Garry Mauro files for run for governor AUSTIN (AP)-Garry Mauro on Wednesday filed to be on the
primary ballot seeking the
Democratic nomination for govprimary baicicot nomination for gov-
Dernor, saying former Gov. Ann
er Richards and Attorney General Dan Morales have agreed to be paign. nounce for only Democrat to The filing deadline is Friday. On the Republican side, Gov George W. Bush, who filed for ffice a month ago, has drawn one primary opponent,
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teachers in the subjects they
teach. teach. ${ }^{-}$Fighting the U.S. Supreme - Fighting the U.S. Supreme Court to keep felons from being
released early from Texas prisons.
Karen Hughes, a spokes-
woman for Bush, said Mauro can't claim to be an Austin outcan't claim to be an Austin out"Garry Mauro is a 16 -year See maurino, Page 2

LAST NIGHT FOR LIGHTS AT HISTORIC SPRING


## New state law prompts one local teen's resolution to quit

By debbie L. JENSEN By Debbie L. Je
ready to target teen smokers.
He said in Monday's. Herald He said in Monday's. Herald
that the department would han
dle the new law die the new law much like a traffic offense.
Bryan has be Bryan has been smoking for
about four years, against the wishes of his parents, and despite the complaints of some friends and other adults.
"I'm going to quit now while Im out of school and away from
my friends." Bryan my friends," Bryan explained. "I
won't have any (cigarettes) Thope by the time I'm back in
scho He said he began smoking He said he began smoking
with his friends in Boy Scouts
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rettes on trips. Although he
kept the rettes on trips. Although
kept the habit secret for a
while, Bryan was while, Bryan was eventually forced to admit to his parents
that he was addicted. His father, Danny, quit smok
ing 21 years ago. His mother ing 21 years ago. His mothe
Kay, is allergic to smoke. Kay, is allergic to smoke.
"I never thought my kids


Bryan Kennemur, 17; has resolved to quit smoking for the new

Although he made the resolution primarily for health reasons, the new Texas law against teen smoking - which takes effect today - had a lot o do with his decision, Bryan said.
"I don't want to get my license taken away." he aid, referring to the provision of the law that ould punish him for moking by reoroking hi driver's license.

## Still smoldering - Californians scoff as smoking ban arrives

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Told that "Ladies and gentlemen, yor they were smoking in violation of the puffing away at bars early today as the New Year and a new ban arrived. Nearly 200 rebellious smokers at the
Pine Cove Inn tavern in Sacramento Pine Cove Inn tavern in Sacramento
continued puffing on cigars and ciga continued puffing on cigars and ciga-
rettes after midnight, when the state's retrict no-smoking ban officially went
into effect.
officially breaking the law if you are smoking," hollered tavern manager Gerry Sherman. He was met with jeers and cat calls - and everyone kept moking. At San Francisco's At San Francisco's Gold Dust
Lounge, Jake McClean, 21 , kept smok. Lounge, Jake McClean, 21, kept smok ing his cigar right through midnight.
He didn't plan to stop," "unless they
pry it from my fingers."
ndoor workplaces in 1995 includis ndoor workplaces in 1995, includin he non-bar areas of restaurants. Bar But the only exempt businesses no are casinos and bars on America Indian reservations and owner-opera
ed businesses with no employees ed businesses with no employees
More than 35,000 bars, gambling par lors and bar-restaurants are affected,
California is the first state to ban $\begin{array}{ll}\text { smoking in most bars and casinos. } & \begin{array}{c}\text { State officials estimate that } 82 \text { per- } \\ \text { The ban isn't meant to criminalize } \\ \text { cent of California's adults don't }\end{array} \\ \text { Tmoking, state officials say, but to } & \text { smoke. While smoking foes eagerly }\end{array}$ moking, state officials say, but to smoke. While smoking foes eagerly
give employees a workplace free of awaited the new law, others scoffed at secondhand smoke, which has been it. secoked to lung cancer, respiratory
line
problems and other illnesses. L.A. This is the weird thing. We're in Owners breaking the law could be ing secondhand smoke and smog?"
fined up to \$100 for a first offense are asked Vincent Jung, owner of $\begin{array}{ll}\begin{array}{ll}\text { up to } \$ 7,000 \text { per violation for a series }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { Formosa Cafe in Hollywood " "We did- } \\ \text { of offenses. Smokers can be fined. }\end{array} \\ \text { n't ban cars did we?", }\end{array}$

Kenaf: Plant long-touted by local USDA facility gains credibility as cash crop with Houston factory by Steve reagan

A plant long studied by officials at th support as a viable cash crop alternative to
At a factory on the east side of Houston, a
cotton. processing plant is up and running, part of okra into a cash crap. Using equipment that borrows heavily from cotton gins, the Petroexx company is
turning the weed-like stalks of kenaf into an absorbent used for soaking up oil spills and an additive to mix with the mud used
in drilling oil and gas wells. in drilling oil and gas wells. Only 25 pounds of the company's Kenaf 2000 brand absorbent will soak up a 42-galwith 67 pounds of peat or 665 pounds of lay-based absorbent.
Target markets, in addition to offshore and refineries.
J.D. Bilbro of the local U.S. Department of
Agriculture research station, who has

Agriculture research station, who has been
studying possible applications for kenaf,

But the processing companies need large
plantings to assure a supply of raw materi-
 aper, poultry litter, packing material mating, seed and fertilizer mats and even cloth. In its green stage, kenaf can also be
used as cattle feed. But its high rate of absorbency may hold the key t
said.
"It's just "It's just super-absorbent," he said. "Every pound of kenaf But convincing area farmer to grow the product has proven to be an uphill struggle or Bilbro and other kenaf boosters.
A downside to growing the plant is that it A hownside to growing the plant is that it scopic worms that the roots of certain plants. Area cotton farmers who have these worms in their fields would definitely wan
to stay away from kenaf. Bilbro said. to stay away from kenaf, Bilbro said.
Even if a nematode-resistant strain of Even if a nematode-resistant strain of
kenaf is developed, making it commercially itiable will be a long-term project. It's a typical chicken and egg situation
local farmers growing the crop need facto local farmers growing the crop need facto-
ries such as the one in Houston - there are ross such as the one in Houston - there ar
only three others in the United States - t
justify planting justify planting kenaf.

No room at shelter, Humane Society forced to turn away animals By STEVE REAGAN Staff Writer
The local Humane Society has lways prided itself in not turn ing away any abandoned ani-
mal. That policy, however, is mal. That policy, however, is
going to be sorely tested during the next few months.
Margeret Lloyd of the Humane Society said Wednesday that, because of a mals, the local shelter cannot accept any more strays for the foreseeable future. "We've had so many brought in, that we can't take any more at this time," Lloyd said. "But
we will go to any length to place we will go to any length to place ing them at the shelter." The shelter, located west of
Big Spring on the Interstate 20
service road, usually houses
about 200 dogs and around 50 ats. That population, however has mushroomed recently to 350
dogs and more than 75 cats. "I don't know why, but a lot of people have moved away and said. "Also a lot of pend," Lloyd et their dogs breeds, haven't otten them spayed or neutered, hen they come here and say, puppies off my hands?" Recent donations allowed the
shelter to obtain more animal pens, but it still has more of a demand than it can handle. "It's been coming on gradually said, "but it's really gotten bad recently."

See SHELTER, Page 2



## United Blood Services slates five drives

## By JOHN H. WALKER

Local and area residents will have ample oppor tunities to giveablood during the first few weeks
of 1998 as United Blood Services (UBS) has five blood drives scheduled through Jan. 21. has five Blood drives will be held at both Mountain Tuesday, at Big Spring Mall Vin Saturd plant on at the VA Hospital on Thursday, Jan. 15 and at the Coahoma Church of Christ on Wednesday,
San Angelo-based UBS is a not-for-profit exclusive tlood provider for about 18 hospitals across
West Texas, including Scenic Mountain Medical West Texas, including scenic Mount
Center and the Big Spring Veterans

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## Jose 'Quate'

## Munoz

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Church with Rev. Cornelius Scanch with Rev. Corneing Burial will
follow in Mount
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Heart Catholic Church. He
joined the Job joined the Job Corps at ate 16
and later served the National
Guard. He worked for the City of Big Soring Sanitation
Department until he became Department until he became
disabled in 1986. He enjoyed
playing playing bingo and dominoes
with his family
He married Hilda Rodriquez ine 1998. Thee yhad three chill
dren: Melinda Saiz of Big Spring, Bertha Rubio and
Mariano Michael Munoz, both Later he married Martha
Gomer on Sept. 22, 1999; they had two children: Orlando
Munoz and Carlos Munoz both of Big Spring He left his brothers and sis.
ters: Johnny Munoz of Waiwa,
Hawaii. Yoarra of Big Spring Mrs. Jann

- Mary Ruiz of Coahoma. Mrs.
Jose -Tommie. Regalado of Big
Spring and Samuel R. Munoz, also of Big Spring.
Melissa Munoz, Angela Saiz Miranda Saiz and Ernest Saiz
all of Big Spring. Amy Rubio Fred Rubio. Jr,., and Ryan
Rubio all of Lubbock, and Juan Angel Gomez, Jr. of New
Mexico He was preceded in death by Claudia R. Munoz
 Andy Ybarra, Jerry Ybarra
Juan Ruiz, Jr and Rene Ruiz.

Wayne William ‘Cooter' Smith

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Funeral Home

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will be $1: 00$ PM, Friday at Sacred Hear Catholic Church.
with burial at Mount Olive.
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responsible for overseeing the state's oil and gas industry, promoting alternative fuels and
ensuring railway safety at road D Railroad Commissione for the filing deadline is Friday.
Former U.S. Rep. Stockman from Friendswood is vying with Steve Holzheauser, six-term House member from
Victoria, for the Republican
for the post now held by Republican Barry Williamson,
who is running for attorney general,
Dugger, the son of Texas
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multinational corporations, he
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Dugger said he would urge
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## BLOOD

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## MAURO


Abandoned tiger finds

## new home

The 350-pound pet tiger found
chained to a tree in downtown
Houston Houston three months ago
finally made it to his new home thank made it to his new home
thanks to a two-day van trip
after his airplane ride fell
through. through.
The 6 -foot cat named Tigger arrived in Chatham County
Tuesday night. On Wednesday,
he went into a pen at the Carnivore Preservation Trus
where 27 tigers already live where 27 tigers already live.
Tigger was emaciated whe
he was found but was nurs he was found but was nursed
back to health during his long stay with the Houston SPCA.
Exxon officials heard about his plight and donated $\$ 10,000$ to build him a new pen in North
Carolina. Exxon's longtime cor Carolina. Exxon's longtime cor-
porate symbol is a tiger.
Getting to North Carolina took longer than expected.
Continental Airlines offered Continental Airlines offered
to fy the tiger to Raleighbut Tigger's crate wouldn't fit
through the jet's cargo door So through the jet's cargo door. So
three trust workers drove last three trust workers drove last
weekend to Texas in a panel weekend to Texas in a panel
van. They loaded Tigger and his cage early Monday and
returned late Tuesday returned late Tuesday.
Carnivore Trust Carnivore Trust staffers
hoisted his metal cage on poles
Wednesday and placed him in

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## Briefs

THE HISTORIC SPRING IN Comanche Trail park will be
decorated with a lighted display decorated with a lighted display
of thousands of lights nightly beginnin
tonight.
For more information, call Pat
Simmons, 263-4607.
BIG SPRING FAMILY YMCA is holding a holiday munity whose parents must
work during the school break. work during the school break.
Trained staff will provide eduTrained staff will provide edu-
cational, fun activities in a safe environment. The final camp
date is Saturday from 6:30 a.m. For more information, call
$267-8234$.

## TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH will offer flu shots to those 18 and oover every

to punish oil and gas companies
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$\underset{\text { PROGRAM also MEALS MEALS }}{\text { THE }}$ Meals on Wheels, needs volun-
teers to deliver meals.
If you can spare one hour pe
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 within the city


LINE DANCING IS
OFFERED at the Big Spring
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## Springboard

CHANGOU HAVE ANY BOARD ITEM OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, CON TACT GINA GARZA, 263
7331 ext. 238, BETWEEN $8: 30$
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Chicken Fried Steak


## Texas Lottery

| submitted in writing. Mail to: Springboard, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas 79720; bring it by the office at 710 Scurry; or fax it to 264-7205. TODAY |  |
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| Church, 610 Abrams, has services 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend. |  |
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| 1209 Wright, has free food for area needy, 10 a.m. to noon. <br> -Big Spring Senior Citizens |  |
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| Center art classed, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., 55 and older. |  |
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| Mountain Medical Center small cafeteria. |  |
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| St. Mary's Episcopal Church. -Alcoholics Anonymous, noon |  |
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| -Masonic Lodge No. 1340, 7:30 |  |
| p.m., 2101 Lancaster. Call Ron |  |
| Long, 267-8715. <br> FRIDAY |  |
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| -Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Music by CW \& Co. |  |
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| Area seniors invited. <br> $\bullet$ Good Shepherd Fellowship |  |
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Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E. Lhin's Call Al Valdes, $263-6810$.
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Best Home Health Care, 1710 E.
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meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. at the VA Medical Center on fourth floor.
-Gospel singing, 7 p.m.,
Kentwood Center, 2805 Lynn. Call 267-6764. Guest singers
from Stanton, Midland and Colorado City. Midland and for widows and widowers, p.m., Santa Fe Sandwich Shop, Big, Spring Mall. For more
information call $398-5522$ or 399 4369. TUESDAY

TuESDAY ical dependency support group, 7 p.m., Living Water Church,
108 Birdwell Lane. Call 267 . 1008 Birdwell Lane. Call 267 .
1424 after 5 p.m. or $263-3168$
betwen 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.
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•Narcotics Anonymous, 6 to
7.30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal 7:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal
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-Beginning line danne clase - Beginning line dance class
will be taught at 9 a.m. at the will be taught at 9 a.m. at the

## Sheriff

The Howard County Sheriff Office reported no incidents

## Police

The Big Spring Polic ng incide reported the followWednesday and 8 a.m. Thursday: , arrested on a thent warrant. - TRICIA CASTILLO, 22 arrested on charge of posses
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#### Abstract




 <br> <br> $\qquad$ <br> <br> Nichois relatives to show himas a committed, loving father.
His ex-wife Lana Padilla, who
testified for the prosecution
during the guilt phase of the
trial, has been subpoenaed by
the defense. Nichols' attorneys
have indicated they will wrap
up early next week.
Court was in recess today.
The government brought in 55
witnesses over three days in an
effort to persuade the jury to
impose the death sentence
even though that sane jury
found Nichols guilty only of
conspiracy and eight counts of
involuntary manslaughter on
Dec. 23 .
Nichols was acquitted of mur
der charges after the jury con
cluded he never intended to
kill. Co-defendant Timothy
McVeigh was convicted earlier
this year of all 11 murder and
conspiracy charges and sen
tenced to death.
Because of the mixed verdict
against Nichols, legal experts
have said it would be unlikely
the jury would give Nichols the
death penalty. The oother
options are life in prison or a
lesser term to be determined by
Matsch.
Earlier Wednesday, the judge
warned jurors to steel them
selves and maintain their per
spective as they listened to the
sometimes graphic testimony
about the 168 people killed in
the April 19,1995, bombing.
He said he noticed some
jurors wiping away tears as

they listened and reminded <br> <br> |  |
| :---: | <br> <br> Scenic Mountain <br> <br> 263-1211} <br> \section*{ <br> \section*{ <br> <br> Emotions bathe Nichols' trial <br> <br> Emotions bathe Nichols' trial <br> <br>  <br> <br>  <br> <br>  <br> <br>  <br> <br> <br> TEXAS BRIEFS <br> <br> <br> TEXAS BRIEFS <br> <br> <br> TEXAS BRIEFS <br> <br> <br> The ASSOCIATED PRESS <br> <br> <br> The ASSOCIATED PRESS <br> <br> <br> The ASSOCIATED PRESS <br> <br> HEMPHLL - Sabine County Sheriff Tom <br> <br> HEMPHLL - Sabine County Sheriff Tom be killed and had carefully palanend the inci-

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dent which lead to what officials called "suicide by police."
Michael Severino, 36, died Wednesday aftercide by police."
Michael Severino, 36, died Wednesday after he was shot at least, four times by Phillips.
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apes, more people will be having heart attacks and strokes. And while we're developing new
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tatement. "He was a specia and wonderful father, son his family would appreciat time."
amily long stricken by tragedy. nated in 1968: his uncle nes in 1968; his uncle,
President John F. Kennedy, was assassinated in 1963; anothr. uncle, Joseph P. Kennedy ng World War II. An aunt, Onane crash. er along the wa likely traval path of his family, Michael suffered a fall from grace last having had an affair with his The Boston Globe The Boston Globe reported in
April that Kennedy's estranged April that Kennedy's estranged daughter of sportscaster Frank Gifford, caugh
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## Otheir views

## ＂Going postal＂is a dark parody of an already dark

 phrase，＂Moing ballistic，＂＇and it has happened again，this time during a season infamous in post offices for highstress，short tempers and behemoth workloads． stress，short tempers and behemoth workloads one fellow worker and wounded two others．Before putting his pistol in his mouth，he gave his phone num－
ber to a frightened co－worker and asked that his wife be ber to a frightened co－worker and a
called．Then he pulled the trigger．
called．Then he pulled the trigger．
The Postal Service has been working since at least 1986 The Postal Service has been working since at least 1986
to identify workers who might crack and seek deadly vengeance．Programs have been initiated to help super The reality is that the Postal Service and many other businesses are pressure－driven and rely on thousands upon thousands of workers routinely to meet deadline－
enhanced demands that can push more fragile people enhanced demand
beyond their limit．
beyond their limit．
There is never an excuse for taking a weapon to a job and killing people．But just the fact that it occurs，and
recurs，is reason for authorities to better understand the origins of such tragedies．
－The Dispatch
Columbus（Ohio）
A federal appeals court has stated the obvious in over turning a previous judicial ruling that sought to deny the elect：The majority that imposed legislative term limits in California knew exactly what they were doing．
The 9－to－2 ruling ．．．reinstates the 1990 referendum
results and effectively ends the careers of 26 legislators including the assembly speaker and the Senate president pro tem．Legislators in the assembly are limited to three two－year terms and state senators to two four－year terms，
lifetime restrictions similar to those imposed on state leg islators in seven other states．The ruling should ensure
the validity of those laws and define the extent to which term limits elsewhere can go
Gov．Pete Wilson，a supporter of the restrictions，called
the ruling a victory for＂the ideal of the citizen－legits the ruling a victory for＂the ideal of the citizen－legisld＂
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more than a political career．Barring a successful appeal to the U．S．Supreme Court，the ruling will ensure that leg．
islators eventually return home to live under the laws they have written，rather than become political fixtures
he Post and Courier
Charleston，S．C
If you thought poor old Hamlet faced one tough question $f$＂To be or not to be，that is the question＂－consider now faces after this week＇s big news from the Food and rug Administration
Baldness or impotence？
Oh yes，for one short，shining moment it may have seemed that there really is a Santa Claus，and he work Monday，the Food and Drug Administration said that it
has approved the company＇s new pill，called Propecia，for the ongoing battle against that scourge of half of human ity－male pattern baldness．The new pill promotes hair
growth－＂real hair＂and＂not fuzz，＂according to one growth－＂real hair＂and＂not fuzz，＂according to one
dermatology professor－atop the front and mid－scalp． As the 20th century draws to a close，were we not see
ing a transformation in the nature of life itself？Was it not Voltaire who said centuries ago，＂Man can have only a
certain number of teeth，hair and ideas；there comes a time when he necessarily loses his teeth，hair and ideas？＂ But before anyone could say＂Take that，Francois， Marie＂or＂All this，and Monday Night Football，too，＂ came the fine print．
potential side effects．
And，it turns out，those side effects are not unrelated to the reason some men feel the need to have shaggy pates study lost interest in sex or became impotent．Not a big number－except，perhaps，if you＇re one of the 2 percent
No，Hamlet－hairy if not happy－had it easy． Portland

The war over how to teach children to read is produc ing a lot of little casualties．About 40 percent of the chil aren in American schools can＇t read well．
That＇s a disgrace－an economic death sentence for those children．It＇s time for the nation＇s public school sys－
tems to accept responsibility for that fact and do what is
tems to accept responsibinty for that fact and do what
As the Baltimore Sun reported recently，the National Institutes of Health has been studying reading problems
for two decades．And it has reached several importan conclusions：
Most children can learn to read．
Most reading problems are preventable
What＇s needed is the right mix of approaches
A＇ehild who does not learn to read well is at a terrible schoolchildren fit into that category should shame us all
They should not be free，however，to assert that some hildren just can＇t learn．
The research says they can

## Forcing parents to spare the rod


jail．＂was probably correct．
She
And therein lies the reason for And therein lies the reason for
so much of the drug abuse，so much teenage prostitution，
many births out of wedlock and so much of the juvenile delinquency in America now
The respect for－and even fear of－parents that was
such a powerful force durin

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 caring but disciplinarian par－abuse．
No matter the parent＇s views
about bringing up children about bringing up children，
our lawmakers have walked way from the biblical warnin ＂He that spareth the rod hateth
his son；but he that loveth him his son；but he that loveth him
chasteneth him betimes＂ chasteneth him betimes＇
（Proverbs 13：24）．
Two recent court cases in
Michigan are reminders of the extent to which we have
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ents the victims of the modern ents the victims of the modern udgment that corporal punish－ nent is always wrong． daughter，Rebecca，during an rgument over the 18 －year－old＇s defiance of an order by her hose to spend the night with her boyfriend．The argument $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Ing alcohhol，smoking，lying and } & \text { Is the＂instinct＂that is best } \\ \text { cursing her parents．Mrs．} & \text { for a baby not also good for a }\end{array}$


## Going home for New Year＇s


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tonight，I＇ll go home for
onight，I＇ll go home
Year＇s．
IIl leave my husband and
children sleeping．And I＇ll slip down the stairs and out hrough time to remember an
the people I call＂home．＂
There are lots of them．More every year．They＇re not perfect
people．Not always likable or people．Not always likable or
agreeable．They may not even
seem very interesting to any．
one but me．
But they are good people．
The kind who make you feel
The kind who make you feel
better off，just for having
known them．And better off
again for having remembered
them．You know people like
that，don＇t you？？hope you are
nodding your head．
I＇ll start with my family，as
that seems fitting．First，my
parents，who gave me life；and

## my grandparents，who taught me how to live it．Then my aunts and uncles and dozens o

cousins who overran my
grandparents＇house and made
it，for me，the best place
earth．
Next，some schoolmates
Next，some schoolmates
Brenda＂Boom－Boom＂We
first in our first in our group to earn a
bra；Sam Earle Edwards，who could spit through his teeth and whistle＂Dixie＂all at once and my college roommate，
Hallie，who had a near Hallie，who had a near－perfect
score on the SAT and liked to open bottles with her teeth． A few teachers：Mrs．Camp， who called me a writer；Mr． Childs who called me a flirt；
and Dr．Allen，who fell asleep in his own lectures． haired boy who had no teeth； the captain of the high school basketball team，turned co
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 FRIDAY's Bowl games

| PEACH BOWL from Attanta. <br> No. 13 AUBURN (9-3) vs. CLEMSON (7-4), 2 p.m. <br> Televised: ESPN <br> Favortte: Power Ratings say Auburn by 12. <br> Coaches: Terry Bowden (45-12-1 in 5th year at Auburn) and Tommy West (28-19 in 4th year). <br> Payout: Each school receives $\$ 1.5$ million. <br> Bowl Records: Auburn is 13-10-2. Clemson is 12 <br> 9. <br> Series History: Auburn leads, 31-11-2. <br> Last Meeting: Auburn won, 35-13, in 1971. <br> Stat that Matters: Over last 2 years, Clemson $2-$ 8 against teams with winning record. <br> Game Facts: Similar schools (small towns, both called Tigers) resume long-standing series with Auburn winning last 11 games from 1951-71 Bowden must get pitiful running game going (minus16 yards in 30-29 SEC title game loss to Tennessee) to help QB Dameyune Craig (3,277 passing, 18 TDs, 13 ints.), WR Karsten Bailey ( 53 catches, 7 TDs). LBs Takeo Spikes, Martavius Houston lead underrated defense. Clemson relies on tough defense (6th in nation against run, 88.3, 18 th in scoring, 18.0) anchored by LB Anthony Simmons ( 144 tackles led ACC, 21 for loss), S Antwan Edwards (4 ints.). RB Raymond Priester ( 894 rushing), WR Tony Horne ( 68 catches, 8 TDs, led ACC with 1,693 all-purpose yards) are also led ACC with 1,693 all-purpose yards) are also weapons. <br> ORANGE BOWL from Miami. <br> NEBRASKA (12-0) vs. TENNESSEE (11-1), 8 p.m. <br> Televised: CBS <br> Favorite: Power Ratings say Tennessee by 1. <br> Coaches: Tom Osborne (254-49-3 in 25th year at Phil Fulmer ( $54-10$ in 6 th year). <br> Payout: Each school receives $\$ 8.47$ million. <br> Bowl Records: Nebraska is $17 \cdot 18$. Tennessee is 21-16. <br> Series History: First meeting. <br> Stats that Matter: Cornhuskers 59-3 overall since start of 1993 season and 12-1-1 against SEC teams under Osborne. <br> Game Facts: If Michigan loses in Rose Bowl, this decides national title. Cornhuskers have added incentive of the retiring Osborne's farewell, but so jobbed out of Heisman. Cornhuskers' option ground game (led nation in rushing, 392.6) will pound early on smaller Vols' front seven with QB Scott Frost (1,096 rushing, 19 TDs, 1,237 passing, 5 TD passes). RB Ahman Green ( 2 nd in nation with 1,877 rushing, 22 TDs), Joel Makovicka ( 685 rushing, 9 TDs) while DE Grant Wistrom, DT Jason Peter (combined for 15 sacks, 5 fumbles caused) take aimmat Manning. Vols need good start to boost confidence. Bothered by sore knee, Manning ( 3,819 passing, 36 TDs) has slew of targets in WRs Marcus Nash ( 76 catches, 13 TDs), Jermaine Copeland ( 58 catches, 9 TDs), Peerless Price ( 48 catches, 6 TDs) with RB Jamal Lewis ( 1,364 rushing) providing balance. Erratic defense must play best of year with LBs Leonard Little ( 8 sacks), Al Wilson ( 83 tackles). DE Jonathan Brown ( 13 sacks), CB Terry Fair ( 5 ints.) impact guys. |
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## Lady Steers ready to defend $4-4 \mathrm{~A}$ title

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## Kansas State makes most of bowl bid with 35-18 win <br> The ASSOCIATED PRESS <br> Linebacker Travis Ochs picked off a deflect

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as the start of Mich
Trophy campaign.
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Bishop, unknown
Bishop, unknown even to Kansas State fans
last summer after transferrin last summer after transferring from a junior
college in Texas, put on a show in the Tostitos
Fiesta Fiesta Bowl.
His four touchdown passes and 12-yard run
for another score added up to a $35-18$ win over for another score added up to a $35-18$ win over
Syracuse on Wednesday night, capping the best season in school history. "Mike Bishop watched the films," said
Darnell McDonald, who caught TD pise 19 41 and a Fiesta-record 77 yards "He knew 19 exactly what coverage they were going to be in
A couple times when he threw it, I wasn't A couple times when he threw it, I wasn't
open, but by the time the ball got there I was A open,
open.
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## "I would Heisman." The No.

The No. 10 Wildcats (11.1), The No. 10 Wildcats (11-1), who had 10 -win
seasons in 1910 and 1995 , won their eighth
straight and snapped an eight-game Syracus straight and snapped an eight-game Syracus
winning streak with explosive offense and another strong show by the fourth-rated defense in the nation.
Although the No. 14 Orangemen (9,4) had 447
yards in total offense, Kansas Statefstopped yards in total offense, Kansas State stopped
them when it counted, arcentuatin) the con
trast between Bishop and Syracuss s Donova McNabb, who came in as thy better-known
pass by MçNabb in the second quarter, and
Bishop took the Wildcats 54 yards in five plays - the last a 28 -yard strike to Justin Swift - to second quarter.
But Syracuse's Kevin Johnson returned the But Syracuse's Kevin Johnson returned the
ensuing kickoff 55 yards, and McNabb took the orangemen to a score in two plays - a 21 -yar keeper and a 24 -yard
1:49 left in the half.
The Wildcats had to start from their 6
because of a clipping penalty on the kickeff because of a clipping penalty on the kickoff, the ball over Bishop's head in the shotgun fornation, and the Wildcats got a safety Then Johnson returned the free kick 26 yards
to Syracuse's 44 and McNabb moved the Orangemen within range of Nathan Trout's yard field goal, his second of three, with four seconds left to make it $21-15$ at halftime. But in the fourth quarter, Ochs was there
again when McNabb, who had Syracuse with gain when McNabb, who had Syracuse "I was fighting off my blocker and trying to chase him, and he just dropped the ball," Ochs
said. He recovered with $6: 38$ left in the game, said. He recovered with $6: 38$ left in the game,
and Bishop sealed the win with his 41 -yard and Bishop sealed the win with his 41-yard,
throw to McDonald - the last of McDonald's Bishop raised his record as a starting college
quarterback to $35-1$ on the national telecast.


Lady Steers guard Kava mughepe (ledt), pute, up shot over Junlor varsity post Nina layans during Wednesday's practice session at Steer Gym Andrews and Lake View in our district, you can't
afford to have a bad game. All four of us are very afford to have a bad game. All
similar and close talent-wise
will be the night, when Lake View comes in here will be the most important game we've played
this season ... could be the most important game we play, period
Bellinghausen
Bellinghausen and Cole are just two of nine seniors on the Lady Steers' are just two of niaer roster, and
most of those nine upperclassmen are playin
their third varsity season.
The other seven seniors are guards Marlena The other seven seniors are guards Marlena
Light and Kara Hughes; wings Krissy
McWherter, Maggie Haddad and Mari Carnero McWherter, Maggie Haddad and Mari Carnero;
and posts Keesh L Ltt and Marisa Smith and posts Keesha Lott and Marisa Smith.
Freshman Amy Jackson sophomore Chandra Freshman Amy Jackson, sophomore Chandra
McBee and junior Leslie McLellan round out the Lady Steers roster.
It's a close-knit, focused team that Taylor Says is not only a joy to coach, but makes the Lady championship.
"They're a good, hard-working bunch of kids,"
he said. "As a coach, it's nice to be able to walk into workouts each day and enjoy it. I've been able to do that with this group."
Another fat
favor, Taylor contends, is the tradition previous
Big Spring teams have provided. Big Spring teams have provided.
"That tradition makes a big difference,", he explained. Nobody wants to be remembered as
the team that didn't defend the championship.
"We've seen it the last three or four years....
when district rolls around, there's a different look when district rolls around, there's a different look
in their eyes. They're just a different ball club.
It's almost like they refuse to lose, no matter
what."
While the Lady Steers are not a big team -
McWherter and Bellinghausen are Big Spring's
McWherter and Bellinghausen are Big Springs
tallest players at 5-foot $-10-$ they are a strong one.
und think we're physically stronger than anyone tallest players at 5-foot- $10-$ they are a strong one.
II think we're physically stronger than anyone
else in the district." Taylor noted. "Our offseason and weight lifting program really produce bene-
fits. Not only are we able to play with
some other teams.
-We're also a quick team and quickness
"We're also a quick teann and quickness
a long way to offsetting size," he added."
But what perhaps makes the Lady Steers most
dangerous is their ability to make the most of an opponent's weaknesses. "We're capable of hurting you inside with Keesha, Nadia and Traci, or rip you apart from
outside," Taylor said, noting that on any given night the foursome of Haddad, Hughes, Light and
McBee can literally light up the scoreboard from McBee can literally
three-point range. three-point range.
Unbeaten in district play last season, the Lady Unbeaten in district play last season, the Lady
Steers have lost just four district games in the
past six years, never more than one per cam. past six years, never more than one per c
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Hall whd 11 points, respectively.
Luke Nerbling paced the Scorpions with 21
points, while Jay Collins added 14 points and J.D. points, while Jay Collins added 14 points and J.D.
Zant added 11.
Hall, Cowley and Myers consistently provided Hall, Cowley and Myers consistently provided
double-digit scoring throughout the tournament. Myers led the way in the first two games. He
had 13 points in the opener with St. Pius, as the
Steers battled to a 20.20 halftime deadlock before
The result was a frenzied period in which th Scorpions dictated the game's pace - one much
faster than the Steers needed to attempt. The result was a $65-44$ margin going into the final
period, and from that point, Farmington was able It was Big Spring's third loss of the tournament, the Steers having opened the tournament with a
$74-42$ loss to Albuquerque St. Pius and followed that with a hard-fought $70-67$ setback at the hands

## Southern Mississipi defense keys 41-7 Liberty Bowl win <br> The ASSOCIATED PRESS

## MEMPHIS, Tenn. - N for Southern Mississippi

for Southern Mississippi.
The 22nd-ranked Golden Eagles rout
Pittsburgh 41-7 Wednesday in the Liberty Bowl to finish the season at $9-3$, their best record
since going $10-2$ in 1988 . since going $10-2$ in 1988 .
The victory, by the widest margin in the Liberty Bowl's 39 years, means the Eagles will
finish in the Top 25 for the first time. The only question remaining is how high.
going to the bowl and winning nine games and back-to-back championships," coach Jeff Bower said. "I think the biggest thing about this
was how convincing it was. I don't think wase's any doubt we'll go from 22 into the
Southern Mississippi set that goal at the beginning of the season, along with reaching the Eagles' first bowl since 1990, which they managed by winning the Conference USA title for a second straight year. They also want to be
ranked in the Top 25 before the 1998 season. ranked in the Top 25 before the er 998 season.
Southern Mississippi never trailed as Lee Roberts connected with his favorite receiver Sherrod Gideon, on the Eagles' sixth play on a
31 -yard touchdown pass. The duo also had TDs of 8 and 5 yards.
-s hrat, wombined with three TDs by the
defense in the second half, ruined the firs
bowl game for Pittsburgh (6-6) since 1989.

## oing to a bowl

 importantly, getting themselves ready to play Pittsburgh, which earned a bid as the Big East Conference's fourthebent team by upsettingVirginia Tech and West Virginia in its final Virginia Tech and West Virginia in its final two games, r
Mississippi.
First-year coach Walt Harris said the layoff between games combined with his team's lack
of bowl experience hurt. But he still was disapof bowl experience hurt. But he still was disap
pointed with the three turnovers. "I don't know if we could've beaten these
guys if we had played up to our ability, but we gid not play like we are capable of playing and that's what hurts," Harris said.
Roberts picked the Panthers' defense apart, completing 18 of 26 passes for 227 yards. All who finished
for 111 yards.
communicaowetween them that's unbelievable
Bower said. "They know each other extremely
well. They've made big plays all year and did
again."
The Golden Eagles' aggressive defense kept
Pete Gonzalez, who led the Big East in passing with 241 yards per game, from getting into a hhythm. Gonzalez, who threw for 30 touch-
downs and 2,657 yards in the regular season. downs and 2,657 yards in the regular season.

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Almost 30 years ago, my
mother was faced with this
duty when my then 8.year-old
brother begen brother began having doubts
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were teasing him unmercifully
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mnd told him the truth. My
brother was heartbroken - so brother was heartbroken - so
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mity streaming down his face, he
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Sixteen years later, my late
father told this story at the rehearsal dinner the nigh before my brother's wedding At the end of his toast, he wel
comed the bride into the family "y saying she was the best gift "Santa Claus" could have Everyone shed happy tears
that night! My brother and his wife have two little "believers" of their own now, and we al
have a sweet memory to cher ish. Sign me … SANTA'S
HELPER, MOBILE, ALA. DEAR SANTA'S HELPER
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