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Changes planned for 64th rodeo

By JOHN H. WALKER
Managing Editor

When the 64th edition of the Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo comes out of the chute at 8:30 p.m. on June 18, organizers are hoping it will be bigger and better than ever before.

To start with, the rodeo will begin earlier than folks are accustomed to in an effort to draw more name competitors. Then, there'll be Racer Botkin handling the announcing chores while cowboys and cowgirls try to get the best of Donnie Gay's livestock.

Over the past few years, explained rodeo board member Johnny Middleton, most of the better known competitors have gone to Reno, Nev., to compete in that rodeo — which offers one of the world's largest purses.

"This gets us away from being opposite of Reno ... and that should give us a shot at some of the better known cowboys," Middleton said.

Middleton said that a random-style survey done of competitors revealed that they wanted a greater amount of added prize money and that that is something the board is working on.

"We've got some new folks on the board and we've kind of stepped back and taken a look at the whole thing..."

—JOHNNY MIDDLETON

"We've got some new folks on the board and we've kind of stepped back and taken a look at the whole thing to see what we might change a bit and what we could probably do a whole lot better," he said.

One thing the board is looking for is increased community participation and, in an effort to accomplish that goal, has added some activities.

"One thing we're doing new this year is that we're going to have a kid's rodeo downtown on Saturday morning after the parade," Middleton said.

"Jody Nix is going to play and we hope to have some food vendors and maybe some craft-type booths set up down there so that

we can make it an all-day family outing leading up to the rodeo's grand finale that night."

Each night's activities at the rodeo will have a primary sponsor and there will be giveaways and drawings for prizes during the evening.

Night sponsors include KWES-TV on Wednesday, Fina on Thursday and The State National Bank on Friday.

Middleton said another area the board wanted to get more participation in was the parade, which begins in front of State National Bank at 10 a.m. and heads north on Main Street. After turning west at the courthouse, the parade will head south on Scurry before ending back at the bank.

The Herald, which annually sponsors the Big Spring Community Christmas Parade, and KBST will be working together to jointly promote the parade and draw entries.

"We've got the various sheriff's posses and the drill team from Hardin-Simmons," Middleton explained, "but we want to get floats in the parade like the Christmas Parade."

Organizations interested in entering a float in the parade should contact Elizabeth Flores at the Herald at 263-7331.



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

JUNE 18
KWES Night
Rodeo — 8:30 p.m.
Mutton Busting
Buzzy Bull photos
Rodeo dande — 9:30 p.m.

JUNE 19
Fina Night
Cowboy Golf — 9 a.m.
Rodeo — 8:30 p.m.
Mutton Busting
Buzzy Bull photos

JUNE 20
State National Bank Night
Free T-shirt to first 600 Rodeo
Rodeo — 8:30 p.m.

Mutton Busting
Buzzy Bull photos
Vernon Pamolino Club
Rodeo dance — 9:30 p.m.

JUNE 21
Rodeo parade — 10 a.m.
(Herald/KBST)
After parade at Courthouse:
Kid's Rodeo
Miss Rodeo Texas
Jody Nix music
Wagon display
Food vendors
Rodeo — 8:30 p.m.
Mutton busting
Buzzy Bull photos
Vernon Palomino Club
Rodeo dance — 9:30 p.m.

MHMR honors Newsom

By KELLIE JONES
Features Editor

Don Newsom, long involved with volunteer activities as the Big Spring State Hospital, has been named as one of five regional volunteers of the year by the Volunteer Services State Council of the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

Newsom received his award Saturday morning during a ceremony in Lubbock. The ceremony was part of the annual VSSC conference. The awards recognize individuals and organizations who provide outstanding, unique or exceptional service to one or more individuals with a mental illness and/or mental retardation.

Since the Big Spring State Hospital began keeping track of volunteer hours in 1992, Newsom has given 1,565 hours of his time. Volunteer officials say the actual number of hours



NEWSOM

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A happy emergency landing

Pilot makes gear-up stop at airpark

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

A pilot and his small passenger apparently escaped unharmed after they made an emergency landing at McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark Saturday afternoon.

Witnesses said the pilot, who was not identified, took off from the airpark shortly before 4 p.m. Saturday and soon after contacted the airpark by radio, saying that he was receiving a negative indication from his gear instruments.

The pilot had picked up the craft earlier in the day from A&A Aircraft Refinishers, which had repainted the plane, a twin-engine Cessna 310.

He then made a low approach to the airpark runway, while personnel made a visual inspection of the aircraft. At that time, it was determined that the craft's main gear were up, but the nose wheel had only partially retracted.

After determining that the wheels would not extend back down, the pilot elected to make a belly landing and emergency units from the Big Spring



HERALD photo/Jonathan Garrett

A man and small child, center, retrieve their belongings after he was forced to make an emergency gear-up landing at McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark Saturday. Neither person was apparently injured in the incident.

Police Department, Big Spring Fire Department and Department of Public Safety were summoned to the scene.

The pilot landed the craft at about 4:30 p.m. The only apparent damage done to the white-and-gray Cessna during the landing was to its propellers, although fire department personnel hosed it down as a precaution.

The pilot and his passenger, a small girl, were apparently unharmed in the incident and taken from the scene by DPS troopers, who were conducting a preliminary investigation.

DPS officials could not be contacted Saturday. The aircraft was lifted from the runway by crane and removed shortly after the incident.

Officials from the Federal Aviation Administration were informed of the emergency landing, and were en route to the scene Saturday.

This is the second such emergency landing at McMahon-Wrinkle in the past two years.

In 1995, a Bonanza aircraft made a gear-up landing at the airpark. As was the case Saturday, no one was injured.

Second round of I-27 public hearings begin May 12

HERALD Staff Report

The second round of six public meetings seeking input for Phase 2 of the Lubbock to I-10/Amarillo North Route Study will begin on Monday, May 12, in San Angelo.

Other meetings are scheduled for Snyder on May 13, Odessa on May 14, Big Spring on May 15, Dumas on May 19 and Pampa on May 20.

The Big Spring meeting will be from 7-9 p.m. at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

"Once again, it's important that we have a good turnout for

this meeting," said Herald Managing Editor John Walker. Walker serves as chairman of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce's Transportation Committee.

"Our meeting last December was the best attended of the six, according to TxDOT (Texas Department of Transportation) staff," Walker said. "And attendance is important ... the folks from HDR were quick to point out to us that they drew a direct correlation from attendance to overall community interest and involvement."

Walker said that based on

input TxDOT and HDR received at the six December meetings, the entire process has been accelerated.

"The May meetings were originally scheduled to allow for public discussion of three proposed routes in each corridor that were screened from several routes.

"Instead, there was such a consensus that what we needed to do was to fully develop the existing routes that the initial plans were scrapped."

Now, the next step will be to prioritize improvements that have been identified in each

corridor.

The three main areas of concern that were brought out during the December meetings, Walker said, were roadway improvements between cities, spot/safety improvements and reliever routes around cities.

"TxDOT and HDR have decided that the most appropriate course for this project to now follow is to identify specific improvements needed between towns along each route and evaluate several alternatives within the major cities," Walker said.

The process that will be fol-

lowed will include:

- Evaluate minor projects that will enhance traffic flow through each city utilizing the existing alignment;

- Evaluate spot improvements to intersections or roadway segments that will enhance mobility;

- Evaluate the need for a generic traffic reliever route.

"That means that we still have a couple of ways in which we can get the hazardous cargo route we're seeking around the west side of town," Walker said.

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lowed will include:

"We feel this format will allow us to get in more questions," TCA manager Archie Kountz explained. "If a question is for a candidate in District 2, there will only be two rebuttals at the most."

Following the questions, each candidate will be allowed up to two minutes for a closing statement.

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Tickets still available for Jazz Ambassadors concert

By JOHN H. WALKER
Managing Editor

This is the final week for persons to request tickets by mail for the Tuesday, April 29 free concert featuring The Jazz Ambassadors of the United States Army's Field Band.

The concert, co-sponsored by the Herald and the Cultural Affairs Committee of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, will begin at 7:30 at the Big Spring Municipal

Auditorium.

Although the concert is free, tickets are required for admission and are available either at the Herald, 710 Scurry, or at the chamber, 215 West 3rd.

Ticket holders are required to be seated by 7:15. At that time, the doors will be opened to those persons wanting to attend, but who have no tickets.

"We're really excited to have the opportunity to bring the Jazz Ambassadors to Big Spring," said Herald publisher Chuck Williams. "We think people will really enjoy the music,

which ranges from traditional jazz to big band music from groups like Benny Goodman's to current-era music."

Chief Warrant Officer Freddie Vinson Jr. is the group's director and is a 1974 graduate of Grambling State College. He joined the group in 1975 as a trumpet player and has been director since July 1993.

The organization is a group of select military musicians who try out for the group and who use their talents to bring the Army to the American public. All of the members are chosen

through competitive audition. They come from the country's leading musical programs at universities such as the University of North Texas, Towson State and the University of Miami.

The 19-piece band had toured all 50 states and a number of foreign countries since being established in 1969, including Canada, India, Japan, France and The Netherlands.

In the summer of 1992, the Jazz Ambassadors were the first group from the Field Band to tour the interior of Mexico.

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TODAY'S WEATHER

85 ▲ Highs 51
Lows ▼

Today: Partly sunny, turning partly cloudy this evening. High around 85. Low in the lower 50s.

Monday: Partly cloudy with a chance of afternoon showers and thunderstorms. High in the mid 80s. Low in the lower 50s.

Extended outlook: Tuesday, partly cloudy with a slight chance of afternoon showers and thunderstorms. High in the 80s. Low in the 50s. Wednesday, partly cloudy with a high in the upper 70s.

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OBITUARIES

John W. Sledge

John W. Sledge, 92, of Big Spring died Thursday, April 17, 1997, at a local hospital. Funeral service was at 4 p.m. Saturday, April 19, 1997, in the Rosewood Chapel at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home with Rick Cunningham, minister of 14th & Main Church of Christ, officiating. Interment was in Trinity Memorial Park.

Mr. Sledge was born on July 3, 1904, in Gaines and married Estel Sledge on June 28, 1942, in Roscoe. She preceded him in death on Sept. 24, 1995.

He moved to Big Spring in 1964 after retiring from Lone Star Gas Company. He had been a senior draftsman and worked for the company 30 years in Roswell, N.M. and Midland.

He was a member of the 14th & Main Church of Christ.

He is survived by three sisters-in-law, Mildred Sledge of Lake Leon, Edith Witten of Midland and Marie Wood, one brother-in-law, Vernon Hager of Eastland, and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by three brothers and a sister.

J. Lloyd Brown

J. Lloyd Brown, 79, of Kerrville, formerly of Big Spring, died Friday, April 18, 1997, in a Kerrville nursing home. Graveside service will be at 2 p.m. Monday, April 21, 1997, at Mt. Olive Memorial Park with the Rev. Dr. Kenneth Patrick, pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiating.

Mr. Brown was born on Aug. 27, 1917, in Troup and married Jennie Ruby Creighton in 1948 in Big Spring.

He was reared in Big Spring and attended schools here. He worked as an electrician for Texas Electric in Big Spring and later moved to Oceanside, Calif. While living in California he was the electrical superintendent at Camp Pendleton until he retired. He returned to Big Spring for a number of years before moving to Kerrville in 1984.

He was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Ruby Brown of Kerrville; one brother, T.J. Brown of Midland, and a number of nieces and nephews.

The family will be at the home of Mrs. Charlie Creighton, 2412 W. Highway 80. Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Letha E. Woods

Letha E. Woods, 85, of Big Spring died Saturday, April 19, at a local hospital.

Service is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Correction

In Thursday's report on efforts to abolish the Howard County constables' offices, constable Joe Lesueur's last name was inadvertently spelled Sasuer.

NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH Funeral Home
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J. Lloyd Brown, 79, died Friday. Graveside services will be 2:00 PM, Monday, at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

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Area meetings

COAHOMA ISD BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COAHOMA — Personnel matters will highlight Monday's Coahoma ISD school board meeting at 7 p.m. in the administration building.

Teacher's contracts, a computer technician position for the 1997-98 school year and other personnel matters will be discussed during the meeting.

Other items trustees will consider include:

- Requests for a senior class trip to Six Flags over Texas and a band trip to San Antonio.
- A policy relating to fighting.
- A request for a personal day for employees and a policy related to discretionary leave.
- The 1997-98 school calendar.
- Approval to cancel the school board election.
- Administration options on worker's compensation and adoption of a minimum wage rate schedule.

GLASSCOCK ISD BOARD OF TRUSTEES
GARDEN CITY — Glasscock ISD trustees will consider long-range construction plans during their regular meeting at 7 p.m. Monday at the administration building.

Superintendent Charles Zachry said the board will consider plans to resurface the school's tennis courts and possible renovations to the gymnasium.

In other business, trustees will consider:

- Renewal of personnel contracts.
- Requests for student transfers into the district for the 1997-98 school year.
- Textbook adoptions for the coming school year.
- Campus reports and the superintendent's report.

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"One is through the Lubbock to I-10 project and the other is through the normal chain of pitching the project at TxDOT until it finally makes the list."

Walker was quick to add that Abilene District Engineer **Maribel Chavez** has said that the hazardous cargo route around Big Spring is a priority within the district.

"We're fortunate that we've had such a good working relationship with district personnel for such a long time," Walker said. "We enjoy good communications and support from Abilene as well as the local office and Field Engineer Dan Richardson and Johnny Moore."

FORUM

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District 2 candidates include incumbent Pat DeAnda and challengers Bob Taylor and Oscar Garcia in District 4, incumbent Tom Guess is being challenged by Tommy Tune while District 6 will have a new representative since incumbent John Paul Anderson is not seeking re-election.

Candidates in District 6 include Randy Mason, Ray Rinard and Greg Biddison.

Candidates for the forum are asked to be at the Community Center by 6:30 p.m. Monday for a briefing on the format. At the forum, candidates will be given a questionnaire that will be used in a candidate's profile section schedule for publication next Sunday.

AWARD

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is much greater because he has been volunteering at the hospital since the 1980s.

In 1986, Newsom and his late wife, Marilyn, hosted a hospital fund raiser that featured a reception and dance. The event has grown in popularity throughout the years and is now considered the hospital's major fund raiser. The annual festivity takes on a new theme each year and the most recent one was April 4 entitled "Denim and Diamonds Gala."

Community Relations Coordinator Kathy Higgins said Newsom knew he was going to receive some type of award but didn't know it was going to be for "Volunteer of the Year."

Other activities Newsom has been involved in include a reception he and his wife hosted in 1989 for more than 700 people at the Dora Roberts Community Center to commemorate the hospital's 50th anniversary. He also furnished the hospital's four-bedroom family lodge and dedicated it to the memory of his late wife.

Newsom serves on several hospital committees and boards, assists with special projects and chairs the Valentine Project, a hospital fund raiser.

The Valentine Project involves many volunteers who collect orders for delivering flowers and singing telegrams. He also helps out at the Community Relations office whenever he is needed.

BRIEFS


A TEST OF HOWARD COUNTY'S emergency siren system is scheduled for 9 a.m. Tuesday by the city's emergency operations coordinator, in conjunction with the Big Spring Police Department.

Contact Police Cpl. Charlie Calvert at 264-2551 for more information.

A MOTORCYCLE SWAP MEET sponsored by the Cossacks Motorcycle Club is scheduled for May 3 at the Howard County Fairbarns.

The event begins at 9:30 a.m. and continues through 10 p.m. Vendor setup will begin at 7:30 a.m.

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TODAY
•Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.
•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 11 a.m. closed meeting and 7 p.m. open meeting.

MONDAY
•Big Spring Evening Lion's Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E. Third. Call Jan Noyes, 267-5811.
•Project Freedom, Christian support group, 7 p.m. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241.

•T.O.P.S. Clubs (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 5:30 to 6 p.m. weigh in and 6 p.m. meeting. Carriage Inn, 501 W. 17th. Call 263-1340 or 263-8633.

•Daytime prenatal classes, Texas Department of Health, 1 to 2:30 p.m. Call 263-9775 to register. All expectant parents welcome. Class instructor will be Laurie Burks, BSN.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. at the VA Medical Center on fourth floor.

•Big Spring Howard Co. Retired Teachers Association, 10:30 a.m. coffee and social hour and 11:30 a.m. lunch, Howard College Cactus Room.
•Encourager's support group, 6 p.m., Herman's Restaurant. For more information call 267-3988.

5522 or 399-4369.
•Lady Steers Booster Club meeting, 7 p.m., Big Spring High School library.
•Survivors of Suicide, Memorial Hospital and Medical Center, 7:30 p.m. Prerak Doctor, M.D., will speak on "Grief and Depression." For more information please call 915-685-1566.
•O'Neal-Kunkle Unit No. 47 DAVA meeting, 6:30 p.m., VAMC room 212. Election of officers.
•BSHS choir boosters meeting, 7 p.m., choir room.

TUESDAY
•Comanche Lake Duplicate, 1 p.m., Dora Roberts Civic Center.
•Most Excellent Way, a chemical dependency support group, 7 p.m., Living Water Church, 1008 Birdwell Lane. Call 267-1424 after 5 p.m. or 263-3168 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents between 8 a.m. Friday and 2 p.m. Saturday:

• **KEVIN SHANE WALKER**, 24, HC 70 Box 32B-1, was arrested on a charge of burglary of a habitation.

• **DONALD L. HODGES**, 46, no address given, was arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct.

• **STEPHEN GRAIG GASS**, 36, 1408 Donley, was arrested on a charge of forgery.

• **LONNIE EDWARD HATTENBACH**, 46, 108 Lincoln, was arrested on a charge of assault/family violence.

• **JOSE HERNANDEZ GOMEZ**, 35, 2909 Old Highway 80, was arrested on charges of possession of marijuana under two ounces, no driver's license, no registration and Department of Public Safety warrants.

• **ANGELITA GONZALES**, 45, 1310 Nolan St., was arrested on charges of public intoxication and possession of marijuana under two ounces.

• **MATTHEW CASEY O'BRIEN**, 18, Tuculla, Ala., was arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct/language.

• **SEBASTINO CRUZ HERNANDEZ**, 47, P.O. Box 2895, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **LARRY DON DARDEN**, 37, Luther, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **LIANDE D. SCAGES**, 26, Lake Wood, Colo., was arrested on a charge of no driver's license.

• **DEBRA RENEE SHAEFER**, 27, 2507 Albrook, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported on the 900 block of Gollad.

• **THEFT** was reported on the 2100 block of Wasson, the 200 block of West Marcy and the 1600 block of East Marcy.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCES** were reported on the 1600 block of Martin Luther King, the 1000 block of Wood, the 100 block of Lincoln and the 1600 block of Virginia.

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following incidents between 8 a.m. Friday and 2 p.m. Saturday:

• **KELLY PAUL ANDERSON**, 40, Daytona Beach, Fla., was released on bond after his arrest on a charge of DWI.

• **LIONSO LEE JIMENEZ**, 18, P.O. Box 3161, was arrested on a Texas Youth Commission warrant.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported on Cypress Street.

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Last year, all drought; This year crop's all wet

HOUSTON (AP) — Last year, Texas farmers watched drought shrivel up their crops. This year, too much rain has made it too wet to plow.

In Southeast Texas, frequent rains have tortured farmers, turning their corn, milo, rice and soybean fields into sticky muck covered with weeds. Each time it started to get dry enough to plant, another heavy rain fell.

Rice farmer Jack Wendt of Richmond, in Fort Bend County, says he will be lucky to get much planted before May 1. Any hopes of a second crop are "completely out the window," he said.

Farmers in prime crop-growing areas such as Fort Bend, Wharton, Matagorda and Jackson counties are just starting to plant, a month or two behind schedule.

This lost time translates into lower income, forcing some to turn to lower-profit crops and others to live with one harvest instead of two.

When it gets dry enough, which should be any day now, "every tractor in the county will be rolling," said County Agent Johnnie Cosper in

Wharton. Normally corn planting would have begun around the end of February.

From Jan. 1 to this past Thursday, 20.25 inches of rain have fallen at Houston Intercontinental Airport, according to the National Weather Service.

That's nearly double the normal total of 10.8 inches.

One Fort Bend County farmer is said to have measured 35 inches from Jan. 1 through March 31, the Houston Chronicle reported.

Some fields in Fort Bend County are covered by weeds and grass "thicker than hair on a dog's back," said Walter Kelley, who heads the federal Farm Service Agency office in Richmond. "It's rough when you can't even get seed in the ground," he said.

During last year's drought Mark Wendt averaged 45 bushels of corn per acre on his farm at Needville, about half of what is considered a good crop.

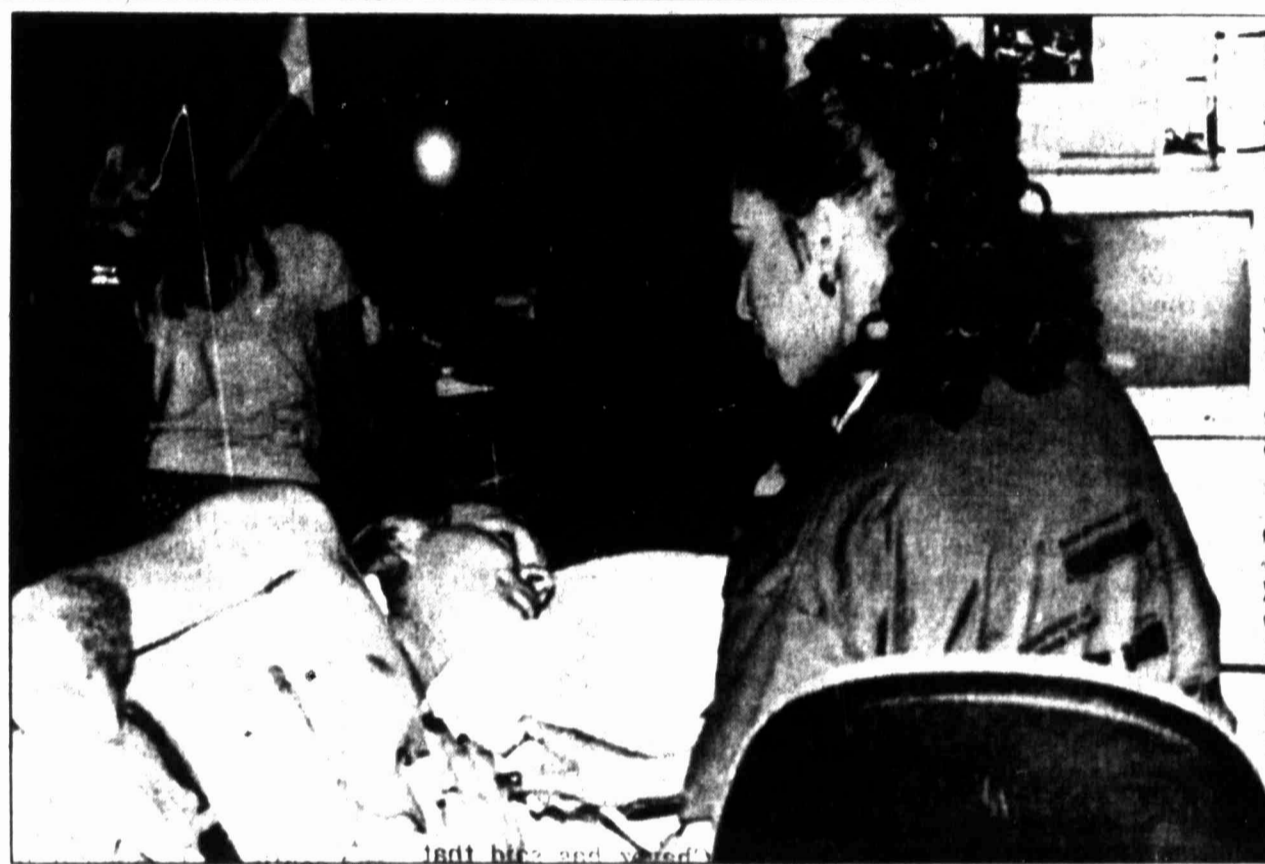
This year's average will be zero because Wendt returned his corn seed to the dealer for a refund. The returned seed will be sold to farmers in Tennessee and Kentucky.

FUN RUN AND HEALTH FAIR



Rick Marquez, Billy Sanderson and Jason Sanderson (above) get off to a great start and are the first off the line Saturday morning in the first Big Spring State Park Fun Run/Walk held in conjunction with this year's Health Fair at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Billy Sanderson took first-place honors in the 5K run and Marquez was forced to settle for second. Jason Sanderson took second in the more strenuous 10K race. At right, Tina Smart performs cardiovascular testing using ultra sound on Robert Gilmore at the Howard County Health Fair. The theme for Health Fair '97 was "Health on the Horizon." The fair drew hundreds of visitors Saturday, as residents of the community took advantage of services provided by local agencies.

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BOOK SALE



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Gayla Carille (left) and John Toone sort through books that have been collected during the past three years in anticipation of the community book sale which began Saturday. The sale will continue on April 26 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Dora Roberts Howard County Library. The sale is sponsored by the Big Spring Rotary Club and the Friends of the Library. Proceeds will go to charity groups and the library.

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- Lourell Sutliff, M.D., Obstetrics and Gynecology

Office Hours. Family Medical Center of Big Spring is open:

Monday - Friday: 9:00 a.m. - Noon & 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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Shannon Health System.

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Quote of the Day

"Our responsibility: every opportunity, an obligation; every possession, a duty."
—John D. Rockefeller, Jr.

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OUR VIEWS

Monday forum is key opportunity to learn

Monday night, voters will have an opportunity to hear the candidates seeking seats on the Big Spring City Council during the May 3 municipal election discuss issues and their aspirations during a forum sponsored by the Herald, TCA Cable of Big Spring and the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.

In addition, all eight council candidates will have an opportunity to answer questions from the public during the forum set to begin at 7 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Community Center.

That forum is the first of two scheduled for the week. On Tuesday, the Concerned Women for America will hold a school board candidate's forum at St. Paul Lutheran Church.

Both elections are of paramount importance, despite the interest they usually generate in early May. They concern the future of our city and our children — that makes being as well informed about the issues and the candidates themselves vitally significant.

The candidates who survive these races will have the final say in the way your tax dollars are spent and more.

The new city council will be tasked with meeting our community's financial obligations to the FAA, of seeing the Beals Creek Project through and doing something about deteriorating streets and water lines that have drawn complaints from Big Spring residents for years.

The new school board will have to address the funding issues brought about by whatever school financing plan results from the current legislative session in Austin. It will also face challenges brought about by those who support charter schools and the voucher system.

Such matters are much too weighty to be left for "somebody else" to decide. As citizens, we have an obligation not only to vote, but to be well informed on the issues and know as much as possible about the beliefs of our representatives at all levels of government.

More than an obligation, this responsibility should be considered a sacred trust.

And that's something we should all aspire to meet.

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YOUR VIEWS

To the Editor
In recent months the Herald newspaper published articles discussing the airport and use of airport funds to build city projects, yet there was not report on members of the city government and their decision making process to use these funds. Airport funds are generated from taxes paid by those who use airplanes, much of it through fuel taxes paid by pilots and airplane owners. These funds, by law, are to be used specifically, and only, for airport improvement. Three years ago, when thieves broke into hangars and stole thousands of dollars of value radio equipment from airplanes, pilots met with Mr. Tom DeSell, Assistant City Manager, to discuss ways to improve airport security. Other meetings were held to discuss ways to improve the airport. Mr. DeSell was emphatic that the \$2.3 million in the airport fund could not be spent only the interest could be spent for airport security and improvement. The \$2.3 million was the "nest egg" that generated interest dollars to pay airport employees. Curiously, when the city hired Lanny Lambert as City Manager, the \$2.3 million was spent within months, very little of it on airport improvement, almost all of it on projects in violation of the law. Having inappropriately spent the money, city government is now attempting to convince the Texas Department of Transportation Aviation

Division that the airport should be city property. My hope is the Texas Department of Transportation Aviation Division stands firm against the city's request. Our city public officials were wrong, legally and morally, to spend the airport funds on city projects. It would seem more appropriate for someone, perhaps a reporter, to find out why city officials were not admonished or punished, as law allows, for their actions. As a pilot and airplane owner, one who paid taxes for 27 years to improve airports, I am disappointed that our elected officials cavalierly and with reckless disregard for the law spend tax dollars to fund their special projects, while the airport for which the funds were designated languishes.
DARRELL H. POWELL, M.D.
BRIGADIER GENERAL
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To the Editor
Tax time is here again. The IRS said preachers can not tell you that withholding wages is forbidden (Deut 24:15). Thou shalt not oppress an hired servant that is poor and needy, whether he be of thy brethren, or of thy strangers that are in thy land within thy gates. V. 15 AT his day thou shalt give him his hire, neither shall the sun go down upon it, for he is poor, and setteth his heart upon it: lest he cry against thee unto the LORD, and it be sin unto thee. (James 5:4) Behold,



Perceived conflicts can be self-fulfilling

By WALTER R. MEARS
AP Special Correspondent

WASHINGTON — There's always the potential of a conflict of interest when one agency of an administration investigates others, especially when the White House is involved. And accusations of misconduct high in government are always going to be embroiled in politics. Those are the realities behind the special prosecutor system Republicans want triggered in alleged Democratic fund-raising abuses. Their campaign to demonstrate a perception of conflicts in this case is a self-fulfilling one, the more they say it, the more people see it that way. But it is up to Attorney General Janet Reno to pull the trigger that would create an independent investigation, and she insists the fund-raising cases don't warrant doing that now. If and when they do, she said, she'll act to have an outside prosecutor take over the investigation now being conducted by the Justice Department. So no independent counsel, at least not now. That is the formal name of the job, and a reminder of the premise behind it, that an independent prosecutor can avoid

the potential conflicts that Justice Department prosecutors face in investigating the attorney general's boss or Cabinet colleagues. The strain was evident in Reno's long wait for her second-term reappointment, with some Clinton allies grumbling that she went her own way and had too often used the independent counsel system in administration cases. (Four times.) But she also had resisted naming one in the Whitewater case until President Clinton told her to early in 1994 after concluding that it was the best way to quiet his critics and cope with the case. He still is coping. This time, the rules are different because the independent counsel law, which had lapsed, was reinstated later in 1994, with Clinton and Reno both urging the renewal. Under the law, when there are credible allegations that a crime may have been committed by a top federal official, the president, the vice president, Cabinet members or other top appointees, the attorney general must start the process leading to the appointment of an independent counsel by a panel of three federal judges. Clinton has said that if the law had been in effect in the

winter of 1994, there wouldn't have been a Whitewater prosecutor because the threshold hadn't been met. He has refused to discuss this case, saying it is a legal question and shouldn't be involved in politics. It already is, of course. Republicans want a new prosecutor assigned to go after Democratic excesses. The handful of Democrats who agree that there should be an independent counsel want one who will also deal with 1996 fund-raising conduct in both parties. There's another route to an independent counsel: An attorney general can move for one after deciding that a Justice Department investigation of someone other than the specifically covered officials "may result in a personal, financial or political conflict of interest." That's the option the Republicans raised in their formal request from the Senate Judiciary Committee. Reno rejected it, saying that the appearance of a conflict isn't enough and that she would have to find "a potential for an actual conflict of interest" in the investigation of a specific person, not an overall matter, in this case fund-raising conduct. That's not placating GOP

leaders. Sen. Orrin Hatch of Utah, the committee chairman, said the appearance of conflicting interests should have led her to start the independent counsel process. Reno said the law requires more, and that the team of career prosecutors and FBI agents now on the case is capable of vigorously pursuing any wrongdoing, whoever is involved. Sen. Trent Lott, the majority leader, said the administration faces "a crisis in confidence" over her decision. House Speaker Newt Gingrich called it "something you might have expected from John Mitchell in 1973," during Watergate, the scandal that led to the independent counsel law enacted in 1978. Reno said she doesn't accept "the suggestion that there will be widespread public distrust" of the Justice Department investigation. Perhaps not, but it won't be for lack of Republican efforts to raise the pressure for an independent counsel. "The administration should not be examining the administration," Hatch said. Walter R. Mears, vice president and columnist for The Associated Press, has reported on Washington and national politics for more than 30 years.

the hire of laborers who have reaped down your fields, which is of you kept back by fraud, crieth and the cries of them which have reaped are entered into the ears of the LORD of sabbath. (Matt 10:10) Nor scrip for your journey, neither two coats, neither shoes, nor yet staves: for the workman is worthy of his meat. (REV. 13:14 is the antichrist, and REV. 13:11-16) is your GOVERNMENT and the IRS. That is why you, GOVERNMENT has the MILITARY around the world telling people how to live, so they will be in MENTAL CONTROL, like they have you right now.
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RONNIE CARTER
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To the Editor:
Re: First Responder Emergency Medical Care
A recent article in the Herald stated that I originated the First REsponder program in

Howard County. Indeed I did and I am a strong advocate of it today. Getting trained personnel to the victim of an accident or sudden illness who has a life threatening situation can mean life or death. You must consider that back in those days we had a private ambulance service which had only one first out ambulance and a second out ambulance which could leave their office within five minutes under near perfect conditions. We were just starting 911 addressing and dispatch. The purpose of first responder was to get a volunteer within the immediate area of the accident or sudden illness victim to respond and give care until the ambulance arrived. It was never intended to have a single unit Rescue 10, to respond sometimes a distance of over half way across the county to give care. Rescue 10 was started later for the purpose of furnishing extra equip-

ment at major accident scenes and other rescue activities. The fact that the Big Spring Fire Department has assumed the ambulance service has changed many parts of emergency care for the people of Big Spring and Howard County. The fact that three or four ambulances can roll within seconds, gives all of our citizens emergency care we could only dream of a few years ago. First responder within the city limits is even quicker in life threatening situations due to the closest Engine Company responding to give that care until the ambulance arrives. There is no waiting for a second out crew to get to the scene when CPR is being performed before transporting the victim to the hospital. Major accident victims no longer have to wait for the "Jaws of Life" to rescue them, sometimes 30 minutes after the first arriving law enforcement officer or ambulance crew arrives

at the scene, seeing a need of such equipment, because the equipment is rolling at the same time the ambulance rolls. All of this is a part of the excellent emergency services of the Big Spring Fire Department with expenses being covered by agreements between the City of Big Spring and Howard County. There is still a strong need for the first responder program of the Howard County Fire Department and the Volunteer Fire Departments of Coahoma and Forsan. Trained responders from each of our county communities — Knott, Lomax, Luther, Vincent, Forsan, Coahoma, and Sand Springs — can save lives when responding "just around the corner" or "down the road" caring for the victim until the ambulance arrives. Even if this responder only holds a hand until the ambulance arrives, it can make a difference.
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Dispute blocks \$100 million collection on streets of Washington

WASHINGTON (AP) — Jack and Marcy Eschenbach are caught in the middle of a custody battle over a \$100 million collection of jewels and other treasures once owned by Russian czars.

The couple own the tractor-trailer that was to haul the collection from Washington's Corcoran Gallery of Art to its next stop in a two-year American tour. But today, for the fourth day, the truck was stuck between Russian Embassy vehicles parked a few blocks from the White House.

"It was supposed to be a routine move," said Jack Eschenbach. "Now we're on standby until they finish playing this game."

The exhibit, from five Russian museums, was to have been sent this week to the Museum of Fine Arts in Houston. But it was halted by a dispute between the Russian Embassy and the

Washington-based American-Russian Cultural Cooperation Foundation, which raised the money to bring the objects to the United States.

Anatoly Dubekhin, the embassy's cultural attache, said Russia wanted the collection returned to Moscow for display in commemoration of the Russian capital's 850th anniversary.

Foundation officials said they had a contract with the Russian government providing for the exhibit to be displayed at museums in San Diego and Memphis, Tenn., after its Houston stop. They called on the Russians to honor the contract. Dubekhin said no contract had been signed.

State Department officials met with parties of all sides Friday night, spokeswoman Stephanie Eicher said.

"We have been in touch with all the parties involved with the dispute, which involves complicated issues

including the sanctity of contracts as well as the rights of the Russian Federation," Eicher said.

Neither she nor parties directly involved in the dispute would give details of the disagreement.

However, Peter C. Marzio, director of the Houston museum, said in today's Houston Chronicle he was recently contacted by Russia's government-appointed organizing committee that shipped the jewels to the United States.

The committee "essentially wanted me to annul my contract with the American-Russian Cultural Cooperation Foundation and then sign an agreement with them," Marzio said.

After Marzio refused to break his word with the U.S. foundation, the Russian committee demanded the artifacts be returned.

Marzio said Russian organizers told him "they had not received a penny"

from the U.S. foundation — which claims to have paid \$400,000 to insure the exhibit and raised \$2 million to \$3 million for the tour — and could not get along with its members.

David C. Levy, president of the Corcoran, said the museum would not release the collection to either party until it receives an agreement signed by both sides or a court order.

Corcoran officials locked the jewels in the museum's vault, but the rest of the collection — including gowns once worn in the Russian imperial court — was in the truck. The truck was refueled Friday evening to keep its climate control system running to protect the collection.

"It's a little uncomfortable, but we're kind of being passive because we don't have a particular side," Levy said.

Dubekhin apologized for the inconvenience at an impromptu sidewalk news

conference but said museum officials should direct their anger at the foundation.

Russian Ambassador Yuli Vorontsov was quoted as telling Russian reporters there is no question the collection is the property of the Russian government. Any legal and financial questions could be discussed only after it has the collection back, he said.

In the meantime, he said, embassy cars and officials, who have diplomatic immunity, would continue to hem in the giant van on New York Avenue.

Sitting in a sedan in front of the moving van was Michael Maslov, who identified himself as a first secretary from the embassy. Behind the van was a second car, and behind it another embassy vehicle, whose passenger identified himself as Alexander Troudenko, who is also an embassy official.

TEXAS BRIEFS

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Volunteers work to get schools wired

SAN ELIZARIO — Students in San Elizario schools can learn about planets or the latest space mission in a flash, or find electronic pen pals in Canada or Japan.

But it took cable and the sweat of 50 volunteers to connect schools in that impoverished border town, where some houses lack electricity or running water, to the Internet.

"Just because we were poor, we were not going to lower our expectations," said Maria Pacheco, the school technology coordinator who led the effort last October to string cable. There are still more jacks than computers, but Pacheco noted, "This is a long journey."

Dog handler refuses rehiring attempt

EDINBURG — Ex-school district dog handler Jose Pulido, accused of mishandling finances for the district's drug-sniffing dog, has refused an offer to get his job back.

"You tell me I can have my job back, but what about my reputation? Where do I go to get that back?" Pulido wrote Friday in a letter addressed to Douglas Moore, superintendent of the Edinburg school district.

Pulido was fired April 1, one day before a grand jury refused to indict him on allegations that he used the now-retired drug dog, Magnum, for private breeding.

Pulido has sued Moore and the school district for slander. Pulido says that Moore is responsible for published allegations that Pulido mishandled finances for Magnum.

Moore had alleged that Magnum was used to sire puppies for which the district received no reimbursement or stud fee.

Kaiser, Insurance Department settle lawsuit

AUSTIN — Kaiser Foundation Health Plan of Texas, one of the state's largest health maintenance organizations, has agreed to drop its lawsuit against the Texas Department of Insurance and to pay a \$1 million fine.

The company also agreed to make specific improvements to assure high-quality care for its members statewide, Texas Insurance Commissioner Elton Bomer said late Friday.

The settlement announced between the company and the department does not reveal the allegations against Kaiser contained in a report by department attorneys accusing the HMO of quality-of-care violations and recommending a substantial fine. The report spurred the suit by Kaiser.

Kaiser, which has 124,000 Texas members, has lost \$52 million over the past two years.

\$1.5 billion in drug profits to be seized

DALLAS — The government plans to begin Monday seizing an estimated \$1.5 billion in Colombian drug profits stashed in banks around the country, a newspaper reported Friday.

The seizures were to begin with 100 accounts in

South Florida and expand to a total of 5,000 accounts in Florida, New York, Texas and California over the next two years, The Dallas Morning News said in a copyright report on its Web site.

The newspaper, which quoted federal law enforcement officials it did not identify, said the seizures were part of "Oro Verde," a federal investigation of 300 to 400 Colombian financial managers. The Spanish name means "green gold."

The money will be forfeited to the government if prosecutors can prove it was illegally acquired.

"It's all Colombian drug money. Of that, we are certain. ... There ain't any other industry or institution in Colombia that does this kind of cash business," said the Miami-based lead investigator, who requested anonymity.

House preserves minority contracting plan

AUSTIN — The House Appropriations Committee has voted to preserve a state contracting program for women and minorities that was cut from a Senate bill to help small businesses in general.

"The House has stated its position on what we think equal opportunity provisions in business and economic development ought to include," said committee member Rep. Garnet Coleman, D-Houston, of the Thursday action.

"I was very pleased it was a unanimous vote," said Rep. Dianne Delisi, R Temple. "We've hit the ball and it's in the other court."

The committee's version now advances to the full House. It also is contained in riders attached to the House budget bill, setting the stage for a showdown in the conference committee resolving differences in the House and Senate versions of the 1998-99 state budget. The Senate budget bill does not address the contracting program.

At issue are two versions of an initiative to expand state contracting and purchasing opportunities for businesses owned by women and minorities. Current law sets goals for state agencies in contracting with such businesses.

Day care that lost child violated standards

DALLAS — The day-care center that lost a 2-year-old girl Thursday during a visit to a park had been the subject of a complaint a month earlier about a lack of supervision, state officials said.

State investigators visited Carrollton Creative Minds day care last month on a complaint that not enough staff members were watching the kids. The results of that investigation were not available Friday, said Oliver Norwood, program administrator for child care licensing at the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services in Arlington.

Thirty-seven preschoolers and two staff members visited the park in suburban Carrollton, day-care director Tamala McNeary said. Somehow, no one noticed that Madison Schmoekkel of Duncanville had been left behind until her mother, Nicole Crosbie, came to pick her up Thursday afternoon.

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Loyal Lobo really livens up school days in Pawnee

PAWNEE (AP) — Even though schoolchildren here call themselves the Indians, they say Lobo is the school mascot.

For at least four years, the dog has trotted one block to school with his school-age owners, sat outside their classroom doors in the school's breezeways, escorted them and other children to classes, and walked back home at the end of the day.

Legend has it that the only day of school Lobo missed was when he was hit by a car, said school officials, students and Lobo's owners.

"I think we would have students question where he is if they didn't see him," said Dru Childs, program director for Pawnee Independent School District. "He seems to be such a

stable part of this place because he's always here. If he had a job, he'd be very dependable. I guess his job is greeting the students and just being here."

Lobo, who appears to be an Australian shepherd mix, is as laid-back as he is loyal.

Lying on the playground with his head resting on his paws, he doesn't flinch as a neon-orange ball bounces only inches from his nose. As the children's feet pound past him after the ball, he doesn't budge.

Preschoolers celebrating a birthday by sounding party-favor horns don't disturb Lobo. He moves only to scratch an itch or reposition himself on the grass.

When the final school bell rings, Lobo pops up and search-

es the wave of students for his owners, the Penas — Anthony, 12; Andrew, 10; and Lucas, 9. A few children's hands brush the top of Lobo's head as they file past him matter-of-factly. For them, there is nothing new or surprising about a dog on campus. As the three Pena boys begin their short walk home, Lobo accompanies. "He doesn't follow us. He walks in front of us," Anthony said. "When you try to pass him, he passes you up."

The Penas say Lobo does that because he is protective, and the boys' mother says his protective nature must be what started his trips to school. Sandra and David Pena and their four sons — the oldest, David Jr., is a freshman at

Kenedy High School — inherited Lobo from an uncle who had found the dog at a convenience store off a farm-to-market road about five years ago.

"The reason we kept him is because of the way he was with children," Sandra said. "There's something about kids that he really does love."

Maybe it's the food they give him.

"The girls love to bring any leftovers out to Lobo," said 9-year-old Roxanne Stolte, one of the district's 135 students. "He gobbles it right up."

Childs said Lobo usually can be found near the cafeteria at lunch and is in heaven when ice cream is served.

"Lobo is especially happy because he usually gets a drip

or two off the sidewalk," Childs said.

She said Lobo seems to position himself in front of whichever class the boys are in. If the door is open, he doesn't venture in but probably partakes in the learning process, she said jokingly.

"We made the comment last year that he probably could have passed the TAAS test, he's here so much," Childs said.

Childs and Superintendent Jamie Mattison said they have had no complaints about Lobo hanging out at the school.

"He's so gentle," Childs said of Lobo, which means "wolf" in Spanish. "We've never had a problem with him snapping or anything, even when he had hurt his leg. I don't think I've

ever heard the dog bark. He's not a problem."

In fact, Lobo is known to protect children from stray dogs in the neighborhood, Lucas, the youngest of the Penas, and other students said.

Shortly before the Pena boys began their walk home, their eyes scanned an empty lot across from the school to see why Lobo had abruptly stopped playing with them. Lobo, ears perked, sat in the open gate of the school's chain-link fence. He had spotted three stray dogs. They never approached. Not only is Lobo an escort and a guard dog, he's also a dear friend, said fourth-grader Roxanne, who, like many children, has known Lobo as long as she has been going to school.

HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 20:
This is a potentially excellent year for you. Use your heightened imagination to your advantage. Make the most out of travel and educational opportunities. Unexpected activity surrounds your career, and bosses could be unpredictable. You will make money and enhance your status by the way you handle the more delicate situations in your career. If you are single, you draw others with ease. Popularity, like your appeal, is in an elevated state. If attached, you'll find this an extraordinary year. New options appear for both of you. Plan a special trip together. LIBRA is inspired by you.

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You need a day off. Indulge in some extra R&R. You'll enjoy yourself if you make the most of a fun event. You unleash a myriad of detailed information when you initiate a talk. Go with laughter. Others are more responsive when you relax. Tonight: Do nothing strenuous.****

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
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Reach out for another, and capitalize on an unexpected invitation. Phones ring, people knock on the door and popularity is high. You enjoy yourself in the extreme! The pace is quick and lively. A lot of options are brought to the table. Tonight: Just hang out.****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
Indulgence sets the tone of the day. You feel good, no matter what you do. A family member offers a loving gesture. You discover how unpredictable work is. Understand how high-energy you appear to others. Tonight: It's your treat.****

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
Your personality mesmerizes another. Understand what is happening with a child, who might suddenly show you another side of his personality. Others respond to your charisma and caring ways. Tonight: Do whatever you want.****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
Be realistic about how much responsibility you can assume. This is a much-needed day of rest; don't take on more than is necessary. Be willing to say no. Understand your limitations. Catch up on a friend's news. Tonight: Head to bed early.***

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
Focus on what you want. You are more centered about a partnership than you have been in a long time. Your caring nature emerges with a friend. Focus on what you want. Join friends for a key event. Joy seems to pervade your life. Tonight: Have a good time.****

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
Reach out to someone who is at a distance. Make plans to take off. Assume responsibility if you intend to make things happen. Drop in on an older relative. Your idea is well-received. Make money in a different way. Tonight: Cruise around town.****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
Infuse dynamic thinking into your life. Don't do anything you have already done; opt for the unusual. You will meet someone exotic, or find a new activity to enjoy. Ask a friend to join your adventure. Tonight: Different is bet-

ter.****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
Be open to new possibilities, and listen to a partner. Something you wanted to make happen will occur. You possess more insight than you know. Trust your gut feelings. Intimate talks help rebond a relationship. Discuss a joint purchase. Tonight: Must we tell?*****

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Two-man scramble to benefit CGA scholarship fund efforts

By JOHN H. WALKER
Managing Editor

It's time once again for the annual Big Spring Chicano Golf Association (CGA) Scholarship Fund Tournament, and association secretary Billy Pineda says the group hopes for its biggest turn-out yet.

The tournament will begin at

9 a.m. next Saturday and Sunday at the Comanche Trail Golf Course and will feature a two-man scramble format. Entry fee is \$130 per team, which includes the dinner and dance.

"Last year we gave out 10 scholarships at \$500 each," Pineda said, "and we hope to do even more this year."

Pineda said that the number

of players will determine if the fifth annual event produces more scholarship money than in the past.

The organization helps fund scholarships to Howard College and applications are available at the college financial aid office or at the Big Spring High School counselor's office. Students in area schools who are planning to attend Howard

College and want to apply may do so by contacting the financial aid office.

The Howard College-only designation is a bit of a departure from past years. Last year, for example, seven students went to Howard College, one to Cisco Junior College, one to Abilene Christian University and one to the University of Texas.

"We try to give out as many

scholarships as we can," Pineda said. "We cover our expenses and then we take the money that we have left and as far as it will go at \$500 a scholarship is how many we'll give out."

The CGA tournament is open to all golfers, although preregistration is required by either calling 264-2366 or 263-7741 or by going by the golf course.

"Most of our money comes from our sponsors, but we take that money and the money from the fees and everything and pay our expenses," Pineda said. "Whatever is left is what we give out in scholarships."

A dance will follow the first round of golf on Saturday at La Vadera Club on the north I-20 frontage road. Illusion will provide music from 8 p.m. - 1 a.m.

Lady Steers bounce Bowie

First playoff trip a success for BSHS girls

HERALD Staff Report

EL PASO — The Big Spring Lady Steers continued their season of firsts Friday afternoon.

The Lady Steers, who concluded their first regular season of UIL-sanctioned softball by ending in a tie for first in District 4-4A, dispatched the El Paso Bowie Lady Bears in two straight games to claim their first playoff victory Friday at Montwood High School.

Big Spring (24-6) won the first game 6-3 before closing out the best-of-three series with an 8-2 victory.

Sophomore Angie Phillips was the winning pitcher in the first game, improving to 9-2 for the season, while freshman



HERALD file photo

The Big Spring Lady Steers, shown celebrating after a recent victory, opened the Class 4A softball playoffs with a 6-3, 8-2 sweep of El Paso Bowie Friday. The Lady Steers now face El Paso Ysleta at a time and site to be determined.

Jessica Sisneros won the second game to run her record to 15-4.

The Lady Steers never trailed in either game, but head coach Wes Overton said they had to survive a severe case of nerves in the first tilt.

"They played exactly as I thought they would — they were scared to death," Overton said. "They made more errors in the first inning than they have the last three games. They were just kicking it everywhere. And Angie had seven

walks, and I don't think she's walked seven people in her last seven games."

Big Spring staked itself to a 1-0 lead in the first inning when shortstop Brenda Austin hit a one-out triple, then came home on Heather Spence's fielder's

choice grounder.

A two-RBI single by Honey Belew in the second and a run-scoring single from Melissa Mouton in the third gave the Lady Steers a 4-0 lead, and Phillips took control from there, allowing only two hits

and one earned run en route to the complete game victory.

"When we made the last out of that first game, you could just see the sigh of relief," Overton said. "They were so

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Cowboys use first pick on LSU tight end

IRVING (AP) — Tight end David LaFleur had a personal stamp of approval from none other than Troy Aikman and was so coveted by the Dallas Cowboys that they moved up to get him in the first round of Saturday's NFL draft.

The Cowboys' offense staggered from lack of tight end productivity last year. Jay Novacek had a bad back and never played, Kendall Watkins got hurt in training camp and Eric Bjornson limped around on two bum ankles.

"We saw what happened last year and didn't want that to happen again," said owner Jerry Jones, who gave the green light for a trade with Philadelphia to move from the 25th to the 22nd pick. Dallas had traded out of the first round the past two years.

In addition to Dallas' 25th pick, the Eagles got a fifth-round pick and a third-round

selection in 1998.

The 6-foot-7, 280-pound LaFleur, who led Louisiana State with 30 catches for 439 yards and three touchdowns and delivered crunching blocks for tailback Kevin Faulk, said Aikman's appearance at Westlake, La., for a workout made him a little nervous.

"I was in awe that he came down," LaFleur said. "It was a weird feeling but the workout went just great. Troy has a great touch on the ball and his passes are easy to catch."

LaFleur said he had a hunch he was going to be a Cowboy "because they kept in constant contact for two weeks but I was never sure what would unfold. They must have really wanted me to move up like they did in the draft."

Aikman came back from the workout and told tight end coach Bob Ford: "That's who I would like on the team."

Aikman also threw to California tight end Tony Gonzalez, who went 13th, but coach Barry Switzer said "LaFleur was our No. 1-rated tight end."

Switzer said LaFleur, who made a key block on an 8-yard touchdown run by Faulk last season, "extends our running game. We haven't had our total offensive package in there at tight end. LaFleur should make Bjornson an even better player."

Player personnel director Larry Laceywell said LaFleur is a rare type of player.

"You don't see too many 6-7, 280-pound guys who can run like he can," Laceywell said. "And he put on a great exhibition of catching the ball."

A catch that most impressed Aikman was a ball thrown low and behind LaFleur. He handled it without problems.

"That impressed Troy,"

Laceywell said. "It was a great way to check out a receiver under pressure having Troy throw to him. This guy acted like he had been catching the ball forever."

Ford said he likes the kind of receiver "where you have to get on a box to talk to him. He's a very large young man. And he can run a 4.7 in the 40."

Jones didn't say how the Cowboys would free up cap money to sign LaFleur, but it would become a lot easier if defensive end Charles Haley or Novacek retire.

Jones said the Cowboys must get immediate help from LaFleur.

"We can't have a player in the first round who doesn't come in and make an impact, and we think he will," Jones said.

The Cowboys hadn't taken a tight end with their first pick since Billy Joe DuPree in 1973.

Cubs' futility streak goes on and on and ...

BASEBALL

NEW YORK (AP) — The Chicago Cubs did not have any luck with No. 13, either.

The winless Cubs matched the longest losing streak in their 122-year history with their 13th straight defeat, falling 6-3 Saturday to the New York Mets.

Turk Wendell — who, appropriately, wears No. 13 — fell to 0-2. The superstitious reliever issued a leadoff walk in the seventh inning and an error set up Lance Johnson's tiebreaking sacrifice fly.

Cubs manager Jim Riggleman was ejected by plate umpire Jeff Kellogg while making a pitching change in the sixth. He was not around when Chicago rallied to score three times in the seventh, tying it at 3 on pinch-hitter Dave Clark's two-out, two-run homer off Mark Clark (1-1).

John Franco got the last four outs for his third save.

Athletics 7, Tigers 1

DETROIT (AP) — Mark McGwire hit his fifth homer and Willie Adams won on the road for the first time in eight career starts as the Oakland Athletics beat Detroit 7-1 Saturday, sending the Tigers to their fourth consecutive loss.

Geronimo Berroa homered and added a two-run double for the A's, who won their second straight following a four-game losing streak. Damon Mashore reached base five straight times with three singles and two walks.

Adams (1-1), who retired 17 straight starting in the third, gave up three hits in 7 2-3 innings, struck out nine and walked three. He hadn't gone past the fifth in his previous four starts this season.

Justin Thompson (1-1) gave up four runs and eight hits in six innings.

Indians 11, Brewers 6

CLEVELAND (AP) — Manny Ramirez went 4-for-5 and the Cleveland Indians beat Milwaukee 11-6 Saturday as the

Brewers lost second baseman Fernando Vina to a fractured left leg.

Vina, batting .321 and coming off a big game Friday, jammed his left foot into the base while stealing second in the first inning. The Brewers said Vina will miss two months after surgery for a fractured fibula.

Cleveland came back from a 4-3 deficit with a three-run fourth as Charles Nagy (2-1) survived two homers by John Jaha. Nagy finally gave the Indians a good outing from a starter. He allowed four runs on eight hits in seven innings, walking none and striking out seven.

Braves 8, Rockies 7

DENVER (AP) — Kenny Lofton tripled, doubled and singled and Denny Neagle won for the first time in five starts at Colorado as the Atlanta Braves won their seventh straight, 8-7 over the Rockies on Saturday.

Ryan Klesko added a three-run homer and an RBI double for the Braves, who improved to 37-13 against Colorado.

Neagle (2-0) allowed three runs in a 34-pitch first inning, then gave up only one run and three hits over the next seven.

Giants 3, Marlins 2

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Right fielder Gary Sheffield lost Glenallen Hill's routine fly, which dropped for a two-run double in the eighth inning Saturday and gave the San Francisco Giants a 3-2 victory over the Florida Marlins.

With San Francisco trailing 2-1, pinch-hitter Dante Powell singled with one out off Tony Saunders (0-1), his first major league hit. Stan Javier singled and Hill hit a two-out fly off Rick Helling. Sheffield had trouble picking up the ball against an overcast sky, and the Giants scored the tying and go-ahead runs.

Pitcher Pavlik takes a walk on the wild side

ARLINGTON (AP) — When Roger Pavlik starts a game, there's no telling what will happen. If his funky cross-body delivery is perfectly in synch, he can be dominant. If not, he can be a disaster.

Pavlik crashed and burned Friday night against Toronto like no American League pitcher has ever done. The Texas right-hander set a new AL standard for wildness by walking the first four batters in what ended up being a 6-5 Blue Jays win.

If that sounds bad, it was actually worse. The guy wasn't even coming close.

Leadoff batter Otis Nixon took four straight balls for the first walk. Carlos Garcia did Pavlik a favor by fouling off two pitches while trying to bunt Nixon over. Garcia finally caught on, and he too walked.

After Orlando Merced took a 3-0 count, Rangers pitching coach Dick Bosman decided to

visit the mound. Pavlik responded with another ball, then his first called strike of the night.

Pavlik didn't give himself much time to savor the strike zone. He walked Merced on the next pitch, then never even came close on four pitches to Joe Carter, sending him to first and scoring Nixon from third.

"You usually don't see innings like that in the big leagues," Toronto manager Cito Gaston said. "When you do, you hope it's on their side and not yours."

The only major league game with a wilder beginning was on June 16, 1941, when Cincinnati's Johnny Vander Meer walked four New York Giants, then Gene Thompson came in and walked one more. Dozens of pitchers shared the AL record of three walks.

Pavlik went 3-0 to Toronto's sixth batter, Ed Sprague. He ended up hitting a two-run dou-

ble. Carlos Delgado followed with an RBI groundout, then an RBI single by Charlie O'Brien ended Pavlik's night.

In just one-third of an inning, Pavlik (1-2) gave up five runs on five walks and two hits, inflating his ERA from 7.71 to 12.10.

He threw 37 pitches and didn't get an out until the 34th one. He threw 21 balls and 16 strikes.

The outing wasn't the shortest of Pavlik's career. He was pulled from his third major-league start in 1992 after allowing two walks and a hit. In 1994, he had a similar line to Friday night: five runs, one out.

Pavlik, an All-Star last season who is making \$2.85 million this year, didn't talk about his problems Friday night because he gave up speaking to reporters last season.

Even without his input, it's easy to trace his problem to the

awkward motion, during which he steps toward third base then has to throw back across his body to get the ball toward the plate. It used to be called a cross-fire delivery.

Try it. It's not easy.

When he's on, the bizarre style messes with hitters because they aren't used to seeing anything like it. They have trouble picking the ball up and that makes his powerful fastball seem faster, his slider break even sharper.

But pitching coaches fear irreparable harm to Pavlik's arm. Just as much of a concern is that when things go wrong, they don't know what to tell him to do differently.

"I'm not sure if he's able to detect what's wrong and correct it, but I've seen him turn it all around," Texas manager Johnny Oates said. "Some pitchers are more adept than others at making those adjustments."

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BASEBALL

American League

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Central Division

W	L	Pct.	GB
Baltimore	10	3	769-
Toronto	7	6	538 3
Boston	8	7	533 3
Detroit	7	10	412 5
New York	6	10	375 5 1/2

West Division

W	L	Pct.	GB
Milwaukee	8	4	667-
Minnesota	9	7	563 1
Kansas City	6	7	462 2 1/2
Cleveland	6	9	400 3 1/2
Chicago	4	11	267 5 1/2

East Division

W	L	Pct.	GB
Seattle	10	6	625-
Texas	7	6	538 1 1/2
Oakland	8	8	500 2
Anaheim	6	8	429 3

Thursday's Games

Toronto 5, Oakland 4
Seattle 8, Detroit 6
Minnesota 4, Anaheim 3, 10 Innings
Milwaukee 5, N.Y. Yankees 4
Cleveland 4, Boston 3
Texas 5, Kansas City 1
Baltimore 1, Chicago White Sox 0

Friday's Games

Baltimore at Boston, p.p.d., rain
Oakland 9, Detroit 5
Milwaukee 10, Cleveland 2
N.Y. Yankees 10, Chicago White Sox 4
Toronto 6, Texas 5
Minnesota 10, Seattle 3

Saturday's Games

Baltimore (Key 2-0) at Boston (Gordon 1-1), 12:05 p.m.
Oakland (Adams 0-1) at Detroit (Thompson 1-0), 12:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Eldred 2-0) at Cleveland (Bragy 1-1), 12:05 p.m.
Anaheim (Langston 1-1) at Kansas City (Appier 1-1), 1:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Rogers 0-1) at Chicago White Sox (Alvarez 0-3), 1:05 p.m.
Toronto (Clemens 2-0) at Texas (Hill 1-1), 7:35 p.m.
Minnesota (Tewksbury 0-2) at Seattle (D. Martinez 1-0), 9:05 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Baltimore (Erickson 2-0) at Boston (Wakefield 1-1), 12:05 p.m.
Oakland (Karsay 0-1) at Detroit (Moehler 0-1), 12:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Karl 0-3) at Cleveland (Hershiser 0-0), 12:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Wells 1-0) at Chicago White Sox (Baldwin 0-2), 1:05 p.m.
Anaheim (Dickson 2-0) at Kansas City (Rusch 2-0), 1:05 p.m.
Toronto (Guzman 2-1) at Texas (Witt 2-0), 2:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Aldred 1-1) at Seattle (Wolcott 1-1), 3:35 p.m.

National League

All Times CDT
By The Associated Press

Central Division

W	L	Pct.	GB
Pittsburgh	6	8	429 2
Cincinnati	6	10	375 3
St. Louis	4	10	286 4
Chicago	0	12	000 7

East Division

W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	12	3	800-
Florida	10	5	667 2
Montreal	5	8	385 3
New York	4	10	286 7 1/2
Philadelphia	4	10	286 7 1/2

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RUNS—Griffey Jr., Seattle, 18; Fryman, Detroit, 16; ToClark, Detroit, 14; Rodriguez, Seattle, 14; M Vaughn, Boston, 14; Jeter, New York, 13; Higginson, Detroit, 13; T Martinez, New York, 13; Whiten, New York, 13; Salomar, Cleveland, 13.

RBI—ToClark, Detroit, 19; Griffey Jr., Seattle, 18; T Martinez, New York, 16; Naehring, Boston, 15; Salomar, Cleveland, 14; McGwire, Oakland, 14; L Stevens, Texas, 13; Crispken, Baltimore, 13.

HITS—ToClark, Detroit, 24; Rodriguez, Seattle, 24; Fryman, Detroit, 23; GarciaParr, Boston, 22; Jeter, New York, 22; Salomar, Cleveland, 22; O'Neill, New York, 22.

Central Division

W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	9	7	563-
Pittsburgh	6	8	429 2
Cincinnati	6	10	375 3
St. Louis	4	10	286 4
Chicago	0	12	000 7

West Division

W	L	Pct.	GB
San Francisco	11	3	786-
Colorado	10	4	714 1
Los Angeles	10	4	714 1
San Diego	8	5	615 2 1/2

Thursday's Games

Florida 2, St. Louis 1
Montreal at Philadelphia, p.p.d., rain
Pittsburgh 3, Cincinnati 2
Only games scheduled

Friday's Games

Chicago Cubs at N.Y. Mets, p.p.d., rain
Philadelphia 8, Montreal 3
Cincinnati 6, Pittsburgh 1
Atlanta 14, Colorado 0
Los Angeles 5, Houston 3
San Francisco 5, Florida 4

Saturday's Games

Cincinnati (Schourek 0-2) at Pittsburgh (Schmidt 0-1), 12:35 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Mullholland 0-2) at N.Y. Mets (Clark 0-1), 12:40 p.m.
Atlanta (Neagle 1-0) at Colorado (Ritz 1-2), 2:05 p.m.
Florida (Saunders 0-0) at San Francisco (Estes 2-0), 3:05 p.m.
Montreal (C.Perez 2-0) at Philadelphia (M.Leiter 1-1), 6:05 p.m.
Houston (Kile 0-1) at Los Angeles (Nomo 2-0), 9:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Al.Benes 1-1 and Morris 0-0) vs. San Diego (Hamilton 1-1 and Hitchcock 2-0), at Honolulu, 2: 9:05 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Chicago Cubs (Foster 0-1 and Trachsel 0-2) at N.Y. Mets (Micki 0-0 and Jones 2-1), 2: 11:10 a.m.
Montreal (Juden 1-0 and P.Martinez 1-0) at Philadelphia (Munoz 0-3 and Portugal 0-0), 2: 12:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Mercker 1-1) at Pittsburgh (Lieber 0-0), 1s.35 p.m.
Atlanta (Smoltz 2-2) at Colorado (Swift 1-1), 2:05 p.m.
Houston (Holt 1-1) at Los Angeles (Valdes 1-2), 3:05 p.m.
Florida (A.Fernandez 2-1) at San Francisco (O.Fernandez 1-1), 3:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Raggio 1-0) vs. San Diego (Ashby 0-1), at Honolulu, 7:05 p.m.

DOUBLES—Sprague, Toronto, 8;

E Martinez, Seattle, 8; M Williams, Cleveland, 8; O'Neill, New York, 8; A Rodriguez, Seattle, 7; Colbrunn, Minnesota, 7; Spizzo, Oakland, 6; Lawton, Minnesota, 6; Haseiman, Boston, 6; King, Kansas City, 6.

TRIPLES—Jeter, New York, 2; Durham,

Chicago, 2; Vizquel, Cleveland, 2; DaMartinez, Chicago, 2; 25 are tied with 1.

HOME RUNS—Griffey Jr., Seattle, 8;

ToClark, Detroit, 6; T Martinez, New York, 6; Salomar, Cleveland, 6; Naehring, Boston, 5; 7 are tied with 4.

STOLEN BASES—BL Hunter, Detroit, 9;

Knoblauch, Minnesota, 8; T Goodwin, Kansas City, 7; Essley, Detroit, 6; Grissom, Cleveland, 6; Erstad, Anaheim, 5; Vizquel, Cleveland, 5; Nixon, Toronto, 5.

PITCHING 13 Decisions—Kline,

Cleveland, 30; 1,000; 2,400; Pettitte, New York, 3,0; 1,000; 2,777; Fassero, Seattle, 3; 0; 1,000; 3,000; Ritchie, Minnesota, 2-1; .667; 2,779; Ogea, Cleveland, 2-1; .667; 7,13; Mussina, Baltimore, 2-1; .667; 3,79; Guzman, Toronto, 2-1; .667; 2,84; McDonald, Milwaukee, 2-1; .667; 4,50.

STRIKEOUTS—Cone, New York, 32;

Navarro, Chicago, 25; R Johnson, Seattle, 25; Alvarez, Chicago, 24; Appier, Kansas City, 21; Pettite, New York, 18; Hentgen, Toronto, 18; Fassero, Seattle, 18; McDonald, Milwaukee, 18; Gordon, Boston, 18.

SAVES—R Myers, Baltimore, 7; Taylor,

Oakland, 5; Wetteland, Texas, 4; Charlton, Seattle, 4; DoJones, Milwaukee, 4; MRivera, New York, 3; Toljones, Detroit, 3; Pichardo, Kansas City, 3; Aguilera, Minnesota, 3.

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BATTING—L Walker, Colorado, .472;

Lofton, Atlanta, .443; Blauser, Atlanta, .431; Gwynn, San Diego, .426; DSanders, Cincinnati, .397; Conine, Florida, .386; Tucker, Atlanta, .385.

RUNS—L Walker, Colorado, 19; Lofton,

Atlanta, 17; McCracken, Colorado, 13; Blauser, Atlanta, 13; Galarraga, Colorado, 13; Castilla, Colorado, 12; Vizcaino, San Francisco, 11.

RBI—L Walker, Colorado, 22; Kent,

San Francisco, 19; Tucker, Atlanta, 14; ChJones, Atlanta, 14; Castilla, Colorado, 14; Bagwell, Houston, 14; Bichette, Colorado, 14.

HITS—Lofton, Atlanta, 31; DSanders,

Cincinnati, 27; L Walker, Colorado, 25; Gwynn, San Diego, 23; Blauser, Atlanta, 22; Olerud, New York, 21; McGriff, Atlanta, 21.

DOUBLES—Olerud, New York, 7; Brogna,

Philadelphia, 6; Clayton, St. Louis, 6; SFinley, San Diego, 6; 8 are tied with 5.

TRIPLES—W Guerrero, Los Angeles, 2;

Tucker, Atlanta, 2; Womack, Pittsburgh, 2; Klesko, Atlanta, 2; Bonds, San Francisco, 2; Gagne, Los Angeles, 2; 30 are tied with 1.

HOME RUNS—L Walker, Colorado, 9;

Castilla, Colorado, 6; Lieberthal, Philadelphia, 4; Mondesi, Los Angeles, 4; Kent, San Francisco, 4; Burks, Colorado, 4; 13 are tied with 3.

STOLEN BASES—DSanders, Cincinnati,

12; Castilla, Florida, 8; Lofton, Atlanta, 7; L Walker, Colorado, 7; McCracken, Colorado, 5; E Young, Colorado, 5; Johnson, New York, 5; Larkin, Cincinnati, 5; D White, Florida, 5.

HILTON HEAD ISLAND, S.C. (AP) — Nick Price moved a step closer to his first American victory in three years, taking a two-shot lead Saturday in the MCI Classic.

Price shot a 69 for a 10-under 203 and led through three rounds for the first time since winning the PGA Championship in 1994. At Harbour Town, he rolled in an 18-inch birdie putt on the windswept Lighthouse hole to close two ahead of Brad Faxon, the Freeport-McDermott winner two weeks ago. Tom Lehman, last year's PGA player of the year, was three back at 7-under.

"There's nothing better than playing good golf under pressure," Price said. "That's the ultimate kick and I missed that."

Price was the world's best golfer with 12 victories, including three in majors, between 1992 and 1994. But he grew tired of the lifestyle that took him away from his family and hindered his practice.

After more than two seasons of flawed chips and short-armed putts, Price is looking like the champion he was. At Harbour Town, he continued his dead-eye iron play and accurate putting. He got to 11-under with consecutive birdies on the 10th and 11th holes and threatened to pull away.

However, he hit two bunkers on the 13th for a bogey and missed a twisty comebacker from three feet on the 15th for another. Price held it together on the three toughest holes — the windswept 16th, 17th and 18th — to extend the lead.

He just missed a 20-foot birdie on the 16th and lagged a 30-footer close on the 17th. On his last hole, Price landed a 3-iron to 18 inches.

"You just keep plugging away," he said. "Sometimes when you're playing well, you can't even remember what you did before, you're so focused on the shot before you."

After winning at New Orleans on Easter Sunday, Faxon missed the cut in the Masters. But he regained his winning touch at Harbour Town and was the hottest putter in the third round, one-putting 10 of 11 holes during one stretch. After a bogey on

the 12th hole dropped him from a tie with Price, Faxon parred out for a 70.

"People have asked me a lot about putting this week," said Faxon, who shot a back nine-record 29 on Thursday. "Obviously, I don't make everything, but when I read a putt, I trust the line and play it."

Price and Faxon will go off in the final group. The last time they were paired together was the third round of the 1994 British Open, won by Price.

Lehman, miffed that he lost the Masters by 17 strokes to Tiger Woods, was determined to find his concentration. He started hot with six birdies on the front nine and climbed a stroke behind Price and Faxon at one point. He glided a 40-foot birdie putt in at the par-3 14th hole, then saved a tricky par on the next hole after driving into the trees and punching out.

"This week has been more like me," Lehman said. "I'm more tuned in."

Tom Watson, fourth in the Masters, and Lennie Clements were at 5-under.

Rick Fehr, near the lead the first two rounds, shot a 77.

Stars fizzle against Oilers

DALLAS (AP) — Curtis Joseph finally got the Dallas Stars' number. It was 0.

Joseph, beaten five times by Dallas this season, was helped by a smothering defense to a 4-0 shutout Friday night as the Edmonton Oilers evened their Western Conference quarterfinal series at a game apiece.

"The guys helped me out tremendously tonight, clearing it out in front of the net and clearing away rebounds," Joseph said. "I didn't have to do much in the first period. That really got us going. We're happy with the split."

The third game of the best-of-7 series will be played Sunday night in Edmonton.

Joseph, who had 25 saves, had six regular season shutouts but lost to Dallas in four regular season games and was beaten 5-3 on Wednesday night in the first game of the playoffs. He was 0-5 in playoff games against the Stars.

"It's a great confidence-builder to have Cujo play like he did," said center Doug Weight. "He's been our best player all year and the most consistent goalie I've ever been around."

Edmonton had two power-play goals, the second early in the third period on a 50-foot slap shot by Boris Mironov that whipped past a screened Andy Moog. Ryan Smyth scored on a breakaway to make it 4-0 with 12:53 remaining, sending Moog to the bench in favor of Arturs Irbe.

Mariusz Czerkawski scored an unassisted goal on a deflection to give the Oilers a 2-0 lead in the second period. The Stars had a goal taken away by television replay when Benoit Hogue was ruled to have been in the crease when he scored on a rebound shot.

The Oilers peppered Moog with 13 shots in the first period and finally broke through on a power play.

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happy to finally get that first game out of the way."

The second game was delayed for an hour as the teams waited for a lightning storm to pass through the area, then the Lady Steers' bats provided some fireworks of their own, cranking out 14 hits.

Three of Big Spring's first four batters doubled in the first inning, leading to three runs, and that was more than enough cushion for Sisneros, who carried a two-hit shutout into the final inning. The freshman hurler ended the night allowing six hits while striking out seven and walking four.

The Lady Steers have a bye in the area round of the playoffs, and face El Paso Ysleta in the regional quarterfinal round on a date, time and site to be determined.



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SAN ANTONIO (AP) — If there was ever any doubt about how much David Robinson meant to the San Antonio Spurs, this season proved it.

Injuries limited Robinson to only six games this year and San Antonio was 3-3 in those. Over the other 75, they were 17-58, keeping them out of the playoffs for the first time since 1988-89. Robinson's last year in the Navy.

Since the Admiral came aboard, the Spurs have finished first or second in the Midwest Division every year. They were two victories from their first NBA Finals appearance in 1994-95, when he was named the league's MVP.

This season's drop has been unprecedented. No team has ever gone from so many wins one season (59) to such few (20) the next. The 1993 Houston Rockets had the worst previous collapse at 32 games.

"It's been, needless to say, very disappointing," said center Will Perdue. "This team is better than that. Our record might say otherwise, but we are better than that. I'll take

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Swapping deer hunting tales at 'Bonney's Place'

My cousin, Leon Hale, spent some 40 years writing for the *Houston Post*, and in recent years he is writing for the *Houston Chronicle*.

In his novel "Bonney's Place," he tells of a deer hunt in the hill country.

We begin in October, about a month before deer season opened, and all the regulars are in Bonney's place telling deer stories and popping a few tops.

"Hey Buck," Bonney said, "tell Johnny here about your deer hunt out there in the Hill Country that time. Slat, bring Buck a fresh one. He can't tell a deer story on an empty."

"Wasn't much to it," he said,

"about 10, 12 years ago I hadn't ever shot a deer in my life, or even at one, and didn't care nothin' about it. That was back when Old Man Farley himself was still living, and still president of the (paper) mills. He came up with this idea that he'd have a drawing for everybody on the payroll and the winner would get to go along on the airplane out to the deer lease the mill had out in the Hill Country, out there west of San Antonio. Well my name come up a winner in the drawin'.

I didn't care nothin' about shootin' a deer, but I never had been on an airplane ride so I went. About 10 of us went, and everybody but me was an officer, like a vice-president or a department head, and they'd try to be nice to me, your know, show they didn't mind associatin' with a hired hand, but it wasn't much fun. Ridin' out there I sat in a back seat with that dog belonged to Old Man Farley. Bigdog, white and spotted Dalmatian," Buck said.

"You remember that dog —

Farley wouldn't go anywhere without that d—dog, and I swear to God they had a seat set aside for him on that company plane."

"Anyway, we got out there and it was nice — Well, about four o'clock the next morning they got us up and loaded us in cars and taken us out to the deerstand. They gave me a deer rifle, which I never had shot anything at that time except a .22 target or a 12 gauge bird gun. And they gave me a little sack of feed — and told me to scatter that feed out there in front of my stand and get inside — and shoot whatever had horns. They drove off and left me. I scattered the feed and went in that stand. It was about the size of a outdoor toilet, but it was fixed up inside — and even a gasoline heater that you lit up to keep warm. I lit the heater and sat there and sat and nothin' ever showed up. — I drowse off a while and wake up and look out, and drowse off again. — I got to rummagin' around in that stand and found

some cans of stuff, like little sausages and meat — I ate some of that a while. Once I opened a can of meat and it didn't taste good to me, so I chucked it out on the ground in front of the stand, and there I went back to sleep.

"Next time I woke up, hell, the sun was very high and I looked out and musta' been a dozen deer standin' around out the in front of me, eatin' on that feed like a bunch of calves. Well I come down with the d — est case of buck fever — in fact after that's when they commenced calling me Buck at the mills, which my real name is Claude — and then my glasses would get foggin'. The last time I sighted I couldn't see nothin' in that scope except just a gray kind of blur, and I'll just shoot and holler fall. So that's what I done. I turned my head to one side and shut my eyes and pulled the trigger — blooey. Man, that rifle like to killed me. It took my glasses off, which I can't see the sun come

up without them. — so I commenced fumblin' around after my glasses when I heard this voice. It was Old Man Farley himself. He yelled, "Thornton is that you? Did you fire that shot? — Did you hit anything? I told I believed so but couldn't make out what it was just yet. And he said, 'Come on out, then we'll go take a look.' Well I located my specs and come out of the stand, and me and Mr. Farley walked out toward the clearin' and d — near stumbled over what I'd shot. Mr. Farley he stood there a lookin' down with his false teeth a clackin' and when I see what it was, it all come to me — because what I'd shot was the old man's big spotted dog ...

"Tell 'em, Buck," Bonney said.

"Tell 'em what happened then."

"Well," Buck continued, "nest thing I know, why up came Junior Farley," — when he seen what happened, he taken us back to the lodge and got his daddy to bed, and then he put me in a station wagon and

drove into Kerrville to the bus station and bought me a ticket home. I was fixin' to get on the bus and then he put his hand on my shoulder and he said, "Thornton, I'm gonna do my best to keep the old man from firin' you. I may not be able to do it, so I want you to have this. It ain't much," he said, "but it's all I got in my wallet." I counted it, which it come to \$84 and I asked him whatever it was for. And he told me "why it's for makin' the finest rifle, shot ever squeezed off in these hills. My daddy had thought more of that g — d — spotted dog than he has of me, and I hated that animal since the first day he crapped on the kitchen floor in our house. So I rode on home, and went back to work the next mornin' and never heard a word about gettin' fired. Sine I blowed a hole in that dog, I ain't been able to do no wrong around the mill when Junior Farley is anywhere close, and I'm satisfied it's the reason I'm foreman of number two crew right today."



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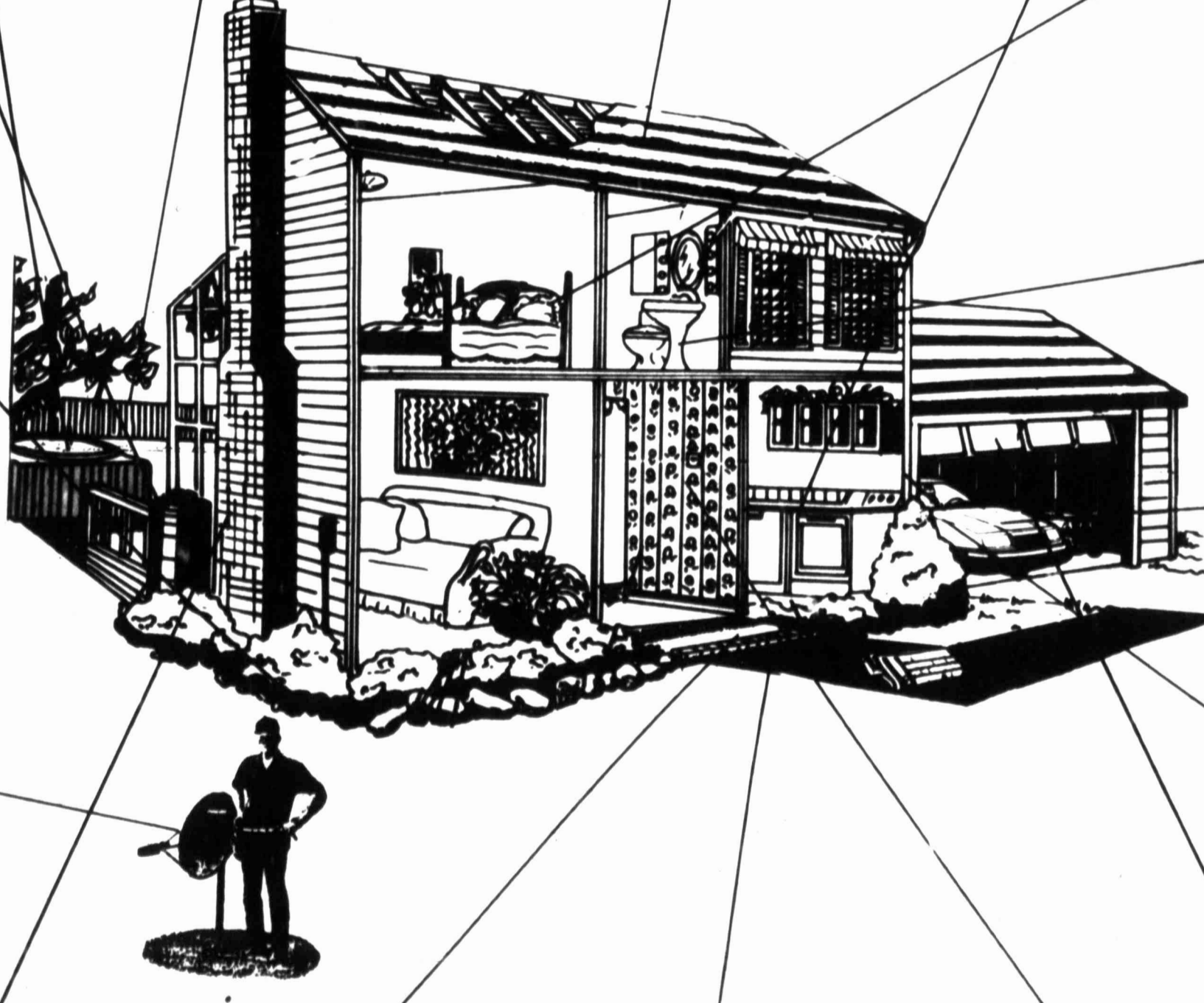
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Celebrating Community College Month in style

By KELLIE JONES
Features Editor

If Brennan Highfield had been born just 18 minutes earlier, he wouldn't have been the lucky baby to receive a full two-year scholarship to Howard College. As part of Community College Month, Howard College made plans to give a scholarship to the first baby born in April at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. The scholarship is estimated to be worth about \$3,000.

Brennan entered this world a little earlier than his parents, Bobbi Nelson and Kyle Highfield, expected on April 1 at 12:17 a.m. He weighed four pounds and 10 ounces. The baby, his parents, along with Dr. Deborah Hajovsky and the obstetrics nurses who helped in the delivery will all be honored at a reception April 29 at 7 p.m. at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

The Community College Month activities kicked off on April 1 when Congressman Charles Stenholm visited the campus. Also that week was Rodeo Week and employees dressed western. On April 2, Jody Nix visited the team dur-

ing a reception that featured barbecue and contests.

This past week, April 14-18, was Student Switch Week where students, teachers and administrators all switched places to see what it's like to be in the other person's shoes. Sandra Gonzales filled in for Howard College President Dr. Cheri Sparks; Samuel Maroney (Hawks basketball player) filled in for his math teacher Linda Buchanan and helped teach a class; Marsha Boren and Terri Newton, director of communications, switched places. Newton took a test for Marsha and the student did some computer work at Terri's office; and Stephany Bedwell filled in one day for Howard College Vice President Dr. Dusty Johnston.

Newton said, "We want to impress upon the community that we are here for our community. We want the community to be more aware of what we do. We are very involved in several activities such as Relay for Life. These are important to us."

This week, secretaries from the college are making the rounds to Anderson Kindergarten Center and the six Big Spring elementary

schools to promote literacy by reading to the students. On Secretary's Day, April 23, the college will give a luncheon for the secretaries to recognize them for their hard work and efforts.

On Saturday, it's the Howard Hawks Grand Slam Baseball Day at Jack Barber Field. The team plays a doubleheader against the Odessa College Wranglers. At 11:45 a.m., the team will be introduced and the national anthem will be sung by "Fun Country Gentlemen Quartet." Between the two games, around 2 p.m., the Little League baseball teams present will be recognized. The team who brings the most players will be given autographed baseballs and get a chance to meet the Hawks. Throughout the Grand Slam Day, hot dogs, sodas and popcorn will be for sale and autographed baseballs, caps, t-shirts and more will be given away.

Also during the reception to honor Brennan Highfield, Howard College students will receive special recognition and awards for their academic achievements during the 1996-97 school year.



HERALD photo/Jonathan Garrett
Marsha Boren sits at the computer of Terri Newton, the college's director of communications, during Student Switch Week. Several students, teachers and administrators switched places to see what it was like to walk in the other person's shoes for a day in conjunction with Community College Month.



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Above: Congressman Charles Stenholm kicks off Community College Month at a meeting April 1 at the East Room of the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Far right, Sandra Gonzales filled in one day for Howard College President Dr. Cheri Sparks during the Student Switch Week activities. Right: Newcomers to Big Spring were given a walking tour of the Howard College campus. The tour is sponsored by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce and introduces new residents to various places in town.



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Chad Cliburn rides a bull during a rodeo earlier this month in connection with the April celebration to bring awareness of what Howard College has to offer the community.



Everyone wants to get in on the Take-Our-Daughters-To-Work Day act

I wasn't at the Take Our Daughters to Work Day planning meeting this year, but according to my sources it went something like this. A group of men and women sat around a big conference table and had the following enlightened 1990s conversation.



Mickey Guisewite
Columnist

A smartly dressed business

woman started. "I think this year we have a wonderful opportunity to show our girls how far we've come in the workplace. We'll spend an exciting day as their role models building confidence, self-esteem and hope for the future. Another woman interrupted. "Excuse me, but in today's shrinking job market, doesn't my 10-year-old boy face as many challenges as any girl? I'd like to know why there's no Take Our Sons to Work Day." "Great," said a woman across the table, rolling her eyes. "And while you're all busy bringing your sons and daughters to work, I, a 'child-free' professional, will spend the day

doing your jobs." "Oh, fine," a man shot back. "What do you want, a Take Our Dogs to Work Day?"

everybody gets to find out what goes on at work except for the mothers of the children who work there."

But maybe next year we ought to have a Take Our Parents to School Day first so the grown-ups can learn some manners.

"Not unless we eat people get a day too!" exclaimed another man, pouncing to his feet. "Well, isn't this just fine? Girls! Boys! Cats! Dogs!" snapped the voice of a 60ish woman poking her head in the conference-room door. "I guess

"Mom, what are you doing here?" a beet-red young woman wailed. "I have a daughter who lives at the office and I have no idea what she does!" the woman exclaimed. "How about a Take Our Moms to Work Day?"

"Or a Take Our Dads to Work Day!" added the silver-haired gentleman rushing in behind her.

"What about the grandpar-ents? Don't we get a day?" interrupted two more voices.

"What about the aunts and uncles?" cried another.

"What about those women who choose to work as home-makers? Do we get a special day where everyone is supposed to follow us around watching our rewarding careers?"

At this point the room erupted into a chaotic frenzy of yelling and name-calling as a string of personal agendas flew back and forth across the table.

"I'm a bird person. I'm a horse person. What about me? What about me?"

Just when the room was reaching a peak of uncontrollable screaming, a little 8-year-old girl popped her head in the door and motioned for her mother to come over.

"is Take Our Daughters to Work Day is pretty neat, Mom," she whispered. "But maybe next year we ought to have a Take Our Parents to School Day first so the grown-ups can learn some manners."

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WEDDINGS

Bailey-Rios

Kimberly Bailey and Jesse Rios were united in marriage on March 29, 1997, at Hillcrest Baptist Church with Dr. Robert Lacey, pastor, officiating.

She is the daughter of Jimmy and Diana Bailey.

He is the son of Hope Rios and Jesus Rios.

The couple stood before ficus trees with clear lights, peach ribbons and green ivy with two baskets of flowers on each side.

Jonie Harmon was the instrumentalist, and Carol Boyd was the vocalist.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a gown of soft bridal satin and chantilly lace with soutache embroidery long fitted sleeves and a jewel neckline. The fitted bodice was covered with lace and embroidery. The basque waist dropped into a full satin skirt and chapel length train edged with soutache embroidery.

She carried a bouquet of peach roses and white lilies.

Maid of honor was Deidrea Reed, Kermit, and matron of honor was Lori Gomez, cousin of the bride, San Angelo.

Heather Varley, Big Spring, and Kayla Roberts, Lubbock, were the bridesmaids. Junior bridesmaids were Caitlin Perkins, niece of the bride, Big Spring, and Stephanie Barrera, niece of the groom, Odessa.

Abigail Bailey, niece of the bride, was the flower girl, and Chance Urias was the ring bearer.

Albert Barrera, brother of the groom, was the best man.

Mike Hilario, Edward Urias, James Bailey, brother of the bride, and Terry Wood, all of Big Spring, all served as groomsmen.

Bryan Bailey, brother of the bride, Lubbock, and Jeremy Barrera, nephew of the groom, Odessa, were the ushers.



MR. AND MRS. JESSE RIOS

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the fellowship hall.

The wedding cake was a four-tiered cake decorated with peach flowers and ivy. The table feature a silver candelabra with peach accents, peach flower arrangement, a carrot cake with basket weave icing and decorated with a cross with two wedding rings in the middle, and a silver coffee service.

The bride is a 1991 graduate of Big Spring High School, a 1993 graduate of Howard College, and a 1996 graduate of Angelo State University. She is employed by First Bank of West Texas.

The groom is a 1989 graduate of Big Spring High School and will graduate in May 1997 from Howard College. He is employed by the City of Big Spring.

Following a delayed wedding trip to Steamboat Springs, Colo., in August, the couple will make their home in Big Spring.

Martin-Ezell

Libby Ann Martin, Big Spring, and John Ed Ezell, Coahoma, were united in marriage on March 8, 1997, at Coahoma Baptist Church with Elwin Collum, pastor, officiating.

She is the daughter of Benny and Vera Martin, Big Spring.

He is the son of Johnnie and Jo Anne Ezell, Coahoma.

The couple stood before a mass of candelabras with greenery and ivory bows.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a natural silk shantung gown by Mon Cheri with a scoop front neck, deep scoop back and short tunnel sleeves of flowered Venetian lace covered with pearls and sequins. The modified natural waist featured three rows of scalloped edges, back waistline with a rose, leaves and loops. The bouffant skirt fell into a semi-cathedral train. She also wore a pearl and sequin band headpiece with two-tiered finger tip veil.

She carried a nosegay of white roses, stock, Bouvardia, and seeded eucalyptus leaves, hand-tied with ivory silk ribbon.

Matrons of honor were Letty Jo Moore, sister of the bride, Keller, and Bonnie Billings, sister of the bride, Seagraves.

Mary Schafer, Big Spring, and Pattie Anderson, Temple, were the bridesmaids.

Johnnie Ezell, father of the groom, Coahoma, was the best man.

Matt Coates, Coahoma; Bobby Morrow, Big Spring; and Heath Smith, China Springs, cousin of the groom, served as groomsmen.

Ector Guerra, Coley Dobbs,



MRS. JOHN EZELL

Randy Self, and Clay Martin, brother of the bride, served as ushers.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the fellowship hall.

The wedding cake was a three-tiered white cake with ivory icing decorated with fresh flowers. The table was covered in a lace cloth over a maroon cloth, candles and the bride's bouquet.

The groom's table was decorated with a flower centerpiece and appetizers.

The bride is a graduate of Forsan High School, Howard College and Angelo State University. She is employed by the Big Spring ISD.

The groom is a graduate of Coahoma High School and Texas State Technical College. He is employed by Pollard Chevrolet.

Following a wedding trip to San Antonio, the couple will make their home in Coahoma.

Kemp

Keith and Odee Kemp celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on April 13, 1997, in Big Spring with a luncheon hosted by their children and grandchildren.

He was born in Pyote, and she was born as Odee Roberts in Sentinel, Okla. They met in 1933 at the First Baptist in Close City. They were married on April 12, 1937. Mr. and Mrs. Kemp have three children, Johnny Kemp, Dr. Jim Kemp, both of Post, and Beth Cook, Big Spring. They also have six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The couple have lived in Post during their marriage. Mr. Kemp is retired. He was previously a businessman. She is a housewife. They are affiliated with First Baptist Church in



MR. AND MRS. KEITH KEMP
Post and the Post Masonic Lodge 1058.

Recipe Corner

If you have any recipes you would like to see published, please submit them to the Herald office at 710 Scurry or mail them to: P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas; 79721; attention: Kellie Jones. Submissions need to be in the Herald office no later than May 5. It is scheduled for May 14.

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Appleton



MR. AND MRS. JOHN L. APPLETON, THEN AND NOW

John L. and Annie Ruth Appleton celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a quiet celebration with family.

He was born in Callahan County, and she was born as Annie Ruth Butler in Fisher County. They met by a mutual friend introducing John to Annie Ruth at her place of employment which was the early Montgomery Wards store located then at the corner of Third and Gregg. They were married on April 19, 1947, in Coahoma in the home of a preacher. Mr. and Mrs. Appleton have two children, Joy Dell Bryant and Linda Kay Appleton, both of Big Spring. They also have seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Mr. and Mrs. Appleton have lived in Big Spring but owned a farm in the Luther community and moved there in 1968. They are still living there.

He is retired, except for the never-ending task of maintaining a large garden, pecan trees and grape vines. He served in



the U.S. Navy from 1943-45; then was employed with the Texas & Pacific Railroad from 1946 to 1981. His fellow trainmen refer to him as 'Johnny' or 'Ole John.' Annie Ruth devoted her life to her home, family and church and did work occasionally for J.C. Penney Co.

They are affiliated with Trinity Baptist Church. Mrs. Appleton has taught Sunday School classes, Vacation Bible School, and assisted in youth group activities for many years.

In the earlier years, the couple and their children were avid fishermen but now the Appletons love to listen to gospel music and attend gospel concerts far and near.

This was their comment about 50 years of marriage, "It wasn't really hard at all to be together for five decades because we saw 'eye to eye' on most things and if we didn't, oh well, get over it and go on!" John says, "Just grin and bear it," and Ann says, "Least said, easiest mended."

Russell

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Russell celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on April 19, 1997, with a reception at the Kentwood Activity Center and a family dinner at KC Steakhouse, hosted by their children and grandchildren.

He was born in Fort Worth, and she was born in Snyder as Gladys Evans. They met through a friend. They were married on April 19, 1947, at the First Assembly of God Church in Snyder.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell have five children, Larry Russell, Waco; Greg and Tami Russell, Hobbs, N.M.; Carol Russell, Mesquite; Karen Gallagher, Big Spring; and Janie and Dalton

Froman, McKenny. They also have 12 grandchildren.

They have lived in Snyder and Big Spring during their marriage. Both are retired. Previously, Frank worked for Bettie and Womack for 30 years. Gladys is a homemaker.

They are affiliated with the First Assembly of God Church. She is a member of T.O.P. Club.

They both enjoy gardening and working in their yard as well as their grandchildren and in the church.

This was their comment about their 50 years of marriage, "We feel that we have a good marriage; we are very thankful."

Hodnett-Freeman

Denise Hodnett and Aaron Freeman were united in marriage on April 8, 1997, at the Magnolia House in Fredericksburg with David Heidkey, retired pastor of Zion Lutheran Church, officiating.

She is the daughter of Janet Heading, Big Spring, and Fred Heading, Caldwell, Kan.

He is the son of Debbie Gamboa, Fort Worth, and Ted Freeman, Lawrence, Kan.

Given in marriage by Tom Kelley, the bride wore a royal blue satin overskirt over three layers of French lace.

She carried a bouquet of blue bonnets and tiger lilies.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the home of Debbie and John Gamboa in Fort Worth.

The wedding cake was a two-tiered chocolate cake with chocolate icing and a fall of chocolate dipped strawberries down the side.

She is a graduate of Big Spring High School and is employed by Wal-Mart.

He is a graduate of Arlington Heights and is employed by Kwik Kar.

Following a wedding trip in Fredericksburg, the couple will make their home in Big Spring.

IN THE MILITARY

James (J.D.) David Wheeler, a resident of Snyder and the son of James and Frances Wheeler of Big Spring, enlisted in the Air Force's Delayed Enlistment Program.

J.D. is a 1996 graduate of Big Spring High School and attended Western Texas College.

Navy Seaman Recruit Patricia G. Humble, daughter of Linda D. White, Big Spring, recently completed the Navy's basic storekeeper course.

The 1994 graduate of Vista High School of Montrose, Colo., joined the Navy in October of 1996.

Marine Lance Cpl. Chris N. Perez, son of John D. and Darlene M. Perez, Big Spring, recently participated in Exercise Tandem Thrust off the coast of Australia while assigned to 7th Communication Battalion, 3rd Marine Division, forward deployed to Okinawa, Japan.

The 1995 graduate of Maranatha Baptist Academy High School joined the Marine Corps in August 1995.

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Volunteer dinner set for May 7, veterans ask questions

Congratulations to Buck Turner for having a street named after him and the VA Medical Center's volunteer ambassadors for the success they are enjoying in the guest services/guest relations arena.

Many thanks to the board of directors of The Haven House of Big Spring, Inc. and the many organizations supporting their successful, ongoing efforts in providing temporary lodging for female family members of veterans hospitalized at the VA Medical Center. The Haven House became operational in 1991 after being donated by Paul and Lona Hood.

Thanks are also extended to Abilene Chapter 36 of the Disabled American Veterans for the assistance provided in sponsoring the 1997 Volunteer

Recognition Dinner. The dinner is at Garrett Hall at the First United Methodist Church on May 1, at 6 p.m.

All 402 active VA Medical Center volunteers are invited. Dinner music is provided by the Texas Brass and Strings Band.



Fred Cox
VA Medical Center

The following are representative questions answered by VA Counselors:

Q. After my husband's death

in 1994, my income was above the limit for Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) pension for surviving spouses of veterans with wartime service. Can VA help with the cost of the nursing home where I was recently admitted?

A. You may be eligible now for VA pension based on financial need. Countable income may be reduced by unreimbursed medical expenses, including unreimbursed nursing home costs.

Q. How can I arrange to have my VA pension payments sent by direct deposit to my bank?

A. You can establish direct deposit of VA pension or compensation payments by calling VA toll-free at 1-800-827-1000. BE prepared to provide your VA claim number, address, phone

number, type of account (for example, checking or savings), account number, and your banking institution's address, phone number and routing number.

Q. My brother draws Improved Pension. He and his spouse are separated due to marital discord, and he makes reasonable contributions to her support. Should her income be included with his income for Department of Veterans Affairs purposes even if her income is not available to my brother?

A. Yes. Her income would be counted against your brother's income and she would be included on his award as a dependent because he is making reasonable contributions to her support.

Q. I recently received an Eligibility Verification Report.

What income needs to be reported to VA?

A. All income should be reported and the source of that income identified. There are some types of income that are not countable income for pension purposes. VA will make a determination as to the countability of any income.

Q. As a veteran on pension, what medical expenses can be used to reduce my countable income?

A. The expenses must meet all of the following criteria: the veteran must have actually paid the expenses; no reimbursement was received for the expense; the expenses were for the veteran or relative that is a member of the veteran's household; the expenses were paid after entitlement to pension

began; and the total of medical expenses exceed 5 percent of the maximum annual pension rate.

Q. Are there any other adjustments to countable income for veterans or survivors on pension?

A. Yes. Deductions may be allowed for educational expenses for the veteran or surviving spouse. There is an earned income exclusion for children who are working. There is also a hardship exclusion of children's income. Questions concerning the specifics of these deductions should be directed to a counselor available on VA's toll-free number, 1-800-827-1000.

Fred Cox is the community relations director at the VA Medical Center.

'The Poet' is an interesting look at twins

The Poet. Michael Connelly. January, 1997. Warner Books, Inc., New York, 501 pages, \$6.99.

Twins have an impenetrable bond with each other. They seem to sense the good often before it happens, yet they often feel inexplicable guilt if their twin suffers, as if they should have been able to take the suffering away. The intense grief Jack McEvoy encountered when he learned of the brutal death of his twin, Sean, only added to other feelings of sorrow and guilt he had carried for years. Sean's death was offi-

cially noted as a suicide, but Jack was unwavering in his belief that his brother would not have killed himself.

Sean had been a successful homicide detective, happily married with two children. The few specific clues left at the sight of the killing Jack found impossible to reconcile with the life of his brother. Sean's death appeared to have taken place inside a parked car where no suicide note was found, nor was there any other reference relating to Sean's life. The most conspicuous clue was a quote from Edgar Allen Poe which had been smeared in the moisture on the windshield.

Jack could not seem to penetrate the official police stand of "suicide," and with his own resources as a newspaper reporter, he began to investigate on his own. To his satisfaction and surprise, he found other detectives' deaths which had been labeled suicide. Most

importantly, each crime scene included some quote from Poe. Jack was obviously the only one to tie these crimes together, and when he presented them to the police, it was obvious they too quickly had made inappropriate assumptions about suicides. At this point, the FBI was brought in. Jack's tenaciousness and unwillingness to be left out won him a peripheral place on the investigation team.

While on the team, Jack was anxious to rush ahead of the bureau's plodding methods of study and analysis. He was afraid of losing his "big story" for his newspaper, and was fearful of being betrayed by members of the FBI team who had never accepted him. Rachel Walling, the only woman on the team, was more welcoming to Jack than the others. The two of them tried to steal quiet moments together but were fearful of the bureau's policy

about personal involvements and they were also suspicious of Rachel's ex-husband who was also on the investigation.

Jack's early disappointments in himself, his lack of closeness with his family and the loss and self-rebuke for not saving Sean gave his character a rather pathetic demeanor at times. His personal dealings with others was defensive and he often lacked confidence in his own abilities to do the right thing. Michael Connelly wrote masterfully allowing the reader to view Jack's demons without it destroying the positive performance of the character.

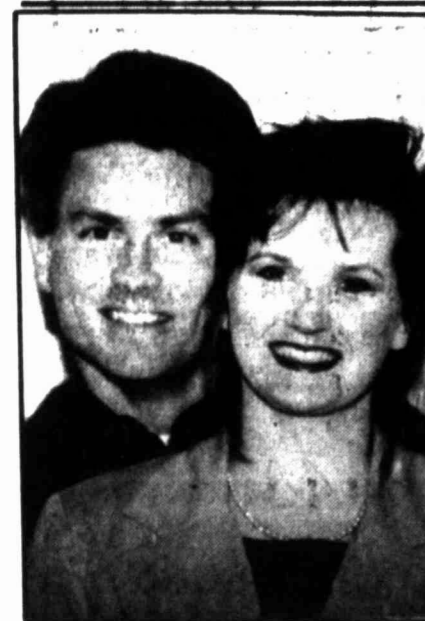
The case for the killer is wound tightly but again when confidence and paranoia are misplaced, Jack relearns about impetuous distrust and ongoing hope. There are no neatly tied packages but the answers are there for the looking.

Rating: *** = Good for discussion at a party.



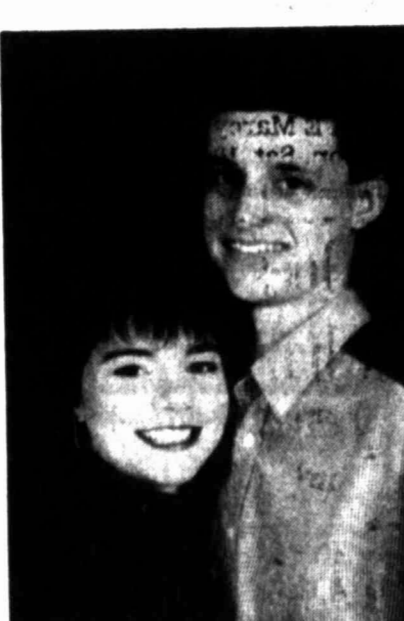
Pat Williams
Book Reviewer

GETTING ENGAGED



Laura Chandler and Russell Stukel, formerly of Big Spring, will exchange wedding vows on May 31, 1997, in Denton.

She is the daughter of Mary Chandler, Wichita Falls. He is the son of Ray and Rose Stukel, Big Spring.



Shaona Griffith and Robert S. Sherrill, both of Huntersville, N.C., will exchange wedding vows on May 31, 1997, at Mt. Zion United Methodist Church, Cornelius, N.C., with Rev. Angela R. Marlowe, associate pastor, officiating.

She is the daughter of Johnny and Darlene Tidwell, Big Spring, and Dale and Karen Griffith, Willow Park. He is the son of Mike and Linda Sherrill, Huntersville, N.C.

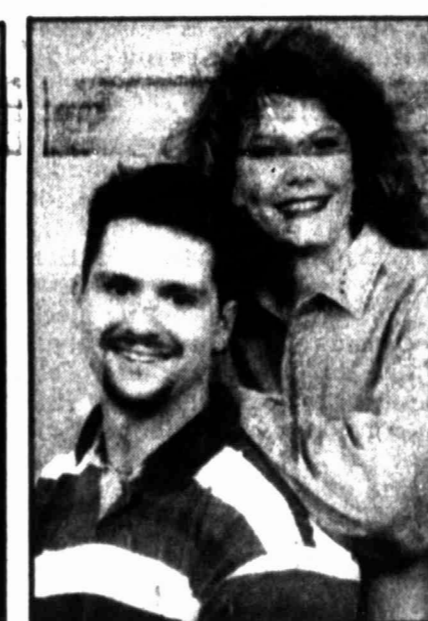
There is a reception in Big Spring June 7 at the First Church of the Nazarene.



Trisha Lynette Barnes and Christopher Dee Plummer, both of Weatherford, Okla., will be united in marriage on April 26, 1997, in Lawerne, Okla.

She is the daughter of Julie Davis, Big Spring, and the late Cloyd Barnes.

He is the son of Dorothy Plummer, Start, La., and the late Billy Plummer.



Mandi Sue Walling, Midland, and David Lindsey Brown, Denton, will unite in marriage on July 12, 1997, at the Memorial Christian Church in Midland.

She is the daughter of Lynn and Barbara Walling, Coahoma.

He is the son of David and Fran Brown, Denton.

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Women's Care Update

By Michael S. Phillips, M.D.
Diplomate, American Board Obstetrics & Gynecology

GETTING A CLEAR PICTURE

According to recent studies, mammography has been shown to significantly reduce breast cancer deaths in women age 50 and over. Taking x-rays of the breasts is more reliable in older women because mammography works best in breasts with less dense tissue. This fact, however, should not serve to dissuade younger women from getting regular mammograms. It is important that women establish a "baseline" image of their breasts (against which subsequent x-rays may be compared for physical changes) by having a screening mammogram of their breasts by age 40. Women ages 40 to 49 should have a mammogram every one to two years until age 50. After that, women should have a mammogram every year. The value of mammography largely rests with its ability to detect some breast cancers up to two years before the tumors can be felt by hand.

You should have a frank discussion about mammography and/or breast cancer with your gynecologist. If your family history includes close female relatives who have had breast cancer, your physician needs to know. Every woman of child-bearing age or older should have an annual breast exam by a trained professional and follow her doctor's advice regarding mammography. The best way to survive breast cancer is with early diagnosis. For excellent OB/GYN care, call our office at (915) 522-2222. We're located at the Medical Care Plaza, 1300 Gregg Street, every Tuesday, here in Big Spring.

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ON THE MENU

SPRING CITY SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER
MONDAY - Chicken; rice; mixed vegetables; fruit salad; milk/rolls; cake.
TUESDAY - Meat loaf; macaroni and cheese; green beans; peaches; hot roll; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Charbroiled steak; new potatoes; carrots; spinach salad; milk/rolls; fruit.
THURSDAY - Enchiladas; Spanish rice; beans; tossed salad; milk/rolls; fruit.
FRIDAY - Swiss steak; mashed potatoes; broccoli; macaroni salad; milk/rolls; peach gelatin.

BIG SPRING BREAKFAST
MONDAY - Cereal choice; graham cracker; chilled fruit; milk.
TUESDAY - Pancake on stick or breakfast bagel, fruit juice, milk.
WEDNESDAY - Cereal choice, fruit muffin, chilled fruit, milk.
THURSDAY - Breakfast pocket or breakfast pizza, fruit juice, milk.
FRIDAY - Pop-tart or cereal bar; sausage; chilled fruit; milk.

LUNCH ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY FIRST CHOICE
MONDAY - Fish fingers; macaroni and cheese; green beans; peaches; hot roll; milk.
TUESDAY - Pepperoni Pizza; potato rounds; carrot sticks; pear halves; Jell-o; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Taco; salad; corn; Spanish rice; apple; milk.
THURSDAY - Chicken patty; whipped potatoes; English peas; mixed fruit; hot roll; milk.
FRIDAY - Barbecue on bun; French fries; pinto beans; pickle spears; lemon pie; milk.

SECONDARY SECOND CHOICE
MONDAY - Meatloaf; macaroni and cheese; green beans; peaches; hot roll; milk.
TUESDAY - Salisbury steak; potato rounds; carrot sticks; pear halves; Jell-o; hot roll; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Chef salad; crackers; apple; milk.
THURSDAY - Steak sandwich; whipped potato; English peas; mixed fruit; milk.
FRIDAY - Green enchiladas; French fries; pinto beans; pickle spears; lemon pie; corn bread; milk.

ELBOW BREAKFAST
MONDAY - Cereal; pop tart; juice; milk.
TUESDAY - Waffles; sausage; juice; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Breakfast burritos; juice; milk.
THURSDAY - Grill cheese; juice; milk.
FRIDAY - Cereal; toast; juice; milk.
LUNCH
MONDAY - Fish sticks; macaroni and cheese; peas fruit; milk.
TUESDAY - Cowboy stew; corn; fruit; corn bread; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Chicken strips; mashed potatoes; green beans; fruit; milk.
THURSDAY - Sloppy joes; fries; salad; pickle; milk.
FRIDAY - Taco and sauce; pinto beans; cheese; salad; milk.

FORSAN BREAKFAST
MONDAY - Donuts; juice; milk.
TUESDAY - Pancakes; sausage; syrup/butter; juice; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Breakfast burrito; juice; milk.
THURSDAY - Texas toast; juice; milk.
FRIDAY - Cereal; nutri-grain bar; juice; milk.
LUNCH
MONDAY - Pizza; buttered

potatoes; salad; tapioca pudding; vanilla wafers; milk.
TUESDAY - Frito pie; cheese; ranch style beans; salad; fruit; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Sloppy Jo; French fries; salad/pickles/onions; rice krispie bars/fruit; milk.
THURSDAY - Stew; corn; cornbread; coconut cake; fruit; milk.
FRIDAY - Steak fingers/gravy; whipped potatoes; green beans; hot rolls; fruit salad; milk.

COAHOMA BREAKFAST
MONDAY - Pancakes with syrup; sausage; juice; milk.
TUESDAY - Biscuits with sausage; jelly; fruit; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Bagel with ham and cheese; fruit; milk.
THURSDAY - Scrambled eggs; toast; jelly; fruit; milk.
FRIDAY - Fruit muffin, sausage; milk.
LUNCH
MONDAY - Chicken nuggets with gravy or chicken patty on bun; corn; fresh fruit; finger rolls; milk.
TUESDAY - Foot-long hot dog with chili or corn dog; tator tots; cherry cobbler; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Chicken fajitas with flour tortillas or burrito; pinto beans; orange; milk.
THURSDAY - Grilled cheese sandwiches or cheese fries; applesauce; peanut butter bar; milk.
FRIDAY - Cheeseburger or hamburger; French fries; lettuce; tomato; onion; pickles; milk.

GARDEN CITY LUNCH
MONDAY - Fish nuggets; scalloped potatoes; English peas; baked apples; hot rolls; low fat variety milk.
TUESDAY - Beef soft taco; pinto beans; potato wedges; peanut butter bar; flour tortillas; low fat variety milk.
WEDNESDAY - Baked chicken; mashed potatoes; green beans;

fruit cup; hot rolls; low fat variety milk.
THURSDAY - Beef, bean burritos; chili; salad; corn; cookie; low fat variety milk.
FRIDAY - NO CLASSES

SANDS CISD BREAKFAST
MONDAY - Sausage on blanket; jelly; juice; milk.
TUESDAY - Biscuit and sausage; jelly; milk; juice.
WEDNESDAY - Grilled cheese sandwiches; juice; milk.
THURSDAY - Hotcakes; milk; sausage; juice.
FRIDAY - Hot oatmeal; toast; milk; juice.
LUNCH
MONDAY - Corn dogs with mustard, macaroni and cheese; ranch style beans; cake; milk.
TUESDAY - Baked ham; sweet potatoes; salad, hot rolls; pineapple; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Beef and cheese tacos; pinto beans; salad; cornbread; fruit; milk.
THURSDAY - Chicken fried steak; mashed potatoes with gravy; green beans; Jell-o; hot rolls; milk.
FRIDAY - Fiesta; ranch style beans; salad; cookies; fruit; milk.

STANTON BREAKFAST
MONDAY - STUDENT HOLIDAY
TUESDAY - Pop tarts; sausage patty or assorted cereal; buttered toast; fruit juice; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Oatmeal; Canadian bacon; buttered toast; or assorted cereal; buttered toast; fruit juice; milk.
THURSDAY - Biscuit; scrambled egg; sausage patty or assorted cereal; buttered toast; fruit juice; milk.
FRIDAY - Pancakes; sausage patty or assorted cereal; buttered toast; fruit juice; milk.
LUNCH
MONDAY - STUDENT HOLIDAY
TUESDAY - Pizza or baked potato/bread; peas and carrots;

mixed fruit; brownie; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Steak fingers or stir-fry chicken; rice/gravy; green beans peaches; hot roll; milk.
THURSDAY - Beef tacos or hot tamales/chili; pinto beans; lettuce/tomato salad; pineapple cup; corn bread; milk.

FRIDAY - Sub sandwich or hot dog; potato rounds; sandwich salad; apple wedges; cookie; milk.

GRADY LUNCH
MONDAY - Pizza; corn; fruit; dessert; milk.
TUESDAY - Bean burritos; rice; fruit; dessert; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Corn dogs; French fries; fruit; dessert; milk.
THURSDAY - Chicken tacos; beans; fruit; dessert; milk.
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WHO'S WHO

More than 1,000 students from across the state of Texas, Oklahoma, and New Mexico tested their judging skills in the 16th annual Clarendon College Judging Contest, Saturday, April 5.
 Fifteen 4-H clubs and 121 FFA chapter teams competed in more than 13 judging contests. Teams competed in contests ranging from livestock and horse judging to entomology and land judging.
 For more information about the 16th annual Clarendon College Judging Contest, please contact Jerry Hawkins at (806)874-3571.
 Among those listed were: FFA Meats - Coahoma (team), and Adam Baston, Coahoma, (individual); and FFA Horse - Coahoma (team).
 Texas Workforce Commission members of the professional and educational service organization of International Association of Personnel in Employment Security (I.A.P.E.S.) held their annual institute at the Hilton Hotel in College Station Thursday, April 3 through Saturday, April 5. Acting Executive Director of

TWC and International President of IAPES, Mike Sheridan, spoke of the past year of changes. Alan Miller, Workforce Division Director, spoke on the changes planned for the delivery of Workforce Development Programs at the local level. Members from this area attending were Vickie Dittmore of Big Spring.
 Next year's meeting is in Lubbock.
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 Mr. Ruiz's father is Pedro Ruiz, a teacher at Big Spring High School, and his mother Estela Ruiz is a school nurse. Mr. Ruiz's brother Pete is an

accountant at Gene Messer Ford in Lubbock, and his sister Liz is a real estate agent in Tampa, Fla. Both are also graduates of Big Spring High School.
 Prospective students from a four-state area recently attended Wayland Baptist University's campus for "Big Weekend." The students participated in Laserstorm, a fast-paced game of tag using laser technology, attended a baseball game and Christian concert, seminars for financial aid, admissions and student activities.
 Students from the area who participated were: John Smith, Big Spring High School; Josh Collorn, Coahoma High School; Brady Huddleston of Lenorah, Texas State Tech College and James Cotten of Coahoma who attended Midland High School.
 Several employees at the Big Spring FCI were named Employees of the Month. They include: Vivian Calloway, camp secretary and Ben Mancha, senior officer. Jimmy Campbell, assistant human resource manager, was named Employee of the Quarter. John McKinley was recently promoted from supervisory inmate systems officer to computer specialist.

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 Samuel and Feliciana McVoy and son Cristobol, Lubbock.
 Samuel Estrada, Las Cruces, N.M. He is employed by American Petrofina.
 Brandy Yanez, sons Jaycen and Jesse and daughter Blanca, Taylor.
 Carlos Flores, daughters Sylvia, Bobbie Jo and Jessica and son Carlos, Odessa. He is employed by Yale E Key.
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Grandparents are Burr Lea and Sharon Settles, Richard and Linda Willadsen, and Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Beckham, Alabama.

Nicholas Daniel DeHoyos, boy, April 10, 1997, 11:40 a.m., six pounds six ounces and 19 1/2 inches long; parents are Daniel and Debra DeHoyos.

Grandparents are Yolanda Renteria, Ysidoro Gonzales, John Renteria, all of Big Spring, and Joe and Dominga DeHoyos, Artesia, N.M.

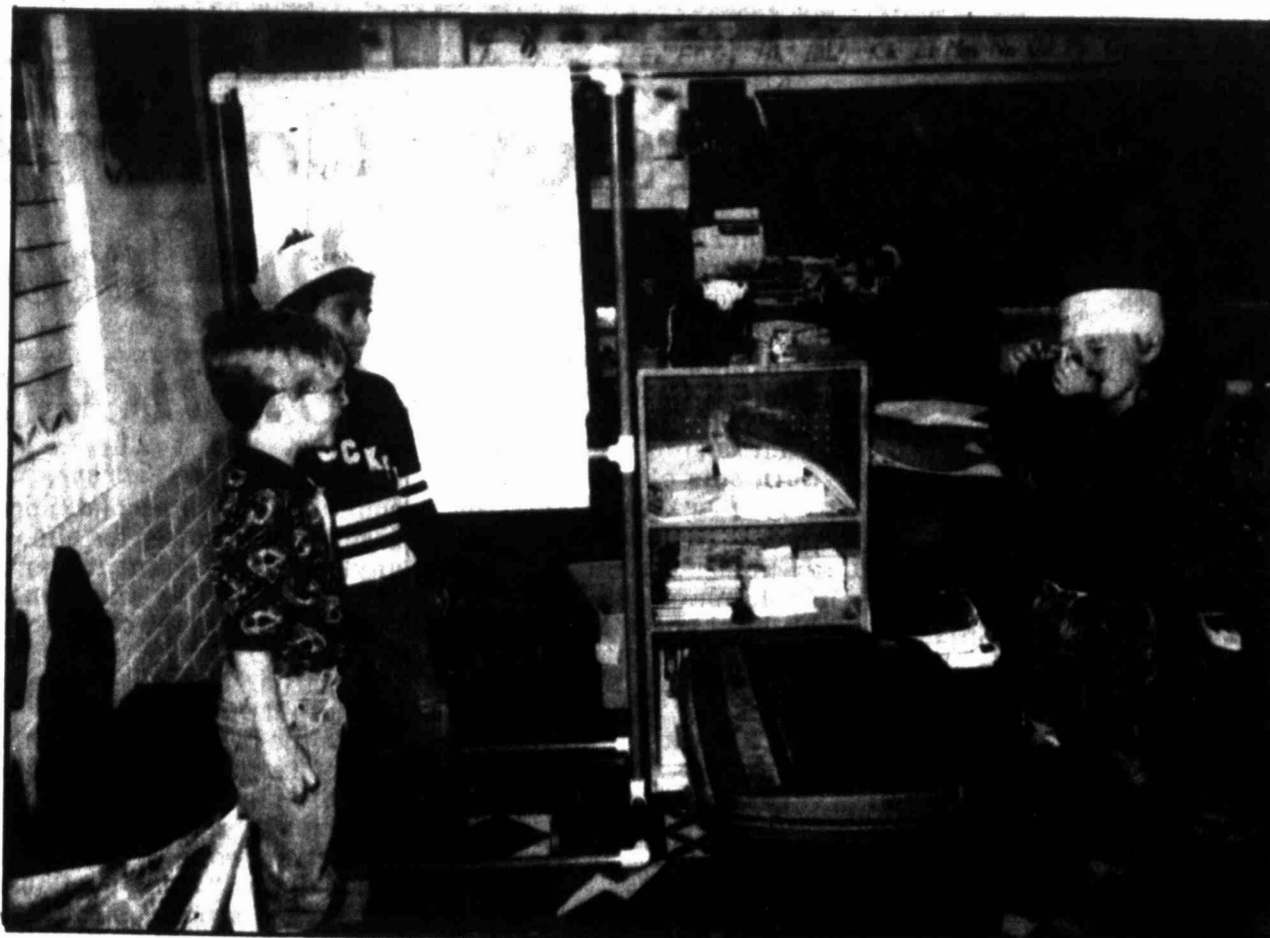
Edward Sloan Miller, boy, April 11, 1997, 4:22, seven pounds eight ounces and 19 1/2 inches long; parents are Edward and Laurel Miller.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lorin S. McDowell, III, Big Spring; Edward C. Miller, Mason City, Ill.; and Sylvia Ringland, Easton, Ill.

Tyler Clay Nalley, boy, April 15, 1997, 6:52 p.m., six pounds five and a half ounces and 18 1/2 inches long; parents are John Edward Nalley and Dustie Dawn Dow, Big Spring.

Grandparents are Rocky and Diane Dow, Carlsbad, N.M.; Belle Barlow, St. Cous Bay, Ore.; and John Ray Nalley, Napa, Calif.

LEARNING TO FLY



Courtesy photo
Students in Valerie Shreves' kindergarten class at Anderson Kindergarten Center have been finding out what it's like to fly in an airplane. From left are: Kelly Campbell, Domicick Hernandez and Jordan Williams. Shreves is moving to Alvin once school is out this year and took the opportunity to teach her students various activities involved in flying from purchasing tickets, to checking in baggage and riding through turbulence. In this photograph, Williams is taking pictures of her fellow students for their passports at the Passport Office. The students "flew" to Alvin, saw pictures of Shreves' new home, had a slumber party (nap time) and then "flew" back to Big Spring.

CHURCH AND CLUB NEWS DEADLINES

Church and club news items are due at the Herald office by noon Wednesday for Friday publication. Items should be dropped off to the office, 710 Scurry; mailed to P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79721-1431; or faxed to 264-7205.
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University bans Cliffs Notes

BOSTON (AP) — Compare and contrast "Moby Dick" and the Cliffs Notes version.

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Cliffs Notes version: 96 pages. Chapter One, two paragraphs. Melville takes that long just to introduce Ishmael.

You got to admit, Cliffs Notes are tempting, especially if you're a student interested more in getting by in class than savoring great literature.

Case in point: Amy Sullivan. Browsing through the Cliffs Notes display at the Boston College bookstore, past the packaged analyses of Shakespeare, Sophocles and Amy Tan, the 22-year-old admitted, "I'm a senior, so I don't always read all the books like I used to."

Pennsylvania's Villanova University recently decided to remove the temptation, ordering its bookstore to stop carrying Cliffs Notes.

The move has renewed the debate over the familiar yellow paperbacks, first published 39 years ago and available in college bookstores all over.

The Villanova decision came after a long debate and a petition signed by 90 faculty members.

"To some extent, it's a symbolic stand we're taking," said John Johannes, Villanova vice president for academic affairs, "because we know students are still going to get Cliffs Notes."

Cliffs Notes Inc. of Lincoln, Neb. took out a full-page ad in the Villanova student newspaper last week accusing the school of censorship.

"The students ... have the ability to differentiate between the proper and improper ways to use Cliffs Notes," the letter said. "To ban outright all Cliffs Notes from the University Shop is an affront to the diverse student population that university officials claim to support."

HUMANE SOCIETY



Pictured: "Red" male Red Heeler, no tail, perky ears and dark eyes, bashful but responds well to attention; would make a wonderful country dog.

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"China" older spayed female mixed breed, short legs and long-haired coat, very sweet disposition.

"Goober" and "Gomer" Lab mix pair, both large adult males, sociable and a special deal could be made for adopting both.

"Cricket" female Blue Heeler mix with dark coat and no tail, a bit timid but warms up instantly with a little friendly attention.

"Bernard" 5-year-old neutered St. Bernard mix, friendly and needs room to ramble.

"Holly" friendly Lap/Pointer mix, 2-year-old spayed female, black short-haired coat with spots on chest and feet, obedient and loves to fetch; is full of energy and is very smart.

These, plus many more dogs and cats are awaiting adoption. Adoption fees for dogs are just \$45 and cats are \$35. This includes spaying or neutering, vaccinations, wormings and rabies shots. Also covers feline leukemia tests for cats. All pets come with a two-week trial period.

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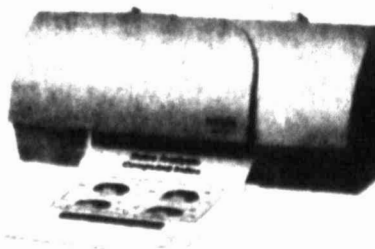
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Mesa to acquire Parker & Parsley

DALLAS (AP) — The natural gas company founded by Boone Pickens 41 years ago is buying oil producer Parker & Parsley Petroleum Co. for \$1.2 billion to create the nation's third largest independent oil and gas company.

Mesa Inc., which Pickens no longer runs, is paying \$36.75 worth of its stock for each share of Parker & Parsley to create a new company, Pioneer Natural Resources Co.

Parker & Parsley has operations in both Howard and Glasscock counties.

"Mesa is paying a premium for a premium opportunity: to create a major new independent with the size, strength and management experience necessary to capitalize on the tremendous potential of Mesa's long-lived natural gas resources and Parker & Parsley's long-lived oil properties," said Jon Brumley, chairman and chief executive of Irving, Texas-based Mesa.

The agreement was signed Sunday, and an announcement made on Monday. Pickens, who used Mesa as a

base to become one of the most feared corporate raiders of the 1980s, left the company last year after a fight with dissident shareholders that was resolved by an investment by billionaire Richard Rainwater.

Brumley, 58, will be Pioneer's board chairman.

Rainwater will be a director of Irving-based Pioneer and its largest individual shareholder. Scott Sheffield, chairman and chief executive of Parker & Parsley of Midland, will become Pioneer's president and chief executive.

The merger is subject to shareholders' approval. Holders of Mesa would get one share of Pioneer stock for every seven shares of Mesa. Parker & Parsley shareholders get one share in the new company for each outstanding share.

"Both sets of shareholders will vote in July, likely the same day," said spokeswoman Lisa La Magna.

In trading on the New York Stock Exchange, Mesa stock was down 50 cents, or more than 8 percent, to \$5.25 per share.

Committee OKs 2nd mortgages for homeowners

AUSTIN (AP) — Texans could take out a second mortgage on their homes for almost anything they want under a proposal OK'd by the House Financial Institutions Committee.

A similar measure already has passed the Senate.

"For the first time in the history of Texas we will have the same rights as other Americans to use our own property as we see fit for financial planning," said Rep. Debra Danburg, a sponsor of the legislation that now goes to the full House for consideration.

"Texas will recognize that the equity in a home is the property of the homeowner, and the government will not stand in their way of using it as they choose," Ms. Danburg, D-Houston, said Thursday.

The legislative package includes a constitutional amendment, which requires a two-thirds vote of the Legislature and approval by Texans on a statewide ballot.

Texas is the only state that doesn't allow general home equity lending.

The state Constitution allows home equity loans only to pay for taxes or home improvements, in a provision passed to protect Texans from losing their homes in bad economic times.

The House committee version of the second-mortgage legislation would allow a second lien that, combined with other debt, would amount to no more than 75 percent of their home's value. A second mortgage could not be used to set up a line of credit.

Proponents of the legislation touted other consumer protections, including:

— A cooling-off period of 12 days between the time a bor-

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rower applies for a loan and the time it is closed.

— Forbidding a lender to demand payment if there is a decrease in the home's property value.

— An equity loan could not be closed in a borrower's home.

"The bill as drafted is very consumer-friendly and provides more than adequate protections," said Peggy Venable, director of Texas Citizens for a Sound Economy.

Rob Schneider of Consumers Union, however, said the measure "falls short in protecting Texans." Among other items, he said it would allow high interest rates and gives a choice of whether to use judicial foreclosure to lenders instead of borrowers.

"Although there are potential benefits for consumers who gain access to the equity in their homes, the risks allowed under this legislation are unacceptable," he said.

The proposed home equity constitutional amendment is HJR31.

The proposed accompanying legislation is HB1188.

FOR THE PARK



Wal-Mart donated \$4,000 to the Convention and Visitor Bureau and the City of Big Spring for use on the beautification of the park entrance at Whipkey Drive. Accepting the check are (from left) Becky Crane, Cavan McMahon, Emma Bogard and Mel Prather. Presenting it is Tim Diehl.

Hispanic-owned businesses fastest-growing in the nation

DALLAS (AP) — Mario Ramirez and his brother Joel came to the United States from Mexico more than a decade ago, equipped with their father's bread recipes and a desire to own their own bakery.

With three La Paloma Mexican bakeries now thriving in the Dallas area and plans to remodel and relocate their original Plano store, the brothers consider their decision to sell traditional Mexican bread products to fellow expatriates an unqualified success.

"There is a need for services. There is a need for products. That's what we provide," said Mario Ramirez.

The Ramirez brothers aren't alone. According to the last economic census in 1992, Hispanic-owned businesses are popping up at a rate three times faster than all U.S. firms combined.

In sheer numbers, California had the most Hispanic-owned firms at 249,717, followed by Texas with 155,999, and Florida with 118,208.

However, the statistics showed that one of every five businesses in New Mexico is Hispanic-owned, while one in eight in Texas falls in that category and one in nine in Florida and California.

Sixty-five percent of the money generated by Hispanic-owned firms is concentrated in retail and wholesale trade, as well as the service industry. Automotive dealers and gasoline service stations, eating and drinking establishments and food stores account for 72 percent of the retail trade industry revenue.

Experts say the growth of Latino businesses is being fueled by the booming Hispanic population.

The Census Bureau estimates that Hispanics in the U.S. will increase from 27 million today

to 51 million by 2020.

"The population is growing six times faster than the general population and Hispanics tend to be entrepreneurs. It's a very large part of their livelihood," said Dr. Edward Rincon, president of a Dallas market research and demography firm.

Ramirez believes that registered population growth is only part of the story behind the growing number of Hispanic-owned businesses.

"Today there is a lot of population that isn't recorded in any census. There isn't official government information about all the Hispanic people here," he said, adding that he saw immigration soar as the Mexican economy plunged in the early '90s.

"We had literally millions of people crossing the border. That made a difference for big businessmen like us."

That success translates into even more Hispanics opening their own businesses, he said.

"A lot of people became residents like we did, then citizens like we did. That gave us more support and gave them more confidence to do like us," said Ramirez.

As Hispanic immigration increases and the population grows, so does the ethnic group's buying power — to more than \$200 billion a year.

"These consumers want stores that are not just clones. They want things that will be relevant to their needs, and we all know that we do not eat the same things or want the same things," Rincon said.

Ramirez agrees. "We're very loyal to a product. We'd rather buy a shampoo made in Mexico than a shampoo made in the states because you know how your hair is going to look when you wash it," Ramirez said. That means mainstream

firms must sometimes adjust if they want to tap into this growing market. Some changes include offering traditional Mexican products and using Spanish on labels and in stores.

Ramirez said he has seen that firsthand in his wholesale business, which sells such products as the traditional sugared bread called pan dulce and sweet rolls called conchas to discount and convenience stores across Texas.

"There are some parts in Texas where there are no Mexican bakeries, but still some retailers will carry our product to reach that population," he said.

New products are also being introduced as companies try to figure out how to cash in on the changing demographics.

In one year alone, five new national magazines were introduced for the Hispanic consumer.

People magazine introduced a Spanish edition after the murder of popular singer Selena two years ago, and a special Southwest edition of the magazine sold 442,000 copies in a single day. A memorial edition that followed sold a million copies.

With those numbers, it wasn't long until "People En Español," the magazine's quarterly Spanish edition, appeared across the country. It sold out at news stands in South Texas.

Spanish broadcasts are being offered more often to listeners. Dallas residents can now hear games broadcast in Spanish for the Texas Rangers, Dallas Cowboys and the area's Major League Soccer team, the Burn.

That focus on the Hispanic consumer is worth a company's time, Rincon said.

"In 30 to 40 years almost four out of 10 Texans will be Hispanic. That has tremendous implications on marketing in the future," he said.

NAFTA good business for farmers

WASHINGTON (AP) — Three years into the North American Free Trade Agreement, U.S. farmers and agribusiness are exporting record levels of goods to Mexico and Canada, a top Agriculture Department official has told Congress.

While it's too soon to grade the pact's overall impact on agriculture, said the head of USDA's Foreign Agricultural Service, the early indicators have been promising.

That said, department officials and lawmakers noted that sticking points remain between the three trading partners — among them Canada's 300 percent tariffs on U.S. dairy and poultry products and Mexican delays in processing U.S. grains and livestock.

And, remaining agricultural tariffs won't be fully phased out until 2008.

"If we measure progress by the issues still on the table, we have a long way to go under

NAFTA," Foreign Agricultural Service chief August Schumacher Jr. told the House general farm commodities subcommittee Thursday. "But if we measure progress by the issues that are resolved, by the growth in access, growth in sales, particularly growth in the market share ... by these measures NAFTA is broadly working."

U.S. agricultural exports hit a record \$60 billion last year, nearly \$12 billion of which came in sales to Canada and Mexico.

One sign of NAFTA's success is that U.S. exports to Mexico bounced back quickly after the peso devaluation, Schumacher said. Agricultural exports to Mexico hit \$5.4 billion last year, a nearly \$2 billion hike over 1995.

The United States accounts for three-quarters of Mexico's agricultural imports.

Last year, U.S. producers sent

record amounts of corn, soybeans, wheat, cotton and rice shipments to Mexico. Between 1993 and last year, beef exports rose nearly 50 percent.

In hopes of speeding Mexico's inspections of U.S. goods and handling of paperwork at the border, Schumacher said he is dispatching two employees to the U.S. consulate in Nuevo Laredo.

Subcommittee members questioned Schumacher about inspection of Mexican foodstuffs entering the United States.

Federal officials recalled 2.6 million pounds of strawberries after a hepatitis A outbreak in Michigan and other states was traced to frozen berries from Mexico.

Health officials have yet to determine whether the contamination resulted during growing in Mexico or processing in the United States, Schumacher said.

Study: Insurance policies discriminate

AUSTIN (AP) — A new study says insurance companies writing auto policies in Texas are discriminating against low-income and minority communities by forcing those areas to pay higher premiums.

The study was conducted by the Center for Economic Justice, an Austin-based non-profit group aimed at protecting the interests of low-income consumers.

Despite several studies, acknowledgment of the problem and commitments by insurers to make affordable insurance more available in low-income and minority communities, the overall rejection rate increased and insurance availability worsened over the past five years," the study said.

On average, when two communities had the same income, the community with the higher minority population had a harder time getting standard insurance than a community with a low minority population,

the study said.

Drivers who don't qualify for standard insurance often are referred to the Texas Auto Insurance Plan Association (TAIPA), the state's auto insurance market for high-risk drivers. Those premiums are typically more expensive than standard policies.

According to the study, although 75 percent of TAIPA drivers have no at-fault accidents or violations, TAIPA rates have risen to unaffordable levels — almost twice as much as the state benchmark rate.

"As a result, the poorest consumers, who pay a greater share of their income to comply with financial responsibility laws, pay far more for insurance than consumers in more affluent communities," the report said.

Standard insurance rates can be set between 30 percent above and 30 percent below the benchmark.

The study was based on data

supplied by the Texas Department of Insurance.

"Any allegations that this is a racial or minority issue are absurd and totally without foundation," said insurance industry spokesman Jerry Johns.

"What apparently has occurred is groups have cobbled-together numbers together to prove what they want to prove," Johns said. "The real problem is many people in low-income areas have either dropped their insurance or not carried it continuously. The real answer to the problem of insurance in low-income areas is a strong no-fault insurance law."

No-fault insurance allows policyholders to pay for any damage done to their cars regardless of who's at fault for the damage. Drivers without insurance under such plans generally have no one to turn to for

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Long, Jana Kay, 2609 Wasson No. 33c, Big Spring.
Lopez, Andy A., 3216 FM 2401, Garden City.
Lyons, Patricia D., 2502 I-27, No. 4, Lubbock.
Maddux, Veronica S., 618 State, Big Spring.
Nieto, Gabriel, 1805 Young, Big Spring.
Nieto, Juan, HC 69, Box 265a, Big Spring.
Northcutt, James B., 3118 Ave. T, Snyder.
Palz, Joe Henry, 2909 Catalina, Odessa.
Pallance, Roman P., 1515 W. County Rd. 116, Midland.
Parra, Ricardo, P.O. Box 489, Stanton.
Richardson, Craig, 1200 East 15th, Big Spring.
Rivera, Consuelo, 1302 Lamar, Big Spring.
Salinas, Jorge Luis, 7473 Callaghan Rd. #201, San Antonio.
Salinas, Marcos A., 1310 West Second, Big Spring.
Short, Kris, 2531 Gunter, Big Spring.
Simpson, Myrell, 2911 W. US Hwy 80 No. 4, Big Spring.
Stonerok, Kenneth, Box 545, E. 6th, Forsan.
Thorpe, Shawntina Marie, 1200 Mulberry, Big Spring.
Welch, James, 1407 Lincoln, Big Spring.
Welch, Stacey, 1407 Lincoln, Big Spring.
Yates, Jason Bradley, 1516 Osprey St., Waxahachie.
Young, George, Gail Rt. Box 446 A, Big Spring.
Young, Jessie A., 200 East Ada, Odessa.

County Clerk's office:
Marriage Licenses:
Marcos Aurelio Salinas, 23, and Jeanne Denise Verholven, 24
Van Henry Gaston Jr., 30, and Deana Taylor Moore, 32
Manuel Castanuela, 19, and Lisa Michelle Riffe, 19
Richard David McCutchan, 29, and Jerianne Lanette Burney, 29
Ernesto Enriquez, 21, and Mary Ann Moreno, 15
Jeffery Michael Haggard, 22, and Mandy Lynn Ussey, 18
Jorge Anthony Hernandez, 20, Amy Delgado Hilario, 15
James Stephen Gay, 39, and Sheila Underwood Wilkinson, 29.

County Court Records:
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Probated judgment DWI: Alan C. Powell (2nd offense), \$1,000 fine and 365 days in jail, Jesse Ray Cudd \$500 fine and 180 days in jail
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Probated judgment theft over \$50/under

\$500: Jimmy Roper \$100 fine and 180 days in jail, Annie Lee Howell \$100 fine and 180 days in jail
Probated judgment unlawfully carrying a weapon: Craig Cooper \$500 fine and 180 days in jail
Judgment & sentence fail to identify: Bernardo Perez \$192 court cost and 10 days in jail
Probated judgment DWLS: Joe Lizano, Jr. \$400 fine and 180 days in jail

Deeds:
Warranty Deeds:
grantor: Lucille Jones
grantee: Virginia Byrd
property: Lot 11, blk. 1, Edward Heights
filed: April 7, 1997
grantor: Toni Jo Medley Mrotz
grantee: Olen Ray and Willena Baker
property: Lot 5, blk. 4, Cedar Ridge Addition
filed: April 7, 1997
grantor: Gary Lynn and Norma Taness Ledbetter
grantee: Norman M. and Genettia A. Hughes
property: Plat of lot 7, blk. 2, Jearid Smith Addition and a tract out of the east part of section 5, blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P RR. Co.
filed: April 7, 1997
grantor: Lon E. and Iris N. Baucum
grantee: Jerry Wayne and Lora Sue Roach
property: North 90° of lot 1, blk. 17, Boydston Addition
filed: April 7, 1997
grantor: Janell King Blalock Groves
grantee: Gerald Groves
property: The surface estate only of a one acre tract of land out of the northeast 1/4 of section 18, blk. 32, T-1-N, T&P RR. Co.
filed: April 7, 1997
grantor: Southwestern Bell Telephone Co.
grantee: Mike Hughes
property: all of lots 1-8, blk. 1, Brown Addition
filed: April 8, 1997
grantor: Vaurine Smith
grantee: Rodney Allison and Duane Allison
property: All of her right, title and interest and to lot 26, blk. 10, Edwards Heights Addition
filed: April 8, 1997
grantor: William Gregory
grantee: Rosie Comer
property: All that certain district 201.0' and 52.17' from the northwest corner of the lot, tract or parcel of land located and situated in Howard County.
filed: April 9, 1997
grantor: Vicky Ware and Gary Ware
grantee: Kyle Ware and Jill Ware
property: A 3.0 acre tract of land out of the west 1/2 of the southeast 1/4 of section 47, blk. 34, T-3-N, T&P RR Co.
filed: April 9, 1997
grantor: Mary Louise Traczyk
grantee: J.J. and Pauline Fulesday
property: All of lot 1, blk. 10, Hall Addition
filed: April 10, 1997
grantor: Mary Louise Traczyk as trustee of the Mary Louise Traczyk Trust
grantee: J.J. and Pauline Fulesday
property: All of lot 1, blk. 10, Hall Addition
filed: April 10, 1997
grantor: Edwin Earl Dickson
grantee: Sabrina Irene Hammel and Edwin Earl Dickson, Jr.
property: The north 1/2 of section 36, blk. 31, T-1-N, T&P Ry. Co.
filed: April 10, 1997
grantor: Kelley Deean Williams
grantee: Leola Lone Green
property: All of my undivided interest in lot 6, blk. 26, Monticello Addition
filed: April 10, 1997
grantor: The Grand Lodge Independent of Odd Fellows of Texas
grantee: Templo "Centro De Alabanza"
property: All of those certain lots, tracts or parcel of land, being lots 1-10, blk. 13, Cedar Crest Addition
filed: April 10, 1997
grantor: Terry L. McAdams
grantee: Kay R. Cook, formerly, Kay McAdams
property: A 3.0 acre tract out of and part

of the south 1/2 of section 31, blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P Ry Co.
filed: April 11, 1997
grantor: Kay R. Cook
grantee: Donald M. Cook
property: A 3.0 acre tract out of and part of the south 1/2 of section 31, blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P Ry Co.
filed: April 11, 1997
grantor: Ray Weir
grantee: Donald M. and Kay R. Cook
property: A 12.6' wide road easement out of a 1.0 acre tract in the south 1/2 of section 31, blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P Ry. Co.
filed: April 11, 1997
grantor: Deloras Rivera
grantee: Donald G. Rivera
property: Lots 2-4 and part of lot 5, blk. 2, Jones Valley Addition
filed: April 11, 1997
grantor: Cletas Faye Yancey Smith
grantee: Robert Glenn Smith
property: blk./tract 0331S acr 120'x140' southwest 1/4 blk. 6, Mesa Addition
filed: April 11, 1997
grantor: James David and Glenda Haller
grantee: Karen H. Schiller, trustee
property: All of lot 15 and south 8' of lot 16, blk. 3, Kentwood (Unit No. 1) Addition
filed: April 11, 1997
grantor: Jim K. and Betty L. Williams
grantee: Mark L. and Elizabeth A. Gentry
property: All of lot 1-3, subdivision "A", blk. 20, Fairview Heights Addition
filed: April 11, 1997
Quit Claim Deed:
grantor: Joey J. Jabor
grantee: Toni Jo Medley Mrotz
property: Lot 5, blk. 4, Cedar Ridge Addition
filed: April 7, 1997
Warranty Deed with vendor's loan:
grantor: Wallace Mishale Holt
grantee: Roger and Debra Myer
property: Surface estate only in a tract of land in the southeast 1/4 of section 32, blk. 32, T-1-N, T&P Ry Co.
filed: April 7, 1997
grantor: Jim O. Whitefield
grantee: Max F. Moore d/b/a Moore Properties
property: Three tracts of land out of section no. 4, blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P Ry, Co.
filed: April 7, 1997
grantor: Daryl Gene Jeffcoat and Donna Annette Foote
grantee: Lory Jeffcoat
property: All of our undivided interest in the north 120 acres of the northeast 1/4 of section 49, blk. A, Bauer & Cockrell Surveys
filed: April 8, 1997
grantor: Lee Natalie and Wayne Rosch
grantee: Harriat adn Mollie Patton
property: Lots 27 and 28, Blk 6, South Haven Addition
filed: April 9, 1997
grantor: Robert George Juhahn
grantee: Robert George Juhahn
property: All of lot 11, blk. 2, Hayden Addition
filed: April 9, 1997
grantor: A.J. and Violet Patterson
grantee: Jack and Lynn Acuff
property: All of lot 9-10, blk. 1, Buckner Place Addition
filed: April 11, 1997

District Court:
Divorce:
Ronnie Leon Phillips vs. Terri Dianne Phillips
Robert Lee Headrick vs. Janette Marie Headrick
Cherrie Ann Meise vs. William Darrell Meise
Johnnie Rawls, Jr. vs. Angel Rawls
Family:
Joann Trevino vs. David Canales
Corina Arguio vs. Abel Trevino
Barbara Humphries vs. Ellis Ray Cooper
Donna Cox vs. Billy Jay Gibbons
Valerie Lynn Jones vs. Martin Castaneda
Naomi Aguirre vs. Jose A. Saenz
Kami Jo Ward vs. Henry Saucedo
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BUSINESS HIGHLIGHTS

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — America's trade deficit in February narrowed to \$10.4 billion after setting a record the previous month, the Commerce Department said, after correcting a sizable error that had overstated the trade gap.

The department had originally reported Thursday the February deficit was \$1.2 billion larger, at \$11.6 billion, before discovering a major miscalculation of oil imports.

Commerce Undersecretary Everett Ehrlich called the size of the error unprecedented and blamed it on miscommunication between his agency, which compiles the trade statistics and the Customs Service, which gathers the raw data.

SEATTLE — Microsoft Corp.'s quarterly profits rose 85 percent, the company said, smashing Wall Street's expectations and sending its stock sharply higher.

Many had expected Microsoft profits to increase about 45 percent, but Microsoft said Thursday that strong sales of its Office 97 business software led the company to the steep increase.

The company earned \$1.04 billion, or 79 cents a share, in the quarter ended March 31. Net earnings from the same period in 1996 were \$562 million or 44 cents a share. Revenues for the quarter were \$3.21 billion, up 45.5 percent from \$2.21 billion a year ago.

WASHINGTON — Crop insurers received federal money for such expenses as Canadian fishing trips and Las Vegas gambling excursions, raising questions about the level of government subsidies to the industry, congressional investigators said.

The General Accounting Office said Thursday it found that about \$43 million of \$580 million paid to nine insurance companies examined in 1994 and 1995 were not "reasonably associated" with insurance business.

A variety of entertainment expenses for company managers and spouses were among the costs. The report did not identify companies with dubious expense reimbursements.

WASHINGTON — The Agriculture Department told Congress it is developing stronger safeguards to ensure that foods used in the federal

school lunch program are produced within the United States.

Frozen strawberries imported from Mexico are believed to have caused an outbreak of hepatitis A among 187 Michigan students last month. U.S. law requires Department of Agriculture commodities served in the school lunch program to be grown domestically.

Ken Clayton, deputy administrator of the USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service, said Thursday that in addition to vendor certification and USDA audits, the marketing service is requiring packing dates, lot numbers, country of origin and a variety of identifying marks.

WASHINGTON — The government is investigating complaints that seat belts are breaking apart as passengers ride buckled up in older versions of Chrysler's popular minivans.

The government's highway safety agency has received 171 complaints about belts becoming unhooked from a floor anchor in the middle row of the minivans. Chrysler dominates the minivan market, and the problem could exist in up to 1.1 million minivans made from 1991 through March 1993.

All complaints involve belts for the right-side seat in the minivans' second row, the only seat using a hook to anchor the belt. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration records reviewed by The Associated Press showed.

NEW YORK — Sony Corp. has hired former CBS network chief Howard Stringer as its top U.S. executive, filling a post left vacant in a management shakeup two years ago.

As president of Sony Corp. of America, Stringer will coordinate the Japanese company's vast entertainment businesses, which include two movie studios, with its U.S. electronics subsidiary.

He will assume the post May 5, the company said Thursday. The move had been expected since Stringer resigned this month as chairman and chief executive of Tele-TV, a partnership created by regional telephone companies to deliver video over phone lines.

WASHINGTON — Republicans led by Sen. Phil Gramm put their support behind a modest children's health insurance bill that aims to cover a third of the nation's

uninsured children. They rejected a more ambitious bipartisan proposal.

Gramm on Thursday predicted the plan, which would give states money with few strings attached, would win support from Republican leaders who have spurned a bill sponsored by Sens. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, and Edward Kennedy, D-Mass.

Gramm's bill, which has six Republican co-sponsors, would give states block grants to use as they see fit so long as they serve uninsured children.

NEW YORK — Bob Dole may have been the easiest loan officer Newt Gingrich could find. Lending officers at some of the largest banks in the country said Thursday they would never extend credit to Newt Gingrich on the terms that he got from Dole that were announced Thursday.

To pay a sanction imposed for violation of House ethics rules, Gingrich borrowed \$300,000 from Dole for eight years, with simple interest at an annual rate of 10 percent. No payments are required until the loan is due in 2005.

TAIPEI, Taiwan — Taiwan has bludgeoned, electrocuted or buried alive hundreds of thousands of pigs in a "violent killing spree" to curb an epidemic of foot-and-mouth disease, an animal rights group charges.

The Virginia-based People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals urged Taiwanese President Lee Teng-hui in a statement Wednesday to end the "torture and violent slaughter" of pigs and give them a "humane death."

The Agriculture Council said Thursday that the slaughter was being conducted as humanely as possible. In the early rush to control the disease, workers lacked proper equipment, but now all are using electrocution, said Chen Chung-chang, vice director of the Animal Industry Department.

Technology stocks struggled higher Thursday, but blue-chip shares faltered, halting a three-day rally. The Dow Jones industrial average fell 21.27 to 6,658.60.

The dollar mostly fell, gold nudged ahead and bond prices rose. Wheat futures prices rose sharply as platinum and pork futures prices rose.

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1 BEDROOM, 1 BATH. Good location. Clean, carpet, carport, miniblinds, ceiling fans, stove and refrigerator, references. Mature adults only. No Pets. 267-4923.

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2 BDRM garage near schools. 3 bdrm, 2 bath Westside, also 1 bdrm eff. \$150./mo. 264-0510.

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the court has the right to reject any or all bids submitted. For Mor information, contact the County Judge, W.E. Bednar at 915-354-2382 Monday through Friday 8:30a.m. - 12:00p.m.

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PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE TO BIDDERS HOWARD COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT APRIL 15, 1997 Notice is hereby given to any and all interested parties that the Howard County Appraisal District Board of Directors will accept sealed bid proposals on the purchase of a vehicle for use by the District. Sealed proposals will be accepted at the office of the Chief Appraiser until 5:00 PM central standard time on May 14, 1997. The Howard County Appraisal District Board of Directors will open the proposals at their regularly scheduled meeting at 5:15 PM central standard time on May 14, 1997. All bid proposals must be enclosed in a sealed envelope and clearly marked "VEHICLE BID". All proposals must be made on the District's bid spec sheets. These sheets and specs can be obtained in the office of the Chief Appraiser, 315 Main, Big Spring, Texas, P.O. Drawer 1151 Big Spring, Texas 79720 phone (915) 263-8301. The Howard County Appraisal District Board of Directors reserves the right to reject any or all bids. 1257 April 20 & May 4, 1997

abajo se abritan desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 3 de Mayo de 1997 para votar en la Eleccion General para elegir distrito abrito de miembros para el Glasscock County Indep. School District Board. (A los votantes registrados del Glasscock Co. Indep. School Dist., Texas) Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 8, 1997, for voting in a general election to elect two at large trustees to the Glasscock Co. Independent School District Board (Notificamos, por las presentes, que las casillas electorales abritadas

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