Howard County remains clear of strep cases; 26 reported statewide

By gathy gilbert Staff Writer
Telephones are ringing off the hook at the Texas Department of Health during a recent outbreak of invasive group A strep-
tococcus bacterium that has tococcus bacterium that has
killed 26 people in the state. Fortunately, the people
answering those calls in answering those calls in
Howard County so far have only Howard County so news to report. good news to report. No cases have been identified in the surrounding area, Texas Department of Health officials said Tuesday.
To my knowledge we have not have any cases in this area, said Kaye Moore, Outbreak one of many area residents who Since Dec. 1, 117 cases of the $\quad$ with a sore throat and dangermost of those in Harr reported, and Bexar counties, said Doug McBride, public information officer for the Texas Department of Health. The disease has shown up in 29 coun-
ties so far, most of them clus tered in southeastern and central Texas.
Two cases were reported in El
Paso, McBride said, Paso, McBride said, both result-
ing in deaths
Ellen Phillips, real estate
agent and mother of three is
agent and mother of three, is
one of many area residents who
going
you.
you, back and forth, it worries
Ab-20 $\underset{\text { ulat }}{\text { ab }}$ ria in their all times Mose and throat at bacteria becomes deadly when
it invades then it invades the blood, muscles, or lungs. The bacteria is transmitted in
person-to-person contact that person-to-person contact tha
allows exchange of mucus o allows exchange of mucus or throat, the health departmen said.
Precautions against the bacte Precautions against the bacte
ria include good hygiene, taking antibiotics, seeking medica attention if suffering from flu like symptoms that worsen after


Director: HAP rebounds from tough times

By CARLTON JOHNSON Staff Writer
A year has made a significant difference in Big Spring's
Housing Assistance Program, an agency implicated in a 1996 audit of mismanagement of funds and client files. Housing Director Mark
Gentry was hired last spring and one of his first priorities was to get the city's housing I was employed by the city as
Housing Director on Feb. 24,

1997 and it was with relief that the city's independent auditors
of West, Davis and Company coincidentally indicated on Feb.
24,1998 that the housing agency was again operating within pre scribed federal guidelines, Gentry said. A lot of changes have ment, but nothing that has not been mandated by the Office of
Housing Housing
Development ${ }_{\text {and }}^{\text {(HUD), Urban }}$ (HUD), Gentry

Agency is the Section 8 Rental Agency is the Section 8 Rental
Assistance Program, a program
in which Gentry likes to keep people awa something that isnanges always easy because of federal regula-
tions and electronic reporting requirements. "Funding is from the federal budget of HUD," Gentry said.
"Including both administrative "Including both administrative fees and direct housing pay-
ments, the program has a 1998
budget of aboit and much of this budget will
fiind its way directly into the
Big Spring economy." Big Spring economy."
The city's housing agency does operate under the premise that eligibibility to receiving a
subsidy housing assistance is subsidy housing assistance is a privilege and not a right and
the department's policy is to provide this assistance only to a properly screened and qualified very-low income applicant,
according to Gentry "Very-low income is define as a family whose total income See HAP, page 2A

## Golf fees increase tops council agenda tonight

 By CARLTONTonights Big Spring City Council meeting will be the first reading of a proposed ordinance increasing greens fees
and membership fees at
Comanche Trail Golf Course. Comanche Trail Goif Course. sider a final reading authoriz-
ing Mayor Tim Blackshear to ing Mayer Tim Blackshear to

## WEATHER Tonight Wed <br>  upper 205 to mid 30 s. Exended forecast, Thurs sad, party cloud  <br> 

To reach all departments, please call 263-7331
the proposal, but the majority of posed increased should bring in
the two dozen or so people who an estimated $\$ 25,000$ in addi-
attended the meeting were pret. attended the meeting were pret- an estimated $\$ 25,000$ in add ty positive about the changes, "The ordinance that we're tak
according to Parks Director ing to the city council has been according to Parks Director
Becky Crane.
Pritten to ensure the additional
People are pretty much recep-
tiveney goes toward the golf tive to the proposed increases, but were concerned that the
money they are going to be paymoney they are going to be pay-
ing will go to the Goli Course Fund,- Crane said. The pro-
course, "Crane added. The proposal includes increas ing the annual membership fees
for senior citizens from $\$ 250$ to See FEES, page $2 A$

By CABLTON JOHNSON per month for an intermediate said. "We just want things to be


## said.".

This is something we should
take up in the budget take up in the budget,' County think we should leave things
the way they are until we the way they are
address the budget
In a bepat. In a separate request,
Jennings was granted permisJennings was granted permis-
sion to purchase new rifles and shotguns for his deputies. The
move is in order to upgrade the move is in order to upgrade the
weapons in the sheriffs office. weapons in the sheriffs office. that he sent three deputies to
Garden City on Feb. 2 when the

## three or four days and seeking a day, and especially after play- medical attention for children ing outside.

 $\begin{aligned} & \text { medical attention for children ing outside. } \\ & \text { with chicken pox who begin to } \\ & \text { Health officials said the num- }\end{aligned}$ with chicken pox who begin tofeel more ill after three or four days. new telephone hotline to answer questions about a dead opened last week.
The higher incident rate of The higher incident rate of
strep A infections prompted the Texas Department of Health to open the phone line. "If those children are robust and healthy and follow personal isn't any more concern now than at any other time."
Children should be sure to ber of strep A cases the num year to year, and stressed that
the infection is still a low risk the infection is still a low risk
for most people despite this for most people despite this
year's higher tally. Since December, 73 cases have been reported in the state. Parents of children one year and older have been urged to pox, which is believed to be a sk factor for strep $\mathbf{A}$.
EDITOR'S NOTE The phone line will be open through Friday
from $7: 30$ a.m. to 6 p.m. The toll-

## wash their hands sevelt

## Sheriff's budget

 Jennings: Overage due to increased workload By CARLTON JOHNSON $\frac{\text { By CARLTON }}{}$Questions as to why the Howard County Sheriffs Office
was over budget in 1997 promptwas over budget in 1997 prompt-
ed Sheriff Bill Jennings to give
a detailed report to county com a detailed report to county com-
missioners during their Monday's meeting.
"I compared last year to 1996 and questions people have, Jennings said. "What we did
last year was go to work last year was go to work."
Jennings said he was first Japroached by Commissioner
Sonny Choate who came to him Sonny Choate who came to him
with questions he had received Several Tategories were
Trem reviewed during Jennings' com
parison, which included the fol -Thefts - 131 in 1996 with 21 cleared by arrest; 82 in 1997
with 49 cleared by arrest. with 49 cleared by arrest.

- Burglaries -59 in 1996 with 21 cleared by arrest; 38 in 1997
with 20 cleared by arrest. Assaults - 68 in 1996 with 26
cleared by arrest; 37 in 1997
with 36 cleared by arrest. with 36 cleared by arrest. - Robberies - zero in 1996;
in 1997 was cleared by arrest. in 1997 was cleared by arrest.
in 1996 or 1997 nose in 1996 or 1997 . Jennings' report also included
stolen property, which amount-
ed to $\$ 240,296$ in 1996 with ed to $\$ 240,296$ in 1996 with
$\$ 48,737$ of the recovered. In 1997 $\$ 48,733$ of the recovered. In 1997 , In the booking division, 51 arrests were reported by the
sheriffs office in 1996 compared to 1,083 in 1997. Other agencies
arrests totaled 963 in 1996 com arrests totaled 961 in 1996 com According to Jennings, total confinement/transfers by th
sheriffs office and sheriffs office and other agen
cies totaled 1,475 in 1996 com cies totaled 1,475 in 1996 com
pared to 2,271 in 1997 . Total visitors to the jail -was
2,015 in 1996 and 2,316 in 1997 . The average daily population
of the Howard County Jail fo 1996 was between 28 and 30 inmates.
In 1997, the average was Total meals served in the jai in 1996 was 28,524 for a total cost of $\$ 43,481,64$ or $\$ 1.52$ per
meal. In 1997, 40,608 meals were served in the jail for a total cost of $\$ 70,122.23$ or $\$ 1.73$ per meal. Suplies for the jail totaled
$\$ 6,136.70$ in 1996 and $\$ 7,702.31$ in
1997 .

In the civil division, the report shows 1,977 civil docu-
ments processed in 1996 with $\$ 55,029.20$ in fees being collected ompared to 2,016 civil docu-
ments processed in 1997 with ments processed in 1997 with
$\$ 47,215.21$ in fees being collected. A total of 905 warrants were in 1996 with 712 returned compared to 1,332 being received in 1997 with 932 returned.
The sheriff travel/prisoner The sheriff travel/prisoner
general fund account showed $\$ 6,893.88$ for 1996 and $\$ 5,228,70$ in 1997, Records state the sheriffs in 1996 compared to 38 in 1997. No records for public intoxica
tion arrests. were available for in 1997. in 1997.
Records were also not available for traffic cases handled in 1996. In 1997, 151 traffic cases
were handled by the sheriff's Jennings said some of the budget overage during the later was a carryyver of the upgrad-
ing costs of the jail, an expense ng costs of the jail, an expense taking office on Jan. 1, 1997 .
Last summer, because of high Lileage on several sheriff's mileage on several sherifr
office vehicles and many need ed repairs, the commissioners
court approved the purchase of court approved the purchase of
five 1996 Ford Crown Victoria police vehicles with less than 10,000 miles on them for $\$ 14,025$ or a total cost of $\$ 70,125$. The
purchase of two new 1997 Ford purchase of two new 1997 Ford
Crown Victoria police vehicles
last year was a budgeted item in last year was a budgeted item in
the 1996-97 budget. Other expenditures during
1997 included the purchase of 1997 included the purchase of
new base radio equipment in the amount of $\$ 8,972.06$ due to a
conflict with the owner of the conflict with the owner of the
tower the sheriffs office had ower the
Jennings said that the portable radios assigned to the
sheriff's office were old and in sheriffs office were old and in
need of repairs. The commis. need of repairs. The commis
sioners' court approved the pur chased of 18 new radios at a cost of $\$ 425$ each or $\$ 7,650$.
New Kenwood radios were also purchased for the seven
vehicle purchased in 1997 at a cost of $\$ 465$ each or $\$ 3,255$ total. For the first six months of
1997, the sheriffs office did not fill the positions of chief deputy and two sergeants positions
according to Jennings.

## Commissioners examine credit bonuses for deputies

If t
"If the man had had a rifle and us carrying shotguns, we would
have come out in second place Jennings said. Jennings also told commis
sioners he plans to trade his ol sioners he plans to trade his old weapons for 15 new shotgins
(about $\$ 4,000$ ) and 15 rifles (about $\$ 4,000$ ) and 15 rifles
(about $\$ 3,000$ ). . Jennings
believes he can get between $\$ 5$ believes he can get between $\$ 50$
and $\$ 75$ in trade for the depart. meft's old shotguns.
One of the old guns the See Bonuses, page 2A

## Bonnie Elaine

## Sneed

## May at the First United Mithodist Church in Snyder Clifton Igo officiating. Burial Mrs. Sneed died Sunday, ail after a lengthy illness. She was born on May 26 ed Norman (Slick) Sneed on an. 14, 1952, in Lovington, J.M. She retired from outhwestern Bell Telephone ater 30 years. She was a memethodist Church in Snyder. and, Norman, of the home; wo daughters Sneed, Abilene, Quinlan, and Saundra Bloom, Coahoma; three sisters, Leona radley, Ft. Cobb, Okla. Winnie Green and Edith Eller both of Lawton, Okla.; eigh randchildren. <br> Memorials may be made to Arra <br> Arrangements under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale

J.B. Barker Service for J.B. Barker, 88,
Big Spring, is pending with
Myers \& Smith Funeral Home \& Chapel.
Mr. Barker died Tuesday,
March 10, 1998, at Mountain View Lodge following a long ill

## FEES

Some seniors indicated they would rather pay the additional
\$75 and have unrestricted play $\$ 75$ and have unrestricted play
rather than pay the $\$ 250$ annual membership fee and only be
able to play Monday through Friday, according to Crane. juniors (age 18 and under) and
 require a daily sreen fee
up from $\$ 8$ last year Greens fees for adults will
increase from $\$ 14$ to $\$ 15 \mathrm{a}$ and increase from $\$ 12$ to $\$ 13$.
sen The proposal also includes
increasing the adult annual membership fee from $\$ 325$ to
$\$ 395$ and the family member $\$ 395$ and the family
ship fee from $\$ 425$ to
\$495. One of the issues golfers, city
officials and PRB members dis cussed last year as the city
saerched for a new superinten. searched for a new superinten-
dent for Comanache Trail Goff Course was how to get the
course on track to becoming self-suffficient or in other
how it can pay for itself. Last year, the golf course
showed a profit of more than $\$ 12,000$, the first time the cours had made money since it
showed a profito of $4,6,69$ during showed d a pront of
the $1992 \cdot 93$ fiscal year.
MYERS \& SMITH FUNERAL HOME $\&$ CHAPEL
24th \& Johmeon 267-8288
J.B. Barker, 88 , died Tuesday
pending.

NALLEY-PICKLE \& WELCH Funeral Home Trinity Memorial Park 906 Gregg St.
(915) 267-6331 William S. Talbott, 77, died Saturday. Services will be Pickle \& Welch Rosewood
Pis Chapel. Interment will follow
at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

It the ordinance to increase
the fees at the golf course is
approved tonight, council mem. ers will also have to approve it
gain on March 24 before the again on March 24 before the
new fee structure can take
effeet.

## HAP

 Continued from page $1 A$earnings is less than 50 percent
of the median income for
Howard County as established
by federal guidelines,". Gentry
said. percent of median
of Howard County - Family of one, $\$ 12,500$. - Family of two, $\$ 14,000$. - Family of four, $\$ 17,500$. -Family of five, $\$ 18,900$. - Family of six, $\$ 20,300$. -Family of eight, $\$ 23,100$ Employment demographics gathered from program data ndicates that about 50 percent
of the city's housing assistance of the city's housing assistance ing poor; about 30 percent are either elderly, retired or dis-
abled; and the remaining 20 percent is shared between the ent is shared between the
unemployed who are job seekers and/or those who consider
themselves unemployable for whatever reason.
whatever reason.
Another related statistic is
that about 70 percent of the that about 70 percent of the
head of households of all famihead of households of all fami-
lies on our program never achieved a high school equiva-
lent education," Gentry said. This does coincide with people
in the working poor and the in the working poor and the may have only enough mar ketable skills which earn a minimum wage." Despite welfare reform mea surers, designed to get people
back to work and off welfare being instituted in the last two years, those issues have caused housing assistance to be needed group of working poor families. This has firmed our resolve to ensure that families who may
no longer qualify for assistance who may be in violation of the zero-tolerance for fraud, drug nvolvement, criminal activi ties, gang participation, vio lence and property damages, or
those who have maintained a
less than decent and santaty living environment, are quiciq中 removed from the program
and/or prosecuted if the case
warrants," Gentry said BONUSES

## department has was purchase in the 1930's when Bonni

 in the 1930's when Bonnie Jennings said Thompson automatic machine gun is pwobably worth about$\$ 4,000$ to $\$ 5,000$. Commissioners Sonny Choate and Jerry Kilgore suggested donating the old
weapon to the Heritage號s said the the museum has a Class Three Federal Firearms License an
the gun is disabled the gun is disabled. for any reason," Jennings said "That's. The antique weapon has a 30
round stick as well as round stick as well as a 50
round drum, according to Jennings.
Choate asked Jennings why
he was requesting so many he was requesting so many guns and Jennings repp
rifle and one shot gun for each reserve office on duty during Whatever time. Choate suggested purchasing and locking them in a gun cab net in the sheriffs office, bu
Jennings said no way "Would you like to go to a gun asked Choate. "We have to be
ready to go. We don't have time to come by the office and pick sible, but not very practical."


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## Voters head to the polls; many candidates unopposed

## AUSTIN (AP) - Republican and Democrats were choosin and Democrats were choosing nominees for November today Secretary of State Al Gonzales. the state's chief elec tions officer, forecast a turnout of abour 20 percent of TTexas'11 million registered voters. On Monday, Gonzales urged Texans to go to the polls. ' imagine many may view the primary as an election for only the true party faithful, but I hope Texans will realize that the policies that affect all of us are decided upon by the peo. ple we vote into office," Gonzales said. <br> said turnout for early voting in percent for the Democratic pri- mary and 1.17 percent for the Republican primary If a candidate fails to win a If a candidate fails to win a majority in today's primary, the top two finishers advance to an majority in today's primary, the top two finishers advance to an April 14 runoff. ry are uncontested, as are fou of the top six on the Democratic <br> side. Democratic gubernatorial candidate Garry Mauro is among the unopposed.

$\qquad$ bent Democrat Dan Morales is
giving upatter two terms.
Democratic voters wilk choose
among Jim Mattox, who held
the post from 1983 to he91;
Morris Overstreet, a court of
Criminal Appeals judge; and
Universal City lawyer Gene
Kelly.
Republicans are choosing
from three hopefuls: former
Texas Supreme Court justice
John Cornyn, former state
party coairman Tom Pauken
and Railroad Commissioner
Barry Wiliamson.
The GOP also has a three-way primary for land commissioner,
the office being yacated by
Mauro after 16 years. The canMauro after 16 years. The can-
didates are Houston businessman David Dewhturst, Bastrop
businessman Dop stase Sen. Jerry Patterson, R-
Pasadena. Also being chosen Tuesday ure commissioner, one seat on he Railroad Commission, four places on the Texas Supreme of Criminal Appeals, seven of the 15 State Board of Education
seats and all 30 Texas seats in seats and all 30
the U.S. House.

choked roads across the Pnow and Midwest, stuck because of a blustery snowstorm that people and ushered out what with a deadly cold snap.
Eight deaths were blamed on the storm, which lingered into this morning across parts of the
Midwest and Great Lakes. In a tangle of stalled traffic
northern Indian northern Indiana, 40 mph wind gusts buffeted cars so hard that
drivers could feel the jolt driv out anyway to wade through thick snowdrifts but couldn't ing the jackknifed semis caus ing all the problems ahead. All they could see were cars horizons.
"You hear these guys swear "You hear these guys swear-
ing and cussing, moaning and
Battling expenses add to flap over settlement
 vate attorneys who helped
Texas fight Big Tobacco hav joined lawyer fees and financia point in the state's record $\$ 15.3$ billion settlement.
The flap over expenses, to be
paid to attorneys in addition to their estimated $\$ 2.3$ billion fee over the huge settlement Nearly two weeks ago, Gov.
George W. Bush requested that hourly fee documentation and expense records for the five pri-
vate attorneys that worked for the state on a 15 percent contin ffice by late Monday afternoon. Ron Dusek, a spokesman for
Attorney General Dan Morales said the report wouldn't be fin
ished by the deadlin would be delivered this week He added that all of the infor-
mation requested by Bush would not be available becaus working on contingency wer The governor has asked for
certain documents, such as How many hours the attorneys put in?' Since the attorneys are in expenses.
All of the money floating


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March 16, 1998

## Veteran: Waco

 standoff worth all the troubleWACO (AP) - A Vietnam shirtless, with his hands in the 4-hour standoff while threat- Waco police negotiator for ening to blow up a Veterans Administration building in protest of the way his disability was being treated says he

made.his point. "There's no other way to get them to listen," Jason Leigh said Monday outside a federal courthouse, where he wa arraigned on a firearms pos-
session charge. "I tried letters, I tried e-mail, I tried phone calls, I tried friends - I tried
everything I possibly could." Leigh, 48, rammed his 1984 Jeep Cherokee into the two-
story VA building Sunday bunding earl Sunday
demanded $\$ 750,000$ from the government and threatened to blow the building up if his demands weren't met, accor
ing to an affidavit from agent Jeff Brzozowski. Nonetheless, he was charged not been specified due to confi- a federal facility during the dentiality laws, said he was commission of a crime.
angry because he felt he was
John Hurley, Leigh's court angry because he felt he wa
being ignored by veterans offi-
cials? walked out of the building
$\qquad$ walked out of the building on the case

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- Our Views


## Students study for spelling bee set for next week

 chool's out this week in Howard County, but hat doesnt t mean some students aren't think remember if "i it comes before or after "e. No, not words for a test at school, but rather words a coling ee sponserd by this newspaper and cched spelling Bee, sponsored by this news in the Howar College Auditorium.This annual event allows the best of the best from each school to compete head-on for the right advance to the regional spelling bee later this spring in Lubbock.
"The young men and women who will compete in point," said Herald Publisher Chuck Williams. "Whil ne young person will advance to the regional be here truly are no losers once they reach this point. In this day and age when a person's idea of spelling refreshing to know that there are a group of young sters still interested in learning in the traditiona manner of "readin' and writin' and arithmetic.
Traditionally, there will be five or six dozen folks i the auditorium during the spelling bee. You know
family, friends, teachers, judges and folks from th' newspaper ... but these kids deserve your support an recognition for working hard to climb another rung
Please join us in cheering them on


## We need to restore original constitutional republic



 funds. That Congress has to resort their own money demonstrates that they know the federal gov-
ernment has no legitimate ernment has no legitimate
authority to define drunk dri ving. Indeed, it does not. Nowhere in the Constitution the sole source of federal pow - is there any language that
to legislate in essentially local
matters.
It is disgusting to see the contempt politicians in both
parties have for the
Constitution. Constitution.
On the other hand, Congress
does have the duty and responsoes have to dualy ammigration
sibily to cotrol
but here it refuses to do so. but here it refuses to do so.
Congress sits by while the Congress sits by while the
Clinton administration corrupts the immigration service.
Congressmen have refused to put their money where their
mouths are when mouths are when it comes to
controlling illegal immigration And they have refused to set lower limits on legal immigra-
tion. They even undid most of tion. They even undid most of
the socalled reforms they had passed the year before.
We suffer a lot of bad govern ment because of this disregard
of the Constitutfon. It is really of the Constitutfon. It is real
a pragmatic document that divided the labor of government between the states and
the federal government. The the federal government. The
federal government, as the agent of all the states, would handle matters that affected all the states such as the common eign trade.

e would want to see 50

## foreign policies' and 50 differen sets of trade laiws. The Constitution intended for the

 standard for weights and mea-
sures, creating a common currency and ensuring that we
have an internal free market have an internal free market. The bulk of governing -95 per-
cent, said James Madison contd continue to be done by the states. That, too makes
sense. Governments closer to the people are easier for the people to control. State govern-
ments are also closer and ments are also closer and more
knowledgeable about problems inn their own states.
But instead of the sensible But instead of the sensible
constitutional government, we constitutional government, we have in fact a European-style
central government, which pre sumes to legislate every aspect of everyone's life and to render
the states as impotent subdivithe states as impotent subdiv
sions of the federal giant. This style of government, of course, is impractical. It concentrates too much power in
the hands of 546 individuals the hands of 546 individuals
(100 senators, 435 members of the House, one president, one



## Put your stamp on the century

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Visualize the 1950s.
What do you see? What images
best ane the essence of this
transitional decade the pros berst capture the essence of this
transitional deacad, the prosper-
ous period that brought ous period that brought us sub-
urbia, that bridged the war urbia, that bridged the war
years of the e 990 s and the socially turbulent 1960s?
Does the fallout shelter come
to mind? What about drive in to mind? What about drive-in
movies? Drive-in restaurants?
The movies? Drive in restarants?
The Koren War? Remember "I
like Ike"? Elvis?
3-D movies?
Taill fins and chrome? Polio vac.
cine? ILove LLucy Rock $n$ ' roll?
The Hula The Hula-Hoopp The interstate
system? The deseregation of
public
schools? public schools? "The
Honeymoner"?
Well, the U.S. Postal Service Well, the U.S. Postal Service
wanted to know what average
Americans like about the 1950 Americans like about the 1950s
and, for the first time, invited
and the public to voto en the subjects
honored on U.S. postage stamps

- starting with pos thegos. 1 .
The voting was held during

February and ballots were arviilable at all post offices nation-
wide and are on the Internet at
http:///stampvote.msn.com.
The effort, caliled Celebrate the
Century, woil Century, was a colleararatethe
between the Postal Service, the between the Postal Service, the
U.S. Department of Education and 10 of the country's leading
education organizations. Its education organizations. Its
major purpose was to give citimajor purpose was to give citi-
zens a chene to participate in
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people, events. places and rends
of each decade of the 20th centu-
Celebrate the Century's education component, moreover, is
intended to tinvolve
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think of stamps as little pieces of
history that are relevant to all
Americans because what stamps
do is commemeren do is commemorate that stamps the events, the trends that have
shaped America," Vargo said, shaped America," Vargo said.
"We We get requests for everything imaginable, even the hot dog. "A lot of requests for things just don't fit our strict criteria.
For example, a person would
have to have to have been dead for 10
years to be commemorated. We years to be commemorated. We
don't commemorate disasters don't commemorate disasters,
and we don't commemorate anniversaries until at least their
75th year." 75th year."
Azeezaly director of Stamp Services, said
that the response to director of Stamp Services, said
that the response to Celebrate
the Century was excellent with all age groups, including chit all age groups, including chil-
dren, casting ballots. The top
five dren, casting ballots. The top
five vote-getters for subjects epit-
omizing the omizing the 1950 may surprise
many people, Jaffer said. many people, Jaffer said.
In mid-February, Victory Over
Polio was the leader with 87,455 Polio was the leader with 87,455
votes; Drive-In Movies, second, votes; Drive-In Movies, second,
with 84,286; Tail Fins \& Chrome
(cars of the '50s), third 81,121 ; (cars of the '50s), third, 81,121;
Rock 'n' Roll, fourth, with 76;619; Rock 'n' Roll, fourth, with 76;619;
I Love Lucy, fifth, with 75,542. Other favorites include Dr.
Seuss, "The Cat in the Hat,;
World Series rivals (N) World Series rivals (N.Y.
Yankees/Brooklyn Dodgers).
teen fashions, stock car racing teen fashions, stock car racing,
desegregation of public schools and Rocky Marciano.
Again, Celebrate the Century Again, Celebrate the Century
is, in its own small way, partici-
patory democracy. For the first patory democracy. For the first time in the history of the Postal
Service, ordinary citizens - by
casting their votes - can put casting their votes - can put
their personal stamp on
American history American history.
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Steers drop pair to Midland Lee; 'Dogs fall victim to comeback HERALD Staff Report
MIDLAND - Big Spring's Steers,
their pitching staff depleted from a
weekend's worth of work were no
match for Midland Lee's Rebels, as the
10-rum rule ended both games of a dou-
bleheader Monday at Angels Stadium.
eWe knew we were going to run out
of pitching." Big Spring coach Bobby
Doe said after seeing the Rebels over-
come a $6-0$ Steers lead for an 18-8, six-
inning game in the opener and cruise
to a 12-0 win in the nightcap.
as The problem is that we need to get
as many games in as we can, so you
schedule a lot of games even though
you know at some point youre not
going to have all the pitching you
need, he continued.
Big Spring bats rattled early in the
game as Marcus Hyatt took the second
pitch of the game out of the park for a
quick 100 Steers lead.

| Area Baseba | weather and defensive errors on <br> Steers' part. <br> "Clint pitched well ... particular |
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| homer ignited the Ste | "It was getting awfully cold and we did- |
| un-scoring doubles from Clayton, | n't want to put anyone out there for |
| Pate, Brock Gee and Wes Mouton, | very long. We committed some errors |
| helped build that early 6 -run lead, but | behind him, too, and that didn't |
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| nted to get him out of there, "Doe |  |
| d of the pitching change that yield- | y," Doe said. "We were swinging the |
| anything but the desired results. | bats pretty well, it's just that nothing |
| ee only problem was that James had | was getting into the gaps or falling in |
| thrown 140 pitches Saturday and just | for us. You're going to haye those |
| 't have anything on the ball. We | kinds of days once in a while. We had |
| brought Jeremy Wright in and he | one |
| to four batters but we cóuldn't | and it got out of hand pretty quickly." |
| get any of them out." | The Steers, now 3-5 on the season, |
| In the nightcap, Big S | y, |
|  | taking on El Paso Ysleta's Indians in |
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Mnvitational Baseball Tou
Coahoma 7 MIDLAND MIDLAND - Errors and bases on Bullidogs as they dropped an 8.7 decision to Midand Christian's Mustangs. season-opening loss to Crane on season-opening loss to Crane on
Friday, leave Cohoma with an $0-2$
record going into today's 4 p.m. game record going into today's 4 p.m. game
at Midland Greenwood at Midian Gas one of those games that we
should have won could have won, anyway," Bulldogs coach Trey Morgan said. "The kids played hard ... we just
couldn't finish it off. -We walked too man
We walked too many people commit-
ted too many errors, but those are the
kinds of things you expect this early in kinds of things you expect this early in the season," he added. "That's why we
wanted to get the season started and




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Tennessee leads AP women's poll from start to finish monsococure penss

regular season was playing out. "If there is a team that IVve coached that really deserves to
have suceess and be at their best in postseason it's this eam,' Summitt taid. I I guess
more than anything I want it for the players.".86 was the last Texas in $1985-86$ was the last
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sech twice last.
 ${ }^{\text {The }}$ The final Top Ten show The final Top Ten showed no
change from last week as topese
teams either won all their teams either won ail their
games or were idle. But there
were two newcomers lower were two newcomers lower
down in the list . No. 21
Purdue and No. 2 Drake. Purdue and No. 22 Drake.
Old Dominion was second and Old Dominion was second and
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Texch. Stanford, Texas Tech, North Carolina,
Duke, Arizona and North
Carolina Carolina State. Last woek Dominot led Connecticut by only triree
points in the voting. The margin was much veregter this time
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Alabama, the only team to get
closer than 10 points. to Tennessee this season, moved to
up one spot to head the Second up one spot to head the Second
Ten. Then it was Florida
Internationa, and Western Kentucky, fol any est Minois, Virginia,
lowed by , mind
Vanderbilt, Stephen F. Austin and Hawaii.


Howard College sophomore Donelle Jones (40) breaks down to provide defensive coverage against a Grayson County player during the opening round of the Region $\mathbf{V}$ tournament in Midland. The No. 4 ranked Lady Hawks, $31-2$ on the season, will face Walters
State Community College, 26-4, in the first round of the National Junlor College Women's Tournament in Salina, Kan., at 2 p.m.
Tuesday, March 17. Tuesday, March 17.
Prairie View looking forward to NCAA tourney debut The ASSOCIATED PRESS PRAIRIE VIEW - Six seasons
ago, Prairie View didn't win a basketball game, Five seasons
ago, they won just one. ago, they won just one.
Two years ago, they lost a game by 92 points. View will make its NCAA tour nament debut.
ulous and surely is an amazing

## $\begin{array}{ll}\text { secutive games. } \\ \text { "Ithink winning this (SWAC) } & \begin{array}{l}\text { long time," said } \\ \text { Whetstone, a senior guard. }\end{array}\end{array}$

"I think winning this (SWAC) Whetstone, a senior guard.
tournament was a great mile-
"It's not just a win for basketstone for the university," "oach Elwood Plummer said. "You
know, Prairie View has been know, Prairie View has been
around for over 100 years. It's well known for its engineering program, its nursing program. "The big dance is somethin every coach looks forward to. 1 Tuesday, we're not going to just win the SWAC tournament. We're going to participate in the
NCAA tournament." NCAA tournament one thing.
Participating is
Moving on will be another. Moving on will be another.
Prairie View is only the 14th team with a losing record to get
into the tourney, Just one Bradley in 1955 , advanced beyond the first round. "This is the biggest thing that
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out,"
Phetstone added put," Whetstone added. throw cold water on the eupho ria but understands what his
team now is up against. "We can't enjoy it lon because we have to put in a game plan for Kansas," he said use our quickness because Kansas is bigger than we are.
Plummer is in as coach of the Panthers. He as coach of the Panthers. He left
in 1979 after seven years, then
returned in 1990.

## Without Hakeem, Rockets press Jazz;

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Forsan Buffs, Queens turn in strong finishes at Water Valley


feat. However, the Panthers are still just 13-16 and only made
the 64-team field by virtue of winning the Southwester winning the Southwestern
Athletic Conference tourna$\xrightarrow{\text { ment }}$ Their Their reward is a 16 seed and seed Kansas (34-3), which will be making its 27 th appearance in the post-season tourney.
Tar Heels' Jamison, duo of teammates are All-America team
The ASSOCLATED PRESS

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Antawn Jamison was by himself - as a North
Carolina Tar Heel and
Carolina Tar Heel and as the top vote-getter on the APAAl-America team. the first team today were Arizond teemmates
Mike Bibby and Miles Simon and Kansas teamMike Bibby and Miles Simon and Kansas team-
mates Raef LaFrentz and Paul Pierce. mates Raef LaFrentz and Paul Pierce.
While Jamison was one vote shy
While Jamison was one vote shy of being a
unanimous selection by the national media panel, unanimous selection by the nationairs media pane, the pairs of teammates became the sixth and sev.
enth sets to be voted to the first team, and the
first since UNLV's Larry Johnson and Stacey Augmon in 1991.
LaFrentz, the only returning All-America from
last season, became the third repeat selection in LaFrentz, the only returning All-America from
last season, became the third repeat selection in
the '90s, joining Tim Duncan of Wake Forest last year and Shaquille O'Neal of LSU in 1992 .
Jamison, the Atlantic Coast Conference player
 year, was named to the first team on all but one
of the 70 three-team ballots and had 348 points.
Bibby the Bibby, the sophomore guard who was named
Pac-10 player- of the year, had 68 first-team votes Pac-10 player of the year, had 68 first-te
and 346 points in the $5-3-1$ point system: The Kansas teammates were third and fourth in
the voting. LaFrentz, the Big 12 player of the year the voting. LaFrentz, the Big 12 player of the year the last two seasons, had 65 first-team votes and 340 points, 39 more than Pierce, the junior for-
ward who received 51 first-team votes.
Simon, the Final Four MVP last season as a Simon, the Final Four MVP last season as
funior, had 18 first-team votes and 162 points. The 6 -foot-9 Jamison was the first Tar Heel to be named ACC player of the yea, since Michael
Jordan in 1984. He averaged 22.9 points and 10.2 reboounds, the first Caralina player to to average 20 -
10 since Billy Cunningham in 196465 . 10 since Billy Cunningham in 196465
"Our guys have done a great job all yea
who shot 61 percent from the field. "It's humbling
o be named one of the best players in the counrry. Still, it's hard to foc
at this time of the year."
Bibby followed up a sensational freshman season by averaging 17.2 points, 5.9 assists and 2.4
steals as the Wildcats defended their national championship. Heled the team with 673 -pointers. "It's a great accomplishment, but it won't mean
as much if we don' win the national champi-
onship," Bibby said. "Since Im a team player, my main goal right now is to help the team win it all again, and if that happens, it will make this
honor even sweeter." honor even sweeter."
Simon joined Dam Slimon joined Damon Stoudamire and Sean
Elliot as the only players in Arizona history to score 1,500 points and have 400 assists. He averaged 17.3 points, second on the team to third-team
All-America Michael Dickerson, and 4.5 assists. "This is a great honor when you think about all

Lady Steers boosters set March 19 meeting Henab start Ropor


 Bingham, Mims and White ing fourth with a 56.76 clocking
would later team with Paul Kinsey to finish fourth in the Queens sprinters cranked it up $1,600-$ meter relay with a time of a notch to finish third with a
3.46 .57 3:46.57.
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fourth in the 110-meter hurdles $\begin{gathered}\text { Porsha Kimble provided a } \\ \text { fourth-place finish in the } 100\end{gathered}$ with a 17.58 time, while meters for the Queens, finishBingham was fifth in the 400 ing with a time of 14.13 seconds,
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can come from it including a
stronger bond between you and another，Cheek out different
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Someone appreciates your sin． cerity and your calm ways． erity and your calm ways．
Network，share ideas and return important calls．Others respond．An appointment in the afternoon could throw off your
day；realize the financial impact this could have．
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person．
PISCES（Feb．19－March 20）
Plug into work，get the job
done and stay focused．Sharing done and stay focused．Sharing
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associate has a lot to offer and
needs to have time with you．

## Manager struggles to keep office running on time


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es to listen when I ask her not
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puter．She becomes defensive
when I remind her．
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her eating to the lunchroom？－
In DEAR IGNORED：Ask your
boss to put the office policies in ooss to put the office policies in
writing，which may make them
easier for you to enforce．Keep
in mind that you were made in mind that you were made
the office manager for a reason，
and that these are business relationships－not friend－
ships．Then，with a clear con－
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fused＂mother who was consid－
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ering giving her 1．year－old son
to a couple at church．You
should have encouraged her to exhaust every other option
before giving away her child． There are many groups that
would help her－such as the
church or social services or

## As a mother of three，I know the early years are hard－ especially for a girl that young．

 especially for a girl that young．But it does get easier，and
when the children are in grade school，she could go back to
school or work to improve her
financial situation I＇m sure she will regret it deeply if she gives away her
child．JOANNE B．IN DEAR JOANNE：Your letter
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agency whatever contact they are both comfortable with．
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we see Katie＇s birth mom twice
a month（which is as much our a month（which is as much our
wish as hers），and her extended family as well，Our baby has
another whole branch of family to love her，and they＇ve been able to go on with their lives
without regret，being able to without regret，being able to
see for themselves that Katie is
the most loved，cared－for child the most loved，cared－for child
in the world． Abby，please ask your readers
to consider＂open adoption＂ when making decisions around
adoption or unplanned preg．
nancies．It can be scary when adoption or unplanned preg．
nanieles．It can be scary when
you first hear about it，but
can tell you in all honesty that
it has enriched our lives，our it has enriched our lives，our
daughter＇s life，and also her
birth mom＇s．Thank you． birth mom＇s．Thank

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but women should not rely on but women should not rely on
it alone．Scientific studies have
not shown that BSE is an effec－ tive method of reducing a wom－
an＇s risk of dying from breast While it is not foolproof mammography is the only
breast cancer early detection breast cancer early detectio
tool scientifically proven to save lives．The secretary of save lives．The secretary of National Cancer Institute and
the American Cancer Society ALL recommend routine mam－ The truth is，getting a mam mogram regularly can save a
woman＇s life．For a woman 40 phy cer，routine mammogra phy can reduce．the risk of
dying from breast cancer by 20 dying from breast cancer by 20
to 30 percent．However，mam－
mography may be less effective for younger women，perhaps
because their breast tissue is Free or low－cost mammo
grams are available year－roun grams are all 50 state health departments for women who
meet age and income require their state health department to find out whether they meet Abby，thanks for your help in
spreading the word about the importance of mammography Your encouragement may help
save lives．－STEPHEN W． WYATT，DIRECTOR DIV SION OF CANCER PREVEN TION AND CONTROL，CEN
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DEAR DR，WYATT：Thank you for taking the time to rein－ force this important message．
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DEAR ABBY：Thank you year－old girl in making an adoptive plan for her son．Our
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"Mr. Watson, come here. I want you.:"
In 1496, Christopher Columbus concluded his second
visit to the Western Hemisphere asin he left Hispaniola for Spain, to
In 1629, England's King Charles I dissolved Parliamen and did not call it back for 11 In 1785, Thomas Jefferson was appointed minister to France,
succeeding Benjamin Franklin In 1848, the Senate ratified the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo, ending the war with Mexico. In 1864, Ulysses S. Grant Union armies in the Civil War. In 1880, the Salvation Army
arrived in the United States
from England In 1948 the b
Communist foreign minister of Czechoslovakia, Jan Masaryk, was found in the garden
Czernin Palace in Prague. In 1949, Nazi wartime broa caster Mildred E. Gillars, also known as "Axis Sally," was
convicted in Washingto convicted in Washington D.C.
of treason. She served 12 years in prison. In 1969, James Ear1 Ray pleaded guilty in Memphis, Tenn., to the assassination of Martin diated that plea. In 1985, Konstantin U.
Chernenko, Soviet leader for Chernenko, Soviet leader for
just 13 months, died at age 73 . Congressman Jack Kemp Congressman Jack Kemp
dropped out of the race for the Republican presidential nomination. Pop singer Andy Gibb
died in Oxford, England, at age 30 of heart inflammation. Five years ago: Authorities
announced the arrest of Nidal announced the arrest of Nidal Ayyad, a second suspect in the
bombing of the World Trade Center in New York City. Dr. David Gunn was shot to death outside a Pensacola, Fla., abor-
tion clinic. C. Northcote $\begin{array}{ll}\text { tion clinic. } & \text { C. Northcote } \\ \text { Parkinson, author of } \\ \text { "Parkinson's }\end{array}$ "Parkinson's Law," died in Canterbury, England, at age 83.
One year ago: The White One year ago: The White
House and the FBI clashed in a rare public quarrel after President Clinton said he should have been alerted when
the bureau told national securithe bureau told national securi-
ty officials that the Chinese government might be trying to influence U.S. elections.
Today's Birthdays: Talk show host Ralph Emery is 65 . Actor Chuck Norris is 58 . Playwright Torrence (Jan and Dean) is 58 .
Actress Katharine Hought Actress Katharine Houghton is
53. Newspaper columnist Bob 53. Newspaper columnist Bob
Greene is 51. Rock musician Tom Scholz (Boston) is 51 . Actress Shannon Tweed is 41.
Actress Sharon Stone is 40 .

