## spenid HERALD <br> Reflecting A Proud Community <br> $\$ 1.25$

Howard takes first step toward vocational partnership

By Steve reagan Staff Writer
Howard College, Angelo State University hind the San Angelo
ISD may soon join forces to pro vide vocational training in the San Angelo area. The idea, forwarded by State
Rep. Rob Junell, was suggested at a strategic planning forum at Howard's San Angelo campus howsdard president Cheri Howard president Cheri
Sparks said the forum was held

## Junel proposes Institute of Technology in San Angelo

so that officials could best eval- the college's taxing district, SAISD provide the vocational construction, maintenance and uate vocational training needs meaning student fees have to instruction. in the area.
"In recent months, there's compensate for the lack of tax
dy colle miss... is of to provide voca"In recent months, there's dollars.
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programs (in San Angelo)," $\begin{array}{lll}\text { prograss } \\ \text { Sparks said. "We visited with } & \text { also attended by ASU and is in our service area,", Sparks } \\ \text { SAISD officials, Rep. Junell sug. said. "This would be a way to }\end{array}$ community leaders and decided gested the formation of a accomplish our mission. We'll to hold a public forum to see
what is needed.: $\begin{gathered}\text { Institute of Technology. } \\ \text { As Junell envisions it, the }\end{gathered}$ 音 $\begin{aligned} & \text { be meeting with people in San } \\ & \text { Angelo to start working through }\end{aligned}$ what is needed.
Howard's San tions are in a unique position
because the campus is
welding. ma Sparks stressed that the idea
is still in its formative is still in its format the stage,
and bringing it to fruition is a and bringing it to fruition is a "We would have to work out the details and se works," she said.
"But we're always willing this "But we're always willing to
do what we can to promote education." we can to promote edu-
suild the facilities, Howard to said such appropriations usual y go to four-year universitie Thead of community colleges. The next step, Sparks said, is and SAISEes from Howard, ASL ject After the project is $0 \mathrm{~K}^{\prime} \mathrm{d}$ an financing is secured, official utes in the state, see how thos function, then formulate th best possible plan fo
Angelo site, she said
PLAYOFE:

Temperatures were low, but emotions ran high as the Big Spring Steers opened postseason with a $23-0$ victory over El Paso Ysleta

Thad beenthree years since the BIg Spring last participated in a playoff game, and neither they or their fans were going to let a litthe cold weather stop them from enjoying the experience Saturday afternoon at Memorial Stadium. Some of the scenes included (from top to bottom): Some fans wave signs exhorting the home team; team members gladly accept the bidistrict championship trophy; and a large crowd was on hand to watch the Steers blank the Indians. For more details, see page 7A.


Photos by Jonathan Garrett

WEATHER


Today, partly cloudy and warmer. Highs in the lower 50s. Tonight, mostly clear. Lows in the mid to upper 20s. Monday through Wednesday, fair. Lows INDEX Abby/Horoscope 8B
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Life / 1-3B

To reach all departments, please call 263-7331
Preparations in high gear for Christmas Parade

By JOHN H. WALKER
Managing Editor
With five days remaining before the deadline, the entry
total for the 11 th annual Bi total for the 11th annual Big
Spring Herald Christmas Spring Herald Christmas
Parade is at $36-$ nine more than at the same time a year ${ }^{\text {ago. }}$ "This looks like it is going to "This looks like it is going to be a very good parade," said
Herald
Publisher Williams. "The excitement is really good and I think people
are looking forward to it."
 Parade Entrants - Page 2A Last year there were a total of 77 entries in the parade, including 35 with lights. The lighted category has become the most popular of the parade, which will begin at 5 p.m. on
Saturdag, Dec. 6. The theme for t' is year's parade is "Our Favorite Christmas Carols," which
allows each group to pick their allows each group to pick their
favorite Christmas music. "This is our third year to fea-
ture a lighted category,"
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { Williams said, "and the interest } & \text { Main Street, then turn north } \\ \text { has just grown and grown in it. } \\ \text { once again before ending on 2nd }\end{array}$ "As an example, wee had it. 17 fficial entries in the lighted Street. category last year, but twice parade will precede the lighting that many turned out with lights of some sort."
Crowds Crowds estimated in excess 0,000 lined Gregg Street to view the parade, which stretched nearly 20 blocks from start to finish. This year, as last, the parade will begin in the vicini-
ty of $24 t \mathrm{th}$ and Gregg and move north on Gregg Street to 6th, where it will turn east. It will
continne on 6 th until it reaches
ade will precede the lighting ceremony in downtown con,
ducted by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce's Trai f Lights committee. There will be a number of activities in the downtown area, including Christmas music and the light ing of the community house lawn.

## Obituaries

Ricky Hewtty

 Sundy. Bis Springe seven erana.




 Jennings, Mike Dawson and
Jim Lasater, all of Big Spring.

## Bonnie Smith


 Graveside services will be be 11
a.m. Monday at Greenleaf a.m. Monday at Greenleaf
Cemetery with the Rev. Lloyd
Hagemeier officiating. Hagemeier officiating.
She was born on Nov. 29, 190 homemaker and former teacher.
She was a Methodist She was a Methodist.
Survivors include a daughter, Survivors include a daughter,
Glenna Hampton, Irving, two
sons: George Smith, Big Spring. sons: George Smith, Big Spring; and Dr. Chester Smith,
Rockdale; 12 grandchildren; and Rockdale; 12 grandchildren; and
14 great-grandchildren.
She was preceded in death by She was preceded in death by
a son, Michael Smith, in 1990. a son, Michael Smith, in 1990.
Arrangements under the
direction of direction of Davis-Morr
Funeral Home, Brownwood.
Shirley Davis
Shirley Mae Davis, 62, died
Tuesday, Nov. 11, 1997 in Woodbury, Minn. Services were Friday, Nov. 14, at Pipeline
Road Church of Christ, with John Baily officiating. Burial
followed at Bluebonnet Hills followed at Bluebonnet Hills
Memorial Park. She was born on April 21, 1935
in Stanton and married Don
Davis. She is survived by her hus-
band, Don Davis; a son, Stan in El Paso following a long ill ness. Services will be at $1: 00$
p.m. Monday at Myers and with Rev. George Frasier officiMemorial Park.
She was born Sept. 20, 1939, at Wink, Tx. She lived in Big
Spring from 1941 when moving to Ozona, and
then to El Paso in 1992. She had
been a bookkeeper

$\qquad$ Spring; one daughter and son-
in-law, Margie and Bruce husband, Delano Shaw of Big Spring; a sister and brother-in-
law, Beverly and Jimmie

MYERS \& SMITH FUNERAL HOME
$\mathbf{\&}$ CHAPEL

 1:00 M, Monday at Myers
Smith Chapel. . wilth burial at
St
 sandraa.
pending. ters.
Pape and Shelly Davis, all of Hurst; and Pamela Davis of
Euless; six sisters: Ailene Mallicott, Big Spring; Lucille Gooncls, Sand Weatherford;', Spakie
Hay, Itasca: Madeline Ber Hay, Itasca; Madeline Berry,
Corsicana; and Marie Bishop, Bowie; two brothers: Kenneth
Nowell, Arlington; and Bill
Nowell, Panego; and seven

## BRIEFS

BIG SPRING BAND PAR-
ENTS
are urged to attend a meeting Tuesday, Nov. 19 at 7
p.m. in the band hall at the high the bake sale will be discussed. more information

CHOIR BOOSTERS FOR
BIG Spring High School choir
will meet Tuesday, Nov. 18 at 7 will meet Tuesday, Nov. 18 at 7
p.m. in the choir room. For
more information about this group, call Linda Lindell at 264 -
3641 .

CINEMA 4 IN BIG Spring Mall is offering a free box of
popcorn to those who bring two to six cans for the community-
wide food drive through Nov wide food drive through Nov.
20. Purchase of a movie ticket is
not required to receive the free not requil
popcorn.




BORDEN oovNry is
GRARING up for the lighting GEARING up for the lighting
of the star on Gail Mountain,
Nov. 28. The ceremony ait Nov. 2a. The ceremony, at
include music, rive nese, witily
Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus and a Mr. and M
hayride.

FREE EYEGLASSES ARE AVAILABLE for adults the
third Saturday of each month at
the Big Spring Evening third Saturday of each month at
the Big Spring Evening Lions
Club Bingo Building, 1607 E. Club Bingo Building, 1607 E.
Third $\$$.
All adults needing glasses All adults needing glasses
who don't have income to pur-
chase them are welcome. A docchase them are welcome. A doc-
tor's prescription is recomON DISPLAY AT THE
Heritage Museum this month is Heritage Museum this month is
a collection a collection of oils done by
Robert W. Eshleman. Done under the name Dragon Arts, a
name his grandson created, the name his grandson creetated, the
oils feature several pastoral oils feature several pastoral
landscapes. Mr. Eshleman, a self taught artist, plans to add greatly to his body of work in
the months ahead. Beginning the months ahead. Beginning
his painting career only a cou-
ple of years ago he has shown ple of years ago, he has shown
in area juried shows and is a
member of member of the Big Spring Art
Association. Association.
The hours
Museum are 9 a.m. to 5 pm . Tuseum are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Tuesday through Friday, and 10
a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday. For a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday. For
more information call $267-8255$.

FAMILY HOSPICE IS CONDUCTING its annual memorial
service Nov. 22 at 7 p.m. at First service Nov. 22 at 7 p.m. at First
Christian Church. The candle-
lighting service, for families of lighting service, for families of
patients, will honor those who have died in the last year.
Call $263-4673$ for more information.

THOSE CALLED FOR JURY

## PARADE

In addition to the lighted cate-
gory, there will be divisions for civic organizations, school or
church organizations and com. church organizations and com-
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Association in the lighted divi-
sion, Western Container in the som, Western Container in the
commercial and manufacturing Christ of Latter Day Saints in
the school and church division
 THANKSGIVING LUNCH
FOR SENIOR citizens will be
served at Coahoma IID cafete-
ria, Nov. 19 from 11 a.m.-noon. ria, Nov, 19 from 11 a.m.-noon.
Cost is $\$ 2$ per meal. Call the
school ot $394-4477$ for more
information.
THERE WILL BE MDA Health awarenes screenings
from Nov. 10-21. Partial pro ceeds to benefit. the Museular Dystrophy Association.
Superchemistry, $\$ 40$, includes Superchemistry, $\$ 40$, includes
full cholesterol profile, glucose kidney, liver and heart functions, potassium, calcium and
electrolytes, iron, uric acid You electrolytes, iron, uric acid. You
also receive a complete blood
count which count which further tests for
anemia and infections; includes hemoglobin, hematocrit, RBC WBC Differential and platelet count. in total. Forty tests
about the current state of your health.
Superch
Superchemistry plus Thyroid,
$\$ 60$, includes all tests of the superchemistry plus a compre-
hensive thyroid profile (T3, T4, PSA (Pr
PSA (Prostrate Cancer
Screening), $\$ 35$, is recommend-
Lou's Clinical Lab taken at Drag Screen Compliance; 115 West
Sixth; Odessa, from 7 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Women \& Childrens Clinic; 1509 N . Texas Ave.;
Odessa, from 8 a.m. to noon or Odessa, from 8 a.m. to noon, or
at Drug Screen Compliance \&
Sonsortium of Sonsortium of the Southwest;
1305 N. Big Srian 1305 N. Big Spring; Midland,
from 8 a.m to All results will be mailed to
you within 10 days.
division.
Entries may be turned in at the Herald offfice, 710 Scurry,
through noon Friday. The week
through noon Friday. The week
prior to the parade, the contact person for each entry will be
provided with a loeator map to show where they will line up in
the parade. Entry forms are available at
the Herald and may be requested by fax and returned in the
same manner. For more information, call
Elizabeth Flores at 263-7331, ext.

## $A_{\text {ROUND }}^{\text {Bictinc }}$ Ste Town <br> duty in 118th District Court Monday, Nov. 17, do not need to report. The trial has been can- celled. <br> THANKSGIVING LUNCH <br> 

 information call MDA$(915) 570-4970$. THE MOBILE MEALS PROGRAM, also known as
Meals on Wheels, needs volun-
teers to deliver meals. teers to deliver meals. If you can spare one hour per
week to deliver eight or 10 meals, we need you. About 85 to
90 meals are prepared, packaged and delivered writhin the city limits of Big Spring. If you can
volunteer, please call $263-4016$

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\text { betore } 3 \text { p.m. }
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DOWNTOWN LIONS CLUB IS selling historic throws depicting a variety of Howard County scenes.
Cost is $\$ 40$ f Cost is $\$ 40$ for each throw.
Call Archie Kountz at $267-3821$
or ask any member of the club or ask any member o
for more information:

## Springboard

## IF YOU HAVE CHANGES INAVE SPRING

 BOARD ITEM SPRING-MORE INFORMATION FOR TACT GINA GARON, CON TACT GINA GARZA, 263
238, BETWEEN 8:30 A.M. AND 2
Springboard items must be Springboard items must be
submitted in writing. Mail to: Springboard, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas 79720; bring it
by the office at 710 Scurry; or fax it to 264-7305.
$r$ fax it to $264-7305$.
Cood Shepherd Fellowship
Church, 610 Abrams, has ser Church, 610 Abrams, has ser-
vices at 2 p.m. Everyone is wel-
come to attend. •Alcoholics Anonymous, 615
Settles, 11 a.m. closed meeting Settles, 11 a.m. closed meeting
and 7 p.m. open meeting and 7 p.m. Open meetin -Big Spring Evening Lion's
Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E. Third. Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E.
Call Al Valdes, $263-6810$. support group, 7 p.m. Call 263 -
6F4eor 2682841

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meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. at the
VA Medical Center on floor. Medical Center on fourt
-Big Spring-Howard Count -Big Spring-Howard County
Retired Teachers Association Retired Teachers Association,
10:30 a.m. coffee and social hour and 11:30 lunch, Howard
College Cactus Room. 6 ©ncourager's support group, Church, SEventh and Runnels (enter through the North door), Thanksgiving dinner. The
turkey will be furnished. Bring
 turkey.

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## Community only as good as its citizens, officials say <br> By CarLTON JOHNSO

Staff Write
city of Bigeral Spring and Howard County is a matter of which official you ask, but according to
most, the city and the county is nly as good as the effort its cit zens put forth.
One issue of concern in the
community is voter apathy Most of the officials who pa icipated in the Herald's two week series entitled "State of th ut that voter apathy is not $j u s$ Big Spring-Howard County problem, but a few see apath
as a spring board for ineffective leadership. Where Big Sprin and Howard County are con cerned, it's only the percentag
of the 18,000 registered voter who cast ballots that matters. During the Nov. 4 state consti utional amendment election Howard County had 1,703 bal eligible to vote. Howard Commissioner Sonnty has definite thoughts on the "Voter apathy is a reflection of number of factors, choat said. "Some citizens feel their
voice is never heard anyway, so


Downtown Beautification and
the Kids' the Kids' Zone Committee, have
demonstrated a renewed enthu-
siasm siasm on the part of our citizens
to make Big Spring the to make Big Spring the best
can be," Blackshear added. can be, Blackshear added.
I feel that it is critical for our community to work together to
offer the best quality of life that offer the best quality of life that
we can possibly can." we can possibly can. Spring cititizens a sense of loyal-
ty and pride in ty and pride in our community,
as well as presenting a positive as well as presenting a positive
impression for visitors, whether impression for visitors, whether
they are tourists or potential recruits for our industries,
which is certainly beneficial for our future," Blackshear said. our future, Enforcement:
On Law End
The Howrd The Howard County Sheriffs
Office has taken on several new changes and the Big Spring Police Department is in the midst of a transition as the
search for a new search for a new police chief
continues, but both continues, but both depart-
ments are confident they can keep the community safe. Acting Police Chief Lonnie Smith have made it a point to stress the importance of citizen involvement in policing the city On public schools: Despite changes that have come to the Big Spring
Independent School District
(BSISD), Superintendent Bill
McQueary says the goals McQueary says the goals
remains the same. "The goal of BSISD is to pro-
vide an educational system that is relevant to real life work
is and is relevant to real life work
requirements of the future," McQueary said. The district is also attempting
to win the challenge of an to win the challen "We are currently educating
students that will work students that will work well
past $2050-2060$." McQueary past 2050-2060," McQueary said. every 22 months, it is hard to estimate how much change will
take place in the work place take place in the work place. We
must prepare students with must prepare students with
skills necessary to deal with these realities."
On Howard College:
"Howard College will Howard College will continue opmental education and the sciences by providing academitransfer programs,"
College
Howard College President Dr. Sparks
said. College
said.
"How
focus on "Howard College will also
focus on workforce education and vocational/technical training by responding to business and industry," Sparks added. "Howard College will change, but its mission to provide 'edu-
cation...for learning for earncation...for learning,
ing, for life,. will not.
Entities
like

Development For Big Sprin
Inc. and the Big Spring Are Chamber of Commerce continu Chamber of Commerce continue
to promote the community's existing business interests as Progress of this nature ofte occurs in slow cycles, but it does come, according to Moore
Executive Director Danette Toone. Despite the onset of cold tem peratures recently, this year best news the county has see Agriculture and Agribusines vital to the economy of com munity, County Agent David "Agribusiness aproximately $\$ 120$ generates the local economy.
generates
million to The success of this year's cro could drive that figure even Because of the success of Because of the success of th 1997 cotton crop, Kight says
agricultural income should be up approximately 30 percen
more than what has been in the more than what has been in th Taking a look at the curren cotton crop, Kight. estimate Howard County producers will
harvest approximately 85,000 bales, which would carry a
financial impact of $\$ 182$ million
in the county.

## Report: UT Health Center covers up research, tobacco industry ties

University of Texas Health Center in Tyler helped shield

from public view the research from public view the research
done by Dr. Gary Huber on
tobacco's health risks as well as the $\$ 1.68$ million sent by tobacco industry lawyers that paid for
the work from 1985-1996, The the work from 1985-1996, The
Dallas Morning News reported in Saturday's editions. A Health Center official said he now regrets the match
between the institution, whose founding mission is treating lung disease, and Huber, who is known for questioning links
between secondhand cigarette between secondha
stmoke and disease
"I think at some point we
should have said to ourselves -
given the source of these fund given the source of these funds,
and what the overall activity is with them, and the difficulty in with them, and the difficulty in
controlling all these accounts and the way the money is bein paid - it just probably isn't Wronth it," said Dr. Richard tive director at the center.
Evidence suggest Evidence suggests s.
aspects of the aspects of the relationship were
improper, the Morning News improper, the Mo
reported Saturday. According to the documents
provided under Texas provided under Texas open-
record laws for more than half record laws for more than half
the period from 1985-1996,
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { money was routed through an } & \text { Were dictated by Shook, Hardy } \\ \text { outside account bearing a Greek } & \& \text { Bacon of Kansas City, and } \\ \text { code name to keep it off hospital }\end{array}$ Jones Day Reavis \& Pogue of code name to keep it off hospital an outsider to find. The arrangement also produced such a bookkeeping press
that the Health Center still account for all the money,
according to hospital oney and a report by UT auditor from Austin. The financing issue ultimately led to the sci
entist's resignation last year But Huber said he is being made a scapegoat.
"I am a trusting
"I am a trusting person," he said, explaining that he went
along with funding terms that

Shook, Hardy works for tobac Shook, Hardy works for tobac-
co Morris. Jones, Day represent No. 2 tobbaco company R.J
Reynolds. Reynolds.
Huber bla record-keeping for sloppy hospital an unfair auditors' what he calls Records obtained report. Tyler Health Center indicate industry lawyers have paid yoars to fund some of Huber's years to fund some of Huber'
work at three universities.
Shook Hardy and Jones Day
declined to comment on Huber's
work for them, citing a in its $\$ 8.6$ billion
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in which he is a witness. They
tobacco companies.
His lengthy career of working in which he is a witness. They $\quad \begin{gathered}\text { His lengthy career of working }\end{gathered}$ anything improper in their could provide devastating Hurangement with him. whistleblower evidence, state $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Huber had a } 25 \text {-year relation- } & \text { attorneys hope. } \\ \text { ship with the firms and their } & \text { Kronenberg said he and other }\end{array}$ clients, serving as a lung spe-- $\begin{gathered}\text { Kronenberg said he and other } \\ \text { health center officials had reser- }\end{gathered}$ own landmarks. Then stroll through nore than 150 stores at the Tanger ${ }^{\text {ra }}$ Outlet Center and San Marcos Factory Shops. And the wonders don't dwindle when daylight does. Cozy bed and breakfasts, charming hotels, and quaint restaurants await when your holiday hustle and bustle is complete. San Marcos. It's filled with wonder. One stay and you will be too.

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## San Marcos Winter Time Pass M ${ }^{\circ}{ }^{2} / 2$ off ${ }^{\circ}$ All Attractions

cialist and longtime researcher. vations about accepting money Records obtained from the Tyler Health Center indicate ndustry lawyers have paid
more than $\$ 7.5$ million over 25 years to fund some of Hub
work at three universities. work at three universities.
But he recently agreed to it
cooperate with the state of to

 Win A Trip To See The French
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All the wonder land without all the winter.


Walking in San Marcos is truly a beautiful sight. You'll wonder at the bubbling natural springs, sparkling

 But, he said they. But, he said, they approved the firms before and because the firms agreed to set no limits on his academic work - even if
it turned out to be critical of it turned
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"Congress shall make no law respecting an estrablish-
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or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press, or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to peti the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to pet
tion the Government for a redress of grievances."

Opinions expressed on this page are thos
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## Help us make parade best yet

Tcivic is running out if you, your church, your civic or social club or your business Community Christmas Parade, scheduled for a 5 p.m tart on Saturday, Dec. 6
It's hard to believe that for more than a decade folks have been lining Gregg Street to enjoy the fruits of the labors of other people, the music of the marching ban
As we've said in the past, the Christmas parade is our gift back to the community for your support of
the Herald over the years. While the parade is gener the Herald over the years. While the parade is gener
ally held on the first Saturday of December, it is, in all reality a year 'round project.
The list of workers on the parade is pretty straight forward - either current or former employees who
have worked on the parade before. These folks spend numerous hours planning and coordinating the vent.
For us, it is a labor of love, for we genuinely enjoy watching the bright eyes and hearing the laughter of the youngsters as they watch the parade roll back
Hopefully, and this is where you come in, this Hopefully, and this is where you come in, this
year's edition of the parade will be the biggest in community history. Last year's 77 floats already placed that parade at the top of the local list - and near, if not at the $t$
Christmas parades.
If you haven't entered the parade, now is the time to do so for the deadline is noon Friday. Entry forms
are available here at the Herald -or we can fax an are available her
entry form to yo
Let's all work together to make the 11th Community Christmas Parade one that no one will soon forget!

## Other Texas views

In the Korean War, a Marine Corps officer, taking note of enemy troops every-
where he looked, supposedly where he looked, supposedly radioed a superior. They
got us surrounded - the
poor devils." Sara Lister poor devils." Sara Lister like the North Korean Arm strategic high ground, Lister, assistant Army secr
tary for manpower and tary for manpower and
reserve affairs, recently called the Marines in a pub "dangerous." Allegedly, this femarkable show even ncluded a swipe at the
Marine uniform (mocked as "checkerboard fancy") po-go for map-reading. High kround? She was in a gully
vithout cover. After The Nashington Times on Thursday broke her speech, he Corps' congressional friends. Within a day she fesigned, having done for the cause of interservice mity about what General But what prompted Lister's
Bt? Presumably she thought the Marines reactionary because they alone disdain gender-integrated training, a
cause she championed. If so she failed to appreciate key differences. The Army is arge, heavily equipped and

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- We reserve the right to edit letters for style and clarity. 30-day period per author
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Corps must keep training
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Recently, when Rep. Steve
Buyer, R-Ind., visited Fort
Leonard Wood (Mo.) Army
boot camp, he found that
because women were failing
the hand-grenade toss, the
standard had been lowered
to reduce female attrition -
a disconcerting thought
given that a ticking pineap-
ple is not something you
want in your vicinity.
But forget anecdotes. A
new report from the Army
Inspector General finds "no
clearly articulated or
enforced standard for sol-
dierization (basic combat)
skills to graduate from
Initial Entry Training." No
one says that about Marine
boot camp; nor are there any
tales of Marine D.I.s molest-
ing female recruits.
Lister's parting shot will
be vindicated if it stimulates
honest debate about mixed-
gender training. And, by the
way, let's all hope that
Saddam Hussein and the
rest of the world's rotters do
think the Marines are "dan-
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## On the side of the angels and against hate

By MARSHA MERCER Media General News

## WASHINGTON

 White House Conference on Hate Crimes took place lastweek in a crowded auditoriu at George Washington University. On the sidewalk, a small band of anti-gay rights prote
ers sang hymns and carried ers sang hymns and carried
signs that read "'God Hates (Homoseluals).
Inside, civil
Inside, civil rights activists
educators, politicians, police. educators, politicians, police-
men, prosecutors and religiou leaders gathered to discuss
ways to fight the crimes that ways to fight the crimes that
stem from malice toward some
one who's different.
This administration has spot-
lighted gun violence, violence lighted gun violence, violence
against women and gang vioagainst women and gang vio-
lence - but this was the firs
conference devoted to hate conferenc
crimes.
The first task was defining
the problem. "A hate crime is the problem. "A hate crime is
the embodiment of intolerance," according to White
House documents House documents.
These crimes ase old as humanity itself, but there's a
sense that they're escalating, sense that they're escalating,
especially among the young. especially among the young.
Nearly 9,000 were reported las
year, but many more
believed unreported.


There's style, and then there's style
Professional writers learn in
their teens that "style" comes
in two packages.
One of them is simple. When
"miles per
hour" is
abbreviat
ed at The
New York
Times, it's
"m.p.."
At The
Associated
Press it's
"mph.".
The Times
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## Railroad administration considers steps against UPac

DALLAS (AP) - The Federal while the railroad administra- last week into the company's officials maintain that the
Railroad Administration. tion compiles reports from safety practices in Houston, delays stem from other factors
expects to fine Union Pacific sweeps conducted in August Fort Worth and Long Beach, rather than the merger Railroad Administration. expects to fine Union Pacific y violations.
According to a report filed by
the nation's largest ne nation's largest railroad
with the Securities and Exchange Commission, the oversight agency "has indicated hat it may take enforcement ctions against the company." Those enforcement actions
are still under consideration
tion compiles reports from safety practices in Houston, and September in the wake of numerous serious crashes that killed seven people.
FRA spokesman David Bolger FRA spokesman David Boiger han fines are still a possibility He did not elaborate on what ose actions could be.
"We do not anticipate any, but We do not anticipate any, but The agency made spot checks

Fort
Calif. A telephone message left with the railroad was not returned Saturday morning
Dallas-based Union Dhilas has 36,000 miles Pacific across the country, has beet plagued by delays and safeety problems since the company
acqutred Southern Pacific in
September 1996. Union Pacific
rather than the merger.
The massive traffic snarls on the rails have cost hundreds of rail customers an estimated of
billion and delays billion and delays have spread
to several major railroad to several
On Friday, members of the Texas Railroad Commission
meeting in El Paso said they meeting in E1 Paso said they
expect to formally request that
the federal Surface

Union Pacific to sell parts of its proposal on Nov. 21 Texas rail network to solve the proposal on Nov. 21 .
The company said in its SEC
filing that it is opposed to such filing that it is opposed to such a move saying it would "worsen
the problem" and is "legally unjustified."
Whether the Whether the STB would could be decided by Dec. 3 when could be decided by Dec. 3 when
the agency will meet to see whether its order to give competitors rights to use Union
Pacific tracks has helped alleviPacific tracks has helpe
ate backups and delays.
$\qquad$ DALLAS (AP) - They come
for work. They come for family. for work. They come for family. he great human costs of undocthe great human costs of undoc-
umented migration," said $\begin{array}{ll}\text { umented migration," said } & \text { il } \\ \text { Maria Jimenez. She is a project } & \text { fo } \\ \text { director with the Houston-based } & \text { in } \\ \text { American Friends Service } & \text { A } \\ \text { Committee, an internartional } & 19 \\ \text { Quaker organization document- }\end{array}$ Quaker organization documentBut every year, hundreds of illegal immigrants trying border don't make it.
They drown forgin They drown forging rivers, they get hit by cars and trains.
In the winter, they freeze to death in the mountains east of San Diego. In the summer, they
drop from dehydration in the drop from dehydration in the
sand dunes of south Texas. From 1993 through 1996, at least 1,185 undocumented
migrants died crossing the bor der. That's almost 300 a year roughly a plane full of people, according to a study conducted
by the University of by the University of Houston's
Center for
Immigration Research.
"Currently in the nation, there's a great deal of debate as mented migration. For us, these
deaths on the border also talk of
ing human rights violations in the enforcement of immigration Taws.
Toun Armstrong, a Kenedy County rancher in south Texas, has seen both costs firsthand. Several years ago, while sur veying his property, he came
upon a woman slumped under shade tree. No more than 22 years old, she was dead.
"I think this was a des I think this was a desperate
woman trying to get somewhere to change her life and she ran out of gas," said Armstrong,
who is also a county commis who is also a county commis
sioner. "It's an appalling situa tion. It's gotten appaling situssively worse because the word's gotten ack that they can make it, and
nce they make it, it's home back that they can make it, and
once they make it, it's home
free."
each year
So far this year, 10 bodies of ed. They'll tear the wall down to liegal immigrants have been get in. They will trash out any
found in Kenedy County, assets you have in the pasture., ncluding yet another on assets you have in the pasture. $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Armstrong's ranch. Last year, } & \text { because they want to be disrup- } \\ \text { tive, but because they're hun }\end{array}$ Guided by smugglers, groups of up to 50 who have already crossed the border at
Brownsville 60 miles south ar Brownsville 60 miles south are
dropped off at Armstrong's fence, just a few miles south of a U.S. Border Patrol highway checkpoint. They hike through
the brush, often wearing three the brush, often wearing three
layers of clothing and carrying bags of groceries. Trekking north toward Corpus Christi or
Houston, some walk the entire Honsth of some walk the entire
lenedy County -57 miles - before catching a ride. In the summer, temperatures "They tear down your they leave your gates open, they breat the pipes to get the water
to drink it,") Armstrong to drink it," Armstrong said. "They break into any house
tive,
gry."
Afte
After years of using his ranch as a thoroughfare, immigrants have carved paths as wide as
sidewalks through his thick brush and pastures. His ranch hands have been
threatened at gunpoint by threatened at gunpoint by
immigrants. "Unless armed, you just stay away from them," he said. "There's no way
of knowing where these peopl of knowing where these people
came from, what their criminal background is, what their health situation is. These people
are desperate enough are desperate enough to die in
substantial numbers out here." subsugglers - called "coyotes" - often leave the weak behind when they deliver the rest to when they delive The commissioners said the most likely scenario would be from Houston to Bell its line Texas, and contribute much of its Houston-area trackage to the Port of Houston Authority or
independent railroad ant independent railroa

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or beloved husband and Father, Hubert O. Gilbert.
We especially wish to thank Bro. Pat Ray for his
consoling words, all the donors of the many beautiful
floral offerings, cards, delicious
food, the pallbearers, the singer, James Kinman, and
Nalley Pickle \& Welch Funeral Home for
their efficient managementiof the services.

Thank you for all the love and support you gave to us dur ing Steve Painter's sickness and death. Thank you for your prayers, cards, flowers and food. Maybe you just gave us It was a difficult time, but our friends made this sorrow a

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bunkers and destroy chemica ornkers and destroy chemical or biological stocks remains
severely limited. severely limited.
The refused to comply with U.N. resolutions that allow inspections
of facilities ed of producing deadly nerve ed of producing deadyy nerve
gas, biological toxins, even nuclear weapons. tors suggests that Irag in determined to rebuild or expand its capacity to manufacture weapons of mass destruction,", Cohen said Friday in discussing why U.S. military forces are continuing to b
Persian Gulf area.


Violent crime rate drops, survey from Department of Justice shows

WASHINGTON (AP) - The
United States became a sher
place to live in last year as wio. place to live in last year as vio-
lent crime against Americans lent crime against Americans
dropped 10 percent below the previous year, the Justice
Department reported Saturday, Department reported Saturray.

The most significant drop 17.6 percent - was seen in rapes and sexual assaults in the National Crime Victimization | Survey conducted by the |
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| Bureau of Justice Statistics. | Property crimes also wen Property crimes also went

dinn percent overall,
with the largest fall in motor with the largest fall in moltor
vehicle theft, 20.1 percent. vehicle theft, 20.1 percent.
Personal theft such as purse snatchings and picking pockets dropped 21.1 percent.
"Should we cheer? Quietly because crime levels remain far
too high," said James Alan Fox dean of the College of Crimina Justice at a of Boston's Northeastern University.
"We're moving in the direction, but we have a long way to go still before we can claim victory over our crime phone. "We must not get com placent into thinking that our problems are over, or else they will quickly return
The rates were the lowest
recorded by the statistics breau since it began taking the survey in 1973 . The numbers which reflect both reported and nreported crimes, paralleled annual Uniform Crime Report. Among survey findings for Among
last year
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han females to be victims

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 "In the 6) years since the war,
the U.S. military has not fielded the U.S. military has not fielded
any significant new capability to attack these types of targets, she said.
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of high-technology weapons are or hign-technology weapons are
classified, and defense officials are forbidden to discuss them. Such private experts as Ms While the military would like
tions
to have a weapon that can penetr have a weapon that can pene
trate 20 feet into hardened sites "current weapons only go down 6 to 10 feet," depending upon
whether they are moving whether they are moving or types of concrete, she said Weapons are under develop ment to improve the penetra ment to impro
tion capability.

tion, "America lacks a high temperature, incendiary war head that is needed to vaporize
or burn on contact" the deadly weapons Saddam is suspected of And All sunday items are due All Sunday items are due to
the Herald office by Wednesday
at noon. weapon the United could burn Iraq's
suspected chates The: Ms. Starr said. cal weapons stocks in under Dopartment does ground cells, the official weapons of mass destruction remain available to traq, or exactly where they are, a senio defense official said Friday.
The Pentagon believes Irac Thas 80 tent 100 chemical weapons facilities, about 100 for wiolonsical weapons and about 20 for
nuclear weapons, the official nuclear weapons, the officia
said, speaking on condition of anonymity.
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## SPORTS <br> Bia Spanag Heralo Sunoay, Nov. 16, 1997 <br>  <br> Got a story Idea or a soorts news tip? 

Buffaloes take icy revenge on Shallowater with 35-6 win


Stanton's Tyron Davis (4) gathers in a throw from quarterback Kyle Herm (3) during the first quarter of the Buffaloes' b-district playoff game with Shallowater's Mustangs. The Buffs avenged last sea

By Steve reigan
LAMESA - They say that revenge is a dish
best served cold. If that's the case, the Stanton
Buffaloes fors
Buffaloes feasted Friday night.
On a night better suited for polar bears than On a night better suited for polar bears, than
passes, the Buffaloes avenged one of the most passes, the Buffaloses avenged one of the most
heart-breaking losses in school history when they demolished the Shallowater Mustangs, $35-6$, in a Class 2A bidist
Stadium in Lamesa.
A year ago, the Mustangs survived a late Stanton rally to take a 32-31 victory in the first
round of the playoffs. This time around howev. round of the playoffs. This time around, howev-
er, the Buffs never let Shallowater even dream of a repeat performance
Stanton (11-0) jumped out to a $21-0$ lead in the
first quarter, then basically turned first quarter, then basically turned matters over
to their first-rate defense, which gave up and 250 yards in offense, but scarcely let the Mustangs near the goal line.
The maior agent in the Mu
The major agent in the Mustangs' destruction
was Stanton quarterback Kyle Herm was Stanton quarterback Kyle Herm. The junior
signal-caller had a bit of an off-night passing (he signal-calier
was only 4 of 9 passing with two interceptions), but offset those shortcomings by running for two touchdowns, passing for another, returning a
punt 83 yards for a fourth score and accounting punt 83 yards for a fourth score and accounting
for 177 all-purpose yards. For Herm, revenge was definitely sweet.
"Last year, we were all stunned by that loss,"
happen again."
Most coaches avoid talking abput revenge, and Stanton mentor Mark Cotton is no different. To him, a rematch with Shallowater was just a happy accident. The kids were looking all year toward makin The kids were looking all year toward making
the playoffs," Cotton said. "Shallowater being our first opponent was just an added bonus." The Buffs took command early. After Shallowater's opening drive stalled, the
Mustangs punted the ball to Mustangs punted the ball to Tyron Davis, who
handed the ball to Herm on a reverse. Herm then went untouched down the left sideline for a
touchdown and a $7-0$ Stanton lead midway ouchdown and a $7-0$ Stanton lead mid way "We ran the reverse once this year ... bu nobody's been kicking the ball to us," Herm said. "But we've had the play in all year, so when they Having been staked to a lead before it ever touched the ball, the Stanton offense wasted little time doubling the advantage on its first drive The Buffs took just two plays to march 46 yards,
with tailback James Jenkins doing the scoring honors from 24 yards out.
Stanton added
Stanton added another first-quarter score on a
21-yard pass from Herm to Davis before finally 21-yard pass from Herm to Davis before finally er. A gusty northeasterly wind plunged tempera
en tures down to negative numbers, and neither team was able to sustain any sort of comfortable

Mustangs rally past Sanderson By JOHN H. WALKER Managing Editor
IMPERIAL - Some things in
life are just opposite one another. You know ... night and day, You know ... night and day
rain or shine, black and white.
But there's another as well. But there's another as well.
Sands Mustangs' first half vs. Sands Mustangs' second half
here Friday night in a $70-46$ sixman shootout win over
Sanderson's Eagles in bi-disSanderson's Eagles in bi-dis-
trict play. Sands (10-1) will now face
Westbrook in the regional play-
off off game Friday night at
Klondike. Westbrook beat Klondike
Ropes.
After a quick start, the
Mustangs found themselves trailing $34-22$ at the half $\ldots$ sputtering to a grinding halt as the
horn sounded after Sanderson scored on its last three possessions in a row while stopping
the Ponies the Ponies. The problem for Sands was
an inability to stop the forward pass, something Sanderson took advantage of time and
again. That was my fault,
Mustangs Head Coach Billy
Barnett said after the game Barnett said after the game. "I
preached to them all week that preached to them all week that game."
Barnett said what happened was that the Mustangs had too
many men either on or close to many men ethirmage. with their speed they just ran past us," he added. No matter how hard they round up Sanderson quarterback Jesse Martinez. Martinez
wriggled and wrangled his way wriggled and wrangled his way
out of what looked to be more sure tackles tha
See SANDS, page 8A

## Steers roll to 23-0 win over EP Ysleta


Grandfalls' speed too much for Wildcats to overcome in 42-20 loss

By $\mathbf{3 0 H N}$ A: MOSELEY

> LENORAH - Speed kills
> Grady's Wildcats learned that fact first hand
Friday, as No. 6-ranked Grandfalls-Royalty's Friday, as No. 6-ranked Grandfalls-Royalty's 42 -20 bi-district playoff win at M.W. Tunnell
> Field.
They've just got so much speed;" a resigned Roger Smith said following the loss that ended have them trapped ... couldn't ask the kids to have better position ... they'd just find a way to They (Cowboys) are really impressive," Smith added. "But we didn't make it easy for them, either. I think we probably gave them the toughest time they've had all year.
> The undefeated Cowboys were not unstoppable,
but hindered themselves with five fumbles even ut nindered themselves with five fumbles, even
though none of them were lost, and drive-killing penalties.
But Grandfalls' advantage in team speed, coupled with icy, gale-force winds made it more Cowboys' two first-quarter touchdowns.
> After a fumble thwarted the Cowboys on their
first possession, turning the ball over on downs
at the Wildcat 17, they limited Grady's Jed

Hinojosa and Frankie Garza to just five yards in
threep plays and had the ball at their own 35 fol-
lowing a 23 -yard Brady Peugh punt three plays and had the ball at their own 35 fol
lowing a 3 -yard Brady Peugh punt.
It took just five plays for the Cowboys to take a lead they'd never relinquish when Roy Vasquez
fumbled a pitch, found himself hemmed in by fumbled a pitch, found himself hemmed in by
Wildcat defenders on the right sideline, simply switched directions and blazed a path to the end
zone down the left side of the field zone down the left side of the field.
Three minutes later, with just remaining in the first period, Vasquez again
broke loose, this time Corean's kick made it 14-0. 52 -yard dash and Jeff
Grandfalls made Grandfalls made it 200 on its next possession,
Alfonso Marquez breaking loose on a 38 -yard romp with 7:55 remaining in the first half. Even when the Wildcats managed to stop them
the Cowboys showed no fear refusing the Cowboys showed no fear, refusing to punt
even once during the game. However, that tactic led to Grady's first score when a fourth-down pass late in the first half fell incomplete and the Wildcats took possession at the Grandfalls 17. Sophomore standout Frankie Garza scored
from 2 yards out with 26 seconds remaining from 2 yards out with 26 seconds remaining
before the intermission, trimming the Cowboys' lead to just 14 points at the half.
On the third play of the second half, Grandfall On the third play of the second half, Grandfalls
made it a 20 -point cushion when Danny Santiago made it a 20 -point cus


Grady quarterback Brady Peugh (11) fakes a handoff to running back Jed Hinoulo photo/m namo Wildcats attempt a little diversion against Grandfalls-Royalty's during their 42-20 b-dilitriet playoff loss to the No. 6 -ranked Cowboys.


## Michigan <br> The associated press

The top-ranked Michigan Wolverines had difficulty shouldn't have much trouble staying No. 1
The Wolverines struggled against weakened No. ${ }^{23}$
26-16 victory on a snowy Saturday afternoon
Chris Howard, who rushed 26
times for 90 yards, had TD runs of 1 and 4 yards, as Michigan (10-0 overall, 7-0 Big Ten) quashed Wisconsin's surprising visit to Camp Randall since the 69 stadium stampede that injured 69 students four years ago. Big Ten title and a trip to the Rose Bowl with a victory next Saturday over No. 4 Ohio State,
which beat illinois Which beat innois 41-6

Florida St. 58,
Wake Forest 7
Thad Busby passed for 390
yards and four touchdowns yards and four touchdowns and
Sebastian Janikowski kicked three field goals - one from 56 yards - as second-ranked
Florida State took a $58-7$ victory
STANTON
Continued
Arhythm.
In felt t
-I felt that some of the time other times, we preat, and at sloppy," Cotton said. "I don't know how much of that we can
blame on the weather just terrible out there tonight." It was definitely cold at times," senior lineman Josh
Carson said. "But we thought about the game more than the coldness, and we just put it in the back of our minds." Although Stanton's offense
couldn't sustain its early fire works, the Buffs' defense consistently confounded Shallowater's attack. Stanton
limited the Mustangs to only 60 yards on the ground, and limited Shallowater quarterback Chris Cody to 11 pass comple
tions in 32 attempts. tions in 32 attempts.
"neefense is what
thatst is what wins games us, junfor defensive end Chad STEERS Continued from page 7A yard pass completion from
Gabriel Mendoza to John
Lawdermilk, coupled with a 12
yard, half-the-distance penalty
for a late hit took the ball to
the Indian 11.
It appeared as if the Steers
would break the game open in
the second quarter, moving
from their own five to the
Ysleta 12 before Willie Minjares
picked off a Mendoza pass in
the end zone and returned it to
the Indian 35.
The Steers got the ball back
on the very next play when
James Newman picked off an
errant Roman Lamas pass
attempt.
With jom secons remaining
With just seconds remaining,
Joe Haden was called attempt a 31 -yard field goal and promptly split the uprights. However, a penalty - one of 12 that would be whistled against
the Steers - backed Big Spring back five yards and Haden's resulting effort fell short of its mark.
Butler attributed the rash of penalties - far and away more
than the Steers have committed in ary other game - to most of his players finding themselves
in an unfamiliar situation in think a lot of it was nervousness," he explained. 'A few of these seniors got to move up when we were in the
playoffs in '94, but for the most of them, they've never been here before. They got caught up in the excitement and lost their us a little."
The Steers' third touchdown
came in the third quarter after Mendoza was knocked out of the game with what Big Spring
coaches believe was a mild concussion.
Owens stepped in at quarterback, however, and quickly just eight plays, including a 46 just eight plays, including a 46-
yard pass completion to Chauncey Ford that reached

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 a share of the conference title.
 defense does their job ... I think that's what makes us good."
The Buffs will meet Albany an upset 13.8 winner over
Eldorado, next Friday in San Angelo. Game time is tentatively set for $7: 30$ p.m. at San
Angelo Stadium.

yardage specialist Brock Gee final yard with $2: 34$ left in the third quarter, giving the Steers a $20-0$ lead.
Haden, who missed the point following Gee's touch. down, made up for that miscue when he nailed a 27 -yard field period, effectively the fourth any hope the Indians might

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season.
North Carolina 17
Clemson 10
Quarterback Chris Keldorf
and receiver L.C. and receiver L.C. Stevens
perked up No. 8 North Carolina's offense just enough to get by Clemson 17-10 on
Saturday and revive the Tar Saturday and revive the Tar
Heels' Bowl Alliance hopes.
Keld Keldorf hit Stevens on three
long plays to set the Heels' long plays to set the Heels'
three scores, as North Carolina three scores, as North Carolina
$(9-1, \quad 6-1 \quad$ Atlantic Coast Conference) overcame four kicks to win at Death Valley Jonathan Linton blasted
through for the Hawks take first-round tourney win heralo star Report
A sluggish start and eight-
point halftime deficit weren't enough to stop Howard College's Hawks from taking a win in their first round game Invitational basketball tournament.
Howard knocked off Trinadad College in the opening round high 17 points. Darryl Gree added 15 for the Hawks, while joe Robinson and Clifton
each managed 13 markers.
The Hawks, who hit just four of 12 three-point shots in the
first 20 minutes, managed to pick up their defensive intensi ty and ignite an early run in the second half. With 10 minutes to play, the Hawks owned a nine-point lea only to see Trinidad stage
next play and the Tar Heels alliance bowi. Appalachian State, the Tigers
held on. A victory next week $\begin{aligned} & \text { held on. A victory next week } \\ & \text { against last-place Duke could } \\ & \text { send North Carolina to an }\end{aligned}$
$\begin{gathered}\text { Since Clemson (6-4, 4, 4) has } \\ \text { one win against Division I-AA }\end{gathered}$ $\begin{aligned} & \text { must beat traditional rival: } \\ & \text { Shoth Carolina for a postseasor: }\end{aligned}$ send N

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Sabinal makes most of errors in knocking out No. 1 Runge The ASSOCLITED PRESS
Sabinal got 140 yards from
Lane Pepper and took advan tage of errors by previously
unbeaten Runge to bounce Class 1A's top-ranked team out night.
Sabinal (9-2), which will pla Granger (9-1) next week, fe on Patrick Zapata's one yard the end of a 67 -yard, 11-play But at the end of the first
quarter a snap went quarter, a snap went over the t the Runge 27. That set up
John Driskell's down run in the opening
moments of the second quarter. In the third quarter, a blind. son game. In the third quarter, a blind
side hit forced a fumble by
Runge quarterback Patrick
Conerse Judson's straight Class string of Region apata, and Chad Von Pelt IV titles came to an end at the
picked up the loose ball and hand of Austin Crockett, which ran 18 yards for a touchdown the third quarter. Pepper ran 37 yards to set up fin
his 6-yard TD run with 8:48 left in the third quarter, and con nected with James Everage on he fourth quarter. Reggie Duncan rushed for
school-record 311 yards or school-record 311 yards on 3
carries and scored two touch
downs as third-ranked Killeen Ellison advanced in the Clas
5A playoff game against Roun Rock Westwood, 34-20. Duncan's effort on a chilly
night on a muddy field bested
he previous sch ast year by David Winbusy The victory was the 11 th
straight by Ellison, also a
school reeor
 ut seven starters who were
uled academically ineligible
prior to their final regular-seahand of Austin Crockett, which
won, 26-15. Last year, Judson came back from a 21-0 deficit to
beat Austin Bowie $32-31$ in the final seconds, but their come Truelove's 2 -yard quarterback
Treat and
neak concluded the scoring $\quad \begin{gathered}\text { New Braunfels beat San } \\ \text { Marcos, playing its first foot }\end{gathered}$ In another Class 1A game, ball playoff game in 31 years Everage quar a career night. He ga including an 82 -yard kickoff
return, and threw for two other fore San Marcos began 21scored the winning touchdewn TDs as Granger (10-1) route Eric Graves' 31-yard run and 2 yards in second low snap and failed to get off

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## Hospice workers 'like family' for two local patients




One town's historic transformation: Could it work for Big Spring?



Some see hate, not humor in web site By SARAH A. DERKS
$\qquad$ ing?
Whichever, the University of
Memphis call Junior Kevin Murphy is cre ator and curator of The Old
Folks' Home page on the World With his high-tech medium, he uses profanity - and the anyone older than, well 25 , grouch about senior citizen dishabits of the elderly driving The school knows he's there because he is not violating its policy prohibiting students
from posting obscenity or using the Web site for commercial The 20-year-old Murphy's
Tork is a local example of what work is a local example of what
universities across the country are struggling to control but
not stifle. There's little organized effort,
much less consensus, much less consensus, on how to manage this gray area, and
policies vary. A Memphis com-
mittee formed last semester is considering ways to refine the
university's Internet policies
and procedures.
With today's global communications, Murphy's computer is
truly his theater to the world truly his theater to the world,
and his Old Folks' Home page is his stage.
But some patrons would
rather close the show.
One message to
zens Intessate newsgroup where Murphy posted an invitation to
his Web site lashes his Web site lashes Murphy
with language that would do with language that would do Another, from Bob Allen of Dallas, called Murphy a "sicko" and the Web site an "obnox-
ious, hateful, mean-spirited ious, hateful,
advertisement."
Allen, reached by telephone, says he respects Murphy's right to free speech but ques-
tioned the student's right to use the tax-supported university's property as a conduit for the
material. material
"I thought it went a little over the edge," says Allen, 51, a
freelance writer and member of the American Association of
the Retired Persons. Murphy considers his work
new, alternative, well-written new, alternative, well-written
and funny. "It's funny because and funny. "lt's funny because
you don't hear a lot of people
make fun of old people," he
says.

Murphy will say he believes
most of what he posts on his home page but overstates it to
be funny. The language of true hate-mongering is more
restrained, he says Murphy takes the elderly to
task as "'geezers," "old farts," and "wrinklies."

Not tense enough? Read this one The Center:David sihobin. St. unable to obtain her sister's Chad is alert enough to realize
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Up to this time, results at the Center have been positive; patients have few complications, they heal quickly, and
hospital stays are shorter. Four-year-old Christine Lassiter is brought to the Center for a routine tonsillec-
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hoping to reveal the secrets that seem to be hidden within the electronic wizardry.
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later on the day of his surgery, later on the day of his surgery,
only to have the computer say he has already been released to surgery goes awry, and despite four
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riveting as it describes Chad's
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feel the claustrophobia, panic and deathly fear of Chad as he physically endures the roboti-
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David Shobin, a physician David Shobin, a physician as
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ming, robotics, and lasers. Even though the reader may not understand the implications of the medical and com-
puter jargon, it doesn't detract from the story.
The unstated message of the novel seems to be while dehumanized machines are impor-
tant in the advancement of medicine, progress must benefit the patient, not just the whims of scientists and inven-
tors. Reading "The Center" is tors. Reading The Center is
certainly not relaxing, but is valuable for the subtle warning
it gives. The well-crafted writ. it gives. The well-crafted writ-
ing translates into a first-rate piece of fiction. RATING: (***) three out of
four-Entertaining and worth-



## WEDDINGS

MAXWELL-KIRKLAND
Carol Suzanne Maxwell and
Gary Gene Kirkland were unitGary Gene Kirkland were unit-
ed in marriage on Sept. 27 ,
197, at Trinity Baptist Church
with Rev. Randy Cotton, pastor, and Rev. Skip Woodfin, pasto
of Hill Country Baptist Church in Junction, officiating,
She is the daughter of Ronnie and June Maxwell, Sweetwater June Loveless and the late Chester Kirkland.
The couple stood before a ighted arch decorated with each side of the arch stood heart-shaped candelabras, baskets of white roses and gladio-
us, and slanted.candelabras decorated with white roses and gladiolus.
Jane Hammond was the
pianist, and Lila Adkins was the organist. Vocalists were Steve Moses, Timmy and Debbie Dunn, Patt
Adams and Lana Piercefield. Given in marriage by her gown of satin with a sweet heart neckline, long European
sleeves and a fitted bodice. The sleeves and a fitted bodice. Th pearls and crystal beads. A row of satin roses held her sweepng cathedral length train with pearls. A French, silk illusion overed the bride's face. She carried a cascading bou-
quet of ivory roses, Englis ivy, bear grass and caspia
spray.
Matron of honor was Lori maid of honor was Kacey Bridesmaids were Belinda Burkhart, Fort Worth, Anita Maxwell, sister-in-law of the bride, Cleburne, and Misty
Williams, cousin-in-law of the bride, Amarillo. Dale Weave
the best man.
Serving as groomsmen were

## NEWCOMERS

Newcomers welcomed recently
by Joy Fortenberry and the
Newcomer Greeting Service
Bruce and Terry Ann
Mallard, daughters Amonda and Karen and sons Mark an James, Gainesville, Fla. He is
employed by the VA Medical Center.
is the assistant Howard County is the assistant H .
Troy and Denise Puckett, daughter Kristin and son he pastor of Church of God Gary and Helen Bond, daughter Kayla, son Kyle and mother
Sammie Hays, Crane. He is retired from Mobile Oil Bruce and Carole DeMarco, Kenosha, Wis: She is employed Hospital. Big Spring stat Darrel and Lindsay Canada,
Snyder. He is the safety director of The Paint and Safety Conocho Business and Richard and Loyda Sorenson
and children Natty and children Natty and Calif, He is an INS Detention Enforcement Officer
Robert and Jean Eller, San Baskin Robbins Ice Cream.

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MRS. GARY GENE KIRKLAND Lynn Simpson, Craig Ingram, Spring, Troy Deubler, nephew of the groom, Irving, and Craig Maxwell, b
Cleburne.
Jared
Jared Weaver and Chase Davis, both of Coahoma, served
as candlelighters. Following the ceremony, reception was held in the fel lowship hall.
The bride's
The bride's cake was a three
iered French vanilla cake decorated vanilla cream atop a flowing fountain sur rounded with fresh white roses
Three small, round satellite Three small, round satellit
cakes were placed in front o the tiered cake and separated by mauve ribbon streamers
cascading down the tiers. cascading down the tiers.
The groom's cake was a tiered double chocolate cak decorated with chocolate swag
and topped with chocolate and topped with
The bride is a 1991 graduate
of Roby High School and a 1995 graduate of Tarleton Stat The groom is a 1980 graduat of Big Spring High, a 1984 grad uate of Arlington Baptis Angelo, State University, receiv
ing his ing his masters. He
employed by Coahoma ISD. Following a wedding trip to
Cancun, the couple have mad WHO'S
WHO

## Tamara Burnsed Needles, a High School, graduated in <br>  Degree. She took the Texas took the Texas Bar Exam in

## be sworn in as NeEples

a member of
the State Bar of Texas on No 21, in Austin. Tamara also earned a bachelor of art taught English at Big Spring High School in 1993-94. Tamara Boren and Waggoner, L.L.P.

She is the daughter of Mrs. Joy Burnsed, Big Spring, and
the granddaughter of Mr. and
Mrs. James H. Redman Spring, and Mrs. Roger

$\qquad$ ultimate piece of Hollywood
memorabilia - a cemeter with the remains of Hollywood legends like Rudolph Valentino,
Jayne Mansfield Jayne Mansfield and Cecil B
DeMille. touch of the morbid
Kamphausen bought the famed Hollywood Memorial Park
Cemmetery behind Paränount
Studies, keeping it from bank uptcy and locked gates. He ${ }^{\mathrm{p}}$ "It's exciting to be involved in a piece of history," said Kamphausen, who owns
string of Northern California cemeteries and mortuaries. In 1926, more than 20,000 fans flocked to Valentino's funeral Crypt 1205 in the Cathedral
Mausoleum remains a popular draw for tourists and Hollywood buffs. Auto part
store worker Tim Turek drover store worker Tim Turek drov
up on his day off Wednesday. "I wanted to get some las snapshots," he said. Near the mausoleum is the Drnate marbile monument fo with a reflecting pool inhabited by turtles. On the banks of pond are the monuments for
Tyrone Power, Marion Davie and DeMille. But in recent years, the $62-$
acre, 100 -year-old cemetery has run into problems. Association, which owned it Association, which owned it
filed for bankruptcy protection almost two years ago. For the
last 1) years the cemetery has


Man's cemetery purchase helps some rest in peace
$\qquad$ ly losses of some $\$ 40,000$. If no buyer had come for an affiliate of Coast Federa Bank, would stop paying to run
it and the cemetery would have been shut. been shut.
The deal still must be
approved by state. regulators property triortgage Kamphausen said repairs will cost more than $\$ 1$ million, from asbestos removal to replacing
stained-glass windows. Then he must find a way to make money.
"It's a turnaround situation," said Kamphausen. "It can work thing great right away." One of the more unusual sug. gestions came from Doug
Cassity, chairman of St. LouisCassity, chairman of St. Louis-
based Forever.
His company installs virtual reality markers - where
instead of headstones er screens flash messages and show home movies. (Or, possi For others whose loved ones graves are no tourist attraction
Kamphausen appeared as a financial savior.
Louise Haines of Hollywood has 10 relatives buried at the cemetery, including her hus
band. And there is a lot waiting "If they padlocked the place, I wouldn't even get in to be
buried," said Mrs. Haines, 80 . "I would not be able to rest in $=$


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## Mary Kay duo spells suceess 'pink' and 'red'

By DEBBIEL LJENSEN
In her 15 years with Mary Kay Cosmetics, Dene Sheppard
has had plenty of successes. She recently of eatned another pink Cadillac for her work, making it 13. years since she
has made car payments or has made car payments or
insurance. Mary Kay has also rewarded her with trips, furs The cars, especially, are a great reward, Sheppard said. ing you's get whalking into a dealing you get walking into a deal
ership, signing your name in two places and getting the keys," she said.
But lately, success has taken Her daughter Connie Plagens, who joined her in the business a year and a half ago, has
earned her first car, a brand new red Pontiac Grand Am, from the company. To see Connie going for it,
and her kids so excited, it's wonderful," said Sheppard.
"This is a great feeling,"


## Young BS bank sees a bright future



State National Bank of West Texas has come a long way since purchasing Nations Bank a year ago, and Bank President O.L.
Cooper says he hopes the future of the independent faclity goes

## By CARLTON JOHNSON

## Sy caft Writer

 First Big Spring BankingCenter (FBSBC) State National Bank of West Texas recently celebrated its first anniversary
of service to the Big Spring community.
What was once Nations Bank
was acquired by State National Bank of West Texas a little now an independent banking
nacility with plans to be in Big facility with plans to be in Big
Spring for a long time. Spring for a long time.
Bank President O.L. said, "We're very pleased and
excited about our first year of
buisiness. thas businíss. thas been greafer
than we texpeted." First Big Spring Banking
Center is 9 t 1500 Grege, currently has 12 employees and
deposit of $\$ 45$ million.
"The bank has deep West
Texas roots," Cooper said.
"We're solad We're glad to be in Big
Spring. We plan to be here for a long time offering quality,
responsive service in the West Texas fashion."
According to Cooper, the
bank has been received quite well by the community. "We want people to know
we're here for the long-term," Cooper said. "There have been
several changes in our system

## Home prices rising twice as fast as inflation

WASHINGTON (AP) - Home
prices across the nation are ris-
said economist Mark M. Zandi
of prices across the nation are risin general, even in many parts Nationglly Nationally, the median price
of existing homes increased by
$\$ 6,000$ to $\$ 126,500$ in September quarter, meanin half sold for more and half for less, the National Association
of Realtors said Monday of 5 percent gain fr same quarter a year ago is more than double the overall 2.2 percent rise in consumer
prices during the period. Of 136 prices during the period. Of 136
areas surveyed by the Realtors, only 13 reported declines


| m an economically st John A. Tuccillo of the tional Association altors. "The housing rally areas like Boston and Long as." <br> mong the 10 areas with the 12-month price gains, five re in the South and four in Midwest. <br> Waterloo, Iowa, led the ion, with prices jumping percent. It was followed by amazoo, Mich., 14.5 percent, w Orleans and Fort |
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but we want people to know we
are steady, dependable and happy to be here." FBSBC is up in both loans and deposits from where it
began after acquiring Nations began after acquiring Nations
Bank, meaning the bank is'satisfied but not content, accord"We're proud of the fact tha "We're proud of the fact that
we retained all of the employees that were already here and we even added a few more,"
Cooper said. "We felt like this waser said "We food opportunity for an was a good opportunity for an
independent type banking institution.
taken time anything new, it has year for FBSBC to get all of its
products and services up ant running. "We have a product mix that
is competitive with other instiis competitive with other insti
tutions around town," Cooper said.
Being an independent institu tion is something Cooper newest facility.
We can be much more flex ur responses more timely in tomers," Cooper said. "We can make modifications that fit our oustomers needs. We have all decision making authority we need and we're total
tion."

Other areas with big increas-
es were Austin, Texas, 10.9 peres were Austin, Texas, 10.9 per-
cent; Saginaw, Mich., 10.3 per-
cent; Bradenton, Fla., 10.2 percent; Bradenton, Fla., 10.2 per-
cent; San Francisco, 10.1 per-
cent; and Lake County, cent; and Lake County, III., 9.9
percent. Norfolk, Va., had the
sharpest decline, 11.9 percent. It was followed by Honorculu, 6
percent; Beaumont, Texas, 4.4 percent; Beaumont, Texas, 4.4
percent; and E1 Paso, Texas, percent; and El Paso, Texas,
and Hartford, Conn., both 3.8 and fent.
pether other cities with declines
were Charleston, W.Va., 3.2 were Charleston, W.Va., 3.2
percent; Jacksonville, Fla., 2.7 percent; Jacksonville, Fla., 2.7
percent; Albany, N.Y.,. 2.4 per-
cent; Middlesex, N.J., 2.1 percent; Daytona Beach. Fla., 0.9


Connie Plagens, left, and her mother, Dene Sheppard, are both driving new cars given to them by
Mary Kay Cosmetics. Sheppard, a 15-year employee of the company, is a senlor sales director, and Mary Kay cosmetics. Sheppard, a 15 -year employee of the c
Plagens, after a year and a half, is working on director status.
said, her response is, "What Sheppard said her husband Sheppard said her husband
has no qualms about driving
around in her pink car, and Plagens said when she gets he
first pink one, she doubts he and in her pink car, and husband will mind at all.
It's again show time for Howard County pecans The annual Howard County
Pecan Show is set for
Wednesday on the first floor of the Howard County Courthouse. There will be a
show for raw pecans as well as a pecan food show. The rules for both shows
are: Exhibitors are limited to one entry of each named varimay enter as many seedlings. nown as hybrids or natives as he or she wishes. Sample
entries from orchards cannot be entered in two county shows.
Pecans
Pecans should be entered in they are grown. If your county does not have a show. enter in the nearest county
which does. -The ex
grower.
 qualified. An entry may be composed of nuts from more than one tree.
ed, puts which are cut, sand-
ed, polished or otherwise altered will be disqualified. from the exhibited must be There are three divisions in Commercial Classic and Native. The Commercial division has the following classes: Apache, Burkett, Cheyenne,
Choctaw, Choctaw, Comanche, Mahan,
Maramec, Mohawk, Pawnee, Shawnee, Stuart, Tejas, Western and Wichita.
The Classic Division The Classic Division
includes the following classes: Barton, Cherokee, Chicasaw, Ideal, Imperial, John Garner,
Melrose, Success, Texas

Prolific
Seedlings.
The Nat
The Native Division which
consists of consists of pecans that have
been crossed (hybridized) been crossed (hybridized)
under natural conditions. As far as can be ascertained from the history of the tree's ori-
gins and from the appearance gins and from the appearance
of the nut, there was no named variety Pecan sample entries will be taken in the Howard
County Extension Office in the basement of the court house from 8 a.m. $\mathrm{t}_{4} 5_{5} \mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{m}} \mathrm{m}$.
Monday and will be processed Monday and will be processed
Tuesday. Judging will be done on Wednesday for raw pecans as well as the pecan
food show. Please have a card enclosed with your entry that has your name, address and The rules for the pecan food
show are as follows: show are as follows:
-Entries will be accepted in -Entries will be accepted in
the lobby area of the courthouse from $7: 30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. to 10
a.m. Wednesday. $\stackrel{\text { a.m. Wednesday. }}{ } \cdot$ The food must -The food must be prepared
by the exhibitor. Pecans must be included as an ingredient in the actual dish, not just in icing or in decorations.
-Each entry must be. - Each entry must be accompanied by the recipe, written
or typed on a $3 \times 5$ index card or recipe card.

- Cover the entry with transparent wrap and place your
name and address on the bottom of the container.
-Entries will be judged
between $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$ and noon between $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. and noon. -Exhibitors may enter
one food item per class. Divisions are: Youth - for
those in school or 18 years of age or younger, and Adult years of age or older. Each division will have five Plasses Cookies, Candies and Preads. Cookies, Candies and In conjunction with the
annual pecan show, the extenannual pecan show, the extension office will be hosting an
informational event about our office from 1 p.m. to $3: 30$ p.m Wednesday on the first floor Wednesday on the
of the courthouse.


## Cities welcoming private prisons with open arms



30 Henderson residents who
fought off MTC. ter places ... than 480 feet from's front yard." Threadgill argued that Henderson has enough indusing on prisons fithout relydevelopment. Few could make the same argument about Post. Located 40 miles southeast of Lubbock, Post has scuffled since losing a bedsheet mill in Itself into an artsy conciave
and is known for Its monthly and is known for its monthly "Trade Days" flea market at
the old mill, but there's little thdustry besides the pumpjacks. thdustry besides the pu
that line the horizon.

> We lost a good base business
that the community relied on
and all the sudd and all the sudden got on a Judge Giles Dalby said. take the place (the prison) will take the place, According to Thomas of the 85,201 private prison beds in the United States as of last year, 24,467 were in Texas,
home to ope-third of the country's private penitentiaries. Thomas estimates that the number of $\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{S}$. private beds will triple by 2001, with Texas remaining at tee forefront.
open for bidils to que prolify fort is
of-
exempt revenue bonds. Dalby
said the bids are sealed and
even he doest even he doesn't know how many will be submitted by
Monday's deadline, but only MTC is expected to make a serious offer.
Some in Henderson are wistfeen. the community eight families in the community not in favor of
the location," said Carot Jarrell, president of the Henderson Chamber of Commerce. "Before it could be
resolved, (MTC) chose to go resolved, (MTC) chose to go.
Ninety eight percent of the popMlation is sick pabont of the popThreadgill and other oppo-
Thation is sick about
nents live near the Bradshaw
State Jail, the MTC facillty that Sate Jail, the $M$ TC Cacility that
holds Texas inmates. The new unit wexas inmates. The new
noit was slated to oo in next
doer door.
In addition to his uneasiness about living near another prison, from which he says
noise and protanity echo into noise and profanity eche Into
the neigbborhood, Threadgill tein neigh borhood Threadgill
said hes not convinced about the promised economicic boost.
iI don't deny we've had an
increase (in economic aotivi-
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## eyeing home equity

## Producers push for insectresistant strains

HEREFORD (AP) - West
Texas corn and cotton pro Texas corn and cotton pro-
ducers will find out later
this this month whether the
Environmental Protection Agency will allow them to Agency wre allow them to
plant more insect-resistant
crops. crops.
Representatives of Plains Representatives of Plains
Cotton Growers and the
Texas Corn Producers Board this week have been lobby-
ing EPA officials to allow ing
more acreage of corn and more acreage of corn and
cotton genetically altered to
fight off pests fight off pests.
A decision A decision is expected
later this month, said Jerry Don Glover, TCPB executive director.
Strains
Strains known as Bt, short
director essentially produce their essentialiy
own pesticide.
"What this
"What this does is get into
the gut of larvae or the the gut of larvae or the
grub, and kills the insect," grub, and kills the insect,"
said Roger Haldenby, who coordinates PCG's boil weevil programs. "The problem
(is) the insects that are not killed rapidly develop strong resistance to the (Bt) pesti-
cide." The EPA requires a cer-
tain percentage of non-Bt crops to act as a buffer and
prevents the spread of B prevents the spread of Bt -
resistant bugs. resistant bugs.

AUSTIN (AP) - Lt Gov. Bob
Builock wants a close eye kept on the state's new home equity lending industry. Bullock Thursday asked the
Senate Senate Interim Committee on
State Affairs to review and study implementation of home equity lending in Texas. Voters earlier this month lift-
ed the state's partial ban ed the state's partial ban on
loans against Texans' homes loans against Texans' homes.
Before now, Texans could borrow against their homes for
only limited purposes, like only limited purposes, like
paying taxes and home paying taxes
improvements.
Now, such loans can be
taken for nearly any reason. There remain limits, like the owed on a home before taking a second mortgage against it
and time limits in signing and time limits in signing loan
deals. "Texans need assurances
that the law they approved in the Nov. 4 constitutional elec,
tion is working properly, tion is working properly,"
Bullock said. "I would like to
know if there are any glitches know if there are any glitches
and see to it that they are
worked out right away." Securities board warns \%…


## Boomer sets rules for review of HMO treaitment denials

| right to indeperident, bindmedical review when an 10 or insurance company rules approved by the te insurance commissioner. Independent review is a ajor breakthrough in fair for patients, d recently. <br> The independent review is rt of a new law that made xas the first state in the ganizations to be sued for dical malpractice if their cisions to delay or deny eatment harm a patient. <br> Bomer said the rules will e patients a quick, unbiased eatment without going to urt or "struggling with a corBomer also qualified the exas Medical Foundation of ustin as the first independent ce department said it expects refer the first case for view within days. <br> The insurance department ill certify independent review ganizations, which consist of ysicians and other health xpert reviews of HMO and surance company decisions. Bomer said a strong list of eeded for the new law to ork. <br> "Independent review should lot of good for patients. Itshould head off some <br> ecessary lawsuits by either xing the patient's problem or oviding an unbiased evalua- |
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Under the rules, when a
health care utilization review said they already could be sued
for breach of contraet and ing medt haependent, bindHMO or insurance company new rules approved by the state insurance commissioner. major breakthrough in fair Commissioner Elton Bomer said recently.
The indepen part of a new law that made Texas the first state in the organizations to be sued for decisions to delay or deny Bomer said the rules give patients a quick, unbiased way to resolve disputes over
treatment without going to treatment without going to
court or "struggling with a corBomer also qua Texas Medical Foundation of review organization. The insurance department said it expects
to refer the first case for review within days. will certify independent review organizations, which consist of physicians and other health expert reviews of HMO and insurance company decisions.
Bomer said a strong list of outside review organizations is work. "Independent review should do a lot of good for patients. It
also should head off some also should head off some
unnecessary lawsuits by either fixing the patient's problem or
providing an unbiased evalua-

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## For your kids' sake, dads, please get regular checkups

April 9 , 1997, I sat on the edge \(\quad \begin{aligned} \& started in his prostate. Due to<br>\& the fact that his was a wide-\end{aligned}\) of my father's bed and held his

hand while he drew his last $\begin{aligned} & \text { spread and rapidly growing } \\ & \text { cancer, treatment consisted }\end{aligned}$ hand
breath and quietly passed away
atter $\begin{aligned} & \text { cancer, treatment consisted } \\ & \text { only of controlling the pain. It }\end{aligned}$ after a brief, devastating battle with cancer. He was only 65 ,
didn't drink or smoke worked didn't drink or smoke, worked
out on a regular basis, ate only fruits, vegetables, fish, bulgur. rrutts, vegetables, 1 ish, bulgur My father was loved by every
oatmeal and whole-grain The doctors said he did every- wickedly funny sense of thing right.
There were only two things that perhaps could have saved
him - regular physical examihim - regular physical exami-
nations and prostate exams. My
father dis-
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However,
a persis. $\begin{array}{lll}\text { a persis- } \\ \text { tent back- } & \text { prostalar checkups, including }\end{array}$ a c h e $\quad$ DEAR SUSAN: There is no
drove him
to the day to the doc-
tor in December of 1996. X-rays
revealed spots in his lungs, which were found to be cancer-
ous. His back pain was caused by the cancer eating away at his ribs until they crumbled
and broke. and broke.
In Februa ered that cancer had also invaded his liver. These were
all secondary cancers all secondary cancers spread by
a primary cancer, which was a primary cancer, which was
never found. The doctors sus
that the primary cancer sary.
BENZENE EXPOSURE INVESTIGATION Our firm has been retained by the family of Miloslav "Mike" Skalicky who died of acute myelogenous leukemia on January 7,1997 due to
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as you have, with ys eloquently letter. Susan, please accept $m y$
deepest sympathy on the loss of your beloved father. I hope that
the details of his untimely death will spur other men to call their physicians and make appointments for annual physi-
cals, which should include prostate examination for any man over the age of 5 . The physical should also include a
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