## Beals Creek project may cost city additional \$1 million

Staff Writer

Exactly how to pay for disposing of the additional contamination found at the Beals Creek site is something Col. Peter Madison, of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, says will take two to three weeks to figure out.

Madison updated the Big Spring City Council the project's status during Tuesday's council meeting, noting the contaminated soil that has to be removed from the site before construction on the project can continue.

e initial soil contamination found a few years ago was thought to be min-

said, and seven borings done at various locations of the site did not reveal any additional contamination.

The amount of contaminated soil the Corps of Engineers, the city and the contractor are dealing with now is the equivalent of a football field 13 1/2 feet high, according to Madison.

The Beals Creek project itself is 7,280 feet of grass-lined channel with a 20foot bottom width from Benton Street to Onemile Lake. There will be a drop structure at the

outlet into Onemile Lake and vehicular access bridge.

According to Madison, the additional contamination was discovered last

imal and isolated to one spot, Madison July, which has suspended construction of the project.

"This has been the difficulty of the project," Madison said. "It's not hazardous toxic waste material, but petroleum waste. The challenge has been how to remediate the contamination and reduce the parts per million con-

Madison said there is not solid explanation as to how the additional contamination occurred, but the city is currently acquiring easements for remedi-

The bottom line is that because of the additional contamination, the project costs have just about doubled for everyone.

Instead of the original cost estimate of \$5.73 million - \$4.24 million being paid by the corps and \$1.49 million by the city of Big Spring — the additional contamination has increased the estimated project cost to \$10,885,800, of which \$2,721,450 would be owed by the

The additional cost is incurred because of the soil contamination in the channel.

The city is looking to receive credit (for in-kind services) for disposal of the

According to city estimates, the contaminated soil that has to be removed adds up to 130,000 cubic yards — all of which would be cleaned up and taken to the city landfill. The city estimates this process has a value of \$3.8 million. If the city can get this credit, its cash

requirement would drop to the 5 per-

cent cash contribution required by the project, which amounts to \$544,290. The city is also in the process of applying for Texas Department of Community Development Urgent Need grant for up to \$300,000, which would

drop the city's cash contribution to around the \$250,000 area. Both the city and the Corps agreed Tuesday that the project is worthwhile and should be continued based on the money both groups have spent on the

project, which amounts to \$935,300 for

## Counts getting colleague's help

in VA home bid By CARLTON JOHNSON

Staff Writer

State Rep. David Counts has received support for House Bill 2358 from several colleagues in hopes of receiving the necessary funding to construct four proposed veterans care homes.

Reps. Bob Hunter, R-Abilene, Rob Junell, D-San Angelo, Elliott Naishtat, D-Austin and Bob Turner, D-Coleman, as all have signed on as coauthors of legislation making the four facilities possible in Texas.

According to Counts spokesperson James Beauchamp, HB 2358 will enhance the Veterans Land Board's authority with respect to management of the assets of the Land and Housing Assistance Programs, as well as, giving the board the authority to establish other veterans assistance programs, such as the proposed veterans assistance centers or care homes.

Counts' bill has a companion bill in the Senate, which was recently presented by Sen. Jerry Patterson of Houston.

Basically what we've done in the last week is et co-sponsorship for the veterans homes bill Beauchamp said.

In a Senate press conference Tuesday, Counts touted the program as necessary and reminded legislators that Texas is one of only a handful of states without a veterans center.

Texas has the largest share of veterans among the 50 states.

"We have a tremendous number of veterans who would be well served by such a facility," Counts said. "At the same time, we are only one of nine states that do not have this sort of center for our veterans.

According to Counts' office, the number of veterans age 65 and older in Texas currently numbers 504,000, and this number is expected to increase to more than 525,000 by the year 2010.

"We estimate there are 16,500 veterans in the state's Medicaid program today, and around 1,600 of those are in nursing homes, with their care being funded by Medicaid," Counts said Tuesday. "It's very evident to me that there is a real need for this program out there.

According to HB 2358, the program, which calls



Jan Hausen (left) and Roxy Belew try to keep warm at the Big Spring High School softball game against Fort Stockton Tuesday afternoon. See related story and photos, page 1B.

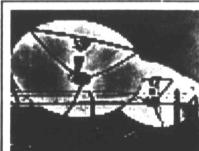
## Cable systems dominate in total customers

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the second in a six-part series of articles concerning television delivery systems and the varied choices available to local residents as a result of technological improvements that seem to advance on an almost day-to-day

Please see COUNTS, page 3A

By JOHN A. MOSELEY **News Editor** 

There was once a time when West Texans wanting good television reception — not to mention an option of viewing something other than the Permian Basin's three network affiliate stations — had just one choice,



## **VYING FOR VIEWERS**

TODAY:

**Big Spring Cable TV** 

Satellite systems proliferate

paying for cable television ser-

All that changed in the early 1980s, however, when satellite technology — albeit somewhat expensive — became available to homeowners.

While the costs of installing

satellite systems has decreased drastically — from the \$5,000 to \$12,000 it took to install C-band systems in the early 1980s to the \$500 or less it takes to have one of today's 18-inch dish DSS systems — cable system operators

hold a tremendous competitive

advantage in areas where they're already established.

That does not, however, mean cable operators feel they're immune to the competition. Instead, according to Big Spring Cable TV manager Archie Kountz, the competition is acknowledged and, if not embraced, at least accepted.

"You always feel pressure from competition, but we're still able to differentiate ourselves in the market," Kountz said. "The fact is, that cable systems have their advantages and disadvantages ... just like everything else. The same's true for satellite systems."

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# Commissioners, VFD find common ground, still have differences

the city.

By CARLTON JOHNSON

Staff Writer

The past month has given **Howard County commissioners** and the Howard County Volunteer Fire Department (VFD) time to mend fences where the maintenance and upkeep of vehicles and equipment is concerned, but both groups remain worlds apart on the issue of the group acting as a first responder unit.

Tuesday night both sides met for the second time in a month to discuss the differences commissioners and the VFD have had and to expand on the progress made at their first meeting.

The VFD has come up with a vehicle work order that Commissioners Bill Crooker and Jerry Kilgore are happy

The new form asks for the date service is requested from the county barn, the unit (vehicle) involved and the station where it is normally located.

In order to keep properly documented maintenance records, the form also asks for the person contacted at the maintenance barn; a description of the work requested; a detailed description of the work done; the name of the person making repairs and the parts used; and the total cost of the repairs.

According to Crooker, Kilgore and Volunteer Fire Chief Tommy Sullivan, this form. which will be kept in all VFD vehicles, should solve a lot of the communication problems between the VFD, County Road and Bridge Department and the maintenance barn.

As for the VFD using Rescue 10 as a first responder unit, the commissioners and the VFD still don't see eye-to-eye on the

"The commissioners' court has arrived at the conclusion that the volunteer fire department should not operate Rescue 10 or be involved in any rescue work," Crooker said. "Our county attorney warns us that we are opening ourselves up to lawsuits by allowing the department to do rescue work."

Crooker and Kilgore also made references to several Attorney General opinions that have been issued on the subject since 1987 and agreed to share that information with the VFD. Big Spring Fire Department

(BSFD) EMS Coordinator Brian Jensen and Deputy Fire Chief Steve Hedges, as well as Leland





Hart of the Texas Department of Health, were at the meeting to discuss the effectiveness of the first responder program.

Sullivan told commissioners that under the Good Samaritan Act the VFD gives initial patient care until the ambulance can arrive at the scene and provide advanced life support.

Sullivan also made reference to a recent heart attack case in Sand Springs.

"The ambulance got there 10 minutes after I did." Sullivan said. "We bride the gap."

The problem commissioners have with the VFD using Rescue 10, which is currently out of service and in need of \$5,100 worth of repairs, is liabil-

"We (the county) have been sued before (referring to a variety of suits) and we are gun shy," Crooker said. "We want to avoid opening ourselves up to this kind of exposure."

"As an EMT, I have to treat someone if I'm at the scene, and as far as liability is concerned. it's also there if I don't do the job right," Sullivan said.

"We have a contract with the city for ambulance service so why go any further," Crooker added. "The city is providing an adequate service and I can't see the county being involved in a duplicate type of service. I can see you (referring to Sullivan) as an individual helping someone in need, but not as an organized group.

Jensen told Crooker and Kilgore that first responder is a sound service.

"We do, sometimes, take a little time in arriving at the scene out in the county," Jensen said. Between October 1995 and September 1996, there were 182 calls for service out in the coun-

According to Jensen, 23 of those calls were cardiac complications; 11 were cardiac arrest; 80 were trauma; and 41 were for other medical reasons. "A first responder does mini-

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Today: Partly cloudy with a chance of rain. High around 65. Low in the lower 40s.

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Saturday and sunday, partly

cloudy. High in upper 70s.

## By KELLIE JONES

Three of the four suspects involved in a January robbery of a local resident have pleaded guilty to lesser charges. Denny Leon Roberts, 20, and

Features Editor

charges and pleaded guilty to burglary of a habitation. Because Catherine Lynn Edwards, 17, was not in the house at the time Wanda Mize

was robbed, she pleaded guilty

David Houston Summers, 19,

were facing aggravated robbery

to unauthorized use of a vehi-

Roberts and Summers were both sentenced to 90 days in a boot camp and given 10 years probation and they will not receive credit for any good time while on probation. The lesser punishment was given because their age and the fact they didn't have a prior record. They will have a felony conviction on their records.

Edwards was sentenced to two years in a state jail facility but because of her age and no prior convictions, it was reduced to

Robbery suspects plead guilty to reduced charges three years deferred adjudication. She was in the stolen car and knew what had happened but wasn't involved in the actual robbery. If Edwards meets all of her requirements during the three-year period, this particular arrest will be erased from her record.

> The pleas stemmed from a Jan. 22 robbery of Mize who lived on South Anderson Road just north of town. Mize told Howard County Sheriffs deputies that she had come out of a back room of her house when she heard a noise. She

discovered two white males standing in her living room. They tied her up, moved her into a bedroom and took her keys. The group then stole her vehicle and drove it to Mobile, Ala. where they were arrested. The man suspected of being

the ring leader, Jonathan Shane Allen, 21, of 604 Driver Rd., was recently charged with aggravated robbery and is also facing a forgery charge. He had allegedly used one of Mize's stolen credit cards at a mall in Abilene and was arrested there. He is to go on trial in the near future.

#### TODAY'S WEATHER NDEX

## OBITUARIES

## Eugene "Gene" **Peters**

Eugene "Gene" Peters, 79, Big Spring, died Monday, March 24, 1997, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center following a short illness. Service will be at the First Presbyterian Church, Thursday, March 27, 1997, at 11 a.m. with Rev. Flynn Long, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, officiating. Interment will follow in Trinity Memorial

Gene was born on May 24, 1917, in Byrnside, W.V. He had lived most of his life in Big Spring, graduating from Big Spring High School in 1935. He married Bobbie Doss on Feb. 6, 1944, in Mineral Wells, Texas. She preceded him in death on Aug. 4, 1989. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army Artillery. Gene was a First Sergeant, serving in four major campaigns in England, France, Belgium and Germany, receiving several decorations. He owned and operated Gene Peters Pipe & Steel Company from 1965 until his retirement.

He is survived by two daughters and one son-in-law, Suzanne and Dick Carlton of Ransom Canyon, and Beverly Sawyer of Austin; one granddaughter and her husband, Trina Carlton Snuggs and Jeff Snuggs of San Antonio; one great-granddaughter, Sydney Taylor Snuggs, San Antonio; one brother, Huff D. Peters of Tulsa, Okla.; and two sisters-inlaw, Bobbie Peters of Big Spring and Julia Peters of Tulsa, Okla.

He was also preceded in death by one brother, Otto Peters, Jr.

Pallbearers will be Clayton Bettle, Adrian Randle, James Cape, Donnie Baker, Flannel Carter and Steve Link.

Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel. Paid obituary

## M.D. "Rob" Robertson

Service for M.D. "Rob" Robertson, 71, Sand Springs, " Mrs. Asbury was a charter will be 2:30 p.m. Thursday, "member and past president of geologist, Richard D. "Dick" March 27, 1997, in the Myers & Smith Chapel with Rev. Eldon Cook officiating and assisted by

#### NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH **Funeral Home** Trinity Memorial Park

and Crematory 906 Gregg St. (915) 267-6331

Elizabeth Asbury, 75, died Tuesday. Graveside services will be 11:00 AM Friday at Trinity Memorial Park.

#### **MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME** & CHAPEL

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Vernia Mae Fann, 85, died Monday. Graveside services were 2 PM Wednesday at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Eugene (Gene) Peters, 79, died Sunday. Services will be 11:00 AM, Thursday at First Presbyterian Church with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

M.D. (Bob) Robertson, 71, died Monday. Services will be 2:30 PM Thursday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home Chapel, with burial at 4:00 PM, in Colorado City Cemetery.

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Rev. Jim Fields, Burial will follow in the Colorado City Cemetery at 4 p,m.

Mr. Robertson died Monday, March 24, at the VA Medical

He was born on Oct. 4, 1925. He had been a resident of Howard County for 32 years. He married Johnnie Laster on Aug. 22, 1944, in Colorado City. Mr. Robertson was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, serving in World War II in the Atlantic Coast. He had worked for Cosden Refinery before retiring in February 1982. He enjoyed farming and gardening.

He is survived by: his wife, Johnnie Robertson, Big Spring; one son, Kim Robertson, Snyder; one daughter, Brenda Robertson, Sand Springs; one brother, Vernice Robertson, Louise; two sisters, Betty Lou Schroeder, Fairfield, Calif., and Lillie Bell Orsak, Sand Springs; seven grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel.

## Elizabeth "Libby" **Asbury**

Elizabeth "Libby" Asbury, 75, Big Spring, died on Tuesday, March 25, 1997, at a local hospi-

tal. Graveside services will be 11 a.m. Friday, March 28, 1997, at Trinity Memorial Park with her son Dr. John Robert Asbury, Jr. of Temple, officiating. was She



**ASBURY** 

born on Nov. 20, 1921, in Bridgeport, Ill. She moved to this area as a young child and graduated from Forsan High School. She married J.R. "Bobby" Asbury on July 25, 1939, in Baird, Texas. He preceded her in death on Feb. 18,

She began working at Cosden in 1956, retiring in May of

the Big Spring Chapter of the "National Secretary Association (International) and a member of Desk and Derrick. She was a lifetime member of Forsan PTA where she served as president for two years. She was also a member of the American Contract Bridge League.

Survivors include: one son, Dr. John Robert Asbury, Jr. and his wife, Bonnie Belda Asbury of Temple; one daughter, Julie Asbury Lagourney and her husband, Stanley Christopher Lagourney, Jr. of Big Spring; three granddaughters, Christy Lagourney-Young of Big Spring, Amy Asbury and Angela Asbury, both of Temple, and two great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by a grandson, Stanley C. Lagourney III.

The family suggests memorials to the donor's favorite chari-

The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Thursday evening from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

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

## **Nellie Ortegon Browning**

Funeral service for Nellie Ortegon Browning, 52, Fredericksburg, were 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 11, 1997, in the

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Beckmann Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. John officiating. Hierholzer Interment was in St. Mary's

Mrs. Browning died Sunday, March 9, in Hill Country Memorial Hospital.

She was born in Eden on Oct. 13, 1944. She married Albert L. Browning on May 4, 1964, in Snyder. She was a longtime resident of Big Spring. Survivors include: her hus-

band, Albert L. Browning; tow sons, Rodney Browning, Montana, and Wesley Browning, Big Spring; three sisters, Sally Morales, Fredericksburg, Vera Gonzales, and Elizabeth Nassour, both of California; one brother, Joe Ortegon, Austin; three stepbrothers, Alfred Ortegon, Utah, Raymond Ortegon, Menard, and Toni Ortegon, Austin; and four grandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of Beckmann Funeral Home, Fredericksburg.

## Isa Mae Cox

Graveside service for Isa Mae Cox, 86, Lenorah, will be 2 p.m. Thursday, March 27, 1997, in the Evergreen Cemetery, Stanton, with Rev. Steven B. Payson, pastor of Lenorah Baptist Church, officiating. Mrs. Cox died Monday,

March 24, in Stanton.

She was born on Nov. 18, 1910, in Donie, and had lived in Lenorah for 58 years. She graduated from Sul Ross State Teachers College in August of 1933 and taught school in Stanton in the 1930's and 40's. She married Glen Cox on Oct. 20. 1939, in Big Spring. He preceded her in death on May 2, 1992. Mrs. Cox served on the Grady School Board, was a founding member of Wes Tex Telephone Co-op and was a member of the Lenorah Baptist Church.

Survivors include: a son, Jerry Glen Cox, Lenorah; a daughter, Marva Cox, El Paso; a sister, Mable Gillam, Odessa; and three grandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home, Stanton.

## Richard D. "Dick" Jons

Service for longtime Midland Jons, will be 3 p.m. Thursday, March 27, 1997, at the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church with Rev. Stockton Williams officiating. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park Cemetery. There will be a family visitation on Wednesday from 7 to 9 p.m. at Ellis Funeral Home. Arrangements under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home, Midland.

Mr. Jons died Tuesday, March 25, at his Midland resi-

Jons was born Nov. 2, 1929, in Baggs, Wyo., to Ralph and Frankie Jons, descendants of local pioneer ranching families. Jons attended the University of Wyoming prior to active military service in the Korean War. He served in the Air Force as an instructor in high altitude physiology from 1950 to 1953. He met and married Betty Mae Hall during his military service while stationed at Carswell Air Force Base in Fort Worth,

Following military service, Jons finished his education at the University of Texas receiving his Bachelor of Science degree in 1956. He continued in graduate school until June, 1957, when he commenced his career in the Permian Basin as a geologist for Seaboard Oil Company. He subsequently joined Ralph Lowe from 1958 to 1962. He was with Monsanto from 1962 to 1976 and became



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exploration manager for the southwestern company's egion. He was associated with L.R. French, Jr. from 1976 to 1983. Since 1983, Jons had been an independent consulting geol-

During his career, Jons was credited with the discovery of numerous and significant oil and gas fields. Throughout his career, he was an active participant in his professional organizations. He served as president of both the West Texas Geological Society (WTGS) and the Permian Basin Section, Economic Society of Paleontologists Mineralogists (SEPM). He was elected an honorary life member of both organizations. He held numerous committee assignments for the American Association of Petroleum Geologists (AAPG) and was awarded a certificate of merit in 1987. He was an active member of the Society of

Independent Earth Scientists, the Oklahoma City Geological Society, the Rocky Mountain Association of Petroleum Geologists and the Permian Basin Petroleum Association. He was one of the founders of the Midland Energy Library, served two terms as its president, and had been a member

of the board since its inception. In addition to his professional activities, Jons served two terms on the Board of Trustees for the Museum of the Southwest. He also served on an early committee to design plans for exhibits to be recommended for installation in the Permian Basin Petroleum Museum. He was a active member of the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church where he served as a Bethel Bible teacher, chairman of the fiscal affairs committee, chairman of every member canvas, vestry member and senior warden. He was also active in the Midland Men's Community Bible

Studies. Survivors include: his wife, Betty, two daughters and their husbands, Kay and Ben Bancroft, Big Spring, and Lori and Joe Dawson, Midland; and a granddaughter, Hollis Hunter Bancroft. He is also survived by his mother, Frankie Stauffer, Kennewick, Wash., and a sister, Jean Eisenhauer, Upton, Wyo.

Pallbearers will be Johnnie B. Brown, A.T. Carleton, Marion E. Causey, James D. Cobb, Jr., Royce Fort, Jerry M. Gahr. Willard R. Green and James B.

Honorary pallbearers will be Dr. Gregory W. Bartha, Richard C. Blackwell, Jack C. Cartwright, L.R. French, Jr., Dick Grice, B.M. "Bruno" Hanson, Nolan Hirsch, Al J. Manulik, Dr. Grover Murray, M. Russell Stipp, Richard Stump, and Garner L. Wilde.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to: Hospice of Midland, Inc.; P.O. Box 2621; Midland, Texas; 79702, or The Frenzel Memorial Fund; Midland Energy Library; P.O. Box 3206; Midland, Texas; 79702, or The Children's Ministry Fund; Miracle Revival Center; P.O. Box 2415; Big Spring, Texas; 79721. Paid obituary

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## POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents during a 24-hour period ending 8 Wednesday:

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JERRY THOMAS STAN-HOPE, 27, of 406 Aylesford, was arrested for driving with an invalid license.

• ROD PUGA, 34, of 611 Nolan, was arrested on outstanding local warrants.

 MAURICIO HERNANDEZ, 21, of 821 W. Eighth, was arrested on outstanding local warrants, for not having a driver's license with him and for not having liability insurance.

 ALBERT CHAVARRIA, 43, of 2508 W. 16th, was arrested for not having liability insurance, outstanding local warrants and for not having a driver's license.

 LUIS MOLINA, 35, no address given, was arrested for violating a protective order.

 BURGLARY OF A HABI-TATION in the 1400 block of Lincoln.

 BURGLARY OF A VEHI-CLE in the 3200 block of Fordham. The complainant told officers someone threw a brick through their car window and stole a wallet, cash and credit cards.

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## SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following incidents during a 24-hour ending period Wednesday: CALVIN LEWIS HORTON,

21, of 302 Jones, was released on a \$5,000 bond after being arrested for burglary of a build-TIFFANY SNEED, 24, of Lubbock, was arrested in

Lubbock on a local warrant for issuance of a bad check and a bond of \$400 was mailed to the sheriff's department. • MYRELL SIMPSON, 23, of area needy, 10 a.m. to noon. 2911 W. Highway 80 No. 4, was

released to Ector County authorities to face three charges. CASEY CHANCE HARRI-

was transferred to a state jail and Lancaster.

facility to begin serving time for unauthorized use of a motor

JONATHAN SHANE ALLEN, 21, of 604 Driver Rd., was arrested for aggravated robbery and his bond was set at \$10,000.

 SHEA WAYNE DAUGH-TERY, 23, of Tacoma, Wash., was arrested by DPS authorities for possession of marijuana under two ounces

 NOHA STONE COCHRAN. 19, of Tacoma, Wash., was arrested by DPS authorities for possession of marijuana under two ounces.

## RECORDS

Tuesday's high \*\* Tuesday's low \*\* Average high 72 **Average low 42** Record high 92 in 1989 Record low 19 in 1955 Precip. Tuesday \*.\*\* Month to date 0.09 Month's normal 0.64 Year to date 3.64 Normal for the year 1.96 \*\*Statistics not available

## CLARIFICATION

In a number of recent stories concerning the May 3 Big Spring Independent School District Board of Trustees election, incumbents Don Baker and Larry Hollar have been incorrectly identified as representing Place 2 and Place 4, respectively. Those stories should have read that Hollar holds the Place 2 seat, while Baker holds the place 4 seat.

In the upcoming election, Hollar is challenged by Steve Jeter, while Baker is opposed by Frank A. Long.

## SPRINGBOARD

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> Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room. Call Archie Kountz, 267-3821. 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,

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

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Support Group Depression, 7 p.m., Dora SON, 27, of 5010 Dawson Rd., Roberts Rehab Center, Third

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# Vide gap in Israeli, Palestinian positions faces U.S. envoy

JERUSALEM (AP) - Israeli officials insisted today that Yasser Arafat stop a Israeli women in a Tel Aviv cafe on week of rioting and rein in Islamic militants, while the Palestinians demanded a halt to Israeli settlement building

Dennis Ross, the U.S. envoy who plans to return to the Mideast soon, faces perhaps his most difficult mission yet in trying to calm the violence that is rapidly eroding the peace

President Clinton decided Ross should return to the region once U.S. officials finally tracked down Arafat in Bangladesh and talked to him.

Friday and riots have plagued the West Bank for the past week. There were fresh outbreaks of stone throwing near Bethlehem again today, and Israel's army radio said soldiers responded with rubber bullets and tear gas.

"The real reasons for the whirlwind of violence and the counter-violence are the Israeli measures - building settlements," said Saeb Erekat, the chief Palestinian negotiator.

He referred to Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's decision to ignore international criticism and

A suicide bomb attack killed three build a Jewish neighborhood in east , cooperation with the Palestinian police

David Bar-Illan, a senior Netanyahu aide, said Arafat was using violence to pressure Israel and must instead signal Islamic militants that he will not allow terror attacks like the Tel Aviv cafe bombing.

"Unless Ross manages to get a turnaround by Arafat on his attitude towards terrorism and his giving terrorists a green light, the peace process will be in grave danger," Bar-Illan

Bar-Illan said restoring security

Jerusalem, which Palestinians want as could encourage Israel's security agentheir capital: cies to ease its border closures. The closures, which keep tens of thousands of Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza Strip from their jobs in Israel,

> was imposed after the cafe bombing. Israeli-Palestinian security cooperation has been frozen at every level because of the breakdown in relations. Erekat said the U.S. envoy would

> have to address the causes of the Palestinian anger and not just a summit between Netanyahu and Arafat. "If he is coming to practice his usual

habit on focusing on having a high-

level meeting, then I predict a failure for his mission," Erekat told the AP.

Ross spent weeks easing Israel and the Palestinians toward an Israeli withdrawal from most of the West Bank town of Hebron in January.

"It's better if Ross doesn't come," said Marwan Barghouti, head of Arafat's Fatah faction.

"Arafat will be put under pressure to quiet the streets and to crack down on Palestinians while the bulldozers will continue, and we know this because we have seen the biased stand of the United States on Abu Ghneim," he

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The VFD has been acting as a first responder since County Fire Marshall C. Roy Wright initiated the program seven

Sullivan also told Crooker county have signed a petition in support of the VFD acting as a first responder unit.

Hart told commissioners that a first responder unit is a common thing among volunteer organizations.

"From a state standpoint, the **Howard County Volunteer Fire** Department is a certified first responder unit," Hart said.

He added, "The department must also have state certified personnel on the roster to be a first responder unit and must renew its certification every two years."

According to Hart, the VFD is exploration of the issue."

held to the same standards and continuing education requirements as a paid emergency medical technician (EMT) or paramedic with the BSFD. Certified VFD personnel also take the same exams as EMT's and paramedics during certifi-

The official position of the that 1,200 residents out in the BSFD is to not get between the commissioners' court and the VFD because the city does have a contract with the county, but Hedges did tell Crooker and Kilgore that the first responder unit is invaluable.

Crooker said in order for him to give the matter more consideration, he would have to see detailed documentation of every run the VFD makes.

"We're at an impasse," Crooker told the VFD. "My feeling is that we exchange information and get together again. In order to be fair to you, I do think we need to do some more

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In most instances, Kountz said, cable systems and those who sell satellite systems don't conduct themselves as if they're true competitors.

"We don't spend a lot of time trying to run down one another, because we both have an excellent product," he explained. "It's just a matter of deciding what you want, because neither one can give the customer everything the other can."

Among the key differences between cable service and that received through satellite systems are the availability of local network affiliate's signals; the ability to have multiple televisions and be able to watch different stations at the same time; he availability and cost of ser-

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Recently, the board of direc-

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vicing the systems; and the initial cost of establishing service.

"You can't get the local network affiliates on the dishes ... you get one out of Denver or Los Angeles instead of Midland and Odessa," Kountz noted. "And with cable, we're putting in 'whole house' connections. You can have 10 television sets and watch 10 different channels at the same time.

"With the satellite systems every TV in the house has the same station unless you buy additional receivers ... that's several hundred dollars each time. It's the receiver that changes the channel on those systems, not the television."

In Kountz opinion, one of the most overlooked factors is the service offered by the cable system. "If you have a problem with our service, you call us and we send someone out to fix the problem free. With a satellite dish, it's your responsibility to maintain the equipment."

While the cost of purchasing a satellite system ranges anywhere from \$199 to \$500 or more, cable customers are able to pay less than \$100 for initial service to all of the 40 channels offered by Big Spring Cable. Kountz does admit, however,

that satellite systems have tremendous advantages and "most certainly have been wonderful for people who live in rural areas where you simply can't get cable."

Satellite systems, in addition to providing customers to perhaps as many as 200 channels,

deliver digital audio and video images. Analog systems like that currently provided by Big Spring Cable TV simply can't compare to digital quality transmissions.

"Analog signals are never going to be as good as digital," Kountz said. "That's probably one of the areas where the satellite systems are pressing cable systems to upgrade their equip-

"TCA (Big Spring Cable's parent company) is committed to converting all of its systems to fiber optics and that's going to be the key to our being able to transmit digitally. For now, there are no industry standards ... once those are set, you'll see more and more cable systems making the change."

## **BSHS One-Act Play** team gets first place

**Features Editor** 

Members of the Big Spring High School One-Act Play team advance to area competition fol-Tuesday night's lowing University Interscholastic eaglie contest. The school per-

play me me Middle of Grand Central Station" and will compete in Fort Stockton April 4 against several schools. San Angelo Lake View also placed in the One Act Play contest and advance to area.

Big Spring also garnered the highest awards for the One Act Play with Vince Cleamons being named Best Actor and Catherine Ojeda named Best Actress. Kim McLellan was named to the honorable mention all-star cast as well.

The One Act Play competition ended the district UIL competition that started last Friday on

the campus of Howard College. Overall, Andrews High School placed first, Fort Stockton came in second and San Angelo Lake View was third. Any student who placed first, second or third advances to regional competition in San Angelo.

Several Big Spring students advanced to the next level and include: Jason Williams, extemporaneous persuasive speaking, third place; Shannon Lepard, prose interpretation, second place and Kirsten Williams, ready writing, first place. Tina Leannah placed fifth in accounting and is the second alternate to regionals; Matt Fleharty placed sixth in the computer applications contest; Mike Ditmore came in sixth place in the current issues and events category and Mary Klein was fourth in ready writing and is the first alternate to regionals.

(VA) Hospital. for the construction of four vet-

The current plan is to build one of the four homes in the north, south, east and west regions of Texas.

VA hospital, is pushing to become the West Texas site.

"Currently, veterans in Texas receive nursing home care in either nursing home care units, at VA hospitals or contracted community nursing homes, which currently cost the state's Medicaid program approximately \$20 per day per patient," Beauchamp said.

Three of the proposed 150-bed facilities at 90 percent decilipanty, is estimated to save fife state

have a Veterans Administration \$30 million during a 10-year period by providing nursing home care in a state veterans home compared to the cost to the state to serve the same number of veterans in nursing Big Spring, which does have a homes under the Medicaid pro-

> "The cost savings stems from a per diem payment to the state for each day of nursing care rendered in a facility, with the veterans paying a daily co-payment from the amount of their VA pension or social security," Beauchamp added.

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Counts' office added that Congressman Charles Stenholm's assistance with the legislation has been instrumental in getting the project to this

facilities is \$39.74.

Stenholm's continued assistance, according to Counts' office, along with the rest of Texas' Congressional delegation will be instrumental in seeing that the state is viewed as priority for funding, and that funds will be available at the federal level when the project is ready at the state level.

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#### **Quote of the Day**

"How long would we remain free in a daily, desperate, overpopulated scramble for bread?'

-David Brinkley

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## OUR VIEWS

## Ag Expo opportunity to express our thanks

omorrow, farmers and ranchers from throughout the area will descend on Howard College's Dorothy Garrett Coliseum for the 26th annual West Texas Agriculture Exposition.

Sponsored by the agriculture committee of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, this year's Ag Expo will feature more than 50 exhibits and booths, in addition to offering a number of educational programs offered by the Texas A&M University Agricultural Extension Service, the Texas Department of Agriculture and the Texas Beef Council.

The Expo will begin at 9 a.m. and continue until 5:30 p.m., but perhaps the highlight of the day will be the agricultural producers appreciation luncheon in the East Room of the coliseum.

In year's past, area farmers and ranchers have been honored during a night time event, but this year's luncheon will be the scene for presentation of the "Producer of the Year Award."

While the Ag Expo centers on programs for area agricultural producers, all of us — regardless of our professions — might benefit from attending.

Too often we seem to have the mistaken thought that the clothes on our backs come from the department store rack and the foods we eat originate on the grocer's shelves, forgetting that virtually everything we use in the way of food and fiber comes from farming and ranching operations.

However, following last year's devastating drought that virtually ruined last year's cotton crop in this area. most Big Spring business people are well aware of the impact agriculture has on all sorts of businesses.

Thursday's luncheon is an opportunity to show our appreciation.

And taking an hour or two out of one Thursday seems a small price to pay for letting those who feed us, clothe us and are often the key to making our businesses successful know we're thankful for their efforts.



# Frogs are truest harbinger of spring

APALACHICOLA, Fla. -This year I heard the frogs first in the dark piney woods between Panacea and Tallahassee, the part of Florida where there's still room for a leaping amphibian or two.

You are supposed to sit back and let that wondrous sound come to you, not make pilgrimages to it. But this was a happy

Syndicated Columnist

during a late-night ride through the velvet woods of Wakulla, somewhere near Supchoppy.

The chirping of the tree frog

chorus is definitive.

Friends rib me about my frog fetish, but I don't care. The first night of frogs is better than the finest sentence John McPhee ever wrote, or Willie singing "Stardust."

Frogs are to spring what the oscillating fan is to summer, or the Salvation Army bell to Christmas. But even before I heard frogs.

I ate oysters. I detoured by the Boss Oyster Raw Bar in Apalachicola, one of my favorite Florida towns. If I'm within striking distance, I usually strike.

First of all, I love the name. Apple-latch-a-cola. It sounds like a poem by Lewis Carroll.

My father used to go deep-sea fishing out from Apalachicola about once a year. He'd stay gone for several days, and I'd imagine him out at sea, riding boy. When he returned it was usually with some exotic, monster fish to mount - silvery, pole-beaked trophies that never fit well into my mother's soft rose- and-green decorating scheme. She protested, but he

require human space flight,"

says the Potomac Institute for

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In Congress there is a period-

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Research is too expensive and

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great commercial promise.

says Charles D. Walker, who

flew on three shuttle flights in

It worked, but advances in

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How can government help?

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Edward Gabris, who heads

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Apalachicola hasn't changed much in all these years, which is the blessing of being a beachless coast town. It's been able to keep its mind on the serious business of harvesting oysters, surely a mission ordained by Heaven.

The warehouses and shucking rooms and ice houses remain. (The ice machine was invented in Apalachicola. which makes perfect sense.) Piles of oyster shells line the

road, and the town's signature perfume is low tide. Apalachicola has never been distracted by a gaggle of thongbikini bathers, or bungee-jumping banshees, like its gilded and peroxided neighbor. Panama City. The town puts all its merrymakers at arm's length, out to sea, on a dinghy. of a resort island called St.

At Boss' Oysters I sat on the porch next to the river and took long, deep breaths. It had been a year almost since I . smelled salt air, since I felt that good. As John Kennedy once noted, "all of us have in

our veins the exact same percentage of salt in our blood that exists in the ocean.... And when we go back to the sea ... we are going back from whence we came.'

A drunk at the next table kept feeding the seagulls with the usual consequences -but even that minor annoyance couldn't ruin the twilight. A boat or two putt-putted by, and the gulls nagged the drunk when he was slow to launch their crackers. It was with great reluctance that I took my leave.

I drove straight through places that deserve longer visits, through Carrabelle and Lanark Village, past Panacea. Dark fell, as dark does, and still I had a long drive ahead.

Then I heard the sound, that audible ambrosia. I was passing lickery split through the first night of spring, and my souvenir of Florida was a frog.

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By HARRY F. ROSENTHAL

WASHINGTON — Long

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**Associated Press Writer** 

their backs on space commercial research division, says industry doesn't view NASA as a reliable partner.

"There's nobody beating down our doors," he says. "When we begin to have truly recognized breakthroughs. space research will take off on its own. Clearly the communications industry did."

He points out that throughout American history, there has been partnership between government and industry. The spike that completed a transcontinental railroad track in 1869 was driven into land owned by Uncle Sam.

The first satellite successfully rocketed into orbit by the United States in February 1958. But it still costs \$10,000 to put one pound of anything into space, a fact that clearly distresses NASA Administrator Daniel S. Goldin. He wants it cut to \$1,000 a pound in 10 years and to hundreds of dollars a pound in 20.

Gabris says that a lockersized experiment flown on the space shuttle would go down from today's \$70,000 to \$3,500. The shuttle has flown between 60 and 80 such payloads in each of the last three years. The space station, when it

finally is completed early in the next decade, should ease the access problem. The United States would have a continuous presence in orbit, with facilities to keep experiments running.

Not so in 1997.

"We have not had sufficient flight opportunities over the past decade to clearly demonstrate the benefits of weightlessness," says Mark Uhran, NASA's manager of space station utilization planning.

"We do research maybe 10 days, twice a year," he says. "A laboratory on the ground works 365 days a year.'

He said Goldin is considering establishment of a space venture fund to help industry finance experiments. In the space station era, he said, the pace of research should quicken and returns should be more readily apparent.

"What we really hope is that eventually any products that are produced (in space) would provide incentive to the private sector to build its own free-flying platform, laboratories and production facilities.

"We don't want the government to be in the business of building production facilities," Uhran says. "We want the government to do the up-front development work, the basic research, that enables industry to pursue the production facilities at their own costs.'

(Harry F. Rosenthal has covered space for The Associated Press since 1965.)

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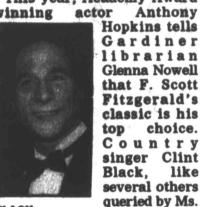
Wednesday, March 26, 1997

# Celebrities go for biographical, spiritual, sci-fi titles

GARDINER, Maine (AP) -When it's time to curl up with a good book, celebrities are reaching for biographies. Spiritual and self-healing manuals also are a hit, and science fiction's popularity is out of

Then there's the old standby, "The Great Gatsby," which has been a perennial favorite among stars contacted by a librarian from Maine for her "Who reads What?" list, now in

its 10th year. This year, Academy Award winning actor Anthony Hopkins tells



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Bible for a good read.

Ms. Nowell notices a drift to

the inspirational this year. "More people are re-reading spiritual books," Ms. Nowell, 59, said in the reading room of the 116-year-old, red-brick library in this small city. "A lot of them may not like the way the world's going."

Ms. Nowell's list, which is sought nationally by libraries

and businesses as a way to encourage reading, includes several biographies this year. Richard Dreyfuss said he re-reads the Winston Churchill

biography "The Last Lion: Winston Spencer Churchill; Alone 1932-

1940" by William Manchester, every decade. Actor-choreographer Tommy

Neal Gabler, and U.S. Rep. John Baldacci, D-Maine/ Llongtime admirer of the 33rd president, recommends David McCullough's "Truman."

Some of this year's 32 celebrities who answered Ms. Nowell showed a fondness for self-healing books. Leeza Gibbons listed "Healing and the Mind" by Bill Moyers and "Ageless Body, Timeless Mind" by Deepak Chopra as two of her favorites.

Robert Heinlein's "Stranger in a Strange Land," a science fiction story that became the bible of the hippie movement of the 1960s, appeared on actor Dreyfuss' list.

Others in that genre tabbed as favorites include Ursula K. Le Guin's "Left Hand of Darkness," one of the nine books on writer Jean Auel's list; and "Time and Again" by Jack Finney, which actress Jane Powell said is one of her two best-loved books.

Over the years, Ms. Nowell has contacted hundreds of celebrities for her lists. Among those responding: former presi-

dents Jimmy Carter and Gerald "Pillars of the Earth" by Ken Ford, President Bill Clinton. Colin Powell and Boutros Boutros-Ghali, the former United Nations secretary-gener-

For this year's list, Ms. Nowell wrote to 288 actors. writers, elected leaders and other luminaries; about onethird of the letters came back undelivered. While some refuse to respond, others appreciate the chance to tout their books and authors while encouraging others to read.

Here is a list of books picked as favorites by notables surveyed by Gardiner, Maine, librarian Glenna Nowell:

Rene Auberjonois: "Tales of Chekhov" by Anton Chekov.

Jean Auel: "Universe" by Robert Heinlein, "The Source" and "Hawaii" by James Michener, among several favorites.

U.S. Rep. John Baldacci: "Truman" David McCullough.

Clint Black: The Bible. U.S. Sen. Susan Collins: Brown's Body" by Stephen

Follett. Robin Cook: "A Distant

Mirror" by Barbara Tuchman. Richard Dreyfuss: "Scaramouche" by Rafael Sabatini, "The Last Lion: Winston Spencer Churchill; Alone 1932-1940" by William Manchester, and "Stranger in a Strange Land" by Robert

Heinlein. Douglas Fairbanks Jr.: Collected works of Charles Dickens, Rudyard Kipling, William Shakespeare and Noel

Gibbons: "Black Leeza Beauty" by Anna Sewell, "Healing and the Mind" by Bill Moyers, and "Ageless Body, Timeless Mind" by Deepak

Anthony Hopkins: "The Great Gatsby" by F. Scott Fitzgerald. Kim Hunter: Any book by George Eliot or Mary Renault. Bruce Jenner: "Finding the Champion Within" by Bruce

Sen. Edward Kennedy: "John

Vincent Benet, the Works of Thomas Merton, Bruce Catton's books on the Civil War and "How the Irish Saved Civilization" by Thomas Cahill.

Reba McEntire: "The Horse Whisperer" by Nicholas Evans. Bill Mumy: "The Prophet" by Kahlil Gibran, "Rabbit Run," "Rabbit Redux," "Rabbit is Rich" and "Rabbit at Rest" by

John Updike. Sally Jessy Raphael: Self-help books, and mysteries by Mary Higgins Clark, Ken Robert and P.D. James

Lynn Redgrave: "Map of the World" by Jane Hamilton.



**WALTERS** 

Jonathan Lynn. Barbara Walters: "The Little Prince" by Antoine de Saint-

Patrick

Stewart:

"Mayday" by

Vanna White: autobiographies.

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## Bone up on osteoporosis information

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First. knowing about her bones and how to keep them healthy would be a start. Bone is not a hard and lifeless structure, but

a complex, living tissue. Bones provide structural support for muscles, protect vital organs and store the calcium

strength. Because bones are constantly changing, they can heal and may be affected by diet and exercise. Until the age of about 34, you build and store bone efficiently.

Then, as part of the natural aging process, your bones begin to break down faster than new bone can be formed.

In women, bone loss accelerates after menopause, when ovaries stop producing estrogen which is the hormone that protects against bone loss.

Think of your bones as a savings account. There is only as much bone mass in your

account as you deposit. The critical years for building bone mass are from prior to adolescence to about age 30. Some experts believe oung women can increase the bone

April showers bring May essential for bone density and mass by as much as 20 percent, a critical factor in protecting

> against osteoporosis. To determine if you have osteoporosis or may be at risk for the disease, see a physician who will ask a variety of questions about your lifestyle and medical history.

Your doctor will want to know if anyone in your family has suffered from osteoporosis

or if they have fractured bones. Based on a comprehensive medical assessment, your doctor may recommend you have

your bone mass measured. A bone mass measurement is the only way to tell if you have

Specialized tests called bone ne swaits like a roden r

A bone density test can help detect possible fractures before they occur.

## **Ask Betty**

Dear Betty,

do love chili, but most can create recipes and chili mixes make way more than I need. As a single person, I need to know it what to do with leftover chili s a l a d so it doesn't go to waste. Phoenix, Ariz.

There are a million things you can do with chili; we've got space for three of them. Number one, throw a party. Cook up a big pot, then call in a crowd and have them tote the bread, chips and salad. Number two, freeze leftover chili for up to two months in a freezer-safe container in individual two-cup servings. And three, when it's chill time, try a different pairing, tuck the chili between two steaming halves of a baked potato, or spoon it over corn bread. Or mix it with cooked macaroni or rice for a quick casserole add corn or leftover vegetables,

too. You a taco salad by layering greens, grace with slightly

crushed tortilla chips, then top with shredded Cheddar cheese. As for the great bean/no-bean debate, I make mine with.

Dear Betty, I'm starting to cook with fresh garlic now, and it seems that I see it in every grocery store and on every menu. Since I don't buy it often, tell me: how long does garlic pack a punch? Clover, Minn.

you're sitting too close to someone who eats a lot of it. Truth is, once you develop a taste for garlic, you'll wonder

how you went without it for so

Properly stored, unbroken bulbs will be flavorful for up to eight weeks. Longer than that and the bulbs lose moisture, and the flavor intensifies and grows bitter.

Individual cloves will keep from three to ten days. Store in an open container in a cool, dark place away from other foods. Garlic is perhaps the oldest and best known of all the so-called "healing foods." Over the centuries it has been credited with everything from curing toothache to chasing off evil spirits. All that, and incredible flavor, too.

Cooking Cousing - Onion and garlic are often paired in It'll seem like forever if recipes. Interestingly, both are members of the lily family.

Most supermarket produce sections carry jarred minced garlic, packed in oil.

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TOLEDO, Ohio (AP) -Astronaut Donald Thomas is bringing a little something to spice up his coming shuttle

When the Columbia blasts off April 3, Thomas says he'll have a can of Tony Packo Hot Dog Sauce along.

He got hooked on the sauce last year when he went to Tony Packo's Cafe for dinner and a hot dog bun-signing, a tradition for visiting celebrities.

"I love the restaurant, and I

fell in love with the sauce," said Thomas, of Cleveland Heights. "I'm a big promoter of Ohio, so since we're each allowed a few special extras we can take along, I decided to take Packo's hot dog sauce."

YAKIMA, Wash. (AP) — The Mick family's jellies are hot products. So hot, they'll bring tears to your eyes and make you reach for a gallon of ice

The Micks make pepper jelly, with names like Beyond Buzztail and Death Valley. Products from Micks Peppouri Delaware, but got only rejecrecently took first, second and

third prizes in the jelly category at the Fiery Food Challenge in Albuquerque, N.M.

Rod Mick.

But the Micks insist they're not too hot to enjoy. They say costumers use the fiery spread on everything from toast to sal-

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — Hey, buddy. Want to buy a bridge,

of Transportation wants to moving it. The agency wants to build a

modern replacement to the **Rutgers Avenue Bridge starting** in August 1998. There are no takers so far for

built 76 years ago to span the Passaic River. Because of its historical sig-

They've offered the span to 15 civic groups and historical societies and the state of

"It's as hot as you can make jellies without making it extract or tabasco sauce, which doesn't have any flavor," said

cheap? The New Jersey Department

unload a nice one with historic value. The only cost to the buyer would be the expense of

the 115-foot-long drawbridge

nificance, the state must first offer it for sale before tearing it

osteoporosis.

density tests can measure bone density in various sites of the

## Researchers recommend early mammograms for certain women

CHICAGO (AP) - Women who are genetically susceptible to breast cancer should get annual mammograms between the ages of 25 and 35, earlier than recommended for other

women, researchers said.

"We think this population is unique by virtue of their very, very high risk" and is likely to benefit from early mammograms, said Dr. Wylie Burke, lead researcher and director of the Women's Health Care Center at the University of Washington. In Wednesday's Journal of

Medical American Association, the researchers recommended annual mammograms between 25 and 35 for women born with mutations in the BRCA1 and BRCA2 genes. The genes account for an estimated 5 percent to 10 percent of all breast cancer cases.

When to begin mammograms in women who don't carry the mutations is the subject of long-running debate.

Earlier this week, the American Cancer Society urged women in their 40s to have mammograms annually instead of every year or two, as it had previously suggested.

The society projects 180,200 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer this year.

The recommendation for

genetically susceptible women was issued by the Cancer Genetics Studies Consortium. which includes experts in cancer and genetics. It spent 14 months reviewing previous Research has shown women

with a flawed BRCA1 gene face about a 65 percent risk of ovarian cancer and an 85 percent risk of breast cancer. Women with BRCA2 mutations have a breast cancer risk similar to women with BRCA1, but only a 10 percent or less risk of ovarian cancer. In patients with the BRCA1

flaw, the group recommends annual or semiannual ultrasounds beginning between ages 25 and 35 to detect ovarian can-Doctors may recommend

genetic testing for women with a family history of cancer. Ms. Burke stressed the recommendations were based on

expert opinion instead of clini-

cal trials because the link

between genetics and cancer is still evolving. However, she said there is an indisputable need for early cancer detection in women with the gene muta-

She said her group left a wide age range for beginning mammograms so doctors could consider contributing factors such as a woman's lifestyle and family background. Dr. Anne McCall, co-director of the Breast Care Center at

Loyola University Medical

Center, cautioned that it was too soon to make recommendations for an age to begin mammography until more is known about the link between genetics and cancer.

Meanwhile, a new study indicates breast cancer patients may take estrogen without increasing the risk the disease will recur.

Women generally have been told estrogen replacement may reduce the risk of heart attack or bone deterioration but taking it may increase the chance of breast cancer.

In a study to be released today, five women's cancer specialists tracked 145 women who

had breast cancer and underwent hormone replacement with estrogen and progestin.

In the study, 13 women had

recurrences of breast cancer, slightly lower than the 10 percent to 15 percent recurrence expected, said Dr. Wendy Brewster, a gynecologic oncologist of the University of California-Irvine Medical However Dr. Alison Stopeck,

breast cancer patients at the University of Arizona's Cancer Center, urged caution when considering the study's find-Stopeck noted it involved

a medical oncologist who sees

only 145 women while others investigating links between estrogen and breast cancer have included thousands. Doctors have suspected that

estrogen, a female sex hormone, may play a role in the development of breast cancer. Studies have shown women with longtime exposure to increased estrogen levels those who begin menstruating early or go through menopause late - face a higher risk of breast cancer.

## TIPS 'N' TRIVIA

## Feet facts:

(NAPS) - Tips and trivia:

 Socks with acrylic fibers do not absorb moisture so they remain dry - an important improvement over those made with mostly nat-

 Athletes in the National Basketball Association and National Football League wear acrylic socks so their feet and socks stay

A cotton sock absorbs moisture so the fibers flatten and the

sock rubs against the foot. This rubbing can create painful blisters. . When socks with natural fibers are washed, the fibers flatten and lose resiliency. With the right

fibers and construction to retain resiliency, socks are able to keep their cushioning. When put into a performance arena, the better the bulk and resilience, the better the cushioning and the longer the wear. That means comfortable feet for the duration of whatever game you are playing or for the day.

## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

## Easter Sunrise Service

The annual Big Spring community-wide Easter Sunrise Service is March 30 at 7 a.m. at the Comanche Trail Park Amphitheater. Gary Smith, pastor of First Church of the Nazarene, will deliver the Easter message. Coffee and juice are provided by the Salvation Army.

Time to sign up for CRP A sign-up for the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) ends at the close of business

Producers interested in participating in CRP should phone the Howard County Farm Service Agency for an appointment, 267-2557.

## THE LAST WORD

Even the wisest among men welcome people who bring money more than those who take it away G. C. Lichtenberg

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He that hath no rule over his own spirit is like a city that is broken down, and without walls. Book of Proverbs

There may be more beautiful times: but this one is ours.

Great literature is simply tan tuage charged with meaning to the utmost possible degree.
Ezra Pound

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## SUPPORT GROUPS

MONDAY

- •Al-A-Teen, 7:30 p.m., 615 Settles.

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

•TOPS Club (Take off pound sensibly), weigh-in 5:30 to 6 p.m., Carriage Inn, 501 W. 17th, meeting starts at 6 p.m. Call 263-1340 or 263-8633.

•Project Freedom, Christian support group for survivors of physical/emotional/sexual and/or spiritual abuse. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241 for dates/times of upcoming groups.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.

\*Encouragers Support Group (formerly Widow/Widower support group) first and third Mondays each month. First Monday meetings are at a local restaurant at 6 p.m. Third Monday meetings are at 5:30 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church Seventh and Runnels (enter through north door). We have various activities, such as guest speakers, play games, have covered dish supper, visit or go out to eat. For more information call 396-5522 or 399-4369.

•Big Spring Group of Narcotics Anonymous, 6 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad.

\*Alzheimer's Association support group, 7 p.m., Marcy House on Wasson Road, second Monday. TUESDAY

•Support for MS and Related Diseases, 6:30 p.m. second Tuesday of each month, Canterbury South. Public invited. Call Leslie, 267-1069.

•Al-Anon, 8 p.m., 615 Settles.
•Seniors' diabetic support group, 2 p.m., Canterbury South. Call 263-1265.

•Compassionate Friends support group for parents who have experienced death of a child, 7:30 p.m. first Tuesday in February, April, June, August, October and December in the Family Life Center Building, First Baptist Church, 705 West Marcy. Enter by southeast door. Call 267-2769.

•Diabetes support group, second Tuesday of each month, 7 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center classroom.

•Cancer support group, first Tuesday of each month, 7-8 p.m., VA Medical Center room 213. Call Beverly Rice, 268-5077.

• "Most Excellent Way," a chemical dependency support group, Tuesdays, 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.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. closed meeting.

•Family Education and Support, sponsored by Howard County Mental Health Center, meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. at the Corral, 611 E. Third, followed at 7 p.m. by the monthly meeting of the Big Spring Alliance for the Mentally Ill.

•Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas will have Dr. Ronald Meyer, D.Min., LCDC, LMFT, specializing in individual and marriage counseling, Attention Deficit Disorder and chemical dependency, available for clients at the First Christian Church. Appointments for counseling services are made by calling 1-800-329-4144.

•Narcotics Anonymous, 6:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

WEDNESDAY

•Gamblers Anonymous, 7 p.m., St. Stephen's Catholic Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. Call 263-8920.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. 12 and 12 study.

Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas will have Sharon Beam, who is a licensed professional counselor interim specializing in play therapy for children, adolescent counseling and women's issues, available for clients at the First Presbyterian Church, Runnels and Eighth St. Appointments for counseling services are made by calling 1-800-329-4144. THURSDAY

•Salvation Army drug education program, sponsored by Permian Basin Regional Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, 7 p.m., Salvation Army building, 306 Ayland

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Settles, noon open meeting.

•A.D.D.A.P.T. non-profit su

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

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

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

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Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Rehab Center, Third and Lancaster. FRIDAY

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

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

\*Alzheimer's Association Support Group, second Saturday of the month, Carriage Inn Retirement Center, 501 W. 17th, 10 a.m. Family support group for current and former patients and their families, I p.m. weekly, Reflections Unit of Scenic Mountain Medical Center, Call Beverly Grant, 263-0074.

\*Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon, 8 p.m., 10 p.m. open meetings, 615 Settles. \*So I Forget, Attention

"So I Forget," Attention Deficit Disorder support group for individuals and couples, first Saturday of the month from 9 to 10:30 a.m., Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas, Inc., Midland. Call the center at (915) 563-4144 or 1-800-

West Texans Living with Chronic Fatigue & Immune D y s f u n c t 1 o n Syndrome/Fibromyalgia, 1-3 p.m., on different Saturdays of

Syndrome/Fibromyalgia, 1-3 p.m., on different Saturdays of the month, HealthSouth facility at Hwy. 191 and Loop 250, Midland. Call Joann Carney, (915) 686-7977, or Marsha Brunet, (915) 337-4829

If you have an item for the support group list, submit it to Gina Garza between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. All items must be submitted in writing. Call 263-7331, ext. 238 for more information.

## Readers Corne

Due to scheduling changes, Readers Corner will appear in the Wednesday, April 2 issue, Also, Recipe Corner for April will appear in the April 16 issue, Supplisations for both sections

Submissions for both sections are still being accepted. You can mail, fax or drop them off at the Herald office. The address is 710 Scurry; P.O. Box\* 4123; Big Spring; 79721. The fax number is (915) 264-7205. Contact Kellie Jones at 263-7331, ext. 235 for more information.

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## Indians, Braves put cap on spring training with blockbuster trade

WINTER HAVEN, Fla. (AP) - In one of baseball's biggest trades in years, the Atlanta Braves and Cleveland Indians struck a shocking deal Tuesday involving David Justice, Marquis Grissom and Kenny Lofton that reshaped two of the sport's strongest teams.

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"This is a trade of enormous magnitude for two very, very good franchises," Indians general manager John Hart said. "We're talking about franchise-type players. We talked about this at some length, and we realized that if we were going to get it done, it had to happen soon.

The Indians, who faced losing Lofton to free agency at the end of the season, gave up the All-Star center fielder and pitcher Alan Embree.

The Braves, projected to have the majors' highest payroll at \$62 million, had talked this spring about trading Justice - whose home run beat Cleveland 1-0 in the clinching Game 6 of the 1995 World Series. But Atlanta made it an even larger deal by including another All-Star outfielder, Grissom.

It was an old-fashioned, superstarfor-superstar deal predicated by the economics of modern sports, saving

"It's painful in the respect that I Sierra, Bobby Witt and Jeff Russell. think baseball in the '90s is extremely apparent in this trade," Hart said. "For both teams, not just the Indians."

The NL champion Braves traded the high-priced Justice so they can try to re-sign pitchers Greg Maddux and Tom Glavine, both free agents at the end of the season. Justice, who missed nearly all of last season with a shoulder injury, will make \$12.5 million in the next two seasons.

The AL Central champion Indians could have lost Lofton, winner of four straight Gold Gloves and five consecutive AL stolen base titles, to free agency at the end of the season.

'We had to make this trade based on the fact that Kenny Lofton is a free agent at the end of the '97 season," Hart said. "We went through it last year with Albert Belle, and Albert left us. We were not prepared to let that happen again."

As for recent baseball trades involving so many star players, few compare. Toronto and San Diego pulled off a big deal after the 1990 season with Joe Carter and Roberto Alomar going to the Blue Jays for Fred McGriff and Tony Fernandez.

In late 1992, the Oakland Athletics sent Jose Canseco to Texas for Ruben Lofton and Grissom are regarded as

the two best center fielders and leadoff hitters in baseball. Both are 29, and both are coming off outstanding sea-

Lofton batted .317 last year, setting career highs with 210 hits, 14 homers, 67 RBIs and 75 stolen bases.

"I can't really think too well right now," Lofton said. "Maybe I can say I'm disappointed. I've done everything they've asked me to do in Cleveland, and I thought I would be rewarded. I guess they rewarded me by trading me to Atlanta."

Indians catcher Sandy Alomar and first baseman Jim Thome both had tears in their eyes as they talked with reporters.

"My son loves this guy," said an emotional Alomar, one of the few mainstays left from Cleveland's 1995 AL champion team. "I know when I tell him Kenny Lofton was traded, he'll

Grissom, a native of Atlanta who was acquired from Montreal in a trade before the 1995 season, batted .308 with 23 homers, 74 RBIs and 28 stolen bases. His on-base percentage was .349, compared to Lofton's .372.

Justice, 30, had his best season in

1993 with 40 homers and 120 RBIs, but missed most of the '96 season after dislocating a shoulder May 15. He had surgery and appeared to have no lingering effects this spring.

"I'm in shock," Justice said. "If I was supposed to shed any tears, it was when I said goodbye to the guys."

The most intriguing baseball trade in years was driven by finances and the prospect of Lofton's free agency. The Braves shaved their payroll \$5,844,000 by making the deal, and also will save about \$1,870,400 in luxury tax.

The deal raises Cleveland's payroll from an estimated \$52 million to nearly \$58 million.

Grissom will make \$4.8 million a year through 1999, while Justice will be paid \$6 million this season and \$6.5 in 1998. Lofton will make \$4.75 million in '97, the option year of his contract. Embree makes only \$206,000.

It was another major deal pulled off by Hart, who has praised for ending four decades of losing in Cleveland and then criticized for overseeing the breakup of the team. Fourteen players, including starters Belle, Lofton, Eddie Murray and Carlos Baerga, are gone from the club that won Cleveland's first AL championship in 41 years in

Belle signed with the rival Chicago White Sox this offseason. Murray and Baerga, traded in separate, controversial deals last summer, both called Lofton when they heard he'd been traded, too.

"Eddie was more settled, calm," Lofton said. "He just said, 'It's part of the game. You've got to move on.' Carlos just laughed.'

The Braves, who have been to the World Series four of the last six years, gain Lofton for at least one season while making room for talented young outfielders Andruw Jones and Jermaine Dye.

Atlanta also adds a hard-throwing left-hander to its bullpen. Embree, 27, split time last season the Indians and Triple-A Buffalo, going 1-1 with a 6.39 ERA in 24 games with Cleveland.

"We think with Lofton we get an established center fielder and leadoff batter, one of the best in baseball,' Atlanta general manager John Schuerholz said. "We think our 1997 team will be as strong if not stronger."

The Indians, who acquired third baseman Matt Williams from the San Francisco Giants in another major trade in November, hope Justice will help make up for Belle's lost power

## Gilbert stops Steers in district opener, 9-2

By JOHN H. WALKER

Managing Editor

Sterlin Gilbert struck out 10 and pitched five innings of nohit ball Tuesday at Steer Park as San Angelo Lake View took a 9-2 District 4-4A win over Big Spring.

The win by the Chiefs (6-9, 1-0) was the first in five tries against the Steers (4-12, 0-1) and snapped a two-game winning streak by the Steers. The two teams were locked

more or less in a pitcher's duel through five innings, with Gilbert battling Big Spring lefthander Danny Wilson and holding a 3-1 advantage on the scoreboard. Wiew took and 0 head in

top of the first when Gilbert laced a two-out double to left and scored when battery mate Mark Childress ripped a single to right center.

Wilson, who opened the inning by striking out the first two batters, then walked Richard Luna before getting Guy Velez to fly out to left to end the inning.

Big Spring came back to tie the game in the bottom of the inning when Marcus Hyatt walked, took second on an Aaron Boadle sacrifice and scored when Luna, playing in center, dropped a towering fly ball by Brock Gee.

Gee wound up taking second on the play and stole third before Clayton Pate struck out to end the inning. Wilson then seemed to get

ing Tuesday's game against San Angelo Lake View. stronger on the mound, striking out three in the second and

another in the third and heeping the Chiefs off the scoreboard despite allowing a pair of runners to reach in the second while stranding a runner at third.

attack of their own.

In the second, Blake Wright reached on a fielding error by shortstop Lance Velez and stole second before Kade Bowerman walked, but was caught stealing at third on a

Lake View added a run in the fourth when Abellardo Santillan hit a Texas Leaguer to center, stole second, took third on a ground out to second by Lance Velez and scored when Todd Lane flew out to



Big Spring's Blake Wright goes down swinging in the sixth dur-

While Wilson was holding Lake View at bay, the Steers were attempting to mount an

throw by Childress.

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Just as they had in the second, the Steers, after going quietly in the third, mounted a threat in the fourth.

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Gee walked to lead off, then stole second just before Pate flew out to left. With one out, Luis Lopez walked to put runners on first and second.

J.J. Aguirre then hit a dribbler to Gilbert, who threw to Ashby Franklin at third to force Gee. With two outs, Big Spring ran a double steal that advanced Lopez to third and

Aguirre to second before Wright took a called strike

three to end the threat. & "We just couldn't get them (runners) around," Steers Coach Bobby Doe said afterwards. "We just couldn't make anything happen when we got runners in scoring position."

Wilson, who had constantly trimmed the number of pitchers he had thrown inning by inning after needing 28 pitches to get out of the first inning, was touched for another run in the fifth when Franklin walked to lead off, took second on a wild pitch and scored on a twoout triple to right-center by Luna before Guy Velez popped out to second to send the

Again in the fifth, Big our me stranded runners in scoring position.

Bowerman opened the frame by taking a called strike three before Hyatt walked and stole second - taking third when Childress' throw to second sailed into center — only to find himself still standing at third after Boadle flew out to center and Wes Mouton went

down swinging. It was in the sixth that the flood gates opened on the Steers, as Lake View sent 10 batters to the plate - scoring six runs on four hits and three Big Spring errors to put the game away.

Gilbert and Franklin both had extra-base hits — a triple by Gilbert and double by

See STEERS, Page 5B

## Sisneros tosses 3-hitter as Ladies rip Ft. Stockton, 17-3

**HERALD Staff Report** 

Big Spring's Lady Steers scored five runs in the first and seven in the second and never looked back Tuesday at Roy Anderson Softball Complex, taking a 17-3 District 4-4A softball win over Fort Stockton's Prowlers.

The Lady Steers, 18-5 overall and 4-0 in district play, finished the first half of the season in sole possession of first place in the district. Heather Spence led the Lady

Steers at the plate with a 3for-4 performance, including two RBI, while Juanita Valdez went 2-for-3, driving in two runs with her two doubles. While Big Spring was

Big Spring Lady Steer softball players warm up before Tuesday's 17-3 win over district rival Fort Stockton. The Lady Steers are at home Thursday against San Angelo Lake View.

pounding out 25 hits, Lady 4 overall and 3-0 in district every inning. Steers hurler Jessica Sisneros with a 3-hitter. was running her record to 12-

The Lady Steers scored in to San Angelo Lake View (5-

Big Spring now plays host Roy Anderson Softball

14, 0-3) at 5 p.m. Thursday at

#### feature Florida State, Michigan NEW YORK (AP) — Having came in averaging 18.3 points swept the Big East entries, Florida State needs to make it just eight on 2-for-11 shooting. 2-0 against Michigan's Big Ten "I didn't want to lose," teams to win its first college

NIT finals will

basketball title. James Collins matched his career-high with 29 points and

Kerry Thompson added 20 as Seminoles defeated Connecticut 71-65 in overtime the kind of team we really are."
The underachieving tag is first trip to the NIT final. The Seminoles (20-11) have

eliminated three Big East schools selected for the tournament and improved to 4-0 against that conference this season.

FSU's other NIT win came against Michigan State. Next up Thursday night: Michigan.

The Wolverines (23-11) had trouble putting away overmatched Arkansas, but used a 14-4 run in the final 3:57 to beat the Razorbacks 77-62 in Tuesday night's second semifi-

Florida State's third victory over a Big East team in the tournament prompted FSU coach Pat Kennedy to joke about the school bolting from the ACC.

Kidding aside, Florida State is playing its best basketball of the season. Since a one-point loss to Wake Forest in the ACC tournament, the Seminoles have won four straight, including road wins at Syracuse and West Virginia, two of the Big East's toughest stops.

On Tuesday night, the Seminoles rallied from five points down in the final minute to force overtime when Thompson, a junior from New York playing with a dislocated finger, made a 3-pointer with 3.9 seconds left in regulation.

"For us so far, this has been a tournament of big shots,' Kennedy said, "and Kerry made the big shot."

Freshman Richard Hamilton scored 26 points to lead the Huskies (17-15), who will finish their season Thursday night against Arkansas in the thirdplace game.

Collins made eight of 12 3pointers for Florida State, and picked up the scoring slack for center Randall Jackson, who

in the tourney, but managed

Collins said. "As I said before, I wanted to play more games and get the returning players more experience for next year. I think we underachieved all year, but now we are showing

something that's been hung on Michigan this year, too. Loaded with talent, the Wolverines started the year ranked in the Top 10, but losing six out of seven games in the final weeks of their conference season cost them a spot in the 64-team NCAA field.

"I wasn't sure if we deserved to play in any tournament the way we played during our Big Ten schedule," Michigan coach Steve Fisher said.

During the NIT, however, the Wolverines have come together. There have been wins over Miami, Oklahoma State, Notre Dame and now Arkansas.

"We've won six in a row and we're feeling pretty good, probably better than we really are, but that's OK."

Maurice Taylor scored 19 points and added a career-high 15 rebounds for Michigan, which on Tuesday had breakfast with former President Gerald Ford, a Michigan alum.

Coincidentally, the last time Michigan and Arkansas met, in the 1994 NCAA Midwest Regional, President Clinton was on hand to cheer his beloved Razorbacks to a 76-68 victory.

"He was absolutely fantastic," Michigan coach Steve Fisher said of Ford. "He met us for breakfast at a public restaurant and stayed for an hour and a half. He was the last guy to leave. We asked if we could take a group picture and he went around the room and took individual shots with each member of the team. Every kid has a picture that he will personalize and hang on his wall. I know I will mine.

Kareem Reid scored 19 points to lead the Razorbacks (18-13). and Pat Bradley added 10 points

## Sports Briefs

Coahoma Bulldogettes 10, Alpine Lady Bucks 8

MONAHANS — Tonya Sparks and Julia Hernandez each had three hits here Tuesday as Coahoma's Bulldogettes took a 10-8 softball win over Alpine's Lady Bucks.

Tara Sterling got the win for Coahoma while Misty Baker came in in the late innings and pitched strong relief as the Bulldogettes improved to 7-11 on the season.

After a 2-2 first inning, Coahoma broke the game open in the fourth with a five-run outburst. Coahoma had 16 hits all singles — in the win.

The Bulldogettes face another Class 3A team Thursday when they play host to Colorado City in a 6:30 game.

Coahoma Bulldogs 11, Crane Golden Cranes 7 CRANE Coahoma's

Bulldogs continued their win-

ning ways here Tuesday, taking an 11-7 baseball win over Crane's Class 3A Golden Cranes.

Mike McMillan ran his record to 5-1 on the season as the Bulldogs, who play host to another Class 3A school, Reagan County at 4:30 Thursday afternoon, led all the

McMillan was 2-for-4 at the plate, scoring two runs, while Rodney Gressett went 2-for-5, scored two runs and had one

RBI. Freddy Olivas went 2-for-4 for the Bulldogs, scoring one run and driving in two, while Scott Goodblanket was 1-for-4, scoring twice and driving in

The Bulldogs improved to 11-7 overall with the win.

Big Spring brothers win in San Antonio tourney SAN ANTONIO - Big Spring's Manuel Marquez and

Raul Marquez were among

River Walk Roll-Out Handball Tournament held here last weekend. Manuel Marquez won first

place in the Master's Division while Raul Marquez finished second in B Division singles.

Correction

In Tuesday's Herald, Susie Welch's last name was mis-

Welch and her partner shot a

flight at Ranchland Hills CC in competitors placing in the Midland.

The win came during Ranchland's two-day men and women's Bootlegger Golf Tournament.

Welch plays out of Big Spring Country Club.

addition, Sharpnack, who plays out of Comanche Trails Golf Course, teamed with her partner to shoot a 155 and finish second in their flight of the tourna-154 and placed first in their ment.

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Just when it seemed the NBA's downward scoring spiral had ended, San Antonio and Cleveland caused everybody to do a double-take when the final score of 64-59 popped up.

That's right, 64-59.

The Spurs and Cavaliers combined for the second-lowest NBA point total since the inception of the shot clock in 1954. Their combined total of 21 fourth-quarter points broke the previous NBA record of 23. "We expected a low-scoring

game, but 64-59? That's ridiculous," said Cory Alexander, who scored the last four points of the game from the freethrow line in the final 18 seconds to keep the Spurs and Cavaliers from breaking the record of 119 points set in a 1955 game between the Milwaukee Hawks and Boston Celtics.

"I don't think anyone expected 128-115, but I do think the score was lower than expected," Spurs coach Gregg Popovich said. "I don't care about the highs and lows. What matters is we won and the guys gave the same effort and laid it on the line like they do every night."

In other NBA games, Chicago edged Dallas 94-92, Seattle drubbed Golden State 126-89, Phoenix defeated Milwaukee 117-112, Atlanta beat Portland 96-89, Houston downed Minnesota 112-103, Orlando defeated Sacramento 114-103, Indiana topped Toronto 98-84 and the Los Angeles Clippers beat Vancouver 110-104 in overtime.

Cleveland's final total of 59 points tied the second-lowest in league history. The Milwaukee Hawks scored 57 in that 1955 game against the Celtics, and the total has been matched twice since then — in February 1996 by the Philadelphia 76ers and by the Orlando Magic last December, when this season's dropoff in scoring was most pronounced.

Cleveland's Terrell Brandon missed a 3-pointer to tie with 10 seconds left, and after a long scramble for the ball, Alexander was fouled with 1.8 seconds left and added the final two points from the line.

San Antonio shot only 37.3 percent for the game and was 2-of-22 in the final period. Cleveland hit only 31.3 percent of its shots and was 3-of-17 in the fourth.

San Antonio's 64 points and Cleveland's 59 were franchise record-lows.

Bulls 94, Mavericks 92
At Chicago, Steve Kerr led a fourth-quarter comeback with 12 of his season-high 20 points as Michael Jordan and Scottie Pippen stayed on the sideline for much of the final period.

"Michael and Scottie weren't moving the ball or playing well," Bulls coach Phil Jackson said. "I thought it was time to make an adjustment. I wanted to get some different people in there, get a fresh look."

Jordan also scored 20 points as the Bulls reached 60 victories.

"It wasn't one of our great games, but it was No. 60," Jordan said. "We held them off. It was a battle when it shouldn't have been."

Dennis Rodman had 21 rebounds before limping off the court after being hit in the left knee with three seconds left.

"It hurts like hell. I'm going to get an MRI," Rodman said. SuperSonics 126, Warriors 89

At San Jose, Calif., Gary Payton scored 23 points in three quarters, and Seattle had its highest point total of the season in extending Golden State's losing streak to a season-high five games.

The Sonics swept their fourgame season series with the Warriors, winning by an average of 30.3 points.

At Phoenix, Kevin Johnson scored 28 points as the Suns, currently eighth in the Western Conference, improved their lead over Sacramento to 1) games despite a knee injury to Cedric Ceballos.

If money's right, Tom Penders is gone as hoops coach of Texas Longhorns

By TOM CANAVAN

AP Sports Writer

If Rutgers can come up with the right financial package and his wife gives him the OK, there's a good chance Tom Penders will leave Texas to become the Scarlet Knights' next basketball coach.

A decision is expected today, his agent said in a telephone interview with The Associated Press.

"One way or the other," Craig Fenech said when asked if the issue would be resolved.

Fenech refused to characterize his negotiations with Rutgers treasurer Joe Whiteside on Tuesday.

Penders spent six hours on the Rutgers campus on Tuesday and then returned home while Fenech continued talks to make him Bob Wenzel's replacement at the Big East Conference school.

"I think he really liked Rutgers," a source close to the talks told The Associated Press on Tuesday evening. "It sounds positive"

Penders, who guided Texas to the third round of the NCAA tournament last week, left the Piscataway, N.J., campus of the Big East school around 3 p.m. Tuesday.

Rutgers athletic director Fred Gruninger did not immediately return a telephone call left at his office today.

Rutgers reportedly plans to offer Penders a deal that will pay him \$600,000 annually. It includes a base salary between \$150,000 and \$200,000.

Penders currently earns \$400,000 at Texas and reportedly will receive an additional \$100,000 next season.

In an interview on campus with the Courier-News and the North Jersey Herald & News, Penders said money isn't the only issue that will influence his decision.

"I do have a wife (Susie) I'd like to keep, and she has to be involved in the decision," Penders said.

Jeff Capel of Old Dominion and Bill Herrion of Drexel also have interviewed for the Rutgers job, but Penders is considered the leading candidate.

Penders has a record of 194-93 in nine seasons at Texas, taking the Longhorns to the NCAA tournament eight times. Texas lost to Louisville 78-63 in the round of 16 on Friday.

Penders met Tuesday with university president Dr. Francis L. Lawrence, Whiteside and Gruninger. He toured the facilities and then met with academic support personnel, board members and players. After lunch he had more talks with Lawrence, Whiteside and Gruninger.

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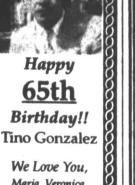
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The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Getting together with others winner. Your drive is a funda-

roves a wise move, profe illy and personally. A new experience could cause you to rethink a decision you made awhile ago. There are many paths that lead to your goals; be willing to try a different one.

ht: Go for snuggles.\*\*\* TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Others clamor for your company. You like the popularity but worry about the long-term implications for a loved one. You discover many options at work when a boss behaves oddly. Keep steady, use your creativity and trust your perceptions. Tonight: How about some fun?\*\*\*\*

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** You are probably able to accomplish more than all the others. Your willingness to do the job and readjust plans as needed identifies you as a sure

mental part of your work; a hoss admires your get-up-and-go. Tonight: Keep charging CANCER (June 21-July 22)

Be more imaginative when confronted by a money problem. What seems out of whack, is. Follow through, and be direct about priorities. Perspective is important. Make calls, ask questions and brainstorm. You find unusual answers. Tonight: Start the weekend early!\*\*

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Deal with others in a more positive, direct manner. Emphasize strong foundations. Take time to renew the courtship phase of a relationship; if single, a little flirtation will do you good. Be willing to invest some money in a domestic project. Tonight: You're happy at home.\*\*\*\*

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Take action today. You have much to accomplish, and are capable of tying up plenty of loose ends. Finances benefit through property and partnership. Be willing to put in that extra energy to make your work dynamic; you'll be happier about it. Tonight: Brainstorm with a pal. \*\*\*\*\*

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Be concerned about your budget, because no one else is. Taking an active stance makes

DEAR ABBY: About a year

ago, when I was five months

pregnant, I found hidden pic-

tures of my husband and his

former girlfriend. These

weren't just ordinary pictures

-they were very graphic sex

ment on occasion to look at

I know that he has not even

spoken to her for years, so why

would he take a chance to keep

such pictures hidden in our

He is a wonderful husband

and a great father to our two

children. I really do trust him,

but I am still upset a year later.

that he is sorry, and I have for-

given him, but I just can't get

this out of my head. I think

about it all the time and have

become very insecure.

He has told me over and over

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a partner feel more at ease with what is happening. You have many choices. Instincts are right on with money; follow through, as long as a risk isn't involved. Tonight: Treat your-

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Move in a more challenging direction. A male friend is instrumental in pointing out the correct path to get what you want. A financial matter is important, especially regarding work. You could be looking at a special business proposition. Tonight: Make yourself

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec.

You don't want to reveal everything on your mind. Most likely, you are still in the process of making a decision. Instincts are right on concerning career matters. Follow through. You might be overwhelmed by what you hear about others. Tonight: Take a

night off.\*\*\* CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan.

Make what you want happen. Remain optimistic when dealing with partners and friends. Seek out information, and get to the bottom of a problem. You are capable of many innovative ideas. Take a walk at lunch time to think. Tonight: Aim for the bull's-eye.\*\*\*\*

Sex photos are out of sight but not mind

Please print your reply as

opposed to a personal reply, as

he may get the mail first and

think I am crazy for still hav-

ing this hang-up. Sign me ...

DEAR INSECURE: The tim-

ing of your discovery could not

have been more unfortunate.

But since he hasn't spoken to

this woman in years and is a

wonderful, trustworthy hus-

band and a great father, you

would be wise to quit torturing

yourself over the incident. If

you feel the need to dwell on

something, count your bless-

DEAR ABBY: I remodel hous-

Administration. I happen to be

female, but I can lay flooring,

hang Sheetrock, paint wallpa-

per - anything except electri-

I make frequent trips to hard-

ware stores and lumberyards.

Because I am small, my hus-

band accompanies me to do the

lifting and loading. Clerks in

these stores frequently ignore

me, but offer to help my hus-

band. If I ask a question, the

clerks invariably direct their

Sometimes my husband will

tell the clerk to talk to me, and

sometimes I step between my

husband and the clerk, smile

and say, "I am the carpenter

answer to my husband.

for the Veterans

ings and dwell on them.

INSECURE

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AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Stay on top of a problem, and handle it with your typical efficiency. A boss is demanding and wants answers; fortunately, you have them ready. You are building better rapport and understanding. What you think you want could change radically. Go with the flow. Tonight:

Work late, if you must. \*\*\*\* PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Seek out various ideas. Your imagination will build on them; you could come up with unusual solutions. Finances are enhanced by a business venture that could be very different from your norm. A partner wants to team up with you. Tonight: Go for something different.\*\*\*\*

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set in their notions about

women doing this kind of

work, so I prefer female or

young male clerks who are

accepting of a female carpenter.

Forgive my bragging, but I

also do crossword puzzles in

ink. — LADY CARPENTER IN

**DEAR LADY CARPENTER:** 

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barrier, making it easier for

other women to go where

females formerly feared to

**DEAR READERS: About 20** 

years ago, a man named

Howard Singer came to my

office to repair a television set.

being handled by my small

staff of secretaries, he said,

"My wife would be perfect for

such a job; she was a top-notch

"Have her stop by the office

for an interview," I suggested.

Well, to make a long story

short, Sylvia stopped by. I

interviewed her, and gave her

about a dozen letters to answer

Sylvia Singer had uncommon

common sense and wit, and she

was a marvelous addition to

the Dear Abby staff until she

She passed away on Feb. 8 leaving a brokenhearted hus-

band and a small army of friends and admirers, including

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retired four years ago.

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– and the sample was ample!

secretary for many years."

erving all the mail that was

tread. More power to you!

**LOUISIANA** 

## **STEERS**

Continued from Page 1B

**Franklin** — while Martinez and Santillan each had singles during the uprising, which resulted in Wilson's being lifted in favor of reliever Jeff Denton.

Big Spring added a run in the sixth when Gee beat out an infield hit to short, went to sec. ond on a walk to Pate and scored when Franklin threw the ball away on a grounder to third by Lopez.

Pate took third on Franklin's. error and a stolen base by Lopez put runners on second and third with no outs. Gilbert! then struck out Aguirre. Wright and Bowerman to end: the inning and the scoring.

While Gilbert's mound effort. drew most of the attention. Wilson struck out seven batters for the Steers before being chased in the sixth.

"I thought he threw pretty well," Doe said. "We would. have lived with it (his pitching: effort) if we had made the plays behind him."

Doe said he didn't know what. happened to his team, which came into the game with backto-back wins and victories in three of its last four games.

"They were real nervous going out," Doe said. "I watched them taking infield, and they were nervous."

Doe said he thought part of the problems might have come about because the game was. the first in district.

"All the hype didn't help," he and the buying customer." The said. older male salesclerks are more

Gee led Big Spring at the. plate with a pair of singles; while Gilbert, Childress and Santillan each had two hits for Lake View.

Big Spring now travels to Sweetwater to play the Mustangs on Thursday.

## TRIVIA

The first shelters for battered women were opened in the mid 1970s. By the end of the decade there were about 250 nationwide

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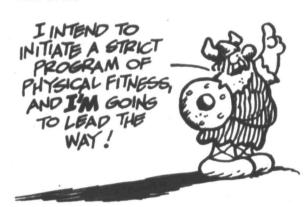
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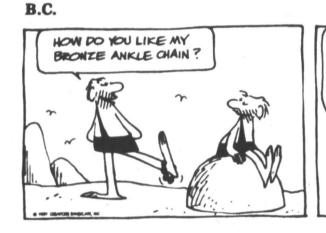
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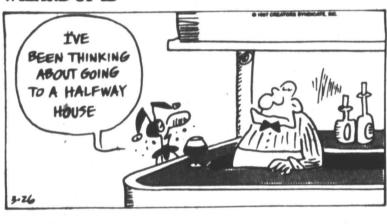
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On March 26, 1979, the Camp David peace treaty was signed by Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin and Egyptian President Anwar Sadat at the White House.

On this date:

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District of Louisiana. In 1827, composer Ludwig van Beethoven died in Vienna.

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In 1875, poet Robert Frost was born in San Francisco. In 1892, poet Walt Whitman

died in Camden, N.J. In 1937, a 6-foot-tall concrete

statue of the cartoon character Popeye was unveiled during the Second Annual Spinach Festival in Crystal City, Texas. In 1958, the U.S. Army

launched America's third successful satellite, Explorer 3. In 1964, the musical play "Funny Girl" opened on

Broadway. In 1971, East Pakistan pro-claimed its independence, tak-

ing the name Bangladesh. In 1982, groundbreaking cere-

monies took place in Washington, D.C., for the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

Ten years ago: Jessica Hahn, the former church secretary who admitted to a sexual encounter with former PTL head Jim Bakker, told reporters she had not tried to blackmail Bakker, and expressed concern about "innocent bystanders who have been hurt" by the scandal.

Five years ago: A judge in Indianapolis sentenced former heavyweight boxing champion Mike Tyson to six years in prison for raping a Miss Black America contestant.

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One year ago: Amid public fears of mad cow disease, British farmers demanded their government order the destruction of old cattle, but Prime Minister John Major refused, and blamed the crisis on his political opponents. Former senator and Secretary of State Edmund Muskie died in Washington, D.C., two days shy of his 82nd birthday.

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