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## 12th annual chamber Health Fair on horizon

By KELLIE JONES  
Features Editor

"Health on the Horizon" is the theme of the 12th annual Health Fair scheduled for Saturday at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. For the first time, a fun run will take place in conjunction with the fair at the Big Spring State Park.

This year's fair features 52 vendors who will provide information and screenings about how to stay healthy. Some of the screenings available will be sonogram, echocardiogram, cardiac risk assessment, spinal screening, cho-

lesterol, glucose, blood pressure, temperature, prostate cancer screening, ear screening, glaucoma and stress management.

Marcie Lykken, chairman of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce's health committee, said there is something for everyone at this year's fair. There are several programs scheduled throughout the day including a demonstration by the Spring City Senior Citizens Center line dancing team.

The corporate sponsors this year are VA Medical Center, Warren Chiropractic, Comanche Trail Nursing Center, Methodist Malone and Hogan

Clinic, Scenic Mountain Medical Center, Leonard's Pharmacy, Big Spring Speciality Clinic, Medical Care Plaza and Dr. John Farquhar with Family Medical Clinic.

Admission is free to the event at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. The fair is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Fun Run at the park Saturday is a fund raiser for the facility and features 5K and 10K runs and a 5K walk. The race starts at 8 a.m. with late registration beginning the day of the race at 6:30 a.m.

Registration is now taking place and you can contact Park Manager Ron

Alton or Cavan and Donna McMahon, event leaders, at 263-0211, 1-800-734-7641, 263-7641 or 263-4931.

The race beings at the upper pavilion and Alton said the race is challenging because of the steep terrain at the park. Awards include \$50 first place prize for overall male and female winners in the 10K and 5K runs. Medals for first, second and third place overall male and female will be given in all three races. Certificates will be given to all participants. Alton said there will be fruit and water stations along the trail and medical personnel on hand in case of emergencies.

The cost is \$5 to enter if you have a state park pass or \$8 if you don't have a pass. Corporate sponsors for the fun run include HEB, Norwest Bank, Saunders Company, Cat Construction, McMahon Concrete, Third Coast Water Company and Big Spring Area Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Alton said the recent phone bank fund raiser brought \$3,000 in new state park walking passes. Texas Conservation Passports and gift store items being sold. Also, \$2,500 in donations were raised, surpassing the expectations of those involved with the fund raiser.

## Green ribbons target sexual abuse

By JOHN A. MOSELEY  
News Editor

In keeping with Gov. George W. Bush's proclamation of April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month, Rape Crisis/Victim Services of Big Spring personnel and volunteers are taking part in a statewide campaign entitled "Strong Voices Confront Sexual Violence."

During the campaign, participants are distributing green ribbons as a symbol.

"The green ribbon is a symbol of our future without violence," explained Corky Mitchell, Rape Crisis/Victim Services' program coordinator. "We're asking the public to help make a better tomorrow today and show their support by wearing these ribbons as a reminder."

"Our focus is on remembering victims and advocates who have initiated the struggle against sexual violence and how we must honor and affirm their legacy."

Mitchell said that as part of the Texas Association Against Sexual Assault (TAASA), Rape Crisis/Victim Services has joined in the effort to stress non-violence and sexual assault programs.

"There's an extensive need for local involvement to assist in our efforts to reduce sexual assault within the community," Mitchell added. "Rape Crisis/Victim Services served 75 primary survivors of sexual assault and 100 secondary survivors in 1996."

"And as of April 1 of this year, we've already served 10 survivors and 19 secondary survivors locally," he added, noting that those statistics do



HERALD photo/Jonathan Garrett

Rape Crisis/Victim Services' Corky Mitchell gives Dene Sheppard a green ribbon to promote Sexual Assault Awareness Month during the Chamber of Commerce's Welcome Home to Big Spring reception.

not include other forms of violent crime and domestic violence. "Unreported cases of sexual assault is also a big area of concern for us. We need to increase the community's knowledge of the services and assistance that is available."

Mitchell said that education is one element needed to help

eliminate sexual assault.

"People need to be aware that one violent crime occurs every 18 seconds in America," he added. "That one murder is committed every 24 minutes and that a woman is battered every 15 seconds. And 1.3 adult women are raped every minute in this country."

"That's not acceptable to most people, but it's a fact we have to confront," he added. "Education is one element in eliminating sexual assault and research suggests that prevention programs ... getting that information out to the public increases the likelihood of a victim reporting an assault."

## Taxing entities reach unanimity on prison unit

By STEVE REAGAN  
Staff Writer

Howard County's taxing entities declared near unanimous support for a deal between the city of Big Spring and Cornell Corrections for the construction of a new 500-bed prison unit.

Members from the different entities met Tuesday afternoon at city council chambers to hear details of the proposal from City Manager Gary Fuqua and Cornell representative Johnny Rutherford.

The meeting was called after Commissioner Bill Crooker and other individuals expressed concern over the deal, specifically the city's plan to allow Cornell to operate the prison without paying property taxes over the 30-year life of the lease.

Once the meeting began, however, it became clear that Crooker's concerns were in the minority, as representatives from the city, Big Spring ISD, Howard College, Moore Development for Big Spring and even Crooker's commissioners court colleagues signed off on the deal.

Rutherford said construction of the \$14 million facility will be completed in early 1998. Cornell plans to hire about 100 people at the site, he added.

Fuqua, speaking to a crowd of almost 50 people, explained that the facility will be almost cost-free to local taxpayers. The only expense the city will incur is an up-front payment of \$55,000 to

Cornell, which will be repaid with 6 percent interest over the first 10 months of the lease.

The \$55,000 will be used to purchase 60.5 acres just south of the city airpark. Thirty acres of that plot will be leased to Cornell at \$18,000 a year for 30 years. Cornell holds options to lease the land for up to 20 more years after that.

"Because the city will own the facility, contracting management out to Cornell and will hold most of the liability for its operation, Fuqua and city leaders consider the operation to be tax exempt and not subject to tax abatement."

The city manager also explained that the deal is not without precedent in this area. Moore Development and the local Industrial Board pledged almost \$3 million to the city's unsuccessful push for a state prison facility in 1992. Fuqua added that if that deal had succeeded, the entities would not have realized any property tax revenue, either.

"If that deal was good for the city in 1992, this one is even better," Fuqua said.

Also, the deal will not be without tax expense for Cornell. Any equipment used within the facility will be subject to personal property tax. Other, indirect tax revenue, such as employees' purchases of homes, also will add money to area coffers, Fuqua said.

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## Council OKs first reading on deal

By STEVE REAGAN  
Staff Writer

It may have been the shortest Big Spring City Council meeting ever.

The council sped through a specially called meeting Tuesday, quickly giving their approval to four measures.

The main attraction Tuesday was first reading of a resolution approving an agreement with Cornell Corrections for the construction and management of a prison south of the airpark.

The \$14 million project, which will house 500 prisoners at peak occupancy, will provide an additional 100 jobs to the Big



FUQUA

Spring area. But Mayor Tim Blackshear said other, less obvious economic benefits will be realized as well.

"I think it's an all-around good economic package," Blackshear said. "There will be some large construction ... and even though that will be short term, it will be an economic boon for the area."

"And we will see some new

folks moving into town, renting homes, buying homes, all the factors new people bring," he said.

The council also approved the purchase of 60.5 acres of land adjacent to the airpark to be used by Cornell for the prison.

The city will pay \$55,000 for the land. That money will be repaid by Cornell— with 6 percent interest — within four years.

A second and final reading on the agreement will be held during the council's April 22 meeting.

In other business, council members:

• Approved second reading of

an application for \$345,000 in state grant money to finance a pipeline replacement program. If the money is received from the state, it will be used to replace water lines in southern Jones Valley.

• Approved second reading of an application for a \$50,000 state grant which would be used to construct a computerized mapping program for city utilities.

"One of the biggest problems with repairing water lines is finding the right valves to shut off," City Manager Gary Fuqua said. "Now, we have to manually find them, but with the computer program, we can find them much more quickly."

## BSISD candidates forum scheduled for April 22

HERALD Staff Report

A forum featuring candidates running for seats on the Big Spring Independent School District Board of Trustees has been scheduled for April 22 at St. Paul Lutheran Church by the local chapter of Concerned Women for America.

Scheduled for a 7 p.m. start, the forum will be moderated by the Rev. Carroll Kohl, according to Suzanne Haney, a spokes-

woman for the Big Spring Concerned Women of America chapter.

Haney said the forum's format calls for the candidates to be presented with a number of prepared questions before fielding questions from the audience.

Three school board seats will be decided during the May 3 election — an at-large position currently held by Steve Fraser, the District 2 seat held by Larry

## Local authorities seek purse snatching suspect

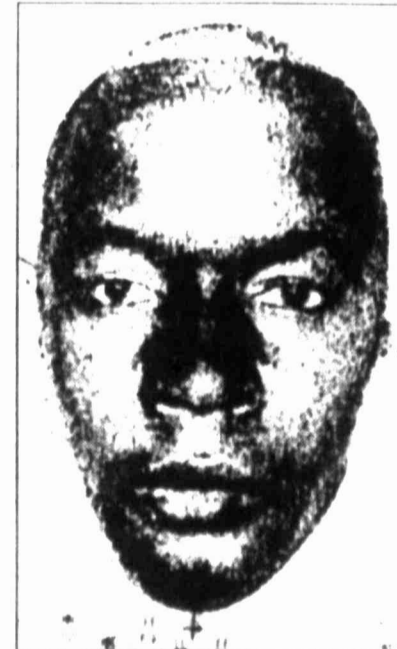
By KELLIE JONES  
Features Editor

Authorities have released a composite sketch of a man they believe responsible for two purse snatchings Monday and Tuesday. The most recent incident happened around 6 p.m. Tuesday at the parking lot of the Big Spring Mall.

Bealls Department Store employee Judy Castro was walking out to the parking lot to her car when a black male ran up to her and snatched her purse. Police Capt. Lonnie Smith said Castro followed the robber around the back of the mall and chased him for a short distance. She then went back inside and called 911. The suspect then drove away in an older model beige vehicle.

He's described as being in his early 20s, five foot, seven inches tall and weighing 125 pounds. He does not have any facial hair and he wears his hair short. The suspect was last seen wearing a navy blue t-shirt, black shorts and white tennis shoes.

The suspect is also reported by the man who drove the getaway car after a robbery at Cosden Employees Federal Credit Union Monday. William Franks, 24, was arrested in connection with that robbery after he stole a purse of an



elderly woman who was entering the bank that morning. Franks then got into a car and the two suspects fled the scene. Franks was later spotted by a police officer and was apprehended in the 1000 block of Baylor after a foot pursuit. He was charged with robbery, evading arrest and criminal trespassing.

If anyone has information about the suspect involved in the two robberies, they are asked to call the police department at 264-2550, the sheriff's department at 264-2244 or CrimeStoppers at 263-TIPS.

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### TODAY'S WEATHER

75 ▲ Highs 48  
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Today: Partly cloudy with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms tonight. High in the mid 70s. Low in the upper 40s.

Thursday: Mostly cloudy. High in the lower 80s. Low in the upper 40s.  
Extended outlook: Friday through Sunday, partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 70s to the mid 80s. Lows in the upper 40s to the lower 50s.

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**Sexual harassment task force to visit Lackland AFB**

SAN ANTONIO — Three members of Congress will bring their task force investigating sexual harassment problems in the Air Force to Lackland Air Force Base.

Officials said Tuesday the lawmakers will interview commanders, senior enlisted members, training instructors and recruits at Lackland, the Air Force's sole site for basic training.

The visit to the San Antonio base and other military training centers is part of an investigation by the House Committee on National Security into allegations of sexual and investigative misconduct in the military.

The investigation's initial effort will involve visits to major training centers of each military service.

Other facilities to be visited are the Navy's Great Lakes Training Center in Illinois and one of the Marine Corps' recruit depots at Parris Island, S.C., or San Diego, Calif.

**Former death row inmate to be freed in cop killing case**

HOUSTON — Former death row inmate Ricardo Aldape Guerra will return to Mexico right after he is released by prison and immigration officials, his lawyers say.

Prosecutors on Tuesday dropped their case against Aldape Guerra in the 1982 shooting death of Houston police officer James Harris. The dismissal came after a judge said key witness testimony could not be used in a retrial.

Aldape Guerra, who once came within three days of execution, was expected to be freed sometime today from the Harris County Jail.

Aldape Guerra became tearful when he learned the capital murder charge had been dismissed, said his attorney Scott Atlas. "He said after 15 years, he wasn't really sure how to feel, that he was a different man than when he entered the jail 15 years ago," Atlas said.

**Hate crimes bill moves out of Senate committee**

AUSTIN — With constitutional questions persisting about whether the Texas hate crimes law is too vague, a bill aimed at tightening the statute has been approved by the Senate Criminal Justice Committee.

"The experts I've talked to are right," Sen. Rodney Ellis, D-Houston, the bill sponsor, said Tuesday. "There is a problem because the language is very vague. I think we need to tighten it up. This bill specifies the categories of hate crimes."

Under Ellis' bill, a hate crime would constitute criminal action against a person or property "because of race, color, religion, age, gender, national origin or ancestry or perceived sexual orientation."

Sen. Jerry Patterson, R-Pasadena, amended the bill in committee to include age, gender and the word "perceived" in front of sexual orientation.

**Senate committee approves bill against grave-robbing**

AUSTIN — Grave-robbing of ancient Indian burial grounds in Texas has become a profitable black-market business, according to testimony given to senators.

Under a bill approved Tuesday by the Senate Criminal Justice Committee, penalties would be increased for disturbing an unmarked burial ground.

The measure, by Sen. Gonzalo Barrientos, D-Austin, would make it a third-degree felony — punishable by up to 10 years in jail and a fine up to \$10,000 — to take objects from burial sites.

"I know that sounds a bit severe, but we have a small group of grave-robbing, human-remains poachers who know exactly what they are doing," Barrientos said.

The bill provides misdemeanor penalties for someone who intentionally disturbs an unmarked burial site and for someone who unintentionally disturbs such a site and then fails to notify proper authorities.

**FBI lab errors may damage key cases**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Criminal defense lawyers say inaccurate testimony and flawed scientific work by FBI crime lab agents criticized in a Justice Department report could taint thousands of past and pending prosecutions.

But Justice Department officials argue the lab's problems have not changed the outcome of any of 13 cases in which defense lawyers already have brought up the errors in court. And officials say a far smaller number of cases still face evaluation.

After an 18-month investigation, Justice Department Inspector General Michael Bromwich criticized the world-renowned lab's work in some minor and major cases, including the Oklahoma City bombing and New York's World Trade Center bombing.

Assisted by five outside scientists, Bromwich's investigators studied allegations against three of the lab's 23 units: explosives, materials analysis and chemistry-toxicology. Bromwich said his criticisms "should not be imputed to other units."

But Judy Clarke, a federal public defender in Spokane, Wash., who is president of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, disagreed.

"The prevailing culture of the lab — examiners not properly performing or documenting tests; preparing inaccurate reports, testifying about matters beyond their expertise and much more — suggests that thousands of prosecutions may have been tainted," Clarke said. Stephen Kohn, attorney for FBI whistle-blower Frederic

Whitehurst, whose allegations triggered the investigation, agreed with Clarke.

"There are thousands of cases implicated," Kohn said, pointing out that one agent criticized for inaccurate testimony worked on 4,000 cases and another faulted for sloppy work was involved in 600 cases. "All those cases have to get looked at."

The FBI's deputy general counsel, James Maddock, said, "There are approximately nine individuals whose past cases we're reviewing. I expect the number will total several hundred."

Justice officials said 500 cases already have been reviewed. Attorney General Janet Reno said only 55 of those cases contained problems that might tend to exonerate defendants.

The findings were shipped to

federal and state prosecutors who decided that in only 25 of the cases were the problems serious enough to turn them over to defense attorneys.

Maddock said in all 13 cases in which defense attorneys have raised the problems so far, the government either obtained guilty verdicts on at least some of its charges or was able to defeat a motion for a new trial.

Kohn said this review of past cases must be opened to defense attorneys.

Clarke's group is waging a court fight here to gain access to Bromwich's draft report and other data.

"What has been ignored, covered up or covered over?" Clarke asked. "How can possibly innocent Americans, wrongfully convicted, identify their particular case from the limited scope of this review?"

**State would tighten reins on private prisons**

AUSTIN (AP) — Last August, law enforcement officials were shocked to learn that two Oregon sex offenders had escaped from a private jail in Houston.

Officials were unaware until the escape that the facility, originally housing Immigration and Naturalization Service detainees, was holding some 200 convicted sex offenders from Oregon.

Under a bill approved Tuesday by the Senate Criminal Justice Committee, private jails holding out-of-state prisoners would be regulated by the state

for the first time. The private jails or the state sending prisoners to Texas also could be required to pay any costs associated with tracking down an out-of-state escapee under the bill by Sen. J.E. "Buster" Brown.

The measure was approved 60 by the committee and sent to the full Senate for consideration.

"This bill will provide that private facilities accepting prisoners from outside the state must follow state regulations and guidelines to assure the safety of Texas citizens," said

Brown, R-Lake Jackson. "Frankly, I am amazed that this loophole existed in the first place."

Under the bill, a private jail would have to contract with the county or municipality in which it was located, and the county or municipality would then contract with the state sending in prisoners.

Private jails with out-of-state prisoners would be regulated by the Texas Commission on Jail Standards.

The commission would be authorized to screen inmates by reviewing their records relating

to conduct and health, including tuberculosis testing, and any history of institutional violence.

A private jail could only house violent offenders if the commission determined it was equipped to do so.

The commission would also be authorized to conduct unannounced compliance inspections at private jails.

No one representing private jails testified to the committee about the bill. Officials with three companies that operate private jails in Texas couldn't be reached late Tuesday.

**Committee vote on tax cuts scheduled today**

AUSTIN (AP) — After more than seven weeks of work, a House committee scheduled a vote today on a plan to cut local school property taxes by about \$2.5 billion a year.

The committee worked late Tuesday making final changes to the proposal. It would cut local residential school property taxes in half and would cut local business school property taxes by roughly one-third. The business property tax would be administered by the state.

Rep. Paul Sadler, D-Henderson, chairman of the committee, said chances were

good that the bill will get a unanimous vote from the 11-member committee.

Eight of the members head other committees including the powerful Appropriations, Calendars and Ways and Means committees. Support from all 11 members could carry much support on the House floor.

With less than 50 days left in the legislative session, the bill must pass the House and Senate and could face a conference committee to work out differences between the two chambers before going to Gov. George W. Bush. An accompa-

nying constitutional amendment would go to voters in November.

The governor, who raised the issue of cutting local school property taxes, has said he is confident lawmakers can beat the clock.

"It will get done," he said last week.

To pay for the proposed cuts, the committee plan would expand the state business tax, increase some taxes and add to the list of goods and services subject to the state sales tax. It also would dedicate an additional \$1 billion in state funds and

lottery proceeds to schools.

The proposal contains a provision meant to ensure that renters benefit from the property tax cuts. It also would require local governments that added their sales taxes to the newly taxable goods and service to further lower property tax cuts or to ask voters for permission to spend the new revenue on special projects, which could include a sports stadium in Houston.

Under the proposal, the state would pay about 80 percent of the cost of running Texas' 1,044 school districts.

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Quote of the Day

"Caricature is rough truth."

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OUR VIEWS

Clean-up time offers chance to aid others

Springtime offers a chance for rebirth. Flora that has lain dormant throughout the winter months suddenly springs to life — and that, unfortunately, also includes the weeds.

Springtime in West Texas also means that the wind is going to blow. It is a fact of life with which we have all become accustomed.

The combination of spring growth and blowing winds allows for the opportunity for our community to take on a more ragged and tattered appearance if we allow it.

Our friend and across-the-street neighbor Polly St. Clair has spent many, many hours working hard to beautify our community through Proud Citizens of Big Spring.

But Polly has been under the weather for a while and hasn't been able to keep reminding us of the things we need to do on a regular basis — like putting trash in trash receptacles and keeping our lots mowed and clean.

We noticed a couple of weeks ago that David Wrinkle, owner/manager of KBST, had his mower out and was helping his neighbor by cutting the grass on the Proud Citizens property.

Well, David's actions reminded us of the Golden Rule's admonition to "Do unto others ..." so we asked Herald employee Mike Vega to go over and help David out. And in so doing, they both offered Polly a bit of help as well.

Please take the time to maintain your own property while realizing that your neighbor might not be in a position to do the same — and offer your assistance.

As Polly has always told us, together we can clean up our community!



Tiger Woods is no social panacea

WASHINGTON — Spend three weeks recovering from a knee replacement and someone will tell you that the world has changed profoundly while you were snoozing.

They will tell you that a charming 21-year-old golfer of African-Thai-Chinese-American Indian-European descent has changed not only that sport but American race relations forever.

They link Tiger Woods' triumph in The Masters to Jackie Robinson's breakthrough in baseball 50 years ago and say that we surely have found a formula for closing what President Clinton calls "the racial divide."

Well, there we Americans go again — looking for some cost-free panacea to our most debili-

tating social problems.

How wonderful if Tiger Woods could relieve the White House, the Congress, and the churches of obligations they have never been willing or able to meet!

The case can be made that golf will never be the same after the arrival of Tiger Woods' genius, just as baseball is a profoundly different sport from the one played before Branch Rickey and the Brooklyn Dodgers gave Robinson a chance to show his skills. But a stronger case can be made that while a few young gladiators will get rich along with some sports tycoons and makers of athletic equipment, the social fabric of America will not be changed greatly by any single athlete, or any group of sports stars.

Baseball is the promised land for only a very few talented youngsters of any race, and the same can be said for basketball, football and other professional sports. A youngster is still more likely to win 20 state lotteries than to become the hero of a Super Bowl or a World Series.

Golf offers minority youngsters the least hope because it is so much a high-cost sport whose "minor leagues" are the country clubs to which so many minority kids lack access.

Thousands of youngsters of color may now seek to emulate Tiger Woods in golf, but only a fool should expect the country clubs to fling their doors open as membership committees cry, "Come all ye Tiger Woodses!" Furthermore, professional golf is not a team sport in which a lot of other players automatically profit because Tiger Woods excels. So the profit motive that propelled teams and owners to bring large percentages of blacks and Hispanics into baseball, football and basketball does not exist in golf.

In all instances, we Americans have rushed to overstate the societal impact of diminishing racism in sports. Jackie Robinson would surely be among the first to say that despite the high percentage of black and brown faces now seen on baseball diamonds, the overall hopes and dreams of

minority youngsters have barely been enhanced.

Robinson would agree with President Clinton that racism remains a terrible curse on this society, and that nothing in sight suggests that that curse will soon vanish.

I propped up my healing knee this past weekend and watched Tiger Woods with great joy, but I did not pretend that he is in any way the answer to the problems of America's great and troubled underclass. Only massive programs in education and of job opportunity for youngsters who never have known them can produce the America that so many commentators have in mind as they extol Woods' historic feat.

Healing that "racial divide" is going to require a lot of person-to-person, group-to-group struggles, and many common sacrifices that will require more of all of us than just a weekend celebration of one marvelous kid's exploits on a golf course in Georgia.

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An invitation to plunder 'The Silver Box'

It is a gift box that long ago was lovely. Now its silver lid is split at two of four corners, and time has dimmed the cardboard luster. A rubber band holds it together.

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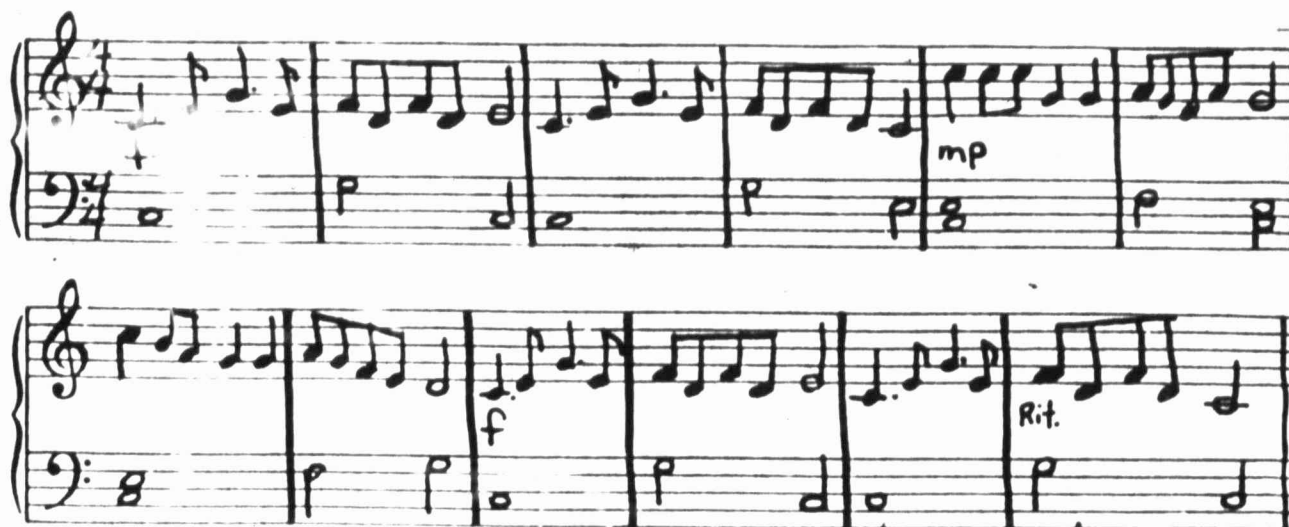
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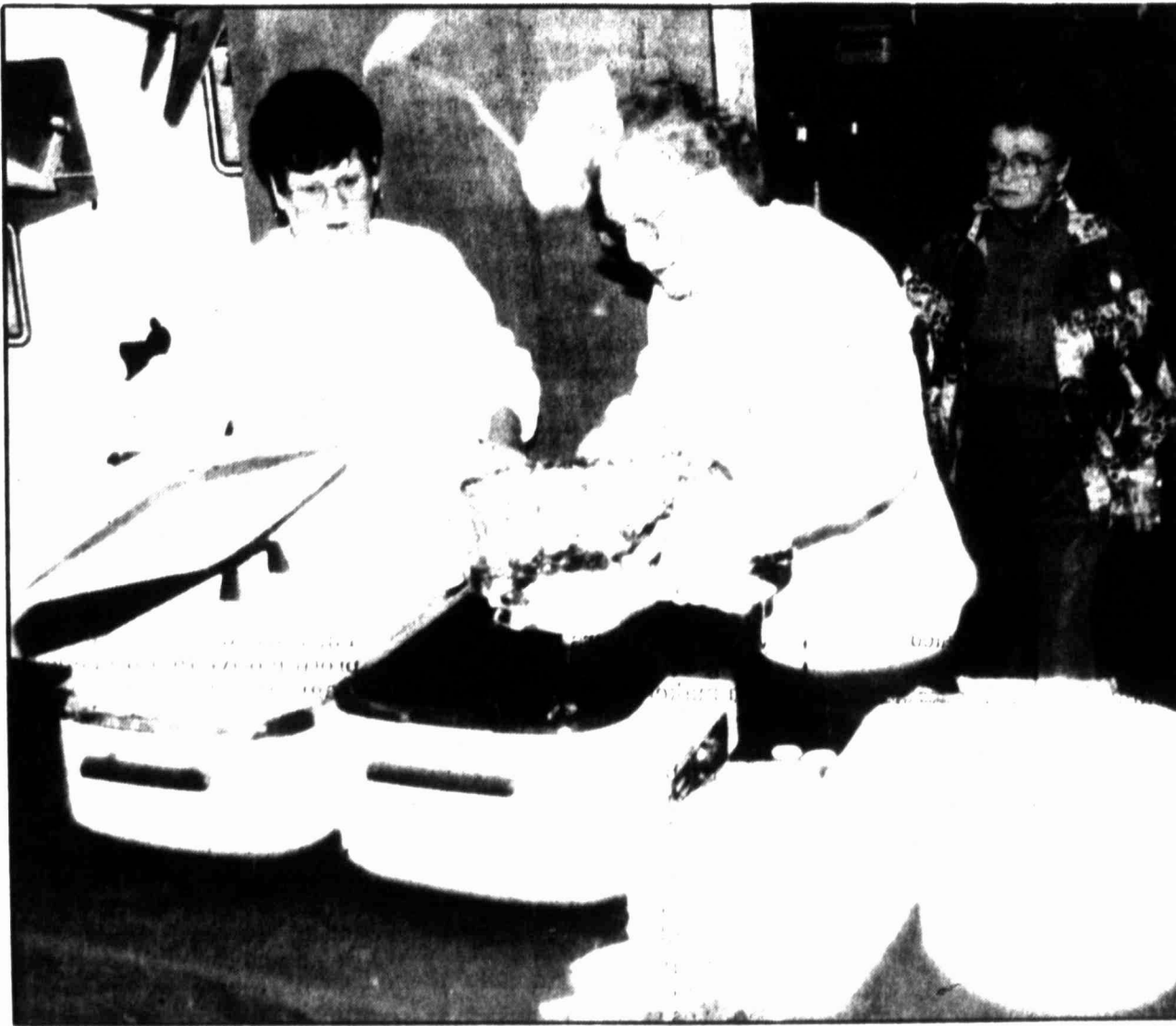
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Members of the American Legion Ladies Auxiliary prepare to serve some barbecue at their fund raiser last Saturday. The money raised at the barbecue go to a children's fund and a veteran's fund.

## Ask Betty

### Betty

Dear Betty,  
Check this out: I've qualified for this year's Boston Marathon, my first major event since I began racing in my wheelchair ten years ago. Like most other entrants, I'll be loading up on carbohydrate the night before and was wondering if you knew of a particularly carbo-rich dessert.

Nashua, NH

I was so intrigued by your letter that I called Patricia Sheppard, the Associate Director of Wheelchair Sports USA, who told me that you will be keeping fast company with about 100 other wheelchair athletes along the 26.5 mile route. All marathoners, whether in wheelchairs or in running shoes, often "carbo load" before an event because complex carbohydrate, stored in the liver and muscle as glycogen, provides the fuel which muscles burn for energy. Pasta and bread are good sources, as is this carbo-rich dessert.

Next Week:  
MULTI VITAMINS

**WHOLE WHEAT BREAD PUDDING**  
2 cups skim milk  
2 tablespoons stick margarine  
1 large egg, slightly beaten  
2 egg whites, slightly beaten  
1/2 cup sugar  
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon or nutmeg  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
6 cups dry whole wheat bread cubes (eight slices bread)  
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Betty Crocker

## 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 Gollad. 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.
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- 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). For more information call 398-5522 or 399-4369.

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

• 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.

• 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.

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### THURSDAY

• Salvation Army drug education program, sponsored by Permian Basin Regional Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, 7 p.m., Salvation Army building, 308 Aylford.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.

• A.D.D.A.P.T. non-profit support and learning organization about attention deficit disorder, learning disorders and dyslexia. Meets second Thursday of 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 Depression meets every Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Rehab Center, Third and Lancaster.

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## TIPS 'N' TRIVIA

### Hard water problems

(NAPS) - Tips to prevent hard water from giving you a hard time:

For spotted dishes:

- Wash dishes in hot water for best results. Water entering the dishwasher should be at least 120 degrees.
- Use only detergents labeled for use in automatic dishwashers.
- Most dishwasher manufacturers recommend using a rinse agent such as Jet-Dry in the dishwasher to eliminate rinse water residue, reduce water spotting and improve drying. Be sure to replenish it once a month.

Kitchen and bathrooms:

- Using specifically formulated cleaning products can cut cleaning time in half.
- Products such as Lime-A-Way combat hard water stains. Clean soap and hard water scum from your wash basin, toilet and tub with Lime-A-Way products.

For laundry:

- Pretreat a stain before it is dried or set to increase your chances of removing it.
- To help solve problem of dull and dingy laundry, use Calgon Water Softener with your regular detergents and bleaches.



## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

### Lady Steers Booster meeting

The Lady Steers Booster Club meets Monday at 7 p.m. at the Big Spring High School library.

### BSISD candidates forum

A forum featuring candidates running for seats on the Big Spring Independent School District Board of Trustees has been scheduled for 7 p.m. April 22 at St. Paul Lutheran Church by the Big Spring chapter of Concerned Women for America.

The forum's moderator is Rev. Carroll Kohl. The forum's format calls for the candidates to be presented with a number of prepared questions before fielding questions from the audience.

## THE LAST WORD

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Publilius Syrus

As scarce as the truth is, the supply has always been in excess of the demand.  
Josh Billings

Until Eve arrived, this was a man's world.  
Richard Armour

It is better to be a coward for a minute than dead for the rest of your life.  
Irish proverb

Few great men could pass Personnel.  
Paul Goodman

EDITORIAL

Quote of the Day

"Caricature is rough truth."  
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OUR VIEWS

Clean-up time offers chance to aid others

Springtime offers a chance for rebirth. Flora that has lain dormant throughout the winter months suddenly springs to life — and that, unfortunately, also includes the weeds. Springtime in West Texas also means that the wind is going to blow. It is a fact of life with which we have all become accustomed. The combination of spring growth and blowing winds allows for the opportunity for our community to take on a more ragged and tattered appearance if we allow it. Our friend and across-the-street neighbor Polly St. Clair has spent many, many hours working hard to beautify our community through Proud Citizens of Big Spring. But Polly has been under the weather for a while and hasn't been able to keep reminding us of the things we need to do on a regular basis — like putting trash in trash receptacles and keeping our lots mowed and clean. We noticed a couple of weeks ago that David Wrinkle, owner/manager of KBST, had his mower out and was helping his neighbor by cutting the grass on the Proud Citizens property. Well, David's actions reminded us of the Golden Rule's admonition to "Do unto others ..." so we asked Herald employee Mike Vega to go over and help David out. And in so doing, they both offered Polly a bit of help as well. Please take the time to maintain your own property while realizing that your neighbor might not be in a position to do the same — and offer your assistance. As Polly has always told us, together we can clean up our community!

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tating social problems. How wonderful if Tiger Woods could relieve the White House, the Congress, and the churches of obligations they have never been willing or able to meet! The case can be made that golf will never be the same after the arrival of Tiger Woods' genius, just as baseball is a profoundly different sport from the one played before Branch Rickey and the Brooklyn Dodgers gave Robinson a chance to show his skills. But a stronger case can be made that while a few young gladiators will get rich along with some sports tycoons and makers of athletic equipment, the social fabric of America will not be changed greatly by any single athlete, or any group of sports stars. Baseball is the promised land for only a very few talented youngsters of any race, and the same can be said for basketball, football and other professional sports. A youngster is still more likely to win 20 state lotteries than to become the hero of a Super Bowl or a World Series.

Golf offers minority youngsters the least hope because it is so much a high-cost sport whose "minor leagues" are the country clubs to which so many minority kids lack access. Thousands of youngsters of color may now seek to emulate Tiger Woods in golf, but only a fool should expect the country clubs to fling their doors open as membership committees cry, "Come all ye Tiger Woodses!" Furthermore, professional golf is not a team sport in which a lot of other players automatically profit because Tiger Woods excels. So the profit motive that propelled teams and owners to bring large percentages of blacks and Hispanics into baseball, football and basketball does not exist in golf. In all instances, we Americans have rushed to overstate the societal impact of diminishing racism in sports. Jackie Robinson would surely be among the first to say that despite the high percentage of black and brown faces now seen on baseball diamonds, the overall hopes and dreams of

minority youngsters have barely been enhanced. Robinson would agree with President Clinton that racism remains a terrible curse on this society, and that nothing in sight suggests that that curse will soon vanish. I propped up my healing knee this past weekend and watched Tiger Woods with great joy, but I did not pretend that he is in any way the answer to the problems of America's great and troubled underclass. Only massive programs in education and of job opportunity for youngsters who never have known them can produce the America that so many commentators have in mind as they extol Woods' historic feat. Healing that "racial divide" is going to require a lot of person-to-person, group-to-group struggles, and many common sacrifices that will require more of all of us than just a weekend celebration of one marvelous kid's exploits on a golf course in Georgia. © 1997 North America Syndicate, Inc. All Rights Reserved

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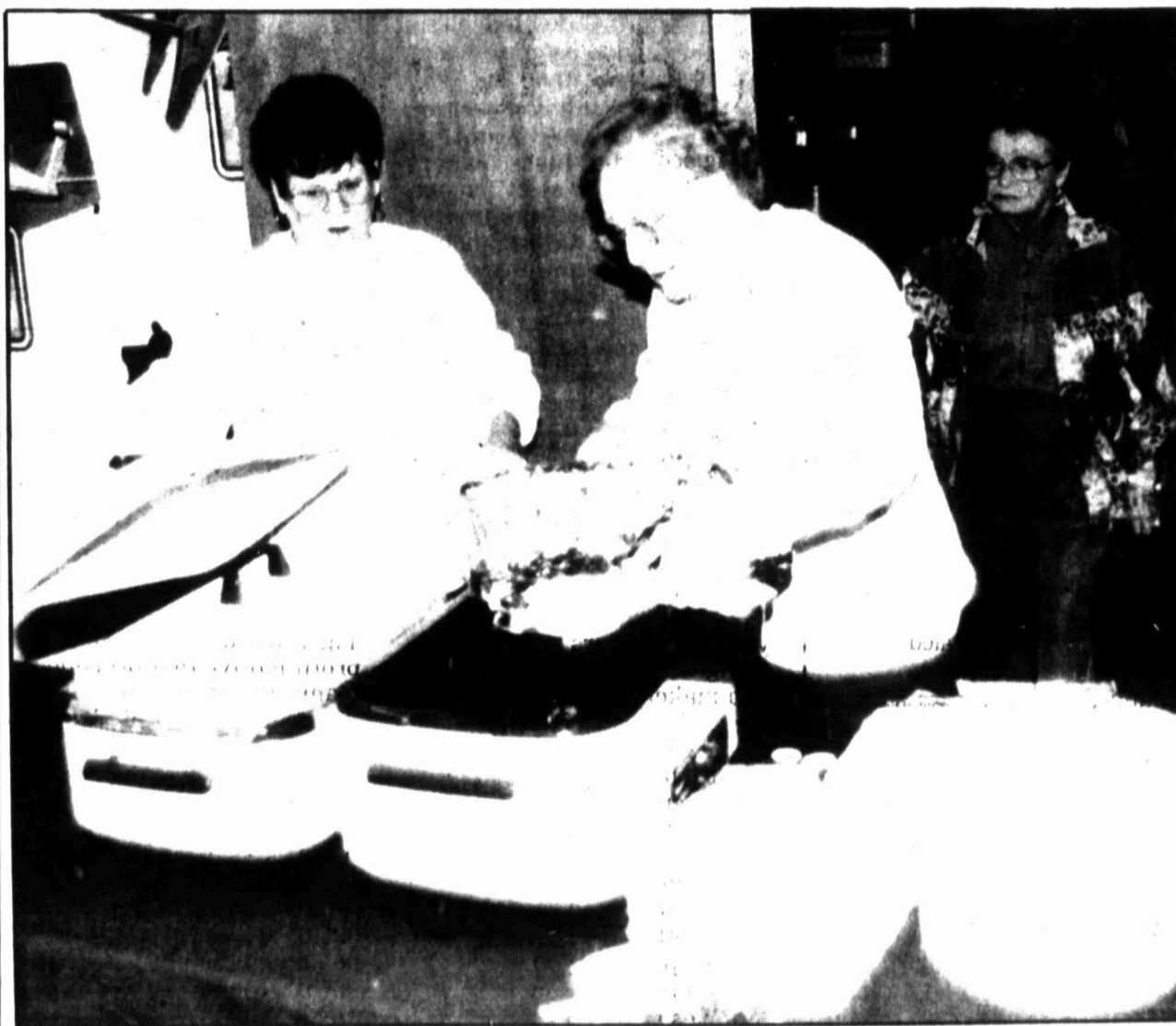
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## AMERICAN LEGION BARBECUE



HERALD photo/Jonathan Garrett

Members of the American Legion Ladies Auxiliary prepare to serve some barbecue at their fund raiser last Saturday. The money raised at the barbecue go to a children's fund and a veteran's fund.

## Ask Betty

### Betty



Dear Betty,  
Check this out: I've qualified for this year's Boston Marathon, my first major event since I began racing in my wheelchair ten years ago. Like most other entrants, I'll be loading up on carbohydrate the night before and was wondering if you knew of a particularly carbo-rich dessert.

Nashua, NH

I was so intrigued by your letter that I called Patricia Sheppard, the Associate Director of Wheelchair Sports USA, who told me that you will be keeping fast company with about 100 other wheelchair athletes, along the 26.5 mile route. All marathoners, whether in wheelchairs or in running shoes, often "carbo load" before an event because complex carbohydrate, stored in the liver and muscle as glycogen, provides the fuel which muscles burn for energy. Pasta and bread are good sources, as is this carbo-rich dessert:

- WHOLE WHEAT BREAD PUDDING**
- 2 cups skim milk
  - 2 tablespoons stick margarine
  - 1 large egg, slightly beaten
  - 2 egg whites, slightly beaten
  - 1/2 cup sugar
  - 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon or nutmeg
  - 1/4 teaspoon salt
  - 6 cups dry whole wheat bread cubes (eight slices bread)
  - 1/2 cup raisins, if desired
- Heat oven to 350°. Heat milk and margarine over medium heat until margarine is melted and milk is hot. Mix eggs, sugar, cinnamon and salt in 4-quart bowl. Stir in bread cubes and raisins. Stir in milk mixture. Pour into ungreased 1 1/2-quart casserole. Place casserole in pan on oven rack. Pour very hot water into pan until 1 inch deep. Bake uncovered 40 to 45 minutes or until knife inserted 1 inch from edge comes out clean. Serve warm and, if desired, with cream. 8 servings; 205 calories, 4.5 grams of fat and 36 grams of carbohydrate per serving. As carbo loads go, this one is tough to beat. As I hope you will be, too.

Next Week:  
MULTI-VITAMINS

Betty Crocker

## 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). For more information call 398-5522 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 Wason 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. 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, 308 Aylford.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.
- A.D.D.A.P.T. non-profit support and learning organization about attention deficit disorder, learning disorders and dyslexia. Meets second Thursday of 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 Depression meets every 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.

## TIPS 'N' TRIVIA

### Hard water problems

(NAPS) - Tips to prevent hard water from giving you a hard time:

For spotted dishes:

- Wash dishes in hot water for best results. Water entering the dishwasher should be at least 120 degrees.
- Use only detergents labeled for use in automatic dishwashers.
- Most dishwasher manufacturers recommend using a rinse agent such as Jet-Dry in the dishwasher to eliminate rinse water residue, reduce water spotting and improve drying. Be sure to replenish it once a month.

Kitchen and bathrooms:

- Using specifically formulated cleaning products can cut cleaning time in half.
- Products such as Lime-A-Way combat hard water stains. Clean soap and hard water scum from your wash basin, toilet and tub with Lime-A-Way products.

For laundry:

- Pretreat a stain before it is dried or set to increase your chances of removing it.
- To help solve problem of dull and dingy laundry, use Calgon Water Softener with your regular detergents and bleaches.



## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

### Lady Steers Booster meeting

The Lady Steers Booster Club meets Monday at 7 p.m. at the Big Spring High School library.

### BSISD candidates forum

A forum featuring candidates running for seats on the Big Spring Independent School District Board of Trustees has been scheduled for 7 p.m. April 22 at St. Paul Lutheran Church by the Big Spring chapter of Concerned Women for America.

The forum's moderator is Rev. Carroll Kohl. The forum's format calls for the candidates to be presented with a number of prepared questions before fielding questions from the audience.

## THE LAST WORD

A fair exterior is a silent recommendation.  
Publius Syrus

As scarce as the truth is, the supply has always been in excess of the demand.  
Josh Billings

Until Eve arrived, this was a man's world.  
Richard Armour

It is better to be a coward for a minute than dead for the rest of your life.  
Irish proverb

Few great men could pass Personnel.  
Paul Goodman

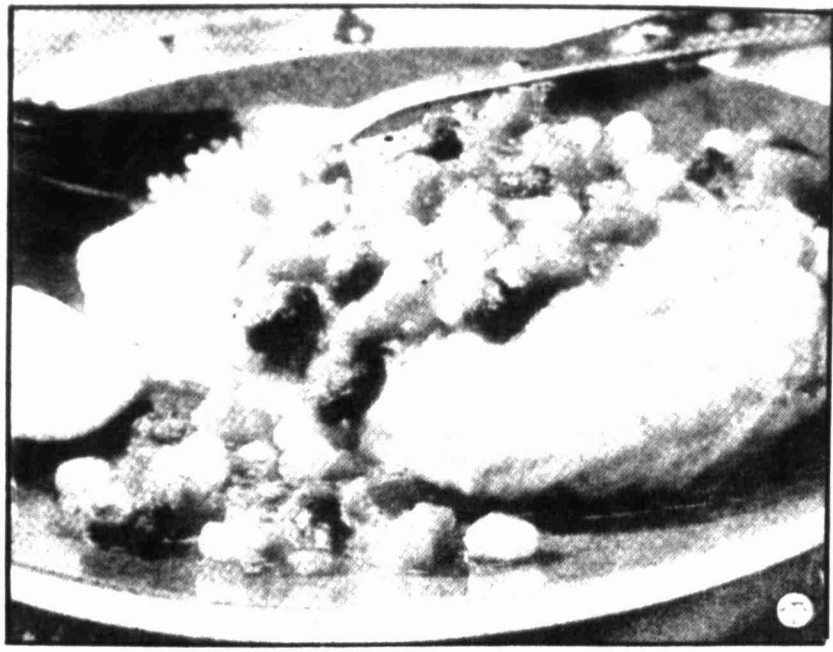
## Chicken with picante black bean sauce

Prep time: 10 minutes  
Cook time: 35 minutes

2 tsp. ground cumin  
1/2 tsp. garlic powder  
6 skinless, boneless chicken breast halves (about 1 1/2 pounds)  
1 T vegetable oil  
2/3 cup PACE Picante Sauce  
1/3 cup diced green or red pepper  
1 can (about 8 ounces) whole kernel corn, drained  
1 can (about 16 ounces) black beans, drained  
2 T chopped fresh cilantro

1. Mix 1 tsp. cumin and garlic powder. Sprinkle both sides of chicken with cumin mixture.  
2. In medium skillet over medium-high heat, heat oil. Add chicken in 2 batches and cook 10 minutes or until browned. Set chicken aside.  
3. Add picante sauce, remaining cumin, pepper, corn and beans. Heat to a boil. Return chicken to pan. Reduce heat to low. Cover and cook 10 minutes or until chicken is no longer pink. Sprinkle with cilantro. Serves six.

Editor's Note: This recipe is a 1992 "Pick Up the Pace" recipe



CHICKEN WITH PICANTE BLACK BEAN SAUCE

winner. This spicy dish is also highlighted in the new Pace "Family Recipe Round-Up 50th Anniversary Cookbook."

You can enter this year's contest by submitting original recipes that contain at least one half cup of Pace picante sauce.

The five categories are: 30-minute family favorite main dishes; side dishes; soups, stews and chili; appetizers; and sal-

ads. Entries must be postmarked by May 1. The grand prize is a trip for two to San Antonio or \$3,000 cash.

For a complete copy of contest rules, send your name and address and a self-addressed stamped envelope to: RULES; Foodsearch Plus, Inc.; 258 Florida Rd.; Ridgefield, Conn.; 06877.

## Dessert recipes from readers

### Bisquick Coconut Pie

4 eggs  
2 cups milk  
3/4 cup sugar, granulated - not fine granulated  
1 tsp. vanilla  
1/2 stick butter  
1/2 cup Bisquick  
1 cup coconut

Mix all ingredients together in blender. Pour in a 10" greased pie plate. Let set five minutes; sprinkle coconut over the top and bake at 350 degrees for 30 to 35 minutes. The Bisquick makes the crust.

By: Alyne Dodd

### German Coffee Cake

2 cups flour  
3/4 cup sugar  
1/4 tsp. nutmeg  
1/4 tsp. cinnamon  
1 tsp. salt  
2 eggs, unbeaten  
4 tps. baking powder

### Selling

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ness from others. Salesmanship is at the heart of your efforts to succeed as a home-based business. Some of the same characteristics that are used to describe entrepreneurs are used to describe good salespeople: energetic, motivated, persistent, knowledgeable of product, good communicator and problem solver.

With increasing competition for the consumer's dollar, home-based business owners should be on the alert for personal attitudes and habits that can affect their salesmanship. Paul and Sarah Edwards, authors of "Secrets of Self-Employment," suggest having a serious attitude is essential for being taken seriously as a home-based business owner.

A marginal business attitude hampers the owner's ability to sell him or herself as a viable business. Check the list below to determine if your business attitude may be marginal:

- Do you only work when you want to or not at all?
- Do you claim lack of money keeps you from being successful or doing what needs to be done to be successful?
- Do you charge too little for your products or services?
- Do you dislike being the sole owner of the business?
- Do you try to be everything to everyone?

If you answer yes to any of the above questions, right now might be the time to make the decision to take yourself and the business seriously. In other words, sell yourself first and foremost.

1/4 cup shortening  
1 cup milk

Sift dry ingredients, work in shortening with blender. Add eggs and milk, stirring until smooth. Pour into an 8x12-inch greased pan.

Cover cake batter with the following mixture:

1/4 cups shortening  
4 T flour  
1/8 tsp. salt  
1 cup brown sugar  
1/2 tsp. cinnamon

Blend ingredients with a fork, spread smoothly on top of cake batter. Sprinkle with 1 cup of coarsely chopped nuts. Bake 30 minutes in 350 degree oven.

Editor's Note: This recipe first appeared in the Big Spring Herald Nov. 11, 1962, as part of a supplement entitled "Tastes O' Texas."

This recipe was submitted by Mrs. V.L. Hamm.

### Myrtle's Do-Nothing Cake

2 cups flour  
2 cups sugar  
2 eggs  
1 tsp baking soda  
1 (15 oz) can crushed pineapple, drained  
1 tsp. vanilla  
1/2 cup vegetable oil

Beat everything together until smooth. Bake in 9x13x2 inch pan at 350 degrees for about 30 minutes. Pour on following frosting while cake is hot.

1 cup brown sugar  
1/4 cup margarine  
1/2 cup milk  
Coconut, optional  
Chopped nuts, optional  
Cook brown sugar, margarine and milk until syrupy. Add nuts and coconut if desired.  
By: Louise Sharp

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## More chicken recipes to try

### Roast Chicken with Rosemary and Garlic

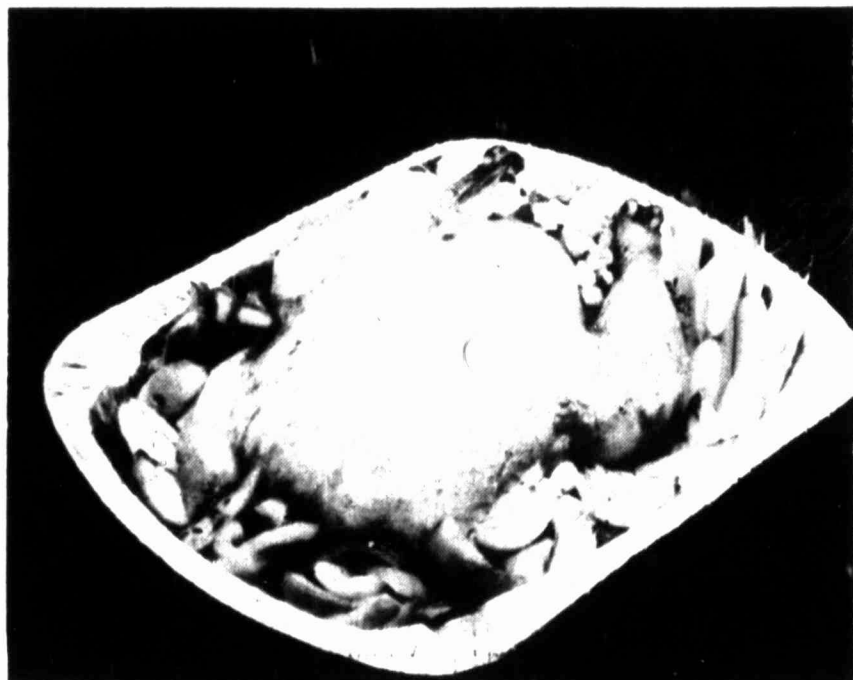
1 (3 1/2 pound) chicken, split lengthwise in half  
1 1/2 cups olive oil  
8 garlic cloves, flattened  
1/2 cup minced fresh parsley  
6 garlic cloves, pressed  
3 T chopped fresh rosemary or 1 T dried, crushed rosemary leaves  
2 1/2 T chopped fresh thyme or 2 tsp. dried crushed thyme leaves  
Coarse salt  
Coarsely ground pepper

Place chicken in an EZ Foil Roasting Pan. Pour oil over. Add 8 flattened garlic cloves and parsley to oil; turn chicken to coat.

Cover and refrigerate 24-36 hours, turning occasionally. Preheat oven to 450 degrees. Remove chicken from marinade.

Pour 1/3 cup marinade into large bowl (Discard remaining marinade). Mix 6 pressed garlic cloves, rosemary and thyme into marinade bowl. Return chicken to roasting pan.

Pour marinade over. Season with salt and pepper. Bake skin side up until cooked through,



ROAST CHICKEN WITH ROSEMARY AND GARLIC

about 50 minutes. Transfer to platter and serve. 2 servings.

1/2 cup melted butter or oleo

### Pecan Chicken Oven Fried

1 cup prepared biscuit mix  
1/2 tsp. salt  
1/2 tsp. poultry seasoning  
3/4 cups finely chopped pecans  
1 fryer cut in serving pieces  
1/2 cup evaporated milk

Combine first four ingredients. Dip chicken in milk, then coat with dry mixture.

Place in a lightly buttered 13x9x2 baking pan - pour melted butter over the chicken, lowering every piece. Bake at 350 degrees until fork tender (about one hour).

By: Alyne Dodd

### Banana Orange Smoothie

1 cup skim milk  
1/2 cup orange juice  
1/2 cup vanilla nonfat or low fat yogurt  
1/4 cup Kretschmer wheat germ  
1 medium-size ripe banana, peeled and sliced\*  
2 T honey  
1/4 tsp ground cinnamon  
Place all ingredients in blender container, cover. Blend on high speed about 1 minute until smooth. Sprinkle with additional wheat germ before serving, if desired.

2 Servings  
\*For a thicker shake, cover and freeze banana slices overnight.

Nutrition Information (per serving): Calories 280, Total Fat 2 g, Saturated Fat 0g, Cholesterol less than 5mg, Sodium 100 mg, Dietary Fiber 3g.



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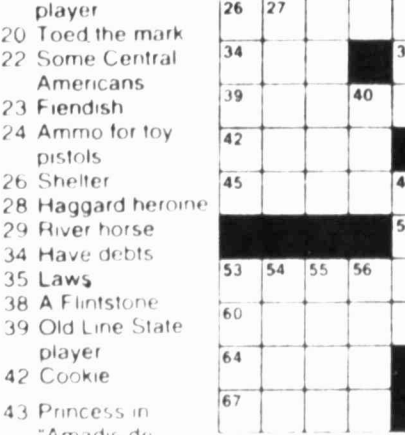
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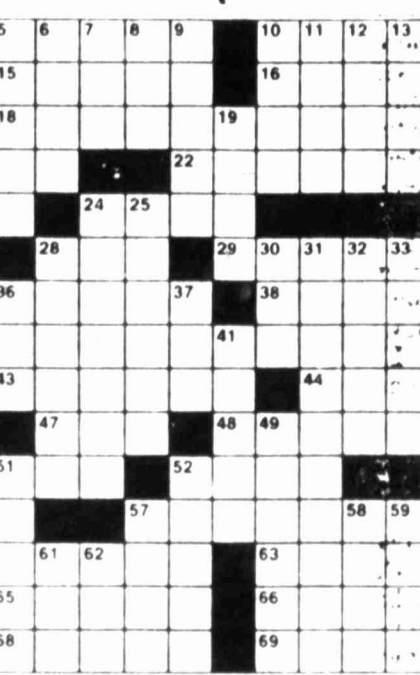
Today's Highlight in History: On April 15, 1947, Jackie Robinson, modern baseball's first black major-league player, made his official debut with the Brooklyn Dodgers on opening day. (The Dodgers defeated the Boston Braves, 5-3.)

In 1817, the first American school for the deaf opened in Hartford, Conn. In 1850, the city of San Francisco was incorporated. In 1861, three days after the attack on Fort Sumter, S.C., President Lincoln declared a state of insurrection and called out Union troops. In 1865, President Lincoln died, several hours after he was shot at Ford's Theater in Washington by John Wilkes Booth. Andrew Johnson became the nation's 17th president. In 1912, the British luxury liner Titanic sank in the North Atlantic off Newfoundland, less than three hours after striking an iceberg. About 1,500 people died. In 1945, during World War II, British and Canadian troops liberated the Nazi concentration camp Bergen-Belsen. In 1959, Cuban leader Fidel Castro arrived in Washington, D.C., to begin a goodwill tour of the United States. In 1986, the United States launched an air raid against Libya in response to the bombing of a discotheque in Berlin on April 5. Libya says 47 people, mostly civilians, were killed. In 1989, 95 people died in a crush of soccer fans at Hillsborough Stadium in Sheffield, England. In 1990, actress Greta Garbo died in New York at age 84. Ten years ago, a jury in Northampton, Mass., found Amy Carter, Abbie Hoffman and 13 other protesters innocent of charges stemming from a demonstration against CIA recruiters at the University of Massachusetts. Five years ago, Russia's deeply divided Congress of People's Deputies formally endorsed President Boris Yeltsin's economic reforms. Countries barred Libyan jets from their airspace and ordered diplomats to go home because of Libya's refusal to turn over suspects in the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103. Hotel magnate Leona Helmsley began serving a prison sentence for tax evasion (she was released from prison after 18 months). One year ago, President Clinton began a week-long, round-the-world trip, heading for a three-day visit to Japan after a brief stopover in Cheju, South Korea. Funeral services were held in Pescadero, Calif., for Jessica Dubroff, the 7-year-old girl who died trying to become the youngest person to fly across America. Today's Birthdays: Actor Michael Ansara is 75. Country singer Roy Clark is 64. Actress Claudia Cardinale is 58. Rock singer-guitarist Dave Edmunds is 53. Actress Amy Wright is 47. Actress-screenwriter Emma Thompson is 38.

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