

Firefighter takes aim at 'social investment' in suit

By KATHY GILBERT
Staff Writer

Paul Brown, 15-year veteran firefighter and chairman of the board of trustees of the Big Spring Fireman's Relief and Retirement Fund (BSRRF), is used to putting out fires.

But as the lead plaintiff in a lawsuit challenging the state's right to force his pension to divest in companies producing rap music, Brown has declared war on the state, not the elements.

In *Brown v. Morales*, filed in Travis County's 353rd District Court on Jan. 23, the firefighter and pension trustee believes he is fighting to save his retirement fund from the threat of "social investment."

Social investing has been around for years. The idea is to withdraw investments from companies who, say, own companies in South Africa, produce tobacco, or, in this case, market objectionable music.

Texas became the first state to prohibit state pension funds from investing in companies that produce "gansta rap" music in June 1997.

Retirement funds are fighting back. *Brown v. Morales* lists 11 individual plaintiffs, including police officers and teachers, and the Recording Industry of America.

Defendants include Attorney General Dan Morales, Comptroller John Sharp, the

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HERALD photo/Linda Choate
Paul Brown is the lead plaintiff in a lawsuit challenging the state's right to force his pension to divest in companies producing rap music.

Budget rider vulnerable, plaintiff's attorney says

By KATHY GILBERT
Staff Writer

The budget rider being contested by Paul Brown and other pensioners, is particularly vulnerable, Brown's attorney Peter Kennedy said Tuesday.

So vulnerable, in fact, that Brown and Kennedy fully expect to win their lawsuit.

"Riders are particularly vulnerable," Kennedy said, "because they are not a valid way to make general law."

At the center of the controversy is a last-minute attachment to the general budget bill last summer by Senate Finance Chairman Bill Ratliff, R-Mount Pleasant.

Ratliff, said last month that "it makes me sick at my stomach to think that there are teachers in Texas (and others) that would defend these people's actions so far as distributing lyrics that advocate rape, that advocate assault on police officers, that advo-

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Airpark master plan presented to city officials

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

It may be some time before Big Spring residents see the final product, but consultants on the airport/airpark master plan, recently presented their ideas to city officials.

"We feel it's a really good plan where the airpark is concerned," Airpark Manager Nelda Reagan said.

"Recent meetings as far as updating the public as to what's going on with the plan is a requirement in case the city decides to seek any type of additional funding from the Texas Department of Transportation," Reagan added.

Woolfert will also be presenting city and Moore officials a marketing plan at a later date. Reagan said a final draft of the airport/airpark master plan could be presented to city officials by early summer.

The actual planning process consists of two elements, updating the airport master plan, and preparing an industrial park master plan. The previous airpark master plan was written in 1981.

As per Federal Aviation Administrations requirements, the final airpark master plan will include aerial photography; background information and inventory; forecasts of aviation activity; capacity and facility requirements; and a study of area compatibility recommendations and environmental evaluation.

Also included will is an update of airport plans; schedules and opinions of costs for a development plan; management and financial program; public participation; and preparation of master plan documentation.

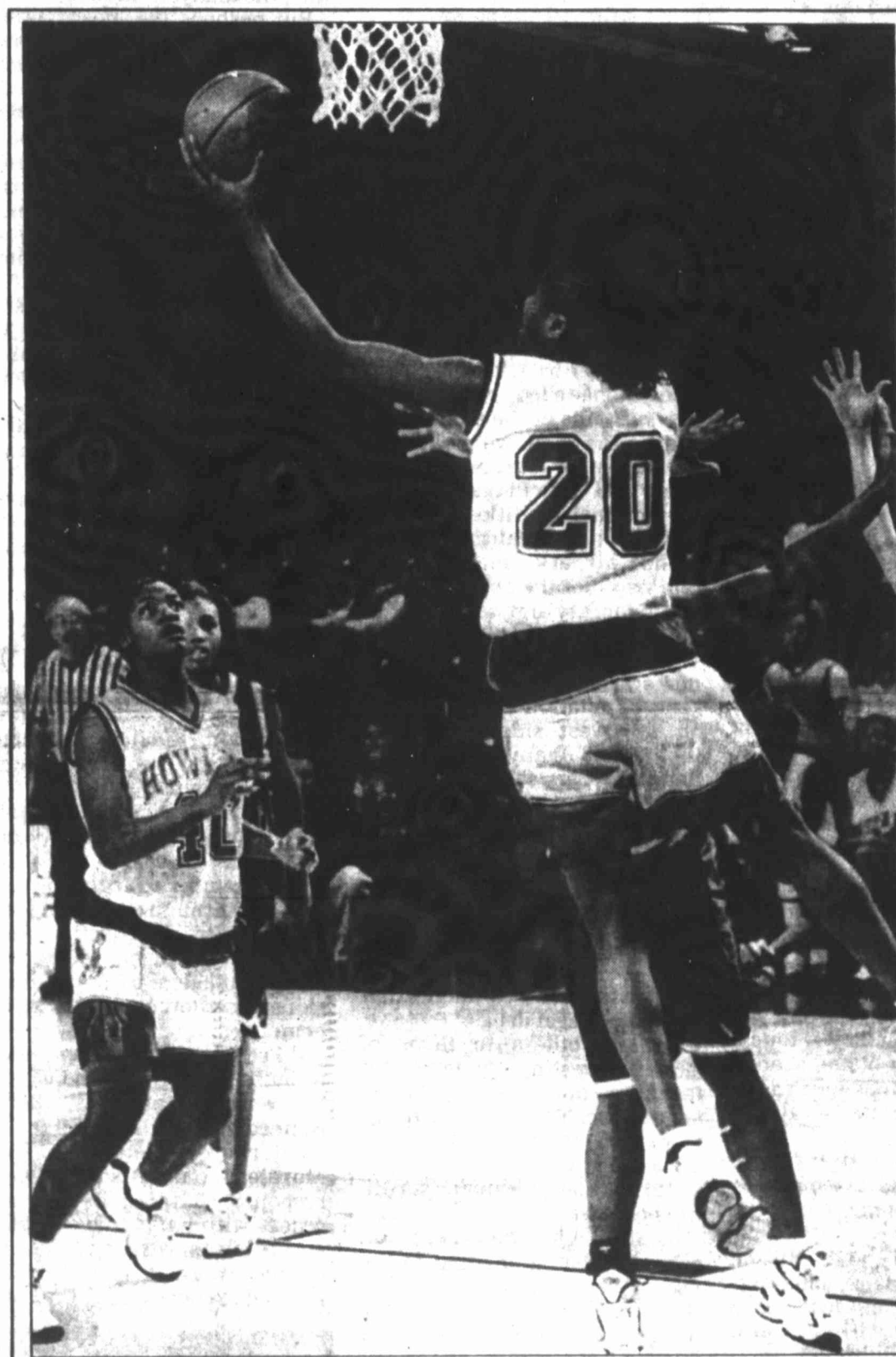
Based on the RFP originally sent out, the industrial airpark master plan will include facilities inventory and condition assessment; review of current lease conditions and recommendations; infrastructure inventory and assessment; master planning; circulation review and planning; and multi-modal and rail access review and planning.

The industrial plan will also call for infrastructure and capital improvements; zoning and aesthetic controls and improvements; land and facilities maintenance; a development plan; minimum development standards and guidelines; schedules and opinions of costs for a development plan; a management and financial program; and phasing an implementation planning.

Bill Bryant is Woolfert's senior planner on the Big Spring project and Raymond Carr is the project manager.

"There are three reasons for doing a master plan," Carr said. "They are the utilization of city facilities, which will enable the city to get future funding from the FAA; improved access from Interstate 20 to the airpark; and establishing a hierarchy of roads for people to get around at

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HERALD photo/Jim Ferro
Shawnta Johnson comes off the baseline for a reverse layup during Howard College's 75-72 win over Grayson during the first round of the Region V Women's Basketball Tournament in Midland, Tuesday. Johnson led the Lady Hawks, now 29-2, with 20 points in the win. For more on the tournament, please see pages 1-2B.

Foundation grant boon to college

By KATHY GILBERT
Staff Writer

Howard College students should make a beeline to the financial aid office to apply for more than 200 new scholarships created for next year.

Thanks to a \$250,000 grant from the Dora Roberts Foundation, every student at Howard College has a chance for more cash next year.

"What we hope it will do is increase the number of students," Financial Aid Director Ann Duncan said Tuesday.

"We feel very good about the wide range of programs," she added. "It has been an invaluable help to students who may or may not qualify for other aid."

More than 300 students have applied for financial aid, and at least 100 of these have applied for the new Dora Roberts Scholarships, Duncan said.

"It's a separate process," she explained, "anyone who wants scholarships must complete a separate form."

The new scholarship program was designed by administrators at Howard College. "The concerns we'd seen were students needing help, in the case of the dental hygiene program, the kit is expensive and needed at the beginning of the program," Duncan explained.

"In the nursing program costs varied. We wanted those in the program to be able to get help with tuition and fees as well as their expenses," she added.

Dora Roberts Foundation Scholar Program for 1998-99 was unveiled at the Howard College Board of Trustees meeting Feb. 23.

The 44 nursing students accepted in the associate degree nursing and vocational nursing programs in Big Spring will receive a \$900 scholarship.

Ten \$450 scholarships for the weekend nursing program in the Spring 1999 semester will be offered. Each first-year student in the dental hygiene program will receive a \$1600 dental hygiene kit; second-year students will receive a

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County, city unemployment rates creep upward, latest results show

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Now that the holiday shopping season has come to a close, many areas across the state, including Big Spring and Howard County, as seeing low unemployment figures slowly rising.

Howard County's unemployment rate for the month of January was 3.7 percent, an increase of seven-tenth of a per-

cent compared to December's rate of 3 percent. Compared to the statewide rate of 5.4 percent, the county's current unemployment rate is 1.7 percent less.

The city of Big Spring reported a January unemployment rate of 4.7 percent, an increase of 1.4 percent compared to December.

According to Texas Workforce Commission (TWC), the increases are mostly due to the seasonal decrease in the labor

force as the holiday season came to a close, a time when the unemployment rate historically increases.

In December, the city of Big Spring reported an unemployment rate of 3.3 percent. For the months of November and October, Big Spring reported an unemployment rate of 3.7 percent.

For the month of January, Howard County reported a civilian labor force of 13,594 with an

employment level of 13,089, leaving 505 people unemployed.

In December, the county reported a civilian labor force of 14,086 with an employment level of 13,669 people, leaving 417 unemployed and for the month of November, the county reported a civilian labor force of 14,057 with an employment level of 13,596 people, leaving 461 unemployed.

January's 4.5 percent unemployment rate for the Odessa-

Midland Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA), the MSA closest to Big Spring and Howard County, was seven-tenths of a percent higher than December's rate of 3.8 percent, placing it 11th among the state's 27 MSAs.

Other counties in the Permian Basin reported various unemployment rates for the month of January included Andrews, 5.5 percent; Borden, 2.9 percent; Dawson, 5.7 percent; Ector, 5.5

percent; Glasscock, 2.1 percent; Martin, 5.1 percent; and Midland, 3.5 percent.

By city, Permian Basin unemployment rates for January included Andrews, 2.5 percent; Lamesa, 3.02 percent; Odessa, 4 percent; Pecos, 6.3 percent; Stanton, 16.8 percent; Midland, 2.55 percent; and Rankin, 8.2 percent.

Statewide, the unemployment

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WEATHER

Tonight:



Thurs:



Fri:



Sat:



Tonight, clear. Lows in the 40s. Thursday, sunny and breezy. Highs in the 70s. Thursday night, partly cloudy. Lows from the upper 30s to mid 40s. Extended forecast, Friday, partly cloudy. Highs in the 60s. Saturday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers.

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Annual Boy Scouts banquet set for Thursday night

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

The Lone Star District of the Boy Scouts of America Buffalo Trail Council will have its annual banquet at 7 p.m. Thursday in First United Methodist Church's Garrett Hall, featuring several awards to be given out by District Chairman Ladd Smith.

An open house will begin at 6:30 p.m. for those who have not yet seen the remodeled Scout Center at Seventh and Scurry. Scout delegations from Snyder

and Colorado City, which are served through Big Spring's new East Area Service Center, will also attend Thursday's banquet.

At the recent meeting of Lone Star District officials, District Executive Warren Wallace informed officials that the scout store in the center is now open and doing well selling scout uniforms, literature, badges and a variety of scout paraphernalia.

The new service center is one of the biggest highlights in scouting in Big Spring during

the the past year.

Almost two years to the day after the building at 610 Scurry was donated to the Buffalo Trail Council Inc. Boy Scouts of America by the Ernest Welch family, the new East Area Service Center is near completion.

The center opened to the public last month during an open house to preview the new facility.

For 75 years scout executives of the Lone Star District have moved from place to place, but the new service center gives

scouting in Big Spring one central location.

The center was remodeled and completed thanks to donations from the Dora Roberts Foundation and dozens of hours of volunteer labor.

Wallace says the new center has been a long time in coming and is something that will definitely be appreciated.

"It gives us a tangible presence in the community," Wallace said. "People know that we are. There is a structure

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OBITUARIES

Lester Wilbanks

Lester Wilbanks, 90, Big Spring, died on March 1, 1998, at Comanche Trail Nursing Home following a long illness.

Service is 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 4, 1998, at Myers & Smith Chapel with Rev. Herb Wilbanks, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will follow in Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Lester was born on June 22, 1907, in Tyler. He married Callie Franklin Collier on Feb. 11, 1933, in Shreveport, La. She preceded him in death on Nov. 17, 1989. He later married Mary Janice Robinson on July 11, 1990.

Lester had been a resident of Big Spring since March 1, 1952, moving here from Oakland, Calif. He was a member of First Baptist Church and was also active at Calvary Baptist Church. He was a member of the Hot Potato Band and the Kentwood Country Western Band. He had worked as a fire prevention officer at Webb Air Force Base for 16 years.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Robinson Wilbanks of Big Spring; one son, Bob Wilbanks of Big Spring; one daughter, Betty Smith of Jacksonville; and one grandson, Rob Wilbanks of Lubbock; three stepsons, Roy Robinson of Durango, Colo., Larry Robinson of Odessa, and Paul Robinson of Houston; two stepdaughters, Dale Irene Robinson Gibble of Missouri City, Texas, and Marian London of Temple; nine stepgrandchildren; and two stepgreat-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel, 906 Gregg St., Big Spring. Burial will be in Mount Olive Memorial Park.

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

Jose O. Garcia

Service for Jose O. Garcia, 74, Big Spring, is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel.

Mr. Garcia died Tuesday, March 3, 1998, at Martin County Hospital following a sudden illness.

JOBS

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rate increased to 5.4 percent in January. In December, the

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Garland Sanders, 89, died Monday. Services were at 2:00 PM Wednesday at Baptist Temple Church. Interment followed at Trinity Memorial Park.

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Lester Wilbanks, 90, died Sunday. Services are 2:00 PM today at Myers & Smith Chapel, Burial in Mt. Olive Memorial Park.
Betty Pinnecke, 73, died Monday. Services are pending in Clear Lake, Iowa.
Jose Garcia, 74, died Tuesday. Services are pending.

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state's 4.5 percent unemployment rate was the lowest since Texas registered a 3.9 percent rate in 1979.

Seasonal jobs in government and transportation helped contribute to the drop in the state's unemployment rate in November and December, according to TWC.

Despite the increase in the unemployment rate due to seasonal employees leaving the labor force, Texas' economy remains strong, providing many employment opportunities to job seekers across the state.

Bryan-College Station reported the lowest January unemployment rate at 2 percent. McAllen-Edinburg-Mission had the highest rate at 21.6 percent.

Rates of unemployment in the urban areas of Texas as announced by the TWC for January include: Abilene, 3.8 percent; Amarillo, 4 percent; Austin-San Marcos, 3 percent; Beaumont-Port Arthur, 8 percent; Brazoria, 6.7 percent; Brownsville-Harlingen, 13.9 percent; Corpus Christi, 6.9 percent; Dallas, 3.6 percent; Lubbock, 3.7 percent; San Angelo, 3.3 percent; and Wichita Falls, 5 percent.

Texas' 5.4 percent unemployment rate in January was slightly above the U.S. unemployment rate of 5.4 percent.

SCOUTS

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about the core of scouting troops, which is our district committee. The district committee supports every aspect of our program and our boys as well as our leaders will be proud of the new center."

Just south of the center's large conference room is a small museum to remind visitors and those involved with scouting of the changes that have taken place in nearly 90 years of scouting.

The center's scout store is stocked with uniforms, auxiliary items such as neckerchiefs, sashes and badges as well as camping gear and other items used in the scouting program.

"The key thing with the store is that we're a satellite scout office and we will be able to disperse our advancements to our units right here in Big Spring rather than having to go to the Buffalo Trail Council store in Midland," Wallace said.

One of the most important aspects of the new center is that it will help continue the long tradition of scouting in Big Spring.

Wallace says scouting is something every young boy should try.

"Scouting develops strong values in each young boy it touches. It honors the home, school, and church or synagogue as the origins of our youth's values," Wallace said.

Wallace added scouting's goal is to nurture and extend these values by emphasizing the scout oath and law.

Camping out and hiking teaches boys basic self-assurance, teamwork and leadership - life skills they will take with them well into adulthood.

Wallace pointed out in today's times, when peer pressure as well as social pressure is what it is, young people make dozens of choices everyday that many adults never faced growing up.

Some of today's young people make choices that come with consequences they are not ready to handle, Wallace added.

Adults and scouting volunteers can help make those choices a lot easier by supporting a program that is a powerful teaching tool that promotes teamwork and self-esteem - scouting.

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All scholarship recipients will be required to provide 10 hours of community service each semester in selected community projects as well as maintain full-time status and a 2.5 grade point average.

Students applying for these departmental scholarships must complete the applications by May 1, 1998, and return them to the Financial Aid Office at Howard College.

A screening committee will review the applications beginning May 2 and awards will be made by May 10.

Scholarship applications are available in the Financial Aid Office at Howard College.

For more information call the Financial Aid Office at Howard College, 264-5083.

PLAN

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the airpark."

"Big Spring has a tremendous asset and we have an approved master plan," Carr added. "As for additional access from I-20, we want to improve the access from the east. West-bound traffic already has pretty decent access to the airpark."

Carr told city officials that the airpark has a lot of land in its northwest section that there is no access to.

"We want to increase circulation at the airpark," Carr said. "We propose a loop road to serve the west side of the airpark. By adding the road, we make land available for future development and it will get existing correctional facilities from the front door of the airpark."

The airpark master plan retains all of the current leases at the facility and no one is displaced, according to Carr. "The master plan would also make access to a consolidated general aviation area available on the west side and would include as many as 'right' T-hangers," Carr said. "More than half the airpark is still available for future development."

The lawsuit charges the state with violating constitutional law in three areas:
• It attempts to legislate general law through a budget rider.
• It violates the constitutional mandate requiring retirement fund managers to make decisions based on sound financial principles.

RIDER

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cate assault on women, that advocate illegal drugs."

He and others in favor of "social investing" believe that teachers and other retirees should sacrifice their earnings to punish companies that produce rap music.

His methods are under scrutiny, however. Ratliff, who has gone on record as being opposed to the use of budget riders, attached the "rap rider" to the 800-page budget document at the last minute last summer.

The rider was passed into law without a hearing, critics said. The budget rider prohibits the use of state money to invest in or buy securities of a business that owns 10 percent or more of a company that records or produces any song, lyrics or other musical work that explicitly describes, glamorizes or advocates:

- Acts of criminal violence, including murder, assault, assault on police officers, sexual assault and robbery.
- Necrophilia, bestiality, pedophilia.
- Illegal use of drugs.
- Criminal street gang activity.
- Degradation of women.
- Violence against a particular sex, race, ethnic group, sexual orientation or religion.

Attorney General Dan Morales has filed a legal response charging Brown and others with having no standing according to Texas statute. All charges were denied. Morales refused to comment on the case.

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LAWSUIT

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Texas Board of Education, and the Teacher Retirement System of Texas.

The impetus behind the lawsuit is the sense that, while anti-social music is a problem, pensioners, not companies will be harmed.

"If held to be constitutional, the law could probably cause these funds to lose millions and millions of dollars needed to pay benefits to retirees," Bill Blythe, executive director of the Texas Association of Public Employee Retirement Systems said Tuesday.

An analysis commissioned by the BSRF shows that if the law had been effect for the past 10 years, Big Spring firefighters "would be prohibited from earning \$20,508,301."

Funds would be prohibited from investing in such companies as News Corp, Time Warner, Inc., Seagram Co. Ltd., Sony Corporation and Viacom, Inc., the analysis showed.

But perhaps the most powerful criticism of the rider is that it harms only retirees, not producers of rap music.

"Most everybody would object to these, in some instances, truly foul lyrics," Rep. Barry Telford, chairman of the House Pensions and Investments Committee said. "But if you want to make change in a company, you need to stay there."

A bill requiring investment funds to use their proxies to make change within companies died on the floor during the legislative session, Telford said.

"I have no problem with the intent of the rider, but I have big-time problems with the methods," the DeKalb area Democrat said.

"(The plaintiffs) disagree with the idea that politicians can decide where their money gets invested," Brown's attorney Peter Kennedy of George, Donaldson & Ford, L.L.P. of Austin said. The politician says "I took a stand against those awful music lyrics," but the definition is so broad covers all types of music."

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- It attempts to legislate general law through a budget rider.
- It violates the constitutional mandate requiring retirement fund managers to make decisions based on sound financial principles.
- Free speech is threatened because the statute is so vaguely worded, attorney Peter Kennedy said.

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SPRINGBOARD

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 Study.

•State Board of Education Candidate for District 15 Judy Strickland will be at the Howard County Library from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Come and meet her.
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•Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright, has free food for area needy, 10 a.m. to noon.

•Big Spring Senior Citizens Center art classed, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. 55 and older.

MARKETS

March cotton 65 cents, down 91 points; July crude 15.38, up 11 points; Cash hogs \$1.50 lower at 52.50; cash steers steady at 60; April lean hog futures 47.75, down 15 points; April live cattle futures 65.30, up 47 points. courtesy: Delta Corporation.

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Sun	41% + 1/2
Texas Instruments	55% + 1/2
Texas Utilities Comm	39% - 1/2
Unocal Corp	37% - 1/2
Wal-Mart	48% + 1/2
Ampac	16.93-17.96
Euro Pacific	28.82-30.58
I.C.A.	30.17-32.01
New Perspective	21.40-22.71
Prime Rate	8.50%
Gold	297.00-297.50
Silver	6.25-6.29

POLICE

The Big Spring Police reported the following incidents between 8 a.m. Tuesday and 8 a.m. Wednesday:

- DARROLL CASEY, 38, was arrested on local warrants.
- ROBERT BUCK, 28, was arrested on local warrants.
- YOLANDA GONZALES, 35, was arrested on local warrants.
- ROGER RODRIGUEZ, 27, was arrested for assault class C/family violence.
- PAUL LOCKLEAR, 36, was arrested for driving while intoxicated.
- DONALD VANDERBILT, 23, was arrested for disorderly conduct-language.
- THEFT reported in the 2300 block of Wasson.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF /GRAFFITI reported in the 1200 block of W. 4th.

•CRIMINAL MISCHIEF reported in the 1700 block of E. Marcy and the 500 block of Dallas.

•HINDERING SECURED CREDITOR reported at the police station.

•BURGLARY/HABITAT reported in the 600 block of Baylor and the 400 block of Bell.

•FOUND PROPERTY reported in the 700 block of W. 18th.

•DRIVING WHILE LICENSE INVALID reported near the 178 exit.

•DOG BITE reported in the 4000 block of Dixon.

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following incidents between 8 a.m. Tuesday and 8 a.m. Wednesday:

- DAVID DANIEL PEREZ, 35, was arrested for failure to identify and revocation of probation.
- ROBERTO MENDOZA, 49, was arrested for criminal non-support.
- JOHNNY OCHOA, 27, was arrested for revocation of probation/burglary of habitat.
- HERBERT BRUCE BELCHER, 44, was arrested for driving while intoxicated and possession of marijuana.
- VALATINE TORRES, JR., 19, was arrested for public intoxication.
- PAMELA KAY MONTEMAYOR, 36, was arrested for public intoxication.
- DONNA WATSON, 32, was arrested for theft.

FIRE/EMS

Following is a summary of Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reports:

- Tuesday**
1:46 p.m. - 11th and Washington, traffic accident, patient transferred to VA Medical Center.
3:27 p.m. - 1000 block E. Highway 350, traffic accident, service refused.
4:19 p.m. - 900 block N. Runnels, trauma call, patient transferred to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
5:02 p.m. - 200 block Donley, trauma call, patient transferred to SMMC.
5:25 p.m. - 600 block Edwards, trauma call, patient transferred to SMMC.
7:56 p.m. - Mile Marker 178 E I-20, medical call, patient transferred to SMMC.
10:57 p.m. - 1400 block Sheppard Lane, medical call, patient transferred to SMMC.

RECORDS

Tuesday's high 72
Tuesday's low 35
Average high 66
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Another strep infection death; toll reaches 13 statewide

HOUSTON (AP) — A 5-year-old Houston-area boy has died from a virulent bacterial infection caused by group A streptococcus, bringing to 13 the number of recent strep deaths across Texas.

Harris County Health Department officials are trying to find people the boy had contact with before his death Sunday.

As of Tuesday afternoon,

county health department spokeswoman Linda Forys said, no other cases of group A streptococcal illnesses had been reported in his family or preschool.

"We are working with the school district to make recommendations to identify contacts with that child to provide preventative treatment," she said. "It can be treated with many antibiotics."

The Harris County Health Department has recorded 15 cases since Dec. 1.

As of the end of February, 72 people across the state had been infected with group A strep, according to the Texas Department of Health. Twelve had died, including another person in Harris County.

The group A streptococcus is found in the throats and on the skin of up to 20 percent of the

population but may not cause symptoms. It can cause infections resulting in a range of illnesses, from a mild sore throat to life-threatening diseases.

Two of the most severe but least-common forms of invasive group A strep are necrotizing fasciitis, also known as the "flesh-eating bacteria" and streptococcal toxic shock syndrome, a rapidly progressing infection that injures internal

organs such as the kidneys, liver and lungs.

The Channelview-area boy, whose name was not released, became ill with the toxic shock syndrome last Friday, Forys said.

Symptoms are sometimes like those of the common flu, along with a skin rash and abdominal pain.

Good personal hygiene, such as washing hands before eating,

can prevent infection.

Editor's Note: The Texas Department of Health has set up a phone line to answer questions about the virus. The phone line will be open through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. The toll-free number is (888) 388-6332 or (512) 834-6795.

For information on where to get chickenpox vaccinations, the toll-free number is (800) 252-9152.

Abuse allegations bring computer scrutiny

PITTSBURGH (AP) — It's Big Brother with a twist — technology to watch not the average Joe but city police officers, looking for patterns of misbehavior.

After years of allegations of beatings and false arrests, the Pittsburgh police department — under orders from the federal government — will begin tracking complaints against officers next month.

One complaint too many — running a siren unnecessarily, threatening someone at a traffic stop, manhandling a suspect — and the new computer system will notify police supervisors they may have a problem.

Police union officials hate the idea, calling it "spying" on the people hired to protect the public.

But others say it is necessary to root out problem officers, whether that problem is violence, drinking or drugs.

"You don't want that person carrying a gun," said Gerard Arenberg, a spokesman for the National Association of Chiefs of Police.

The nation's police forces have struggled with sporadic

problems for years, with headlines on such black-eye issues as the Rodney King beating in Los Angeles, four Indianapolis officers charged in a drunken brawl and New York City officers accused of brutalizing a Haitian immigrant.

The complaints in Pittsburgh have been disquieting, too.

Two women said police beat them when they stopped to watch officers beat a man. A disabled woman said police strip-searched her at a traffic stop while her children watched. A Baptist minister said he was wrongly beaten and arrested while listening to gospel music at home.

Last year, the American Civil Liberties Union sued the city, and then the Justice Department's civil rights division got involved, concluding that the police department had condoned police brutality since the mid-1980s.

A federal consent decree accepted by the city called for computer monitoring of complaints against officers, reports from officers each time they use force or conduct a search and

the hiring of an independent auditor to monitor police. The agreement resolved the ACLU action.

"If an officer can be held accountable for his actions, if he's going to be reprimanded, then I think that will be acceptable," Gerald Hess, whose run-in with police put him in the hospital for more than a week, said after the agreement.

A kidney dialysis patient pulled over in a traffic stop in 1993, Hess was punched and yanked from his car after he told an officer: "See you in court."

He won \$200,000 in a legal battle.

James Pasco, a spokesman for the Fraternal Order of Police's national headquarters in Miami, denounced the monitoring program.

He said fewer than 1 percent of police officers are fired for misconduct or criminal behavior.

"Rather than raise spying on the private lives of officers to an art form, maybe they ought to use some of their creativity to find ways to better recruit and

train officers," Pasco said.

Pittsburgh police Chief Robert McNeilly said the information in question has always been gathered, just not easily accessed.

"It's a system that gives every supervisor the ability to look at everyone under their command and look into their history," McNeilly said Tuesday. "It tells if they need some retraining."

One of the new computer databases, the Early Warning System, will track valid complaints and notify supervisors when it detects a pattern of misbehavior. The supervisor might order counseling, retraining or suspension.

It goes online April 16.

The chief also wants to give every officer three days of training per year — one on ethics, one on cultural diversity and one on "verbal judo," a set of communication "skills" for use when somebody tries to bait an officer into fighting.

The Carnegie Group and Para Data software companies, both based in Pittsburgh, hope to market their designs in other cities.

Genes may play role in addiction

HOUSTON (AP) — Genes may be the reason why some cigarette smokers can kick the habit after years while others are hopelessly hooked after just a short time, a new study suggests.

The smoker who insists "I can't quit" may be battling a genetic predisposition to a smoking addiction, said Dr. Margaret Spitz, head of the department of epidemiology at the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center.

"Even after years of smoking, some individuals are able to quit the habit while others are unsuccessful," Spitz said. "This study sheds light on why that may occur."

The preliminary findings, published today in the Journal of the National Cancer Institute, center on an unusual genetic brain pattern that impairs the ability to perceive pleasure. That apparently makes it likely that a person will compensate for that lack by using drugs, alcohol or nicotine.

Spitz said the findings eventually could aid in developing chemical treatments to help even the most addicted person stop smoking, but she cautioned that her study was small and needs to be duplicated by other researchers.

The key is the gene for a protein called DRD2, one of five in the brain that carries messages between brain cells and is cru-

cial circuitry for producing the psychological "reward" people feel when they use drugs.

Spitz and two colleagues studied 157 patients who had recently been diagnosed with lung cancer and compared them to 126 healthy individuals matched for age, sex, race and smoking status.

There were no major differences in the DRD2 gene among all the patients, but Spitz and associates found smokers were much more likely to carry one variant of DRD2.

People carrying the variant gene started smoking earlier than people who did not, Spitz said — giving weight to the common excuse of smokers that "I can't quit."

The same genetic pattern previously has been associated with an increased susceptibility to alcoholism, drug abuse, compulsive overeating and pathological gambling.

A researcher who wasn't involved in the study, Dr. George Uhl of the National Institute on Drug Abuse, noted that while the gene Spitz studied isn't the only one that controls susceptibility to nicotine addiction, it provides a way to target smokers with the unusual gene pattern for intervention.

"If we got a handle on even a small fraction of that, even 10 to 15 percent, it would have a big public health impact," Uhl said in today's Los Angeles Times.

Hatch to intensify probe of Microsoft practices

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Senate probe of Microsoft Corp. is expected to intensify as investigators attempt to question Microsoft customers about the company's business practices.

Senate Judiciary Chairman Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, said Tuesday his panel was trying to negotiate waivers to Microsoft's nondisclosure agreements that forbid businesses that license Microsoft software from discussing those agreements with outsiders.

Hatch told Microsoft Chairman Bill Gates that he wanted an agreement that "would not bar Microsoft licensees from cooperating with the committee."

Gates didn't comment on the issue, but a Microsoft spokesman said the company would cooperate.

"We're eager to share information with the committee but need assurances that our trade secrets and confidential information will be protected," said Microsoft spokesman Tom Pilla.

Hatch and other committee members clearly were in a mood to further investigate Microsoft after an extraordinary 4-hour hearing that aired many allegations against the giant computer software company. The hearing was called to examine competition in the soft-

ware market, but wound up focusing on Microsoft.

Gates was pressed repeatedly to make his case that Microsoft wasn't a monopoly out to crush rivals in the Internet software market.

The exploding software industry was "an open economic opportunity for any entrepreneur in America," he said.

But the man sitting next to Gates at the witness table, Scott McNealy, chief executive of rival Sun Microsystems Inc., wasn't convinced.

"Sometimes I wonder why you would go up against the most dangerous and powerful industrialist of our age," McNealy said.

McNealy described an industry in which software developers can be fearful of criticizing Microsoft.

"How do you go and complain about your key supplier in a public manner?" McNealy asked. "It's very, very difficult to get people to go on record."

Gates asserted that lower prices and vastly improved features in computer software were evidence of an open and thriving market, not one beset by a monopoly. Government control, which some have proposed, would only restrict innovation, he said.

"Anybody who is doing great

products in this business can do very, very well," Gates said.

Hatch quickly replied: "Well, Mr. Gates, not if there's predatory pricing. And not if there is improper, monopolistic control."

"I point it out because, it isn't just the business of selling software. It's the business of selling it fairly," the senator said.

The appearance of Gates, one of the world's richest men, packed the hearing room. Long lines of spectators stretched outside through much of the proceedings.

The hearing came as Microsoft continues to fight a Justice Department lawsuit alleging it violated a 1995 court order designed to prevent anti-competitive conduct. Justice lawyers argue Microsoft was leveraging its dominance in Windows software — installed on about 90 percent of personal computers — to gain market share in the market of Internet browsers, which navigate around the World Wide Web.

In January, Microsoft avoided a contempt-of-court citation by agreeing to let computer makers temporarily offer its latest version of Windows 95 without easy access to its Internet Explorer software. The company has appealed a December federal court order on the

browser issue.

Hatch repeatedly questioned Gates about allegations the software maker restricted Internet businesses from promoting products of rival Netscape.

"You've been somewhat hard to nail down on a very specific question," Hatch said near the end of the hearing. "Do you put any limitation on Internet providers that limit them from advertising — on promoting Netscape?"

Gates replied: "Every Internet content provider that has a business relationship with Microsoft is free to develop content that uses competitors' platforms and standards."

Hatch persisted, saying Gates wasn't responding to the question. At one point, Hatch grew visibly exasperated with the Microsoft executive's responses. "It's a very simple question," the senator said.

Gates described limited instances in which Microsoft has not allowed Internet businesses to promote Netscape on one part of their Web site. That's when a computer user reaches Web pages through the "channel guide" on Microsoft's Internet Explorer. The channel guide is a feature of preloaded Internet addresses that seeks to simplify navigating the Internet.

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OUR VIEWS

Celebration good excuse to find out what's going on

Open houses, special dress-up days, pastries for parents and an invitation to lunch: It's all part of Big Spring Independent School District's celebration of Texas Public Schools Week.

Focusing on elementary schools, officials have planned activities designed to showcase school spirit, student creativity and community support. It is also designed to answer that eternal question from parents, "What is going on at school?"

Instead of being satisfied with the most common responses of students — "I don't know," or "nothing," take this opportunity to find out for yourself.

That's right. This week is an open invitation for parents to visit the schools and see what local students — the future of our community — are doing.

If you like, you can even eat in the cafeteria with your child. This is also Texas Student Lunch Week.

Many activities have already taken place, but the week is not over yet. There is still time to take in something at the school of your choice. Thursday promises open houses, "Stop, Drop and Read," and even "Random Act of Kindness" Day.

There is even an event just for parents. At Goliad Middle School Friday, Dr. Ron Cohorn will discuss parenting in the 90s at 11 a.m.

If you have a child in school in Big Spring, there is something for you at one of the local campuses this week. Tour a computer lab, visit an open house, see some of your child's work.

Call your child's school and find out more, or reserve a place for lunch in the cafeteria.

Show your support this week to your children, our community and its schools.

Expose the president — but at what price?

WASHINGTON — We've all heard perhaps two dozen jokes about Bill Clinton and Monica Lewinsky. They've brightened some of the most boring dinners of a dreary winter.

And we've heard and read as many sermons, from holier-than-thou nags who want to be sure we understand all the moral implications of this alleged White House affair.

But when the laughing and the sermonizing are over, we have to answer for ourselves one overriding question: How badly do I want to know all the details of the president's relationship with White House intern Monica Lewinsky?

For me, surely not at the expense of making police state tactics acceptable in America. At the expense of a few million dollars, maybe, but not at the expense of legitimizing Starr Chamber tactics or wiping out the Miranda ruling.

I still get chills when I visualize that scene at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel in Pentagon City where independent counsel Kenneth Starr and his agents lured Monica Lewinsky for a "girl talk" meeting with her so-called friend, Linda Tripp, who had been "wired" by the FBI at Starr's behest. I abhor the scene of FBI agents bursting upon Lewinsky after she had unloaded a tale of a romance with the president, badgering her for nine hours, trying to force her to wear a wire and go try to entrap Mr. Clinton and/or his friend Vernon Jordan.

What happened to *Miranda*? something keeps asking me. Did any of Starr's force ever say to Monica, "You don't have to talk to us. You can call your lawyer. You're free to walk away?"

Sure, I've been titillated by every sordid rumor, every salacious "revelation" in this case. But I keep telling myself that I wouldn't find it entertaining or funny if I had to hire a lawyer and go before a grand jury just because Starr and his prosecutors lust for every ugly rumor or gossipy detail, or just want to punish me for criticizing them.

I know that a conversation

between a mother and her daughter is not "privileged" under our laws. And if Monica Lewinsky were suspected of embezzling White House commissary funds or robbing the Pentagon credit union, I could condone Starr's grilling of her mother about her knowledge of the crime.

But I want girls to talk to their mothers about sex even more than they confide in their priests and pastors about their sexual adventures.

So it strikes me as stupidly anti-family and outrageously piggish for Starr to grill and humiliate Monica's mother about what Monica may have said about her relationship with Clinton.

Whistle-blowers and a constant supply of leaks are critical curbs on the abuses of public funds and personal power in this town.

When Starr unleashes his gumshoes or uses grand jury subpoenas to try to muzzle those who criticize him, he opens the door to the very corruption and malfeasance that he is sworn to uproot.

For all my adult life I have rejoiced at the sane and civilized way in which we transfer political power in America. No street riots or bloody

coups. A bit of churlishness and anger from time to time, but always an overriding respect for the decision of the people.

I don't want to know what the president did to, with, for or about Monica if the process of learning abets a long-running right-wing coup attempt. And I do now believe that after four years and \$40 million, Starr is desperately trying to execute a bloodless court-sanctioned coup to drag Bill Clinton out of the White House.

The fact that Clinton has helped Starr by making himself vulnerable to an assortment of investigations does not diminish my fear of the would-be coup masters.

Starr's tactics are going to bring down the law creating special prosecutors, although there are many circumstances where they are needed.

His arrogance may discredit the existing grand jury system or provoke reforms that are truly needed.

I may chortle at the next jokes, but in my heart I know that there are costs from Ken Starr's sexual inquisition that I am not willing to pay.

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Big Spring native knows his camels

There have been a few near traffic mishaps at Bellmead, just outside Waco, when drivers unfamiliar to the area glance over at a vacant lot and see two camels looking back at them.



Tumbleweed Smith
Texana columnist

The camels belong to Doug Baum, who works at the Waco Zoo. Doug grew up in Big Spring and Colorado City playing drums, bass and guitar. He still plays occasionally in Dallas's West End, but camels are his main interest.

He became fascinated with animals when he went to work as a volunteer at the Waco Zoo while attending McLennan Community College. He decided to do zoo work full time and found employment at the Nashville Zoo. His two camels, Bill and Ted, were born under his care. When he left the Nashville Zoo to return to Texas, he brought Bill and Ted with him.

On Fridays, Doug takes his camels to schools to teach youngsters about the animals. Some Saturdays he takes his camels to various events around the state. At Christmas time, he cannot begin to fill all the requests he gets from people wanting his camels in their nativity scenes.

Doug tells the students about the time when Texas had a bunch of camels. One hundred of them were brought here in the 1850's. Secretary of War

Jefferson Davis thought the animals could pack supplies on road and boundary survey expeditions.

The camels were based at Camp Verde, but were used in Fort Lancaster, Fort Stockton, Fort Davis and Fort Bliss, all frontier forts established to protect settlers from Indian raids. I suppose the Indians were scared off when they noticed the strange creatures.

Following the Civil War the camels were used less and less, probably due to Jefferson Davis's lack of popularity at the time. Most of the camels were auctioned off and ended up in private hands. Some went to circuses. Ranchers shot stray camels because they competed with cattle for food.

The last captive offspring of the government camels, Topsy, died in Griffith Park Zoo in Los Angeles in 1934. There are those who believe wild descendants of Uncle Sam's camels still roam remote areas of Texas, Arizona and California.

Doug says in the middle east, camels are considered as cattle. They provide meat, hide, milk and hair. They are hitched up as teams to pull plows or wagons. Camel auctions are popular events, just as cattle auctions are here. He says the camels require little care and have good dispositions.

Doug dispels some misinformation about camels. Like the humps (one hump is Dromedary, two humps are Bactrian.) People think the humps are full of water and that's why the camel can go so long without water. Wrong. The humps are nothing but stored fat that is distributed throughout the body when it needs it.

Nashville done the right way

NASHVILLE — I had been backstage at the Opry once, to interview Porter Wagoner.

It was during Porter's permed-hair period. Not his best moment. I was nervous and couldn't take my eyes off those silly silver curls. Not my best moment, either.

But I had never bothered to go to the Grand Ole Opry the right way — as part of the paying audience, with a seat and everything.

By the time I was out of college and able to afford a ticket, the Opry had moved from wonderful old Ryman Auditorium to a blasted theme park. I wrote it off as compromised and over-the-edge commercial. Hank was dead, anyhow.

For a country music fan, it was a sin of omission. I was a Frenchman who had never tasted bread.

I saw the light, finally. I stood in a drizzle and ate a

foot-long hotdog, then packed in with a few thousand others. It was the same weekend the Rolling Stones were due in Nashville, but none of us in line at the Opry was the type to care.

When the ruby curtain rose for the first show and the unflappable Kyle Cantrell said, "Brought to you by GHS Strings," I got goose bumps.

Some of the new acts were downright bad — Martina McBride can go back to selling T-shirts for Garth Brooks for my money — and many of the vintage country stars were missing. But I can't think of anywhere else you'd get as much enjoyment sober and for less than \$20.

If entertainment spectacles were cars, the Opry would be Sparky Grizwald's Family Fun Wagon. Unfashionable. Dependable.

Change the oil every 3,000 miles and it'll get you there. The audience is full of tour groups and church groups and old-lady groups.

As part of a mere couple, I felt like Micronesia at the United Nations. It is a polite crowd, packing cameras. Some people dress for the occasion, wearing denim with rhine-

stones, or rhinestones with rhinestones, tall cowboy hats and tall boots.

Legends shoot out at a dizzying speed. I saw Bill Carlisle and Stonewall Jackson and Ricky Skaggs and Jimmy C. Newman and Little Jimmy Dickens. That was all in about the first 10 minutes.

Little Jimmy is really little, 4 feet, 11 inches the program said, but he seems shorter. When he stood behind the podium all you could see was a big cowboy hat, bobbing like a fishing cork.

Hank Locklin told his fans about his new Web page. The hot new group BR5-49 reminded the crowd about Minnie Pearl's birthday.

Jeannie Seely did her aging vamp routine, and Jeanne Pruett was wearing her satin sheets. An unpermed Porter did a wonderful recitative:

"Trouble in the Amen Corner." The best portion was the one sponsored by Jogging In A Jug, an apple cider vinegar drink.

I don't remember which singers performed what, but Jogging In A Jug had a great disclaimer: "There is no scientific evidence that Jogging In A Jug provides any health benefits."



Rheta Johnson
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As time went by, I began to uncover more evidence of the RIGHT-WING CONSPIRACY!... Lingerie planted in Bill's pockets...

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◆The word "algebra" comes from the Arabic word, *al jabr*, meaning "the equalization."

◆King Arthur's dog, legend says, was named *Cavall*.

Got an item?

Do you have a story idea for the *life!* section? Call 263-7331, Ext. 236.

Bauer Magnet School students showed their spirit for Texas Public Schools Week Monday by wearing "Just Say No" T-shirts. Front row, left to right are Tommy Gnuschke, Lee Ann Brumley, Erlinda Rios and Brittany Yanez. Back row, left to right, Charles Downing, Corey Green, Brittany Anderson and Sohma Tubbs.

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Taste of the green Irish delights for St. Paddy's

March 17 is St. Patrick's Day, and time for "wearing of the green."

The Celts were the original people of Ireland, having come from Central Europe in 3000 B.C. to the Emerald Isle. A country no bigger than our state of Maine, it is a beautiful land of green pastures, rich farm land, more than 800 rivers and lakes, and lots of wet, swampy terrain.

When we think of Ireland, we associate it with things like Irish stew (corned beef and cabbage to many), green beer, Irish linen, shamrocks, leprechauns and Waterford crystal. And, oh yes, St. Patrick!

St. Patrick was born in Scotland in 387 A.D. At age 16, he was sold as a slave to a Druid chief in Ireland. He managed to escape and returned to Scotland, but later went to Tours, France, where he entered a monastery and studied religion for 18 years. Pope Celestine I named him Patrick, and sent him back to Ireland in 432 A.D., where he labored among the Irish despite religious persecution.

St. Patrick used the Shamrock to illustrate the concept of the Holy Trinity. It remains today the national symbol of Ireland. St. Patrick was also credited with driving the snakes out of Ireland. He died March 17, 463 or 465.

Soda bread and potatoes are two of Ireland's staple foods. Soda bread is always baked in a round loaf with a cross cut into the top.

When the Irish potato crops were destroyed in 1845 by a fungus disease, the Irish immigration to America began. The Irish believe a day without potatoes is a day without nourishment.

Top O' The Morning Corned Beef and Cabbage

- 4 pound corned beef brisket
- 2 bay leaves
- 5 peppercorns
- 2 sprigs parsley
- 1 stalk celery, cut into chunks
- 1 small onion, sliced
- 4 whole cloves
- 1 Tbsp. salt
- 1 medium head cabbage, chopped coarsely
- 8 medium potatoes, peeled

and quartered
6 carrots, scraped and left whole

Wash corned beef thoroughly to remove brine. Place in large kettle. Cover with cold water. Add bay leaves, peppercorns, parsley, celery, onion and cloves. Bring to boil, reduce heat. Cover and simmer three to three and a half hours, until meat is tender. Remove beef, cool and slice thin, diagonally against the grain. Add salt, cabbage, potatoes and carrots to water. Cover and simmer an additional 30 minutes or until vegetables are tender. Drain and serve, surrounding the sliced beef brisket on a large serving platter.

Colcannon

- 1/2 head medium-sized cabbage, shredded coarsely*
 - 6 medium potatoes, peeled and quartered
 - 1/4 cup margarine
 - 1 cup milk
 - 1 tsp. salt
 - 1/4 tsp. black pepper
- Cook cabbage for 8 minutes in boiling, salted water, covered. Drain. Boil potatoes in salted water for 20-25 minutes or until tender. Drain and mash. Add butter and remaining ingredients. Mix well. Add cabbage, stirring well. Serve immediately. *Cooked kale may be substituted for the cabbage.

Irish Soda Bread

- 2 cups flour
 - 2-1/2 tsp. salt
 - 1 tsp. baking soda
 - 1/3 cup sugar
 - 1 cup raisins
 - 1 tsp. caraway seeds
 - 2 cups buttermilk
 - 1 egg
- Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In a large mixing bowl, combine flour, salt, baking soda, sugar, raisins and caraway seeds. Stir to blend well. Beat together the buttermilk and egg in a small mixing bowl. Pour liquid mixture into flour mixture and stir, scraping sides until a ball of dough is formed. Turn dough onto floured surface and knead for several minutes. Add extra flour to prevent sticking.

Form the dough into a round loaf (about 9 inches in diameter) and place it on a greased baking sheet. Bake for 35-40 minutes or until browned and sounds hollow when tapped with knuckles. Cool, slice and serve. This is a heavy bread, very good sliced and toasted.

Food for thought: There is no indigestion worse than that which comes from eating your own words.



Sue Haugh
Columnist

For your health

Modify recipes successfully to reduce amount of fat, sugar and salt

Many of us have begun to watch our diets carefully — cutting the fat, lowering the sugar and limiting the salt. Whether you have begun to do this under the direction of a health care professional or on your own, you have probably found it isn't easy!

The Food Guide Pyramid and the Dietary Guidelines for Americans recommend variety, balance, and moderation in the daily diet — easy to say, hard to do.

Following are some actions that you can take to help you achieve variety, balance and moderation in the diet:

- Choose fewer foods that are high in fat, sugar, and salt; limit foods like pastries, chips, cakes, cookies and candies.
- Eat more whole grain breads and cereals, more often than

highly processed cereals and breads.

- Eat smaller portions.
- Modify recipes to limit amounts of fat, sugar, salt and add more fiber.
- Eat more fresh fruits.

Let's talk about modifying recipes... Recipes specify ingredients, proportions and methods necessary to produce a quality product. Time and money is spent by companies to test recipes for us, the consumer, to use.



Dana Tarter
Extension Agent

Changes made in the tested recipe will alter the taste, appearance and texture — some changes you may like, others you won't.

Recipes for combined products — casseroles and soups are more easily modified, cookie recipes can be modified easier than cake. Most baked goods recipes can be modified, but never alter a recipe for any preserved products such as pickles, salsa, jellies or candies.

Here are some rules of thumb when modifying recipes. Reduce sugar by one-third: if a recipe says one cup, use 2/3 cup. In cookies and cakes, try using 1/2 cup sugar per one cup of flour. Quick breads and muffins require 1 tablespoon sugar per one cup of flour. Balance sweetness by using vanilla, cinnamon or nutmeg.

Reduce fat by one-third: If a recipe calls for 1/2 cup flour, use 1/3 cup. For cakes and quick breads, use 2 tablespoons fat per cup of flour.

Omit salt or reduce by one-half: If a recipe says 1/2 teaspoon, use 1/4 teaspoon. This may be more acceptable if reduced gradually. Herbs, spices and salt-free seasoning mixes can also be used as flavor enhancers. Do not omit salt from yeast breads or rolls.

In most recipes, the above changes can be made without notable difference. It does, however, take time and experimentation when altering recipes, and you may not like the results every time.

Be sure to take notes each time you alter a recipe, so if you like it, you can use it again.

SUPPORT GROUPS

MONDAY

- Al-A-Teen, 7:30 p.m., 615 Settles.
- Narcotics Anonymous, 6-7:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad.
- TOPS Club (Take off pound sensibly), weigh-in 5:15 p.m., Family Hospice, 3210 E. 11th Place, meeting starts at 6 p.m. Call 263-1340 or 263-8633.
- Project Freedom, Christian support group for survivors of physical/emotional/sexual and/or spiritual abuse. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241 for dates/times of upcoming groups.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.
- Encouragers Support Group (formerly

Widow/Widower support group) first and third Mondays each month. First Monday meetings are at a local restaurant at 6 p.m. Third Monday meetings are at 5:30 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church Seventh and Runnels (enter through north door). We have various activities, such as guest speakers, play games, have covered dish supper, visit or go out to eat. For more information call 398-5522 or 399-4369.

TUESDAY

- Support for MS and Related Diseases, 6:30 p.m. second Tuesday of each month, Canterbury South. Public invited. Call Leslie, 267-1069.
- Al-Anon, 8 p.m., 615 Settles.
- Seniors' diabetic support group, 2 p.m., Canterbury South. Call 263-1265.
- Compassionate Friends support group

for parents who have experienced death of a child, 7:30 p.m. first Tuesday in February, April, June, August, October and December in the Family Life Center Building, First Baptist Church, 705 West Marcy. Enter by southeast door. Call 267-2769.

• 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, sponsor. Please see **SUPPORT**, page 6A.

Women's history sites abound on the Internet

Interested in learning more about women in history, their struggles and accomplishments? Here are some places to learn about women's history on the Internet:

- 150th Anniversary of the Women's Rights Movement, 1848-1998. URL: <http://www.legacy98.org>
- Compton's Interactive Encyclopedia, a six-page overview of U.S. women's history. URL: <http://www.wic.org/misc/history.html>
- Distinguished Women of Past and Present, an expanding list of biographies introducing notable women in many fields of activity. URL: <http://www.netsrq.com/~dbois>

A month of their own: Women's History Month

- Encyclopedia of Women's History, by and for the K-12 age group, youngsters can contribute to this collaborative effort. URL: <http://www.teleport.com/~megaines/windex.html>
- National Women's Hall of Fame, short introductions to the 125 women that have been inducted. URL: <http://www.sbaonline.sba.gov/womeninbusiness/fame.html>
- Notable Women Ancestors, biographies and genealogies from notable women to pioneers to grandmothers. Add your own heroes to this data

base. URL: <http://www.members.aol.com/samcasey/ancestors/nw.html>

• Women in America, 1820-1842, the accounts of 18 foreign travelers describe the conditions of women's lives in the United States. URL: <http://xroads.virginia.edu/~hyp er/detoc/fem/home.htm>

• Timeline of Women's Suffrage, a detailed timeline of the 72-year movement to gain the right to vote. URL: <http://lcweb2.loc.gov/ammem/naw/nawtime.html>

• Women in Politics, historical and cultural information about women in every aspect of U.S. politics. URL: <http://www.glue.umd.edu/~clis wp>

Hardest part of fitness is commitment

By LOANA M. GONZALES
Waco Tribune-Herald

WACO — Two years ago, at age 24, Alex Wollitz of Waco was overweight and living a stagnant lifestyle.

He spent much of his time as a couch potato, smoking and eating junk food.

But during a visit to his doctor, Wollitz discovered his lifestyle was helping along health problems like high blood pressure and high cholesterol.

"I took a good look at myself and said, 'I'm heading for an early grave because I'm destroying my body,'" he said.

The lifestyle Wollitz was leading isn't uncommon.

According to a recent physical activity and health report by the U.S. Surgeon General, more than 60 percent of American adults are not physically active on a regular basis. And one in four adults is not active at all.

At 280 pounds, Wollitz decided once and for all that things had to change.

But even after making such a positive choice, some folks find that sticking with the decision is the hardest part.

So what keeps people motivated?

For Wollitz, it was a hard

dose of reality and moral support.

He continued to see his doctor for his high blood pressure, he quit smoking and jumped on the road to fitness.

To help him stick with his plan, Wollitz, now 26, began taking small but important steps.

"The first thing I did was change my eating behavior," Wollitz explained. "I began writing down what I ate. It shocked me to see how much junk I was eating."

Next he added exercise to his healthy habits by joining the Waco Family Y, getting advice

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SLICE of life!

NEWS YOU CAN USE

Women's history essays wanted

The National Women's History Project is sponsoring a nationwide student essay project to collect and archive student essays about women and men who have made a significant contribution to the women's rights movement. The person featured could be a leader of an organization, a crusader for a cause or someone who in any way inspired others to advance the cause of rights for women.

Women from all states are sought as subjects. Essays will be entered into the 150th anniversary archives of the Women's Rights Movement. All students participating will receive a commemorative bookmark from the National Women's History Project.

Students in grades 3-12 may submit essays. Grades 3-5 should be 100-150 words in length; grades 6-12, 250-500 words.

On every essay, please type or print the student's name and grade, title of the essay, teacher's name and school name, address and phone number. For more information, e-mail the National Women's History Project office at nwhp@aol.com



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Spring Break camp set

Big Spring Family YMCA has a spring break camp for kids whose parents must work during the upcoming school holiday. Trained staff will provide activities in a structured environment March 9-13 from 6:30 a.m.-6 p.m. For more information, call the YMCA at 267-8234.

Pancake supper planned

Kiwanis Club of Big Spring is holding their annual pancake supper Thursday, March 12, at Howard College Cafeteria with continuous serving from 5 to 8 p.m. Bacon and sausage will be served with the pancakes, and it is all you can eat for \$4. Call 267-5768 for more information.

THE LAST WORD

It is much more important to know what sort of patient has a disease than what sort of disease a patient has.

William Osler

I'm frank, brutally frank. And even when I'm not frank, I look frank.

Lord Thomson of Fleet

Believe not your own brother — believe instead your own blind eye.

Russian proverb

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FITNESS

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from the trainers on staff and trying a little of everything. In fact, Wollitz suggests variety when exercising to avoid monotony. During his transformation from couch potato to fitness regular, he also fed his mind with good stuff. "I did a lot of reading on body mechanics, weights and muscle mass." Wollitz said having a friend to work out with, as he did to get him started, was important. "It was a pretty big part of (sticking with it)," he said, adding that families and friends can do things together to get in shape. Now, after losing 90 pounds in two years, Wollitz said it has all paid off. "When people would see me (after losing some of the weight), they were supportive and that was a boost in confidence," he said. "My doctor was ecstatic." Bill Coon, branch director for the Waco Family Y, said Wollitz looked so different after

shedding the 90 pounds that he had to take a new photo for his membership card. Having lived through such a change in health, Wollitz offers this advice for others struggling to get active and get healthy. "Do something. Don't push yourself too hard, just do something. And you've got to eat right, but don't say 'diet.'" Do SOMETHING is right. One way to stick with healthier choices is to realize the opportunity for activity that is all around you. Jennifer Smith of the Chronic Disease Community and Worksite Wellness Program at the Texas Department of Health said the key for getting more fit is moderate physical activity on a consistent basis. Such activity can include playing with children in the park instead of watching from a bench, parking toward the back of the parking lot to give yourself farther to walk, using stairs instead of the elevator,

raking leaves, taking a walk and pushing a stroller. Regardless of where you are in life — just out of college, just sending your first child to preschool or just about to retire — it really is never too late to start. Just ask 68-year-old Martin Hofman of Robinson. "I decided I needed to lose some weight, and I just made up my mind to do it." Hofman works out just about everyday, doing everything from lifting weights to using a treadmill. He said the key to sticking with it for him was making exercise a top priority in his life. "I do that if I don't do anything else." Planning for and overcoming obstacles is also important. "They gotta make up their minds," Hofman said. "You can't make somebody do it. A lot of it's in the mind. And it's so easy to say, 'I don't have time.'" —The Associated Press

You and your dust

Coping with it, cleaning it, breathing easier in your house

By LAURA CHRISTMAN

Scripps Howard News Service

We are surrounded by itty-bitty ickiness. It is our dust. And our dust is us. Which is no compliment. Household dust is a breakdown of our lives — a microscopic mix of skin cells, sneezed viruses, pet dander, soil, clothing fibers, carpet fragments, mold, bacteria and insect parts. It is, said dust expert/chemist Armin Clobes, very personal stuff.

"When you look at dust you can tell if a person has pets, if you live in an urban or rural home, if you live near a busy street, if you use a wood-burning fireplace, if you burned a pie in the oven, what you had for dinner," Clobes said in a telephone interview from Racine, Wis.

Clobes is a senior research associate for SC Johnson Wax, which makes dust-fighting products like Pledge. His job is not to push or test products, but to study dust itself — to find out more about this coating that clings to our TV screens, bookcases, miniblinds and carpeting. In his quest for dust knowledge, he uses a scanning electron microscope, lasers and chemical analysis.

Indoor dust should not be confused with the same powdery dirt you stir up outside, he said. Household dust is much more complicated.

There's a lot of daily destruction going on in a home — dirt tracked in, carpet fibers crunched, bugs smashed, firewood burned. There's shedding too ... and it's not all coming from Fluffy and Fido. Hair, dandruff and skin particles constantly slough off people.

"I've seen estimates that just sitting there, I can shed about 400,000 particles a minute," Clobes said.

All this shedding and shredding creates a medley of wee particles that delicately floats through the air. Eventually, being heavier than air, it settles as dust. Left alone, dust can morph into something even more disgusting.

"It can take on a life of its own. With the right humidity and temperature conditions, mold and bacteria will grow and that little clump of dust will create its own dust cloud," Clobes explained.

Mold, bacteria, skin cells, dirt ... Oh, did we mention dust mites?

Smaller than a speck of salt

Clear the dust from your life

Scripps Howard News Service

The following dust-fighting tips are from SC Johnson Wax: — Don't dry-dust. It stirs up dust and sends it back into the air. — Don't reuse a dirty dust cloth. Replace or wash the dust cloth after each use. — Clean knickknacks frequently. They are notorious dust collectors.

— Vacuum upholstered furniture regularly. — Clean air ducts and the furnace annually. — Wash bed linens in water that's 130 degrees. — Wipe dust off houseplant leaves with a damp cloth. — Keep house humidity low — 40 to 50 percent. Use exhaust fans in the kitchen and bathrooms to reduce humidity.

and with an unsettling resemblance to something extraterrestrial, these tiny eight-legged creatures dine on discarded skin. Clobes said they especially enjoy moldy skin.

Not a pretty sight. But the real issue with dust is not its repulsiveness but its riskiness. Inhaling all these little nasties can make you sneeze, wheeze or trigger severe problems.

People who have the genetic makeup for allergies often have a problem with dust, according to Dr. Ronald Renard, an allergist in Redding, Calif. "It's easy to become allergic to house dust because you are around it so much."

Dust allergy symptoms include congestion, chronic headaches, fatigue, sinus infections, sore-throat or asthma, Renard said. Fecal droppings from dust mites are often the culprit, he said. Each mite leaves behind about 20 pellets a day, according to Clobes.

While mites are not in all homes, homes that do have them may have hundreds of thousands. They live in dust, carpeting, chairs and bedding, Renard said.

"They do not live on you," he said. That's small comfort. Even if dust doesn't give you allergies, knowing what's in it can give you the heebie-jeebies.

So what to do about this mix of minuscule madness?

Well, for one thing, don't just sit there shedding, get up and dust.

Clobes said it is important to keep on top of dusting so the dust won't generate mold and bacteria. Research from the Harvard School of Public Health indicates those who clean more often have fewer allergenic materials in their household dust, he said.

And don't think you can get away with a quick flurry of feather dusting. Renard said it is essential to damp-dust, other-

wise you're just displacing the dust and it will settle somewhere else.

Vacuum cleaners can stir up dust too. A vacuum should have some sort of filtering device or containment system to prevent the dust that's vacuumed up from coming right back out, Renard said.

Some vacuums have HEPA (high efficiency particulate air) filters. They can trap particles down to 0.3 microns (about 200 to 300 times smaller than a human hair, Clobes said).

Air cleaners are also available with HEPA filters. Renard said many of his patients have been helped by air cleaners. It's important to get one large enough to handle the room. "The little tabletop ones don't make much of a difference," he said.

Clobes said some particles, like cat dander, can break down after being captured in a filter and then be rereleased. He said filters can help, but they aren't a magic answer and shouldn't substitute for regular cleaning.

Renard said those sensitive to dust mite allergen can encase pillows, mattresses and box springs in allergen-impermeable covers. It's also important to wash bedding regularly, although he admitted mites are "as tough as the dickens to kill."

Wash in hot water and dry 45 minutes to an hour, he said. "The heat plus lack of humidity kills them."

Because mites need moisture (they don't do well under 50 percent humidity), Renard discouraged using humidifiers. Humidifiers also can harbor mold and bacteria if they are not cleaned or used properly, Clobes noted.

If washing, dusting and other steps to discourage dust and mites don't alleviate allergies, the next step is medications to control symptoms.

SUPPORT

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sored 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 Shaanon 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, 6-7:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, WEDNESDAY

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

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. 12 and 12 study.

•Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas will have Sharon Beam, who is a licensed professional counselor interim specializing in play therapy for children, adolescent counseling and women's issues, available for clients at the First Presbyterian Church, Runnels and Eighth St. Appointments for counseling services are made by calling 1-800-329-4144.

•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 264-6523.

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

•Narcotic Anonymous, 8 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 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.


•"So 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.

•Narcotic Anonymous, 10 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, SUNDAY

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 7 p.m. open meeting.

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Bufs survive Jim Ned rally, advance to regional tournament

HERALD Staff Report

MERKEL — Stanton's No. 6-ranked Buffaloes survived a fourth-quarter scare from Jim Ned's Indians to take a 59-56 area playoff victory Tuesday and advancing to the Region II, Class 2A tournament in Abilene.

The victory, which improved the Buffs' record to 20-1, did not come without a price, however. Senior post Chad Smith suffered an ankle injury midway through the final period and is questionable for Friday's 8 p.m. regional semifinal game with Lockney's Longhorns (18-6).

"We're hoping to have him (Smith) back by Friday, but we won't know until he's seen the doctors in Midland whether it's a sprain or not, and if it is, how severely it's sprained," Gordon

said following the nail-biting finish which saw Jim Ned rally from a 14-point deficit to trail by just two with 2:30 remaining.

"It killed us not having Chad there late in the game," he continued. "Our kids played great... a tremendous team effort and did what we had to do to win the game."

The Buffs, with 6-foot-8 post Marcus Washington and the 6-foot-4 Smith owning a decided height advantage in the middle, seemed on the verge of blowing Jim Ned out of the gym before the Indians seemed to get impossibly hot from 3-point range.

With 1:15 left in the third quarter, the Buffs grabbed a 44-30 lead when Justin Cobb managed a midcourt steal and returned to his own goal for a dunk. He was fouled in the process and added

the free throw for a 3-point play.

But the Indians retaliated by opening the fourth quarter with back-to-back 3-pointers that marked the start of Jim Ned's amazing rally.

"I'd have never believed they'd hit 10 3-pointers against us... certainly not six of them in the fourth quarter," a relieved, Gordon said. "They were absolutely unconscious... a couple of those that went in down the stretch were off the back board."

"And we weren't sagging back and letting them take 'em either," the Buffs boss added. "We had somebody right there with a hand in their face on almost every one of them."

While the Indians' man-to-man full court pressure created some problems for the Buffs, they were able to counter with considerable man pressure as

well.

"They pressed us hard and did a great job of it, but we were also able to put some man-to-man pressure on them and hurt them a little, too," Gordon said, noting the Indians were credited with 12 turnovers — almost as many as Stanton's 15. "The key was we were able to handle their pressure and get the ball down to the blocks enough to win it."

Washington turned in an impressive 23-point, 11-rebound performance for the Buffs. He led all players in both categories. But Jim Ned's pressure kept the normally high-scoring Stanton squad in check otherwise. Tyrone Davis managed 10 points for the Buffs, but point guard Kyle Herm was limited to just eight. Smith scored nine points before being felled by the injury.

The Indians, who finished their season with a 22-8 mark, were paced by Casey Thomas' 20 points, while Ryan Aldridge added 13 and Jacy Gates chipped in 11 more.

Stanton 69, Jim Ned 56
Class 2A area playoff at Merkel

JIM NED — Kevin Graham 1 0-0 2, Ryan Aldridge 5 1-3 13, Casey Thomas 7 1-2 20, Kenny West 1 4-4 6, Jacy Gates 4 0-2 11, Bo Daniels 2 0-0 4, Chris Waldrip 0 0-0 0, Justin Smith 0 0-0 0, Totals 20 6-11 56

STANTON — Jeremy Smith 0 0-0 0, Kyle Herm 3 2-4 8, Justin Cobb 2 1-1 5, Maurice Martinez 0 0-0 0, Austin Kelly 0 0-0 0, Tyrone Davis 5 0-3 10, Jody Louder 0 0-0 0, Chester Cobb 1 1-2 3, Brady Cook 0 1-2 1, Marcus Washington 8 7-8 23, Chad Smith 4 1-1 9, Totals 23 13-21 59

Score by Quarters:
JIM NED 10 14 7 25-56
STANTON 14 17 18 15-59

3-point goals: Jim Ned 10 (Aldridge 2, Thomas 5, Gates 3), Stanton 0. Rebounds: Jim Ned 24 (Aldridge 6), Stanton 34 (Washington 11). Turnovers: Jim Ned 12, Stanton 15. Total fouls: Jim Ned 22, Stanton 16. Fouled out: Graham. Records: Jim Ned closes at 22-8, Stanton is 20-1.

Lady Hawks hold off Grayson, 75-72

Washington's late 3-pointer allows advance; Howard now faces Temple in Region V semis

By JOHN H. WALKER
Managing Editor

MIDLAND — A 3-point shot by freshman Karlita Washington with 23.6 seconds left lifted Howard College's Lady Hawks to a 75-72 win over Grayson in the first game of the Region V Women's Tournament here Tuesday afternoon.

Howard, 29-2 after the win, now faces Temple, 64-62 upset winners over South Plains, at 5 p.m. today. The winner of the Howard-Temple game advances to Thursday night's championship game.

Grayson, 26-4 after the loss, had battled back from a 15-point deficit to tie the game 72-72 when Cara Steed connected on a pair of free throws with 52.27 seconds left in the game.

Howard then brought the ball up the floor, first looking inside for Latraica Spencer or Donelle Jones, before kicking it out to Washington on the right wing for the shot, which went up on the scoreboard as a 3-pointer despite to signal ever having been given by an official.

"That's a sad way for a big game like that to end," Grayson Coach Bill Brock said as he wandered the halls of the Chaparral Center in search of tournament director Joe Williams. "No official ever signaled a three... where'd they get off calling it a three?"

Williams found someone at the scorer's table who said they saw one of the officials signal a three — something the officials denied.

Still, Grayson had at least two shots at the basket before the game ended.

"I couldn't see it from where I was at," Howard's Matt Corkery said. "It looked like a three all the way to me, though."

Howard did perhaps its best Dr. Jekyll/Mr. Hyde routine of the season from the first half to the second.

"Defensively, I thought we played an excellent first half," Corkery said. "But we were on the other end of the spectrum in the second half."

Corkery said the start of the second half showed the turnaround.

"It's like we've said all year... the first five minutes of each half sets the tone for the rest of the half and we didn't do a good job at the start of the second half."

Grayson went on a 23-10 run to start the second half to trim Howard's lead to two, 49-47, when Shawnta Wilkins hit a two-point shot with 10:34 left in the game.

"The Lady Hawks answered with a 15-7 run of their own to go back up by 10 points at 64-54 with 6:10 left in the contest."

And it was at that point that the game started to get wild.

Jennifer Boniol, the Northern Conference player of the year, then hit on a 3-pointer with 5:10 left to cut the lead to seven.

A Donelle Jones free throw slowed Grayson's charge before Steed hit a jumper to make it 65-59. Clarissa Evans hit a pair of free throws following a Jennifer Vinum foul to cut the lead to four, 65-61, before Shawnta Johnson made a pair of charity tosses to put Howard up by six again, 67-61, with 3:35 left.

Wilkins, who seemed to be in

a daze during the first half, then hit a 3-pointer which was quickly offset by a Ricka McKee free throw and a Johnson jump shot.

Wilkins then hit another 3-pointer, followed by a Spencer basket close-in before hitting another three to cut the margin to two — 72-70 — with 1:31 left in the game.

Corkery then called time out to make a defensive adjustment, but a Washington foul sent Steed to the line for the tying free throws.

After the free throws, Howard moved the ball up the court, working for the open shot before swinging the ball out to Washington for the winning shot.

Despite Grayson's late 3-point onslaught, Corkery said he never thought about the Lady Hawks' loss at South Plains, when Howard blew a seven-point lead in the final 1:47 of the game in the midst of a 3-point field goal flurry from the Lady Texans.

"No, I didn't," he said. "They were knocking down their shots... some were uncontested and on some of them, we had a hand in their face. When they do that, we just have to go to the other end and answer them."

Howard got 20 points from Johnson and 18 each from Washington and Spencer. Spencer also had a game-high 10 rebounds as the Lady Hawks dominated Grayson 46-26 on the backboards.

"Latraica's doing a good job on the block and working to get open," Corkery said. "She had



HERALD photo/Jim Fierro
Howard College's Latraica Spencer (50) goes to the basket for two of her 18 points in the Lady Hawks' 75-72 win over Grayson Tuesday at Midland College. Defending for Grayson are Jill Skipper (21) and Mary Watson (34). Spencer also pulled down a game-high 10 rebounds.

Sands, Grady top 27-A selections

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

It was virtually no surprise that Sands and Grady dominated the balloting when District 27-1A basketball coaches met to select their boys' and girls' all-district teams.

Sands grabbed the 27-1A girls' title, advancing to the regional finals before seeing their long playoff run come to an end, while the Lady Wildcats were the league's other playoff representative.

Conversely, Grady took the boys' championship, while the Mustangs advanced to the playoffs as the league's runnerup.

As a result, only two spots on the 12-person boys' honor squad went to players from Ira and Westbrook, the district's other two teams, while seven of the 11 spots on the girls' team belonged to the Lady Mustangs and Lady Wildcats.

Sands had a lock on the district's most valuable player honors, Jerrod Beall was named the district's top boys' performer, while Mendi Floyd was tabbed as the best girls' player.

Jerrod Beall was joined by four teammates on the all-district team — senior Josh Long, junior Lance Bodine and sophomores Coby Floyd and Stuart Beall.

Senior Brady Peugh led a five-man unit from Grady on the honor squad. He was joined by underclassmen Greg Gibson and Jim Bob Haggerton, both juniors, and sophomores Jed Hinojosa and Frankie Garza.

Rounding out the 27-A boys' team were Ira sophomore Jerek Brown and Westbrook junior Thadd Rich.

Six boys' players earned honorable mention status — Sands senior Anthony Cantu, Grady junior Ed DeLucas, Ira sophomores Drew Wall and Logan Daves and Westbrook's Jon Jones, a senior, and Brad Hale, a junior.

Joining Floyd on the girls' all-district team were Sands classmates Hollie Zant and Katie Gaskins, as well as Lady Mustangs sophomore Brianne Fryar.

Senior Cheyenne Romine

South Plains falls upset victim; NMJC scares Weatherford

By JOHN H. WALKER
Managing Editor

MIDLAND — There was one upset and very nearly another Tuesday during the first round of play in the Region V Women's Basketball Tournament at the Chaparral Center.

Temple College's Lady Leopards pulled the upset of the day in the second game, coming from 17 points down to knock off South Plains, the No.

1 seed from the west, 64-62, when the Lady Texans choked down the stretch.

Patricia Lewandowski scored 25 to lead all scorers for Temple while South Plains' Aleah Johnson scored 23.

In the third game, Weatherford, averaging just under 100 points per game, needed all of its reserves to turn back a feisty seven-woman squad from New Mexico Junior College, 75-65.

NMJC, the No. 4-seed from the Western Conference, led

throughout much of the half and managed twice to battle back from 10-point deficits in the second half.

It was not until the Lady Thunderbirds lost two players to fouls that the Coyotes were able to edge the final score to a point where it looked as if they had had an easy time.

The game was marred by Weatherford's constant complaining about official's calls as well as three technicals and a player ejection.

Weatherford's bench was

warned twice about complaining about calls before being hit with a technical while swing forward Reda Kakeranaitte was ejected from the game after receiving two technicals when she complained about an official's call.

Weatherford got 20 points each from Dainora Umbrassaitte and Olga Firsova while LaToya North and Vanessa Dunn led NMJC with 14 each.

In the finale, Midland College finally beat McLennan's

Highlassies, routing the No. 3 seed from the Eastern Conference by a 91-53 score.

Shelley Alderman's 13 points led four Lady Chaps in double figures while Tenay Garrett led McLennan with 19.

Today's games match Howard (29-2) and Temple (18-12) at 5 p.m. and Weatherford (27-2) and Midland (24-7) at 7:30. Today's winners will meet in the championship game Thursday at 7:30 with a trip to the national tournament in Salina, Kan. on the line.

Coahoma's Nichols MVP on balanced 8-2A all-district boys team

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

There was perhaps no more competitive Class 2A boys' basketball chase than that staged in District 8-2A this season, a fact represented in the makeup of the all-district team selected by the loop's coaches.

While Coahoma's Bulldogs took their second consecutive 8-2A title, fashioning a 21-11 record before bowing out of the playoffs with a loss to Jim Ned's Indians, no team dominated the mythical honor team's selections.

And with the large number of underclassmen listed to both the first and second teams, there's little doubt the league would be just as competitive next year had it not been broken apart by the University Interscholastic League's realignment process.

"It's just exactly what you'd expect," Coahoma coach Kim Nichols, tabbed by his peers at the district's coach of the year, said of the all-district balloting. "Every team in this district had really

good players.

"That's why you had to be at your best every time you walked on the floor... any team was capable of winning on any night," he added. "That's almost become a cliché term, but that was truly the case this year."

By a like token, none of the district's schools dominated individual honors.

The league champion Bulldogs did have a father-son double, as Nichols' son, Blake — a 6-foot-1 junior forward who led Coahoma in scoring with better than 17 points per game — was named the district's most valuable player.

However, Ozona's Lions had the top defensive player in 5-foot-11 senior Justin Browne, while 5-foot-10 junior Will Weatherford from Wall and 6-foot-1 freshman Dustin Faught from Ozona were named co-newcomers of the year.

Eldorado's Eagles, the 8-2A runners-up, managed the most spots on the 11-man honor team's first unit, 6-foot senior Zac Steele being joined by sophomores Anthony Pina, a 5-foot-9 guard, and Michael Mayo, a 6-foot-7 post.

Coahoma's first-team selections were 6-foot-1

senior guard Robert Lain and 5-foot-10 junior guard Ryan Peckham.

Forsan's Buffaloes, who saw their bid for a playoff berth evaporate in the last week of the season, had one first-team pick in 6-foot senior Josh Gaston, while 6-foot-5 senior teammate Casey Bristow was a second-team selection.

Coahoma also placed two players on the second unit — Regi Roberts, a 6-foot-3 senior post, and 6-foot-4 senior Jason Gwyn. Teammate Kurt Bennett, a 5-foot-9 senior, earned honorable mention.

Rounding out the first-team selections were Ozona's Bobby Cervantez, a 6-foot-1 sophomore; teammate Steven Martinez, a 6-foot-4 junior; Winters' Kenny Whittenburg, a 6-foot-1 junior; Roscoe's Roddy Alexander, a 5-foot-8 junior; and Wall's Corey Braden, a 6-foot-1, junior.

Others receiving second-team nods were Eldorado seniors Kyle Hunter and Casey Snelson; Wall's Derek Kretzmer, a junior, and Clayton Sykes, a sophomore; Roscoe senior Jady Underwood; Ozona senior Brian Badillo; and Winters senior Michael Pritchard.

DISTRICT 8-2A BOYS' ALL-DISTRICT TEAM			
First Team			
Player	Ht.	Class	School
Kenny Whittenburg	6-1	Jr.	Winters
Michael Mayo	6-7	Soph.	Eldorado
Bobby Cervantez	6-1	Soph.	Ozona
Roddy Alexander	5-8	Jr.	Roscoe
Josh Gaston	6-0	Sr.	Forsan
Robert Lain	6-1	Sr.	Coahoma
Corey Braden	6-1	Jr.	Wall
Steven Martinez	6-4	Jr.	Ozona
Ryan Peckham	5-10	Jr.	Coahoma
Zac Steele	6-0	Sr.	Eldorado
Anthony Pina	5-9	Soph.	Eldorado

MVP: Blake Nichols, 6-1, Jr., Coahoma
DEFENSIVE MVP: Justin Browne, 5-11, Sr., Ozona
NEWCOMERS OF YEAR: Will Weatherford, 5-11, Jr., Wall; Dustin Faught, 6-1, Fr., Ozona
COACH OF YEAR: Kim Nichols, Coahoma

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SPORTS EXTRA

UIL-GIRLS

Schedule for the 1998 University Interscholastic League girls high school state basketball tournament, Thursday-Saturday, Frank Erwin Center, University of Texas campus.

NCAA-WOMEN

The top 25 teams in The Associated Press' women's college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses and records through March 1.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
BOSTON RED SOX—Signed RHP Rich Garcia, RHP Joe Hudson, LHP Derek Lowe, LHP Ron Mahay, RHP Brian Rose, RHP John Wasdin and C Scott Hatteberg. Renewed the contracts of

NHL

San Antonio at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.
Detroit at Sacramento, 9:30 p.m.
Thursday's Games
Boston 3, Washington 0
N.Y. Islanders 3, Philadelphia 1
St. Louis 5, Chicago 3
Calgary 2, Tampa Bay 1

MLB EXHIBITION

Tuesday's Games
Toronto (ss) 7, Minnesota (ss) 5
Minnesota (ss) 6, Baltimore 6
Tampa Bay 12, Cleveland 9
Detroit 7, Kansas City 4
Pittsburgh 8, Texas 3, 8 innings, game 1

COLLEGE SCORES

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Princeton 78, Penn 72, OT
Tennessee 78, Wake Forest 72
Michigan 93, Ball St. 92, OT
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South Alabama 62, SW Louisiana 59
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First Round
Chicago 71, Oklahoma 66
Kansas St. 75, Baylor 66, OT
Oklahoma St. 67, Missouri 45
Texas A&M 98, Texas 73
Big East Conference
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Connecticut 67, Rutgers 58

NBA

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Utah 108, Toronto 93
New York 91, New Jersey 91
Seattle 97, Miami 91, OT
Dallas 110, Minnesota 99
Chicago 118, Denver 90
Houston 107, L.A. Clippers 97
Portland 98, Phoenix 93
Indiana 111, Vancouver 103
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topped the Lady Wildcats three-girl contingent on the team, joined by junior Rebecca Robles and sophomore Caroline Madison.
Ira and Westbrook grabbed two spots on the girls' team. Junior Terri Robinson and freshman Morgan Clements represented Ira on the all-district list, while Westbrook placed sophomore Afton Stowers and junior Randi Redwine on the team.
Sands and Grady also had the lion's share of honorable mention awards. Lady Mustangs

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senior Andrea Gillespie topped that grouping, joined by junior teammate Anna Hall and a trio of Grady sophomores — Rebekah Adams, Meagan Mims and Baillie Greenhaw.
The only other girls' player to earn honorable mention status was Ira sophomore Jamee Goolsby.
MVP: Jerrod Beall, Sr., Sands
DISTRICT 27-A GIRLS' ALL-DISTRICT TEAM
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Morgan Clements Morgan Clements Jr.
Cheyenne Romine Grady Sr.
Caroline Madison Grady Jr.
Rebecca Robles Grady Jr.
Afton Stowers Westbrook Jr.
Randi Redwine Westbrook Jr.
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Brianna Fryar Sands Sr.
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SPORTS BRIEFS

From staff and wire reports

Little League umpires meeting slated

The Big Spring Little League Baseball Association has scheduled a meeting for prospective umpires for 7 p.m. Monday at the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 W. Third.
The association is in desperate need of umpires for the coming season and invites anyone interested in learning to call games to attend the meeting.
For more information, contact Donald Spence at 267-7780 or Michael King at 267-2939.

Softball leagues seeking umpires

Church and industrial slowpitch softball leagues are currently seeking people interested in working as umpires this season.
Those interested are asked to attend an umpires meeting set for 7 p.m. Thursday at 2225 Lynn Drive in Big Spring.
For more information, contact Ray Berry at 264-0890 or Jessie Rios at 264-6129.

'Meet the Pro' tennis social is Saturday

A "Meet the Pro" tennis social has been scheduled for 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at the Figure 7 Tennis Center.
Set as an afternoon of tennis fun for players of all levels, the event will be a chance for members of the community to meet tennis professional Jim Blacketer, discuss their tennis needs and learn about upcoming tennis programs.

Special Olympics coach training slated

A number of Special Olympics programs are currently in need of volunteers willing to serve as coaches.
Anyone interested in helping coach bowling, softball, track and field or swimming is asked to attend a coaches' training school set for 10 a.m. Saturday at the Howard County ARC, located at 8:03 E. Third.
For more information, contact Kaye Wylie with Howard County Special Olympics at 264-

SPORTS BRIEFS

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Spring break tennis camp scheduled

A spring break tennis camp has been scheduled for Monday through Friday, March 9-13, at the Figure 7 Tennis Center in Comanche Trail Park.
The camp, which will have a limited enrollment, will be designed for midgets, beginners, intermediate and advanced players.
Midgets, youngsters between the ages of 6 and 9 just learning the game, will have classes from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.. The five hours of camp instruction will be priced at \$30 per player.
Beginners classes will be from 10 a.m. to noon each day, while intermediate sessions are from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and advanced players' classes will be from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. The fee for those classes is \$65 per player.
For more information, contact Jim Blacketer by calling 624-6834.

UGSA softball registration continuing

Registration for youngsters interested in playing on a United Girls Softball Association team this season will continue through Friday at the Big Spring Mall.
UGSA officials will man the registration booth from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. each day, and those signing up are asked to bring a copy of their birth certificate, regardless of whether or not they've played in the program before.
Late registrations will be accepted at Sound Decision from Saturday through March 16, but a late fee will be required.

YMCA planning indoor soccer program

The Big Spring YMCA is currently taking registration forms from youngsters interested in taking part in an indoor soccer league.
No tryouts for the program will be held. All boys and girls from kindergarten through the sixth grade are encouraged to take part.
The deadline for registrations is Saturday.
To contact YMCA officials, call 267-8234.

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The Veterans panel could pick one person from each of four categories — former major leaguers, Negro leaguers, 19th century players and a composite category of managers, Negro leaguers, executives and umpires.
It took 75 percent for election, meaning at least 10 of 13 votes. Yogi Berra, a member of the panel along with Ted Williams and Stan Musial, played against Doby and played under MacPhail.

Payton shoots down Heat winning streak; Mavs dump T-wolves

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On a night when most of his shots didn't fall, Gary Payton just stepped back even further.

With a cool hoist from almost 30 feet, Payton ended a shooting slump and the Miami Heat's 10-game winning streak.

Payton's deep 3-pointer in overtime helped the Seattle SuperSonics beat the league's hottest team with a 97-91 overtime victory over the Heat on Tuesday night.

"I just hoisted it up there and it went in," said Payton, who was only 3-for-13 with 12 points, but hit the biggest shot of the game.

"It was a painful loss, an excruciating loss," Miami coach Pat Riley said. "This game came down to two teams flailing away at the end. Sooner or later somebody was going to make one or two shots."

In other NBA games, it was Utah 108, Toronto 93; New York 94, New Jersey 91; Indiana 111, Vancouver 103; Dallas 110, Minnesota 99; Chicago 118, Denver

NBA ROUNDUP

80; Houston 107, L.A. Clippers 97; and Portland 98, Phoenix 93.

Payton hit a 27-footer as the shot clock wound down to make it 91-89 with 2:39 to play.

A minute later, Payton drove the lane and passed to Detlef Schrempf for a baseline jumper. Hersey Hawkins finished off the Heat with a hook shot to make it 95-89 with 21.2 seconds left as Seattle won its fifth straight. The Sonics rallied from an 83-78 deficit in the final five minutes of regulation as Miami missed its last 10 shots in the fourth.

Hawkins and Schrempf each had 18 points for Seattle. Alonzo Mourning and Voshon Lenard each scored 20 for Miami.

Jazz 108, Raptors 93

At Toronto, Shandon Anderson scored a career-high 26 points and

Bryon Russell added 21 to lead a 55-point barrage by Utah's reserves.

The Jazz won their third straight and 10th in 11 games, dominating inside, penetrating at will and outrebounding the Raptors 43-32.

Karl Malone scored 18 of his 22 points in the second half, and added nine rebounds. John Stockton had seven points and 11 assists to go with seven points.

Chauncey Billups led Toronto with 26 points.

Knicks 94, Nets 91

Larry Johnson scored 23 points, Charles Oakley grabbed a season-high 16 rebounds and host New York shot 20-for-22 from the foul line for a gritty victory over rival New Jersey.

Allan Houston added 20 points, reaching that plateau for the 14th time in 17 games, as the Knicks improved to 9-2 since the All-Star break and moved 2 games ahead of the Nets for second place in the Atlantic Division. New Jersey, losing for the sixth time

in eight games, lost All-Star center Jayson Williams to a pulled abdominal muscle. He was scheduled to be examined today.

Pacers 111, Grizzlies 103

Rik Smits scored 26 points to lead Indiana to victory at Vancouver.

The Pacers won their third straight despite allowing their highest point total in seven games. They were coming off back-to-back wins in which they held Portland and Denver to an NBA record-low 122 points.

Mavericks 110, T-wolves 99

Cedric Ceballos scored 22 points as Dallas won its second road game in four nights.

Shawn Bradley, replaced in the starting lineup by rookie Chris Antsey, responded with 16 points and five blocks — three in the fourth quarter.

The Mavericks, only 12-47, finished their eight-day, five-game road trip 2-3 to give them five road wins this season.

Kevin Garnett had 21 points and 11 rebounds for Minnesota, 6-10 since losing forward Tom Gugliotta for the season with an ankle injury.

Bulls 118, Nuggets 90

Michael Jordan scored 30 points and Scottie Pippen added 24 as host Chicago struggled for most of three quarters before routing Denver, the NBA's worst team.

Dennis Rodman had 17 rebounds, but was benched by Bulls coach Phil Jackson late in the third quarter after Denver rookie Danny Fortson overpowered him on three consecutive post moves, cutting Chicago's lead to 75-72.

Rockets 107, Clippers 97

Clyde Drexler scored nine of his 24 points in the fourth quarter and had 11 assists as Houston handed the Clippers their sixth straight road loss.

Kevin Willis added 21 points, while Hakeem Olajuwon scored 18 and had 15 rebounds as he set a Rockets record by appearing in his 1,003rd game.

Three more conference champions now headed into NCAA tournament

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Butler did it.

So did Valparaiso.

And South Alabama, too, but with more intrigue.

For the second straight season, the Butler Bulldogs and South Alabama Jaguars played their way into the NCAA tournament by winning conference tournaments.

Valparaiso, meanwhile, made it three consecutive NCAA berths with a 67-48 victory over Youngstown State on Tuesday night in the Mid-Continent Conference title game.

At Green Bay, Wis., Matthew Graves scored 18 points and Otis Frazier added 17 as Butler beat Wisconsin-Green Bay 70-51 to win the Midwestern Collegiate Conference title.

"Our idea was just to try to be in the face of the shooter every time they turned," Butler coach Barry Collier said after his Bulldogs (21-10) held the Phoenix to 32 percent shooting.

At Moline, Ill., Valparaiso (21-9) got 16 points from Bill Jenkins and 15 from Jamie Sykes in its win over Youngstown State (20-9) to become just the eighth Division I school to win at least four straight conference tournaments. Kentucky holds the record with seven in a row.

"I've enjoyed the ride," Valparaiso coach Homer Drew said.

At Lafayette, La., Toby Madison hit a 12-foot jumper with 40 seconds left as South Alabama (21-6) held off Southwestern Louisiana 62-59 in a furious finish in the Sun Belt Conference tournament final. The Jaguars withstood a 17-3 run that pulled the Ragin' Cajuns even at 59-all with 1:07 left.

"We overcame everything we had to," Madison said. "We just kept plugging away, plugging away."

Also, No. 8 Princeton, which

clinched the Ivy League title and an NCAA berth Friday night, beat Penn 78-72 in overtime in their final regular-season game.

Elsewhere, Eastern Michigan beat Ball State 93-92 in overtime and Miami, Ohio, beat Kent 64-59 in the semifinals of the Mid-American Conference tournament; Howard beat Bethune-Cookman 79-77 in overtime in the first round of the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference tourney; and Tulsa beat Brigham Young 59-56, SMU topped Colorado State 76-71, San Diego State beat Wyoming 60-57 in overtime and UNLV defeated Hawaii 64-59 in first-round games at the WAC tournament.

Princeton 78, Penn 72

At Philadelphia, Steve Goodrich scored 33 points as the Tigers (26-1, 14-0) warmed up for the NAAs with a close call against the Quakers (17-12, 10-4).

"It would have been nice to win the game in regulation, but we haven't been in this situation all year," Gabe Lewullis, who added 18 points, said. "Come tourney time, we're going to meet these situations every game. I don't think this game is going to hurt us at all."

Princeton, winning its 19th straight after a loss to North Carolina, set a school record with 26 wins — topping the 25-win mark by the 1966-67 team.

The NCAA's 64-team field now stands officially at 14: Arizona (Pac-10); Butler (Midwestern Collegiate); College of Charleston (Trans America Athletic); Davidson (Southern); Fairleigh Dickinson (Northeast); Illinois State (Missouri Valley); Iona (Metro Atlantic); Murray State (Ohio Valley); Princeton (Ivy); Radford (Big South); Richmond (Colonial Athletic Association); San Francisco (West Coast); South Alabama (Sun Belt); and Valparaiso (Mid-Continent).

Casey Martin wants golf game to match his new-found fame

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN — Casey Martin is a celebrity. Now he wants to play golf like he deserves to be one.

"I do have the talent to be successful, but I don't know how good I can be," Martin said. "I want to find out."

Martin knows one thing. His life will never be the same now that he has whipped the PGA Tour in court for the right to ride a golf cart.

"It could extend my career maybe five, 10 or 20 years," he said. "Right now I can't answer. I do know that my career wouldn't have been much if I hadn't been able to ride a cart."

The disabled golfer met with more than 150 media members Tuesday at his press conference before the Nike Tour's Greater

Austin Open.

"It's a zoo," Martin said with a smile. "But I'm flattered. I'm grateful. I admit it's all a bit overwhelming. I never dreamed this would happen."

This Nike tournament drew 27 media credential requests last year, and on Tuesday the total stood at 176.

It was his first tournament appearance since a federal magistrate ruled for Martin on Feb. 11. He sued for the right to ride a cart to accommodate his rare circulatory disorder that makes it painful to walk.

Martin, who played on the Stanford golf team with Woods, said his fame has become dizzying.

"I guess I'm almost a celebrity," Martin said. "Everywhere I go people know me."

Prosecutor: TCU players pummeled man relentlessly

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

FORT WORTH — A prosecutor told jurors that four TCU football players pummeled another student relentlessly during a fight outside a Fort Worth bar after one of them ran his head into a brick wall.

The comments came Tuesday during opening arguments in the assault trial of Billy Thompson, 23, one of four now-former TCU players involved in a May 11, 1996, brawl outside Bobby McGee's bar in down-

town Fort Worth.

Thompson, a 6-5, 255-pound defensive end for the Horned Frogs, pleaded innocent to a charge of aggravated assault with serious bodily injury. Thompson, originally from Atlanta, Ga., is now a coach at Trinity Valley.

The three other players have pleaded no contest to charges they assaulted Brian Boyd, 23, who suffered a fractured skull and partial face paralysis in the fight. He and his parents have filed a lawsuit against the

players.

Ryan Tucker, 22, a 6-5, 255-pound offensive lineman who now plays for the St. Louis Rams, pleaded last week and is scheduled for sentencing April 6. TCU recruited him out of Midland Lee High School.

The other two players — 6-4, 255-pound offensive lineman J.P. McFarland, 22, of Fort Worth and 6-1, 210-pound linebacker Jay Davern, 24, of Arlington — entered their no contest pleas on Monday. They're scheduled to be sentenced on April 13.

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The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
**** Telling it as it is, is one of your strengths. Challenges permit you to demonstrate your prowess and intellectual capacities. Keep communications flowing, return calls and make plans. You can get a lot done quickly. Trust your judgment. Tonight: At a favorite spot.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
**** Move on instincts. You see money matters with renewed vision. Use your energy to make beneficial things happen. Of late, you have been holding yourself back; gain new perspective. Be aware of where insecurity could be a culprit. Tonight: Read carefully about an investment.

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Let go, and relax. A friend keys in on your desires and objectives. Together, you can make what you want happen. Listen carefully to what another shares. Your personality moves an iffy matter back on course. Tonight: Just ask.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
**** Intuition is right on about work. You have been hedging about a change. There is no time like now for something new. Be more upbeat about the future. A partner offers key feedback about finances and raises a basic question to address. Tonight: Burn the midnight oil.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
**** Aim for exactly what you want. Friendship and a constant goal mix. Make that long distance call; don't hold back. A loved one has a lot to share. Detach, to get the big picture. Communications flow, promoting greater feelings of togetherness. Tonight: Where the action is.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
**** One-to-one relating gives you another perspective. Don't hesitate to take a stand at work. Others tend to look to you for direction. An associate whispers news that you need to evaluate. You might not have the whole story. Determine your choices. Tonight: A business dinner.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
**** A partner reveals what is on his mind. Work his idea into the bigger picture. Discuss the long-term implications of a plan; you will come to a better understanding as a result. Verbal exchanges are animated. Take time to discuss a trip

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scheduled for the near future. Tonight: Where the music is.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
**** A partner gives you important feedback about what is happening. Listen to advice that could affect your work, health and day-to-day life. Your efficiency is tested. Don't hesitate to eliminate the superfluous. Talks help business relationships. Tonight: Make nice.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
**** Get into work, and display your professional excellence. Be less uptight about a loved one who takes a more serious tone. Others are anxious to hear more about what is on your mind. Let others reveal more of their agenda. Popularity soars. Tonight: Accept an invitation.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
**** Run an errand en route to the office or on a break. You accomplish a lot efficiently. Handle a domestic matter, even if this is a workday. A family member needs more of your attention. It is difficult to manage your time. Consider a home office. Tonight: Put your feet up.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
**** You are full of light energy, but a serious discussion could weigh you down. Let your imagination flow; you come up with money plans. Weigh them carefully before launching them. Listen to ideas. Don't worry about an unreturned call. Tonight: Start

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the weekend.

FISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
**** You cannot avoid dealing with a money matter. A family member wants to talk about a problem. Discussions about overtime are possible, as you seek answers. Consider alternatives, and don't take another's opinions personally. Clarify any confusion. Tonight: Take it easy.

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Facial wrinkles causing woman's spirits to sag

DEAR ABBY: Forty-five years old may not seem too old to attract someone of the opposite sex, but I'm not your average-looking 45-year-old. I have terrible wrinkles under my eyes that add years to my appearance. In the last couple of years, I have developed deep lines that run from each side of my nose down to my lips. I've

tried every conceivable moisturizer and concealer, but nothing helps.

I know this is a natural part of aging, but I cannot accept that at age 45 I look so old.

A man won't even give me a second look, much less open a door for me or try to strike up a conversation. Wherever I go, men look only at nice-looking, younger women — something I no longer am. I have become lonely and despondent at the realization that I will probably be alone for the rest of my life.

I've tried joining groups, doing volunteer work and even taking night classes to meet someone who might look beyond the wrinkles, but no one shows the slightest interest in me anymore. I'm friendly, courteous and approachable, and the proper weight for my height. But I guess you can't make filet mignon out of chopped liver.

If I could do something about these terrible wrinkles, my confidence would soar, and I wouldn't have to spend the rest of my life alone. However, because I can barely make ends meet and cannot afford cosmetic surgery, I see no hope. Any advice, Abby? — HURTING IN WHITTIER, CALIF.

DEAR HURTING: How we perceive ourselves is invariably telegraphed to others. An intelligent, personable, self-confident person is not chopped liver — or any cut of meat, for that matter. Forty-five isn't too old to attract someone of the opposite sex. Women do it every day without the aid of plastic surgery. Although your collagen may be waning, what's really sagging is your self-esteem, and as long as you think of yourself as "over the hill," that's what you'll project. Your local library has books on improving self-esteem. I urge you to borrow some of them.

DEAR ABBY: Some time ago you listed the duties of the best man in your column, and you also have the information in your wedding booklet. However, there is a point that wasn't mentioned that I would like to bring out: The minister should be paid when he or she arrives to perform the ceremony. After the ceremony, the minister is a forgotten person.

If I am not paid prior to the ceremony, I usually have to wait for some time — and then have to ask for the fee. The best man must give the minister the marriage license before the ceremony, and I suggest the fee be placed in the envelope with the license. Then the minister doesn't have to ask for it and may leave immediately if another appointment is scheduled. — TIED OF WAITING IN ARLINGTON, TEXAS

DEAR TIED OF WAITING: Thank you for an excellent suggestion. Combining two duties into one should simplify the best man's responsibilities.

DEAR ABBY: My boyfriend, "Ned," and I have lived together for seven years, since I was 19 and he was 21. We have no children.

He proposed to me five years ago and I accepted. However, we haven't legalized our relationship yet, although we have been faithful to each other.

Abby, I do everything for him that a wife does: keep house, cook, do the laundry, let him borrow my car when his isn't running (he won't let me borrow his), and support him emotionally.

I work in a coffee shop and don't make much money, but I have bought all our cookware, dishes, linens and curtains, and I help with the utilities as well as pay for all the groceries. It isn't easy on my wages and tips, but I pinch every penny twice, and I eat where I work to save on food expenses.

Ned makes twice the money I do, and consequently he claims he has the right to make most of the decisions in our life. I tried going to college so I could get a better job, but working full time and attending school was very hard. The hours were killing me.

I would like for us to finally get married, but Ned refuses. He says he won't marry me until I get a job that pays enough to handle half the bills.

Abby, I love him, but it seems that no matter what I do, it's never enough because I can't pay half of everything. Believe me, I would if I could.

Have you any advice for me, Abby? — BEAST OF BURDEN, KINGMAN, ARIZ.

DEAR B.O.B.: Yes. If you want to get married, find another man, one who will value you for yourself — not your paycheck. Ned is a user. You deserve far better, but you won't get it from this man. You've given enough, and it's time to move on.

Good advice for everyone — teens to seniors — is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

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Midland	Ottawa	Dallas	Dallas	Ottawa	Dallas	Midland	Atlanta	Spanish	Premiere	Newsline	Premiere	Premiere	Premiere	Ottawa	New York	Discovery	Atlanta	Sports	Sports	Classics	Black Ent.
6:30 PM News (CC) Fortune	Simpsons Home Imp.	Science Guy Creatures	Walking Dead	News (CC) Grace Under	News (CC) Future	News (CC) Seinfeld (CC)	Andy Griffith Andy Griffith	Estimote	Honey, I Blew Up the Kid	Dallas	(10) Blood: Moonlight	(CC) ..	Israel Tour John Hages	Law & Order (CC)	Gimme Shelter	Babylon 5 (CC)	Baylon 5 (CC)	Last Word Sports News	College Bas-	Planet Groove	
7:30 PM Spin City (CC) Dharma-Greg	Beverly Hills, 90210 (CC)	Edge of Utopia	Joe Capades: MGM	Nanny (CC) Cybill (CC)	Spin City (CC) Dharma-Greg	Garth Brooks: Ireland and	NBA Basketball	Ma's Isabel (CC) Leapin'	Life of Willie Nelson	Life of Willie Nelson	and Valentino (CC)	Movie: Article 69	Movie: Secrets & Lies (CC)	Light of the Southwest	Biography	Wild Discovery	Movie: Poison Ivy	FOX Sports NHL Hockey	Iceball: MAC Champion-	Movie: The	
8:30 PM Drew Carey Elen (CC)	Party of Five (CC)	Hitler-Stalin-Liaisons	Diagnosis Murder (CC)	Michael Hayes (CC)	Drew Carey Elen (CC)	Back (CC)	Utah Jazz at Boston	Alguna Vez	Laprachaun (CC)	Prime Time Country (CC)	Movie: Mid-night in Saint	Spotlight	Dead Man's (-45) Fast	Comedy Hour	News Life in-Word	Foot Soldier	Egypt Uncovered	Babylon 5 (CC)	Dallas Stars	Basketball: Big East First	Rimber WENN
9:30 PM Primetime Live (CC) Cheers	Star Trek: Voyager (CC)	Hitler-Stalin-Liaisons	Hawaii Five-0 (CC)	Chicago Hope (CC)	Primetime Live (CC)	Law & Order (CC)	Calico (CC) NBA	Funes Lente Loco	Growing Pains	Ralph Emery-Andy Griffith	Petersburg Movie: Full	Track (CC) (45) Movie:	Sci-Fighters	Johnny Sisk-matic (CC)	Kandalls Glenn Smith	Biography	Wild Discovery	Ivy	FOX Sports News	Round Sportcenter	Kid From Texas
10:30 PM Nightline (30) Keenan	Home Imp. Mad Abs. You	Bonanza-Lost	Show (CC) Married... With	Ent. Tonight Politically Inc. (CC)	Ent. Tonight Politically Inc. (CC)	News (CC) Nightline	News Tonight Show	Movie: Uncommon	P. Impacto Noticias Int.	Wait Disney Presents	Dallas	Body Massage	Track (CC) (45) Movie:	Sci-Fighters	Johnny Sisk-matic (CC)	Kandalls Glenn Smith	Biography	Wild Discovery	Ivy	FOX Sports News	Round Sportcenter
11:30 PM Ivory Inc. Politically Inc.	Martin (CC) In the Heat of	Clyde Return to	Paid Program	Late Late Show	News Ent. Tonight	News Ent. Tonight	Police Academy	Police Academy	Club America	Club America	Prime Time Country (CC)	Beyond (CC) (25) Movie:	Dennis Miller (-35) Movie:	Light of the Southwest	American Justice	Discover Magazine	Rough Cut	Last Word Sports News	Amer. Muscle First Serv	Carlo Movie: The	
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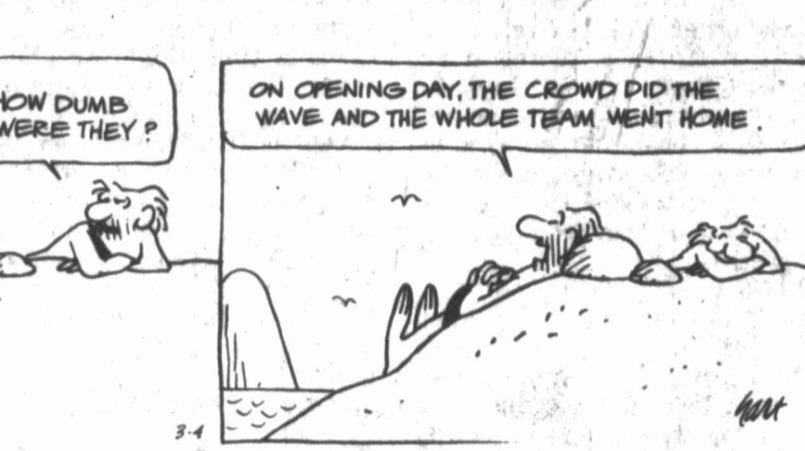
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So?

SO, I'VE NEVER SEEN YOU THIS SPIFFY BEFORE.

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MAYBE SPIFFY WAS THE WRONG WORD...

HONK!

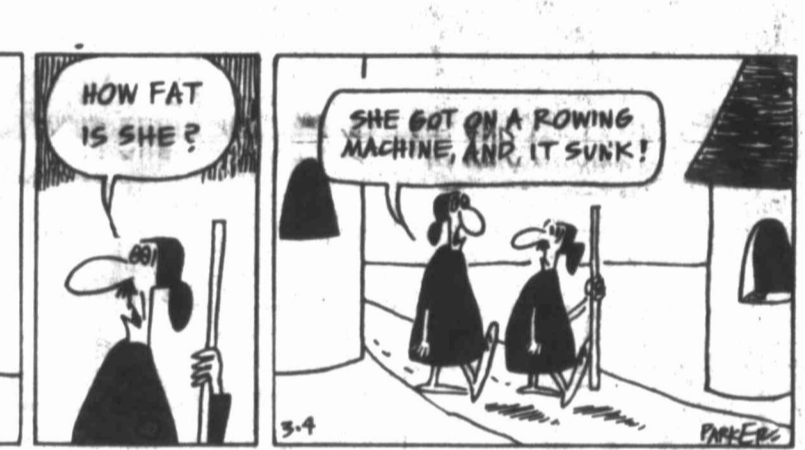


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MY WIFE IS 5000 FAT

HOW FAT IS SHE?

SHE GOT ON A ROWING MACHINE, AND IT SUNK!



HI AND LOIS

HOW CUTE! IS TRIXIE WATCHING YOU PLAY "MONOPOLY"?

SHE'S WINNING!



GASOLINE ALLEY

Sarge Bloney! It's really great seeing you again, you ol' goat, you!

You too, Wolf! It's a shame ol' Fuzzy isn't here! He was a good ol' boy!

Yeah! We left Fuzzy behind as a spotter! We quit receiving his signals one day! Guess they got him! Get my drift?

Gotcha!



SNUFFY SMITH

ELVINEY WANTS YOU AN' OL' BULLET TO COME OUT TO TH' GOSSIP FENCE !!

WHY TH' DAWG ?

SHE'S GOT SOME SCRAPS FER HIM, TOO !!



BEETLE BAILY

LT. FUZZ HAS HIS REPORT READY, SIR

JUST TELL HIM TO LEAVE IT

I DON'T THINK HE CAN DO THAT, SIR.

HE HAS AUDIOVISUALS



THIS DATE IN HISTORY

Today is Wednesday, March 4, the 63rd day of 1998. There are 302 days left in the year.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

ACROSS

- Baby powder
- Ship end
- George Bernard
- Opera song
- Free-for-all
- Customary time
- Grizzley on Wall Street?
- Comic Johnson
- Ironical humor
- Relative through marriage
- Last of a cigar
- Journalist Bly
- Aardvark's meal
- "The Name of the Rose" author
- Quantity of gossip
- Thailand neighbor
- Woodwinds of jazz, for short
- podrida
- Nabokov novel
- POW possibly
- Possessive pronoun
- Disencumbers
- Baseball et al.
- Withered?
- Good-luck charm
- Bologna one
- Ivan or Alexander, e.g.
- Reader's cards
- Roofing goop
- Patron
- 53 China, Japan, et al.
- Ages and ages
- Predatory jurist?
- Bundle of cotton
- Lacking sense
- Sit-corn equine
- Ex-supervisor's letters
- Worked on lawn borders
- Old adages

DOWN

- File flaps
- Vicinity
- Peflur
- Body of prey
- Broodway hits
- Duration
- Wapiti
- Singer Della
- Prickly plants
- One of O.J.'s lawyers
- Nagging insects?
- Car
- Birdhouse nester
- Pal's mates
- Guido's note
- Fetid
- Warning
- Gymnast
- Comaneci
- Amphibian perches?
- Bivouac
- Beyond: pref.
- SDI weapon
- Bring in money
- Image recorder
- 42 Informer
- 43 Amounted to
- 44 Creeks
- 46 Surgery rms.
- 50 Prevailing tide
- 52 Exist
- 53 "The Thief of Baghdad" co-star
- 54 Little round legumes
- 55 Temple
- 56 City of the Taj Mahal
- 57 Offed, once
- 58 Mack and Knight
- 61 Comic's bit

On this date:

In 1681, England's King Charles II granted a charter to William Penn for an area of land that later became Pennsylvania.

In 1791, Vermont became the 14th state.

In 1829, an unruly crowd mobbed the White House during the inaugural reception for President Jackson.

In 1897, William McKinley was sworn in as the 25th president.

In 1902, the American Automobile Association was founded in Chicago.

In 1917, Republican Jeanette Rankin of Montana took her seat as the first woman elected to the House of Representatives.

In 1933, Franklin D. Roosevelt was inaugurated president, pledging to lead the country out of the Great Depression.

In 1933, the start of President Roosevelt's first administration brought with it the first woman to serve in the Cabinet: Labor Secretary Frances Perkins.

In 1952, Ronald Reagan and Nancy Davis were married in the San Fernando Valley, north of Los Angeles.

In 1977, more than 1,500 people were killed in an earthquake that shook southern and eastern Europe.

In 1987, President Reagan addressed the nation on the Iran-Contra affair, acknowledging his overtures to Iran had "deteriorated" into an arms-for-hostages deal.

Ten years ago: The Bureau of Labor Statistics reported that the nation's civilian unemployment rate had dropped the previous month to 5.7 percent.

Five years ago: Authorities announced the arrest of Mohammad Salameh, a suspect in the bombing of the World Trade Center in New York City. Salameh was later convicted of playing a key role.

One year ago: President Clinton surveyed tornado destruction in his home state of Arkansas and also declared Ohio and Kentucky disaster areas because of floods. Calling creation of life "a miracle that reaches beyond laboratory science," President Clinton barred spending federal money on human cloning.

Today's Birthdays: Folk singer Miriam Makeba is 86. Actress Paula Prentiss is 59. Singer Bobby Womack is 54. Rock musician Chris Shakin' (Yes) is 50. Singer Shakin' Stevens is 50. Singer Chris Rea is 47. Actress Kay Lenz is 45. Musician Enlilh Estefan is 45. Movie director Scott Hicks ("Shine") is 45. Actress Catherine O'Hara is 44. Actor Mykelti Williamson is 38. Actor Steven Weber ("Wings") is 37.

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