY IN RED THE COLUMN SHOULD SHOULD READ: FITNESS, BASKETBALL AND WALKING ATHLETIC SHOES \$5-20 OFF, NOT ALL ATHLETIC FOOTWEAR ON SALE. IN ADDITION, THE 10% OFF FITNESS SHOES IN THE BONUS STATEMENT SHOULD READ: 10% OFF ANY REGULAR PRICED ATHLETIC SHOE PURCHASE. WE REGRET ANY INCONVENIENCE THIS MAY HAVE CAUSED.**

Gingrich

WASHINGTON - An extraordinary session of the House allocated a public airing of Gingrich's ethics recommendation.

Gingrich's motion Tuesday to embarrass a mittie special Cole presents sanction beginning Monday.

The committee schedule at 1:00 p.m. is difficult time. The time

TEXAS B

The ASSOC

Doctor: RO...  
KERRVILLE never saw Dr. when she was stabbed to death. Dr. Alex S. tionless on 8 room after h and forearm.

"Most mot died, get hys ally tell me t to me that t The tram bed and resp The Rowle her sons Dat urb on June

American p

FORT WO...  
ingly rejects chase in lirr nation's larg The Alliec American p down with 6 percent in fe their ballots

The four-y modest pay American's resented by Ratificatio purchase of chase, worth

"The Boel agreement, off," said Ar

Three killed

KERRVILLE...  
a small pick a bus headi of Public Sa The bus

Kimble Cou DPS troop a 1990 Toyo over from t

The picku the buses a carried 43 p Lustig w Schouten a immediately

Lawmaker

AUSTIN - of the 1990s, to let Texan Sen. Jerry voters - if whelmingly "Your ho Patterson sa

He introd ment that w rowing agai "This is should havi fit," Patters

Admi

WASHING...  
Clinton adn ing a plan Nations mor United State decided hov State Depart

The offic condition c the departu and the V working to J ed strateg acceptable t

"There's new secre wants to i body), a ne new secret served at t said Wedne

The offic what the going to do the next si United Nati gram for 19

Asked w ment wouli years, the d ideas "we around" ar wait and se

Secretary Madeline / the U.S. del confirmati

Wednesday

# Gingrich penalty hearings for ethics violations to begin Monday

WASHINGTON (AP) — After an extraordinary 14-hour session, the House ethics committee allotted all next week for a public airing of Speaker Newt Gingrich's ethical misdeeds and recommendations for his punishment.

Gingrich's triumphant re-election Tuesday may quickly turn to embarrassment, when committee special counsel James M. Cole presents his findings and sanction recommendations beginning Monday.

The committee announced the schedule at 1:45 a.m. today, suggesting the 10 members had a difficult time reaching agreement. The timetable calls for

Cole's final report to be finished by Feb. 4 — two weeks after the House will vote on penalties.

Rep. Nancy Johnson, R-Conn., chairwoman of the committee, pledged the House would have all the information necessary to make a decision on penalties.

"We made provisions for a follow-on report that will simply be stylistically better, more integrated," she told reporters. "They'll know everything before (then)."

At least one committee member raised the possibility that witnesses would be called to testify at next week's hearings, which will be open to the public.

"If the committee agrees to have witnesses, there's time for it," Rep. Benjamin Cardin, D-Md., said today.

The most likely punishment for Gingrich would be a vote to reprimand Gingrich for his admitted misconduct, although other sanctions could be added. A more serious censure would make him ineligible to serve as speaker under Republican caucus rules.

Gingrich on Dec. 21 admitted he violated House rules by failing to seek specific legal advice about the use of tax-exempt projects for partisan purposes and by approving submissions to the ethics panel that incorrectly

denied the involvement of his political action committee, GOPAC, with the projects.

He apologized to the House on Tuesday, in his acceptance speech after becoming the first Republican speaker to succeed himself in 68 years.

Cole apparently will have an expansive role in the hearings. He will present his findings, his punishment recommendations and will answer any questions from committee members. Gingrich's attorney also presents arguments on Monday.

Starting Tuesday, each member of the investigations subcommittee — which spent a year investigating the speaker

— will be able to add any additional information.

There's also a provision for the committee to determine whether any additional information or documents are needed.

The timetable calls for the committee to report its punishment recommendations to the House by Jan. 17, four days before the expected vote.

The committee got off to a rocky start Wednesday, because Republicans sought to close the meeting and Democrats wanted it open. The session never was opened.

Cole and the four-member subcommittee on Tuesday

sought additional time to complete the penalty phase of the investigation, beyond the Jan. 21 deadline originally set by the full committee.

However, the House Republican leadership refused to grant the extension and the GOP formally adopted the deadline Tuesday. However, the committee apparently felt the report could be submitted in February, as long as the penalty vote took place by Jan. 21.

Cardin, who sought more time Tuesday, said today that even though he was unsuccessful the hearing schedule for next week "affords us an opportunity for the best use of our time."

## TEXAS BRIEFS

### The ASSOCIATED PRESS

#### Doctor: Routier was never distraught over sons' deaths

KERRVILLE — An emergency room doctor testified that he never saw Darlie Routier distraught over the loss of her children when she was hospitalized shortly after her young sons were stabbed to death.

Dr. Alex Santos testified Wednesday that Routier seemed emotionless on each of the three follow-up visits he made to her room after he treated her for knife wounds to her neck, shoulder and forearm.

"Most mothers, when they're made aware that their child has died, get hysterical," Dr. Santos told jurors. "They cry. They usually tell me that I'm wrong. They want to see the child and prove to me that the child is all right."

The trauma physician said Routier sat calmly in her hospital bed and responded to his questions in a quiet monotone.

The Rowlett, Texas, homemaker is accused of fatally stabbing her sons Damon, 5, and Devon, 6, in their home in the Dallas suburb on June 6. She is being tried in the death of Damon.

#### American pilots reject contract; Boeing order in limbo

FORT WORTH — American Airlines pilots have overwhelmingly rejected a proposed contract, leaving a \$6.6 billion jet purchase in limbo and raising the chance for a strike against the nation's largest carrier.

The Allied Pilots Association, which represents some 9,300 American pilots, said Wednesday that the contract was turned down with 61 percent of the vote against the agreement and 39 percent in favor. Of 8,606 pilots eligible to vote, 8,243 had sent in their ballots by the Dec. 30 deadline.

The four-year contract proposal reached in September offered modest pay increases and would have allowed American Eagle, American's commuter affiliate, to fly small jets with pilots represented by another union.

Ratification was essential for American to proceed with the purchase of 103 new Boeing jets. The airline announced the purchase, worth \$6.6 billion, in November.

The Boeing deal was contingent on ratification of the APA agreement, so right now, technically speaking, the Boeing deal is off," said American spokesman Rob Britton.

Three killed, 14 injured in bus-pickup crash

KERRVILLE — Three people were killed and 14 injured when a small pickup truck swerved on an icy bridge and slammed into a bus heading the opposite way on Interstate 10, the Department of Public Safety says.

The bus was traveling in tandem with another from San Antonio to El Paso when the crash occurred around 8 p.m. in Kimble County, about 30 miles northwest of Kerrville.

DPS trooper Tom Mobley said Tiffany Lustig, 26, was driving a 1990 Toyota pickup that skidded while crossing a bridge iced over from the winter storm moving through Texas.

The pickup veered across the median, narrowly missed one of the buses and was struck broadside by the second bus, which carried 43 people.

Lustig was killed, along with 27-year-old David Albert Schouten and his 3-year-old daughter, whose name was not immediately available.

Lawmaker predicts approval of home equity loans

AUSTIN — Calling it the most significant property rights issue of the 1990s, a state senator is predicting approval of legislation to let Texans borrow against the equity in their homes.

Sen. Jerry Patterson, R-Pasadena, also voiced his belief that voters — if given the chance by the Legislature — would overwhelmingly lift the restrictions on second mortgages.

"Your home equity is 100 percent yours. It's your money," Patterson said Wednesday.

He introduced legislation and a proposed constitutional amendment that would let voters decide if they want the option of borrowing against their equity.

"This is a fundamental property rights issue. Homeowners should have the right to use their money in any way they see fit," Patterson said.

# Review finds \$730 million in cost-savings

AUSTIN (AP) — An analysis of 12 state agencies by a conservative think tank has identified more than \$730 million in potential savings over the next two-year state budget.

The analysis by the San Antonio-based Texas Public Policy Foundation took particular aim at the Texas Department of Transportation, concluding that it wastes money by not privatizing more projects and has administrative costs above the national average.

"There is a different culture at the Texas Department of Transportation," Jeff Judson, president of the Public Policy Foundation, said Wednesday. "They really feel that they are different from other agencies and show a disregard for legislative mandates."

David Laney, chairman of the three-member Texas Transportation Commission,

said he welcomed the scrutiny and would take a close look at the cost-cutting recommendations.

"An industrial strength dose of information like this is often times very healthy," Laney said.

Laney and William G. Burnett, executive director of the Department of Transportation, both took exception with some of the findings.

The analysis criticized the department for overbuying materials; using excessive office space; failing to privatize more engineering work; delaying the awarding of engineering contracts; and extravagant use of chartered aircraft by one of the transportation commissioners.

According to the analysis, the Texas Department of Transportation administrative overhead for fiscal year 1995

was 10.9 percent of the \$3.6 billion highway construction and maintenance budget.

That was above the national average of 7.4 percent and the 4.4 percent at Florida's highway agency, which the Public Policy Foundation cited as a model of agency efficiency.

Burnett says the figures his agency reports to the federal government include contributions to employee-retirement plans and other costs that aren't all necessarily administrative.

He says that if all states used the same methodology, Texas would be a leader, with administration costs accounting for about 4 percent.

"We show that our administrative costs for 1996 in this department were 4.2 percent and we've been in the 4 percent range over the last decade," Burnett said.

The analysis said that while

the transportation department reduced its workforce by 159 between 1993-95, office space grew by 151,173 square feet.

Laney said most of the department's buildings were constructed 20 to 30 years ago, when there were more employees.

"We have shrunk the size of the agency over that period of time," Laney said. "You end up with buildings that were built to house more people. But you don't go in and tear out part of the building to conform to the square footage."

The analysis criticized transportation commissioner David Bernsen for chartering eight flights — at a cost of \$14,551 — for travel from his home in Beaumont to Austin.

Transportation commissioner Anne Wynne defended Bernsen's use of private charter flights.

# Questions still remain at Lottery Commission

AUSTIN (AP) — Nora Linares is gone as executive director, but questions about Texas Lottery operations remain.

The Lottery Commission fired the embattled executive director Tuesday after nearly two months of controversy over reports that close friend Mike Moeller got a contract with GTECH Corp., the lottery's main contractor.

GTECH paid Moeller \$30,000 for what the company called little, if any, work done in 1992 and 1993.

GTECH first was awarded its contract to run the lottery in March 1992. It has since seen the original five-year deal renewed for another five years.

Linares has said she didn't know about Moeller's contract until told by a news reporter

last November. She said no one ever tried using the Moeller-GTECH relationship to gain favor with her office and said she never benefited from it.

Commissioners said they didn't fire Linares because of the Moeller contract. They said they fired her in order to move the agency forward.

"My view was that it was the right thing to do at this time," said Harriett Miers, chairwoman of the commission.

Zoann Attwood, who had been deputy executive director since 1992, was named acting executive director.

Commissioner John Hill asked GTECH officials for more information about its relationship with Moeller and information about all of its contracts relating to business at the

Texas lottery.

Miers has said commissioners want to know where GTECH's share of lottery revenues is going. The lottery paid GTECH more than \$132 million last year, records show.

"All of the issues have been the issues from the beginning. There's never been one focus or the other. Effort was to explore anything that was brought up that needed to have investigation and that will continue," Miers said.

GTECH spokesman Robert Rendine on Wednesday said only, "We are not really going to have any further comment on the situation."

Another question deals with GTECH's contract with former Lt. Gov. Ben Barnes. Barnes' original contract as a Texas lobbyist

gave him 4 percent of the company's gross revenues made in the state. That came before GTECH got the contract to run the lottery.

Since GTECH wouldn't have made any money in Texas without the contract, lottery officials have said they are concerned the arrangement could have violated state law that prohibits lobbying fees contingent on approval of legislation.

GTECH and Barnes say the contract was legal. The commission has asked for more information.

Also, the lottery told GTECH President Guy Snowden this week that GTECH faces a \$25,000 fine after Barnes gave then-Gov. Ann Richards a \$150 vase while he was a registered lobbyist for GTECH in 1993.

# Electric deregulation will happen, but not too fast, PUC says

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas shouldn't rush into competition in the electricity business, according to the Public Utility Commission.

Texans appear destined to eventually get a choice in who provides electricity to their homes and businesses — a move backers say would bring lower prices, cleaner energy and better technology.

But in a draft report to the Legislature, the PUC said competition should not come before the year 2000.

The commission, which regulates

the electricity and telephone industries, is urging lawmakers to adopt goals and principles leading toward competition in the retail market.

"The commission would recommend that there be a transition period before broad changes are introduced," the report said.

The commission said delaying competition for a few years would allow customers to figure out the options they will have available and allow time to make clear the rules for electricity companies.

"We agree that we can't implement competition overnight, but we should adopt the goals," said Stephanie Kroger, general counsel for the Texas Coalition for Competitive Electricity.

That group proposes giving small businesses and residential customers a choice of electricity providers by 1999 and industrial and commercial customers a choice by 2000.

"We're not too far from the commission," Kroger said.

While urging no action this year, commissioners said com-

petition should start sooner rather than later.

"The over-arching recommendation is that retail competition is coming," said PUC Chairman Pat Wood.

One key issue is the potential "cost" of competition.

All consumers currently pay for the construction and maintenance of power plants owned by their local electric companies. If some consumers were to choose a new company, those left with the local provider could be stuck with a larger share of the tab.

# Administration making plans to pay its back dues at U.N.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration is drafting a plan to pay the United Nations more than \$1 billion the United States owes, but has not decided how long it will take, a State Department official says.

The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the department, the Treasury and the White House were working to present a coordinated strategy that would be acceptable to Congress.

"There's momentum with a new secretary general who wants to reform (the world body), a new administration, a new secretary of state who served at the U.N.," the official said Wednesday.

The official said a decision on what the United States was going to do should be made in the next six months, before the United Nations locks up its program for 1998 and 1999.

Asked whether the debt payment would be made over two years, the official said, "a lot of ideas were being tossed around" and we "just have to wait and see what sticks."

Secretary of State-designate Madeline Albright referred to the U.S. debt during her Senate confirmation hearings Wednesday, saying it irritated

other nations.

She said the U.S. was "the world's richest, strongest and most respected nation. We're also the largest debtor to the United Nations and the international financial institutions."

Albright told members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee she wanted "to work with you to pay our bills and to spur continued reform at the United Nations."

Replying to a question from Sen. Rod Grams, R-Minn., who represents the Senate in the American delegation to the United Nations, Albright said the United States had pressed "very hard to get what had become an elephantine bureaucracy down" to size. "We've made quite a few advances."

She mentioned eliminating jobs, putting a cap on the budget for the first time in U.N. his-

tory and strengthening the office of the inspector general.

Albright said new Secretary-General Kofi Annan of Ghana "cares deeply about reforming the United Nations."

She said he was dedicated to a "slimmed down and reformed United Nations," and she looked forward to working with Annan to press "for further reforms so we will be able to pay our (back) dues."

**ATTENTION FINA EMPLOYEES and RETIREES. We ARE members of your pharmacy network. We CAN process your prescriptions with your new Paid Prescription Card.**

**LEONARD'S PHARMACIES**

<b>LEONARD'S RX PHARMACY</b> 308 Scurry 263-7344 Mon.-Sat. 8 am to 6 pm Sun. & Holidays 9 am-12 & 4-7 pm	<b>PROFESSIONAL PHARMACY</b> 10 th & Main 267-2546 Mon.-Fri. 8:30 am to 6:30 pm Sat. 8:30 am to 1:00 PM	<b>LEONARD'S CLINIC PHARMACY</b> 1501 W. 11th Place 267-1611 Mon.-Fri. 8:30 am - 6 pm Sat. 8:30 - 12 noon	<b>RX PRESCRIPTION SERVICES, INC.</b> Home IV Service *Warring Home Pharmacy Service 606 Gregg Big Spring 267-2711 Toll Free 1-800-638-4960
--	---	---	---

**Howard College**  
**Spring Registration**  
January 9  
Dorothy Garrett Coliseum East Room  
8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.  
By Assigned Time  
4:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.  
Open  
Call 264-5000

JAN 09 1997

# EDITORIAL

### Quote of the Day

"Parents are the last people on earth who ought to have children."  
-Samuel Butler

Opinions expressed on this page are those of the Editorial Board of the Big Spring Herald unless otherwise indicated.

Charles C. Williams  
Publisher  
John A. Moseley  
News Editor  
John H. Walker  
Managing Editor  
Kellie Jones  
Features Editor

### OUR VIEWS

## Response to crash, cooperation tops

For any of us who have ever found ourselves in an out-of-control skid in a vehicle, there's no way to explain that feeling of total helplessness. Magnify that feeling by realizing you are responsible for the lives of several dozens students and there's no way most of us can imagine the emotions that race through one's body.

Clearly, a potential tragedy was averted in our community Wednesday morning when a Big Spring Independent School District school bus spun out of control on an icy portion of Interstate 20, turning over in the median.

What could have been wasn't, as only about one-third of the occupants of the bus wound up being treated and released at Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

While it was clearly the grace of God that the crash wasn't much worse, the fact the injured and scared were quickly administered to and that traffic was slowed or diverted so as to lessen the danger to those on the scene was a human act.

Officers from the Texas Department of Public Safety, Big Spring Police Department, Howard County Sheriff's Department, Big Spring Fire Department and the Big Spring EMS responded in force.

In reality, there were probably too many people on the scene — press included — but the presence of emergency personnel on-hand in the event they were needed was reassuring.

Another thing that was reassuring was the level of cooperation that was clearly evident at the scene from all levels of emergency personnel.

As taxpayers, that level of professionalism makes us feel good about our "employees." As a press outlet covering an emergency, it makes us feel good that those who need help get it in a timely and professional manner from professionals who respond in a timely and professional manner.

### OTHER VIEWS

There's a high school marching band in Cody, Wyo., that thought it was the state's only applicant to participate in President Clinton's inaugural parade, that was told by Wyoming's Republican governor that he was recommending them, that practiced long and hard for 10 months to get ready, whose 94 members did chores and scrounged in every way they could to raise almost \$900 each for airfare and hotel expenses — and then was informed it wasn't receiving an invitation after all.

That honor was instead going to a high school concert and jazz band from fashionable Jackson Hole, where President Clinton occasionally vacations. The jazz band, it turns out, does a march, which might seem a disadvantage in a parade, but it has something the inaugural committee apparently considered more important, a recommendation from an office seeker who had given \$6,000 to Democrats and who is a law partner of the famous Guffy Spence, who happens to be a friend of President Clinton's.

The issue was never the moral equivalent of, say, runaway entitlement programs, and it's not wholly one-sided. Wyoming's governor should have been more cautious before playing gaudy with a bunch of eager teens and an excited town of 8,000 people. But it was disingenuous for the inaugural committee to pretend its decision was based on non-political considerations, and it would have been heartless to have shrugged the episode off with the thought that, well, at least the Cody kids have had a civics lesson that will stick with them. There was something that could be done, President Clinton did it and the story should now have a happy ending.

The Cody band was traveling to Washington, despite it all, partly because it would have been impossible to return all the money, but it needed a role, and a place to play. After President Clinton read accounts of its predicament, he vowed to provide both. Congratulations to him — and to the band from Wyoming, which might now be a bigger attraction than it would have been before. Keep practicing, kids.

-SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE



## Bed, breakfast and the ghost of Abraham Lincoln

By DALE McFEATHERS  
Scripps Howard News Service

WASHINGTON — Many presidents have tried — thanks to ill-advised campaign promises — to run the White House more cheaply. Only President Clinton has found a way to make it pay.

Renting out the Lincoln Bedroom for \$130,000 a night was a brilliant stroke of capitalism surprising from one, like Clinton, who has spent his life in the public sector.

The economics of the deal are wonderful.

Coldwell Banker, perhaps hoping to get the listing should the property ever come on the market, recently calculated what the White House might sell for.

Their estimate: \$63.9 million. With 10 percent down — 30-year conventional mortgage at 8 percent — the monthly payments would be \$600,000. Rent out Lincoln's bedroom for five nights and the mortgage pay-

ment is covered. That's an occupancy rate of only 16 percent to turn a profit.

Professional hoteliers would kill for those kinds of numbers — and that doesn't even include rent on the marginally less desirable Queen's Bedroom.

Nor does it include other revenue enhancers like renting out the East Room and the Rose Garden for weddings, bar mitzvahs, class reunions and other gatherings.

But the Lincoln Bedroom is the big draw.

The Center for Public Integrity compiled a list of 48 campaign contributors who were the Clintons' guests in the Lincoln Bedroom and surveyed them on their reactions.

The fat cats were tough, discerning guests. After all, they don't usually stay in a Motel 6 out on Route One when they come to town. One guest said he would not stay in the Lincoln Bedroom again, comparing it unfavorably with

"your uptown hotel room."

Most were overwhelmed by the history of the Bedroom, and one guest said he slipped out of a White House showing of Oliver Stone's "Nixon" to spend more time in the bedroom although it could have been the three-hour length of the movie.

Yet another guest sounded a little spooked by his surroundings — the Bedroom is rumored to be haunted — and said it was like sleeping in a museum.

The old-fashioned bed is four feet off the floor, which makes some guests, probably Hollywood types who sleep on futons, a little tense.

There are some drawbacks.

One of them is the relentlessly gregarious host, who likes to stay up late and get up early. Actor Richard Dreyfuss found himself awakened a little after 7 — 4 a.m. by his West Coast body clock — by President Clinton, who wanted to talk politics.

The Clintons also look like

people who have bright, lively conversations about current events over breakfast, and that could be an ordeal for the substantial percentage of the population that can't talk, much less think, until their fourth cup of coffee.

The White House is heavily guarded, so if you sleepwalked or tried to slip outside for a cigarette — Mrs. Clinton is adamant about not smoking, and even the president has to go out on the Truman Balcony for his occasional cigar — an unwary guest could be buried under a swarm of Secret Service agents.

Clinton's success as an upscale innkeeper must have the Republicans gnashing their dentures in frustration. They probably thought he wasn't paying attention when they talked about selling off the government.

(Dale McFeathers writes this column weekly for Scripps Howard News Service.)

## Paying our nation's debt to the United Nations

By HOLGER JENSEN  
Scripps Howard News Service

The United Nations begins the new year with a new secretary-general committed to reform, but no money to do it with.

The world body is owed \$2.3 billion by 88 of its 185 members. As usual our country is the biggest debtor, \$1.3 billion in arrears — \$75 million in past dues for the regular budget and \$826 million for peacekeeping.

The United Nations has been borrowing from the peacekeeping account to pay some of its bills. But that is now \$1 billion in the red, endangering 16 overseas missions.

In what he called "a factual statement of continuing crisis," the UN's chief financial officer, Joseph Connor, warned last month: "We're borrowing long and running out of cash. It can only be cured by payments from member states."

Former UN ambassador Jeanne Kirkpatrick, a staunchly conservative Republican, agrees that it's time to pay up.

Writing in the New York Times, she pointed out that the Clinton administration won the secretary-general's battle by vetoing a second term for

Boutros Boutros-Ghali, faulted for not doing enough cost-cutting, and engineering the selection of its preferred candidate, Kofi Annan of Ghana.

An able bureaucrat, Annan has pledged to make the United Nations "leaner, more efficient and more effective" — language designed to please congressional UN-bashers — while urging member states not to destroy the United Nations with "financial starvation."

Kirkpatrick says the next step "should be ours. Clearing up those accounts will require new levels of responsibility from both Congress and the administration."

She concedes that the present formula for assessing dues is unfair. Our share of the general budget, 25 percent, and peacekeeping costs, 32 percent, is disproportionately high, especially since our government is one of the few that declines to be reimbursed for the military assets it provides to UN peacekeeping operations around the world.

"Even so," said Kirkpatrick, "I see no responsible alternative to paying these assessments while we work to adjust them."

The conservative Heritage Foundation advocates just the

opposite. In a soon-to-be-released book published by the Washington think tank, policy analysts Brett Schaefer and Thomas Sheehy maintain that withholding funds "has proven to be the only effective way to get the attention of the bloated, inefficient UN bureaucracy."

They want Congress to cut funding still more, arguing that "to have a sustained effect, financial pressure must be applied on an ongoing basis. The United States should unilaterally lower payments to the UN below its assessed levels until substantial reform is carried out."

That is essentially what our government has been doing for several years now. Initially the funds were withheld to force Boutros-Ghali to trim UN fat... which he did by about 10 percent. But it still has 16 specialized agencies employing 50,000 people who gobble up \$10 billion a year.

Schaefer and Sheehy call it "a haphazard maze of useful and useless organizations, replete with duplication and rife with paralyzing turf fights; many organizations exist simply to create ways to justify their existence through a never-ending stream of papers and conferences."

President Clinton wants to pay the arrears to repair some of the damage caused by his ouster of Boutros-Ghali. But the debt has grown too large: the State Department wants to spread out repayment over five years, and even that requires the approval of a disapproving Congress.

Several lawmakers echo the view of the Heritage Foundation that paying the arrears would "merely give the United Nations another chance to avoid reforming itself." Others want to fund only those UN agencies they approve of. And some have private agendas.

For example, Christopher Smith, R-N.J., chairman of the House International Relations subcommittee on international operations, is a leading opponent of abortion and thus very reluctant to aid an organization that promotes family planning in the Third World. "People like myself will block additional funding," he says.

Yet without it the UN will die.

(Holger Jensen is international editor of the Rocky Mountain News in Denver. E-mail: hjens (A.T.)@aol.com. His column also appears online: www.denver-rm.com.)

### LETTER POLICY

The Big Spring Herald welcomes letters to the editor. Please:  
• Limit your letters to no more than 300 words, or about two handwritten pages.  
• Sign your letter.  
• Provide a daytime telephone number, or write as a street address, or verification of address.  
• We reserve the right to edit letters for style and clarity.  
• Letters that are unsigned or do not include a telephone number or address will not be considered for publication.  
• We do not acknowledge receipt of letters.  
• Letters should be submitted to Editor, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 101, Big Spring.



Re  
Scripps  
Editor  
in a fo  
lution  
Today's  
paring 3  
to follo  
family r  
Bath y  
luxurio  
about 3  
and the  
and sou  
Every  
fast pa  
often th  
oasis c  
schedul  
KEI  
This  
get c  
vide  
they  
Do  
Scripp  
Expe  
virtual  
recom  
domes  
choos  
Altho  
be cute  
month  
becom  
humai  
matur  
that h  
surviv  
rarely  
tivity.  
In no  
pogna  
wolf-d  
Alth  
have k  
Native  
it's o  
decade  
breed  
spread  
countr  
"Son  
are go  
cool, n  
totally  
Lockw  
ist and  
ing in  
Societ  
"Ther  
group  
wolf o  
S  
I  
C  
E  
of

◆ The White House has been the home and office of every United States president except George Washington. It has 132 rooms.

◆ Doctors say prolonged exposure to noises over 90 decibels can lead to hearing loss. A typical rock concert is about 100 decibels, a jet engine 800 feet away around 110.

Do you have a good story idea for the *life!* section? Call 263-7331, Ext. 235.

## Resolve to pamper yourself by taking a nice bath in 1997

Scripps Howard News Service

**Editor's Note:** This is the third in a four-part series about resolutions for the new year. Today's topic deals with pampering yourself. The other topic to follow Friday is improving family relationships.

Bath pillows, scented candles, luxurious shower gels — it's all about pampering, relaxation and the union of body, mind, and soul.

Everyone is moving at such a fast pace that the home, and often the bathroom, becomes an oasis of retreat from hectic schedules.

For those who cannot afford a day spa complete with massage and mud pack, there are alternatives.

Some people enjoy relaxing after a hard day with a tub bath.

But, "It's hard to relax when someone is pounding on the door or passing a note under it," says Tia Needham, who with her husband Ron owns and operates Little Sisters Gifts in Knoxville, "... but those critters (her children) go to bed sooner or later."

Needham says she waits for the children to go to school or to bed before she indulges in her daily bath ritual.

Needham likes to experiment with different fragrance combinations in her bath.

It's all part of aromatherapy — using essential oils from flowers and herbs to heal the body and psyche. Aromatherapy tools can be in different forms from candles and incense to oils.

She says one of her favorites, the combination of peppermint and lavender oils in the bath, is invigorating.

To relieve stress, she recommends eucalyptus, peppermint and lemon grass. The combination, she says, will clear your head and improve breathing.

But according to Needham,

nothing "says home" like spice scents. She likes cinnamon and vanilla.

The tub should be filled with warm, not hot, water. According to "Blended Beauty" by Philip B., "Exposing your skin to hot water and then going out in the windy, cold air will dry and chap skin," in the winter time.

Use bath salts or bath pearls to help smooth the skin. A bubble bath is fun with toys for adults like fruit-shaped sponges that can be used in place of a cloth.

Set aside one hour for your bath so you won't feel rushed. Light scented candles or burn

incense. Put on soft relaxation music like sounds from the Rainforest or Pachelbel with Ocean Sounds.

Ease into a bubble bath and use a bath pillow to support your head.

Bath pillows are sold in specialty shops, but a folded towel will also work.

Lather up with a mesh sponge or exfoliating gloves using your favorite scented shower gel.

Use a tub rack for all those bath essentials to keep them from falling in the water or on the floor.

It extends to both sides of the tub and hangs over the water.

For those people who like to read in the bath, it keeps glasses, books and magazines dry.

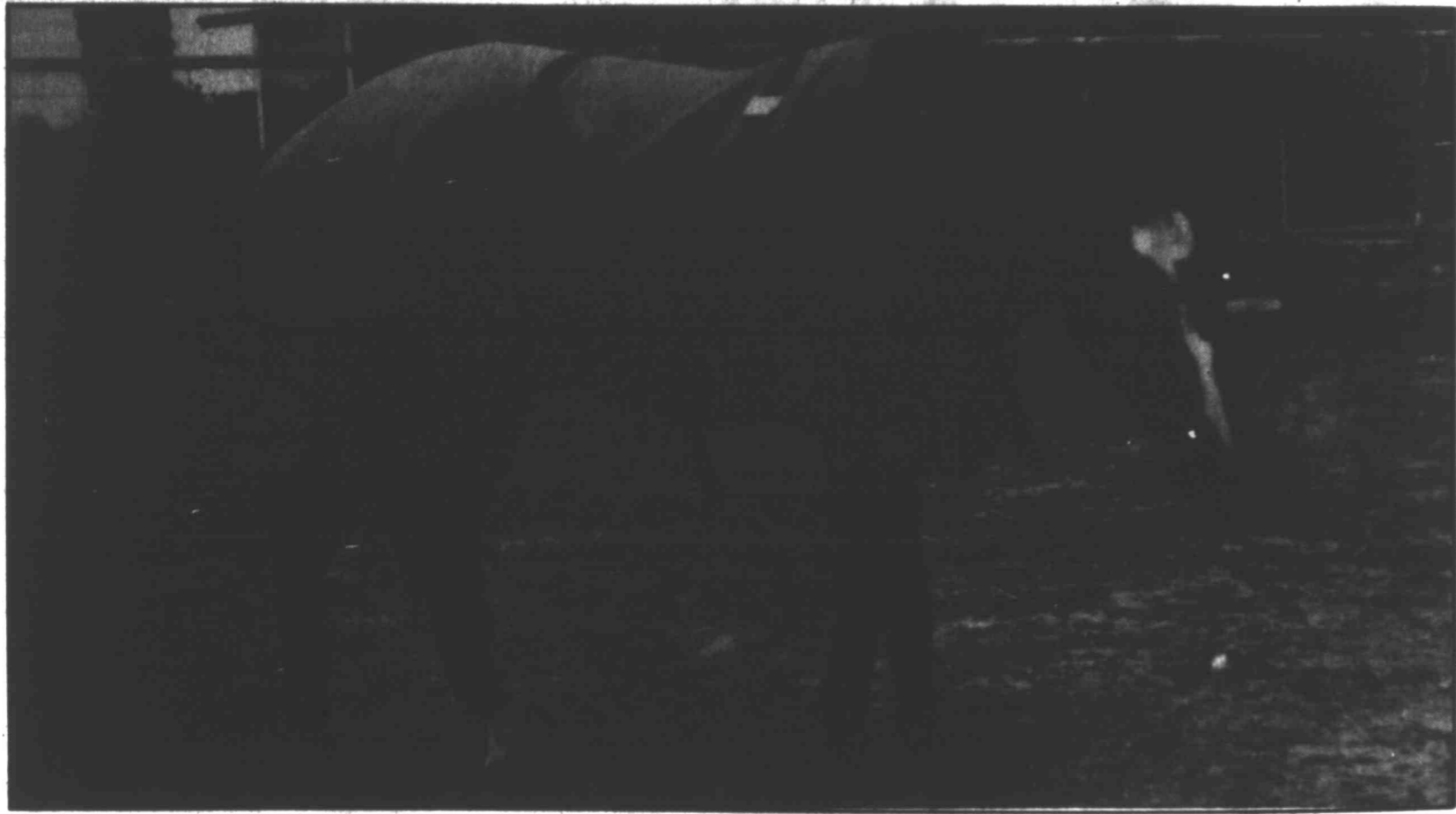
Remember to breathe deeply while relaxing in the bath to release tension in the shoulders.

After bathing, discover the pleasure of slipping into a comfortable robe made of terry cloth or chenille.

To seal in the skin's moisture, use a creamy body lotion after each bath or shower and a facial moisturizer.

While the skin is still soft, use a pumice stone to get rid of those rough spots on the feet and elbows.

### KEEP YOUR PETS WARM AS TEMPERATURES REMAIN COLD



This horse's owner has to put a coat on the animal due to the dropping temperatures and wind chill. Forecasters say it will get down to 20 degrees tonight and the highs will be in the 40s on Friday and around 30 on Saturday. It's a good idea to provide shelter and warmth for your animals. If possible, bring your cats and dogs inside or at least put them in the garage so they can keep warm.

### HOME TIPS

Scripps Howard News Service

Better Homes and Gardens magazine does not want to promote fads, says the editor-in-chief, Jean LemMon but "our readers view their homes as on-going projects. We love to bring them fresh ideas that can help them make the most of the coming year."

These are some trends cited by BH&G, America's largest home magazine, in its January issue:

• "Brown is the new black." Cocoa brown from last fall's fashion apparel is the hot new home hue, too. (Some designers say every room should have black accents, like punctuation, so this new deep shade of brown can replace basic black.)

• "Terra cotta's coming." Orange and other acid tones, chartreuse even, are big fashion colors, but the subtle, earthier shade of terra cotta is for the home.

• "Indoor fountains are among the handcrafted elements being added to homes for soothing scents and sounds to calm our souls."

• "The latest in easy-care flooring is laminated wood, which looks like nature's own but cleans up like vinyl." Another aesthetic advantage is that these floors are comfortable to walk on, just like wood. Pergo is one brand of laminated wood that's a floating floor, glued down to whatever's already there.

• "Piano playing is on the rise." This means the used-piano business is big. Practicing is so much more fun if your mother's not telling you to. Make way for the baby grand.

• "European country decorating a la Tuscany and Provence is hot." Also, "worn elegance" in washed fabrics, such as damasks and velvets. Lots of leather upholstery, too.

It was just a rock before being put on a pedestal. This bit of orange onyx was an \$8 souvenir, but of priceless sentimental value. So it sat on a side table all on its own, and nobody took much notice. Then, a trip through an Asian art shop turned up a scrolled pedestal of the exact same dimensions as the onyx base.

The pointed rock has since moved to a mantel, elevated by its scrolled woodseat, and now all behold its importance.

How many shaving cuts result from steamed-up bathroom mirrors? How many messy coiffures are due to misty morning comb-outs?

Gerald C. Kaufman of Ft. Thomas, Ky., has found a British product to "de-mist-ify" bathroom mirrors. He owns the North American franchise for demista ultra-slim heating pads.

The everyday problem of fogged bathroom mirrors was addressed 20 years ago in Great Britain, where the demista was developed. It fits behind most wall-mounted bathroom mirrors and, once electrified, a mirror will never steam up in the area of the pad. This is especially helpful in bathrooms without exhaust fans.

Already used in British homes and many European, Middle Eastern and Asian hotel bathrooms, the UL-approved mirror pads have also been installed for the convenience of guests at the ritzy Georgia seaside resort, The Cloister, according to Kaufman. For more information on defogging mirrors, contact Kaufman at demista-USA; P.O. Box 37; Ft. Thomas, Ky.; 41075.

## Don't get wild animals, such as wolves, for pets

Scripps Howard News Service

Experts in animal care are virtually unanimous in their recommendation to stick to domesticated animals when choosing a pet.

Although wild animals may be cute and cuddly in the early months of life, they tend to become less and less suitable as human companions as they mature. The characteristics that have helped their species survive over the millennia are rarely desirable for life in captivity.

In no instance is this more poignant than with wolves and wolf-dog hybrids.

Although wolf-dog hybrids have long been common among Native Alaskan sled dog teams, it's only been in the past decade or so that the practice of breeding dogs with wolves has spread to other parts of the country.

"Some people think that these are going to be some kind of cool, macho watchdog, which is totally wrong," says Randall Lockwood, an animal behaviorist and vice president for training initiatives of the Humane Society of the United States. "Then there are the wolf groupies, who see owning a wolf or hybrid almost as part of

a spiritual or religious quest, as their link to the wild. They have their wolf art-work and medallions, and while they may see something in the animal on a spiritual level, they often are ill-equipped to meet the animal's basic biological needs."

Many of those needs are quite different from a dog's. "We spent at least 12,000 years turning a wild animal — the wolf — into an animal that can fit well into human society," says Lockwood.

Even the biggest dogs have smaller teeth than wolves, and they tend to look to a person, not another dog, as their pack leader, or master.

While wolves roam vast territories in search of food, dogs have been bred to stay much closer to home.

But in addition to breeding some of the characteristics of wolves out of their dogs, people have also bred into domestic dogs a kind of territorial aggressiveness needed to make good watchdogs that is absent in their wild cousins.

Wolf hybrids contain an unpredictable mix of these features. "Usually you have an animal that's quite a bit larger than either wolves or dogs, that is naturally selected for traveling miles and miles every day, that's now essentially relegated

to living on a chain in someone's back yard or pickup truck," Lockwood says. "It still has the predatory instincts of the wolf and yet at the same time might have some heightened aggression that we've bred for in dogs."

Lockwood, who has studied problems related to wolf hybrids around the country, says these animals are less apt to become vicious toward people than they are to cause other problems that often land them in local animal shelters.

"They get bored, and because they're very strong, they almost always escape, injuring themselves or others in the process," he says. "They go after neighbors' dogs, they jump fences and get hit by cars, they jump out of windows, they eat your house."

If wolf hybrids often turn out to be a disappointment for their owners, they pose a real threat to the wild wolf population.

Exterminated throughout most of the country decades ago, wolves are just beginning to make a comeback, thanks to the determined efforts of wildlife groups and a gradual shifting of public opinion in favor of restoring natural habitats.

Small numbers of wolves have migrated from Canada to

remote areas of Minnesota and Montana, and a controversial reintroduction effort has restored healthy wolf populations to remote areas in Idaho and near Yellowstone National Park in Wyoming and Montana.

Wolf-hybrid owners, often among the strongest supporters of wolf reintroduction projects, may do more harm than good to their cause.

"A lot of people who get hybrids think they can help defuse the 'Little Red Riding Hood' myth in their community," Lockwood says. "And yet the first time their animal bites somebody or gets into other trouble, they've just made things much worse."

Owners who give up in frustration and abandon their fertile hybrids in the woods in areas inhabited by wolves cause even greater harm by contaminating the wild population with dog genes.

For anyone who yearns to own a piece of the wild, Lockwood has simple advice: "If you want to get a wolf hybrid or a wolf because you want to help the wolves, save the \$15,000 you'll spend buying the animal and a high fence and give it to one of the groups that are working for wolf recovery."

## Labrador Retrievers are the most popular dogs

Scripps Howard News Service

Labrador Retrievers have been the most popular dogs in the United States for the past five years, according to the American Kennel Club.

The most popular breeds for 1995 are:

1. Labrador Retriever
2. Rottweiler
3. German Shepherd
4. Golden Retriever

5. Beagle
  6. Poodle
  7. Cocker Spaniel
  8. Dachshund
  9. Pomeranian
  10. Yorkshire Terrier
- Rankings are based on the number of purebred dogs registered with the AKC in 1995 from the 141 breeds it currently recognizes.

Source: American Kennel Club

### STAINLESS STEEL SINKS

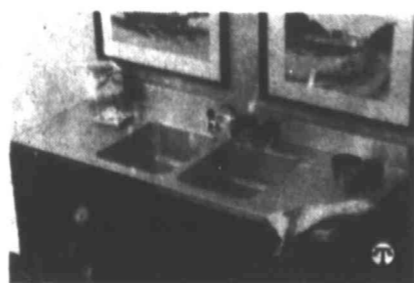
#### Stainless steel sinks:

(NAPS) - Good reasons to have them:

- They're visually appealing. Virtually anything goes with stainless steel so choosing new appliances can be easy. Homeowners also have tremendous flexibility in creating customized, unique kitchen designs.
- They're durable. Stainless steel sinks and countertops will not rust, fade, chip or crack over time. Stainless steel holds an advantage over porcelain or enamel in that it also provides extra "give," meaning that if you drop a glass or dish, it will be less likely to break.
- They're safe. Stainless steel does not support the propagation of bacteria. That's why stainless steel drainboards are good food preparation surfaces.
- They're easy to maintain. Most stainless steel sinks are similar to silverware: they keep a lustrous finish and, over time, develop a rich tone. Everyday scratches eventually disappear. Plus, all it takes for daily cleaning is a good rinse. For maximum shine, resist the urge to leave wet items and detergents on the surface.

Here's what to look for in sinks:

- Drainboards are desirable since they provide extra, easy-to-clean workspace.
- Double bowl, double drainboard configurations are designed for use with standard size base cabinets and combinations.
- Single bowls with drainboards on the left and right provide lots of workspace.



### TIPS 'N' TRIVIA

### FOR YOUR INFORMATION

#### Get your flu shots

The Texas Department of Health reminds you because of the winter weather, now is a good time to get your flu shot. The flu vaccine is available for anyone 18 years of age and older. Shots are administered Tuesday-Thursday from 8:30-11:30 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.

#### IRS volunteer training

The Internal Revenue Service will be training volunteers interested in assisting with the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Program Jan. 13-17. The program will be at First Presbyterian Church, Eighth and Runnels. Volunteers will begin assisting with the preparation of income tax returns for individuals in February. For more information, call Dorothy Kennemur at 398-5522.

### THE LAST WORD

A hundred times every day, I remind myself that my inner and outer life depend on the labors of other men, living and dead, and that I must exert myself in order to give in the same measure as I have received.

—Albert Einstein

The greatest skill at cards is to know when to discard.

—Baltasar Gracian

A hurricane can raze a town but can't unseal a letter or open a knot.

—Paul Valery

### Isolation can be signal of problems in relationship

Scripps Howard News Service

Q. I have a friend who is dating and lives with a guy who hurts her physically. She always makes excuses for him and explains why he beats her up. She knows that what he's doing to her is wrong, but she says she has no other choice, and that she can't live with any of her family because 'it just wouldn't work.' What can I do to help her? I wonder if this guy could actually end up killing her?

### TEEN TALK

A. This is a tough situation for your friend, and she is very lucky to have a friend like you who's willing to stick around and listen to her. It's important that your friend knows that what is going on in her life is wrong. Her fear of leaving him appears to be what's keeping her there because, in the past, her boyfriend has followed through on his threats to hurt her if she displeases him.

Abusers keep complete control of their victims by isolating them from their families and friends - those who may try and convince them to leave. Many times victims who stay in an abusive relationship long enough begin to believe the abuser when he tells them that they are worthless, not good enough to be accepted anywhere else, that they get hit because it is their fault, and that no one else will ever love them. These victims talk themselves out of trying to get assistance and settle into an abusive lifestyle.

Your friend needs to know that no one deserves to be abused in any way. She may find that her family would be more supportive than she expects right now. Chances are great that her family doesn't even know about the abusive relationship their daughter is experiencing. At this point in her life, her self-esteem is probably so low that she might think this relationship will get better. Abusive victims begin to take on the responsibility of the abuse and feel sorry for the abuser.

There is a cycle of abuse of which she should be aware: After he's hit her, he'll try to make up by telling her how sorry he is about the abuse, will buy her flowers and will promise never to hurt her again. She will believe him. For a while everything is good. Then any little thing will trigger him off and he'll beat her even worse than the time before. The cycle continues with his promising that he'll never hurt her again.

Your friend needs to realize that without serious professional intervention the situation will never get better. As a matter of fact, an abusive situation will only get worse if left to continue. The answer to your question, 'Could this guy kill her?' is yes.

Tell your friend that she is in danger. She should trust her family and tell them what is going on in her life. If she leaves her boyfriend, she should never go back, no matter how much he begs. Encourage her to reach out for help. Be patient and aware of what's going on. Remember, until she is finally ready to take the first step, she'll be hesitant. Don't be surprised if she closes you out of her world.

Teen Talk is a weekly feature of the El Paso Herald-Post written by teachers Carolyn Lea Wilson and Rose Mary Carbajal. Questions may be mailed to Teen Talk, P.O. Box 371966, El Paso, 79937. Answers can be given only through this column.

# Especially for kids and their families

## The Mini Page

© 1997 by Universal Press Syndicate

By BETTY DEBNAM

Hello, Reading, Pa.!

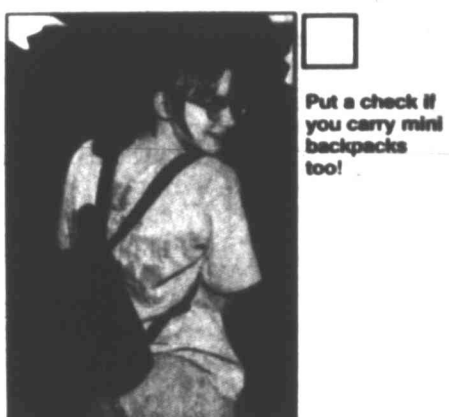
### The Kids of 1996

Here are some of the most popular fads in Reading, Pa., for 1996. Put a check if these are "in" where you live.

To find out what was "in" for the kids of 1996, The Mini Page surveyed some kids at Riverside Elementary in Reading, Pa.



Color in Pennsylvania. Reading, a town of about 80,000, is known for its outlet stores and pretzel factories.



Put a check if you carry mini backpacks too!

All photographs by Robert P. Hoffman III of the Reading Eagle/Reading Times Marketing Department.



The Macarena song and dance



baggy pants baggy clothes



collecting pogs

The Mini Page thanks all of the students and fourth-grade teacher Marianne Adam at Riverside Elementary School, and Connie Andrews, Newspaper in Education coordinator, Reading Eagle/Reading Times, for help with this issue.

#### Can you identify these faces of 1996?

Answers: 1. Bob Dole; 2. Keri Green; 3. R.L. Stine; 4. Michael Jordan; 5. Will Smith; 6. Hillary Clinton; 7. Ken Cuccinelli; 8. one of 101 Democrats; 9. Kevin Kline; 10. Ross Perot; 11. Martin Luther King Jr.; 12. Elizabeth Taylor; 13. Bill Clinton; 14. Barbara Bush; 15. Bill Clinton; 16. Whitney Houston.

#### How the U.S. Government Works

A Mini Page Resource Book With 32 Pages of Facts and Fun!

Topics Include:

- Lawmakers
- Justices
- Presidents
- The Constitution
- Governmental Jobs
- Checks and Balances
- Key Washington Buildings

To order, send \$4.95 plus \$1.00 postage and handling for each copy. Send only checks or money orders payable to: Andrews and McNeil, P.O. Box 41942, Kansas City, Missouri, 64141.

Please send \_\_\_\_\_ copies of How the U.S. Government Works (each discount information available upon request.)

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

### MIGHTY FUNNY'S Mini Jokes

WHAT WOULD A GORILLA USE TO FIX A BIKE?  
A MONKEY WRENCH!

Q: Why can't leopards hide very well?  
A: Because they are always spotted!

Q: Where does an elephant keep his spare tire?  
A: In his trunk!

(all jokes sent in by Ashley Russell)

### THE NEWS HOUND'S KIDS OF '96 TRY 'N FIND

Words and names that remind us of the kids of 1996 are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. See if you can find: STINE, BLUME, SINBAD, RIPKEN, COOLIO, SKATING, MARTIN, TIM ALLEN, EMMITT SMITH, CLEARY, BICYCLES, SECOND NOAH, JORDAN, BRAIDS, CAPS, JEANS.

AKCSTINEVSDIARB  
BCLRARYSEMULBCL  
BICYCLESKJCMWAE  
DONADROJFAEZNPS  
HAONDNOCESTAESI  
HTIMSTTIMMEINFN  
GTIMALLENRAKNSB  
NJKIPRCOOLIOIGA  
JUBLNITRAMNNAOD

### Mini Spy ...

Mini Spy and Basset Brown are playing chess. See if you can find:

- sailboat
- question mark
- carrot
- ladder
- letter H
- ruler
- word MINI
- quarter moon
- sock
- heart
- pineapple
- letter A

• letter B • number 2 • ear of corn • lips

### Fads from A to Z

Here are some "in" things from around the country. Circle the fads that are big where you are.

A afros  
athletic shoes  
B Babysitter Club books  
baby tees  
baggy pants  
baggy shirts  
Barbie dolls  
baseball  
basketball  
Batman things  
bell-bottoms  
black clothes  
black nail polish  
bowl haircuts  
boys' hair combed  
straight back  
braided hair  
C cartoon T-shirts  
chains  
choker necklaces  
cloze  
collecting seashells  
collecting sports cards  
comic books  
compact discs  
computer games  
cowboy boots  
crew cuts  
cut-offs  
D dalmatians  
dancing  
Disney clothes  
dreadlocks  
dyed hair  
E earrings on boys  
F face tattoos  
flowered shirts  
football  
football jerseys  
friendship bracelets  
going to the mall  
Goosebumps books  
Goosebumps clothes  
Goosebumps games  
grunge clothes  
gymnastics  
H hacky sacks  
happy-face necklaces  
hats  
hip-hugger pants  
holes in T-shirts  
I ice skating  
in-line skating  
J jeans  
jellies  
K kickball

### More favorites from Reading

Put a check if these are your favorites, too.

R.L. Stine's Goosebumps books are so popular they have inspired other fads, including Goosebumps clothing and a TV show.

Authors

- R.L. Stine
- Jim Davis
- Ann Martin
- Beverly Cleary
- Dr. Seuss
- Judy Blume
- Bruce Coville
- Roald Dahl

TV shows

- "Rugrats"
- "Full House"
- "Goosebumps"
- "Fresh Prince of Bel-Air"
- "Martin"
- "Sister, Sister"
- "All That"
- "In the House"

TV and movie stars

- Jim Carrey
- Will Smith
- Jonathan Taylor Thomas
- Martin Lawrence
- Tom Hanks

Musical artists

- LL Cool J
- Boyz II Men
- Mariah Carey
- Fugees
- Lost Boys
- Coolio

Wearing caps backward is definitely "in."

Athletic shoes have been "in" for ages.

Look through your newspaper for stories about major events of 1996.

- knee-high socks
- long shorts
- long skirts
- Mary Jane shoes
- mini backpacks
- mini barrettes
- mini skirts
- Mohawk haircuts
- mood necklaces
- neon clothes
- nose rings
- not tucking in your shirt
- open-toe shoes
- overalls
- overalls with one strap hanging down
- pagers
- patent leather
- pierced ears
- pizza
- plaid shirts
- platform shoes
- playing chess
- playing hockey
- Pocahontas things
- pogs
- posters
- Power Rangers
- purple nail polish
- rap music
- reading
- riding bikes
- roller skating
- sandals
- scrunchies
- short-cut T-shirts
- short-shorts
- skateboarding
- skirts
- soccer
- sports caps
- Starter jackets
- sunglasses
- surfing the Internet
- suspenders
- swimming
- T-shirts
- tank tops
- thrift clothes
- tie-dye clothes
- tights
- trolls
- U untied shoelaces
- vests
- video games
- wearing hats backward
- wearing one earring
- western shirts
- work boots

### Mini Section Sunday Deadlines

All Sunday items (weddings, anniversaries, engagements, birth announcements, etc.) are due to the Herald office by Wednesday 11:00 a.m.

Wedding, engagement, anniversary and birth announcement forms are available in the editorial department.

Forms are to be picked up no later than 50 days after publication or they will be discarded.

## Partners in Education

# Tomorrow's workforce is in today's classrooms.

The Mini Page Sponsored by:

- Norwest Bank
- Dorothy Garrett Scenic Mountain Medical Center
- Fina Refinery

NO  
OVI  
- Mo  
enroll  
that g  
the en  
when  
dards  
ago.  
The  
Propo  
releas  
NCAA  
lawsu  
again  
use of  
fresh  
In it  
NCAA  
stud  
schoo  
thos  
popul  
The  
up 27  
athlet  
1985,  
cent  
rec  
cent.

D  
I

Team  
Sweet  
Fort St  
Lake Vi  
Big Spr  
Peaco  
Andrew

Sweet  
at Lake  
(postpo  
Big Sp  
Fort Stoc

Team  
Big Spr  
Andrew  
Peaco  
Sweet  
Fort Stoc  
Lake Vi

Big S  
at Lake  
(postpo  
Big S  
Fort Stoc

M  
LOS  
Pros  
from  
Murd  
Shap  
at bu  
Dodge  
fetch I  
Whi  
cult t  
with  
that t  
more  
\$173  
Ange  
Baltin  
Jerr  
Los  
Wedn  
like t  
famil  
has o  
the F  
owner  
Kings

E  
THE

On  
West  
ter  
Ter  
Conf  
inter  
Wedr  
an 8  
Mian  
Trail  
Oth  
West  
Milw  
time  
Utah  
Bull  
Phoe  
the l  
sided  
83 ov  
We  
thre  
Ang  
Char  
ing (c  
rual

## SCOREBOARD

Boston 107, San Antonio 83  
Dallas 111, Philadelphia 85  
Washington 118, Phoenix 115, OT  
Houston 81, Cleveland 78  
Seattle 100, Denver 98

Minneapolis 119, Utah 112, OT  
Miami 85, Portland 81  
L.A. Lakers 101, Charlotte 97  
Vancouver 100, Golden State 95

College basketball  
Ninole at Michigan, 8:30 p.m., ch. 30.  
Michigan State at Wisconsin, 8:30 p.m., ch. 30.  
Southern California at California, 9:30 p.m., ch. 29.

Got a story idea or a sports news tip?

Call Sports,  
263-7311  
Ext. 236

or  
leave voice mail

## NCAA study: Minority graduation rates at Div. I schools on the rise

OVERLAND PARK, Kan. (AP) — More black athletes are enrolling in Division I schools that grant scholarships after the enrollment rate fell off when higher academic standards were adopted 10 years ago.

The first long-term study of Proposition 48's impact was released on the same day the NCAA was hit with a federal lawsuit alleging discrimination against black athletes from the use of SAT scores to determine freshman eligibility.

In its graduation study, the NCAA also said rates for all student-athletes at Division I schools continue to exceed those of the general student populations.

The NCAA said blacks made up 27.3 percent of all student-athletes entering the schools in 1985, a rate that fell to 23.6 percent in 1986. By 1989, it had recovered somewhat, to 25 percent.

The study also showed a rise in graduation rates among black male student-athletes — from 34 percent of the freshman class of 1985, the last year before Proposition 48, to 41 percent of 1986 freshmen, and 43 percent of 1989 freshmen.

"We had a diminution of numbers of African-American student athletes when we went from pre-Proposition 48 to Prop 48," said Ursula Walsh, NCAA director of research.

"But we predicted the numbers would come back, and they have."

Under Prop 48, which went into effect in 1986, freshman athletes had to meet minimum academic standards to play, practice or even accept financial aid in their first year. The standardized ACT and SAT tests have been the most controversial components of the rule, criticized by many educators as racially and culturally biased.

In Philadelphia, the Trial Lawyers for Public Justice filed suit on behalf of two track athletes. One of them, Tai Kwan Cureton, said numerous Division I colleges courted him, but the scholarship offers vanished when he failed to make the SAT cutoff. He now attends Wheaton College, which does not give athletic scholarships.

Andre Dennis, a lawyer for the plaintiffs, said he would ask the court for an injunction blocking the NCAA from using the fixed test scores, as well as a finding that the practice violates the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

Kathryn Reith, director of public information for the NCAA, declined to comment Wednesday.

The NCAA compiles reports each year on student-athletes' graduation and enrollment rates. The new study put side-

by-side six years' data — the freshman classes of 1983 through 1989 — to help researchers detect trends.

Among black athletes of both genders, the freshman class of 1983 at Division I schools that give athletic scholarships had total enrollment of 3,589 and a graduation rate of 35 percent. In the 1986 freshman class, enrollment fell to 3,041, but the graduation rate rose to 44 percent.

By the fall of 1989, enrollment of black male and female student-athletes was up to 3,491, while the graduation rate was 46 percent.

Among black male student-athletes, enrollment rose from 2,883 freshmen in 1983 to 2,977 in 1985, then tumbled to 2,418 in 1986, the first year of Proposition 48. The number was back up to 2,708 in 1989.

For student athletes of all races and genders, total fresh-

man enrollment at Division I schools that offer athletic scholarships was 13,144 in 1983; 12,871 in 1986; and 13,962 for the entering class of 1989.

The NCAA compared graduation rates for the total group of student-athletes to total student populations, excluding those schools — the Ivy League and the service academies — that don't grant athletic scholarships.

It found graduation rates of 51 percent for both athletes and the total student populations for 1983 freshmen classes; 57 percent for the athletes and just 54 percent for the total student bodies enrolling in 1986; and 58 percent for the athletes and 56 percent of all who were freshmen in 1989.

Research is based on athletes who graduate within six years of enrolling, and is reported about one year after graduation season. The performance of the

1990 freshmen in terms of enrollment and graduation won't be reported until June.

But Todd Petr, assistant research director, said the numbers so far bear out the NCAA's expectation in showing the enrollment of black athletes nearly back at pre-Proposition 48 levels.

"As you raise the standards, you have an impact on people obviously at the lower end of the scale in terms of test scores and grade-point average," Petr said. "You're cutting people out, and that's specifically been the case with the minority population, a disproportionate impact."

The NCAA has refined the requirements occasionally since 1986. The latest revision was last spring, when sliding scales of grade-point averages and test scores were adopted — the lower a student's GPA, the higher the test score must be.

### District 4-4A Basketball Standings

BOYS				
Team	Season		District	
	W	L	W	L
Sweetwater	13	9	1	0
Fort Stockton	16	3	0	0
Lake View	11	11	0	0
Big Spring	7	12	0	1
Pecos	7	7	0	0
Andrews	4	17	0	0

Tuesday's scores  
Sweetwater 71, Big Spring 42; Fort Stockton at Lake View (postponed); Andrews at Pecos (postponed).

Friday's games  
Big Spring at Andrews; Lake View at Pecos; Fort Stockton at Sweetwater.

GIRLS				
Team	Season		District	
	W	L	W	L
Big Spring	11	9	2	0
Andrews	16	5	2	0
Pecos	6	9	1	0
Sweetwater	13	10	1	2
Fort Stockton	9	10	0	2
Lake View	6	13	0	2

Tuesday's scores  
Big Spring 46, Sweetwater 38; Fort Stockton at Lake View (postponed); Andrews at Pecos (postponed).

Friday's games  
Big Spring at Andrews; Lake View at Pecos; Fort Stockton at Sweetwater.

## Tech post scores 25 in romp over OSU

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Tony Battie proved to be everything Oklahoma State thought he would be, and that was way too much for the Cowboys.

Battie, Texas Tech's junior center, had 25 points, seven rebounds and three blocks in leading the 20th-ranked Red Raiders to a 73-64 victory Wednesday night.

In other Big 12 games, Baylor defeated Texas A&M 69-66 and Nebraska beat Creighton 71-52.

The 6-foot-11 Battie scored 16 points in the first half when the Red Raiders (10-2, 2-0 Big 12) overcame a slow start to twice take 12-point leads. Then he carried his team after Oklahoma State pulled within four early in the second half.

"We think he's the best center in the Big 12 and he puts so much pressure on your defense," Oklahoma State coach Eddie Sutton said.

Cory Carr had 16 points for the Red Raiders, Gionet Cooper

### Big 12

grabbed 10 rebounds and Rayford Young came off the bench to score 13 points.

"We got a good education tonight on several things," Texas Tech coach James Dickey said. "One is how physical this league is going to be. The second thing is what it's going to be like on the road — to play above the crowd, play above the pressure, play above the officials."

The Red Raiders handed Oklahoma State (7-5, 0-2) only its eighth home loss in Sutton's six-plus years as coach. The crowd of 5,603 was 700 short of a sellout, due partly to snowy weather and school still being out.

In Waco, Baylor capitalized on a mental error by a Texas A&M player and Patrick Hunter's three free throws in the final 1.9 seconds.

With the score tied at 66 and his team out of time outs,

**We got a good education tonight on several things. One is how physical this league is going to be.**

James Dickey

Texas A&M guard Tracey Anderson was called for a technical foul when he called for time.

Hunter made both free throws and added another with 0.8 on the clock.

Brian Skinner scored 18 points and Doug Brandt 17 for Baylor (12-2, 1-1 Big 12). Anderson led the Aggies (6-6, 0-2) with 19 points.

Anderson had made a three-pointer to tie the game with 13 seconds remaining, then grabbed the rebound of Skinner's shot with time about to expire. He drew the technical when he called for time as he was falling to the floor.

Baylor led virtually all of the first half, leading 33-28 at intermission.

The Aggies committed a season-high 28 turnovers.

In Lincoln, Neb., Mikki Moore and Cookie Belcher each scored 15 points as Nebraska used scoring spurts to open each half to cruise past Creighton.

Nebraska (8-5) jumped out to a 14-2 lead in the first six minutes, but the Huskers scored just 14 more points in the next 12 minutes. Creighton (5-8) battled back to cut the lead to 28-26 on Rodney Buford's free throws with 53 seconds left before half-time.

But Tyrone Lue hit a 3-point shot and Belcher followed that with a basket to put Nebraska up 33-28 at intermission.

The Huskers continued the run as the second half opened, outscoring the Bluejays 9-1 to take a 42-29 lead on Moore's dunk with just over 15 minutes left. Creighton never got closer than 11.

## Howard hosts Hill tonight

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

The Howard College Hawks have had no trouble scoring points this season, but their coach would like them to become a bit stingier on the other end of the floor.

The streaking Hawks (11-5), who have won nine of their last 10 games, hold their final non-conference game of the season tonight when they host Hill Junior College at 7:30 p.m. in Garrett Coliseum.

The game will feature teams that are almost mirror images of each other, Howard coach Tommy Collins said.

"They're a little like us: They're small, very athletic and they have real good quickness," Collins said.

If the teams are too similar, expect the scorekeeper to have a busy night.

The Hawks have been blistering on offense of late, averaging more than 90 points in their last five games.

But there's still room for improvement, particularly on defense, Collins said.

"We can score points," Collins said. "Defensively, we've struggled a bit, but that's to be expected when nine out of your 10 players are new. But we're making progress. When you shoot as well as we do, it makes up for a multitude of errors."

The Hawks have been bolstered by the recent return of freshman forward Marcus Reedy, who was recently reinstated to the team.

Collins said his streaking team is right about where he expected it to be before the season began.

I expected us to be good, because we have the talent," Collins said.

## Numerous bidders lining up for shot to buy Dodgers

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Prospective bidders ranging from media mogul Rupert Murdoch to attorney Robert Shapiro are lining up for a shot at buying the Los Angeles Dodgers, a team that could fetch more than \$300 million.

While analysts say it's difficult to predict who will end up with the team, no one doubts that the price will be much more than the present high of \$173 million paid by Peter Angelos' group for the Baltimore Orioles in 1983.

Jerry Buss, the owner of the Los Angeles Lakers, said Wednesday that he, too, would like to have a piece of the now-family-owned Dodgers. Buss has owned the NBA team and the Forum since 1979, and also owned the NHL's Los Angeles Kings from 1979 through early

1988. "I'm the biggest Dodgers fan in Los Angeles," Buss told the Los Angeles Times through a spokesman. "I'd like to be part of a group that buys them."

The Buss family is believed to own all but 10 percent of the Lakers. The remainder is owned by Magic Johnson and TV executive Bill Daniels.

While Peter O'Malley looks for a buyer, the Dodgers are working to retain key players.

First baseman Eric Karros, eligible for free agency after the 1997 season, agreed Wednesday to a \$20 million, four-year contract. Third baseman John Wehner agreed to a \$350,000, one-year contract.

And outfielder Brett Butler has decided to go ahead with his attempt to play this season. Butler, 39, had surgery last

May to remove a cancerous tumor from his tonsils. He was activated Sept. 6, but broke his hand Sept. 10 when he was hit by a pitch.

"You want to be able to go out on your own terms. And to me, it was almost as if it wasn't finished," he said. "I want to go down there in the spring and just see. If I feel like I can do it, I will. If I can't, then I won't."

Catcher Mike Piazza, an All-Star in his first four seasons with the Dodgers, is seeking a new contract. He made \$2.7 million last season, in the final year of a three-year deal.

O'Malley expects to take six months to select a buyer. Baseball's approval process could take another year.

The new owner will look for ways to pay off its acquisition fee by additional marketing of

its star players, interleague play and international promotion, said economist Henry J. Aaron of the Brookings Institution and a member of baseball's economic study commission in the early 1990s.

"There's a potential there — additional countries could come into the fold," Aaron said. "There's a real chance to enhance the value of baseball as an industry. One would hope that as new owners replace the old, the level of imagination would rise."

Fans might have access to movie theaters, amusement parks or additional sports arenas — all on the 300-acre stadium site near downtown known as Chavez Ravine — after the team is sold, sports industry experts said.

"Depending on what the resi-

dents and city council would allow, you could have a football stadium, a theme park, another ball field, a movie multiplex of massive proportion," said Marc Ganis, president of SportsCorp, a Chicago firm that was a consultant to the Los Angeles Rams when they left the city.

"If you're creative, you tie it into the sports properties."

Ganis predicts that Japanese investors will be especially interested in the Dodgers and could raise money through merchandising in Japan, where baseball and Dodgers pitcher Hideo Nomo are popular.

And if someone like The Walt Disney Co. gets involved, there's an opportunity for films like "Angels in the Outfield," which promoted Disney's

Please see BIDDERS, page 2B

## East teams get best of the West in interconference matchups

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

On a night of East meeting West, the edge went to the better conference.

Teams from the Eastern Conference won four of seven interconference matchups Wednesday night, most notably an 85-81 road victory by the Miami Heat over the Portland Trail Blazers.

Other impressive East beats West feats included the Milwaukee Bucks' 119-112 overtime victory over the faltering Utah Jazz, the Washington Bullets' 115-113 defeat of the Phoenix Suns in overtime and the Boston Celtics' most lopsided victory of the season, 107-83 over the San Antonio Spurs.

Western teams won the other three matchups, with the Los Angeles Lakers beating Charlotte 101-97, Houston downing Cleveland 81-78 and Dallas crushing Philadelphia 111-98.

### NBA

In the only intraconference games, Seattle defeated Denver 109-99 and Vancouver beat Golden State 109-95.

As the NBA season nears the halfway point, the superiority of the Eastern Conference has become clearer by the day.

Nine Eastern Conference teams have plus-.500 records, and the Indiana Pacers (15-16) and Orlando Magic (12-17) are below the break-even point mainly because of injuries to key players.

Conversely, the West had only five teams with winning records and nine with losing marks.

One of those above-.500 Western teams is Portland, which entered Wednesday night's game with a five-game winning streak. It came to an end as Tim Hardaway scored 21

of his 28 points in the second half to give Miami its first-ever road victory over the Trail Blazers.

Hardaway's clutch 21-footer with 15.8 seconds left was the game's biggest shot. The high-arching jumper from a step inside the 3-point line made it 84-81. Arvydas Sabonis tried an open 3-pointer with three seconds left, but his shot was long.

"I got the same feeling now that I had with Earvin, you know, Magic," Miami coach Pat Riley said of Hardaway. "Tim got on one of his rolls and hit the big one. He's been doing it all year for us. It was one of his best games of the year."

There were 54 fouls called in the game, 32 against Portland.

"You've got two teams that are essentially pound-it-inside teams," Blazers coach P.J. Carlesimo said. "And you've got two teams that like to drive the ball and two of the better

defensive teams in the league. It's either going to be 'let them play' and you have bodies lying all over the floor, or they call it tight, which they did tonight."

Alonzo Mourning added 17 points and Sasha Danilovic had 13.

Sabonis and Isaiah Rider led Portland with 17 points apiece. Bucks 119, Jazz 112

Glenn Robinson scored 38 points, Vin Baker added 21 and the two forwards scored the first eight points of overtime to put Milwaukee ahead to stay.

The victory came exactly five years after the Bucks' last win over the Jazz, a year before Baker entered the league and two years before Robinson was the first player chosen in the draft.

"That's a good sign. We're starting to beat some teams that I've never beaten before," Robinson said. "That's a sign of a team getting better and

improving."

Karl Malone had a season-high 38 points, 19 rebounds and eight assists for Utah, which lost its sixth straight on the road.

Bullets 115, Suns 113, OT

At Landover, Calbert Cheaney scored the go-ahead basket with 4.6 seconds left in overtime as Washington ended a 17-game losing streak against Phoenix.

Juwan Howard finished with 24 points and Rod Strickland 22 as the Bullets notched their first win against the Suns since March 9, 1988.

"It's obviously means something when you've lost 17 straight to a team," Cheaney said. "It's a good feeling to get that off our backs. It's a real good win."

Celtics 107, Spurs 83

Boston won its second in a row for just the second time this season and had its largest

victory margin, too.

Antoine Walker, starting out of position at center for the second consecutive game, had 17 points and 11 rebounds. Rick Fox scored 19 points and five other players scored in double figures for Boston.

Monty Williams and Avery Johnson scored 14 points each for San Antonio, which dropped to 4-13 on the road.

Lakers 101, Hornets 97  
Rookie Derek Fisher drew an offensive foul from former Laker Vlade Divac with 6.5 seconds left, and Nick Van Exel made two free throws with 5.1 seconds remaining to complete the scoring.

Shaquille O'Neal had 23 points and 16 rebounds, Eddie Jones scored 20 points and Van Exel had 17 points and 10 assists for the Lakers, who have won 10 straight home

Please see NBA, page 2B

# Oklahoma State rampage leaves Lady Raiders wondering what hit them

LUBBOCK (AP) — Oklahoma State coach Dick Halterman's unceasing quest for respect might have pricked a few ears Wednesday night.

Renee Roberts scored 19 points and the Cowgirls held No. 7 Texas Tech's three starting guards to one field goal each in a 78-56 wire-to-wire romp on one of the nation's toughest home courts.

"I don't know if you guys are as shocked as I am tonight,"

Halterman said after Oklahoma State (9-3, 1-1 Big 12) beat the Lady Raiders in every facet. "I never thought we could come in here and open up a 30-point lead."

Actually, Oklahoma State led by 31 with 13:53 left in the game after taking a 23-point lead into halftime.

"Your guess is as good as mine as to what made that happen," said Tech coach Marsha Sharp, who watched helplessly

*Your guess is as good as mine as to what made that happen.*

**Marsha Sharp**

as the Lady Raiders endured their worst home loss since falling 89-56 to Texas in 1988.

Dismal shooting and lackluster defense, particularly in the first half, doomed the Lady Raiders to their second home loss, the first time that has happened since the 1990-91 season.

Halterman said even this vic-

tory might not be enough to gain the recognition he believes is due a program which has been to the NCAA tournament seven times in eight years.

"I said before the season I thought we were better than everybody thinks we are," he said. "I thought we showed how good we can be. Now whether

we can keep that up tonight, that remains to be seen."

The unranked Cowgirls did everything right after opening the game with a 12-2 run.

Alicia Thompson led Tech with 25 points, including 15 in a row during a physical and sometimes testy second half that saw body after body crash to the floor even though the game was essentially over early in the period.

"I didn't have a very good

first half," said Thompson, who shot 1-for-12 before the break, helping her team to a 21 percent performance, compared to 55 percent for Oklahoma State.

Tech finished the game shooting just 29 percent.

Cheri Edwards added 13 points for the Cowgirls, and Sara Jackson had 10.

Tech had won 35 straight home games until falling to ninth-ranked Tennessee last month.

## NBA

Continued from page 1B

games. Divac had 22 points and 12 rebounds in his first game at the Forum since the Lakers traded him last summer.

"I felt good during the game, but before the game, I was nervous, about everything — fans, teammates, everything. Nobody wished this win more than I did," Divac said.

**Rockets 81, Cavaliers 78**

The first sellout crowd of the season at Gund Arena saw Houston win at Cleveland for the fourth straight season.

Mario Elie scored 26 points and Hakeem Olajuwon had 22 to help offset poor nights by Charles Barkley and Clyde Drexler. Barkley was 2-for-12 for eight points and Drexler was 2-for-10 and scored nine points.

Terrell Brandon led the Cavaliers with 26 points.

**Mavericks 111, 76ers 93**

At Philadelphia, it was a 48-point swing for Dallas, which lost by 30 the night before at New York.

"We just had to forget about last night and come out and play hard," said George McCloud, who had 16 points of his 23 points in the second period.

Chris Gatling added 22 points and Sam Cassell 21 for the Mavericks.

**SuperSonics 109, Nuggets 99**

Shawn Kemp had 26 points and 11 rebounds and Dettlef Schrempf scored 24 at Denver.

The Sonics won for the ninth time in their last 11 games, while the Nuggets lost their fourth straight at home. Denver hasn't defeated a winning team at home this season and is 4-12 at McNichols Arena — the worst home record in the NBA.

**Grizzlies 109, Warriors 95**

Rookie Shareef Abdur-Rahim scored a season-high 34 points and Vancouver won just its second road game of the season.

Joe Smith had a career-high 38 points and 15 rebounds and scored 14 straight Golden State points as the Warriors tried to rally in the closing minutes.

## BIDDERS

Continued from page 1B

Anaheim Angels, Ganis said. Disney, which would have to sell its 25 percent stake in the Angels before buying the Dodgers, refused to comment on speculation that it was interested in making such a change.

Los Angeles Mayor Richard Riordan told the Times that he, too, had briefly considered bidding for at least a part ownership in the team. But the multimillionaire businessman said he quickly dropped the idea because it might conflict with his role as mayor.

"It's premature because Peter O'Malley hasn't even set up a process yet (for accepting bids)," Riordan said.

Fox Television, a division of Murdoch's News Corp., also refused comment on statements by former baseball commissioner Peter Ueberroth that Murdoch had a good chance of getting the team.

Other interested parties include Robert Daly, co-chairman of the music and film divisions of Time Warner; Shapiro; and Ueberroth.

A purchase by Fox would mirror other similar arrangements between media-entertainment companies and sports teams, such as the Tribune Co. and the Chicago Cubs; ITT Corp. and the New York Knicks and Rangers; Time Warner Inc. and the Atlanta Braves and Hawks; and Comcast Corp. and the Philadelphia Flyers and 76ers.

The new Fox Sports West 2 cable network plans to show Dodgers games locally.

Alan Friedman, of the Chicago-based Team Marketing Report, said any company that owns television and radio stations in the Los Angeles market could be interested.

# 4 Neckties, 3 Pair of Socks, 2 Turtlenecks...

(And A Partridge In A Pear Tree!)

## DIDN'T GET WHAT YOU WANTED FOR CHRISTMAS?

# There's Still Time To Call DISH Network!

**COMPLETE SYSTEM**

**\$199**

Christmas has come and gone and you didn't get that special gift you had your heart set on? The one that will give you great entertainment day after day, year after year? Well, don't fret, because at the DISH Network, we're selling our complete, state-of-the-art 18" IR digital satellite TV system for only \$199 when you purchase a 1-year subscription to America's Top 50 CD<sup>SM</sup> programming package for \$300. DIRECTV tried to follow our lead by offering after-sale rebates and gimmicks with lots of fine print. But no promise of a

check in the mail is ever going to help them match our outstanding programming offer.

With one phone call you can get America's top 50 channels, including The Disney Channel, plus over 30 channels of digital music for \$300 a year! That's just \$25 a month! And we offer all the multichannel Premium Services like HBO and Showtime<sup>SM</sup> at cablebusting rates, too. We have a total of 15 premium channels available, plus more pay-per-view channels, giving you hundreds of outstanding viewing options each month!

Cable just can't compete. Average cable costs over \$42 a month. DISH NETWORK WILL SAVE YOU \$17 A MONTH, OR OVER \$200 A YEAR. EVERY MONTH! EVERY YEAR!

So make the comparison and then make the call. DISH Network. Give yourself the gift that keeps giving!



**1 FULL YEAR**

**\$300**

Plus One Regional Sports Network!

Call now. Limited time offer.

# 1-800-333-DISH

<http://www.dishnetwork.com>

All prices, packages and programming subject to change without notice. Local and state sales laws may apply. Programming is available for single-family dwellings located in the continental United States. All DISH Network programming, and any other services that we provide, are subject to the terms and conditions of the Residential Customer Agreement, which is available upon request. One-year America's Top 50 CD package is non-refundable, and subject to early termination if additional services ordered are not paid in accordance with agreed upon terms. Broadcast Networks are only available to customers in those areas not served by local network affiliates. Prices do not include installation or shipping and handling. All receivers must be connected to a phone line. Must activate programming by February 28, 1997. Offer by DISH Network Direct Corporation. DISH Network is a trademark of EchoStar Communications Corporation. DIRECTV is a registered trademark of DIRECTV, Inc., a unit of Hughes Electronics Corp. ESPN and ESPN2 programming subject to change and broadcast restrictions, and is licensed separately for residential and commercial use. ESPN, ESPN2 and ESPN3 are registered trademarks of ESPN, Inc. (Disney, INC.) is a service mark of Home Box Office, a division of Time Warner Entertainment Company, L.P. Showtime is a service mark of Showtime Networks Inc., a Viacom Company. MTV Music Television, VHS Music First, Nickelodeon, Nickelodeon Kids and Nick at Nite are trademarks of MTV Networks, a division of Viacom International Inc. Cartoon Network, CNN, CNN2, CNN PH, Headline News, TCM, TBS Superstation and TNT are registered trademarks of Turner Broadcasting Systems, Inc. The Family Channel and The Family Channel logo design are registered service marks of International Family Entertainment, Inc. Home Shopping Network is a registered trademark of Home Shopping Network, Inc. FOX Sports Network programming subject to blackout restrictions and licensed for residential use only. Regional sports networks not available in all areas. All other service marks and trademarks belong to their respective owners. Average cable cost as of August 1, 1996. ©1996

Big Spring Thursday  
AFFOR APPLI  
AFFOR APPLI  
His cook erators, fr ers & dryer ed & evapor ditioners, easy terms rantly. We b ing applian 1811 Soury 264-0510.  
AIR CON SEF  
CL HEATH CONDI AFF. wi An  
Call Sh 1-800- or 2 TACLI  
BAT RESU  
WE RESU Make dull f like new on ceramic til formica. 1-800-774-  
CA H & H Corner of 26  
Carpel \$11.9 Several cc  
DEE' SP! Plush \$1: Installed & Call and m ment. San your home 24  
CH CL  
CHIMNE B  
Cleaning \*\*\*FREE! Call  
CONS  
CONCRE SERVICE DERBL CHAINL IRON-C PATIOS- TRAILER WESTEF DRIVEW STUCC HANDIC. YARD DI CUSTOM Call to Hom 2 Mobil IMPR PROPE ITI  
DE D  
GOT Defensiv  
10% Dis Class Days Ir 1 Class 9:00-3:3 1-800-72 MIP and  
CON SAM CO Sand, C Drive 91  
F BROW Re Cr Cedar, t  
Spe  
Finan Vie  
De Even 80  
2



# BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL DIRECTORY

New Look! New Rates! Great Results!  
Make Your Phone Ring by Calling...263-7331

# Herald Classifieds

### AFFORDABLE APPLIANCES

**AFFORDABLE APPLIANCE CO.**  
Has cook stoves, refrigerators, freezers, washers & dryers, refrigerated & evaporated air conditioners, for sale on easy terms with a warranty. We buy non-working appliances.  
1811 Scurry St.  
264-0510.

### AIR CONDITIONING SERVICE

**CLARK'S HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING**  
AFF. with A-1 Ref., Amarillo  
Call Shane Clark  
1-800-440-3348 or 264-7408  
TACLB002926C

### BATH TUB RESURFACING

**WESTEX RESURFACING**  
Make dull finishes sparkle like new on tubs, vanities, ceramic tiles, sinks and formica.  
1-800-774-9898 (Midland)

### CARPET

**H & H CARPETS**  
Corner of 4th & Benton  
267-2849  
Carpet Special!!!  
\$11.95 installed  
Several colors to choose from

### CHIMNEY CLEANING

**CHIMNEY CLEANING BY ERIC**  
Cleaning, repairs, caps  
\*\*\*FREE ESTIMATES\*\*\*  
Call 263-7015

### CONSTRUCTION

**CLASSIC CONSTRUCTION**  
CONCRETE-WELDING SERVICE-FENCES-CINDER BLOCK-PIPE-CHAINLINK-SHEET IRON-CARPORTS-PATIO-S HANDRAILS-TRAILERS-METAL ART-WESTERN-WILDLIFE-DRIVEWAYS-WALKS-STUCCO-PORCHES-HANDICAP RAMPS-YARD DECORATIONS-CUSTOM MADE GATES.  
Call for free estimates.  
Home: 263-6908  
267-2245  
Mobile: 557-1229  
IMPROVE YOUR PROPERTY INCREASE ITS VALUE

### DEFENSIVE DRIVING

**GOT A TICKET?**  
Defensive Driving Class, \$25  
10% Insurance Discount-\$20  
Classes held at the Days Inn Every Third Saturday  
Classes Start Jan. 21 9:00-3:30 p.m. Days Inn  
1-800-725-3039 ext. 2707  
MIP and DWI classes in Odessa

### DIRT CONTRACTORS

**SAM FROMAN DIRT CONTRACTOR**  
Sand, Gravel, Top Soil, Driveway Caliche.  
915-263-4619

### FENCES

**BROWN FENCE CO.**  
Residential & Commercial Cedar, Spruce, Chain Link, Tile.  
\*\*\*Quality work for Less\*\*\*  
Specials weekly  
Financing available Visa/Mastercard  
Day: 263-6445  
Evening: 263-6517  
605 E. 3rd St.

### FENCES

**B & B FENCE CO.**  
Residential & Commercial  
Spruce, Cedar, Chain Link, Tile  
Call for FREE Estimates  
\*\*\*Home Available\*\*\*  
\*\*\*All Work Guaranteed\*\*\*  
Day: 263-6908  
Night: 263-6928  
Order Professional Service

### FIREWOOD

**DICK'S FIREWOOD**  
Serving Residential & Restaurants  
Throughout West Texas  
We Deliver.  
1-915-453-2151  
FAX 1-915-453-4322

### GARAGE DOORS

**GARAGE DOORS & OPENERS**  
Sales, Service & Installation  
**BOB'S CUSTOM WOODWORK**  
267-5811

### HANDY MAN

**HANDY MAN HOME REPAIRS, MINOR PLUMBING, SHEETROCK, CARPENTRY, PAINTING, FENCING, YARD WORK, TREE TRIMMING, PRUNING, HAULING.**  
WE DO IT ALL!!!  
CALL TERRY 263-2700

### HOME BUILDERS

**KENNY THOMPSON HOME BUILDER**  
Restricted Suburban Sites. Plans & Estimates, 40 years in Business. 263-4548.

### HOME IMPROVEMENT

**GIBBS REMODELING**  
Room additions, hang doors, hang and finish sheet rock. We blow acoustic for ceilings. We specialize in ceramic tile repair and new installation. We do shower pans. Insurance claims welcome. For all your remodeling needs call Bob at 263-8285. If no answer please leave message. 20 years experience, free estimates, quality work at lower prices.

### HOUSE LEVELING

**HOUSELEVELING B&B HOUSELEVELING & FOUNDATION REPAIR**  
Bonded & registered  
FREE ESTIMATES  
20 year guaranteed  
Owner Rick Burrow  
Ablene, Tx.  
Toll Free  
1-800-335-4057

Save BIG BUCKS  
Read... Herald  
SUPER CLASSIFIED ADS

### INTERNET SERVICE

**LOCAL UNLIMITED INTERNET SERVICE**  
NO LONG DISTANCE  
NO 800 SURCHARGE  
NO CONNECTING FEE  
FREE SOFTWARE  
ALL SERVICES ON INTERNET AVAILABLE  
WEB PAGES FOR BUSINESS & PERSONAL USE  
CROSSROADS COMMUNICATIONS  
264-0903 (fax)264-0333  
WE make it EASY for YOU to get on the INTERNET  
"BIG SPRING'S PATH TO THE INFORMATION HIGHWAY!!!"  
LAWN CARE  
RG'S LAWN SERVICE  
Mowing, Edging, hauling trash, trimming trees, all yard work.  
Reasonable rates.  
Call 264-0568 or 267-7177

### LAWN CARE

**R & M LAWN AND LANDSCAPE**  
Tree Trimming & Pruning, cut down, clean up. Insured \* 30 Years experience  
Ricky Nickerson  
\*\*\* 915-673-3021 \*\*\*  
GRASS ROOTS LAWN CARE  
267-2472  
Mowing - Tree Pruning - lawn clean up  
FREE ESTIMATES

### MEAT PACKING

**MEAT PACKING SVC**  
West Texas Largest Mobile Home Dealer  
New \* Used \* Repos  
Homes of America-Odessa  
(800)725-0881 or 363-0881

### MOVING

**ALLSTATE-CITY DELIVERY FURNITURE MOVERS**  
24 YEARS EXPERIENCE  
Tom and the guys can move anything  
EXCELLENT REFERENCES  
Insured-Senior Discounts-  
-Enclosed Trucks-Tom and Julie Costas  
600 W. 3rd  
1908 Lancaster  
263-2225.

### METAL BUILDINGS

**West Texas Largest Mobile Home Dealer**  
New \* Used \* Repos  
Homes of America-Odessa  
(800)725-0881 or (915)363-0881

### PAINTING

**QUALITY HOUSE PAINTING**  
20 years experience  
\*\*\*Monte Hamilton\*\*\*  
FREE ESTIMATES!!!!  
Dry Wall, Texture, Stain and Varnish  
Call 263-8082

### PAINTING

**For Your Best House Painting & Repairs**  
Interior & Exterior  
\*\*\*Free Estimates\*\*\*  
Call Joe Gomez  
267-7587 or 267-7831  
\*\*\*DORTON PAINTING\*\*\*  
Interior & Exterior Painting  
Drywall & Acoustic  
Excellent work at a fair price.  
FREE ESTIMATES  
Call 263-7303

### PLANTATION SHUTTERS

**CARTHAN'S DECORATIVE WINDOWS**  
FREE ESTIMATES LOCAL  
915-264-8240

### PEST CONTROL

**REMODELING**

### Bob's Custom Woodwork

Remodeling Contractor  
Doors • Windows • Bats  
Remodeling • Repairs • Refinishing  
613 N. Warehouse Rd. 267-5811

### RENTALS

**VENTURA COMPANY**  
267-3655  
Houses/Apartments, Duplexes, 1,2,3 and 4 Bedrooms furnished or unfurnished.

### ROOFING

**JOHNNY FLORES ROOFING**  
Shingles, Hot Tar & Gravel.  
All types of repairs.  
Work guaranteed!!!  
Free estimates.  
267-1110, 267-4289

### FULLMOON ROOFING

Wood & Composition Shingles  
Hot Tar & Gravel  
Highest Quality-Lowest Price  
260 Completed Jobs  
\*\*\*FREE ESTIMATES\*\*\*  
Bonded & Insured  
Call 267-5478

### SEPTIC TANKS

**B&R SEPTIC**  
Septic tanks, grease, and sand traps, 24 hours. Also rent port-a-potty.  
267-3547 or 363-5439

### STORAGE BLDGS

**OWN YOUR OWN**  
STORAGE BUILDING/WORKSHOP  
Custom built on your lot  
FINANCING AVAILABLE  
CALL TODAY FOR FREE ESTIMATES  
CLANTON-MUNDELL  
393-5352 263-4535

### TELEPHONE SERVICE

**TELEPHONE JACKS**  
Installed for \$37.50  
Business and Residential Sales and Service  
J-Dean Communications  
399-4384

### TREE SERVICE

**TREE Trimming, Hauling, Removal & Pruning.**  
\*\*\*FREE ESTIMATES\*\*\*  
Call 263-4441 or 263-0260  
Experienced Tree Trimming & Removal.  
For Free Estimates call 267-8317

### TV/VCR REPAIR

**FCC Licensed**  
25 years experience  
Reasonable rates  
1007 Wood St.  
263-0150

## Big Spring Herald SUPER CLASSIFIEDS 263-7331

BUY IT! SELL IT! FIND IT!  
Fast Results - Every Time

### SELLER'S CHOICE

3 LINES • 3 DAYS.....\$3\*  
4 LINES • 4 DAYS.....\$4\*  
5 LINES • 5 DAYS.....\$5\*  
Private Party - Class 500 - Merchandise Items Only - One Item per ad. Item must be priced under \$75. Price of item must be listed in ad. All Seller's Choice ads are PREPAID - no refunding or prorating on early cancellation.

### EYE OPENER

4 LINES • 6 DAYS.....\$8.95  
Private Party - CLASS 500 - Merchandise Items Only - One Item per ad. Item must be priced under \$350. Price of item must be listed in ad. All EYE OPENER ads are PREPAID - no refunding or prorating on early cancellation.  
4 LINES • 6 DAYS.....\$8.95

### Walk-in Service available

Monday through Friday - 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### When To Call Us - 263-7331

Monday through Friday - 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### Fax Your Ads • 264-7205

## BIG SPRING HERALD SUPER CLASSIFIEDS 263-7331

### ATTENTION CLASSIFIED CUSTOMERS

IF YOU NEED TO CANCEL OR MAKE CHANGES IN YOUR AD, PLEASE CALL BY 8:00 AM THE DAY THE CHANGE IS TO OCCUR.

### AUTOS FOR SALE

1994 Eagle Talon DL. 73,000, 4 cyl., 2 dr., air & cruise. \$8500.00. 806-756-4370.  
94 CAMARO. Black, 42K, V6 Standard transmission. Loaded. 263-0829 ask for Mike after 5:00, 263-0286.

### BOATS

16 FT. FIBERGLASS bass boat with depth finder, trolling motor & 115 horsepower Mercury motor, skis, extras. 264-0917.

### JEeps

1971 JEEP WRANGLER. New tires, wheels, interior & top. Automatic. \$3750.00 a possible owner finance. 2906 Parkway. 263-8229.

### PICKUPS

1992 Ford F150 4 wheel drive extended cab, all Ford extras plus fully equipped and dressed. Extra clean, white with red interior. 267-5179.

### BIG SPRING CHRYSLER

"Home Of Low Prices"  
512 E FM 700 Big Spring  
264-6886

### VANS

1986 Ford van, factory equipped for towing heavy trailers. Good condition, one owner. \$3,500. 263-3903.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

ATTENTION READERS THE BIG SPRING HERALD cannot vouch for the credibility or legitimacy of classified ads that may be published in this newspaper. We advise readers to use caution when responding to advertisements listed in the following categories: Business Opportunities, Education, Instruction, Financial, Personals and Help Wanted. If you have questions about a particular business, call the Better Business Bureau.

### PERSONAL

WHY WAIT? Start Meeting Texas Singles tonight. 1-800-76-2623, ext. 4930.

### INSTRUCTION

START OUR NEW CAREER TODAY!!! ACT TRUCK DRIVING SCHOOL. JTPA APPROVED/VA APPROVED.  
1-800-282-8658 273 CR 287, Merkel, Tx. 79536.

### ADULT CARE

"A PLACE THAT FEELS LIKE HOME" HOME SWEET HOME: Elderly Foster Care, Richard and Carolina Dimas (operators) 1411 North Bryan, Lamesa, Tx. 79331. Bus: 806-872-8266, Home: 806-872-5509.

### HELP WANTED

NEED DRIVERS for our Lamesa & Ackerly yard. Must have Class A-CDL License. Day/night shifts, good benefits, furnish insurance. 800-522-0474.

### LONG JOHN SILVERS

Part-Time & full-time service positions available. Day & Night shifts, must be energetic & dependable. Apply @ 2403 S. Gregg. No phone calls please!

### ABILENE STATE SCHOOL DENTAL HYGIENIST II

\$2389/MONTH  
High school graduate, GED, or proficiency evaluation of experience. Graduation from an accredited Dental Hygiene School. Must have a license to practice Dental Hygiene in Texas. Must have a current registration certificate. Essential functions: Providing the following services as needed, for people with mental retardation in a residential setting: professional dental hygiene services; infection control; communication; staff training; exposing and developing radiography; chairside assisting; physical assisting; behavior intervention; documentation. Preferred qualifications: Previous experience working with individuals in Mental Health or Mental Retardation facility. APPLY AT: Human Resource Service Office, S. 24th & Maple, Abilene, TX 79604. EOE

### HELP WANTED

**TDMHMR REGIONAL REGISTERED NURSE**  
SALARY \$2616.00 PER MONTH PLUS EXCELLENT BENEFIT PACKAGE  
Opportunity to supervise other medical personnel in Mental Health Centers in Howard, Borden, Glasscock and Scurry counties. Flexible hours with a forty-hour week. Position will office in Big Spring, Texas. West Texas State Operated Community Services 801 Birdwell Lane, Suite 28-F, Big Spring, Tx 79720  
Drug Free Workplace (915)263-9700 EOE.

Daytime help needed. Apply in person at Sonic Drive In.

### SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST.

Beautiful, diverse hospital setting, flexible schedules/outstanding salaries. 800-378-6825. Texas therapy Management.

### HELP WANTED

**REGISTERED NURSES FOR Labor and Delivery, Nursery, Postpartum, NICU.**  
Prefer experienced nurses. Will consider RN's with above experience that have strong desire to train/cross-train in these areas. The Birthplace at Westwood is Midland's premier labor and delivery facility. Come in today and let us discuss current available positions with you. **WES CANCEL** Medical Center is a substance free workplace. Drug screens will be performed on all applicants considered to be final candidates for a position with Westwood Medical Center. Westwood Medical Center does not discriminate with regard to race, color, religion, creed, gender, national origin, age, disability, marital or veteran status, sexual orientation or any other legally protected status.

## LOCALLY OWNED TRADE-INS!!!

We Keep The Best & Wholesale The Rest!!!

### \*\*\* TRUCKS \*\*\*

1995 Ford F150 Supercab XLT - White w/40/20/40 med. bench, 351 V-8, all power, extremely "nice," one owner, 30,000 miles..... \$16,995  
1995 Ford F150 Supercab XLT - Tutone green, cloth, all power, light hail, 302 V-8, locally owned, 39,000 miles..... \$14,995  
1995 Ford F150 XL - Green, 6 cyl, 5 speed, air, cruise, tilt, AM/FM cass., local one owner w/17,000 miles..... \$10,995  
1994 Ford F150 XLT - Short wheel base, white, cloth, 302 V-8, all power, one owner w/52,000 miles..... \$11,995  
1994 Ford Ranger Supercab XLT - Champagne, 4 cyl., 5 speed, air, cruise, tilt, AM/FM cass., local one owner w/19,000 miles..... \$10,995  
1994 Ford F350 Crew Cab Turbo Diesel XLT - White/red, cloth bucket seats, all the extras, 50,000 miles, one owner..... \$21,995  
1992 Ford F150 Supercab XLT - Red/silver tutone, all power, V-8, local one owner..... \$9,995  
1988 Ford F150 Supercab XLT - Beige w/cloth, all power, V-8, local one owner..... \$6,995

### \*\*\* CARS \*\*\*

1996 Ford Aspire 2-DR. - White, 5 speed, air, local one owner w/12,000 miles..... \$8,995  
1996 Ford Contour GL - Willow frost, cloth, all power, local one owner w/13,000 miles..... \$13,995  
1995 Mercury Cougar XR7 - Red w/cloth, leather, V-8, all power, local one owner w/27,000 miles..... \$13,995  
1995 Mercury Tracer 4-DR. - Teal, cloth, all power, local one owner w/28,000 miles..... \$8,995  
1995 Lincoln Town Car Signature Series - Berry w/graphite, leather, all power, local one owner w/43,000 miles..... \$20,995  
1994 Mercury Grand Marquis LS - Red w/white top, red leather, all power, local one owner w/30,000 miles..... \$15,995  
1994 Ford Thunderbird LX - White w/cloth, V-8, all power, local one owner w/51,000 miles..... \$10,995  
1994 Ford Mustang Convertible - Blue w/white top, graphite cloth, V-8, all power, one owner, 51,000 miles. Going at winter prices..... \$11,995  
1993 Nissan Maxima GXE - Pebble beige, cloth, local one owner, all power, only 34,000 miles..... \$12,995  
1993 Ford Crown Victoria LX - Cranberry w/leather, all power, one owner w/54,000 miles..... \$11,995  
1993 Buick Regal 4-DR. - Charcoal w/cloth, V-6, all power, local one owner, 41,000 miles..... \$7,995  
1992 Ford Thunderbird Sport - White, cloth, V-8, all power, local one owner, 53,000 miles..... \$7,995  
1992 Lincoln Town Car - Tan w/leather, all power, local one owner, 62,000 miles..... \$11,995

We invite you to talk to the previous owner on one of these fantastic deals.

## BOB BROCK FORD

JAN 9 1997



# BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL DIRECTORY

New Look! New Rates! Great Results!  
Make Your Phone Ring by Calling...263-7331

# Herald Classifieds

### AFFORDABLE APPLIANCES

**AFFORDABLE APPLIANCE CO.**  
Has cook stoves, refrigerators, freezers, washers & dryers, refrigerated & evaporated air conditioners, for sale on easy terms with a warranty. We buy non-working appliances.  
1811 Scurry St.  
264-0510.

### AIR CONDITIONING SERVICE

**CLARK'S HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING**  
AFF. with A-1 Ref., Amarillo  
Call Shane Clark  
1-800-440-3348  
or 264-7400  
TACLB002928C

### BATH TUB RESURFACING

**WESTEX RESURFACING**  
Make dull finishes sparkle like new on tubs, vanities, ceramic tiles, sinks and fountains.  
1-800-774-9898 (Midland)

### CARPET

**H & H CARPETS**  
Corner of 4th & Benton  
267-2849  
Carpet Special!!!  
\$11.95 installed  
Several colors to choose from

### DEE'S CARPET SPECIAL

**DEE'S CARPET SPECIAL**  
Plush or Berber  
\$13.95 yd.  
Installed over 6 lb. pad. Call and make an appointment. Samples shown in your home or mine.  
267-7707

### CHIMNEY CLEANING

**CHIMNEY CLEANING BY ERIC**  
Cleaning, repairs, caps  
\*\*\*FREE ESTIMATES\*\*\*  
Call 263-7015

### CONSTRUCTION

**CLASSIC CONSTRUCTION**  
CONCRETE-WELDING SERVICE-FENCES-CINDER BLOCK-PIPE-CHAINLINK-SHEET IRON-CARPETS-PATIOS-HANDRAILS-TRAILERS-METAL ART-WESTERN-WILDLIFE-DRIVEWAYS-WALKS-STUCCO-PORCHES-HANDICAP RAMPS-YARD DECORATIONS-CUSTOM MADE GATES.  
Call for free Estimates.  
Home: 263-6908  
267-2245  
Mobile: 557-1229  
IMPROVE YOUR PROPERTY INCREASE ITS VALUE

### DEFENSIVE DRIVING

**GOT A TICKET? Defensive Driving Class, \$25**  
10% Insurance Discount-\$20  
Classes held at the Days Inn Every Third Saturday  
Classes Start Jan. 21 9:00-3:30 p.m. Days Inn  
1-800-725-3039 ext. 2707  
MIP and DWI classes in Odessa

### DIRT CONTRACTORS

**SAM FROMAN DIRT CONTRACTOR**  
Sand, Gravel, Top Soil, Driveway Calche.  
915-263-4619

### FENCES

**BROWN FENCE CO.**  
Residential & Commercial  
Cedar, Spruce, Chain Link, Tile.  
\*\*\*Quality work for Less\*\*\*  
Specials weekly  
Financing available  
Visa/Mastercard  
Day: 263-4445  
Evening: 263-6517  
605 E. 3rd St.

### FENCES

**B & M FENCE CO.**  
Quality Fencing  
Residential & Commercial  
Types Available, Free Estimates.  
Big Spring  
915-263-4429  
Night Service  
915-263-7331

### QUANTITY FENCE CO.

Call for FREE Estimates  
Types Available  
All Work Guaranteed  
Big Spring  
915-263-4429  
Night Service  
915-263-7331

### FIREWOOD

**DICK'S FIREWOOD**  
Serving Residential & Restaurants  
Throughout West Texas  
We Deliver.  
1-915-453-2151  
FAX 1-915-453-4322

### GARAGE DOORS

**GARAGE DOORS & OPENERS**  
Sales, Service & Installation  
**BOB'S CUSTOM WOODWORK**  
267-5811

### HANDY MAN

**HANDY MAN HOME REPAIRS, MINOR PLUMBING, SHEETROCK, CARPENTRY, PAINTING, FENCING, YARD WORK, TREE TRIMMING, PRUNING, HAULING.**  
WE DO IT ALL!!!  
CALL TERRY 263-2700

### HOME BUILDERS

**KENNY THOMPSON HOME BUILDER**  
Restricted Suburban Sites. Plans & Estimates, 40 years in Business. 263-4548.

### HOME IMPROVEMENT

**GIBBS REMODELING**  
Room additions, hang doors, hang and finish sheet rock. We blow acoustic for ceilings. We specialize in ceramic tile repair and new installation. We do shower pans. Insurance claims welcome. For all your remodeling needs call Bob at 263-8285. If no answer please leave message. 20 years experience, free estimates, quality work at lower prices.

### JUAN CASPER GENERAL CONTRACTOR

**JUAN CASPER GENERAL CONTRACTOR PLANNER & CONSULTANT**  
BATHS, KITCHENS, SIDING, WINDOW REPLACEMENTS, ADDITIONS, GARAGES, DECKS, CARPORTS, HOME REPAIRS.  
CALL JUAN, 267-2304

### HOUSE LEVELING

**HOUSELEVELING B&B HOUSELEVELING & FOUNDATION REPAIR**  
Bonded & registered  
FREE ESTIMATES  
20 year guaranteed  
Owner Rick Burrow  
Ablene, Tx.  
Toll Free  
1-800-335-4037

### Save BIG BUCKS

Read... Herald  
**SUPER CLASSIFIED ADS**

### INTERNET SERVICE

**LOCAL UNLIMITED INTERNET SERVICE**  
NO LONG DISTANCE NO 800 SURCHARGE NO CONNECTING FEE  
FREE SOFTWARE  
ALL SERVICES ON INTERNET AVAILABLE  
WEB PAGES FOR BUSINESS & PERSONAL USE  
CROSSROADS COMMUNICATIONS  
264-0303 (fax)264-0333  
WE make it EASY for YOU to get on the INTERNET  
"BIG SPRING'S PATH TO THE INFORMATION HIGHWAY!!!"  
LAWN CARE  
RG'S LAWN SERVICE  
Mowing, Edging, hauling trash, trimming trees, all yard work.  
Reasonable rates.  
Call 264-0568  
or 267-7177

### R & M LAWN AND LANDSCAPE

Tree Trimming & Pruning, cut down, clean up. Insured \* 30 Years experience  
Picky Nickerson  
\*\*\* 915-673-3021 \*\*\*

### GRASS ROOTS LAWN CARE

267-2472  
Mowing - Tree Pruning - lawn clean up  
FREE ESTIMATE

### MEAT PACKING

**McLURE HOME SVC**  
West Texas Largest Mobile Home Dealer  
New "Used" Repose Homes of America-Odessa  
(900)725-0881 or 363-0881

### MOVING

**ALLSTATE-CITY DELIVERY FURNITURE MOVERS**  
24 YEARS EXPERIENCE  
Tom and the guys can move anything  
EXCELLENT REFERENCES  
Insured-Senior Discounts-  
-Enclosed Trucks-  
Tom and Julie Coates  
600 W. 3rd  
/908 Lancaster  
263-2225.

### METAL BUILDINGS

**West Texas Largest Mobile Home Dealer**  
New "Used" Repose Homes of America-Odessa  
(900)725-0881 or (915)363-0881

### PAINTING

**QUALITY HOUSE PAINTING**  
20 years experience  
\*\*\*Monte Hamilton\*\*\*  
FREE ESTIMATES!!!!  
Dry Wall, Texture, Stain and Varnish  
Call 263-8082

### PAINTING

**For Your Best House Painting & Repairs**  
Interior & Exterior  
\*\*\*Free Estimates\*\*\*  
Call Joe Gomez  
267-7587 or 267-7831  
\*\*\*DORTON PAINTING\*\*\*  
Interior & Exterior Painting  
Drywall & Acoustic  
Excellent work at a fair price.  
FREE ESTIMATES  
Call 263-7308

### PLANTATION SHUTTERS

**CARTHAN'S DECORATIVE WINDOWS**  
FREE ESTIMATES  
LOCAL  
915-264-6240

### PEST CONTROL

**REMODELING**  
**Bob's Custom Woodwork**  
Remodeling Contractor  
Doors • Windows • Baths  
Remodeling • Repairs • Refinishing  
613 N. Warehouse Rd. 267-5811

### RENTALS

**VENTURA COMPANY**  
267-2655  
Houses/Apartments, Duplexes, 1,2,3 and 4 bedrooms furnished or unfurnished.

### ROOFING

**JOHNNY FLORES ROOFING**  
Shingles, Hot Tar & Gravel.  
All types of repairs.  
Work guaranteed!!!  
Free estimates.  
267-1110, 267-4289

### FULLMOON ROOFING

Wood & Composition Shingles  
Hot Tar & Gravel  
Highest Quality-Lowest Price  
260 Completed Jobs  
\*\*\*FREE ESTIMATES\*\*\*  
Bonded & insured  
Call 267-5478

### SEPTIC REPAIR

**SEPTIC TANKS**  
B&R SEPTIC  
Septic tanks, grease, and sand traps, 24 hours. Also rent port-a-potty.  
267-3547 or 363-6439

### STORAGE BLDGS

**OWN YOUR OWN**  
STORAGE BUILDING/WORKSHOP  
Custom built on your lot  
FINANCING AVAILABLE  
CALL TODAY FOR FREE ESTIMATES  
CLANTON-MUNDELL  
393-6352 263-4535

### TELEPHONE SERVICE

**J-Dean Communications**  
399-4384  
Business and Residential Sales and Service

### TREE SERVICE

**FREE Trimming, Hauling, Removal & Pruning.**  
\*\*\*FREE ESTIMATES\*\*\*  
Call 263-4441 or 263-0260  
Experienced Tree Trimming & Removal.  
For Free Estimates call 267-8317

### TV-VCR REPAIR

**TV-VCR REPAIR**  
\*\*\*TV VCR REPAIR\*\*\*  
FCC Licensed  
25 years experience  
Reasonable rates  
1007 Wood St.  
263-0150

## Big Spring Herald SUPER CLASSIFIEDS 263-7331

BUY IT! SELL IT! FIND IT!  
Fast Results - Every Time

### SELLER'S CHOICE

3 LINES • 3 DAYS.....\$3\*  
4 LINES • 4 DAYS.....\$4\*  
5 LINES • 5 DAYS.....\$5\*  
Private Party - Class 500 - Merchandise Items Only - One item per ad. Item must be priced under \$75. Price of item must be listed in ad. All Seller's Choice ads are PREPAID - no refunding or prorating on early cancellation.

### EYE OPENER

4 LINES • 6 DAYS.....\$8.95  
Private Party - CLASS 500 - Merchandise Items Only - One item per ad. Item must be priced under \$350. Price of item must be listed in ad. All EYE OPENER ads are PREPAID - no refunding or prorating on early cancellation.  
4 LINES • 6 DAYS.....\$8.95

## Walk-in Service available

Monday through Friday - 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

## When To Call Us - 263-7331

Monday through Friday - 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

## Fax Your Ads • 264-7205

# BIG SPRING HERALD

## SUPER CLASSIFIEDS

# 263-7331

### ATTENTION CLASSIFIED CUSTOMERS

IF YOU NEED TO CANCEL OR MAKE CHANGES IN YOUR AD, PLEASE CALL BY 8:00 AM THE DAY THE CHANGE IS TO OCCUR.

### AUTOS FOR SALE

1994 Eagle Talon DL. 73,000, 4 cyl., 2 dr., air & cruise. \$8500.00. 806-756-4370.

94 CAMARO. Black, 42K, V6 Standard transmission. Loaded. 263-0829 ask for Mike after 5:00, 263-0286.

1994 LINCOLN MARK VIII. 22K, like brand new. \$21,750. 267-6845.

### BOATS

16 FT. FIBERGLASS bass boat with depth finder, trolling motor & 115 horsepower Mercury motor, skis, extras. 264-0917.

### JEeps

1971 JEEP WRANGLER. New tires, wheels, interior & top. Automatic. \$3750.00 a possible owner finance. 2906 Parkway. 263-8229.

### PICKUPS

1992 Ford F150 4 wheel drive extended cab, all Ford extras plus fully equipped and dressed. Extra clean, white with red interior. 267-5179.

Herald Classifieds works. Call us at 263-7331.

**BIG SPRING CHRYSLER**  
"Home Of Low Prices"  
512 E FM 700 Big Spring  
264-6886

### VANS

1986 Ford van, factory equipped for towing heavy trailers. Good condition, one owner. \$3,500. 263-3903.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

ATTENTION READERS THE BIG SPRING HERALD cannot vouch for the credibility or legitimacy of classified ads that may be published in this newspaper. We advise readers to use caution when responding to advertisements listed in the following categories: Business Opportunities, Education, Instruction, Financial, Personals and Help Wanted. If you have questions about a particular business, call the Better Business Bureau.

### PERSONAL

WHY WAIT? Start Meeting Texas Singles tonight. 1-800-76-2623, ext. 4930.

### INSTRUCTION

START OUR NEW CAREER TODAY!!! ACT TRUCK DRIVING SCHOOL. JTPA APPROVED/VA APPROVED.  
1-800-282-8658 273 CR 287, Merkel, Tx. 79536.

### ADULT CARE

"A PLACE THAT FEELS LIKE HOME" HOME SWEET HOME: Elderly Foster Care, Richard and Carolina Dimas (operators) 1411 North Bryan, Lamesa, Tx. 79331. Bus. 806-872-8266, Home: 806-872-5509.

### HELP WANTED

NEED DRIVERS for our Lamesa & Ackerly yard. Must have Class A-CDL License. Day/night shifts, good benefits, furnish insurance. 800-522-0474.

### LONG JOHN SILVERS

Part-Time & full-time service positions available. Day & Night shifts, must be energetic & dependable. Apply @ 2403 S. Gregg. No phone calls please!

### ABILENE STATE SCHOOL

DENTAL HYGIENIST II \$2389/MONTH  
High school graduate, GED, or proficiency evaluation of experience. Graduation from an accredited Dental Hygiene School. Must have a license to practice Dental Hygiene in Texas. Must have a current registration certificate. Essential functions: Providing the following services as needed, for people with mental retardation in a residential setting: professional dental hygiene services; infection control; communication, staff training; exposing and developing radiography; chairside assisting; physical assisting; behavior intervention; documentation. Preferred qualifications: Previous experience working with individuals in Mental Health or Mental Retardation facility. APPLY AT: Human Resource Service Office, S. 24th & Mesple, Abilene, TX 79604. EOE

### HELP WANTED

**TDMHMR REGIONAL REGISTERED NURSE**  
SALARY \$2616.00 PER MONTH PLUS EXCELLENT BENEFIT PACKAGE  
Opportunity to supervise other medical personnel in Mental Health Centers in Howard, Borden, Glasscock and Scurry counties. Flexible hours with a forty-hour week. Position will office in Big Spring, Texas. West Texas State Operated Community Services 801 Birdwell Lane, Suite 28-F, Big Spring, Tx 79720  
Drug Free Workplace (915)263-9700 EOE.

Daytime help needed. Apply in person at Sonic Drive In.

### SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST

Beautiful, diverse hospital setting, flexible schedules/outstanding salaries. 800-378-6825. Texas therapy Management.

### HELP WANTED

REGISTERED NURSES FOR Labor and Delivery, Nursery, Postpartum, NICU. Prefer experienced nurses. Will consider RN's with above experience that have strong desire to train/cross-train in these areas. The Birthplace at Westwood is Mildand's premier labor and delivery facility. Come in today and let us discuss current available positions with you. Westwood Medical Center is a substance free workplace. Drug screens will be performed on all applicants considered to be final candidates for a position with Westwood Medical Center. Westwood Medical Center does not discriminate with regard to race, color, religion, creed, gender, national origin, age, disability, marital or veteran status, sexual orientation or any other legally protected status.

## LOCALLY OWNED

## TRADE-INS!!!

We Keep The Best & Wholesale The Rest!!!

## \*\*\* TRUCKS \*\*\*

- 1995 Ford F150 Supercab XLT - White w/40/20/40 med. bench, 351 V-8, all power, extremely "nice" one owner. 30,000 miles. \$16,995
- 1995 Ford F150 Supercab XLT - Tutone green, cloth, all power, light hail, 302 V-8, locally owned, 39,000 miles. \$14,995
- 1995 Ford F150 XL - Green, 6 cyl, 5 speed, air, cruise, tilt, AM/FM cass., local one owner w/17,000 miles. \$10,995
- 1994 Ford F150 XLT - Short wheel base, white, cloth, 302 V-8, all power, one owner w/52,000 miles. \$11,995
- 1994 Ford Ranger Supercab XLT - Champagne, 4 cyl., 5 speed, air, cruise, tilt, AM/FM cass., local one owner w/19,000 miles. \$10,995
- 1994 Ford F350 Crew Cab Turbo Diesel XLT - White/red, cloth bucket seats, all the extras, 50,000 miles, one owner. \$21,995
- 1992 Ford F150 Supercab XLT - Red/silver tutone, all power, V-8, local one owner. \$8,995
- 1988 Ford F150 Supercab XLT - Beige w/cloth, all power, V-8, local one owner. \$8,995

## \*\*\* CARS \*\*\*

- 1996 Ford Apsire 2-DR. - White, 5 speed, air, local one owner w/12,000 miles. \$8,995
- 1996 Ford Contour GL - Willow frost, cloth, all power, local one owner w/13,000 miles. \$13,995
- 1995 Mercury Cougar XR7 - Red w/cloth, leather, V-8, all power, local one owner w/27,000 miles. \$13,995
- 1995 Mercury Tracer 4-DR. - Teal, cloth, all power, local one owner w/28,000 miles. \$8,995
- 1995 Lincoln Town Car Signature Series - Berry w/graphite, leather, all power, local one owner w/43,000 miles. \$20,995
- 1994 Mercury Grand Marquis LS - Red w/white top, red leather, all power, local one owner w/30,000 miles. \$15,995
- 1994 Ford Thunderbird LX - White w/cloth, V-8, all power, local one owner w/51,000 miles. \$10,995
- 1994 Ford Mustang Convertible - Blue w/white top, graphite cloth, V-8, all power, one owner, 51,000 miles. Going at winter prices. \$11,995
- 1993 Nissan Maxima GXE - Pebble beige, cloth, local one owner, all power, only 34,000 miles. \$12,995
- 1993 Ford Crown Victoria LX - Cranberry w/leather, all power, one owner w/54,000 miles. \$11,995
- 1993 Buick Regal 4-DR. - Charcoal w/cloth, V-8, all power, local one owner. \$7,995
- 1992 Ford Thunderbird Sport - White, cloth, V-8, all power, local one owner. \$3,000 miles. \$7,995
- 1992 Lincoln Town Car - Tan w/leather, all power, local one owner. 62,000 miles. \$11,995

We invite you to talk to the previous owner on one of these fantastic deals.

**BOB BRUCK FORD**

JAN 09 1997

# 263-7331 • HERALD SUPER CLASSIFIEDS!

**HELP WANTED**  
**MENTAL RETARDATION AIDE OR TRAINER.** Provides training and supervision for people with mental retardation. Numerous positions available. Will office in Big Spring, Texas. Certified Nurse Aides urge to apply. Human Resource Services. West Texas State Operated Community Services. 501 Birdwell Lane, Suite 28-A, Big Spring, Tx. 79720. Tobacco & Drug Free Workplace. (915)263-9762 or 9731.

Experienced Cake Decorator. Apply in person Clyde Lawrence IGA. Equal Opportunity Employer.

**COMANCHE TRAIL NURSING CENTER** is looking for a qualified hairdresser to become part of our team. If you enjoy working with the elderly and can provide 2 days a week. Please call the Administrator at 263-4041 for more information.

**SALES REPS NEEDED!** Work from home. Excellent pay. 800-362-0981 ext. 103.

Now taking applications for fuel attendants & fuel cashiers. Excellent benefits. No phone calls. Apply in person to Susie Gomez, Rip Griffin Fuel Center, U.S. 87 & I-20.

**MACHINIST** 2 yrs. job shop experience required. Full-time pay based on experience. 915-267-7141.

**HELP WANTED:** Earn up to \$500 per week assembling products at home. No Experience. Info. 1-504-646-2856 Dept. TX-2174.

**HELP WANTED**  
**Account ASSISTANT** Accounts Payable/Receivable. The Colorado River Municipal Water District is accepting applications for a full-time Accounting Assistant. Primary duties include accounts payable/receivable and general accounting functions. Requires general understanding of accounting, accounting programs, computers and spreadsheets. Colorado River Municipal Water District 400 East 24th Street, Big Spring, Tx 79720. 915-267-6341.

**SECRETARY** full-time, bookkeeping and computer skills required. 264-6600.

**COMPUTER USERS** needed. Work own hours. 20K-50K/yr. 1-800-348-7186 x976.

**ARE YOU ENERGETIC, HARDWORKING, CAREER MINDED?** Taking application-Full & Part-time positions. Flexible hours, good benefits. Apply at any 3 locations Town & Country Food Store, 1101 Lamesa Hwy, 3104 Wasson Road, 101 E. Broadway (Coahoma). EOE-Drug Testing Required.

**AVIS LUBE FAST OIL CHANGE 24 HR. JOB HOTLINE** 1-800-583-4063 X371

**EVENING COOK NEEDED.** Mon-Sat. Will train. Must have personal or work references. Apply at Red Mesa Grill, 2401 Gregg.

**HELP WANTED**  
**WEST TEXAS CENTER FOR MHMR ACCOUNTING CLERKS** \$1261 AND \$1421 PER MONTH (DOE&Q) Performs routine bookkeeping and clerical work in fiscal record keeping, but not responsible for maintaining a complete set of books. Works under moderate supervision. High school graduation or GED required plus a minimum of one year of accounting experience. Two positions available in Big Spring, Texas. Attn: Guy White West Texas Center for MHMR 315 Runnels, Big Spring, TX 79720 Tobacco & Drug Free Workplace (915)263-0007 EOE

**CANCEL** and computer skills required. 264-6600.

**Carpenter, carpenters helper, Painter, painters helper.** Must have experience, own transportation. 267-2296.

**GILL'S FRIED CHICKEN** is now hiring for day shift. Must be able to work weekends. 1101 Gregg.

**JOURNEYPAN ELECTRICIAN** with Residential and Commercial experience. Salary depending on experience & dependability. NOLAN ELECTRIC, 1010 25th St., Snyder, TX 79549. 915-573-5117.

**OUTSIDE SALES.** Self-starter, salary plus commission. Send resume to P.O. Box 1043, Big Spring TX 79720.

**HELP WANTED**  
**System Support Specialist II Position # 11,698/Month** Texas Dept. MHMR has two (2) immediate openings for experienced LAN Support consultants. These positions will serve as technical consultants in the Statewide Information Service Department in the LAN Support Group assigned to the Big Spring State Hospital. Will perform routine to complicated personal computer and local area network maintenance and repair. Works with users to identify and report system problems, and assists network engineering in performing more complex activities. Requires: Bachelor's degree from a accredited college or university with a major in business, computer science, secretarial sciences, communications, or related field, plus one (1) year of experience with manual or automated data systems. One (1) year of experience may be substituted for each year (30 semester hours) of college. Maximum substitution, four (4) years. Preferred qualifications include: Experience troubleshooting and maintaining personal computer hardware (IBM compatible) and software, troubleshooting and maintaining Ethernet LANs. Knowledge of network planning and modeling tools including project management software. Knowledge of Novell NOS, TCP/IP and open systems standards. Experience in use of sophisticated LAN and WAN diagnostic equipment. If qualified, submit completed State of Texas application to: Texas Department MHMR Big Spring State Hospital Human Resources Services N. Hwy. 87 Big Spring, Tx. 79720 Veterans Preferences/ Drug Free Environment

**HIRING FOR Assistance Manager** at Burger King FM 700. Pay will be discussed at interview.

**BURGER KING** now accepting applications for all positions. Apply in person at Burger King FM 700 location.

**Team & Single Drivers Wanted** We offer an excellent benefit package: Sign-on-bonus, competitive wage package, 401k with company contribution, retention bonus, Health/Dental/Life Insurance, and uniforms.

**HELP WANTED**  
**NOW HIRING:** Front counter help. Must be willing to work mornings/evening shift. Apply at Jumburrito, 2200 Gregg St.

**Antiques & Fine Furniture, Over 450 clocks, lamps, old phonograph players, and telephones.** We also repair & refinish all of the above. Call or bring to House of Antiques, 4008 College, Snyder, Texas. 915-573-4422. 9am-6:30pm.

**RENT TO OWN REBUILD APPLIANCES EASY TERMS, GUARANTEED,** delivery and connect. Will buy Kenmore, Whirlpool & GE washers. We have evaporative and refrigerated air conditioners for sale. 264-0510 and/or 1811 Scurry.

**RENT TO OWN double wide 80x28, on 2 lots.** Forsan ISD. 5101 Sterling Dr. or see Al at Space 96 Texas RV Park.

**BRAND NEW IN Coronado Hills, 4 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage, huge living room with built in entertainment center, lawn, sprinkler, mini blinds, and large country kitchen.** Open house Saturday and Sunday. Call 1-915-520-9848.

**PEOPLE JUST LIKE YOU** Read The Classified. Sell your home with our 5 day or 10 day package. Call us, Fax us, or come by TODAY and let us help you tell over 20,000 potential buyers that YOU have a HOUSE FOR SALE! Phone: 263-7331, Fax: 264-7206. We accept Visa, Mastercard, and Discover.

**FREE E KENNEL CLUB BREEDER REFERRAL SERVICE** Helps you find reputable breeders/quality puppies. Purebred rescue information. 263-3404 daytime.

**BEST MESQUITE IN THE COUNTRY!** Firewood for sale. Call 915-695-5638 or 673-2060.

**ESTATE SALE:** Jan. 10-11-12. 8am-7pm. Total household goods. Early American Maple furn.; Fostoria (American a); Ladies clothing-sz 14; Ladies shoes-10AA; Linens; TV; Washer/dryer; Circle sectional; 1987 Buick Century-70K mi., heavy hail damage. 609 Bucknell (No Early Birds) Numbered Entry-Cash & Carry. No Delivery!

**WAS 27, Now 16 HOME SITES LEFT** in Coronado Hills!!! Very competitive pricing! Don't be fooled by others misleading ads. Know your true bottom loan & payment up front. Call Key Homes Inc. 1-915-520-9848.

**COUNTRY LIVING** 1010 Derrick Road, Coahoma ISD. 3/2/2 brick, 1.6 acres, shop, corrals, barn, hot tub, fenced. Call 263-7924.

**BEST LOCATION IN TOWN!** 3,800 sq.ft. 3 or 4 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath, 2 car garage. Beautiful 1-1/2 acre yard. \$225,000. 263-2382, 263-4697.

**Swimming Pool Carpets, Most Utilities Paid, Senior Citizen Discounts, On Premise Manager, 1 & 2 Bedrooms & 1 or 2 Baths Unfurnished**

**CHIMNEY CLEANING BY ERIC.** Cleaning, repairs, & caps. Free estimates. Call 263-7015

**WEDDINGS, CAKES, ETC.** Creative Celebrations. ATTENTION BRIDES OF 1997. 10% discount on wedding cakes; 15% discount on cakes plus silk flowers when you plan and commit during January for '97. We rent florals for our a-bras and arches for the church. Call now to get your date. Hours: 9:00am-12:00noon, 3:00pm-? Later appointments if needed. The Grisham's 267-8191.

**FREE pallets** may be picked up at the Big Spring Herald, 710 Scurry.

**ALL CHIMNEYS NEED A SWEEP!** CLEANING, REPAIRS, SMOKING CORRECTED. PROMPT, DEPENDABLE SERVICE!!! FERRELL'S 267-6504.

**ROUND BALES** of red top cane hay. Johnny Middleton, 267-7825.

People just like you read The Big Spring Herald Classifieds. Call us today and place your ad.

**HELP WANTED**  
**Special horse, saddle & tack auction.** Sat. Jan. 11th, 1:00pm. Horse commission 5%, no po fee. Everyone welcome to buy sell of visit. Lance Folsom 806-792-5919 or 740-5262.

**Antiques & Fine Furniture, Over 450 clocks, lamps, old phonograph players, and telephones.** We also repair & refinish all of the above. Call or bring to House of Antiques, 4008 College, Snyder, Texas. 915-573-4422. 9am-6:30pm.

**RENT TO OWN REBUILD APPLIANCES EASY TERMS, GUARANTEED,** delivery and connect. Will buy Kenmore, Whirlpool & GE washers. We have evaporative and refrigerated air conditioners for sale. 264-0510 and/or 1811 Scurry.

**RENT TO OWN double wide 80x28, on 2 lots.** Forsan ISD. 5101 Sterling Dr. or see Al at Space 96 Texas RV Park.

**BRAND NEW IN Coronado Hills, 4 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage, huge living room with built in entertainment center, lawn, sprinkler, mini blinds, and large country kitchen.** Open house Saturday and Sunday. Call 1-915-520-9848.

**PEOPLE JUST LIKE YOU** Read The Classified. Sell your home with our 5 day or 10 day package. Call us, Fax us, or come by TODAY and let us help you tell over 20,000 potential buyers that YOU have a HOUSE FOR SALE! Phone: 263-7331, Fax: 264-7206. We accept Visa, Mastercard, and Discover.

**FREE E KENNEL CLUB BREEDER REFERRAL SERVICE** Helps you find reputable breeders/quality puppies. Purebred rescue information. 263-3404 daytime.

**BEST MESQUITE IN THE COUNTRY!** Firewood for sale. Call 915-695-5638 or 673-2060.

**ESTATE SALE:** Jan. 10-11-12. 8am-7pm. Total household goods. Early American Maple furn.; Fostoria (American a); Ladies clothing-sz 14; Ladies shoes-10AA; Linens; TV; Washer/dryer; Circle sectional; 1987 Buick Century-70K mi., heavy hail damage. 609 Bucknell (No Early Birds) Numbered Entry-Cash & Carry. No Delivery!

**WAS 27, Now 16 HOME SITES LEFT** in Coronado Hills!!! Very competitive pricing! Don't be fooled by others misleading ads. Know your true bottom loan & payment up front. Call Key Homes Inc. 1-915-520-9848.

**COUNTRY LIVING** 1010 Derrick Road, Coahoma ISD. 3/2/2 brick, 1.6 acres, shop, corrals, barn, hot tub, fenced. Call 263-7924.

**BEST LOCATION IN TOWN!** 3,800 sq.ft. 3 or 4 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath, 2 car garage. Beautiful 1-1/2 acre yard. \$225,000. 263-2382, 263-4697.

**Swimming Pool Carpets, Most Utilities Paid, Senior Citizen Discounts, On Premise Manager, 1 & 2 Bedrooms & 1 or 2 Baths Unfurnished**

**CHIMNEY CLEANING BY ERIC.** Cleaning, repairs, & caps. Free estimates. Call 263-7015

**WEDDINGS, CAKES, ETC.** Creative Celebrations. ATTENTION BRIDES OF 1997. 10% discount on wedding cakes; 15% discount on cakes plus silk flowers when you plan and commit during January for '97. We rent florals for our a-bras and arches for the church. Call now to get your date. Hours: 9:00am-12:00noon, 3:00pm-? Later appointments if needed. The Grisham's 267-8191.

**FREE pallets** may be picked up at the Big Spring Herald, 710 Scurry.

**ALL CHIMNEYS NEED A SWEEP!** CLEANING, REPAIRS, SMOKING CORRECTED. PROMPT, DEPENDABLE SERVICE!!! FERRELL'S 267-6504.

**ROUND BALES** of red top cane hay. Johnny Middleton, 267-7825.

People just like you read The Big Spring Herald Classifieds. Call us today and place your ad.

**HELP WANTED**  
**System Support Specialist II Position # 11,698/Month** Texas Dept. MHMR has two (2) immediate openings for experienced LAN Support consultants. These positions will serve as technical consultants in the Statewide Information Service Department in the LAN Support Group assigned to the Big Spring State Hospital. Will perform routine to complicated personal computer and local area network maintenance and repair. Works with users to identify and report system problems, and assists network engineering in performing more complex activities. Requires: Bachelor's degree from a accredited college or university with a major in business, computer science, secretarial sciences, communications, or related field, plus one (1) year of experience with manual or automated data systems. One (1) year of experience may be substituted for each year (30 semester hours) of college. Maximum substitution, four (4) years. Preferred qualifications include: Experience troubleshooting and maintaining personal computer hardware (IBM compatible) and software, troubleshooting and maintaining Ethernet LANs. Knowledge of network planning and modeling tools including project management software. Knowledge of Novell NOS, TCP/IP and open systems standards. Experience in use of sophisticated LAN and WAN diagnostic equipment. If qualified, submit completed State of Texas application to: Texas Department MHMR Big Spring State Hospital Human Resources Services N. Hwy. 87 Big Spring, Tx. 79720 Veterans Preferences/ Drug Free Environment

**HIRING FOR Assistance Manager** at Burger King FM 700. Pay will be discussed at interview.

**BURGER KING** now accepting applications for all positions. Apply in person at Burger King FM 700 location.

**Team & Single Drivers Wanted** We offer an excellent benefit package: Sign-on-bonus, competitive wage package, 401k with company contribution, retention bonus, Health/Dental/Life Insurance, and uniforms.

**RENT TO OWN REBUILD APPLIANCES EASY TERMS, GUARANTEED,** delivery and connect. Will buy Kenmore, Whirlpool & GE washers. We have evaporative and refrigerated air conditioners for sale. 264-0510 and/or 1811 Scurry.

**RENT TO OWN double wide 80x28, on 2 lots.** Forsan ISD. 5101 Sterling Dr. or see Al at Space 96 Texas RV Park.

**BRAND NEW IN Coronado Hills, 4 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage, huge living room with built in entertainment center, lawn, sprinkler, mini blinds, and large country kitchen.** Open house Saturday and Sunday. Call 1-915-520-9848.

**PEOPLE JUST LIKE YOU** Read The Classified. Sell your home with our 5 day or 10 day package. Call us, Fax us, or come by TODAY and let us help you tell over 20,000 potential buyers that YOU have a HOUSE FOR SALE! Phone: 263-7331, Fax: 264-7206. We accept Visa, Mastercard, and Discover.

**FREE E KENNEL CLUB BREEDER REFERRAL SERVICE** Helps you find reputable breeders/quality puppies. Purebred rescue information. 263-3404 daytime.

**BEST MESQUITE IN THE COUNTRY!** Firewood for sale. Call 915-695-5638 or 673-2060.

**ESTATE SALE:** Jan. 10-11-12. 8am-7pm. Total household goods. Early American Maple furn.; Fostoria (American a); Ladies clothing-sz 14; Ladies shoes-10AA; Linens; TV; Washer/dryer; Circle sectional; 1987 Buick Century-70K mi., heavy hail damage. 609 Bucknell (No Early Birds) Numbered Entry-Cash & Carry. No Delivery!

**WAS 27, Now 16 HOME SITES LEFT** in Coronado Hills!!! Very competitive pricing! Don't be fooled by others misleading ads. Know your true bottom loan & payment up front. Call Key Homes Inc. 1-915-520-9848.

**COUNTRY LIVING** 1010 Derrick Road, Coahoma ISD. 3/2/2 brick, 1.6 acres, shop, corrals, barn, hot tub, fenced. Call 263-7924.

**BEST LOCATION IN TOWN!** 3,800 sq.ft. 3 or 4 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath, 2 car garage. Beautiful 1-1/2 acre yard. \$225,000. 263-2382, 263-4697.

**Swimming Pool Carpets, Most Utilities Paid, Senior Citizen Discounts, On Premise Manager, 1 & 2 Bedrooms & 1 or 2 Baths Unfurnished**

**CHIMNEY CLEANING BY ERIC.** Cleaning, repairs, & caps. Free estimates. Call 263-7015

**WEDDINGS, CAKES, ETC.** Creative Celebrations. ATTENTION BRIDES OF 1997. 10% discount on wedding cakes; 15% discount on cakes plus silk flowers when you plan and commit during January for '97. We rent florals for our a-bras and arches for the church. Call now to get your date. Hours: 9:00am-12:00noon, 3:00pm-? Later appointments if needed. The Grisham's 267-8191.

**FREE pallets** may be picked up at the Big Spring Herald, 710 Scurry.

**ALL CHIMNEYS NEED A SWEEP!** CLEANING, REPAIRS, SMOKING CORRECTED. PROMPT, DEPENDABLE SERVICE!!! FERRELL'S 267-6504.

**HELP WANTED**  
**System Support Specialist II Position # 11,698/Month** Texas Dept. MHMR has two (2) immediate openings for experienced LAN Support consultants. These positions will serve as technical consultants in the Statewide Information Service Department in the LAN Support Group assigned to the Big Spring State Hospital. Will perform routine to complicated personal computer and local area network maintenance and repair. Works with users to identify and report system problems, and assists network engineering in performing more complex activities. Requires: Bachelor's degree from a accredited college or university with a major in business, computer science, secretarial sciences, communications, or related field, plus one (1) year of experience with manual or automated data systems. One (1) year of experience may be substituted for each year (30 semester hours) of college. Maximum substitution, four (4) years. Preferred qualifications include: Experience troubleshooting and maintaining personal computer hardware (IBM compatible) and software, troubleshooting and maintaining Ethernet LANs. Knowledge of network planning and modeling tools including project management software. Knowledge of Novell NOS, TCP/IP and open systems standards. Experience in use of sophisticated LAN and WAN diagnostic equipment. If qualified, submit completed State of Texas application to: Texas Department MHMR Big Spring State Hospital Human Resources Services N. Hwy. 87 Big Spring, Tx. 79720 Veterans Preferences/ Drug Free Environment

**HIRING FOR Assistance Manager** at Burger King FM 700. Pay will be discussed at interview.

**BURGER KING** now accepting applications for all positions. Apply in person at Burger King FM 700 location.

**Team & Single Drivers Wanted** We offer an excellent benefit package: Sign-on-bonus, competitive wage package, 401k with company contribution, retention bonus, Health/Dental/Life Insurance, and uniforms.

**RENT TO OWN REBUILD APPLIANCES EASY TERMS, GUARANTEED,** delivery and connect. Will buy Kenmore, Whirlpool & GE washers. We have evaporative and refrigerated air conditioners for sale. 264-0510 and/or 1811 Scurry.

**RENT TO OWN double wide 80x28, on 2 lots.** Forsan ISD. 5101 Sterling Dr. or see Al at Space 96 Texas RV Park.

**BRAND NEW IN Coronado Hills, 4 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage, huge living room with built in entertainment center, lawn, sprinkler, mini blinds, and large country kitchen.** Open house Saturday and Sunday. Call 1-915-520-9848.

**PEOPLE JUST LIKE YOU** Read The Classified. Sell your home with our 5 day or 10 day package. Call us, Fax us, or come by TODAY and let us help you tell over 20,000 potential buyers that YOU have a HOUSE FOR SALE! Phone: 263-7331, Fax: 264-7206. We accept Visa, Mastercard, and Discover.

**FREE E KENNEL CLUB BREEDER REFERRAL SERVICE** Helps you find reputable breeders/quality puppies. Purebred rescue information. 263-3404 daytime.

**BEST MESQUITE IN THE COUNTRY!** Firewood for sale. Call 915-695-5638 or 673-2060.

**ESTATE SALE:** Jan. 10-11-12. 8am-7pm. Total household goods. Early American Maple furn.; Fostoria (American a); Ladies clothing-sz 14; Ladies shoes-10AA; Linens; TV; Washer/dryer; Circle sectional; 1987 Buick Century-70K mi., heavy hail damage. 609 Bucknell (No Early Birds) Numbered Entry-Cash & Carry. No Delivery!

**WAS 27, Now 16 HOME SITES LEFT** in Coronado Hills!!! Very competitive pricing! Don't be fooled by others misleading ads. Know your true bottom loan & payment up front. Call Key Homes Inc. 1-915-520-9848.

**COUNTRY LIVING** 1010 Derrick Road, Coahoma ISD. 3/2/2 brick, 1.6 acres, shop, corrals, barn, hot tub, fenced. Call 263-7924.

**BEST LOCATION IN TOWN!** 3,800 sq.ft. 3 or 4 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath, 2 car garage. Beautiful 1-1/2 acre yard. \$225,000. 263-2382, 263-4697.

**Swimming Pool Carpets, Most Utilities Paid, Senior Citizen Discounts, On Premise Manager, 1 & 2 Bedrooms & 1 or 2 Baths Unfurnished**

**CHIMNEY CLEANING BY ERIC.** Cleaning, repairs, & caps. Free estimates. Call 263-7015

**WEDDINGS, CAKES, ETC.** Creative Celebrations. ATTENTION BRIDES OF 1997. 10% discount on wedding cakes; 15% discount on cakes plus silk flowers when you plan and commit during January for '97. We rent florals for our a-bras and arches for the church. Call now to get your date. Hours: 9:00am-12:00noon, 3:00pm-? Later appointments if needed. The Grisham's 267-8191.

**FREE pallets** may be picked up at the Big Spring Herald, 710 Scurry.

**ALL CHIMNEYS NEED A SWEEP!** CLEANING, REPAIRS, SMOKING CORRECTED. PROMPT, DEPENDABLE SERVICE!!! FERRELL'S 267-6504.

**HELP WANTED**  
**System Support Specialist II Position # 11,698/Month** Texas Dept. MHMR has two (2) immediate openings for experienced LAN Support consultants. These positions will serve as technical consultants in the Statewide Information Service Department in the LAN Support Group assigned to the Big Spring State Hospital. Will perform routine to complicated personal computer and local area network maintenance and repair. Works with users to identify and report system problems, and assists network engineering in performing more complex activities. Requires: Bachelor's degree from a accredited college or university with a major in business, computer science, secretarial sciences, communications, or related field, plus one (1) year of experience with manual or automated data systems. One (1) year of experience may be substituted for each year (30 semester hours) of college. Maximum substitution, four (4) years. Preferred qualifications include: Experience troubleshooting and maintaining personal computer hardware (IBM compatible) and software, troubleshooting and maintaining Ethernet LANs. Knowledge of network planning and modeling tools including project management software. Knowledge of Novell NOS, TCP/IP and open systems standards. Experience in use of sophisticated LAN and WAN diagnostic equipment. If qualified, submit completed State of Texas application to: Texas Department MHMR Big Spring State Hospital Human Resources Services N. Hwy. 87 Big Spring, Tx. 79720 Veterans Preferences/ Drug Free Environment

**HIRING FOR Assistance Manager** at Burger King FM 700. Pay will be discussed at interview.

**BURGER KING** now accepting applications for all positions. Apply in person at Burger King FM 700 location.

**Team & Single Drivers Wanted** We offer an excellent benefit package: Sign-on-bonus, competitive wage package, 401k with company contribution, retention bonus, Health/Dental/Life Insurance, and uniforms.

**RENT TO OWN REBUILD APPLIANCES EASY TERMS, GUARANTEED,** delivery and connect. Will buy Kenmore, Whirlpool & GE washers. We have evaporative and refrigerated air conditioners for sale. 264-0510 and/or 1811 Scurry.

**RENT TO OWN double wide 80x28, on 2 lots.** Forsan ISD. 5101 Sterling Dr. or see Al at Space 96 Texas RV Park.

**BRAND NEW IN Coronado Hills, 4 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage, huge living room with built in entertainment center, lawn, sprinkler, mini blinds, and large country kitchen.** Open house Saturday and Sunday. Call 1-915-520-9848.

**PEOPLE JUST LIKE YOU** Read The Classified. Sell your home with our 5 day or 10 day package. Call us, Fax us, or come by TODAY and let us help you tell over 20,000 potential buyers that YOU have a HOUSE FOR SALE! Phone: 263-7331, Fax: 264-7206. We accept Visa, Mastercard, and Discover.

**FREE E KENNEL CLUB BREEDER REFERRAL SERVICE** Helps you find reputable breeders/quality puppies. Purebred rescue information. 263-3404 daytime.

**BEST MESQUITE IN THE COUNTRY!** Firewood for sale. Call 915-695-5638 or 673-2060.

**ESTATE SALE:** Jan. 10-11-12. 8am-7pm. Total household goods. Early American Maple furn.; Fostoria (American a); Ladies clothing-sz 14; Ladies shoes-10AA; Linens; TV; Washer/dryer; Circle sectional; 1987 Buick Century-70K mi., heavy hail damage. 609 Bucknell (No Early Birds) Numbered Entry-Cash & Carry. No Delivery!

**WAS 27, Now 16 HOME SITES LEFT** in Coronado Hills!!! Very competitive pricing! Don't be fooled by others misleading ads. Know your true bottom loan & payment up front. Call Key Homes Inc. 1-915-520-9848.

**COUNTRY LIVING** 1010 Derrick Road, Coahoma ISD. 3/2/2 brick, 1.6 acres, shop, corrals, barn, hot tub, fenced. Call 263-7924.

**BEST LOCATION IN TOWN!** 3,800 sq.ft. 3 or 4 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath, 2 car garage. Beautiful 1-1/2 acre yard. \$225,000. 263-2382, 263-4697.

**Swimming Pool Carpets, Most Utilities Paid, Senior Citizen Discounts, On Premise Manager, 1 & 2 Bedrooms & 1 or 2 Baths Unfurnished**

**CHIMNEY CLEANING BY ERIC.** Cleaning, repairs, & caps. Free estimates. Call 263-7015

**WEDDINGS, CAKES, ETC.** Creative Celebrations. ATTENTION BRIDES OF 1997. 10% discount on wedding cakes; 15% discount on cakes plus silk flowers when you plan and commit during January for '97. We rent florals for our a-bras and arches for the church. Call now to get your date. Hours: 9:00am-12:00noon, 3:00pm-? Later appointments if needed. The Grisham's 267-8191.

**FREE pallets** may be picked up at the Big Spring Herald, 710 Scurry.

**ALL CHIMNEYS NEED A SWEEP!** CLEANING, REPAIRS, SMOKING CORRECTED. PROMPT, DEPENDABLE SERVICE!!! FERRELL'S 267-6504.

**SALE! SALE! SALE!**

HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR FRIDAY, JAN. 10:

Make informed decisions that could affect your long-range security this year. Research alternatives. This is not to say your choices will not be grounded. But you should do everything you can to ensure their solidity. Instincts are accurate. If you have a nagging question in your mind, honor it. You are in one of your most attractive years, where you draw others with ease. If you are single, you can count on changing your status, if that is what you want. If attached, you have more to offer your partner than in past years. AQUARIUS helps you make and spend money.

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) Focus on success. Accent masking more of an impact where it counts, in the public arena. You have tremendous insight and power when dealing with others. Aim for a new approach to a different result. Friends seek you out with an interesting proposition. Tonight: TGIF!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) News is good, especially if it involves someone who is at a distance. You gain perspective. Engage in dialogue with a partner. You review recent changes between you and this partner, and see them as positive. Change directions. Tonight: Go out with co-workers.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Leap over personal hurdles. Sometimes, you cannot see options because you quickly nix an idea. A friend will do his best to help open a door for you. New vistas are likely. Move past obstacles you created. Someone offers something meaningful. Tonight: Take off.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Examine what you want. One-to-one relating is important, both financially and professionally. You will clear out a lot with ease. You bond on a much deeper level. The quality of your relationships improves. Tonight: Go for togetherness.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You defer to another without com-

plaint because you feel nurtured by your environment. Determine what is important to you, with a co-worker or a professional situation. You might decide this is the right time to discuss it. Examine long-term goals. Tonight: Say, "Yes."

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Clear out office duties. Make time for someone who cares a lot about you. Trust your ingenuity. Accept a challenge at work. You see many possibilities. Focus on security, an investment and what you want. Tonight: Buy a small token for a loved one on the way home.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Acknowledge the wildness in your heart. If you don't plug it into your work, you will apply it elsewhere. Your energy is vital. Because you are quite social, others respond to you. Let your sunny personality radiate. Tonight: Others are happy to please.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) A caring gesture lifts your spirit, and another's. Mellow out. Think through a professional decision. Consider bringing home additional work. Now is the time for an important family discussion that could concern an investment for the home. Tonight: Hang out.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Demonstrate your true caring by a purchase or two today.

You are feeling very indulgent. There are many ways of showing your affection. An adjustment may be necessary, if you are determined to communicate. Tonight: Spend time in another's space.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You naturally display your more pleasant side. Be aware of what is needed. A situation is close to your heart. An investment of time is important in dealing with financing. Instincts are right on with security-related matters. Tonight: It is OK to do some shopping.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You radiate a quality of inner happiness that others envy. Put your best foot forward. Leaping on what you want proves how good spontaneity can be for you. Make time for the good things in life, including fun and friends. Tonight: Be your happy self!

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Remain in control with bosses and partners. Gather feedback for a business associate. Don't reveal the whole story right away. Timing and evaluation are key to making a good decision. You need time to think, too. Tonight: A friend delights you with an ideal.

© 1997 by King Features Syndicate Inc.

Invitation to dinner may be your signal to leave

DEAR ABBY: I don't recall having seen this problem addressed in your column.

You're visiting the home of a friend you haven't seen in several years. Just before you leave, she invites you to stay for dinner, but she doesn't tell you what she's serving. It

would be rude to say, "It depends on what you're having."

A thoughtful host should say, "Mary, we're having liver for dinner tonight; would you care to join us?" Hating liver, Mary could graciously decline by saying, "Oh, thank you, but I have dinner waiting at home. May I have a rain check?"

This way everyone saves face. What do you think? —GRACIOUS GUEST IN BOSTON

DEAR GRACIOUS GUEST: In the first place, if "just before you leave" she invites you to stay for dinner, it means you stayed too long.

Mary should not lie and ask her friend for a rain check. Her friend may then assume Mary likes liver and invite her another time for a liver dinner. Instead she should thank the hostess and say she's sorry, but she can't stay for dinner.

DEAR ABBY: I would like to address these comments to "Annoyed in New Mexico." This incident happened here in Atlanta, and it involves the use of the Spanish language.

My uncle and aunt — both blue-eyed and blond — were fresh from Panama. She's a public health nurse and he's in charge of mosquito control.

While they were attending a baseball game, two Spanish-speaking fans seated behind them gave a running discourse on everything that was wrong with the United States, Atlanta, the ball players and their acquaintances.

When the game was over, Aunt Erma and Uncle Ray stood up, turned to their critics and in fluent Spanish, and suggested if they didn't like the benefits our country had to offer, they should return to their point of origin.

My advice: Be careful whom you speak Spanish in front of. Sign me ... HABLO ESPANOL IN GEORGIA

DEAR HABLO: As one who speaks enough Spanish to make myself understood, may I add my two cents worth? Es verdad!

DEAR ABBY: I have a question about elevator etiquette. Why do people waiting for an elevator charge in before the passengers can exit?

They crowd in as if the elevator was the last one to heaven — or wherever they expect their destination to be.

I recently tried to exit an elevator in a hospital as three teen-aged girls barged in and almost knocked me over. One remarked I was at fault for being in her way.

Patience, good people. If you miss this car, there will be another one along in just a minute. — J.B. ROBERTS, GADSDEN, ALA.

DEAR J.B.: We all have our ups and downs. You're right. Good manners and common sense dictate one allows the occupants to exit before barging in.



Abigail Van Buren  
Columnist

BUSINESS BUILDINGS

FOR RENT: Small building or car lot, 810 E. 4th. \$200.00/monthly \$100.00/deposit. Call 263-5000.

RETAIL STORE for lease. Approximately 3000 sq. ft. Located at 119 E. 3rd. Call 263-6514.

FURNISHED APTS.

\$99 MOVE IN PLUS DEPOSIT. Nice 1,2,3 bedrooms, electric, water paid. HUD accepted. Some furnished. Limited offer. 263-7811.

FOR LEASE, 2 fenced 1 acre yards with small building. Call 263-5000. Wes-tex Auto Parts, Inc.

ONE-TWO Bedroom apartments, houses, or mobile home. Mature adults only. No Pets. 263-6944 or 263-2341.

UNFURNISHED APTS.

FURNISHED APARTMENT FOR RENT. ALL UTILITIES PAID. SINGLE OCCUPANCY. \$100.00/DEPOSIT, \$300.00/MONTHLY. 267-1752.

TWIN TOWERS & WESTERN HILLS APARTMENTS 2911 W. U.S. Hwy. 80 • 264-0353 • EHO

FALL & WINTER SPECIAL 1 Bedroom \$200.00-\$225.00 2 Bedroom \$250.00-\$275.00 Refrigerated Air, Refrigerators and ranges furnished. Water furnished. Laundry room available. Clean & Comfortable. \$100.00 Deposit Required. Call For Details.

UNFURNISHED HOUSES

2401 CHEYENNE: 3-bds, 2-bths, 1 garage, sm. den, central heat/air. \$200/dep., \$400/mo. 267-3074. References.

2 bedroom, 1 bath, stove, refrigerator, fully carpeted. No pets! No small children, babies ok. \$250/mo., \$100/dep. 915-235-3505/Sweetwater.

FOR RENT: 3 bedroom, 2 bath Brick home w/fireplace. 264-6155.

2401 CHEYENNE: 3-bds, 2-bths, 1 garage, sm. den, central heat/air. \$200/dep., \$400/mo. 267-3074. References.

FOR RENT: 2 bdr. with den, new cabinets & floor & tile. Fenced backyard. 267-7659.

1 BEDROOM, 1 BATH & 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Good location. Clean, references. Mature adults. No Pets. 267-4923 or 268-1888.

1 Bedroom 1 Bath, 2 bedroom & 1 bath, good location, clean. References. Mature adults. No Pets. 267-4923 & 268-1888.

2 bedroom unfurnished trailer. Central heating and air, 6308 Walter Rd. Call 264-6931 or 634-3651.

3 bedrooms, garage, \$415.00. 3 bedrooms, den, fireplace, \$450. No pets. 267-2070.

1 BEDROOM, 1 BATH, 1102 Sycamore. No Pets. 267-3841, 556-4022. Small 2 bedroom, newly remodeled mobile home, washer & dryer, stove, refrigerator and in the Midway area. Call 393-5585 anytime or after 2:00 267-3114.

TOO LATES

HAPPY BIRTHDAY Marlene Botello!! Love, Jay & the kids!

BASEBALL & football cards for sale. Packs, sets, lots more. Call 264-6225.

5 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, water well, carpeted, fenced. Plus 3 bedroom, 1 bath, carpet, fenced. 267-8745.

PIZZA INN

Now hiring delivery drivers full-time & part-time. Apply in person 1702 Gregg. No phone calls please.

INSIDE SALE: Starting now Antiques, coats, warm clothes, lots misc. 264-1207.

2 families looking for someone to do ironing. Please reply to P.O. Box 1991, Big Spring, 79721.

1994 GMC Full size Conversion Van. TV/VCP, 63,600 Miles. \$15,500. 263-0664.

SMALL 2 bedroom apartment. Stove, refrigerator, bills paid. For more info call 263-7769.

ESTATE SALE: Clothes, furniture, misc.ellaneous. 9am-5pm (No early birds) No deliveries. 516 Dallas.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Howard County Auditor will accept and file all 1996 A.M. on January 23, 1997 for Jurisdiction for the Counties of Anne, and the New Liberty. Specifications may be obtained at the Auditor's Office 300 S. Main, Room 202, Big Spring, Texas 79720. Bids will be presented to the Commissioners' Court on January 27, 1997 at 10:00 A.M. for their consideration. The Court reserves the right to reject any or all bids. 1/15/97 January 22 & 9, 1997

SPORTS EXTRA

FOOTBALL

NFL playoffs

Wild Cards Saturday, Dec. 28 Jacksonville 30, Buffalo 27 Dallas 40, Minnesota 15 Sunday, Dec. 29 Pittsburgh 42, Indianapolis 14 San Francisco 14, Philadelphia 0 Divisional Playoffs Saturday's Games Green Bay 35, San Francisco 14 Jacksonville 30, Denver 27 Sunday's Games New England 28, Pittsburgh 3 Carolina 26, Dallas 17 Conference Championships Sunday, Jan. 12 Carolina at Green Bay, 11:30 a.m. (FOX) Jacksonville at New England, 3 p.m. (NBC) Super Bowl Sunday, Jan. 26 At New Orleans Carolina-Green Bay winner vs. Jacksonville-New England winner, 5:18 p.m. (FOX) Pro Bowl Sunday, Feb. 2 At Honolulu AFC vs. NFC, 7 p.m. (ABC)

College scores

EAST Chicago St. 101, Cent. Connecticut St. 86 Colgate 73, Bucknell 68 Fordham 57, Fairfield 53 Iowa St. 30, Iowa 17 Lafayette 90, Lehigh 87 Massachusetts 56, La Salle 50 Navy 70, Army 56 Pittsburgh 76, Miami 72 Siena 95, Holy Cross 78 St. John's 71, Connecticut 67 Villanova 64, Oral Roberts 46 West Virginia 91, Seton Hall 76 SOUTH Alabama 59, Mississippi 46 Appalachian St. 78, N.C.-Greensboro 70 Arkansas 56, Auburn 55 Georgia 61, Vanderbilt 53 Wake Forest 73, Georgia Tech 63

BASKETBALL

NBA

James Madison 73, Va. Commonwealth 66 LBJ 88, Florida 82, UT Memphis 85, Davidson 81 Maryland 85, North Carolina 75 Old Dominion 94, George Mason 85 Richmond 83, VMI 77 South Carolina 73, Tennessee 41 Tulane 90, Nicholls St. 62 Virginia 84, Florida St. 61 MIDWEST Akron 80, Toledo 75 Bowling Green 71, W. Michigan 69, OT Cincinnati 74, Ala.-Birmingham 54 E. Michigan 104, Cent. Michigan 67 Indiana St. 67, Drake 63 Loyola, Ill. 70, N. Illinois 47 Miami, Ohio 64, Kent 57 Milwaukee 96, Indiana 91, OT Nebraska 71, Creighton 52 Ohio St. 70, Penn St. 62 Valparaiso 72, Buffalo 55 W. Illinois 67, Youngstown St. 56 SOUTHWEST Baylor 69, Texas A&M 66 Texas Tech 73, Oklahoma St. 64 Tulsa 80, S. Utah 49

NBA Eastern Conference

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	25	9	.736	—
New York	24	9	.727	1/2
Washington	17	15	.531	7
Orlando	12	17	.414	10 1/2
New Jersey	9	21	.300	14
Boston	8	23	.258	15 1/2
Philadelphia	6	25	.242	16 1/2
Central Division				
Chicago	29	4	.879	—
Detroit	24	8	.750	4 1/2
Cleveland	21	12	.636	8
Atlanta	19	11	.633	8 1/2
Charlotte	8	15	.545	11
Milwaukee	17	16	.515	12
Indiana	15	16	.484	13
Toronto	10	22	.313	18 1/2
Western Conference				
Midwest Division				
Houston	26	8	.766	—
Utah	23	10	.697	2 1/2

COLLEGES

COLLEGES

Minnesota 14, 19, 424 11/12 Dallas 11, 20, 355 13/12 San Antonio 9, 23, 281 16 Denver 9, 24, 273 16/12 Vancouver 7, 27, 208 19 Pacific Division L.A. Lakers 28, 10, 722 — Seattle 25, 11, 594 1 Portland 19, 16, 543 6 1/2 L.A. Clippers 14, 18, 484 10 1/2 Sacramento 14, 21, 400 11 1/2 Golden State 12, 20, 375 12 Phoenix 10, 24, 294 15 Tuesday's Games L.A. Clippers 87, Toronto 80 New York 102, Dallas 72 New Jersey 90, San Antonio 74 Orlando 109, Philadelphia 83 Atlanta 105, Phoenix 103, OT Milwaukee 88, Detroit 76 Indiana 95, Cleveland 90 Houston 104, Minnesota 95 Seattle 94, Miami 85 Denver 109, Sacramento 96 Wednesday's Games Boston 107, San Antonio 83 Dallas 111, Philadelphia 93 Washington 115, Phoenix 113, OT Houston 81, Cleveland 78 Seattle 109, Denver 99 Milwaukee 119, Utah 112, OT Miami 85, Portland 81 L.A. Lakers 101, Charlotte 97 Vancouver 109, Golden State 95 Thursday's Games Utah at Toronto, 6 p.m. Minnesota at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m. Atlanta at Orlando, 6:30 p.m. Golden State at Vancouver, 9 p.m. Friday's Games New York at Boston, 8 p.m. Houston at Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m. L.A. Clippers at Washington, 6:30 p.m. San Antonio at Detroit, 7 p.m. Chicago at Milwaukee, 7:30 p.m. Indiana at Denver, 8 p.m. Charlotte at Phoenix, 8 p.m. Philadelphia at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m. Miami at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.

FISHING

West Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — The weekly fishing report as compiled by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for Jan. 8. AMISTAD: Water clear, very low; 61 degrees; black bass to 4 pounds are fair on spinners and Motor Oil Power Worms; striped bass are fair on topwaters and live bait fished on the main lake; catfish are fair on rod and reels baited with shrimp and cut bait. BUCHANAN: Water fairly clear; 12 feet low; 56 degrees; black bass to 4 1/2 pounds are good on spinners, Carolina-rigged worms fished early and late and on crank baits; striped bass are very good on live shad and by trolling; white bass are fair on minnows fished over deep water brush piles and on floating crappie houses; catfish are fair on rod and reels and trotlines baited with cut bait. CHOKE: Water fairly clear; very low; 60 degrees; black bass to 7 pounds are good on crank baits, worms and jig-N-Pigs; white bass are slow; catfish are good on rod and reels baited with cut and cheese bait. LBJ: Water clear; lake full; 54 degrees; black bass to 5 pounds are good on spinners and crank baits; white bass are fair and improving on live bait; crappie are good on minnows and jigs fished over brush at night; catfish are fair on beef liver and shad. O.H.I.V.E: Water clear on main lake, murky in upper end and tributaries; lake level 1541; 53 degrees; black bass and smallmouth are fair on plastic worms fished on the main lake; crappie are fair on minnows fished in 15 to 30 feet of water in the creeks, coves and ridges; channel & blue catfish are fair on trotlines baited with cut bait fished over baited holes; yellow catfish are fair on trotlines baited with live perch. POSSUM KINGDOM: Water clear; lake level 998.51; black bass are good on Flying Lures, small crank baits and Beetle Spins fished in 5 to 12 feet of water; striped and white bass are fair to good on live bait fished on the main lake. SPENCE: Water clear; very low; black bass are fair on spinners and charrtrouse jigs; striped bass are good on shad fished on the main lake; blue and channel catfish are fair on rod and reels baited with shad and prepared bait; yellow catfish are slow to fair on live perch.

Former Green Bay backup has Jaguars poised on brink of AFC championship

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) — A year ago, Mark Brunell was known as a potential Steve Young. Now, perhaps Steve Young is an old Mark Brunell.

Brunell could be the best young quarterback in the NFL after taking Jacksonville to the AFC championship game, but don't count the Green Bay Packers among those who might be surprised by his rapid development.

For two years, Brunell was known simply as an understudy to Brett Favre. Most of his experience came during preseason games, when he competed with Ty Detmer for the backup job.

Because of free agency and the salary cap, the Packers traded him to Jacksonville on the eve of the 1995 draft for a third- and a fifth-round draft pick. Green Bay got starting fullback William Henderson and special teams star Travis Jervey.

The Jaguars got a quarterback on which to build a franchise. "We all knew Mark had the talent," Favre said.

"Unfortunately for him and for a lot of quarterbacks around the league, only one guy can play and that's the reality of it. He's gone on to Jacksonville and he's done a great job. And I'm not surprised one bit."

The only thing surprising to the Jaguars is how quickly he has gone from being an untested quarterback to the NFL leader in passing yards and on the brink of a Super Bowl berth.

It's hard to imagine North Carolina failing to hold a 22-point lead in the second half. It's almost impossible to imagine the Tar Heels not making that kind of lead stand up at home.

It happened. No. 19 Maryland overcame that huge deficit for an 85-75 victory over the 13th-ranked Tar Heels on Wednesday night.

The Terrapins (13-1, 3-0 ACC) won consecutive road games against North Carolina for the first time in 67 years.

"I've been coaching a while in a lot of different places, and this is the best comeback I've been associated with," Terrapins coach Gary Williams said. "Nobody has more respect for Dean Smith than me. To do it here is special."

The loss, coupled with a 20-point blowout at No. 2 Wake Forest on Saturday, left the Tar Heels (9-3, 0-2) with their worst Atlantic Coast Conference start in 17 seasons.

"I got scary in the second half for the fans, players and maybe the coaches when they got on that run," North Carolina coach Dean Smith said. "But Maryland is an

offensive coordinator Kevin Gilbride said. "We saw everything, but it was all preseason. Who knows how a guy is going to perform under fire? He was very much a babe in the woods trying to learn how to be a quarterback."

In his first year as a full-time starter, Brunell led the NFL in yards passing with 4,367. A good chunk of that came early in the season, when the Jaguars trailed in nearly every game and had to throw the ball to catch up.

But during their seven-game winning streak, Brunell developed into the quarterback the Jaguars thought they might be getting.

"The team is very poised because of the leadership here, and the leadership all starts with Mark Brunell on offense," said center Dave Widell, a nine-year veteran. "I have seen it in his eyes. He is going to be one of the next great superstar quarterbacks in this league."

Few would have imagined that earlier this season, when Brunell was leading the league in interceptions. In the Jaguars' most devastating loss of the year, 17-14 at St. Louis, he was picked off five times inside the Rams' 15-yard line.

"I think I'm more patient," Brunell said. "The more game experience you get, the more confident you get and you become more patient. I can be more patient in the pocket. I don't have to make the throws that are tight."

Still, Coughlin had not seen him perform in game conditions. Before coming to Jacksonville, Brunell had played in just two games with the Packers in the 1994 season.

"I knew we had a good athlete and a great young man,"

points and 11 rebounds for the Tar Heels, who played without second-leading scorer Vince Carter, sidelined with a hip pointer.

No. 2 Wake Forest 73, Georgia Tech 63. Tim Duncan and Tony Rutland each scored 24 points for the Demon Deacons (11-0, 3-0 ACC), who shot 73 percent in the first half and won for the second time in 15 games at Alexander Memorial Coliseum. Duncan was 10-of-15 from the field and had 10 rebounds, while Rutland was 6-of-8 from 3-point range. Matt Harpring had 17 points for the Yellow Jackets (6-6, 0-3), who are off to their worst conference start since 1980-81, their second season in the league.

No. 6 Cincinnati 74, Alabama-Birmingham 54. Danny Fortson and Damon Flint each scored 16 points for the Bearcats (10-2, 3-0 Conference USA), who closed the game with a 26-14 run. Cedric Dixon scored 27 points and Carlos Williams, playing with a chipped bone in his left wrist, added 16 for the visiting Blazers (9-7, 0-3), who had won five of their last six games against Cincinnati.

"I really think fatigue had a lot to do with it," Williams said of the rally. "Carolina didn't have that player to bring in that they usually do."

Antawn Jamison had 24

RENTAL... TAX... APARTMENTS... COLOMBIA... 19... Special... Bedroom... Tennis... SAUNA... STOVE... 1252... LE... for... sified... on at... 331

THURSDAY JAN. 9. TV schedule table with columns for station, time, and program name.

HAGAR



BLONDIE



FAMILY CIRCLE

DENNIS THE MENACE

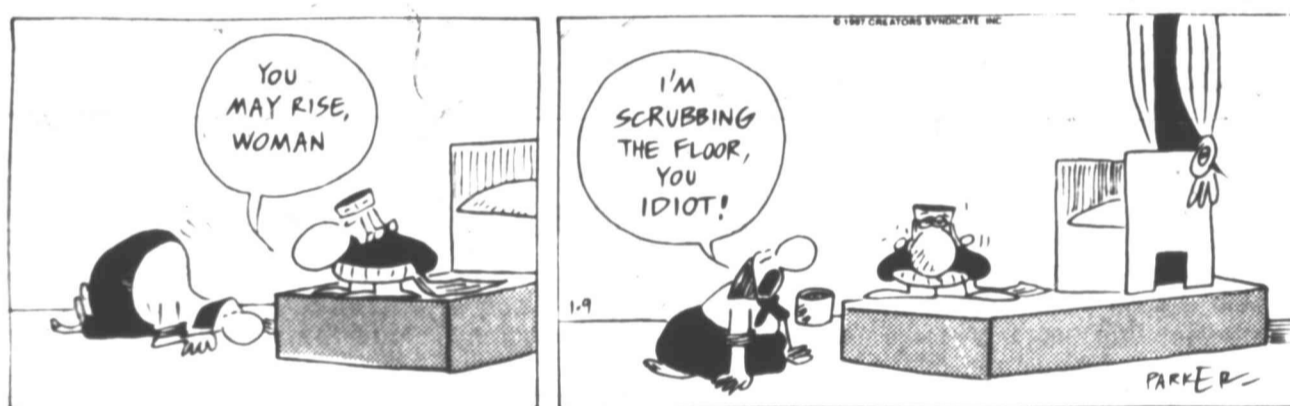
B.C.



GEECH



WIZARD OF ID



HI AND LOIS



GASOLINE ALLEY



SNUFFY SMITH



BEETLE BAILEY



When PJ feeds himself, sometimes he forgets where his mouth is.



Yes, I'm sure it's not your carburetor.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY

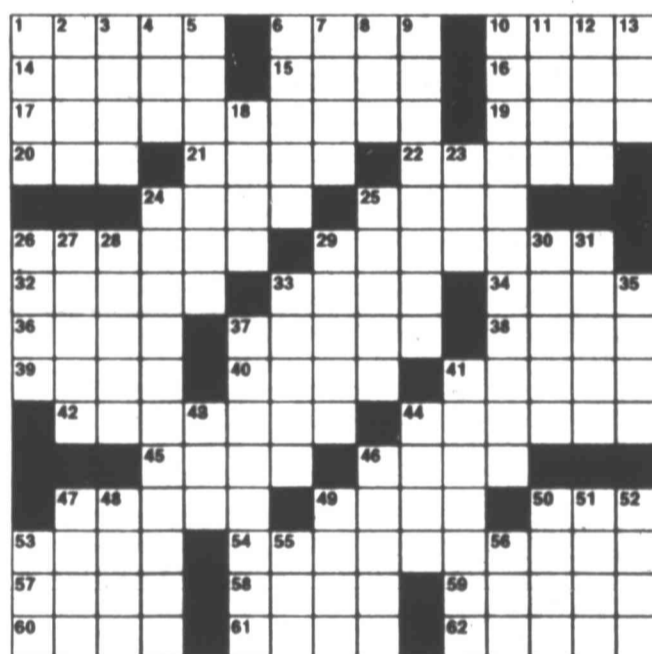
The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Thursday, Jan. 9, the ninth day of 1997. There are 356 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Jan. 9, 1913, Richard Milhous Nixon, the 37th president of the United States, was born in Yorba Linda, Calif. On this date: In 1788, Connecticut became the fifth state to ratify the U.S. Constitution. In 1793, Frenchman Jean Pierre Blanchard, using a hot air balloon, flew between Philadelphia and Woodbury, N.J. In 1861, Mississippi seceded from the Union. In 1945, during World War II, American forces began landing at Lingayen Gulf in the Philippines. In 1957, Anthony Eden resigned as British prime minister, citing health reasons. In 1964, anti-U.S. rioting broke out in the Panama Canal Zone, resulting in the deaths of 21 Panamanians and three U.S. soldiers. In 1968, the Surveyor 7 space probe made a soft landing on the moon, marking the end of the American series of unmanned explorations of the lunar surface. In 1972, reclusive billionaire Howard Hughes, speaking by telephone from the Bahamas to reporters in Hollywood, said a purported biography of him by Clifford Irving was a fake. In 1980, Saudi Arabia beheaded 63 people for their involvement in the November 1979 raid on the Grand Mosque in Mecca. Ten years ago: The White House released a memorandum prepared for President Ronald Reagan in January 1986 that showed a definite link between U.S. arms sales to Iran and the release of American hostages in Lebanon. Five years ago: President George Bush declared his trade visit to Japan a success, saying Japanese officials had agreed to increase imports of American cars, auto parts, computers and other goods. (However, U.S. auto executives traveling with Bush sounded less enthusiastic about the accord.)

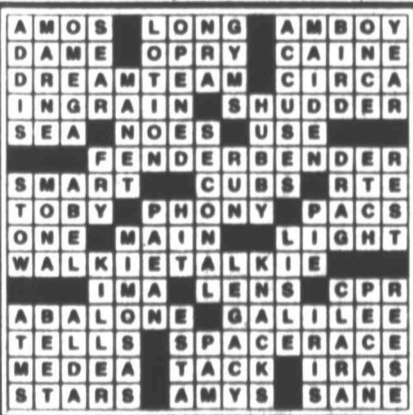
THE Daily Crossword

- ACROSS 1 Impress 6 Upon 10 Rustic 14 Shoot 'em-up kin 15 Coconut fiber 16 Shield boss 17 Detain 19 Even 20 Filthy place 21 Touch 22 Trivial 24 Bubble 25 Roman censor 26 Fix 29 Loose garments 32 Londoners, briefly 33 Idem 34 Jest 36 Small amount 37 Detested 38 Indic language 39 Palm starch 40 Nuncupative 41 Anka, Klee, and Muri 42 Lover 44 Brings up 45 Bathe 46 Blackbird 47 Love greatly 49 Rational 50 Sault - Marie 53 Spread 54 Football play 57 Burden 58 Indian 59 Rich cake 60 Retreats 61 Voice votes 62 Hie



by Don Johnson 01/09/97

Wednesday's Puzzle solved:



© 1997 Tribune Media Services, Inc. All rights reserved. 01/09/97

- DOWN 1 Cries uncontrollably 2 Edgy 3 Lawyer: abbr. 4 Came upon 5 Affirm openly 6 Suffered 7 Implement 8 Painting 9 Ready 10 Old world bird 11 Leave out 12 Walk the line 13 Staff 18 Shishape 23 DDE's command 24 Evergreen shrubs 25 Desert beast 26 Basics 27 Terror 28 Chauvinistic patriot 29 Devil 30 Hindu teachers 31 Advance furtively 33 Abraham's wife 35 Face 37 Servant 41 Ma and pa 43 Shake 44 Gambling city 46 Spouses 47 Medicinal plant 48 College bigwig 49 Colonnade 50 Grouchy 51 Handbag 52 Supplemented (with "our") 53 Ancient 55 Indian 56 Short distance

BIG SPRING HERALD. Reflecting A Proud Texas Community. 915-263-7331 (Fax) 915-264-7205. Publisher: Chuck Williams. Managing Editor: John H. Walker. Advertising Sales Manager: Jim White. Circulation Manager: Carlos Gonzales. Production Manager: Tony Hernandez. Business Office Manager: Debra Wilkins. Office Hours are 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. The Herald is a member of the Associated Press, Audit Bureau of Circulation, Texas Press Association, Southern Newspaper Publishers Association & West Texas Press. Published afternoons Monday through Friday and Sunday mornings, except Christmas day. All materials copyrighted. Postmaster: Send address changes to Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1491, Big Spring, Texas 77911. Periodicals postage paid at Big Spring, Texas. USPS 1491-06.

RITZ. 491 & Main 255-7100. Child 7:00-9:00. Adult 9:00-11:00. BEAVIS & BUTT-HEAD PG-13 \$10-12. MY FELLOW AMERICANS PG-13 \$10-12. All shows listed on TV Tuesday Night All Shows \$2.

CINEMA I THE SPRING. 4401 E. FM 700 BLD SPRING MALL 263-0470. 12.00 ALL AGES. BEAVIS & BUTT-HEAD PG-13. MY FELLOW AMERICANS PG-13. MICHAEL (PG) 4:00-7:00. JERRY MAGUIRE (R) 4:00-7:10. 101 DALMATIANS (G) 4:10-7:00. ONE FINE DAY (PG) 4:00-7:00.