Sands schools earn monetary awards from state

By JOHN H. WALKER

Managing Editor

Sands Elementary and Sands High School are the seventh and eighth schools in the area to receive monetary awards from the Texas Successful Schools Awards System.

The two schools each received \$500 — joining Big Spring's Moss Elementary and Kentwood Elementary schools, along with Elbow Elementary and Forsan Junior High — at that award level. Coahoma Junior High and Coahoma High School each received \$1,000 from the program.

Sands Superintendent Don Bryan said he felt the schools would use the money to

We will direct (the award) back into our instructional program, probably using it in our reading renaissance program

Don Bryan

enhance the district's reading program.

"We will direct it back into our instructional program. probably using it in our reading renaissance program," he said.

Bryan said the district had

been successful with the program in a two-tiered approach prekindergarten through grade five and grades six through 12.

Bryan said the \$500 award to each school was the maximum

amount the district could receive, based on enrollment.

The schools are being recognized for gains in student performance on indicators that are part of the Academic Excellence Indicator System (AEIS), more commonly known as the state's school report card.

The eight local and area schools are among 2,300 cashwinning schools statewide receiving awards for exemplary or recognized performance and

368 schools receiving awards based on comparable improve-

Cash awards ranging from \$500 to \$5,000 per school were given depending on the number of students served at the school. Bryan said.

In the exemplary category, schools had at least 90 percent of all students and students in each student population group (white, black, Hispanic and economically disadvantaged) passing each section of the TAAS, a 1994-1995 dropout rate of 1 percent or less for all students and each student group, and a 1994-1995 attendance rate of 94 percent or greater.

A total of \$2.5 million is being awarded to schools this year under the program.

Spring semester registrati begins Thursday at Howar

Howard College opens its doors for Spring 1998 registra-tion in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum on Thursday, college officials announced.

Students may register in one of three sessions. Students who have reserved registration times may enroll in classes from 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m; Open registration will be held from 4-7 p.m; and late registration runs from Jan. 12-15 from 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. and Friday, Jan. 16, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. A \$5 late registration fee will be required.

Permission to change from

College officials said all tuition and fees must be paid at the time of registration. Vise

and Mastercard will be accept Student orientation will h

neld on Jan. 11 at 2 p.m. at the student union building. Spring

1998 classes begin Jan. 12.

New students must complete an application before registering for classes, Howard offi

BSISD eyes 'possible' litigation over mortar mess

By KATHY GILBERT

Staff Writer

The Big Spring Independent School District (BSISD) Board of Trustees took steps to cement the future of the new Big Spring junior high at a 90-minute special meeting Tuesday.

After a lengthy closed-door executive session, the board took no action and agreed to further discuss the junior high situation with building contractor, Monterey Construction of Lubbock. Monterey officials did not attend the meeting.

BSISD Superintendent Bill McQueary said the board discussed "possible litigation, underline 'possible.'" The board also "gave directions to the architect to pursue options to correct the deficient mortar.

"We talked about the negotiation process and the various options that are to be negotiated," he added, saying that the board will meet with Monterey officials within the next two weeks.

Construction on the junior high building has experienced delays since last September, when stress tests conducted by BSISD found 5 percent of the building's mortar failed to meet stress standards and architectural specifications.

Patches of mortar appear to have dried too quickly, causing them to become brittle and possibly less durable.

No hard and fast solutions exist, officials said. The brittle mortar patches, which affect less than 10 percent of the build-



Felipe Hernandez (left), with J & E Masonry, and Andy Rodriguez, with Monterey Construction, pour mortar into one of the containers used to transport it to the various location it is needed.

things, allowing you to take a milder approach to this particular problem" said Ron Logback, BSISD's assistant business man-

"The building has a foundation tied up through every corner wall, a solid pour of concrete all the way up, 18 inches of concrete on the top surface of way down to the foundation."

ing, can be "offset with other Logback said. "It's built extra strong at the present time."

> A new schedule of completion is expected by the end of the month, Logback said. That schedule will reflect discussions between the board, the architect, consulting engineers Charles Terry and Patrick Moore, and Monterey.

wall tied in with rebar all the on time, optimistic about the contractor to improve the resolving the problem, and opti- progress on the property."

Despite the storm, which caused several pro-

mistic the board is taking the right steps." McQueary said.

Architect Tommy Huckabee of Stephenville said he was pleased with the meeting.

"The board was very receptive to giving us direction to the contractor on the progress of the new junior high school." Huckabee said. "They gave "We're optimistic on opening directions on how they wanted

Officials still hope project will be done on schedule

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Big Spring ISD officials are eying possible legal solutions to long-running constuction problems at the new junior high

The new junior high, which is scheduled to open in time for the 1998-99 school year, has been plagued by problems with wall mortar since last September.

The mortar problem, which failed in spots to pass pressure tests, threatens to delay the opening of the new school, officials said.

To further address the problem, the BSISD school board held a 90-minute executive session with its lawyers Tuesday, and instructed them to meet with construction officials as

soon as possible. Officials with Lubbock's Monterey Construction, the project contractor, were not present at the meeting, but are expected to meet with school district attorneys prior to the board's next meeting on Jan. 15,

for heavy losses to pests such as

the boll weevil, according to Joe

Bryant and Dr. James Leser of

Despite some \$36 million

being spent to combat weevils,

lost cotton yield was estimated

at \$148 million. Of that figure,

the boll weevil is blamed for

about 74 percent of the loss

(with 50 percent of the loss

occurring late in the growing

the TAES office in Lubbock.

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New TU manager settles into job

By CARLTON JOHNSON

Staff Writer

TU Electric employees have a new general manager to adjust to, but for TU customers the change will hardly be noticeable, according to Mike Hammock.

Hammock replaces John Toone, who was transferred from Big Spring to a similar position in



November, Hammock has only been on

the job for a few days. "Customers should not expect any changes because of my presence," Hammock said. "I expect to continue the work John (Toone) did in the community. I look forward to becoming active in the com-

munity." Hammock is still getting adjusted to the Big Spring area after moving in from the Dallas area, where he worked for TU for 16 years in market-

"Half of my time there was in the Dallas-Irving area and the other half was in the Nacogdoches area," Hammock Hammock said his wife

Judi and two sons, ages 10 and 11, have not yet relocated to Big Spring from the Dallas area, but those plans are being made.

Dallas-based. TU is an investor-owned holding company that includes companies engaged in electric utility services, international electric distribution, natural gas transmission and storage, lignite coal mining, telecommunications and other energy related businesses.

TU provides electric service to 2.3 million customers.

High Plains cotton harvest nears 3 million bale mark could have been better except

By CARLTON JOHNSON

Staff Writer

As 1997 came a close, a late season spurt has netted a respectable yield among area cotton producers. By Christmas, the 25-county

High Plains area, which Martin, includes Howard, Dawson and Glasscock counties, was nearing the 3 million bale mark. The 1997 crop is slightly

under the U.S. Department of Agriculture's estimate of 3.5 million bales, but considering the factors that plagued growers, producers and ginners are pleased with the yield.

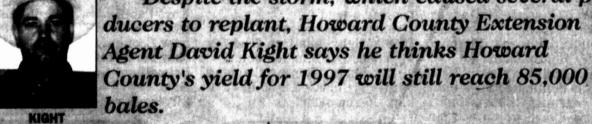
Just as cotton was beginning to grow in June, a massive dust storm swept through and destroyed about 7,500 acres



alone in Howard County. Despite the storm, which caused several producers to replant, Howard County Extension Agent David Kight says he thinks Howard County's

85,000 bales. Several counties in the High Plains area still have modules in the fields waiting to be ginned, which makes it difficult

yield for 1997 will still reach



to know specific yields. Dawson County has baled 190,577 bales of cotton so far. Borden County Extension Office officials won't make a prediction because ginning operations are still ongoing, but say the 1997 crop will be significantly better than expected.

Ginning operations aren't expected to be complete for another couple of weeks, but

crop watchers for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service are predicting a final yield of about 3.25 million bales. The five-year seasonal bale average for the High Plains area is 2.7 million bales, according to the USDA. Bad weather and below nor-

mal temperatures wiped out some 250,000 acres of the 3.5 million acres planted and yield

The quality of the 1997 cotton crop is good with more than 2.3 million bales having been before Christmas, classed Bryant said.

season).

The lint averaged 33.81 in length; micronair of 38.39; and strength of 29.19 grams per tex (meaning the standard unit of measurement for assessing the strength of cotton fibers).

Kilgore to make second run at commissioner's court

By CALLTON JOHNSON

Precinct 2 Howard County Commissioner Jerry Kilgore is seeking a second term to continue what he says has been significant progress in the way county government operates.

Kilgore faces a challenge from Republicans John Wayne Metcalf and Ken Mayhall in the March 10 primary. The winner faces the Democratic primary winner, either Donnie Reid and Roosevelt Shaw. in November general election.

In the 1994 Republican primary, Metcalf took Kilgore to a runoff election before losing

> doesn't plan on changing much during this year's campaign and

plans to stand on his record. "I feel Howard

County is in excellent condition with the courthouse renovation bond as our only debt," Kilgore said. "I feel that all of our buildings and equipment are in excellent shape.

sioners' court has established a good working relationship with other entities around the city of Big Spring and Howard County. "This commissioners' court

has worked diligently toward attracting business, industry and jobs to assure our future economy and tax base," Kilgore said. "I think we need to continue to work to enlarge the tax

base of Howard County." For the most part, Kilgore says the county is in good

Kilgore said. "We have been successful in attracting jobs, and if we continue to attract jobs and increase the tax base, our

as possible but allow the county to still function. Also, he wants

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WEATHER

Tonight:















Tonight, becoming partly cloudy. Lows 25-30. Thursday, mostly sunny Highs in the mid 50s. Thursday night, fair. Lows in the 20s. Extended forecast, Friday and Saturday, fair. Lows in the 20s. Highs in the 50s to near 60. Sunday, partly cloudy. Lows near 30. Highs near 60.

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KILGORE

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financial shape We are almost debt free,

future looks great. As a second-term commissioner, Kilgore said he wants to continue to keep the tax rate as low

RECORDS

Tuesday's high 63

Record high 82 in 1927

Record low 10 in 1951

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Month to date 0.00

Year to date 0.00

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Month's normal 0.12

Normal for the year 0.12

FIRE/EMS

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12:47 a.m. — 3200 Parkway,

medical call, patient trans-

ferred to Scenic Mountain

4:23 p.m. - 3200 Parkway.

7:13 p.m. — 2000 block E. FM-

The Big Spring Police

Department reported the follow-

ing incidents between 8 a.m.

Tuesday and 8 a.m. Wednesday:

was arrested for driving while

JANIE DUTCHOVER, 26,

• GERRADO ESTRADA, 21,

· JOHN RUSK, 19, was

JOHNNY WILLIAM, 43,

ROBERT SANCHEZ, 33,

• THEFT in the 2300 block of

ASSAULT in the 1300 block

The Big Spring Sheriff's

Office reported the following

incidents between 8 a.m.

Tuesday and 8 a.m. Wednesday:

• FIDEL MARTINEZ, JR.,

22, was arrested for indecency

· KIMBERLY M. MIEARS.

24, was arrested for issuance of

· LONNIE D. SCAGGS, 30,

• DENNIS SHELTON SIM-

MONS, 41, was arrested for

contempt of child support

• WILLIAM DARIC GILL,

27, was arrested for driving

while license suspended or

• FRANKIE L. JUAREZ, 28,

CONNIE FAYE EDENS, 28,

was arrested for revocation of

probation for driving while

GUADALUPE LEDEZMA,

46, was arrested for driving

while license suspended and

license suspended or invalid.

was arrested for delivery or

offer of a dangerous drug.

possession of marijuana.

with a child sexual contact.

was arrested for assault.

was arrested for public intoxi-

was arrested on local warrants.

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was arrested for driving with-

medical call, patient trans-

Spring

Department/EMS reports:

Tuesday's low 30

Average high 57

Average low 27

OBITUARIES

Patricia S. Gwyn, 70,

Midland, died Tuesday, Jan. 6, 1998, at Medical Center Hospital in Odessa following a long illness. Private services and burial will be at a later date in Lockhart.

She was born on Nov. 24, 1927, in Lockhart. She had lived most of her adult life in Big Spring and Kerrville and also a number of years in Austin. While in Austin she was an administrative assistant in security for the University of Texas. Patricia had lived in Midland for the last two years. She was an Episcopalian.

She is survived by: one son, John Gwyn, Big Spring; one daughter, Trisha Slape, Big Spring; one sister, Mary Storey, Hunt; and grandchildren.

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

Floyd Jones

Graveside service for Floyd Jones, 93, Ackerly, will be 11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 8, 1998, at Trinity Memorial Park with Rev. Randy Cotton officiating.

Mr. Jones died Monday, Jan. 5, in a local hospital following a long illness. He was born on Feb. 24, 1904.

in Corsicana. He married May Norman on Sept. 23, 1927, in Lordsburg, N.M. He moved to Howard County in 1928 from Glove, Ariz. He was a farmer in Howard County until 1972.

He is survived by: his wife, May Jones, Ackerly; two daughters, Wanda Rasco, Millsap, and Eunice Fay Durkee, Ackerly; two half sisters, Callie Belle Murphy and Mandy Pasley, Fort Worth; three grandchildren; and three great-grandsons.

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

Delbert M. Bardwell Funeral service for Delbert

M. Bardwell, 83, Pottsboro, will be 2 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 8, 1998, at Johnson-Moore Chapel in Denison with Rev. Julie Halstead and Rev. Virgie Holbrook officiating. Burial will be in Georgetown Cemetery with Masonic graveside services. Mr. Bardwell died Tuesday.

Jan. 6, at Columbia Medical Center following an extended

He was born on July 21, 1914. in Sweetwater to Brainard and Annie Rogers Bardwell. He attended Dixon, Okla. schools. He married Audrey Wiggins on Aug. 14, 1935, in Gainesville. Mr. Bardwell worked for Cosden Pipeline (Fina) in Big Spring for 43 years, retiring in 1980 as a pipeline superinten-

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Dorothy J. Creek, 76, died Monday. Graveside services will be 4:00 PM Friday at Trinity Memorial Park

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Edna Pope, 69, died Monday. Services were today at 2:00 PM in Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

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dent. He was a Methodist and also a member of the Masonic lodge in Coahoma.

Survivors include: his wife, Audrey Bardwell, Pottsboro; three sons, Milton Bardwell; Allen, Jerry Bardwell, Pottsboro, and Hubert Bardwell, Allen; one sister, Lula Woods, Healdton, Okla.; eight grandchildren, Tiffany Barton of Oceanside, Calif., Kim Bigelow of Allen, Chris Bardwell of Grand Prairie, Laura Bardwell of Dallas, Karen Bardwell of Pottsboro, Mike Bardwell of Allen, Daniel Bardwell of Allen, and Diana Quinn of Allen; and four greatgrandchildren, Terry Land of Pottsboro, Brock Bardwell of Prairie, Grand Chase Alexander of Pottsboro and Mackenzie Bardwell of Allen.

He was preceded in death by his parents, daughter Mary Evelyn Bardwell, and brothers, Hubert Bardwell, Brainard Bardwell and Buck Bardwell.

Pallbearers will be Milton Bardwell, Jerry Bardwell, Hubert Bardwell, Chris Bardwell, Mike Bardwell and Daniel Bardwell.

Arrangements under the direction of Johnson-Moore Funeral Home, Denison.

Paid obituary

KILGORE

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to continue to work in partnership with the city of Big Spring, Moore Development, Coahoma and Forsan and other entities to continue the progress made in the last four years.

"We (the commissioner's court) meet with the city on a regular basis to avoid the duplication of services," Kilgore said. "We have a new attitude and instead of backing up, we're all moving forward."

The condition of county roads has always been an issue, especially in 1997.

"I have the good fortune to have some good roads in my precinct," Kilgore said. "The biggest problem is water erosion (as a result of storms) and hopefully we can address this as we rebuild all of the roads with the new construction crew we have funded, not only this precinct but for the entire coun-

"We have upgraded the equipment of the Road and Bridge Department and hope to rebuild the entire county road system in the next several years," Kilgore added. "We're planning now instead of reacting. Our roads and ditches have become waterways and some roads are just flat worn out, but hopefully we can rebuild 20 miles to 30 miles of roads a year. The plan is to address the worst road.

SCHOOL

Continued from page 1A

Board President Al Valdes said. We'll reconvene Jan. 15 to discuss this further," Valdes said. "Right now, we're going to wait until the next meeting and what Monterey Construction's response will

Officials continue to express confidence that the new junior high will be finished by the July 24 completion date but admit they are now weighing options to deal with a missed deadline.

BSISD Superintendent Bill McQueary declined to discuss those options. Among possible alternatives are moving into the building after the Thanksgiving or Christmas holidays in 1998, or holding off completely on the move until the 1999-2000 school year, forcing students to attend classes at Runnels Junior High for another year

However, those options are very unattractive, officials said, which is why they are exploring possible legal action at this time.

"The board has given direction to our attorneys to pursue certain options to correct the mortar problem at the junior high school, McQueary said.

School board member Steve Fraser, who was a leading proponent of the school bond issue in 1996 as chairman of the ABC Committee, said the district wanted to avoid a 'line in the

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sand" approach to negotiations. "For four months, we've done everything we could to resolve the problem," Fraser said. "I think at this point ... we've got to get going. We're not trying to throw down an ultimatum. All

we want is a solution to the problem." With Grammy nominations come some

notable snubs NEW YORK (AP) - This year's Grammy Award nominations are as notable for their snubs as their honorees.

The Spice Girls may have been everywhere in magazines and on television this past year, but they won't be heading to the stage of Radio City Music Hall when the 40th annual Grammy Awards are presented on Feb. 25. They didn't earn any of the 460 nominations announced Tuesday.

Elton John's eulogy of Princess Diana. "Candle in the Wind 1997," is the best-selling single of all time but wasn't nominated for song or record of the year. It did earn John a nod for best male pop vocal perfor-

Rap impresario Sean "Puff Daddy" Combs earned seven nominations. But despite producing 14 singles on Billboard's Top 40 last year, he wasn't among the five nominees for producer of the year.

His best-selling tribute to slain rapper the Notorious B.I.G., "I'll Be Missing You," was also shut out of major categories. He was criticized for borrowing heavily from the Police song "Every Breath You Take" for his hit.

Last year's best new artist,

LeAnn Rimes, was shut out of the major categories of song, record and album of the year. So was Jewel. And newcomer Erykah Badu. "These were the most surpris-

ing Grammy Award nominations that I've ever seen," said Thomas O'Neil, author of "The Grammys: For the Record."

The snubs come three years after the Grammys changed SPRINGBOARD The snubs come three years their nomination procedures in response to persistent criticismabout honoring the music voices. Nominees for the top categories are chosen by a secret screening panel of veteran industry insiders, instead of by a general vote by members of the National Academy of Recording Arts & Sciences.

Sentimental Grammy voters like to honor old favorites, and this could be Bob Dylan's year. Dylan's ghostly "Time Out of Mind," his best sustained work in more that two decades, was nominated for best album and contemporary folk album. His "Cold Irons Bound" also was nominated for best rock vocal

performance. Dylan's son, Jakob, received three nominations for his work

as chief songwriter and singer of the Wallflowers. At least the two Dylans won't

have to compete directly for a Grammy, unlike the father-andson team of Julio and Enrique Iglesias. Each received a nomination for best Latin pop performance.

Versatile soul balladeer Kenneth "Babyface" Edmonds, with eight, captured the most Grammy nominations for the second straight year. "The of the year and "Every time I Close My Eyes" won a nod for best male pop vocal performance.

BRIEFS

CITY UTILITIES CREWS WILL be working in two areas Thursday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Residents on all of Morrison Street, as well as those on

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All you can eat of chili entries is \$5, and entertainment is planned by local band "Wild Texans' in the afternoon. For more information, call the Harley shop at 263-2322.

TWO PRESENTATIONS OF DRAMATIC events from American history with a Biblical perspective are planned Friday, 1:30 and 4 p.m. at First Baptist Church. Richard "Little Bear" Wheeler will be featured. He also plans a special event for teens and their parents Saturday at 10 a.m.

This event is sponsored by Concerned Women for American of West Texas. Call Suzanne Haney at 263-7147 or Luann Stallings at 398-5506 for more information.

IT'S RECYCLE DAY IN Coahoma! Coahoma, Clean and Proud will be accepting recyclable items in the empty lot West of Little Sooper grocery store on Saturday.

Due to the Friends of the Library open house, hours will be 9:30 a.m. to noon. Items collected include newspaper, cardboard, feed sacks, aluminum, and steel, but not plastics, paper or magazines! They also collect Campbell soup labels for the schools and used eveglasses for the Lions Club. For more information call Irene at 394-

IF YOU HAVE ANY industry's most conservative CHANGES IN A SPRING-BOARD ITEM OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, CON-TACT GINA GARZA, 263-7331 ext. 238, BETWEEN 8:30 A.M. AND 2 P.M. All 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 264-7205. **TODAY**

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

•Line dance classes, 1 p.m., Senior Citizens Center, following lunch. For more information call 398-5522 or 267-1628. All ages welcome.

 Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. 12&12

THURSDAY ·Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has ser-

vices 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

 Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright, has free food for area needy, 10 a.m. to noon.

•Big Spring Senior Citizens Day" was nominated for album Center art classed, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., 55 and older.

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Wednesdays

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•Al-Anon, 8 to 9 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center small cafeteria. •NA meeting, 6 to 7:30 p.m.,

St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Alcoholics Anonymous, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting, 615 Settles. 8 to 9 p.m. closed meeting at Scenic Mountain Medical Center cafeteria.

 American Legion Auxiliary Post 506, 7 p.m. Call 263-2084. ·Christmas in April, noon, 1607 E. Third. Call Theresa Hodnett, 263-0147.

Women's Club, noon, Big **Spring Country Club.** •Masonic Lodge No. 598, 7:30 p.m., 219 Main.

•West Texas Republican

FRIDAY Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Music by CW & Co. Area seniors invited.

•Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, 7 p.m. Bible study. •Alcoholics Anonymous, 615

Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. Big Book Study. •Signal Mountain Quilting

Guild, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281. Bring a lunch.

MARKETS

March cotton 68.35 cents, down 14 points; Feb. crude 16.80, down 11 points; Cash hogs steady at \$1 lower at 35.50; cash steers steady at 64; Feb. lean hog futures 57.17, down 22 points; Feb. live cattle futures 64.07, down 5 points. courtesy: Delta Corporation.

Noon quotes provided by Edward D. Jones

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Gonzalez may serve remainder of term, observers sa

WASHINGTON (AP) — Is he retiring from Congress, as promised? Or isn't he?

knows for sure. last summer, the 81-year-old San Antonio Democrat announced in September that he would retire by the end of 1997, grudgingly accepting the advice of doctors and family to

year congressional career. But with the start of the 1998 House session just three weeks away, Gonzalez has yet to send ment letter that would trigger a observers alike wondering what

bring to a close his storied 36-

WASHINGTON (AP) — Is he etiring from Congress, as promised? Or isn't he?
Only Henry B. Gonzalez
Weakened by serious illness

special election to determine his successor. And, such a letter may not be in the offing.
Reports suggest the elderly law-maker is contemplating serving out a term that runs through the end of this year.

Gonzalez, who has spent little time in Washington since a July hospitalization for an infection that attacked his heart, didn't return a call Tuesday from The Associated Press and has kept publicly mum about his plans.

That silence has congressional aides, aspirants for the 20th Gov. George W. Bush the retire. District seat and political the famously independent minded legislator will do Even family members are in

"I am not aware of when my father will tender his resigna-1 tion. That's the big question: right now," said Charles Gonzalez, who is in the thick of a crowded Democratic field vying for the 20th District seat his father has held since 1961. "He hasn't made that clear to any member of the family that I've talked to, including my mother."

One ally of the elder Gonzalez said there may not be a resignation at all, in part because the band.

politician's health has rebound-

'The last we heard, he's thinking of finishing out the year," the intimate said, speaking on condition of anonymity, Gonzalez himself provided an

inkling of his improved health at a Capitol Hill tribute in his honor at the end of October.

At that ceremony, where Cabinet members and colleagues alike lavished praise on the House Banking Committee's

Democrat, the one-time boxer took to the dais and danced to the festive music of a mariachi

"I feel as fine as I did 30 years ago," he told reporters. "I still have a few more rounds."

Beyond his health; some suggest that Gonzalez is heeding the advice of Democratic party leaders who fear a special election could prove detrimental to the party.

In the event Gonzalez resigns before the end of his term, Bush would call a special election that could not coincide with the regular primary.

Some agree a special election, which is open to voters of all party affiliations, could provide a foot in the door for a Republican in the solidly

Democratic district. One such believer is St. University political science pro-4 fessor Larry Hufford, who contends the large number of Democrats interested in replacing Gonzalez could split the Democratic vote, making it far easier for a Republican to emerge on top.

Special election or not, Gonzalez won't be on the ballot for another term.

He is not among those who filed for the regular March 10 primary. The field does include: his son, Charles, a former state judge; and seven other Democrats.

Algerians reject call for commission

ALGIERS, Algeria (AP) -Despite some of the worst butchery of the six-year Islamic insurgency — with reports today of 27 more people slaughtered — Algeria has rejected a U.S. call for an international

The latest reports from survivors and hospital sources indicate armed men killed 20 people Monday night in Bakhoucha, 40 miles west of the capital, and a family of seven in Laghouat, 190 miles south of Algiers. Most recently, reports Tuesday said about 200 people were slaughtered Sunday in mountain villages.

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Many of the victims were hacked to death, and bodies were mutilated or burned, survivors said.

Various Algerian newspapers put the death toll in the mountain attacks at 150-300. The latest killings bring the number of deaths to more than 1,000 since the Dec. 30 start of the Muslim holy month of Ramadan, a time of prayer and fasting. Muslim militants are suspected in the

Terrified villagers have fled their homes, flooding big-city public squares to seek a safe haven from the attacks.

The Algerian government reported.

made clear in a statement Tuesday evening by the state news agency that it would not accept any international inquiry into the violence. European and American diplomats said they wanted to help, but were pessimistic about the possibilities.

There seems to be very little one can do in concrete terms," said Klaus van der Pas, chief spokesman for the European Commission.

The government of this North African nation, which has insisted that only "residual violence" remains from the Islamic insurgency, was silent about the various weekend attacks revealed Tuesday.

But it rejected remarks by State Department spokesman James Rubin urging Algiers to allow international inquiries into the violence.

The United States has proposed involving nongovernmental organizations or U.N. human rights experts in reviewing human rights issues. ambassador. U.S.

Cameron Hume, was summoned the Algerian Foreign Ministry for an "explanation" of Rubin's comments, the official Algerian news agency

Later, the news agency issued her four children — one, an a statement saying the ambassador had been "reminded of the categorical rejection by Algeria of any idea of an international commission of inquiry. no matter where it comes from or whatever its form or nature."

Algeria long has bristled at what it considers attempts to intervene in its domestic policy. Survivors of the bloody

attacks in five mountain villages made their way to Chekala, the county seat about 150 miles west of Algiers, taking refuge in mosques and stores. Forty miles north of Chekala, 412 people were reported killed on the first day of Ramadan.

Survivors questioned by The Associated Press said the attacks Sunday in the Chekala region, killing some 200, took place in the isolated mountain hamlets of Dahmania, Beni Moussa, Kelaa, Oued Maamar and Somara.

One survivor said about 40 armed men descended on Dahmania in the evening. knocked on doors and said: "Don't be afraid. We haven't come to kill you.'

They then slaughtered those they had gathered in the road, with the head of the group slitting the throat of a woman and

infant, was killed with an ax.

The survivor, like many othinterviewed. feared reprisals and spoke on condition of anonymity. He had holed up at the Chekala mosque. Others took refuge in a mosque or stores in Meknassa, a nearby community where 117 people were killed Sunday night.

No one has claimed responsibility for the slayings, which come during the Muslim holy month of Ramadan.

But Algeria's frequent bombings and massacres mostly are blamed on Islamic militants intent on toppling the militarybacked secular government in favor of a regime run according to a strict interpretation of Islamic law.

Algeria's Islamic insurgency was sparked by the military's decision to cancel a 1992 election runoff that Muslim fundamentalist parties were poised to win. The violence, which has claimed 75,000 lives, typically intensifies during Ramadan.

There has been speculation that the government, while ostensibly waging an offensive against the extremists, has looked the other way as a means of drumming up anger against the insurgents.

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craft called Prospector hurtled toward the moon today, its task to search for water, minerals and gases during NASA's

Prospector heading

to lunar rendezvous

first lunar mission in 25 years. "It certainly feels good to be going back," program scientist Joseph Boyce said after Tuesday night's flawless launch. "I couldn't be more excited, more happy."

(AP) — A little drumlike space-

The unmanned Prospector, due to arrive at the moon on Sunday, carries five science instruments that will search from lunar orbit for evidence of frozen water at the shadowy poles as well as for minerals and gases. Such resources, especially water, could be used by human settlers.

The 4-foot, 650-pound spacecraft also contains an ounce of the ashes of Eugene Shoemaker, a planetary scientist who trained the Apollo astronauts in lunar geology in the 1960s and early 1970s and always yearned to fly to the moon.

"He's going to be the man in Carolyn Shoemaker, said with

CAPE CANAVERAL. Fla. a smile after witnessing the launch with her children and grandchildren.

A half moon gleamed in the sky as the Athena rocket blasted off at 9:28 p.m., one day late. Monday's launch attempt was foiled by the failure of Air Force radar needed to track the rocket; the problem was fixed in time for Tuesday's effort.

Launch controllers cheered and applauded at liftoff and again at each milestone. An hour into the flight, an attached motor promptly fired, propelling Prospector out of low-Earth orbit and toward the moon 240,000 miles away. Aside from initial communication snags, everything went

"We feel like we have taken a giant step forward toward returning to the moon," mission manager Scott Hubbard said. "A great ride. A healthy spacecraft. And very shortly we will start to do a whole series of other things that will continue to demonstrate that we're going back to the moon the moon to us," his widow, and taking some important measurements."

1998, at Johnson-Moore Chapel of the son with key, Julie

Weddington: Balanced budget could affect GOP

AUSTIN (AP) — The prospect of a balanced federal budget under a Democratic president will affect Republican congressional candidates, who traditionally have campaigned on the issue, the head of the Texas GOP says.

"It's been difficult for Republicans lately at the congressional level to distinguish themselves from Democrats because Clinton is an expert at sounding so Republican and positioning himself on issues that have traditionally been Republican issues," state GOP leader Susan Weddington said

The end result of a lot of those policies have not been the kind of policy that Republicans really advocate, but they have not done, I think, a good job making their case in really distinguishing themselves. So ves. I think that that has an impact on those congressional races," she said at a neeting with reporters.

Ms. Weddington said, however, that she believes er. Republicans will maintain their 13 seats in the 30-member Texas congressional delegation and

perhaps pick up a slot or two. State Democratic spokesman Rafe Bemporad said the issues pushed by Democrats reflect their long-held core beliefs.

"I think that the Democrats are going to have success at the congressional level in 1998 because Bill Clinton and congressional Democrats have done exactly what they said that they would do.

"They delivered the first balanced budget in a generation, cut the deficit by more than half, delivered tax cuts for middle-income families and made a significant investment in education and health care for children," Bemporad said.

"The Republicans talked about balancing the budget for decades, and it took a Democratic president to get the job done."

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OUR VIEW

Junior High: BSISD officials steering the correct course

or the first time, Big Spring school officials are giving indications that the new junior high school may not be completed on schedule.

While still expressing confidence that the new school will be completed in time for the next school year, officials are seriously considering their options in case that prediction proves false.

The Big Spring school board held a 90-minute executive session with the district's lawyers Tuesday to begin weighing their legal options in the matter. The somber mood of officials afterward spoke volumes into how serious the issue has become.

The culprit, as it has been for the past several months, is substandard mortar at the construction site. The mortar has failed pressure tests in several spots, and until the problem is resolved, the entire project is in jeopardy of being hopelessly delayed.

The problem has only become more serious in the school board's eyes, and unless Monterey Construction, the contractor on the project, presents an acceptable solution soon, litigation is a distinct possibility.

Obviously, a difference of opinion exists between the school district and the contractor as to both the depth of the problem and its best solution.

"The board has given directions to our attorneys to pursue certain options to correct the mortar problem at the junior high school," BSISD Superintendent Bill: McQueary said after Tuesday's meeting.

With those very general words, McQueary served notice that the district's patience concerning the mortar problem is running out.

They're not the only ones growing weary of the situation. Voters agreed to shell out millions of dollars from their own pockets to pay for this new school, and they have every right to expect the best return for their money.

"For four months, we've done everything we can to resolve the problem," said Steve Fraser, a school board member and leading proponent of the school bond in 1996. "I think at this point ... that we've got to get going. We're not trying to throw down an ultimatum. All we want is a solution to the problem.'

While disappointed to learn that the project may be delayed, we applaud the school district's actions. No one likes the ugly specter of a legal battle, but the thought of our children attending classes in a structurally questionable building is even more frighten-

We want the job done on time, but even more importantly, we want it done right. If there's even the slight est worry that something may be amiss, the school district is well within its rights to demand satisfac

After all, we taxpayers are footing the bill for this new school, and our children will be attending classes there for many years to come. It is therefore incumbent on Monterey Construction to provide an adequate solution to our concerns.

Hopefully, this issue won't end up in court. But bet ter that possibility than a substandard school.

OTHER VIEWS

President Clinton, now vow ing to balance the federal budget in 1999 instead of 2002. would seem very nearly heroic if he were not talking simultaneously about new spending programs

The president's stepped-up campaign to have income equal outgo includes a plan to increase outgo by \$10 billion Clinton cannot seem to shake off his instinct for enlarging the federal government.

The president, though, will need every billion he can get For one thing, the director of the National Economic

Council was almost certainly wrong when he spoke blithely of "surpluses as far as the eye can see." No one predicted the economy would come this far north, and no one can predict when it might start heading south. Sooner or later, an emergency will be upon us, and — as of this moment, at any rate - one is headed our way in 2012.

That's the year when Social Security surpluses become deficits, thanks to retiring baby boomers. Those Social Security surpluses are part of the reason the president can now achieve a balanced budget They have been used to pay for programs not covered by general revenue, bringing the budget deficit this year down to \$22 billion instead of the \$100 billion or more it. would otherwise have been. But an unfunded liability of some \$3 trillion will have to be repaid.

Even then, the ongoing costs will not have been met, which is why President Clinton should do more than talk vaguely about addressing Social Security. His accomplishments, such as maybe taking advantage of a robust economy to balance the budget temporarily at best, will pale in comparison.

Jay Ambrose Scripps Howard

How Colorado City got its firepower back

TUMBLEWEED SMITH

Columnist

Colorado City has its cannon back. Sweetwater has a new cannon. Everybody's happy.

The story starts more than 50 years ago. At the end of World War II. Colorado City acquired a cannon to put on display so people could see it and feel patriotic about our country. The cannon became a landmark and a symbol of liberty. It was first in Colorado City's National Guard Armory, then moved to the front of the American Legion Hall.

When the American Legion Post disbanded in the seventies, the building and all surrounding property, including the cannon, were deeded to the Boys Club. The cannon stayed there for years and eventually people in Colorado City didn't really pay much attention to it. The cannon began to show

Last year members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post in Sweetwater decided they wanted a cannon to display in front of their building. They looked into what was involved and determined it would be too expensive to get a cannon and have it delivered to Sweetwater.

Then they learned about the cannon in Colorado City, which was virtually abandoned. They got the paperwork started to acquire the cannon, claiming it was neglected and improperly displayed. They got permission from the Army to remove the cannon from Colorado City and place it in front of their building.

When Colorado City residents learned about what was happening, they suddenly felt a strong attachment to their old cannon. They protested. They secured the cannon with a big

But they couldn't stop the Sweetwater folks from coming over and getting the cannon.

The story began to get nationwide coverage. There were jokes about the situation on the internet. After the cannon was taken

from Colorado City, the editor of the local newspaper, Eunice Fisher, let the Army know that the incident had caused some hard feelings.

That's when Ed Wolverton stepped in. He's a Big Spring native who is now head of the Army RE-Use Department. HE managed to find a cannon at Fort Hood and had it deeded to the Sweetwater VFW. It is now on display there.

A group of Colorado City residents went to Sweetwater and got their cannon back. It is displayed in front of the Heart of West Texas Museum.

Colorado City Mayor Jim

Baum says to get the cannon back, there were forms to fill out and the city had to agree to properly display the cannon. A concrete pad had to be built, a

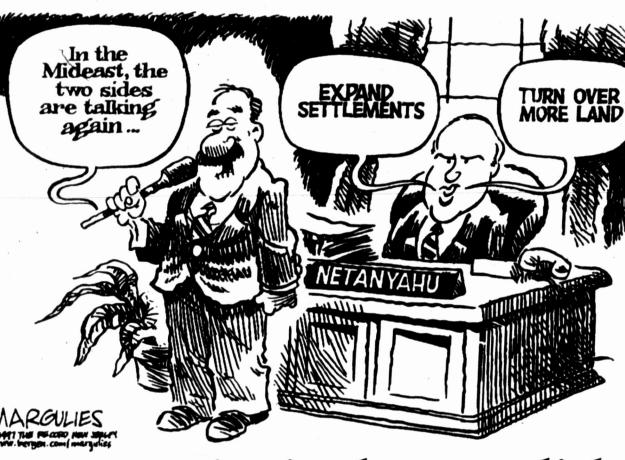
flagpole had to be erected and the cannon has to be properly maintained. Mayor Baum agreed to the conditions and signed the

papers. The city is now the

official owner of the cannon. Birdie Childs, head of the VFW in Colorado City, said at the dedication ceremony for the cannon: "Our VFW's are still comrades in arms, have always been and will continue that way.

"We just happen to live in a country where you can disagree on something. But with cooperation, the right thing is

(Tumbleweed Smith writes a weekly column for the Big Spring Herald)



My mysteries in the moonlight

Scripps Howard

My mother said I must have been moonstruck as a baby. It would explain, she said, a lot about my nature. I did grow up with certain

illusions about the nature and meaning of light. To be sure, I harbor some of

them still.

There is in my memory (or my imagination?) a baby, fat and round, lying wide-eyed awake in her crib late at night, waiting for the moon

I remember how still she lay. scarcely breathing, as she watched it come toward her, gliding through the window, across the floor and over the railing to lull her to sleep in its long arms.

Does the moon have arms? Rest assured, it did then. I never told my mother about it She worried enough as it was.

I don't recall when I first saw a face in the moon, but I came to know it as well as I knew my own.

Pale and cool and quizzical, its expression never changed. And it always seemed to be looking directly at me, as if to say "What are you going to do about it?"

'What am I going to do about what?" I'd beg, "What am I going to do about WHAT?"

Sign your letter.

But the moon, it never had

the back of an old truck, when I saw the moon tagging after me, playing hide and seek, darting among trees, keeping watch with a golden eye.

On summer nights, I'd play chase with my cousins running barefoot in a meadow bright with moonlight. When I'd stop and look up, the moon would be looking at me. Just me. And the stars would be staring at me, too. I never told my mother that, either; she'd have had me committed.

The sun got in the act when I was 7, maybe 8, swimming in Green River.

While my cousins splashed silver at each other in the shallows, I ventured downstream. And when I looked back, I saw the sun coming after me, walking over the water to warm my

The phenomenon was repeated time and again on rivers and lakes, mountains and valleys, fields tall with corn and pastures deep in snow.

Light followed me wherever I went.

I couldn't believe no one noticed. And I couldn't help wondering, why me? It scared me at first to be so singled out. But in time, I hoarded it like a treasure. A child who longs for attention will take it where she finds it, I guess, even if only in

later when my teacher talked about optical illusions and the true nature of light. The face in the moon isn't a face, she said; it's a configuration of craters — the random, thoughtless work of meteors

Moreover, she said, the moon has no light, it merely reflects the sun's. And though the sun gives light, it does so without thought or motive or preference, she said, like a flashlight from afar.

Oh, I said, a flashlight. To hide my disillusionment, I nodded, as if to say, "Sure, I knew that." Then I saw others nodding, too, and I wondered: Maybe I wasn't the only one to feel singled out by the sun, moon and stars? Maybe all children feel it? Maybe our teacher had felt it once, too?

So it is with growing up; we give the lie to childhood illusions and go in search of new light.

But sometimes still, when I can't sleep, I find my way to a window. And there in the moon, I still see a face looking back at me. Just me.

And it still wants to know what I'm going to do about it.

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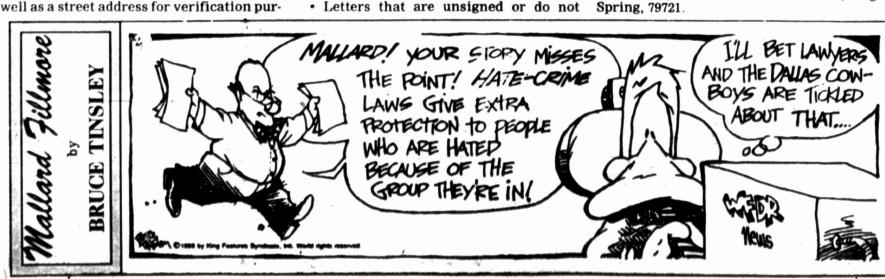
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Big Spring's biker women

HOG chooses four as top officers in service, riding club

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN

Features Editor

Big Spring's Harley Owners Group might look a little different this year.

That's because, for the first time in the group's history, all four top officers of the service

and recreation club are women. In fact, the group operates with 11 officers six of them now women.

Jaye Alexander was recently elected director of

MCCURTAIN HOG. At age 22, she has been an associate member of

the group for three years. Lezlie Kurklin has been in the group less than a year, but

has just been named its assistant director. Secretary is Sheryl McCurtain, and treasurer is Carol Lewis.

"Anything that deals with HOG will come to me first." said Alexander, "then I take it to the club." As treasurer last year, Alexander began to learn the ropes of running an organization like HOG, even attending an officer training sponsored by the national organiza-

But that doesn't mean it was easy getting elected director of a group traditionally run by men. Alexander was nominated along with three men, including her own husband.

"The men support us, they're behind us," said Kurklin. "Only time will tell," added

"I think we're going to get things done this year," said McCurtain.

The officers said they plan a few changes in HOG, an organization that enjoys a good reputation in the community.

"HOG has done a lot, and things have been going well," Alexander said. "But for the last few years, we've been doing the same things, at the same pace. I hope we can change the pace a little bit."

McCurtain says her goal is to help the group become more organized. She may have a larger role in that, since her "day job" is working in the office at the Harley Davidson Shop, sponsor of the club.

All working professionals, the women say their image as Harley riders has been a shock to some of their acquaintances. For others, it simply opens a new topic of conversation.

"In the parade, there were some people that saw me rid-Please see BIKER, page 6A.



Harley Owners Group officers, from left, Lezlie Kurklin, Jaye J. Alexander and Carol Lewis, along with

When cooking a casserole, almost anything goes

Casseroles — the original one-dish meal. A favorite of homemakers, casseroles are designed to serve meat, potatoes, vegetables and anything else that seems appropriate in one big, juicy dish.

They are famous in their ability to transform leftovers into a main dish without parallel. Casseroles can be very simple or quite involved, but all have one thing in common - a veryspecial popularity with the family cook. It certainly gives leeway to individual creation with no end to the little personal touches that can be applied to

Actually, the word casserole has two meanings. It also refers long, slow cooking. It is usually round or oval in shape with a tight-fitting lid and with han-

Now for the cassoulet. It comes to us from Southwestern France.

The name is from the cassole d'Issel, an earthenware utensil refrigeratin which a cassoulet should be cooked. Ingredients must include loads of white beans, usually with sausages and meats. It is indeed a noble, garlicky bean stew. A cassoulet, like the casserole, must be cooked slowly to blend the fla-

Helpful hints for casserole cookery:

Do not overcook food.

The sauces will be thinner if a cover is used to keep moisture in the cooking liquid. An uncovered one will have the retain heat and to be used for mixture for a while without the noodle soup

Never add cold liquid. If more liquid is required, heat liquid

A cooked casserole should be cooled to room temperature

If freezing casserole, allow inch headspace and

being

wrap tight-Sausage

Casserole: 2 pounds pork sausage

1 large green pepper, chopped 1 cup celery, chopped

drained and sliced 4 1/2 cups water

1 cup uncooked rice

Columnist

Sue Haugh

to a deep cooking vessel of opposite effect. Thus, if your 1 1 large onion, chopped Place rice in a greased shallow French origin designed to casserole is too thin, cook the 2 envelopes Lipton chicken 2 quart casserole. Lay chops on top. Combine tomatoes, beef broth, onion soup mix, tnyme,

oregano, salt and pepper. Pour

over chops. Cover and bake at 350 degrees

breaking into small pieces.

Drain. Brown pepper, celery

and onion. Mix all ingredients

in a large baking dish. Bake

covered at 350 degrees for 1 1/2

5 (1-inch thick) pork chops

1 1/2 cups uncooked regular

1 can tomato wedges,

1 package dry onion soup mix

Brown chops in shortening.

Pork Chop Casserole:

2 T melted shortening

Salt & pepper to taste

undrained

1 can beef broth

1 tsp. thyme

1 tsp. oregano

Fry sausage until done, for 1 1/4 hours.

Sheryi McCurtain, are the first all-woman team to lead the club.

Pizza Casserole:

Brown 1 lb. ground beef in a large skillet. Drain. Stir in two 8 oz. cans pizza sauce, one 4 oz. can undrained mushrooms, 1 tsp. oregano and 1 tsp. garlic salt. Bring to a boil. Remove from heat.

Combine two cups cooked rotini pasta and 2/3 cup milk in separate bowl.

Layer half each of meat sauce, rotini mixture, 2 cups shredded mozzarella cheese in a 2-quart casserole. Repeat lay-

Bake, covered, in 350 degree oven for 30 minutes.

Food for thought:

Let's pour some happy spirit in a great big mixing bowl. Then add a few ingredients And lo! A Casserole!!

Plan for success in health goals

People of all ages made New Year's Resolutions last Wednesday night and I would bet the majority of those in some way included amending lifestyle to improve fitness and health.

If you fall into the category of

getting fit healthy in 1998 then read on for some tips to keep you the right track as

you work to Dana maintain your New Year's res-

Tarter **Extension Agent**

olution. Fitness has its own built-in rewards. A balanced, ongoing fitness program can help you feel better, look better and enjoy life more. Once you have made a commitment to changing some of those old, bad habits into new, good habits,

action. A total fitness program combines acting fit and eating fit. Either of these factors alone is not enough.

you must develop a plan of

For example, some people diet but never exercise. Others exercise vigorously, but ignore good eating habits. Even the best of intentions can fail you if a plan of action is not set

into motion. Research shows that thin people are usually more physically active than overweight people. So now it is time to start acting like a fit person. Find ways to fit activity into your daily life. Some ideas include:

 Park at the far end of the parking lot.

 Use the stairs. Walk when possible instead of driving.

Stand when on the phone,

instead of sitting.

Every little bit of activity burns some calories. Random eating can lead to

overeating; and meal skipping can be hazardous to your diet

Please see TARTER, page 6A.

SUPPORT GROUPS

MONDAY

of

•Al-A-Teen, 7:30 p.m., 615 Settles. •Turning Point A.A., 8-9 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad. Open to all substance abusers.

•TOPS Club (Take off Pounds Sensibly), weighir. 5:15 p.m., Best Home Heal 1 Care, 1710 L. Marcy Dr., 6:15 p.m. Call 263-1340 or 263-8633

•Project Freedom, Christian support group for survivors of physical/emotional/sexual and/or spiritual abuse. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241 for dates/times of upcoming groups. Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open

·Encouragers Support Group (formerly Widow/Widower support group) first and third Mondays each month. First Monday meetings are at a local restaurant at 6 p.m. Third Monday meetings are at 5:30 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church Seventh and Runnels (enter through north door). Various activities, guest speakers, games, covered dish supper, visit. For more information call 398-5522 or 399-4369.

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

•Support for MS and Related Diseases, 6:30 p.m. second Tuesday of each month, Canterbury South. Public invited. Call Leslie, 267-1069. •Al-Anon, 8 p.m., 615 Settles.

Seniors' diabetic support group, 2 p.m.,

Canterbury South. Call 263-1265. Compassionate Friends support group for parents who have experienced death of a child, 7:30 p.m. first Tuesday in February, April, June, August, October and December in the Family Life Center Building, First Baptist Church, 705

West Marcy. Enter by southeast door. Call 267-

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

•"Most Excellent Way," a chemical dependency support group, Tuesdays, 7 p.m., Living Water Church, 1008 Birdwell Lane. Call 267-1424 after 5 p.m. or 263-3168 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. •Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open

meeting and 8 p.m. closed meeting.

·Family Education and Support, sponsored by Howard County Mental Health Center, meets the second Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at 319 Runnels. For more information call Shannon Nabors at 263-0027.

•The Big Spring Alliance for the Mentally Ill meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at 409 Runnels (formerly the TU building) For further information call Sondra at 267-7220

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

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

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

 Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. 12 and 12 study. Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas

will have Sharon Beam, licensed professional counselor interim specializing in play therapy for children, adolescent counseling and women's issues, available for clients at the First Presbyterian Church, Runnels and Eighth St. Please see SUPPORT, page 6A.

Museum planning murder mystery night

HERALD Staff Report

Bored with Bunko? Need a break from bowling night? Want to add a bit of mystery to your next church group meet-

Try an evening of laughter, intrigue... and murder. The Heritage Museum wants your club, group of co-workers or friends to put on some crazy costumes, put aside your inhibitions and solve a murder

mystery together. The 1998 Murder mystery event is planned for Jan. 31, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the museum. After snacking on hors d'oeuvres, groups of eight players will move to various sites throughout Big Spring to play one of three games with varied themes and settings.

"We ask people to host seven players in their home, or at another location, for an evening of sleuthing, explained curator Angie Way. Cost for the game and opening reception is \$15 per person, but each host plays free.

"This is one of the most interesting and unique events the museum sponsors," Way said, "and so many people look forward to it each year." In "Roman Ruins," players

will don togas and discuss the demise of beloved ruler Disgustus Caesar. In "The Good, the Bad and the Guilty," guests are invited to a mass hanging, just in time to

kick off the Fourth of July festivities in the town of Roadkill. If you would rather spend the evening in a New York penthouse, plan to investigate "The Wall Street Scandal," which follows the downfall of mega-rich

financier Jon K. Bonds.

"Most everybody that plays it wonders why they haven't thought of it before," said Cindy Kountz, of Big Spring, who hosts at least one team of players every year. "Its really fun, and it's a different way of getting people together.'

At the Kountz home last year, three teams were playing different mystery games at one. They gathered their friends, at a local restaurant for dinner beforehand — costumes and

If you can host a murder, call the museum at 267-8255 to arrange the details.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Coahoma, Clean and Proud will be accepting

recyclable items in the empty lot West of Little

Sooper grocery store Saturday, Jan. 10. Due to the Friends of the Library open house, we will be

changing our hours this month to 9:30 a.m. to

For more information call Irene at 394-4424.

Library open house Saturday Friends of the Howard County Library are spon-

soring an open house Saturday in honor of the

one-year anniversary of the opening of the new

library building. Hours are 1-3 p.m., and activities

include refreshments, historical displays and

tours of the facility.

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Saturday is recycle day in Coahoma!

THE LAST WORD

Things are always at their best in the beginning. **Blaise Pascal**

Don't recite other people's opinions. I hate quotations. Tell me what you know.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

Behind every successful man is a woman — with nothing to

L. Grant Glickman

News You Can Use

Heart work pays off for women, too (NAPS) - According to a recent Gallup Poll, there is a lack of awareness among women and their doctors about heart attacks. The poll showed most primary care physicians are not sure about the warning signs, which may differ from those experienced by men.

• Each year, almost 250,000 women die of heart disease. That's five times the number who die of breast cancer.

•One in eight women under age 65 die of heart attacks; over 30 percent of those are less than 55 years of age.

 Basic diagnostic tests, such as EKG's and stress tests, are used infrequently for women.

·Studies have shown a low-sugar, low-fat diet, losing weight and rigorous exercise will lower the chances of heart disease for women, as well as for men.



Consider these facts:

Christian historian plans performances Friday, Saturday

IERALD Staff Report

Richard "Little Bear" Wheeler plans three dramatic performances in Big Spring Friday and Saturday.

Wheeler, a minister and Christian historian, gives dramatic interpretation to events from U.S. history with a Biblical perspective. His aim, according to press information, is to re-educate youth and adults about the role of Christianity in America's development.

Friday, Wheeler plans two shows: 1:30 p.m. and 4 p.m. Those are both geared toward young people and adults.

Saturday at 10 a.m., Wheeler

will address teens with, "Warning, Dating is no Game!" That session is expected to last until about 12:30 p.m.

Wheeler uses authentic costumes and props, dressing like characters from the time period of each story. He founded Mantle Ministries, which has produced family devotional tapes with stories from the 1300s through the 1800s.

All shows will take place at First Baptist Church, 705 W. Marcy Drive. There is no charge for any of the perfor-

For more information about Wheeler's local performances, call Suzanne Haney at 263-7147 or Luan Stallings at 398-5506.

New year brings honesty in 2 percent milk's claim as it loses low-fat label

By LEE BOWMAN

Scripps Howard News Service

WASHINGTON - Look for it in your dairy coolers in vain, America. As of the New Year, that creamy concession between health consciousness and milky flavor - 2 percent low-fat milk — is no more.

At least not with the low-fat

Oh, the 2 percent's still available enough, sitting there nestled smugly between the buttery whole milk and the chalky 1 percent and non-fat (skim)

It's just that the Food and Drug Administration has decreed that we can no longer deceive ourselves with the fancy that the 2 percent stuff really is low in fat. In fact, each cup contains 5 grams of fat, well above the 3-gram-perserving threshold the FDA requires for any food to make a

One-percent milk, with about 2.5 grams a serving, squeaks in under the wire.

Milk, which had been using the low-fat and volume percentage of fat standards for a number of years, was exempted from declaring its fat content in grams like all other foods when new federal labeling requirements took effect six years ago.

But the potential confusion over such a central part of the nutrition pyramid rankled the food police at the Washingtonbased Center for Science in the Public Interest, which peti-

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tioned the FDA to make milkfat claims consistent with all other foods.

The dairy industry soon joined in the request, and the agency announced new labeling rules last summer, effective Jan. 1.

Milk lovers can console themselves with knowing that 2 percent still qualifies as a "reduced fat" food, simply because whole milk is loaded up with 8 grams of fat per cup.

That makes 2 percent at 5 grams have better than 25 percent less fat than the full-fat food. A food must have a quarter less fat than the full-fat food to be considered "reduced.

But 2 percent doesn't quite make the grade as "light" milk. which must be 50 percent less fatty than whole, or no more than 4 grams or 1.5 percent of volume in fat. Whole milk is 3.5 percent fat.

For a product to qualify as "fat-free," "non-fat" or "skim" under the new rules, it must have no more than 0.5 grams of fat per cup

The new labeling requirements also apply to dairy products like low-fat cottage cheese. sweetened condensed skim milk, low-fat dry milk, evaporated skim milk and cultured skim milk.

Lower-fat dairy products can continue to show the percent of their milk fat on their labels, as long as the declaration is not "false or misleading" according to the FDA — that is, the type for that claim can't be more than twice the size of that used for the name of the product. Let us know your opinion...

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

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.

•A.D.D.A.P.T. non-profit support and learning organization about attention deficit disorder, learning disorders and dyslexia.

Meets second Thursday of September, October, November, January, February, March, April and May, Cerebral Palsy building, 802 Ventura, Midland.

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

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

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

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

 Alzheimer's Association Support Group, second Saturday of the month, Carriage Inn Retirement Center, 501 W. 17th, 10 a.m.

·Family support group for current and former patients and their families, 1 p.m. weekly, Reflections Unit of Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Call Beverly Grant, 263-0074.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon, 8 p.m., 10 p.m. open meetings, 615 Settles.

•"80 I Forget," Attention Deficit Disorder support group for individuals and couples, first Saturday of the month from 9 to 10:30 a.m., Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas, Inc., Midland. Call the center at (915) 563-4144 or 1-800-329-4144. Cost is \$15.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 11 a.m. closed meeting and 7 p.m. open meeting

ing," Alexander said, "and they were asking me, 'You ride a motorcycle? I do, too."

Kurklin, an occupational therapist, said the mother of one of her young patients saw her riding her Harley recently.

"She was shocked," Kurklin said. "I almost thought they wouldn't be back (for treatments), but they came back."

Lewis and her husband both work at Saunders Company, where she is office manager. She said co-workers are very supportive of their hobby.

"We are not exactly the grizzly, biker image people have," said Alexander.

But they all do have something in common.

"We all have the love of riding, the love of the bike," Alexander said.

Lewis adds that all HOG members have "the joy of owning one of the finest pieces of machinery made."

As members and officers of HOG, they enjoy fellowship with other bikers, along with service to children, Vietnam Veterans and others in the community.

A major fundraiser every year benefits the Muscular Dystrophy Association. At the Seafood Fest, in the fall, and the Chili Cookoff, coming up Saturday, the group raises money for its activities.

"Something always comes up at the spur of the moment," Alexander said. "We decided to do something for kids at Christmas at one meeting, and by the next week, we had almost \$1,000 raised."

Members point out benefits of owning a Harley - including company-sponsored contests, and specialized service for the bikes. If those reasons are not enough, there's always the joy of the open road.

"It's about freedom," said McCurtain," and feeling in control of what you're doing." "It's getting to ride," said

Kurklin. This year, the women of HOG

are in control of what the club is doing, and McCurtain said the end result will show.

"I'm hoping we're going to see bigger and better things this year," she said. "I know we.

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and health. A regular eating pattern will help you control your eating and make you less likely to end up eating in binges. The same holds true for your exercise program. Plan a set time on designated days for exercise and think of these times as appointments with yourself that cannot be broken.

Never push all of your activity into the weekends. Your body will be unprepared for the sudden strain, and injuries may result.

The pattern you choose is up to you, but make it fit into your lifestyle so it will be easier to follow.

Sunday deadlines

All Sunday items (weddings, anniversaries engagements, birth announcements, Who's Who, military) are due to the Herald office by Wednesday at noon.

Wedding, engagement, department.

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Lady Steers survive free thow woes to hold off Maidens

On a night in which they converted on just 18 of 49 opportunities from the free throw line, it seemed improbable that Big Spring's Lady Steers would seal a 68-63 win over San Angelo Lake View's Maidens at the charity stripe.

But when it mattered most — the final 30 seconds of play in the District 4-4A opener for both teams - the Lady Steers hit four of six free throws to ice a win that for three quarters Tuesday seemed almost a lock.

The win improved Big Spring's record to 11-6 on the year and allowed the Lady Steers, who have won the past six 4-4A girls' basketball titles, to open defense of their district crown over one of the three teams expected to seriously challenge their throne.

"I know it sounds crazy, and I know it got tense, but I never really didn't thought we weren't going to win the game," a somewhat relieved Big Spring coach Ron Taylor said after having watched senior post Keesha Lott hit a pair of free throws with 13 seconds left to provide the final margin.

"We know and Lake View knows that if we make our free throws, it's never a close game," Taylor added, unable to explain why his team missed 17 free throws in the final eight minutes including the front end of two one-and-one situa-

"They gambled and it almost worked," Taylor See LADY STEERS, page 3B

noted. "They knew they had to foul us and hope we missed our free throws. The scary part is that we had the people we wanted at the line, but they couldn't make 'em."

None of those in attendance could have imagined a nail-biting finish at the outset Tuesday, as the Lady Steers - capitalizing on 3-point shooting from guards Maggie Haddad, Kara Hughes and Marlena Light — exploded for 14 points before the Maidens could get on the scoreboard with a 3-point play from Hillary Lee.

The Maidens' next points came when Lee hit from the crease with 1:50 left in the first quarter. By that time, however, the Lady Steers owned a 20-5 edge and coasted to a 21-7 lead at the period's

Lake View seemed to be a one-girl team for most of the first half, Lee providing all but one of the Maidens' points in the first 12 minutes of play. In the process, Big Spring would jump out to its biggest lead, a 32-13 edge with four minutes to play in the first half.

However, the Lady Steers had missed seven of 12 opportunities at the free throw line during in the first four minutes of the second quarter revealing a flaw Lake View could not ignore.

For the next three minutes, the Lady Steers would turn ice cold and the Maidens would pull to within 11 points. But reserve posts Krissi McWherter and Nadia Cole combined for six



HERALD photo/John A. Moseley

Big Spring Lady Steers coach Ron Taylor provides instructions to his players during a tense timeout during the fourth quarter of Tuesday's District 4-4A opener. Despite 18-for-49 shooting from the free throw line, the Lady Steers managed to hold off San Angelo Lake View, 68-63.

Bulls restore order to wacky NBA universe

By JIM LITKE **AP Sports Writer**

CHICAGO — The first time these two teams met, the NBA season held such anarchic promise.

It was Oct. 31, opening night in Boston. Dennis Rodman was already bored. Scottie Pippen's return was being marked in months instead of weeks. The two-time, defending champion Chicago Bulls opened a 20point lead in the first quarter and then, like wine served after its time, turned out to be absolutely flat.

Packed with kids from coach **Rick** Pitino's sojourn in the college ranks at Kentucky, the green Celtics caught the Bulls, passed them and held on to win 92-85. They danced on the old parquet floor that night like it was the Bulls' grave, then went on the next few weeks and did little to damage Pitino's reputation as basketball's premier Mr. Fixit.

Atlanta, meanwhile, pushed off 11-0 from one coast, Los Angeles did the same from the other, and Chicago was struggling just to hang around .500. Whichever direction you turned, the NBA suddenly looked flush with feverish, young challengers to the established order.

But that was then. Boston showed up Tuesday in Chicago as Game No. 33 on the Bulls' schedule, and by the time the night was over, it was clear just how certainly the old order has been restored. With no muss, no fuss and relatively little from Michael Jordan, the Bulls still managed to wind up on the right end of a very easy, very professional 90-79 decision. Whatever else the Bulls have become — older, slower, more contentious — they are still the measuring stick.

"It took us a quarter to adjust to their style of play again," Bulls coach Phil Jackson said. "It's a very unusual, very strange style of play they have.

It may not have been an entirely satisfying win, not for a team setting off on a run of four contests in five nights. Jackson already said publicly he wants to win three of those, almost certainly pointing toward "message" games in Miami and New York. But he likely won't be disappointed. The fact that the Bulls won comfortably Tuesday night despite playing miserably they shot 42 percent and committed 18 turnovers — showed just how sure a grip he has on this ballclub.

In the midst of the Bulls' turbulent start, Jackson counseled patience. He said he would see those fresh legs and eager faces once the freshness of a new season wore off and the road and the schedule became a grind. Then, Jackson predicted, everybody else wouldn't seem so young and his guys wouldn't seem quite so old. And then the real business of winning

See LITKE, page 2B

Buffs, Lady Buffs manage district split with Ozona

Herald Correspondent

FORSAN — You couldn't

have asked for a tighter game than the Forsan Buffaloes' 44-42 victory over the Ozona Lions.

When asked about the victory, Forsan head coach Terry McDonald said, "It was a little too close for the way the game started." That was definitely an understatement.

The Buffaloes took control at the opening tip-off, and quickly left the Lions standing in the

Forsan's Josh Gaston and Casey Bristow gunned at the Lions from either side of the court, dominating the first period. AT the buzzer, the Buffaloes held a comfortable seven-point lead.

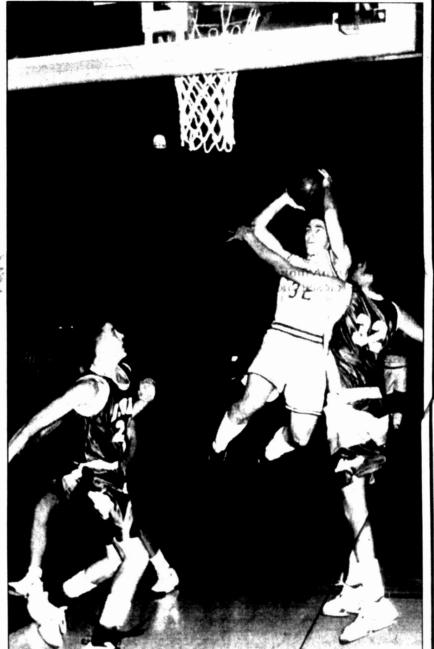
In the second period, both teams settled down, working the perimeter. While scoring nine points, Ozona couldn't contain the Buffaloes, who at intermission led the game 27-

"We expected them to make a run for it after the half," McDonald said. "They're too good of a team not to.

Coming back from the lockerroom, Ozona exploded onto court, rattling the Buffaloes. Forsan scored four points in the third, allowing the Lions a 17-point run that tied the game at 31-31.

"WE didn't expect them to tie it up like that," said McDonald. "Our boys got a little rattled, but I think they did a real good job of getting it back in the fourth quarter."

See BUFFS, page 3B



Forsan's Josh Gaston (32) drives to the hoop and scores fone of his game-high 17 points, as Ozona's Armando Flores (32) attempt to stop the score.

Tarr, Lady Lions too much in girls' game

By T.E. JENKINS Herald Correspondent

FORSAN - Emotions ran high Tuesday night as Forsan's Lady Buffs proved no match for No. 2-ranked Ozona's Lady

Lions in a 52-12 route. "Ozona is a tough team," said Evans. Forsan's Arnie "Everyone they have can shoot the ball."

Ozona took control of the ball at the opening buzzer, scoring 12 points in the first period.

A fast break by Evans set up a goal by Lady Buffs keyed by Jancy Crow, but the Lady Lions quickly tightened their

defense, shutting down Forsan The Lady Lions opened up the second period with a pair of 3-pointers, taking a formidable 16-point lead.

Forsan's Terra Proctor scored two points, but bad shooting plagued the Lady Buffs. A missed goal by Crow sent the game into intermission with the Lady Lions hold-

Lady Buffaloes coach Johnny Schafer said "we wanted to keep them from scoring inside the paint and they scored most of their goals from the perime-

That tactic wasn't enough to make a difference, however.

The third period went much the same. Forsan scored three goals, including a 3-pointer by Evans, but couldn't keep up

See LADY BUFFS, page 3B

Jones stays mum as Switzer death watch continues

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

IRVING — Is Barry witzer in or out? His boss is I't saying, but signs are pointing to an end to Switzer's tenure as coach after four years with the Dallas Cowboys.

Switzer, in apparent limbo after the term's worst season since 1989 was notably absent from Tue day's news conference to announce a six-year deal for ranchise offensive line; man Larry Allen. contract, reportedly

work \$4 million per year, mekes Allen the NFL's highestpaid offensive lineman.

Owner Jerry Jones offered no explanation for Switzer's noshow, and appeared somewhat irritated by the question.

"I don't know what you can read into it that hasn't already

been read into it," Jones said. "I don't have anything to say about coaching. I'm the master of ceremonies for this. I didn't

need anybody else up here." Jones said it will be after the Super Bowl — or even later before he addresses the coach-

ing situation. "I may not have a decision on a change or a non-change until around the end of February,'

he said

Allen, who moved to left tackle from right guard late in the season, was paid tackle money.

"He's the highest-paid lineman in the history of the football," Jones said before refusing

to divulge Allen's salary. Marvin Demoff, Allen's agent, was traveling and couldn't be reached for comment, his office Allen was believed to be ask

ing for \$4 million annually because of his move to left tackle, which protects quarterback Troy Aikman's blind side. The Cowboys called his bonus, believed to be around \$6 million, "significant." No other offensive lineman in the NFL is making more than \$3.5 million per season.

Allen, a Pro Bowl selection in three of his four years since he was drafted in the second round out of Sonoma State, said, "I

I don't know what you can read into that hasn't already been read into it.

thought I did a good job. You are what you are. You should get paid what you are worth."

Allen's signing likely means 15-year veteran Mark Tuinei won't return. "Logic tells us we are con-

cerned over him physically,' Jones said. "It doesn't mean he isn't in our plans. What we know now is that (Troy) can quit worrying about what's coming from the left side."

Jones called the signing of Allen, "the No. 1 on-field priority for us this season."

"Larry is the cornerstone to our future," Jones said. "He wanted to stay in Dallas and we know what he means to our team.

The 6-foot-3, 326-pound Allen said he will spend the offseason learning more about his new position.

"And I've got to lose some weight," Allen said.

The Cowboys found Allen by hard scouting at NFL combines, events that won't be attended by Dallas coaches anymore. In a policy decision that

emerged a week ago, Jones ordered his coaching staff to "We'd rather the coaches

spend time evaluating the other teams and what they have success with," Jones said.

Some observers say the new policy is more proof that coaching changes are in the offing.

Jones refused to say which

assistant coaches have a future with the team. "That's a sensitive area," he

Rangers schedule announcement amid word of sale

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

ARLINGTON — The Texas Rangers scheduled what they called a major announcement as word spread that Dallas Stars owner Tom Hicks has finalized a purchase of the club.

A source who spoke on condition of anonymity told The Associated Press that an investment group led by Hicks ironed out details Tuesday night to buy the Rangers.

"Things finally came together early this evening," the source said. "I can confirm that the final details with all the parties that make decisions in things like this appear to be resolved."

Controlling interest of the club, sold by Eddie Chiles nine years ago for an estimated \$46 million, is believed to be worth three times that amount now.

Under current ownership that includes Gov. George W. Bush, the Rangers have built a \$189 million stadium, made the playoffs for the first time and set team attendance records nearly every year.

Hicks' group, which includes at least some investors who teamed with him to buy the Stars two years ago, have been in talks to purchase the Rangers for several months.

Calls to Hicks, current Rangers partowner Edward W. "Rusty" Rose and

team president Tom Schieffer were not returned Tuesday night. Hicks was out of town.

Lisa LeMaster, a spokeswoman for Hicks, would confirm only that "there's a news conference and that Tom Hicks will be returning to Dallas (today).

Current Rangers coaches and management were not expected to be affected by the sale. "Tom Hicks' way of doing business is

to buy good companies with strong management and to keep them there,' LeMaster said.

Any deal would require approval by three-fourths of the American League owners and a majority of the National League owners. The approval process would take at least 6-9 months.

Hicks first branched into sports with his \$84 million purchase of the Stars in December 1995. Admittedly a hockey novice, Hicks let his hockey people run the team, and they've gone from a cellar dweller to the best record in the

In recent months, Hicks played a part in the University of Texas' decision to replace football coach John Mackovic

with Mack Brown. Last August, Hicks' company became a major player in the communications field by paying \$1.7 billion for LIN Telexision.

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rtional Football League DALLAS COWBOYS—Signed OL Larry Allen to a six-year contract.

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SPORTS BRIEFS

From staff and wire reports

Registration for youth league continues

The Big Spring YMCA is taking registrations for a its youth basketball league. The registration deadline was Dec. 6, but late

registrations are being accepted with a \$5 additional fee.

No tryouts will be held for 'he league, which organizers say will have an emphasis on partici-

pation and fundamentals, not winning. Practice began this week and tre first games

will be played on Saturday, Jan. 17. For more information, call 267-8234.

Lady Steers Booster Club sets meeting

The Big Spring Lady Steers Booster Cab will neet at 5:30 p.m. Thursday at the BSHS Ahletic Framing Center.

Anyone wanting to support the Lady Stears basketball, softball, track and volleyball piograms, as well as the cheerleaders, trainers and managers, is urged to attend.

For additional information, contact Shirley Johnson at 267-1541 or Kelly McBee at 393-5672.

USA Volleyball clinic scheduled

Continued from page 1B another championship would

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age has diminished, it has not affected the Bulls' desire for

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Strangely enough, the person

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Penny Hardaway and

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tled the Celtics, the Bulls slapped the Knicks, beat the

have yet to recover. And

really begin.

USA Volleyball, the West Texas Girl Scout Council and Nike will bring the Nike Volleyvan

to Big Spring High School's Steer Gym on Saturday, Jan. 17.

A clinic for girls in the fourth, fifth and sixth grades will be conducted to stress the importance of enjoying the game, as well as receiving basic skills work.

For more information, contact BSHS head volleyball coach Traci Pierce by calling 264-3641

Umpires for high school baseball needed

The Permian Basin chapter of baseball umpires is seeking individuals interested in becoming high school baseball umpires.

An orientation meeting has been scheduled for 2 p.m. Saturday at the Bonham Junior High School library in Odessa.

Anyone with previous high school umpiring experience that has recently moved to the Permian Basin is urged to attend.

For more information, contact Denny Garcia at (915) 689-1518 or (915) 332-2555.

Local chapter needs softball umpires

The Permian Basin chapter of the Southwest Softball Umpires Association needs umpires to Work high school softball games throughout West Texas, including the Big Spring area, this

For more information, contact Mack Gipson at (915) 5:0-5961/67 Freddie Ezell at (915) 520-6502.

Bad meets worse: Mavericks knock off Nuggets in battle of the losing streaks

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

There was so much going on in the NBA — the buildup to tonight's Bulls-Heat game, Shaquille O'Neal's return to the starting lineup and Charles Barkley's latest injury — that it would be easy to overlook the Denver-Dallas game.

But in terms of rarities, a team with a 15-game losing streak playing against one with a 13-game streak made it, oddly enough, one of the most compelling of the season.

"Any time you've lost as many as we had, and are playing a team worse than you, it's a must-win game," Dennis Scott said after the Mavericks outclassed (yes, even Dallas can outclass Denver) the Nuggets in a 108-90 victory.

It was the first win for the Mavericks since Dec. 4 - the night Don Nelson took over for the fired Jim Cleamons.

Dallas had lost 15 straight since then, but the Mays hadn't had the good fortune of having the Nuggets on their schedule.

In other games, Chicago defeated Boston 90-79, the Los Angeles Lakers beat Vancouver 100-87, Cleveland crushed Houston 100-70, Seattle topped Charlotte 102-81, Utah edged Philadelphia 98-95 in overtime, Phoenix nipped Indiana 81-80 and Sacramento defeated the Los Angeles Clippers 105-89.

Scott scored 28 points, shot 5for-8 from 3-point range and 11for-15 overall. Michael Finley and Hubert Davis had 20 points each as Dallas surpassed 100 points for only the fifth time this season and kept the Nuggets winless in 17 road

cent of their field goal attempts. their best since last March 16. set a season-high for points and had their largest margin of vic-

"I can't express how we feel," said Mavericks forward Samaki Walker, who had 14 points and

NBA ROUNDUP

those games you just have to win."

Bobby Jackson scored 17 points and LaPhonso Ellis and Eric Washington added 15 each for the Nuggets, whose record fell to 2-29.

With seven more losses, the Nuggets would break the NBA record of 20 consecutive defeats in one season by the 1993-94 Mavericks. The overall record losing steak is 24 by Cleveland at the end of the 1981-82 season and the start of the 1982-83 sea-

Bulls 90. Celtics 79

Dennis Rodman grabbed another 20 rebounds and Toni Kukoc scored nine of his 19 points during a decisive secondhalf run as Chicago won its 13th straight home game.

Next up for the Bulls is a game tonight at Miami, where coach Pat Riley has been carping about a double standard among referees who won't call fouls against "His Majesty Jordan.'

"It's not just a game," Jordan said. "We're not going down there to lose.

Antoine Walker and Ron Mercer had 10 points apiece for the Celtics, who are 1-13 against Chicago since the start of the 1994-95 season.

Lakers 100, Grizzlies 87

At Vancouver, O'Neal had 25 points, 14 rebounds and five assists in his first start after missing 20 games because of an abdominal strain.

point halftime deficit by hitting the rest of the way.

and eight rebounds, berated his teammates at halftime for their poor play.

criticized each other, got guys mad and got them playing harder. That was good for us.' O'Neal said. "And that's what Rick did. He called some guys

Cavaliers 100, Rockets 70

At Cleveland, Barkley was unable to play on an injured foot, and Houston lost by 30 its most lopsided defeat of the

Barkley left the game with 3:27 remaining in the second quarter. X-rays on his right foot were negative, but the 11-time All-Star said the injury could be a stress fracture of the middle

"I got hurt last night (at Toronto). I tried to play, but I couldn't," said Barkley, listed as day-to-day after going 1-for-5 with three points and four rebounds. "I'll have more tests (today) to know exactly what it. is. Right now I can't play. I can't do anything.'

Sonics 102, Hornets 81

At Seattle, Aaron Williams had a career-high 20 points, and Gary Payton added 18.

The Sonics won their sixth in a row and for the 12th time in 13 games to improve their NBAbest record to 27-6.

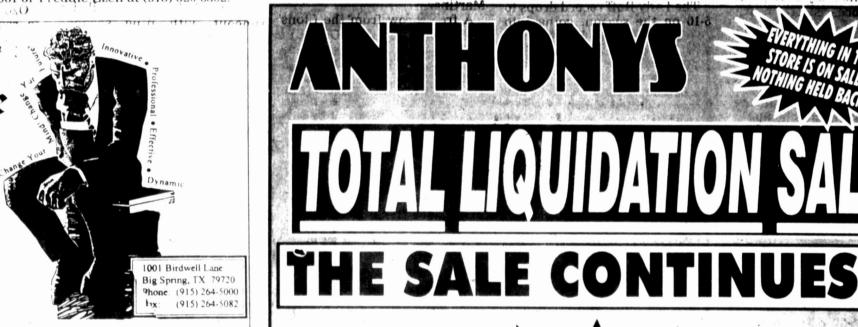
Vlade Divac scored a seasonbest 25 points and Glen Rice had 19 for Charlotte, which beat Seattle twice last season.

Jazz 98, 76ers 95

At Salt Lake City, Greg Ostertag blocked 11 shots and Karl Malone scored 21 points and hit four free throws in over-

Allen Iverson banked in a 3pointer with 2.8 seconds left in regulation to tie the score at 88, capping a 21-5 run by Philadelphia in the final 9:40 of the fourth quarter.

Jeff Hornacek added 21 points, while John Stockton had 16 points and a season-high 14 assists. . at down the.





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PITTSBURGH - Kordell Stewart, once the second best-known quarterback in the state where John Elway is king, spent five years at the University of Colorado watching the Denver Broncos' star lead comeback after comeback.

Vednesday, January 7, 1998

BIG SPRING HERALD

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

"Yeah, I kind of patterned myself after him," Stewart said. "Any quarterback in Colorado looks up to John

Now Stewart, the Pittsburgh Steelers' quarterback, is looking just like Elway especially in the fourth quarter.

No NFL quarterback has ever been more dangerous with a deficit than Elway, who has directed more than 40 successful fourth-quarter comebacks.

NFL PLAYOFFS

But he will be 38 in June, and every playoff game potentially could be his last - maybe even Sunday's AFC championship game in Pittsburgh.

When he retires, and that day likely will come sooner than later, Elway must abdicate to a new king of the comeback.

To find him, he might not need look further than to the opposing sideline Sunday, to the quarterback whose unflappable composure and boundless confidence have put him one victory away from taking his team to the Super Bowl in his first season as a starting quarterback.

"I never get nervous - ever," fourth-down throw to Yancey Thigpen Stewart said. It shows.

Just check out this collection of comebacks, one that even Elway has been unable to match this season:

-Down 21-0 in Baltimore on Oct. 5, the Steelers equaled the greatest comeback in team history as Stewart fashioned a game even Terry Bradshaw would have been proud of, throwing for three touchdowns and running for two in a 42-34 victory.

-The Steelers trailed by 10 points against Indianapolis on Oct. 12 and again Oct. 26 against Jacksonville, both times at home, yet Stewart led comeback victories each time.

—In arguably the NFL's game of the season, Stewart made an astonishing

to keep a fourth-quarter drive alive in New England on Dec. 13. Stewart then hit Mark Bruener for the touchdown and Thigpen for the 2-point conversion as the Steelers rallied from eight points down with two minutes to go to win 24-21 in overtime - a victory that ultimately clinched home-field advantage throughout the playoffs.

'We don't give up because of No. 10 (Stewart)," Pro Bowl running back Jerome Bettis said. "We know he's special and that anything is possible with him. He's shown us time after time and game after game he can make things happen."

-Stewart showed the Broncos on Dec. 7, rallying the Steelers from a 21-7 deficit in the second quarter, again by

throwing for three touchdowns - all to Thigpen - and running for two. It is his running, coupled with the pounding the lineman-sized Bettis puts on opposing defenses, that gives an the Steelers an added and extremely difficult-to-defend dimension.

"I'm a guy who's capable of getting out of the pocket and making things happen," Stewart said.

Like Saturday, when Stewart's 40yard tightrope walk of a touchdown down the sideline on the Steelers' opening drive proved the difference in their 7-6 playoff victory over New England.

Stewart's only deficiency, other than his tendency to sometimes force the ball into coverage, is his growing reliance on comebacks.

TUESDAY'S BASKETBALL GAMES

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COAHOMA — Sterling 5; Ernest
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points in the final minute to give Big Spring a 38-22 halftime lead.

When Haddad opened the third quarter with a 3-pointer, it appeared another big run was in the offing. Instead, the Maidens retaliated with six unanswered points and only a 3pointer from Hughes allowed the Lady Steers to stop the bleeding.

The result was a 16-10 Lake View run that trimmed the Lady Steers' lead to just 10 points, 48-38, until Haddad hit a layup at the buzzer to give Big Spring a 50-38 edge going into the final period.

In the process, Lady Steers post Traci Bellinghausen took a seat with five personal fouls and Taylor was forced to shuttle players with regularity and pick the opportunities Big Spring would use its pressure defense because several other key players were in foul trouble.

"We got out to such a big lead early, I think it kind of worked against us in the long run, Taylor said. "We kind of lost focus and committed some fouls; we shouldn't have made and put us in foul trouble."

Big Spring squandered a chance to literally put a damper on Lake View hopes with 7:30 to play when Maidens guard Bridget Leifeste drew her fifth personal and slammed the ball in disgust, drawing a bench technical.

But Hughes was unable to hit any of the four free throws Big Spring was awarded on the play, and when the Lady Steers failed to capitalize on the ensuing possession, Lake View pulled to within six when Lee popped mesh from 3-point range at the 6:32 mark.

As the Maidens continued to commit foul after foul, Big Spring simply couldn't stop the bleeding at the free throw line. Haddad managed just two-of-six opportunities down the stretch.

Light missed four and Hughes missed two more.

Lake View finally managed to deadlock the game at 60-60 with 1:36 remaining when Amy Rodriguez hit a 3-point shot, but the Lady Steers kept control behind the inside play of Lott and Cole.

In the end, Lake View not only ran out of time, but ran out of players as well. Six of the Maidens took an early seat after fouling out, the last being Lee. who sent Light to the charity stripe with 15 seconds left and the Lady Steers holding a 65-63 lead. Light hit one of the two free throws to make it a threepoint lead.

Lee finished the night with a game-high 26 points, while Stacy Bartz and Rodriguez added 11 and 10 points, respectively. Haddad had 21 for the Lady Steers, while Cole scored 15 before fouling out of the game late in the fourth quarter. Lott icing free throws allowed her to finish with 11.

There was no close finish in Tuesday's junior varsity action, as Big Spring took a 49-31 win behind Nina Evans' 18 points.

The Lady Steers JV also got 10 points apiece from Lacey Anderson and Alexis Casillas, who also had 12 steals. The best Lake View could manage in the first game was Megan Blanc's eight points.

Next up on the Lady Steers' schedule is a Friday home date with Fort Stockton's Prowlers. Junior varsity action is slated for 6 p.m. with the varsity game set for a 7:30 tip.

Big Spring 68, Lake View 63
LAKE VIEW — Bridget Leifeste 1 0 2-2 4, Christi Bulloch 0 0 3-6 3, Hillary Lee 8 1 7-9 26, Stacy Bartz 5 0 1-2 11, Amy Rodriguez 1 1 5-6 10, Cassey Ivin 0 0 0.0, Erica Hemandez 2 0 2-5 6, Candace Simpson 0 0 3-4 3, Totals 17 2 23-34 63,
Big SPRING — Krissi McWherter 1 0 1-3 3, Keesha Lott 4 0 3-7 11, Chandra McBee 1 0 0-0 2, Maggie Haddad 3 3 6-15 21, Traci Bellinghausen 0 0 2-4 2, Kara Hughes 0 2 0-5 6, Martena Light 1 1 3-10 8, Nadia Cole 6 0 3-5 15. Totals 16 6 18-49 68.
Score by Quarters:

Score by Quarters: LAKE VIEW 7 15 16 25-63 BIG SPRING 21 17 12 18-68

3-point goals: Lake View 2 (Lee, Rodriguez); Big Spring 6 (Haddad 3, Hughes 2, Light). Fouled out: Lake View - Leifeste, Bullock, Lee, Rodriguez; Irvin, Bartz; Big Spring - Bellinghausen, Cole. Records: Lake view 11-6, O1; Big Spring 11-6, 1-0. JV score: Big Spring 49, Lake

LADY BUFFS

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with the Lady Lions' pace. Ozona scored 13 points down the stretch and improved to 21-1 on the year.

In the final period, Ozona ration. shut down the Lady Buffs, hold-

Star forward Amber Tarr paced the Lady Lions with 15 points.

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"They've got about six or seven girls that can just shoot it anywhere they want to," Schafer noted, expressing admi-

The Lady Buff record drops to 5-10 on the season, going into Friday's non-district game in which they host Klondike's Lady Cougars at 6:30 p.m.

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And what a quarter it was. Forsan's Gaston led the way with bight points and a free throw

Ozona opened up as well, with eight points from junior Steven

Bobby Cervantez put Ozona up remaining, down 41-42. by one, forcing a Forsan timeout. Ozona's Martinez then connected with Justin Browne for

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another two points.

With 1:41 left to play, Ozona owned a three-point lead, at 40-

the Lions' Cervantez scored again, but Forsan's Daniel Davis and Gaston would not be

After a broken attempt to A free throw from the Lions' timeout with nine seconds

With the clock winding down, Forsan's Gaston landed a beautiful jump-shot from the line, putting the Buffaloes ahead 43-

"I knew it was good when I let go of it," said Gaston who fin-

traveling or something." Gaston. He hit the free throw, Friday.

allowing the Buffaloes to improve to 9-8 on the season and more importantly give them a 1-0 district mark. Ozona is 10-10 and 0-1

Bristow had 17 for the Buffs, while Cervantez led Ozona with ished with 17 points. "I was just 12. Browne rounded out the worried I would get called for double-digit scoring for the Lions with 10.

The Buffs will play host to to regain the ball by fouling Klondike in non-district action

Steer frosh drop pair to Mustangs **HERALD Staff Report**

Big Spring's freshman Steers suffered a pair of setbacks at the hands of Sweetwater's Mustang frosh Monday, the Gold team dropping a 59-28 decision, while the Black squad

In the opener, Luis Diaz scored half of the Gold's points, finishing with 14 on the game. The nightcap, however, saw more even production by the Black squad, as Jason Choate led the way with eight points. Blake Gee and Jaroe Parnell added seven points apiece in the Black team's loss.

The two Big Spring squads will return to action Thursday when they host the Big Spring Freshman Basketball

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District to select via a Request for Qualification/RFP process Design-Builder. The Project is concrete structural walls. The selected Design-Builder will be responsible for cost estimatin constructability analysis, value ring and scheduling during the design and construction docu ments phases, and will build a warrant the Project thereafter. Three (3) duplicate copies of the response to this RFQ shall be sub mitted no later than January 16 1998 at 2:00 PM to: Coahomi Independent School District, 600 North Main Street, Coahoma Texas 79511 or mailing address of Coahoma Independent School rict, P.O. Box 110, Coahoma

Upon receipt, the District will review the responses, requests from one to five Proposals, and conduct interviews if deemed appropriate. An admi ommendation will be made to the Board of Trustees.'
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GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You want to hide out; so much is going on. You might . need to withdraw, just to get your work done. Screen calls. By afternoon, a business talk with a partner is needed. You feel better, as the day gets older. Your charm exudes, even on the phone! Tonight: Off to the movies.****

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

You make headlines this morning. Others break precedent and make an upbeat venture possible. A partner is there for you. By afternoon, retreat to work through a new idea on your own. Spend time with a loved one. Tonight: Thank someone, in your fash-

ion.**** LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Accepting the limelight is natural for you. Others try to distract you. But you manage to handle it all, and diplomatically at that. Count on a coworker to come through for you. An afternoon business meeting could turn into a social event. Tonight: Where your friends are. *****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Taking in the total picture is key. Your input is important; share an imaginative idea. Maintain a high profile at work, and make an extra effort to get along with a co-worker. He will appreciate your thoughtful gestures and willingness. Tonight: In the spot-

light.**** **LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Make time for a family talk about home, security and longterm needs. Hold up the mirror, and exhibit integrity.

Honor what is really going on,

and know what kind of commitment is needed. Make long-distance calls. Feedback from a loved one is key. Tonight: Take a drive.**** SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Others seek you out for your opinion. Someone also wants you to pick up the tab on a key

item. You know how to grace-

fully decline. Communications

open up a previously sticky

business talk. Tonight: Enjoy a loved one's flery nature.**** SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec.

Work is intense and demanding, as usual. Keep up with messages, and return calls. New developments are probable. Stay on top of what is happening. Defer socializing until later in the day. Mixing business and pleasure is likely. Tonight: Chat over dinner.*

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan.

Your frisky, playful nature emerges with money. Do you really want that? Taking financial risks is chancy; walking a simple, conservative course seems far more logical. Take time with work this afternoon, and don't take anyone or anything for granted. Tonight: Make a sensitive offer ****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Deal with family, and be direct about financial matters. Others might be overlooking you. An intuitive idea about what is really happening is right on. Let out your humor and creativity. Great ideas emerge. Tonight: The kid in

you bubbles forth.**** PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Reach out for others, and make calls early in the day. You get good news, and have reason to celebrate. You might convey that everything is under control, when in fact, a lot is out of control. Be realistic. about your boundaries, and ask for help. Tonight: Happy at home.****

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Comedian Soupy Sales (1930), musician David Bowie (1947), actress Yvette Minieux (1941) actress Yvette Mimieux (1941)

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DEAR ABBY: Another Veterans Day has come and gone, but if the response of America's business community

was any indication, you never would have known it. I am not talking about not celebrat. ing it as a holiday; I recognize

Abigail Van Buren in the Columnist business environment we have today that often isn't possible. I'm talking about a complete lack of recognition.

work at a major credit card

company, and it didn't even

acknowledge Veterans Day or

Memorial Day. Abby, your column is read by everyone, including our business leaders. Please remind them that these two days are sacred and should be recognized within the workplace, regardless of whether they give their employees the day off or not. All they need to do is put out a short memo reminding everyone of what these days stand for. I don't feel this is too much to ask of our business leaders — to simply honor

en. – MIKE SMITH, WILM-INGTON, DEL. P.S.: Yes, I am a veteran: Active, Reserve and Desert

those who have served and

especially those who have fall-

DEAR MIKE: Though it's well after Veterans Day, your letter is certainly worth space in my column. The people of this country owe a great debt to the men and women who have served us so courageously and so well. At the very least, their sacrifice should be acknowledged in some way or other than a 15-hour sale.

DEAR ABBY: You did it again — you passed on another lie: that 4,000 women are killed by their spouses each year. This lie emanated from Rep. Eva Clayton, D-N.C. The FBI Uniform Crime Statistics, compiled from law enforcement reports from around the U.S., puts the number between 1,200 and 1,400.

One simply cannot rely on information provided by battered women's shelters or feminists; they have the bad habit of making up figures in order to facilitate the notion that women are victims and men are the major abusers. They have done this again and again, and if you unwillingly aid and abet these liars, that makes you a liar, too.

er, if the supposed rate of 4,000 per year applied, the figure should be about 260. I ask you to make a written apology to your readers for willfully passing out erroneous information and denigrating

men. - JASON LARIX, MIS-

In Montana, only 20 women

have been killed in the past 10

years by their spouses; howev-

SOULA, MONT. DEAR JASON: The figures I printed came from the National Center for Violence Prevention, St. Louis, Mo. They claim that the 4,000 figure is conservative. (Not all murders are necessarily recorded as homicides some might be classified as "hunting accidents," "boating accidents" or "cause of death ... undetermined.") The true number may never be known. However, I will stand corrected if I hear from other reliable sources.

I have never knowingly lied to my readers. If I have made a mistake, I correct it at the first opportunity. Taking a stand against battering (which is an issue that crosses gender lines) is not about women conspiring against and/or denigrating men. The majority of men are as concerned about battering and violence as I am. You obviously fail to see the importance of addressing and intervening in this societal epidemic. As the old song goes, "How many deaths will it take 'til they know, that too many people have died?" Think about it.

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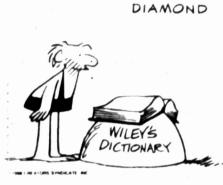
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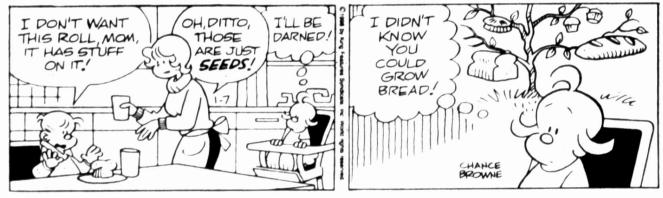




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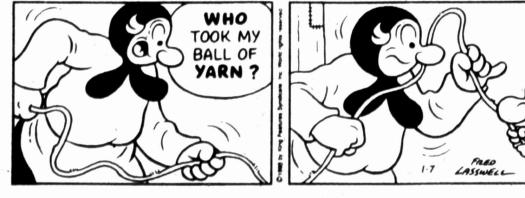
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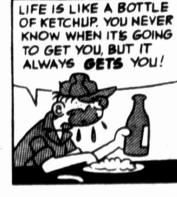


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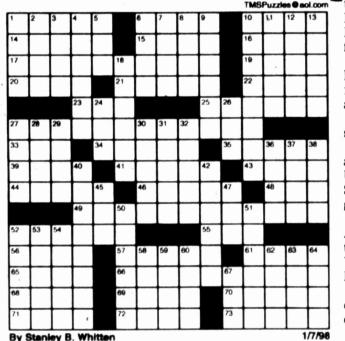
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In 1610, the astronomer Galileo Galilei sighted four of Jupiter's moons.

In 1800, the 13th president of the United States, Millard born in Fillmore, Summerhill, N.Y.

In 1894, one of the earliest motion picture exp took place at the Thomas Edison studio in West Orange, N.J., as comedian Fred Ott was

filmed sneezing. In 1927, commercial transatlantic telephone service was inaugurated between New York

and London. In 1942, the World War II

siege of Bataan began. In 1953, President Truman announced in his State of the Union address that the United States had developed a hydro-

gen bomb. In 1955, singer Marian Anderson made her debut with the Metropolitan Opera in New York, in Verdi's "Un Ballo in Maschera."

In 1959, the United States recognized Fidel Castro's new government in Cuba.

In 1972, Lewis F. Powell Jr. and William H. Rehnquist were sworn in as the 99th and 100th

members of the Supreme Court. In 1979, Vietnamese forces captured the Cambodian capital of Phnom Penh, overthrowing the Khmer Rouge government.

In 1989, Emperor Hirohito of Japan died at age 87; he was succeeded by Crown Prince Akihito. Ten years ago: Secretary of

State George P. Shultz, seeking to smooth a rift caused by a United Nations vote, told reporters that overall American support for Israel remained 'unshakable." British actor Trevor Howard died in England at age 71. Five years ago: U.S. forces in

Somalia unleashed tank, helicopter and rocket fire on two clan camps in Mogadishu where snipers had been taking potshots at the troops. A preliminary report prepared for the European Community said Serb fighters may have raped about 20,000 women in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

One year ago: Newt Gingrich overcame dissension in GOP ranks to become the first Republican re-elected House speaker in 68 years.

Today's Birthdays: Author

William Peter Blatty is 70. Country singer Jack Greene is 68. Pop musician Paul Revere is 56. Magazine publisher Jann Wenner is 52. Singer Kenny Loggins is 50. Singer-songwriter Marshall Chapman is 49. "Today" show co-host Katie Couric is 41. Country singer--David Lee Murphy is 39.

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