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CASA to expand to Howard County; to effect more than 20 children

By KATHY GILBERT
Staff Writer

More than 20 Big Spring children who are in the state's custody will soon have adults in their corner, the executive director of a national child advocacy program announced this week.

A branch of Midland County's Court Appointed Special Advocate program (CASA) expands to three counties this year, with the first volunteer training slated for late April.

"I'm excited," Yvonne Moore,

executive director of Midland's CASA. "We've already accepted our first (Big Spring) case."

CASA is a nationwide non-profit movement that provides volunteers to help monitor court cases involving children who have been removed from their homes by the state because of abuse or neglect.

Judge Robert L. Moore "got the ball rolling," Moore said. "He's been very helpful. The Big Spring Rape Crisis/Victim Services (RC/VS) Center has been very helpful. And the local law enforcement people have

been very helpful, too."

The three counties in the 118th Judicial District (Martin, Glascock and Howard) will be served by the new program, Moore said. The Midland CASA program, called Voices for Children, has operated in Midland County for seven years.

CASA volunteers receive about 30 hours of training. They are assigned to work with one child per year. They meet with the child regularly over a long period of time and report on the child's concerns, and condition

directly to the judge. Advocates work on behalf of the interest of the child, and no other party, Moore said.

"It's a pretty big commitment," Moore said, "it's not for everyone." No special degree is required, she said. "Lay people from all backgrounds can do this work. Everybody has something to offer."

Six volunteers have already expressed interest, through recruiting efforts of the Big Spring Rape Crisis/Victim Services Center, Moore said.

In 1996, the Department of

Protective and Regulatory Services reported 245 abuse or neglect investigations by Child Protective Services in Howard County.

Twenty-one children were taken into custody due to abuse, Moore said.

The same year, Protective and Regulatory Services reported six children in its legal responsibility in Martin County and none in Glascock County.

Three child abuse investigations took place in Glascock County during that period. Voices for Children in

Midland has 13 CASA volunteers who serve 24 children. CASA programs also operate in Odessa, San Angelo and Lubbock.

There are more than 42,000 CASA volunteers nationwide and CASA programs in all 50 states. Voices for Children's web site is located at <http://www.marshall.com/voices>. Prospective volunteers and those interested in donating time or monetary contributions are urged to contact Yvonne Moore in Midland at 915-570-1084.



Instructor Margarita Duran Hollis, right, puts her beginner's class through its paces during a line dancing festival at the Big Spring Senior Center Wednesday afternoon.

Drug bust

Big Spring man caught in area sweep by deputies

By KATHY GILBERT
Staff Writer

A Big Spring man out on appeal on his third felony drug charge in January was arrested Tuesday night in a drug bust that netted six arrests, Howard County Sheriff's officers said today.

Caitano "Tano" Chavarria, 49, who has four felony drug charge convictions and was sentenced to seven years in jail in January, was arrested for possession of more than one gram of cocaine at his home on Timothy Lane at about 9:30 p.m., a spokesman for the sheriff's office said.

Chavarria's son, Marcus Caitano Chavarria, 19, was also arrested, along with Celestino Hinojos, age unlisted, Rene Hinojos, 40, both of Midland, and Joe Neal Jennings, 39, of Big Spring.

All were booked on charges of possession of a controlled substance in the amount of more than one gram.

Anthony Hayes, 32, of Big Spring, was arrested for driving while license suspended or invalid.

Hayes was released on \$1000 bond Wednesday. The Chavarrias, Hinojos, and Jennings will be arraigned this morning, the sheriff's office said.

"We executed a search warrant at about 9:30 p.m. Tuesday

and arrested five adults and one juvenile," a sheriff's officer who spoke on condition of anonymity said.

An undetermined amount of cocaine and marijuana were confiscated, he added.

Nine officers were involved in the bust and an extra booking officer was required, the sheriff's office confirmed. The investigation and evidence collection efforts continue.

By law, those charged with possession of a controlled substance in the amount of between one and four grams may be sentenced to between two and 10 years and fined up to \$10,000.

Caitano Chavarria's prior convictions include felony charges of possession of cocaine in 1993, distribution of cocaine in 1984, and possession of marijuana in 1972.

He had rejected a final plea bargain offered by prosecutors and pled guilty in a two-day trial before 118th District Judge Robert H. Moore III on January 26 and 27.

Cocaine was discovered in Chavarria's home during a manhunt near the intersection of Hearn and U.S. Highway 87 on Jan. 23, 1997, court documents show.

After two hours of deliberation a 118th District Court of Howard County jury sentenced Caitano "Tano" Chavarria to seven 1/2 years in jail and a \$10,000 fine.

Self-proclaimed underdog grabs SBOE seat

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Republican farmer Judy Strickland of Plainview considered herself the underdog in the race for the District 15 State Board of Education seat against fellow Republican and nurse Nancy Neal, but Tuesday's results said something different.

Strickland and Neal were unopposed by any Democrat, meaning Strickland will be unopposed on the November ballot.

Strickland received 1,032 votes more than Neal, with all precincts reporting late Tuesday.

District 15 also includes Howard County as well as a large portion of Texas with 144

school districts, more than 245,000 public school students and covers 46 other counties from the Texas Panhandle including Amarillo and Canyon. The district also winds down through the South Plains and Lubbock to Odessa in the Permian Basin, down to San Angelo in the Concho Valley and over to the Big County including Abilene.

During the primary campaign, both candidates made stops in Big Spring, with Strickland talking more about reform of the state board itself and Neal talking more about issues relating to her experience on local school boards and as a regent of the Texas State University System.

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Stage opens its doors in Big Spring

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Following a brief ribbon cutting ceremony this morning, Stage officially replaced Anthony's in Big Spring Mall.

Store officials promise upscale merchandise and old-fashioned customer service to its Big Spring customers.

Today's grand opening, which features a 20 percent store-wide discount sale, is the culmination of the month and a half of work it took to remodel the old Anthony's. Stage will continue its grand opening activities through Sunday.

The 20,000-square foot store, during its grand opening, is presenting customers a chance to register to win more than \$7,100 in grand prizes, including a trip for two adults and two children to Disney World in Florida and a trip for two to Las Vegas.

Customers are also eligible for merchandise registrations to include two \$500 storewide shopping sprees and five \$200 storewide shopping sprees.

Specialty Retailers in Houston, which owns the Bealls chain, purchased all of the Anthony's stores about a year ago.

Big Spring Mall Manager Tammy Watt said some of the Anthony's stores are being converted to Bealls stores and others to Stage stores.

"In our case, since we already have a Bealls in Big Spring, Anthony's was converted to a Stage store," Watt said.

According to Stage officials, shoppers in the Big Spring area will find the new Stage store a fabulous spot to catch the newest fashions, hottest brand names and friendly, old-fashioned service.

Stage stores have received

high praise around the country as the place for one-stop-shopping, with a one-of-a-kind commitment to customer service.

Big Spring shoppers will be able to shop on a daily basis for such name-brand items as Calvin Klein, Liz Claiborne, Levi's, Nike, Reebok, Elizabeth Taylor Fragrances, Chaps Ralph Lauren and many more.

Stage offers famous name, top-quality merchandise at affordable prices and stores with the latest men's, women's and children's fashions, stylish shoes, accessories, fine fragrances, beautiful lingerie and hard-to-fit sizes.

In announcing Stage's arrival in Big Spring, President and Chief Executive Officer Carl Tooker said, "Big Spring is our kind of hometown. It's a friendly, family-oriented community

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Local officials held a ribbon-cutting today to celebrate the grand opening of the new Stage store at Big Spring Mall.

Welfare benefits shrinking locally, officials say

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Welfare reform has created a lot of public interest in the area of public assistance.

The Big Spring Housing Agency is no exception, according to Director Mark Gentry, who says under current welfare reforms, Texas Assistance for Needy Families, which has replaced Aid to Families with Dependent Children, has been reduced to a maximum of \$188 a month per family.

"If a recipient is considered to be able-bodied and employable, there is a three-year lifetime use of TANF which becomes further reduced based on the recipient's educational level," Gentry said. "Coinciding with the reduction of TANF, food stamps have also been significantly reduced to often as much as half of what the family had been receiving prior to reform deadlines."

An unsolved reaction to welfare reform relates directly to the housing assistance program as any new earned income is

required by the Department of Housing and Urban Development to be counted as an increase in the rent, according to Gentry.

"The result is that the family may not be able to pay their portion of the rent to a landlord or pay the utility bills as required to remain on the housing program," Gentry said. "Should a recipient family have the inability to pay their portion of the rent and/or utilities, regulations require that a family be terminated from receiving housing assistance as breach

for non-payment of the lease or contract."

Such financial problems are increasing and social services have historically been considered services of a last resort, such as the foodbank, emergency shelters, community centers, Salvation Army. Also, religious institutions are becoming increasingly squeezed of limited financial assistance resources.

According to Gentry, there are some eye-opening statistics from the 1997 Federal

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WEATHER

Tonight:



Fri:



Weekend:



Mon:



Tonight, cloudy. Low in the 30s; Friday, mostly cloudy, becoming partly cloudy after noon. High in the 60s. Friday night, partly cloudy. Low in the 40s. Extended forecast, Saturday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers. High in the 60s. Sunday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers. Low in the upper 30s to mid 40s. High in the mid 50s to mid 60s. Monday, mostly cloudy with a chance of rain or snow.

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Strickland said she decided to run for the state board because she is a mother and a grandmother who is troubled by the current trend in education that seems more concerned with teaching our children about subjects like global warming and legalizing drugs rather than reading, writing and arithmetic.

"It appalls me to see the state purchase textbooks (which it did in 1997) like the one dubbed by concerned parents and teachers as 'Rainforest Algebra,' which deals more with environmentalism than algebra," Strickland said.

These kinds of books have abandoned the basic principles of learning and have turned our children into guinea pigs of the Clinton administration, the ACLU and the bureaucrats of the Texas Education Agency, according to Strickland.

"The only buffer between our children and the liberal special interest, is the State Board of Education and if books like these are placed in the hands of our children, the State Board of Education gets a grade of 'F,'" Strickland said. "The State Board of Education isn't failing our children, it has failed our children."

"Parents know that we empower our children most by teaching them how to read, write and formulate algebraic equations," Strickland added.

In other statewide races, Democratic incumbent David Counts received another uncontested nomination to seek the District 70 State Representative seat and will face Republican challenger Scott McLaughlin of Big Spring for the second time in as many races.

Congressman Charlie Stenholm also received the Democratic nomination to try to extend his 20-year tenure in Congress to another term. He will also face a familiar opponent in Republican Rudy Izzard of San Angelo. Stenholm defeated Izzard in 1996.

In the Texas governor's race, Republican Gov. George W. Bush was easily nominated for a second term, brushing aside first-time candidate R.C. Crawford. Though Bush insists he is eyeing only re-election, many predict he will make a presidential run in 2000.

His opponent for the governor's seat in November will be Land Commissioner Garry Mauro, who won the Democratic nomination in Tuesday's primary.

In other races, the November general ballot is as follows:

- **Lieutenant Governor** — John Sharp (Democrat)
 - **Rick Perry** (Republican)
 - **Attorney General** — Jim Mattox (Democrat)
- Note: Mattox will face the winner of the April 14 Republican runoff April 14 between Railroad Commissioner Barry Williamson and former Texas Supreme Court justice John

Cornyn.

• **Comptroller of Public Accounts** — Paul Hobby (Democrat)

• **Carole Keeton Rylander** (Republican)

• **Commissioner of the General Land Office** — Richard Raymond (Democrat)

• **David Dewhurst** (Republican)

• **Commissioner of Agriculture** — L.P. (Pete) Patterson (Democrat)

• **Susan Combs** (Republican)

• **Railroad Commissioner** — Joe B. Henderson (Democrat)

• **Tony Garza** (Republican)

• **Justice, Supreme Court, Place 1** — Mike Westergren (Democrat)

• **Craig T. Enoch** (Republican)

• **Justice, Supreme Court, Place 2** — Rose Spector (Democrat)

• **Harriett O'Neill** (Republican)

• **Justice, Supreme Court, Place 3** — Davis Van Os (Democrat)

• **Greg Abbott** (Republican)

• **Justice, Supreme Court, Place 4 (Unexpired Term)** — Jerry Scarbrough (Democrat)

• **Deborah Hankinson** (Republican)

• **Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 1** — Charles F. (Charlie) Baird (Democrat)

Baird will face the winner of the April 14 Republican runoff between Mike Keasler, a district judge from Grand Prairie, and Vicki Isaacs, a Dallas County prosecutor.

• **Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 2** — Winston Cochran (Democrat)

Cochran will face the winner of the April 14 Republican runoff between Austin lawyer Cheryl Johnson and Harvey Hudson, a 14th Court of Appeals judge.

• **Justice, Eleventh Court of Appeals District** — Randy Wilson (Democrat)

• **Terry McCall** (Republican)

STAGE

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and we're making a major commitment to give our customers the nicest shopping environment and the best service to be found anywhere."

Stage Stores Inc. now operates in more than 600 stores in 24 states with most of the stores located in smaller communities.

Big Spring's newest retail outlet will also offer exceptional shopper perks such as instant-service dressing room call buttons; a V.I.P. charge program, where every dollar charged earns points toward gold, silver or bronze status; and for more seasoned shoppers, "Club 50 Plus" offers a 20 percent discount to customers 50 and older on the first Tuesday of every month.

Stage looks for towns like Big Spring to open new stores because a growing number of people and businesses are looking to return to their roots. Big Spring is a community where the quality of life is important and neighbors know each other, according to Stage officials.

WELFARE

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Guidelines on Texas Poverty relating to Howard County and state averages in regard to poverty including:

• About 22 percent of children ages five to 17 are living in poverty.

• More than 20 percent of Howard County youth are con-

sidered longitudinal school dropouts.

• That to be considered minimally financially self-supporting; one parent with two children would have to earn \$23,000, yet a full-time minimum wage earner can make only \$10,712 pretax; the Federal Poverty Line for 1997 was \$13,300, but if a recipient earns more than \$4,825 a year the family is no longer eligible for any TANF, which at a maximum with zero income would be only \$2,256 for the year.

• That more than 60 percent of the working poor are without health insurance of any type.

• That at least 53 percent of the working poor likely do not have a high school education.

• That at least 54 percent of all job losers do not receive unemployment insurance.

• The third local and key element in a housing assistance program is the landlord, Gentry said. "The landlord is the property owner and who has decided to rent to a prospective tenant who has prequalified for housing assistance."

In reality, there should be only three differences in the selection of a tenant qualified for housing assistance and a tenant who is not receiving a subsidy.

BRIEFS

THERE WILL BE AN ORIENTATION to Alzheimer's Disease at 7 tonight at Canterbury, 1700 Lancaster.

There will be information on symptoms, diagnosis, stages, medication, support groups, legal and financial issues.

For more information call 1-800-682-1174.

SPRINGBOARD

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CrimeStoppers seeking suspects in burglary

HERALD Staff Report

Big Spring's CrimeStoppers is working to help the Big Spring Police Department solve a burglary that occurred in the game room at Rip Griffin's Truck Stop late last month.

On Wednesday, Feb. 25, police say two black males entered the game room at the truck stop about noon.

According to police reports, one of the men placed a gun to the back of a game room patron, telling him to mind his own business. While the patron was held at gunpoint, the second man broke into the coin-operated machines and removed an undetermined amount of cash.

Both men were described as being in their early 20s.

One of the men is approximately 6-feet tall and weighs 190 pounds. He has all gold teeth in the front of his mouth with an engraved heart or spade shape on one of them. He was last seen wearing a black leather jacket and either a white or gray T-shirt. At the time of the incident, the man was armed with a 9mm handgun.

The other suspect is approximately 5 feet, 2-4 inches tall and weighs about 130 pounds. No

BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

submitted in writing. Mail to: Springboard, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas 79720; bring it by the office at 710 Scurry; or fax it to 264-7205.

TODAY

• **Good Shepherd Fellowship Church**, 610 Abrams, has services 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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

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

• **Al-Anon**, 8 to 9 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center small cafeteria.

• **NA meeting**, 8 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

• **Alcoholics Anonymous**, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting, 615 Settles. 8 to 9 p.m. closed meeting at Scenic Mountain Medical Center cafeteria.

• **American Legion Auxiliary Post 506**, 7 p.m. Call 263-2084.

• **Christmas in April**, noon, 1607 E. Third. Call Bob Noyes at 267-5811.

• **West Texas Republican Women's Club**, noon, Big Spring Country Club.

• **Masonic Lodge No. 598**, 7:30 p.m., 219 Main.

• **Alzheimer's disease orientation**, 7 p.m., Canterbury, 1700 Lancaster. Call 1-800-682-1174 for more information.

• **Kiwanis Club annual pancake supper**, 5 to 8 p.m., Howard College Cafeteria. All you can eat pancakes, bacon and sausage for \$4. Tickets available at the door or can be obtained from any Kiwanis Club member.

FRIDAY

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

• **Good Shepherd Fellowship Church**, 610 Abrams, 7 p.m. Bible study.

Texas Lottery PICK 3: 1,4,8
LOTTO: 8,12,28,32,38,42

MARKETS

May cotton 68.95 cents, up 35 points; April crude 14.06, down 12 points; Cash hogs steady at \$1 lower at 34; cash steers steady at \$1 higher at 62; April lean hog futures 48.10, down 15 points; April live cattle futures 65.27, down 22 points.

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Silver	5.98-6.02

FIRE/EMS

The following EMS runs were reported for the 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. today:

- 11:36 a.m. — 200 block of Daves Road. Patient transported to VA Medical Center.
- 2:31 p.m. — 2300 block of Old Highway 80. Patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- 6:04 p.m. — Traffic accident at FM 700 and Virginia. One patient transported to Scenic Mountain, one refused service.
- 8:32 p.m. — 600 block of NE 9th. Patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- 4:00 block of Vicky. Patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

The following fire runs were reported for the 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. today:

- 11 a.m. — 1600 block of MLK, false call for structure fire.
- 4 p.m. — 1600 block of MLK, structure fire out on arrival.

POLICE

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

- **JOHN JOJOLA**, 51, was arrested for public intoxication.
- **JAMES WINN**, 18, was arrested on warrant for burglary of a building.
- **RODNEY STARK**, 19, was arrested for indecency with a child.
- **CHRISTOPHER FUQUA**, 27, was arrested for public intoxication.
- **RAMON NUNEZ**, 48, was arrested for possession of marijuana.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** reported in the 500 block of Dallas, the 500 block of S. Aylesford, the 300 block of Benton and the 600 block of Caylor.
- **THEFT** reported in the 2300 block of Wasson, the 1100 block of N. Lamesa, the 1700 block of E. Marcy, the intersection of 11th and Settles, the 1700 block of Yale and the 3600 block of Calvin.
- **CLASS B THEFT** reported in the 2600 block of Calvin.
- **FORGERY** reported in the 2200 block of S. Gregg.
- **CLASS A ASSAULT/FAMILY VIOLENCE** reported in the 2700 block of Cindy.

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following incidents between 8 a.m. Wednesday and 8:30 a.m. Thursday:

- **ANTHONY HAYES**, 43, was arrested for driving while license suspended/invalid.
- **MARCUS CAITANO CHAVARRIA**, 19, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance.
- **CAITANO CHAVARRIA**, 49, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance.
- **JOE NEAL JENNINGS**, 39, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance.
- **CELESTINO HINOJOS** was arrested for possession of a controlled substance.
- **RENE HINOJOS**, 40, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance.
- **JESUS SOTO RAMOS**, 17, was arrested for aggravated robbery/off bond.
- **ADAM YBARRA**, 20, was arrested for disregarding a stop sign and failure to appear.

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J.B. Barker, 88, died Tuesday. Graveside services were 10:00 AM, today at Mount Olive Memorial Park.
Willie Lee Johnson, 87, died Tuesday. Services will be 2:00 PM, Monday at West Highway 80 Church of Christ, with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park. Viewing and visitation will be Saturday night and Sunday.

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Eight legislative races headed to runoff

AUSTIN (AP) — Two incumbents and a handful of would-be state lawmakers will vie once more of their parties' nominations in runoff elections April 14.

Although few voters turned out in primary elections Tuesday, Republicans and Democrats picked their legislative nominees in all but eight races across the state.

In three other races, incumbent House Republicans were turned out of office.

The ousted lawmakers were four-term Rep. Ted Kamel, of Tyler, and first-term Reps. Carolyn Galloway, of Dallas, and Bill Roman, of Bryan.

None of the three men who defeated the incumbents — retired Army Col. Leo Berman, Kenn George, and auto dealer Fred Brown — face a general election opponent. They will be sworn into office in January.

Meanwhile, Reps. Gilbert Serna, D-El Paso, and Nancy Moffat, R-Southlake, were forced into runoffs after getting less than 50 percent of the votes cast in their primaries.

Serna, who faced allegations of sexual harassment and devising kickback schemes, meets El Paso retiree Manny Najera. Ms. Moffat faces Vicki Truitt, one of three fellow Republicans who challenged her re-election bid.

In the only contested Senate race, Sen. Michael Galloway, R-The Woodlands, defeated home builder Bill Leigh, 54 percent to 46 percent. Galloway was the only senator among 15 seeking re-election who had faced a challenger from within his party.

In all, 148 current state lawmakers were seeking their party nominations for re-election. The majority faced no primary challengers and no oppo-

nents in November. Aside from Serna and Ms. Moffat, other House runoff elections are for the:

- Republican nomination in District 16, in Montgomery County. The winner between trial attorney Reuben Hope and consultant Real "Ray" Provencher will replace Rep. Bob Rabuck, R-Conroe, who did not seek re-election.

- Democratic nomination in District 44, in the Rio Grande Valley.

- Either retiree Juan Antonio "Tony" Garcia or educator Ignacio Salinas will face Republican businessman Bob Hurley in November to replace Rep. Richard, Raymond, D-Benevides, who is the Democratic nominee for land commissioner.

- Republican nomination in District 51, in Travis County. Retiree Fred Ebner and busi-

nessman Roger Settler will vie for the chance to challenge Rep. Glen Maxey, D-Austin.

- Democratic nomination in District 54, in north-central Texas. Don Armstrong and Raul G. Villaronga want to run against first-term Republican Rep. Suzanna Gratia Hupp, of Kempner.

- Republican nomination in District 64, in Denton County. Veterinarian Ronny Crownover and attorney Donna Morris came out of four-way race to replace Rep. Jim Horn, R-Denton, who did not seek re-election.

- Republican nomination in District 129, in south Harris County. Either John Davis and J.J. Isbell will face law clerk Rick O'Sullivan, who did not have a primary challenger. They are trying to replace Rep. Mike Jackson, R-LaPorte, who did not seek re-election.

AG candidates ready for round two of campaign

AUSTIN (AP) — The final battle for the Republican attorney general nomination presents a choice between a former judge touting his legal experience and a state regulator promising to crack down on gangs and drugs.

Pounding the themes that made them the top vote-getters in the three-way GOP primary, Railroad Commissioner Barry Williamson vows to use the largely civil law office to fight crime, while former state Supreme Court justice John Cornyn says his background better suits him to be Texas' top lawyer.

The winner of their April 14 runoff faces Democratic nominee Jim Mattox, who's pleased his general election opponent must first survive a second GOP vote.

"They are spending their resources. They're cutting and

slashing. And they clearly are showing the defects in each of their capabilities. I think it is very helpful to me in the long run," Mattox said.

A former congressman and former attorney general who left the state office to run for governor in 1990, Mattox had 68 percent of the Democratic vote Tuesday. He beat Court of Criminal Appeals Judge Morris Overstreet and Universal City lawyer Gene Kelly.

Williamson, the best-funded candidate, got 38 percent of the GOP vote. He was followed by Cornyn, who got 32 percent. Eliminated, at 30 percent, was former Texas GOP chairman Tom Pauken.

The runoff is required because no candidate received a majority.

"The voters of Texas sent a clear message ... They want an

attorney general who will reorganize the office and work closely with local law enforcement officials to send the juvenile gangs and drug lords a clear signal: If you choose to remain in Texas, you will do so behind bars," Williamson said.

Cornyn cited two decades of legal experience as a lawyer and judge.

"The attorney general is the top lawyer in the state and the attorney general's office is the largest law firm in the state. I think it takes someone with solid legal experience to lead that office," he said.

"We need to reorient the office to that of a professional office, as opposed to a political office. I think I'm the best-qualified candidate to do just that," Cornyn said.

The attorney general's office does have criminal justice

responsibilities. But the bulk of its duties involve civil matters, including child support collection, issuing legal opinions, representing state agencies and handling civil lawsuits on such issues as Texans' health and consumer matters.

In their campaigns, the two Republicans also took aim at one another's campaign funding.

Williamson criticized Cornyn for taking donations while a justice from lawyers with cases before the Supreme Court. Cornyn blasted Williamson's transfer of campaign funds from his Railroad Commission account, including money raised from oil and gas interests regulated by that agency.

When Cornyn stepped down to run for attorney general, he returned the contributions in his judicial account.

Arsonist executed for fatal 1979 Fort Worth-area blaze

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — Convicted killer Jerry Lee Hogue went to his death maintaining his innocence for the arson fire that took the life of a Fort Worth-area woman 19 years ago.

Hogue, 47, was convicted of terrorizing four people, including Jayne Markham and her 8-year-old son, in their Arlington home, then setting it on fire by pouring gasoline in a hallway and igniting the fuel. All but Ms. Markham, 27, managed to escape the flames in the early morning hours of Jan. 13, 1979.

She had been bound hands and feet with insulated wire and tied in a crouched position to a bed. Witnesses said they could hear the woman's screams but were unable to

reach her because of the intensity of the fire.

"I don't know why you're doing this," Hogue said from the death chamber gurney Wednesday night, directing his final comments to an execution witness who was one of the survivors of the blaze. "But I'm going to forgive you."

Hogue always blamed the fire and death on a man who was inside the house and survived the blaze.

"You know he's a murderer," Hogue told the woman, who sobbed softly but did not otherwise acknowledge his comments. "You're lucky you're still alive."

Eight minutes later, at 6:50 p.m. CST, he was pronounced dead.

The woman told reporters later she was not surprised or swayed by his statement.

"I saw with my eyes and if I could change it I would but I can't change what I saw," she said. "I'm certain he's the man who killed my roommate, stabbed me and set the house on fire."

She described the 19 years since the crime occurred "quite an experiment in patience. But it's reaffirmed my faith in the judicial system. I testified, they brought in a verdict, he was given the sentence, the sentence was carried out."

Hogue's execution came after the U.S. Supreme Court rejected his final requests for an 11th-hour reprieve.

Hogue had an long record,

including arrests for rape, assault, robbery, false imprisonment, resisting arrest and failure to appear in court. He was charged with desertion from the Army in 1972.

The former prison guard, who lived in Aurora, Colo., told Texas authorities he was a self-employed auto repossessor. He was arrested about 24 hours after the fatal fire, hiding in the shower stall of a dark apartment.

Survivors of the blaze told authorities that Hogue, who previously lived in the house they were renting, showed up three days earlier telling them he had left an item behind and wanted to retrieve it. He then returned several times over the next few days.

Winner's name must be released

AUSTIN (AP) — The identity of an \$11.4 million lottery jackpot winner cannot be kept secret, a state judge has ruled.

Judge Paul Davis ruled against the winner Wednesday without a trial, as requested by the Texas Lottery Commission. His order doesn't take effect for 30 days, giving the lottery winner who filed the lawsuit time to appeal.

The lead partner in Houston-based AMR Partnership Ltd. filed the lawsuit against the Lottery Commission and Attorney General Dan Morales last year, when Morales said the lottery must release the winner's name, age and hometown.

Morales' legal opinion came after The Associated Press requested the information from the Lottery Commission. Assistant Attorney General Brenda Loudermilk argued Wednesday that lottery winnings come from public funds,

so "the public has a right to know how those monies are spent."

The commission has released such information about lottery winners since the game began in 1992. Some winners have asked for minimal publicity, but AMR was the first to fight the release of a name in court.

AMR, which claimed the jackpot drawn on Christmas Day 1996, said the partner's name is not subject to the state's Public Information Act. An attorney for AMR has said the partner does not want his name released because he fears for his family's safety.

Lottery officials had delayed release of the winner's name to allow time for the lawsuit to be filed so the legal question could be resolved. The agency later argued that the lawsuit is irrelevant because the winner's name is in public records maintained by the secretary of state.

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OTHER VIEWS

Students in a Miami high school who produced and distributed a blatantly racist 20-page booklet deserve to be suspended from that school.

The American Civil Liberties Union, which is defending the nine students, says this was simply an impulsive, childish act.

But producing 2,500 copies of a 20-page booklet takes a lot of effort, not to mention money. This was no simple school prank.

It is difficult to believe, as their lawyer contends, that the students may not have known what they were doing. For a decade or more, diversity and respect for people of different races, sex and religion have become a staple part of kindergarten through high school curriculum.

Florida recently was identified as the state with the largest number of "hate groups," however that is defined. Companies may not want to risk investing in a state where racial relations are volatile.

The consequences of such irresponsible behavior, which impinges on the constitutional rights of others, is one of the most important lessons that should be learned by students who study American democracy.

Zero tolerance of such behavior is the only acceptable response.

-THE FLORIDA TIMES-UNION
Jacksonville

Saddam Hussein is a war criminal. Recent videotape shown on "60 Minutes" of survivors of Iraq's 1988 rain of mustard gas on the city of Halabja prove it, perhaps more convincingly than did the 1990 invasion of Kuwait, the missile attacks on Saudi and Israeli cities during the Persian Gulf War or the burning of Kuwait's oil wells.

On March 1, the CBS News magazine aired pictures of what Saddam did to his own people — the Kurds of the northern Iraqi city — 10 years ago. Five thousand people died when Saddam dropped chemical weapons on the Kurds.

The suffering Iraqis, including the Kurds, are prime examples of what the recent debate about bombing Iraq was all about.

American airstrikes on Iraq have been averted, at least for now, by United Nations diplomacy. But a dangerous regime in a troubled part of the world remains in place, and there is no easy solution, short of committing the United States to a full-scale ground war and killing or maiming more Iraqi citizens.

-THE DISPATCH
Columbus, Ohio

Another round of talks on entitlement reform has begun in Washington ... with the convening of the National Bipartisan Commission on the Future of Medicare.

The panel's first order of business should be to urge Congress to shelve President Clinton's expensive, expensive proposal to allow millions of the so-called "near elderly" to qualify for Medicare.

The idea is to help out early retirees between 62 and 64 who can't obtain health coverage in the private market or workers as young as 55 who are laid off before they become eligible for Medicare. President Clinton's economic advisers say they can pay for the historic expansion by rooting out unspecified fraud and designing a cost-sharing mechanism to fund the program. The White House is pushing for a vote on the plan — popular with the seniors' lobby — in time for the fall elections.

At some point, opening up Medicare to near-elderly citizens who can't obtain private health insurance might be feasible and fiscally responsible. That point is far off. The \$175 billion government health-insurance plan needs to shrink before farsighted lawmakers can even contemplate expansion. Medicare's hospital insurance trust fund continues to spend more than it takes in; the age of eligibility has yet to be raised to reflect increased life spans; and the program's long-term solvency remains in doubt. March 9

-THE SEATTLE TIMES
Seattle, Wash.

When student evaluations add up to mischief

By LINDA SEEBACH
Scripps Howard News Service

At most colleges, professors give students grades, and students give professors evaluations. Sometimes, that close connection leads to mischief.

The debate over the value of student evaluations was revived recently by a story in The Chronicle of Higher Education, reporting on research that indicates two problems with this popular practice. One is that savvy professors can manipulate student evaluations in ways that have nothing to do with how much the students learn. And the second is that a lot of professors get better evaluations by dumbing down what they teach and giving unjustifiably high grades. That does have something to do with how much students learn, but unfortunately it means they learn less rather than more.

Stephen J. Ceci, who teaches developmental psychology at Cornell, attended a workshop given by a "media consultant" who aimed to teach professors how to make their classroom presentations more appealing to students.

Be more enthusiastic, the consultant said. So in one of his courses, Ceci taught the same material from the same textbook he'd used for several years, but deliberately employed non-verbal signs of enthusiasm: more hand gestures, and more variations in the pitch of his voice.

Students responded with greatly improved evaluations; they even thought the textbook was better, though in fact it hadn't changed.

One other thing didn't change: their performance on exams did not improve.

"Student ratings are far from the bias-free indicators of instructor effectiveness that many have touted them to be," Ceci said in an article he wrote for Change magazine with another Cornell professor, Wendy Williams.

"Student ratings can make or break the careers of instructors on grounds unrelated to objective measures of student learning, and for factors correctable with minor coaching."

Students' minds are not always on education. Ceci recalled one who said on the evaluation form that Ceci should stop wearing a pair of

orange corduroy pants. "You look like you work at Hardee's," the student wrote.

Obviously it's not a bad thing if students are happier with their education, and their professor's wardrobe, even though they don't learn any more. Maybe as alumni they'll send more money. But it's less obvious that their state of happiness should determine whether a young professor gets tenure.

When I taught, I remember department discussions on who would be assigned to teach our distribution-requirement math course. The students weren't good at math, or they would have been taking calculus; they didn't want to be there; and no matter who taught it, that professor would receive lower evaluations than in the other courses he or she taught. It was a big risk to impose on someone being considered for tenure.

Teachers in that position may limit their risk by making things easier.

Anthony Greenwald and Gerald Gillmore, of the University of Washington, studied student ratings for several hundred courses, and discovered that teachers who gave lots of high grades were more likely

to receive good evaluations.

It's probably no accident that as student evaluations have become nearly universal over the past couple of decades, so has rampant grade inflation.

In the online debate on the Chronicle Web site (for subscribers), most contributors were skeptical.

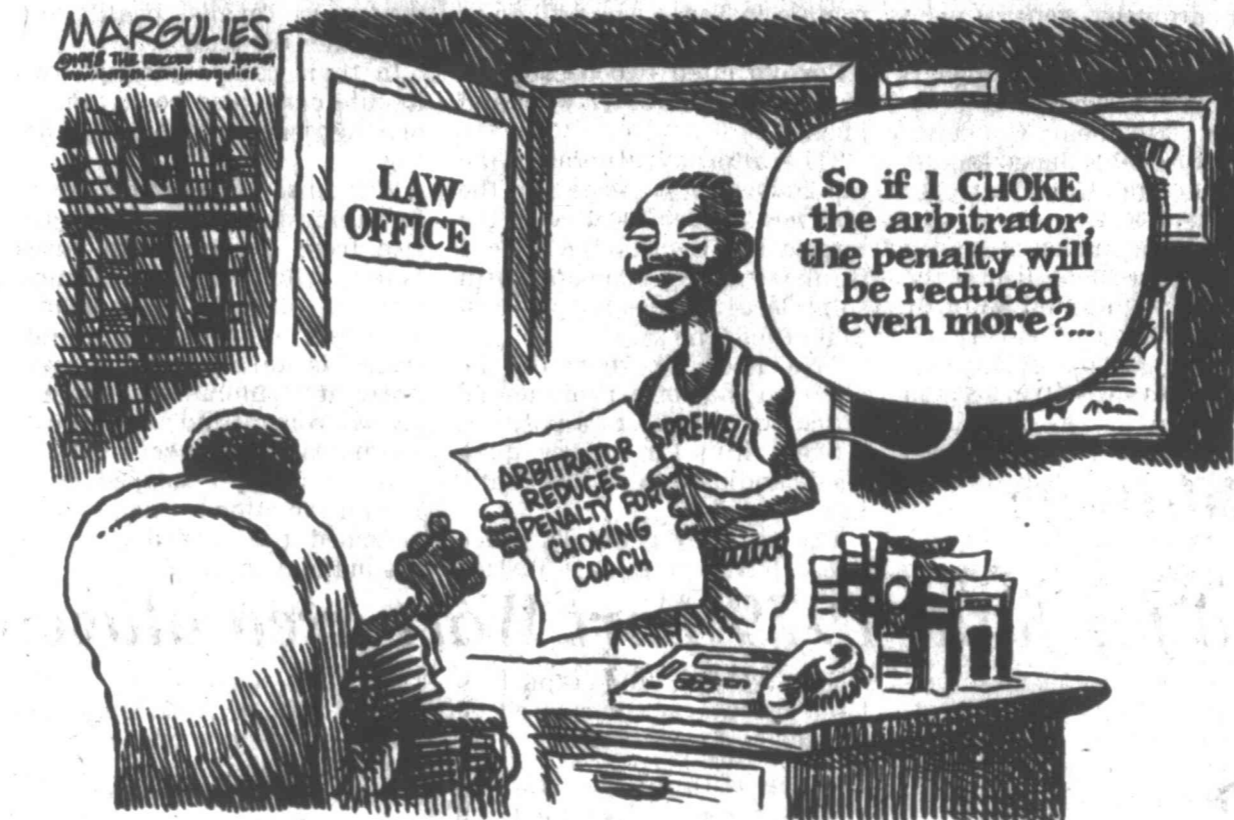
"The professor's grades tend to be the same as the grades which each student expects to get himself," said a professor from Oklahoma.

Another wrote, "Students are authorities about their own feelings and it is their feelings that the evaluations record. Students are not authorities on teaching and good teaching (e.g., of how much work they should do, the quality of that work, the standards to which they should be held, etc.)."

Others described administrative abuses, threats to academic freedom and shameless pandering to student demands for entertainment.

Teachers no doubt benefit from knowing what works in their classes. But the way student evaluations are conducted and used needs repair.

(Seebach is an editorial writer for the Rocky Mountain News)



Going into the school business

The early warning signs are everywhere.

The Colorado Springs school district signs a 10-year, \$8 million deal with Coke

in return for giving the soft drink company a shot at selling the little scholars 70,000 cases of Coke products annually.

In Texas, schools on the flight path of the Dallas-Fort Worth airport have sold Dr Pepper and 7-Up the right to paint their logos on the roof. The school system's main phone number answers with a recorded plug for a local fitness center.

In another Colorado school district, phone company U S West is kicking in \$1.25 million toward a new high school football stadium in return for the district including its sales pitches in mailings to the kids' parents.

Will it stop there? Of course not. This is America.

The public schools desperately need cash. Businesses have cash but need to advertise to reach potential customers. The public schools, in so far as the local truancy laws are enforced, can provide a captive audience of nature's most voracious consumers, teenagers.

Sports is the logical place to start. The rampant commer-

cialism of the pros has already infected the colleges and will soon trickle down to the senior high, junior high and even grade schools.

First, there will be a few billboards, a few swooshes on the uniforms, and then will come the big time. The pros play in the Qualcomm Stadium and the MCI Arena. Why shouldn't cash-strapped Ullyesses S. Grant High School sign a deal with VIN&SPRIT AB so that its Fighting Generals teams can play in the Absolut Vodka Field House?

An exclusive shoe retailing contract with a grade school could be a lot better deal for Nike than a college because: (a) little kids go through shoes so much faster and (b) their parents have more money than college students.

From sports, the commercialism will move to the school buildings themselves. Logos on the roof are fine for reaching airline passengers, but to make intimate direct contact with the neighbors, a company would probably be willing to pay a lot to put a billboard on the roof or a neon sign.

Many schools are named after forgotten payrollers and bureaucrats or non-existent geographic locations, Oak Knolls Manor Farm Elementary School. A wealthy corporate CEO seeking an image upgrade would fork over a lot for the honor of the Chainsaw Al Dunlap Junior High. Instead of flunking out, a pupil would be downsized.

A company with really big bucks might find a really desperate school system and we would have the 1-800-CALL-

ATT COLLECT High School.

Commercialism would insinuate itself into the school.

The cost of school supplies could be covered by letting Toys-R-Us and Tower Records print little ads on the test papers. Schools send tons of stuff home for parents to sign, so teachers could augment their salaries by slipping in credit card and time share applications.

PTAs are always selling gift wrap, citrus fruit, raffle tickets and candy. Why not, for a decent commission, mutual funds, annuities and life insurance?

Let us not forget to and from school. School buses are huge, blank yellow canvases just waiting for ads like those on city buses and taxis. School bus advertising would be immensely more valuable because every time the school bus stops, all traffic must stop, too, giving the commuter more leisure to peruse the bus.

A well known meat packer, which advertises heavily to youngsters, would probably be delighted to pay some school transportation department to ferry the little scholars to and fro in huge Oscar Mayer Wienermobiles.

The students are already walking billboards for Fila, Tommy Hilfiger, sports teams and various resorts, so it's only fair the schools should get a cut. Why not go the final step and sell advertising rights on the kids? We could call it school uniforms.

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Study: Many credit reports still contain serious errors

NEW YORK (AP) — Nearly one-third of consumer credit bureau reports contain serious errors that could cause unfair denial of a car loan, a mortgage or even a job, according to a study released today.

The "Mistakes Do Happen" study from the U.S. Public Interest Research Group was written after 88 people, all of them PIRG staff or associates, obtained 133 credit reports from the three major credit bureaus. Another 22 participants never received their credit reports, even after repeated calls to request them.

"I still get complaints," said Ed Mierzwinski, PIRG's consumer program director, "and I still know that credit bureau errors cause some of the worst problems that consumers face in their financial lives."

Norm Magnuson, a spokesman for the Associated Credit Bureaus trade association, said he could not comment on the study without seeing it. But he said the percentage of erroneous credit reports is much smaller, citing a 1992 study of 111,000 credit reports done by Arthur Andersen & Co. that found that only 0.2 percent of people had been denied credit based on inaccurate information.

The PIRG study was the organization's sixth report on credit report accuracy and privacy issues since 1991. It is the first since changes to the Fair Credit Reporting Act, designed to improve the accuracy and ease

of access to reports, took effect last September.

Among other things, the changes require creditors to give accurate information to the credit bureaus and gives them 30 days to fix any mistakes.

It also requires the three major credit bureaus, Equifax Credit Information Services, Experian, Inc. and Trans Union Corp., to provide toll-free telephone lines with employees, not just recordings, during business hours.

Their reports also must be easy to read.

Even after those changes, PIRG said, "an alarming number of credit reports contain serious errors."

Among the findings: — Twenty-nine percent of the credit reports contained serious errors, such as false delinquencies or accounts that did not belong to the consumer in question; 70 percent contained errors of some kind.

— Forty-one percent of the reports contained personal demographic identifying information, such as addresses, that was misspelled, long outdated, belonged to a stranger or was otherwise incorrect.

— Twenty percent were missing important information that could demonstrate the creditworthiness of the consumer.

— Twenty-six percent listed active credit accounts that had actually been closed by the consumer.

Peter Smith, field director

with Colorado PIRG, knows what a nightmare a credit reporting mistake can be. Smith, whose full name is Robert Peter, was told he could not get a mortgage to buy a house until he cleared up a \$720 legal judgment filed against an R. Smith by Howard University Hospital in Washington, D.C.

It turned out the hospital bill was incurred by a Renee Smith, not Peter Smith. But the lender, Austin Mortgage Co., told Smith he had to obtain a letter from a court in Washington saying he was not liable for the debt.

After three weeks of "camping out on the phone," Smith got the court to talk to the lender and straighten it out. But "ultimately," he recalled, "it was all my burden to make this go away. They said, if it's owed, pay it, and if it's not you, you clear it up."

The credit bureaus have been called to defend their accuracy before, in some cases after states or the Federal Trade Commission accused them of violating the law.

Experian and Equifax are operating under consent decrees with the FTC, and Trans Union is still negotiating.

But the bureaus still "don't have enough people working there, and there are too many incidences where the reports aren't coming through," Mierzwinski said.

"They were supposed to clean themselves up, and I haven't seen it."

Serbs call for talks; leaders dismiss gesture as 'farce'

PRISTINA, Yugoslavia (AP) — Determined to show the world that Serbia can handle Kosovo's problems itself, Serb leaders came to the troubled province today with a rare offer of talks with the region's ethnic Albanian majority. Kosovo's leaders dismissed the offer as a "farce."

The Serb delegation offered dialogue on all issues — except the key question of independence for Kosovo, a separatist-minded province where ethnic Albanians outnumber Serbs 9-to-1. Kosovo's ethnic Albanians said the offer was meant only to silence foreign criticism of last week's deadly Serb crackdown on Kosovo.

"It was a farce, worthy only of a criminal and fascist-like regime, and a feeble attempt to tell the world that it is only the Albanian side that refuses to negotiate," said ethnic Albanian leader Adem Demaci, an activist.

Demaci is gaining influence among ethnic Albanians increasingly impatient with the more peaceful tactics of Ibrahim Rugova, the leader of the main ethnic Albanian party, the Democratic League of Kosovo.

The League also rejected any negotiations with the Serbian officials, criticizing their public invitation — issued via state television Wednesday night — and lack of specific agenda.

The Serbian delegation urged

the Albanians to change their minds and open talks Friday, the Yugoslav news agency Tanjug said.

Foreign powers largely do not support the main Albanian demand — Kosovo's independence from Serbia, the dominant republic in the Yugoslav federation. They fear a change of borders would spark a new Balkan war.

International leaders have condemned Serbian police brutality in last week's crackdown against alleged armed secessionists.

On Wednesday, Washington denounced the alleged police brutality, accusing the Serbs of "ethnic cleansing" of Kosovo Albanians. The United States and other powers urged a new

arms embargo against Yugoslavia.

Arriving in Pristina, Serbian Deputy Prime Minister Ratko Markovic said his delegation was "sending the message that this is a problem of Serbia, and that we are capable of solving it ourselves."

"All questions are open for dialogue," he added, insisting, however that the constitution of Serbia, the dominant Yugoslav republic, be observed. That closes the door for talks on Kosovo's independence.

In the Serb capital Belgrade, independent B 92 radio quoted Fehmi Agani, the vice president of the League, as saying his party also would not attend because a clear agenda had not been set.

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Pentagon report blames air crew error in accident

AVIANO, Italy (AP) — The U.S. military blamed the crew of a Marine jet today for a ski gondola accident that killed 20 people at an Italian ski resort, saying the jet was flying too low and too fast when it sliced through the gondola's cables.

The crew as well as supervisors now face disciplinary action.

"The cause of the mishap was air crew error," the military said in a report, read by Maj. Gen. Michael DeLong, president of the accident investigation board.

"The air crew aggressively maneuvered their aircraft, exceeded the maximum air speed and flew well below" the allowed limit, the military declared.

The EA-6B Prowler, flown by a four-man crew, severed a cable on the ski lift in northern Italy on Feb. 3, sending 19 skiers and the cable car opera-

tor to their deaths in the valley below.

Lt. Gen. Peter Pace, commander of Marine forces in the Atlantic region, said he agreed with the findings of the board to refer the case to a pretrial investigation.

The board is to consider such possible charges as involuntary manslaughter, negligent homicide and dereliction of duty.

Pace also recommended action against supervisory officers for allegedly failing to accurately inform flight crews about the minimum acceptable altitude for the area.

The Marines have said the Prowler clearly was below its authorized limit of 1,000 feet when it hit the lift cables on a clear afternoon. The cable was about 370 feet off the ground at the point of impact.

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Beware the Yeerks! Animorphs are conquering our kids

NEW YORK (AP) — Perhaps you've never encountered a Yeerk — a slimy, slug-like creature, gray-green and the size of a rat. But maybe you have. You just didn't know it. Because maybe the Yeerk crawled into the skull of your best friend or your brother, and the human is now a slave to the Yeerks, and to their fiendish plot to take over the Earth. "We're toast," as Marco would say. Marco is an Animorph. And if you don't know about "Animorphs," the next Big Thing in the world of children's literature, an obsession to a million young readers — well, heaven protect you from the Yeerks. So far, there have been 18

"Animorphs" books and offshoots. They feature Jake, Rachel, Marco, Cassie and Tobias, five kids who happen into the last moments of a dying warrior from another world. The Andalite warrior reveals the Yeerk plot and bestows upon the children the ability to "morph" into other species. They then go about the business of saving the world when they're not doing their homework or cruising the mall. Perhaps it is the cool business of characters changing into animals and then struggling to control the animals' instincts. Perhaps it is the idea of normal kids performing heroic acts. For whatever reason, young

readers are forming "Animorphs" clubs. They are posting scores of "Animorphs" Web pages, writing their own stories and listing dozens of clues about obsession. ("You're afraid to get up in the middle of the night to go to the bathroom because you're afraid you'll set off alarms and the Yeerks will catch you.") They are bombarding author K.A. Applegate with more than a hundred e-mail messages every day, appending countless exclamation points. "I LOVE THESE BOOKS!!!!!! It's sick" writes Andrew. "I keep them in a safe place with a lock so no one can get to them and where they will stay forever and ever because these books are AWESOME!!!!!!!!!!!!"

Writes another fan: "I love Animorphs!!! You are the best author!!! ... The books are the most interesting!! If anyone asks what do I want the most, I would say more Animorphs!!! Keep working hard, remember your fans love you!! P.S. We'll protect you from the Yeerk filth!!!" There are other, less fanatic fan letters — from parents and teachers, and even the occasional college student who appreciates the quality of Katherine Applegate's fiction. Not long ago, she was surprised to hear from a 40-year-old fan. "I told him, 'You need to get a hobby,'" says Ms. Applegate, 41. The author of more than 100 books, ranging from pop-up

books to adult romances, Ms. Applegate lives quietly in Minneapolis with her 9-month-old son, Jake. That he shares his name with an Animorph is just a coincidence, she says. "Animorphs" installments arrive by mail at her publishers, Scholastic Inc., at an amazing clip of one 180-page book a month. "She will not be persuaded to come to New York," says Jean Feiwel, editor-in-chief. "I've tried to lure her with all kinds of interesting things. She just won't come." The intensity of her readers and their fierce connection with her characters is "like having thousands and thousands of editors," Ms. Applegate says. "I feel so obligated to deliver for them."

Her primary audience is the 8-to-12-year-old reader. It is estimated that half are girls — unexpected converts to science fiction. They may be drawn to the strong female characters: Rachel, perhaps the most courageous of the Animorphs, and Cassie, the books' moral center. Each book is narrated by a character. Jake is the leader; his brother, Tom, is a "Controller," enslaved by a Yeerk. Marco is the group's wisecracker, a (seemingly) motherless boy who is drawn only reluctantly into the Animorphs' heroics. "Excuse me," Marco said. "But does anyone else ever stop to realize that some of the things we talk about doing are totally INSANE?"



Little Shelby Ried takes "the pause that refreshes" at Profitt Day Care Center Tuesday. Linda Profitt says naptime is a vital part of the children's day.

Don't make every issue a battle with rebellious teen

QUESTION: In the interest of keeping peace in the household, you have suggested leniency with rebellious teens on issues that don't really matter. What does this mean in practical terms? Give me some examples.



Dr. James Dobson Columnist

DR. DOBSON: Well, you will have to decide what the non-negotiables are to you and your husband. Defend those demands but lighten up on lesser matters. That may indicate a willingness to let her room look like a junkyard for a while. Close the door and pretend not to notice. Does that surprise you? I don't like lazy, sloppy, undisciplined kids any more than you do, but given the possibilities for chaos that this girl might precipitate, spit-shined rooms may not be all that important.

wooden vessels. Sailors in that era had much to fear, including pirates, storms and diseases. But their greatest fear was that the ship might encounter the doldrums, an area of the ocean near the equator characterized by calm and very light shifting winds. It could mean certain death for the entire crew. The ship's food and water supply would be exhausted as they drifted for days, or even weeks, waiting for a breeze to put them back on course.

Well, marriages that were once exciting and loving can also get caught in the romantic doldrums, causing a slow and painful death to the relationship. Author Doug Fields, in his book "Creative Romance," writes, "Dating and romancing your spouse can change those patterns, and it can be a lot of fun. There's no quick fix to a stagnant marriage, of course, but you can lay aside the excuses and begin to date your sweetheart." In fact, you might want to try thinking like a teen-ager again. Let me explain.

Recall for a moment the craziness of your dating days — the coy attitudes, the flirting, the fantasies, the chasing after the prize. As we moved from courtship into marriage, most of us felt we should grow up and leave the game-playing behind. But we may not have matured as much as we'd like to think. In some ways, our romantic relationships will always bear some characteristics of adolescent sexuality. Adults still love the thrill of the chase, the lure of the unattainable, the excitement of the new (and boredom with the old).

Immature impulses are controlled and minimized in a committed relationship, of course, but they never fully disappear. This could help you keep vitality in your marriage. When things have grown stale between you and your spouse, maybe you should remember some old tricks. How about breakfast in bed? A kiss in the rain? Or re-reading those old love letters together? A night in a nearby hotel? Roasting marshmallows by an open fire? A phone call in the middle of the day? A long-stemmed red rose and a love note? There are

You have to ask yourself this question, "Is the behavior to which I object bad enough to risk turning the canoe upside down?" If the issue is that important, then brace yourself and make your stand. But think through those intractable matters in advance and plan your defense of them thoroughly.

Someday, when the river has smoothed out again, you may look back with satisfaction that you didn't add to the turbulence when your daughter was bobbing like a cork on a stormy sea.

QUESTION: My wife and I love each other very much, but we're going through a time of apathy. We just don't feel close to each other. Is this normal, and is there a way to bring back the fire?

DR. DOBSON: This happens sooner or later in every marriage. A man and woman just seem to lose the wind in their romantic sails for a period of time.

Their plight reminds me of seamen back in the days of

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WHO'S WHO

The College of the State Bar of Texas recognized 4,200 attorneys as members of the College during its annual awards luncheon on Feb. 21, in Austin. This distinguished group of attorneys accounts for less than 8 percent of the 63,500 attorneys licensed to practice in Texas. Local attorneys were: Robert D. Miller and Judge Robert H. Moore III.

Lisa Foster, Big Spring, will join 23 fellow Hardin-Simmons University students March 13-20 on Spring Mission '98 to Laredo and Nuevo Laredo, Mexico.

During the week, students will assist Debbie Keller, BSM director at Laredo Community College and Texas A&M International, with campus outreach; work on and repair the facilities of La Primera Bautista church in Laredo and provide music, mimes and testimonies for a service in the Nuevo Laredo, Mexico plaza.

Felines discover businesses are the purr-fect place to live

By ELDA SILVA San Antonio Express-News

SAN ANTONIO — Like a lot of folks, Tucker wakes up early and gets ready to go to work.

Unlike most, however, Tucker is a cat. He commutes in a pink rubber crate.

The coal-black feline with golden eyes and a fluffy tail has been accompanying his owner, Leslie Baskerville, to work at And Sew On Needlepoint since he was small enough to scoop up in one hand.

"Mondays when I don't go to work, about the time we should be leaving, he's sitting in front of the crate going, 'OK we can go now,'" says Ms. Baskerville, a designer.

Tucker is a part of a special breed of business felines that make themselves at home at work: shop cats. They lounge on counters, catch rays in storefront windows, schmooze with customers and occasional-

ly clinch deals. Some live at the shops. Others, like Tucker, come and go with their owners.

"I have one customer who comes in almost every Saturday whether she needs something or not, and half the time she comes in and plays with the cat before she ever says hello to me," Ms. Baskerville says. "He has his own clientele."

Some customers bring the cat treats and toys.

When Tucker was a kitten, Ms. Baskerville made sure no one played with him with string. Now about 9 months old, Tucker is strangely immune to the lure of colorful yarn twists that line a shop wall.

Tucker became kitty-in-residence after Chester, the previous shop cat, retired to the big catnip patch in the sky.

"Customers, I think, have come to expect an animal in this shop," Ms. Baskerville

says. Tucker's owner chooses to bring him to work. The orange tabby that prowls the grounds around the Calcutta Coffee House, however, came with the place. A stray, he was living under the building on Fredericksburg Road when Kristy Knight opened the business three years ago. Knight adopted the cat, now known as Calcutta Kitty.

It's not unusual to find him catching some zzz's in a flower box, out on the patio snoozing on students' book bags or scarfing down a treat of sliced turkey. Patrons frequently break open small containers of cream for him to lap up.

"We take care of him and pay his vet bills, and he gets turkey," Ms. Knight says. "He's got it made."

If the cats benefit from their little business arrangements, so

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Is the 18th time the charm?

NEW YORK (AP) — Perennial Emmy loser Susan Lucci has yet another chance to break her string of bad luck. Lucci on Wednesday received her 18th Daytime Emmy Award nomination as best actress for the role of Erica Kane on ABC's "All My Children." To get the win, she will have to beat out soap opera nominees Eileen Davidson of "Days of Our Lives," Jacklyn Zeman of "General Hospital," Cynthia Watros of "Guiding Light" and Kim Zimmer of "The Rosie O'Donnell Show," with 13 nominations, had more than any non-soap opera. O'Donnell is up against "The Oprah Winfrey Show," which will compete for its fifth consecutive Emmy as best talk show. Other nominees are "Leeza," "Live with Regis and Kathie Lee" and "The View." The soap opera best actor nominees were: David Canary of "All My Children," Anthony Geary of "General Hospital," Kin Shriner of "Port Charles," Eric Braeden of "The Young and the Restless"; and Peter Bergman of "The Young and the Restless."

Bush seeks to honor outstanding volunteers

Governor George W. Bush is looking for volunteers who stand out in their communities. The 1998 Governor's Volunteer Awards honor individuals and organizations that have dedicated time and energy to improving quality of life for others. Nominations will be accepted in six categories: youth; group; individual; small business; family; and senior. To receive a nomination form, contact the office of the governor at (512)475-2615, or on the World Wide Web at www.serve.state.tx.us.

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The joys of (crunch! crash! look out!) moshing

By DONI GREENBERG
Scripps Howard

REDDING, Calif. — He was linebacker-hefty, sweaty and antsy. He looked about 17, and his short dark hair lay flat against his head, glistening with perspiration.

And as the music pounded, so did he. He charged battering-ram style into the group around him. He smashed against one body, and then another. He squeezed his eyes shut, spun around and slammed into a boy. The boy fell to the ground. Other dancers quickly scooped the fallen boy up and propped him back onto his feet. Meanwhile, the other dancers continued to push, jump and flail against each other.

Welcome to the world of mosh pits.

It's a place where the physical motions to music — referred to even here as dancing — involves not watching where you're going, and not being the least bit sorry if you step on someone's feet.

Mosh was first defined in Miriam Webster's dictionary in

1987: "Mosh — to engage in uninhibited, often-frenzied activity; as in intentional collision with others near the stage at a rock concert."

Matt Bailey, 21, of Redding, caught his breath between songs after moshing with his buddies at Shan-nan's Cafe and Tavern. He was eager to clear up moshing misconceptions.

"I want people to know that moshing is not a time for people to beat each other up. Once in a while some angry guy will get in there who doesn't get it and starts wailing on people," Bailey said.

"But that's unusual. Mostly it's a bunch of people having a really good time with their friends."

Moshing seems to work best with specific raw, loud rhythms often found in rock, punk and heavy metal music. However, even some contemporary Christian rock-concert attendees have their own gentler versions of mosh pits.

A Jan. 24 Wistletoe and Sinner Fiend concert in Redding attracted a small youthful group near the stage that gleefully jumped pogo-stick

style into one another. Although the Christian concert's moshers appeared less physical than Shan-nan's, many of those who attended the Sinner Fiend concert were just as enthusiastic about the concept of moshing.

"Moshing is craziness," said 21-year-old Sean Porter at the Sinner Fiend concert. "It's a good time and you get energy out."

Those who mosh know what they're in for. Depending upon such variable dynamics as the music or the crowd's mood, the moshing outcome can be playful or painful.

As he performed at Shan-nan's, Flipwreck bass player, Jon Troxler, 28, was a living, limping example of some mosh pits' dangers.

Surgeons recently inserted six screws in Troxler's leg after his mosh pit accident at a NO FX concert in January. Flipwreck was opening for NO FX, and a body surfer jumped from the stage onto Troxler's right leg.

"What's weird about this is I don't mosh," said Troxler. "I'm usually the guy who sits in the

back out of the way." At Shan-nan's, those who didn't want to mosh stayed near the wall, or stood atop chairs or the bar. Those who wanted to mosh, or didn't mind being jostled by moshers, stayed nearest the front.

The force of some of the dancers' body slams left visible results. One guy mopped up his bloody nose with a towel near the bar, and 26-year-old Marty Boster of Redding gently dabbed the back of his forearm to his mouth.

"I got a fat lip, but it's OK, it wasn't intentional," Boster said.

"It's worth it. Moshing is a great way to relieve frustration and forget about things."

Shan-nan's owner, Mark Rounseville, 45, is happy to provide a place for youth to congregate and have fun. But he doesn't understand moshing.

"I don't get it," he said. "But maybe I'm not young enough to give a qualified answer about why kids do this," he said.

"I see all these nice-looking kids, and I want to ask them why they don't dance with each other instead of doing this."

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dozens of ways to fill the sails with wind once more.

If it all sounds a little immature to act like a teen-ager again, just keep this in mind: In the best marriages, the chase is never really over.

Dr. Dobson is president of the nonprofit organization Focus on the Family, P.O. Box 444, Colorado Springs, Colo. 80903; or www.fotf.org. Questions and answers are excerpted from "Solid Answers," published by Tyndale House.

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do shop owners.

Marmalade, an orange and white tabby, and Tomasina, a long-haired gray and white tabby, are good for "customer relations," says Ronnie Grell, co-owner of Rainbow Gardens, a garden center on Thousand Oaks that the cats call home.

"We have customers who come in here just to see the cats, bring them treats," Grell says. "If they come in, they usually (buy something) any way."

Marmalade is the more social of the pair. He enjoys sleeping in boxes on the counter and greeting customers when they come to the register to pay for their purchases.

"He's got the behavior of a dog more than a cat," Grell says. "He just lies there on the counter and loves to be petted. People often come up to the counter and think he's a ceramic animal, then he moves and they jump about 10 feet when they realize he's alive."

Tomasina is more reclusive, preferring to relax in secluded spots or curl up on an empty

flower pot, though occasionally she will follow customers as they browse among the plants and trees. On sunny days, however, both cats are hard to find. They go prowling around or hunting for mice and other beasts in the woody area that borders the six-acre nursery on one side.

"Both cats are good mousers," Grell says. "They do a job here."

Diane Hess keeps not one, but four cats at the Executive Service Center on San Pedro: Lucky and Sebastian, who come and go with Ms. Hess, and Tiger and Licorice, who stay at the shop. She sometimes has guest shop cats — abandoned or stray cats and kittens she brings in until she finds a home for them.

"I had a man come in to buy a typewriter, and he said the only way he would buy a machine was if we gave him a young cat we had in the store — which we were looking for a home for, so that turned out real well," Ms. Hess says.

Having the cats around has been a boon for Ms. Hess.

"I've made a lot of friends because of it, special friends who are cat people," she says. "I have been able, because of the exposure, to find homes for a lot of little pets."

Tiger, the shop cat at Northridge Liquor Store on Sunset Road, was a founding. He was fished out of a convenience store dumpster, where he had been left to die when he was little more than a week old. Louie Weiss and Gene Granato, owners of the shop, had to bottle-feed the kitten. He now weighs 20 pounds and is a fixture at the store.

"I'm told he's not like most cats," Weiss says. "He's not finicky. He's not finicky. He's just a good cat."

For older customers who have moved into condos or apartments where they can't keep animals, "he's kind of their pet," Weiss says.

"They come in and bring him toys," he says. "It's kind of nice."

On business cards, Jim and Jewel Cash proclaim their business, J&J's Copy Center, on Fredericksburg Road, the

"Home of the Copy Cat."

Named by customers, Copy Cat, a Maine coon cat, was no bigger than a tea cup when Jim and Jewel found the mewling kitten abandoned in their parking lot.

Now 8 months old, the cat is a favorite of customers.

And, Jewel says, "She's good for us, too. You get stressed, just go play with the cat. Then the stress is gone, and I go back to what I was doing."

Nearby, Half-Price Books on Fredericksburg Road has a pair of shop cats, brothers Sebastian and Longfellow. Both are large white manx cats with serene green eyes.

Sebastian, who was born with a long tail, unlike his litter mate, likes to sprawl by the register or claim boxes patrons bring when they come to sell books.

"As we empty out a box, he sits there and waits patiently until we've emptied it out, and he jumps in," says manager Irene Obregon. "Sometimes people who don't need their boxes back say, 'I'll let him keep the box because he looks so comfortable.' Little do they know that he's done this five times already that day, and he's got five boxes sitting there."

Unlike Sebastian, Longfellow doesn't like to socialize as much.

When Ms. Obregon is at the store, however, he insists on climbing on her shoulder at least once a day.

"Most people love them," says Ms. Obregon.

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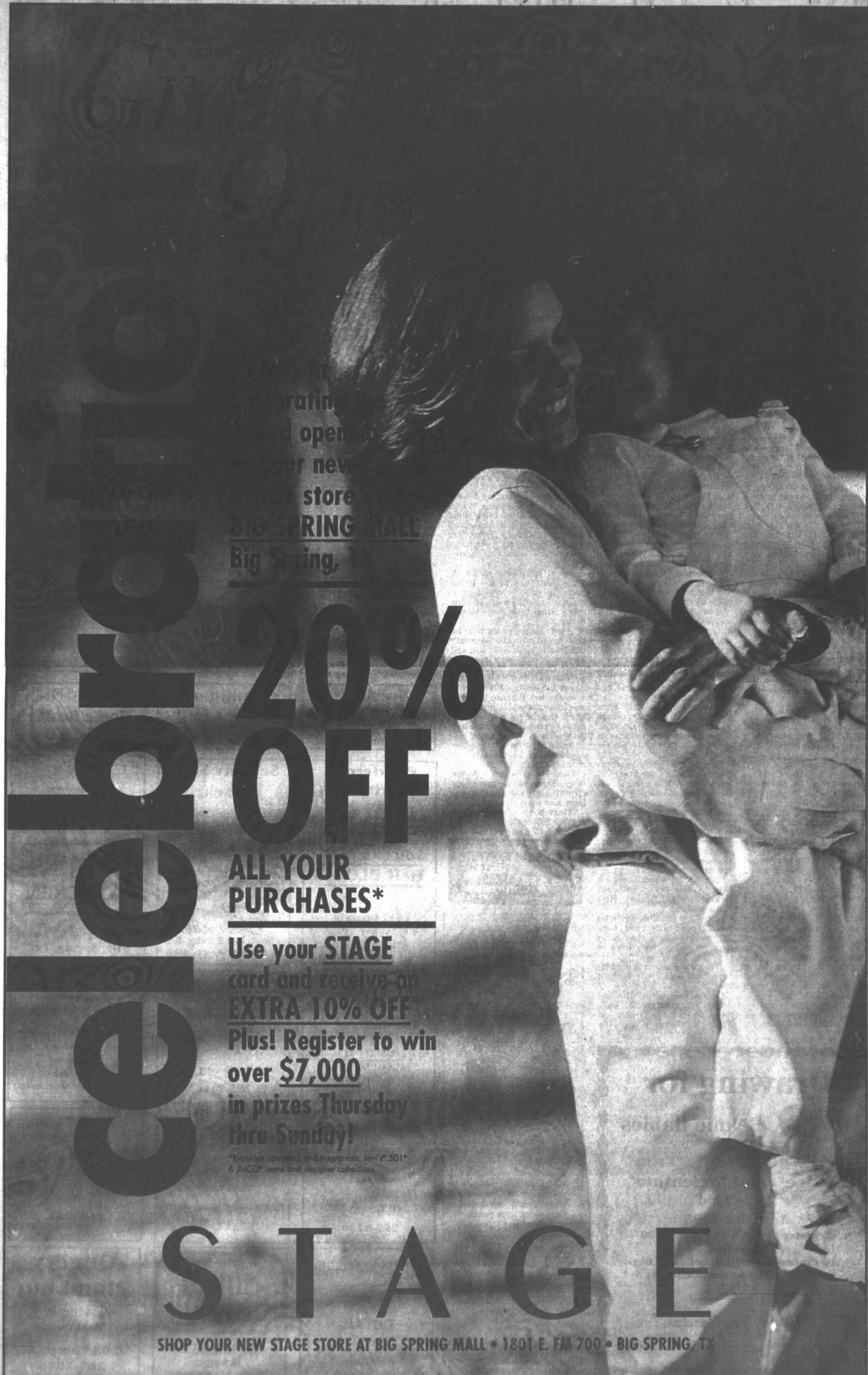
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Lady Hawks will find some top teams missing at national tourney

By JOHN H. WALKER
Managing Editor

The list of nationally known teams has shrunk from the time the final National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) poll was released until the time the pairings for the national tournament were filled in earlier this week.

In fact, as the regional playoffs were conducted, attrition was the one word that could describe the fate of the nation's so-called big guns in women's basketball.

One of the first to fall was Central Florida, 28-0 and ranked No. 3 in the nation heading into the Region VIII championship against long-time foe

Gulf Coast Community College. At game's end, Gulf Coast (26-2) had taken an 82-76 win and had earned a trip to next week's national tournament in Salina, Kan.

Another undefeated team, No. 2 Connors State of Oklahoma, fell in the Region II championship. Perennial power Westark Community College of Fort Smith, Ark. sent Connors home, 76-69. Westark, which won the national championship in 1994, is 27-3.

"Any time you get to a national tournament, the records should be impressive," Howard College Lady Hawks Coach Matt Corkery told a caller to his office earlier this week. "There are only 16 teams left and they represent the best of the best."

The national tournament gets under way in Salina's 9,000-seat Bicentennial Center with a 10 a.m. game next Tuesday between top-ranked and undefeated Trinity Valley, Texas' other entry in the tourney besides Howard, and Westark.

Trinity Valley will bring a 31-0 mark into the game opposite Westark's 27-3.

The second game of the tournament will match Louisville (N.C.) College and its 26-2 mark against Wallace (Ala.) Community College. Wallace is 26-3.

Howard's Lady Hawks, 31-2, will face Walters State Community College of Morristown, Tenn. in the third game of the tournament, scheduled for a 2 p.m. start.

Howard advanced to the tournament with a 61-53 win over Midland College while Walters, ranked No. 25 in the final poll, defeated Columbia (Tenn.) State, 67-58. Walters State brings a 27-4 mark into the game.

Other Tuesday games at the national tournament include Coffeyville (Kan.) Community College (29-5) and Olney (Ill.) Central (32-1) at 4 p.m., followed by the opening ceremonies at 6 p.m.

Two games will be played following the opening ceremonies, including Gulf Coast and Crowder (Mo.) College at 7 and Western Nebraska (29-4) and Cincinnati (Ohio) State (30-2) at 8:45. Crowder, at 20-12, brings the worst record into the tournament.

The first round concludes

Wednesday with a noon match-up between Central Arizona (29-1) and Northwest Mississippi (21-8) and a 2 p.m. game between Ricks (Idaho) College and Iowa Western at Council Bluffs (IWC) at 2 p.m. IWC is 25-6.

Second round games will begin at 4 p.m. Wednesday.

NATIONAL TOURNAMENT NOTES ... the combined won-loss records of the 16 teams in the tournament is 439-57, or a winning percentage of .885 ... two teams, Crowder College (20-12) and Northwest Mississippi (21-8), account for more than a third of the total losses ... there is but one unbeaten team left, Trinity Valley (31-0) of Athens, Texas.

Weather concerns BSHS coaches

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

A busy weekend of high school baseball and softball gets under way in Snyder today with Big Spring coaches Bobby Doe and Wes Overton voicing concerns about the weather.

"It's supposed to be very cold tomorrow," Bobby Doe said after putting the Steers through their final workout before today's 11:30 a.m. game with El Paso Ysleta's Indians in the first round of the 10-team Snyder Invitational Baseball Tournament. "I'm worried about our pitchers' arms. If it's very cold, I won't throw them very long at all. At this time of year, a win just isn't all that important."

For Overton, whose Lady Steers took a 10-3 record into a 1:30 p.m. game with Clyde in the first round of pool play in the 14-team Canyon Reef Softball Classic, cold weather presents other injury concerns.

"Leg muscle injuries can be a big problem when it's really cold," Overton explained. "I'm more worried about them than arm injuries, because it's real easy to be so concerned about warming up your arms that you forget to get your legs good and loose."

"On top of that, you can rest a tired arm or sore shoulder and the rebound pretty quickly," he added. "A leg injury can hamper you the whole season."

The Lady Steers are coming off almost a week's rest that couldn't have come at a better time, Overton noted.

"We needed a little break," he explained. "We had two or three girls that had some time to let minor aches and pains heal. Now the girls are really anxious to get back on the field and play."

Overton says he knows little of what to expect from Clyde, but is more knowledgeable about the Lady Steers' second opponent, El Paso Ysleta's Lady Indians.



Nick Valencia eyes a pitch from pitcher Ricky Solls as catcher Ryan Guinn prepares to scoop the low offering during Wednesday afternoon's junior varsity baseball scrimmage at Big Spring High School. The Steers JV, getting a few days off from scheduled games, took advantage of warmer than expected temperatures to get in several innings of work.

The Lady Steers will square off with Ysleta at 7:30 tonight in a rematch of last season's regional quarterfinals playoff — a game Big Spring won, 10-6.

"They (Lady Indians) lost some key starters to graduation last year, but they've got a good nucleus coming back," Overton explained. "We'll have to be ready to play."

"This is a good tournament ... maybe not as strong as last year because (defending champion) Abilene isn't back, but there are plenty of good teams."

Another of the strong teams in the field, Overton noted, is Coahoma's Bulldogettes, who opened pool play facing El Paso Eastwood at noon.

"They jumped all over Hawley

... 10-runned them in five innings Tuesday," Overton said of the Bulldogettes. "Anytime a team beats the defending regional champion in their class by 10 runs, they're a force to be reckoned with."

The Lady Steers' final pool game is set for 10:30 a.m. Friday when they face Hawley's Lady Bearcats.

While Doe says he plans to limit his pitchers' work to no more than 100 pitches, much as he did Monday in the Steers doubleheader losses to Midland Lee, he's optimistic about his team's chances this weekend.

"We're playing pretty well right now, swinging the bats pretty good and scoring some runs," he said. "We're making a

few more physical errors than I'd like for us to be making, but we're still getting better with every game."

"Pitching is going to continue to be a problem for us when we're playing this many games in a row," Doe admitted. "We're not going to worry about that too much. We'll stay with our plan to limit the number of pitches our kids are throwing and live with that."

"But we're averaging three errors per game, and I'd like to get that down," he continued. "The problem with errors ... and bases on balls for that matter ... is that they always seem to go hand in hand and seem to crop up with you just can't afford them."

One year later, Arizona is still seeking respect

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

A year removed from their first national title and about to make their 14th consecutive NCAA appearance, the Arizona Wildcats are wondering what they have to do to impress people.

Being highly regarded because they are the reigning champions should count for something.

Perhaps, but not much.

And being second to North Carolina's NCAA run of 24 years is bound to open a few eyes.

Just a bit.

How about 20 victories in 21 games?

Better, but not enough to suit at least one All-America player.

Despite all that, and the selection this week of Arizona guards Miles Simon and Mike Bibby as first team All-Americans, the Wildcats are being thought of in some quarters as an afterthought.

Simon is disappointed some have predicted Maryland or Cincinnati will win the West Regional, which opens today at Sacramento, Calif.

"We still don't get any respect," he complained. "I guess we just have to do it all over again and then somebody will look at us as a good team."

The top-seeded and fourth-ranked Wildcats (27-4) hoped to prove their worth again today against Nicholls State (19-9).

The other top team playing today is No. 1 North Carolina, seeded first in the East. Bill Guthridge's Tar Heels met Navy in Hartford, Conn.

In the other first-round games at the Hartford Civic Center, it was North Carolina Charlotte vs. Illinois-Chicago, Princeton vs. UNLV, and Michigan State vs. Eastern Michigan.

Other than Arizona, Sacramento features Maryland vs. Utah State, Illinois vs. South Alabama and Tennessee vs. Illinois State.

At the other venue in the East, the MCI Center in Washington, it was Xavier vs. Washington, South Carolina vs. Richmond, Indiana vs. Oklahoma and Connecticut vs. Fairleigh Dickinson.

In Boise Idaho, the first round of play in the West at BSU

Knight pays; will coach NCAA opener

WASHINGTON (AP) — Some coaches would give just about anything for a chance to coach one game in the NCAA tournament. Bob Knight figured it was worth \$10,000.

Faced with the choice between a fine or a one-game suspension that would have kept him off the Indiana bench for today's NCAA tournament opener against Oklahoma, Knight said he never thought twice about opening the checkbook.

"Unless I was broke," said Knight, whose estimated income exceeds a half-million dollars per year, "which I'm not."

Knight was allowed to pick his poison after the Big Ten found him guilty of unsportsmanlike conduct for harassing and otherwise criticizing referee Ted Valentine in a game two weeks ago.

Valentine was also penalized. The Big Ten on Wednesday placed restrictions on his conference assignments next season, although Knight didn't think that would amount to much of a punishment.

"It simply means that he'll officiate games in other conferences instead," he said.

Pavilion has Temple vs. West Virginia, Cincinnati vs. Northern Arizona, Utah vs. San Francisco and Arkansas vs. Nebraska.

Play in the Midwest and South regionals will begin Friday.

Although his Tar Heels (30-3) figure to have little trouble with Navy (19-10), Guthridge is reciting the series history as his hedge against overconfidence.

"We're trying to snap a 52-year losing streak to Navy," he said. "We've lost four in a row to them and six of seven."

Navy held a 145 edge against the Tar Heels, so few can tear down the argument of Guthridge until the Middies are beaten.

Rose violates ban with talk to Reds farmhands

SARASOTA, Fla. (AP) — Pete Rose, banished from baseball for nearly nine years, still can't stop talking about it.

Baseball officials said Rose's unscheduled motivational talk Wednesday to nearly 100 Cincinnati Reds farmhands clearly violated his ban from baseball. It also might subject the Reds to a fine.

"I'm not here to cause any

trouble," Rose said after receiving a loud ovation from the players, including his son, Pete Rose Jr., and Craig Griffey, the son of former teammate Ken Griffey. "I want to help save baseball in Cincinnati. It doesn't matter who you're talking to ... just speak the truth and tell it the way it is."

It was not clear if a Reds employee asked Rose to give the

talk. Rose talked at length beforehand with Donnie Scott, the Reds' minor league coordinator, and shook hands with Scott immediately after his speech.

A Reds official, who did not want to be identified, said he was certain the nearly hour-long talk was not cleared in advance with either team president John Allen or general manager

Jim Bowden.

And while Rose spoke in full view of the players and about 60 curious fans gathered to watch the minor leaguers practice, it apparently did not attract the attention of the Reds' top brass. The practice field where he spoke is screened from most seats in adjacent Ed Smith Stadium, where the Reds play exhibition games.

Coahoma trio among 8-2A all-district team's honorees

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

Ozona's Lady Lions, who romped through the District 8-2A schedule unbeaten and suffered just one loss during the regular season, dominated the balloting when the league's coaches met to select their all-district girls' basketball team.

Not surprisingly, Lady Lions post Amber Tarr, who has already signed to play for Texas Tech's Lady Raiders next season, was tabbed as the district's most valuable player.

In fact, only Coahoma senior Tara Sterling's selection as defensive player of the year kept Ozona from sweeping all five individual awards.

In addition to Tarr's selection as the MVP, Bobbie Bryson was named the team's honorary captain, while Lady Lions senior Kristin Casberg — a transfer from Del Rio — was named the league's newcomer of the year.

Lady Lions coach Dickie Faught was his peers' choice for coach of the year.

Ozona placed two players on the first-team unit — seniors Lesli Avila and Amber McWilliams.

In addition to Sterling's defensive honor, Coahoma's Bulldogettes — the district's runner-up representative in the playoffs — earned first-team spots for junior forward Cassie Tindol and senior post Krista Stanislaus.

The Bulldogettes also grabbed two second-team spots for seniors Shana Earnest and Ellie Woods, while classmate Allison West was an honorable mention selection.

While Forsan's Queens were shutout in the first-team selection process, junior Amie Evans was a second-team selection.

Eldorado picked up three spots on the first team for seniors Victoria Mitchell, Makenzie McCravey and Stormi Sessoms, while Wall senior Lindsey Hollie, Winters junior Cristin Corley and Roscoe senior Becky Frierson rounded out the top squad.

Joining Coahoma's Earnest and Woods on the second unit was Ozona senior Autumn McWilliams, Eldorado junior Angela Ballew, Wall senior Phyllis Gee, Winters seniors Jeanna Kozelsky and Monica Parramore and the Roscoe duo of Candice Duncan, a sophomore, and Joshelyn Helm, a senior.

District 8-2A Girls' All-District Team

First Team			Second Team		
Player	Class	School	Player	Class	School
Lesli Avila	Sr.	Ozona	Autumn McWilliams	Sr.	Ozona
Amber McWilliams	Sr.	Ozona	Shana Earnest	Sr.	Coahoma
Cassie Tindol	Jr.	Coahoma	Ellie Woods	Sr.	Coahoma
Krista Stanislaus	Sr.	Coahoma	Angela Ballew	Jr.	Eldorado
Victoria Mitchell	Sr.	Eldorado	Phyllis Gee	Sr.	Wall
Makenzie McCravey	Sr.	Eldorado	Jeanna Kozelsky	Sr.	Winters
Stormi Sessoms	Sr.	Eldorado	Monica Parramore	Sr.	Winters
Lindsey Hollie	Sr.	Wall	Candice Duncan	Soph.	Roscoe
Cristin Corley	Jr.	Winters	Joshelyn Helm	Sr.	Roscoe
Becky Frierson	Sr.	Roscoe	Amie Evans	Jr.	Forsan

HONORARY TEAM CAPTAIN: Bobbie Bryson, Sr., Ozona.
MOST VALUABLE PLAYER: Amber Tarr, Sr., Ozona.
DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF YEAR: Tara Sterling, Sr., Coahoma.
NEWCOMER OF YEAR: Kristin Casberg, Sr., Ozona.
COACH OF YEAR: Dickie Faught, Ozona.

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Today's Games
Class A
Goodrich (32-4) vs. Grover (22-12)
8:30 a.m.
Moulton (30-2) vs. Lipan (31-6)
10 a.m.
Class 2A
Clarksville (31-5) vs. Stafford (27-7)
2 p.m.
Tula (35-0) vs. Crockett (25-7)
3:30 p.m.
Class 4A
Lamesa (32-3) vs. Houston Waltrip (33-3) 7 p.m.
Waco Univ. (34-3) vs. Highland Park (32-9) 8:30 p.m.
Friday's Games
Class 2A
Kum (35-1) vs. Bechtolt (32-4)
9:30 a.m.
Little River Academy (35-1) vs. Lockney (19-6) 11 a.m.
Class 5A
Midland (34-2) vs. Pearland (29-8)
3 p.m.
San Antonio Taff (34-4) vs. Round Rock Westwood (31-6) 7 p.m.
Saturday's Championship Games
Class 1A - 9 a.m.
Class 3A - 10:30 a.m.
Class 2A - 2:30 p.m.
Class 4A - 4 p.m.
Class 5A - 8 p.m.

NCAA TOURNEY

EAST REGIONAL
First Round
Thursday, March 12
At The Hartford Civic Center
Hartford, Conn.
North Carolina (30-3) vs. Navy (19-10), 11:20 a.m.
North Carolina Charlotte (19-10) vs. Illinois-Chicago (22-5), 30 minutes after previous game
Princeton (26-1) vs. UNLV (20-12), 6:40 p.m.
Michigan State (20-7) vs. Eastern Michigan (20-9), 30 minutes after previous game
At The MCI Center
Washington
Xavier (22-7) vs. Washington (18-9), 11:25 a.m.
South Carolina (23-7) vs. Richmond (22-7), 30 minutes after previous game
Indiana (19-11) vs. Oklahoma (22-10), 6:40 p.m.
Connecticut (29-4) vs. Fairfield Dickinson (23-6), 30 minutes after previous game
Second Round
Saturday, March 14
At The Hartford Civic Center
Hartford, Conn.
North Carolina-Navy winner vs. N.C. Charlotte-Illinois-Chicago winner, 11:10 a.m.
Michigan State-Eastern Michigan winner vs. Princeton vs. UNLV winner, 30 minutes after previous game
At The MCI Center
Washington
South Carolina-Richmond winner vs. Xavier-Washington winner, 3:38 p.m.
Connecticut-Fairfield Dickinson winner vs. Indiana-Oklahoma winner, 30 minutes after previous game
At Greensboro Coliseum
Greensboro, N.C.
Regional Semifinals
Thursday, March 19
North Carolina-Navy-N.C. Charlotte-Illinois-Chicago winner vs. Michigan

State-Eastern Michigan-Princeton-UNLV winner
Connecticut-Fairfield Dickinson-Indiana-Oklahoma winner vs. South Carolina-Richmond-Xavier-Washington winner
Regional Championship
Saturday, March 21
Semifinal winners
SOUTH REGIONAL
First Round
Friday, March 13
At Rupp Arena
Lexington, Ky.
Syracuse (24-8) vs. Iowa (27-5), 11:25 a.m.
New Mexico (23-7) vs. Butler (22-10), 30 minutes after previous game
Oklahoma State (21-6) vs. George Washington (24-8), 8:40 p.m.
Duke (29-3) vs. Radford (20-9), 30 minutes after previous game
At The Georgia Dome
Atlanta
Kentucky (29-4) vs. South Carolina State (22-7), 11:15 a.m.
North Carolina (21-10) vs. Saint Louis (21-10), 30 minutes after previous game
Michigan (24-8) vs. Davidson (20-9), 6:40 p.m.
UCLA (22-8) vs. Miami (18-9), 30 minutes after previous game
Second Round
Sunday, March 15
At Rupp Arena
Lexington, Ky.
Duke-Radford winner vs. Oklahoma State-George Washington winner, 11:10 a.m.
New Mexico-Butler winner vs. Syracuse winner, 30 minutes after previous game
At The Georgia Dome
Atlanta
Kentucky-South Carolina State winner vs. Massachusetts-Saint Louis winner, 1:30 p.m.
Michigan-Davidson winner vs. UCLA-Miami winner, 30 minutes after previous game
At Tropicana Field
St. Petersburg, Fla.
Regional Semifinals
Friday, March 20
Duke-Radford-Oklahoma State-George Washington winner vs. New Mexico-Butler-Syracuse-Iowa winner
Kentucky-South Carolina State-Massachusetts-Saint Louis winner vs. Michigan-Davidson-UCLA-Miami winner
Regional Championship
Sunday, March 22
Semifinal winners
MIDWEST REGIONAL
First Round
Friday, March 13
At The Myriad
Oklahoma City
Mississippi (22-6) vs. Valparaiso (21-9), 11:30 a.m.
Texas Christian (27-5) vs. Florida State (17-13), 30 minutes after previous game
Rhode Island (22-8) vs. Murray State (29-3), 6:50 p.m.
Kansas (34-3) vs. Prairie View (13-16), 30 minutes after previous game
At The United Center
Chicago
Clemson (18-13) vs. Western Michigan (20-7), 11:30 a.m.
Connecticut-Fairfield Dickinson winner vs. College of Charleston (24-5), 30 minutes after previous game
Purdue (26-7) vs. Delaware (20-9), 6:55 p.m.
St. John's (22-9) vs. Detroit (24-5), 30 minutes after previous game

Second Round
Sunday, March 15
At The Myriad
Oklahoma City
Mississippi-Valparaiso winner vs. Texas Christian-Florida State winner, 1:20 p.m.
Kansas-Prairie View winner vs. Rhode Island-Murray State winner, 30 minutes after previous game
At The United Center
Chicago
Stanford-College of Charleston winner vs. Clemson-Western Michigan winner, 1:15 p.m.
Purdue-Delaware winner vs. St. John's-Detroit winner, 30 minutes after previous game
At The Kiel Center
St. Louis
Regional Semifinals
Friday, March 20
Kansas-Prairie View-Rhode Island-Murray State winner vs. Mississippi-Valparaiso-Texas Christian-Florida State winner
Purdue-Delaware-St. John's-Detroit winner vs. Stanford-College of Charleston-Clemson-Western Michigan winner
Regional Championship
Saturday, March 21
Semifinal winners
WEST REGIONAL
First Round
Thursday, March 12
At Arco Arena
Sacramento, Calif.
Maryland (19-10) vs. Utah State (25-7), 1:42 p.m.
Illinois (22-9) vs. South Alabama (21-6), 30 minutes after previous game
Tennessee (20-8) vs. Illinois State (24-5), 6:50 p.m.
Arizona (27-4) vs. Nicholls State (19-9), 30 minutes after previous game
At BSU Pavilion
Boise, Idaho
Cincinnati (26-5) vs. West Virginia (22-8), 11:40 a.m.
Cincinnati (26-5) vs. Northern Arizona (21-7), 30 minutes after previous game
Utah (25-3) vs. San Francisco (19-10), 6:55 p.m.
Arkansas (23-8) vs. Nebraska (20-11), 30 minutes after previous game
Second Round
Saturday, March 14
At Arco Arena
Sacramento, Calif.
Maryland-Utah State winner vs. Illinois-South Alabama winner, 3:30 p.m.
Arizona-Nicholls State winner vs. Tennessee-Illinois State winner, 30 minutes after previous game
At BSU Pavilion
Boise, Idaho
Cincinnati-Northern Arizona winner vs. Temple-West Virginia winner, 1:20 p.m.
Utah-San Francisco winner vs. Arkansas-Nebraska winner, 30 minutes after previous game
At Arrowhead Pond
Anaheim, Calif.
Regional Semifinals
Thursday, March 13
Arizona-Nicholls State-Tennessee-Illinois State winner vs. Maryland-Utah State-Illinois-South Alabama winner
Cincinnati-Northern Arizona-Temple-West Virginia winner vs. Utah-San Francisco-Arkansas-Nebraska winner
Regional Championship
Saturday, March 21
Semifinal winners

THE FINAL FOUR
Sunday, March 15
At The Alamodome
San Antonio
National Semifinals
Saturday, March 28
First game starts at 4:42 p.m.
East champion vs. West champion
South champion vs. Midwest champion
National Championship
Monday, March 30
Semifinal winners: 8:17 p.m.

NIT TOURNEY

First Round
Wednesday, March 11
Georgia Tech 88, Seton Hall 78
North Carolina State 59, Kansas State 39
Penn State 82, Rider 68
Auburn 77, Southern Miss 62
Dayton 52, Long Island U. 92
Georgetown 73, Florida 69
Marquette 80, Creighton 68
Miami 90, Ball State 67
Minnesota 77, Colorado State 65
Alabama-Birmingham 93, Missouri 88
Vanderbilt 73, St. Bonaventure 63
Gonzaga 69, Wyoming 55
Georgia 100, Iowa 93
Fresno State 73, Pacific 70
Hawaii 90, Arizona State 73
Thursday, March 12
North Carolina-Wilmington (20-10) at Wake Forest (15-13), 6 p.m.

NBA

Wednesday's Games
Atlanta 110, Boston 105
Philadelphia 88, Washington 86
Charlotte 85, New York 78
Cleveland 95, Milwaukee 83
Detroit 122, Indiana 91
Utah 110, Sacramento 95
Minnesota 113, Golden State 84
L.A. Lakers 121, Portland 107
Today's Games
Cleveland at Miami, 6:30 p.m.
Chicago at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Houston, 7:30 p.m.
Sacramento at San Antonio, 7:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Denver, 8 p.m.
Minnesota at Portland, 9 p.m.
L.A. Lakers vs. L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.
Friday's Games
Detroit at Boston, 6 p.m.
Milwaukee at Indiana, 6 p.m.
Atlanta at Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Orlando, 6:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Utah, 8 p.m.
Golden State at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Toronto at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.
Today's Games
San Jose at Buffalo, 6 p.m.
Calgary at Boston, 6:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Carolina, 6:30 p.m.
Chicago at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
Dallas at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Toronto at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m.

NHL

Wednesday's Games
Pittsburgh 4, Calgary 1
Ottawa 5, Florida 3
Vancouver 2, Montreal 2, tie
N.Y. Rangers 5, San Jose 3
Edmonton 2, Tampa Bay 0
Colorado 3, St. Louis 2
Toronto 3, Anaheim 1
Today's Games
San Jose at Buffalo, 6 p.m.
Calgary at Boston, 6:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Carolina, 6:30 p.m.
Chicago at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
Dallas at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Toronto at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m.

Hoyas win at buzzer in opener

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Florida was set for a fabulous finish against Georgetown... until Dan Williams made the wrong move. With eight seconds left and the score tied at 69, the Gators' senior guard lost the ball while driving toward the basket. Bernard Long then made a layup at the other end of the court as time expired, giving the Hoyas a 71-69 victory in their NIT opening-round game Wednesday night.

NIT ROUNDUP

State 65; Alabama-Birmingham 93, Missouri 86; Vanderbilt 73, St. Bonaventure 61; Gonzaga 69, Wyoming 55; Georgia 100, Iowa 93; Fresno State 73, Pacific 70; and Hawaii 90, Arizona State 73. North Carolina-Wilmington is at Wake Forest tonight in the final first-round game.

Other second-round matchups on Monday-Tuesday are: N.C. Wilmington-Wake Forest winner vs. Vanderbilt; Georgia vs. North Carolina State; Penn State vs. Dayton; Hawaii vs. Gonzaga; Fresno State vs. Memphis; Marquette vs. Auburn; and Minnesota vs. Ala.-Birmingham.

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SPORTS BRIEFS

From staff and wire reports

UGSA softball registration continuing
Registration for youngsters interested in playing on a United Girls Softball Association team this season is still continuing. Those who have not yet signed up for the program may contact Marlon Hale at Sound Decision, 2601 Wasson Road, until 5:30 p.m. Friday. The very last day to sign up, USGA officials noted, will be 5:30 p.m. Monday, immediately prior to the start of tryouts at the girls softball field. A late fee will be charged for those registering after the Friday deadline. For more information, contact Hale at 267-6863 or Veronda Vassar at 263-1324.

With lifts totaling 1,170 pounds, Rios not only finished second in the meet, but qualified to take part in the state meet set for March 28 in Killen. Teammate Joe Loya also qualified for the regional competition, but finished seventh in the 220-pound class and did not qualify to advance. Coahoma T-ball, softball registration set
Coahoma T-ball and Division I-III softball registration will begin at the ballpark concession stand from noon to 6 p.m. Saturday. Registration will continue from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. In addition, those interested in participating in the programs may sign up from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, March 20, and from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 21, prior to tryout sessions set for a 2 p.m. start. An open meeting for parents and coaches has been set for 8 p.m. Saturday at the Coahoma Community Center. For more information, contact Troy Kerby by calling 394-4748.

Steers powerlifter second, heads for state
Big Spring's Jacob Rios finished second in the 165-pound weight class during the Region I, Class 4A powerlifting meet in Plainview.

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Auburn 77, S. Mississippi 62 Sophomore Mamadou N'diaye scored a career-high 19 points in Auburn's first postseason victory in 10 years.

Scott Pohlman had 14 points, and Doc Robinson added 13 for the Tigers (16-13). Kelly McCarty led Southern Miss (22-11) with 16 points.

N.C. State 59, Kansas State 39 C.C. Harrison had four second-half 3-pointers in a 20-point performance for the Wolfpack.

Kenny Inge added 13 points and 11 rebounds for N.C. State (17-14), which advanced to the second round of the 32-team tournament for the second straight season. Ty Sims led Kansas State (17-12) with 11 points.

Penn State 82, Rider 68 Pete Lisicky scored 20 points, and Jarrett Stephens added 19 points for host Penn State (16-12).

Ken Lacey led Rider (18-10) with 15 points.

Memphis 90, Ball State 67 Keldrick Bradford scored a career-high 27 points and Omar Sneed added 25 points and 17 rebounds for host Memphis, which held Ball State star Bonzi Wells to a season-low nine points.

Marquette 80, Creighton 68 At Milwaukee, Aaron Hutchins had 19 points and seven assists as Marquette beat Creighton to improve to 19-10.

Rodney Buford had 24 points for Creighton (18-10), which failed to hit a field goal in the last 8:28.

Dayton 95, Long Island U. 92 Ryan Perryman had 18 points and 23 rebounds as Dayton withstood a 45-point night by Long Island's Charles Jones.

Jones, the nation's top scorer with a 28.4-point average coming into the game, was 18-for-38 from the field for the visiting Blackbirds (21-11).

FISHING REPORT

Here is the weekly fishing report as compiled by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for March 11, 1998:

CENTRAL BROWNWOOD: Water fairly clear to stained; normal level; 54 degrees; Black bass up to 6 pounds are fair on Carolina-rigged blue/green lizards and on Motor Oil colored 8-inch worms. Hybrid strippers are fair on live bait and crank baits. Crappie are fair on live shiners fished over brush. Channel catfish are fair on rod and reels baited with shrimp and cut bait.

SOUTH ARISTIDA: Water clear; lake level 1083; Black bass are good in various depths of water from shallow to deep. Some of the best fish are taking Carolina and Texas-rigged worms and crank baits, including Rat-L-Trap. Striped and white bass are fair to good on live bait and crank baits. Catfish are fair to good on rod and reels baited with shrimp and cheese bait.

WEST ARROWHEAD: Water clear; 54 degrees. Black bass to 4 pounds are fair on Carolina-rigged worms and on ThinFins. White bass are fair on live bait and some spinners. Crappie are fair on live bait and some spinners. Catfish are fair on rod and reels baited with shrimp.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water off-colored; 56 degrees; Bass are fair to good on black and red spinners and on Texas-rigged worms. Some bass are also coming on live shiners. Crappie are fair on minnows fished over brush piles. No report for catfish.

FORT PHANTOM HILL: Water off-colored; Black bass are slow. Hybrid strippers are fair on live bait and spoons. Catfish are fair on chicken livers and on frozen shad and nightcrawlers fished on rod and reels.

KEMP: Water fairly clear; Black bass to 4 pounds are slow to fair on large spinners, trick worms and crank baits. Striped bass are fair on live bait. No report for catfish.

MEREDITH: Water clear; 53 degrees; walleye are good on tie-fines tipped with minnows and on cork-down Rapalas fished along rocky banks after dark.

O.H.I.V.E: Water clear on main lake, murky in upper end and tributaries; 53 degrees; Black bass up to 7 pounds are fair on spinners fished in 3 to 8 feet of water on warm afternoons. Carolina-rigged Power Worms and lizards are taking bass on the main lake and secondary points. Crappie are fair on minnows fished in the river channel and around boat houses. Blue and channel catfish are fair on trotlines baited with cut bait. Yellow catfish are fair to good on trotlines and jugs baited with live perch.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water fairly clear; 54 degrees; Black bass to 7 pounds are fair on Carolina-rigged green pumpkin worms fished in 5 to 8 feet of water and on diving crank baits fished on drop offs and points. Striped and white bass are fair on live bait and crank baits fished up the river. White bass fishing should improve once weather warms. Crappie are fair on minnows fished around boat docks. Catfish are fair to good on rod and reels baited with cut bait around docks and over baited holes in deep water on the main lake.

SPENCE: Water fairly clear to stained; 54 degrees; Black bass are fair on spinners and Texas-rigged worms fished on points. Striped bass are fair on live bait. Blue catfish are fair to good on cut bait and on live carp.

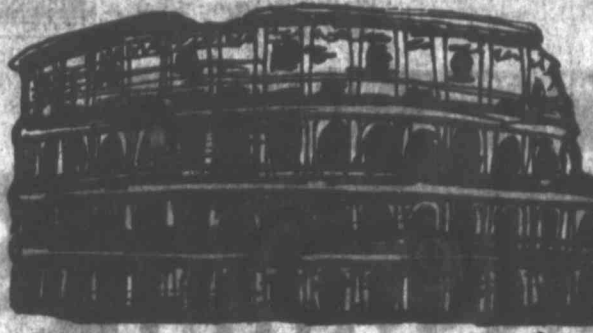
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The Mini Page Especially for kids and their families

By BETTY DEBNAM

An Amazing People

Ancient Rome ABCs



The Colosseum

The Colosseum is a huge outdoor theater in Rome, seating about 50,000 people. It was the site of sporting events, gladiator fights, and fights between people and animals.

Ideas about the law and courts can be traced back to the Romans. They had elected leaders called consuls, a Senate and a citizens' voting group or assembly. (Only men could hold any of these positions.)

Engineers today are still using Roman ideas about buildings, roads and bridges. Romans invented concrete.

Julius Caesar (SEE-zur) conquered huge areas, adding greatly to the Roman Empire. In 49 B.C., he won a civil war and became the only ruler.

After another war, he fell in love with Cleopatra. He fought to make her queen of Egypt, then took her to Rome with him.

A small group of Roman leaders, worried that Caesar had become too powerful, killed him in 44 B.C.

After his death Caesar's adopted son, Octavian, ruled Rome together with an army hero, Mark Antony. But they fought.

Antony fell in love with Cleopatra, and they went to war against Octavian. Octavian won and conquered Egypt. He changed his name to Caesar Augustus and became first emperor of Rome.

The Decline of Rome began when the empire got too big to rule. People invaded from the area of what is today Germany.

The Forum was the gathering place for anyone wishing to hear politicians, war heroes and religious leaders. Government buildings surrounded this large space.

Gladiators often were slaves, conquered people or criminals who were trained to fight for their lives in front of huge crowds.

Hills that could easily be defended are the site of Rome's beginnings.

Ancient Rome is studied today because the Romans gave us many of our present-day ideas. They had an amazing civilization, or way of life, more than 2,000 years ago.

Our language, our laws, our buildings, our capital letters, and many other ideas are gifts from the Romans.



Brothers Romulus and Remus are given the credit for founding Rome. The myth is that a mean king ordered the boys killed because they might inherit his throne.

A servant put the twins in a basket and floated it down a river. A wolf found them and nursed them until a shepherd adopted them.

The brothers decided to found a city. But they fought and Remus was killed. The city was called Rome after Romulus.

MIGHTY FUNNY'S Mini Jokes. WHY IS A SHARK THE MOST CARELESS THING IN THE WORLD? IT KEEPS LOSING ITS SKIN! Q: What did the big chimney say to the little chimney? A: "You're too young to smoke!" Q: Why is a train like gum? A: One goes choo-choo, and the other you chew, chew! (all jokes sent in by Taryn Mullen)

THE NEWS HOUND'S ANCIENT TRY 'N FIND. Words about ancient Rome are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. See if you can find: ANCIENT, ROME, CIVILIZATION, LANGUAGE, LAWS, LETTERS, ROMANS, COLOSSEUM, EMPIRE, FORUM, HILLS, COURTS, CAESAR, LATIN, TIBER. A N I C E N T B M U R O F R L C B L K S E C D O K T S V O E D C L A F E M O Q A I T W M T F D M U W F R P U E B X E T N I T A L S E N I R V S E I E C O L O S S E U M R T G A R R H L A N G U A G E P E S W R S I Q Z H I L L S R O M A N S J J R B N O I T A Z I L I V I C

Mini Spy ... Mini Spy and her friends are looking at ancient Roman scrolls. See if you can find: word MINI, sheep, bird, ladder, elephant, toothbrush, number 3, heart, yardstick, number 8, bat, letter Z, knife, letter V, book.

Kings ruled Rome at first. They ruled jointly with the Senate and citizens' assemblies. About 509 B.C., Romans overthrew the king. The Senate and assemblies ruled until Julius Caesar took away much of their power. They lost almost all rights under Augustus. Languages of many countries are based on the Roman language, Latin. These include French, Italian and Spanish. We call these the Romance languages. About half of our English words have Roman roots. Many science and law words still come from Latin.

Months have Roman names. Julius Caesar and his astronomers designed a more accurate calendar. Ours today is based on it. Nero (37-68 A.D.) was a cruel dictator. He ordered the murders of many people, including his mother and wife. Many believe he ordered Rome set on fire, then played the lyre while he watched it burn. In 68 A.D., the army forced him to step down and he killed himself. Orators were excellent public speakers who tried to persuade people to do something or think a certain way. Cicero (SIS-uh-ro), Rome's most famous orator, wrote books on the art of public speaking.

Next week The Mini Page honors Women's History Month with a look at the first women's rights convention. Look through your newspaper for scientific or legal words.

The Pantheon (PAN-thee-on) is a temple built with a huge circular roof, or dome. Its dome is about 142 feet across and 142 high. It is still one of the world's largest domes. ASIA, Mediterranean Sea, AFRICA.

Rome was built by shepherds and farmers on the Tiber River. It grew to a city of about 1 million people. Its people ruled over a huge empire (shown in dark areas above) that included the lands bordering the Mediterranean Sea, north to include part of the British Isles and south to parts of Africa. Soldiers were needed to conquer new lands. During the height of the empire, there were about 300,000 men in the army. At first soldiers had to own property. But as the empire grew, this changed. Most soldiers made the army their career, serving for as long as 25 years. Roman soldiers also built roads and water supply systems, or aqueducts, and buildings. Tunics were made by sewing together two pieces of cloth at the shoulders. Men's tunics were usually white, with purple on those worn by rulers. Women's were brightly colored.

Years The Roman Empire lasted were from 753 B.C. until 476 A.D. Today we divide years into B.C., before Christ, and A.D., after Christ. Jesus of Nazareth was the center of a new religion, Christianity. Roman officials convicted Jesus of treason and crucified him. Christians refused to worship the Roman gods or the emperors, so they were persecuted. They were fed to lions in the Colosseum. But by 394 A.D. Christianity had become the main religion of the Roman Empire.

Entertainment in Ancient Rome Children would play games such as dice made of bones or marbles using round nuts. They would also play a game like football using a pig's bladder filled with air. Public baths were a place for people to gather. They were somewhat like our gyms or health clubs. People would meet to exercise, play games, read and get clean. Romans did not bathe with soap. Instead, they would rub oil into their skin and scrape it off along with the dirt and sweat. Theater was a popular form of entertainment, especially comedies.

Eating in Ancient Rome Eating in ancient Rome was different from our eating customs today. The main meal, called the cena, was eaten in the afternoon and would last several hours. Food would include grapes and other fruits, bread, poultry, beef, fish and cheese. They drank wine. In the early times only men were invited. In later years, women were often included. Sometimes the guests ate while lying on couches. They did not use knives, forks or spoons. Instead, they ate with their fingers. Slaves would come around and wipe their hands between courses. While eating, diners were entertained by poets, singers and dancers.

Sports in Ancient Rome Sports in ancient Rome were often bloody and violent. Thousands of people would come to the Colosseum to watch gladiators fight wild animals. Sometimes the arenas would be flooded so they could stage sea battles. Chariot races were also popular. As many as 12 chariots would race around the track of the Circus Maximus, a large, oval-shaped arena. People would gamble on who would win. There were many crashes and drivers would fall out. The winner was the chariot that crossed the finish line first, even if the driver had fallen out. There were so many people watching that some would be crushed to death trying to get into the arena.

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GARAGE SALES

Garage Sale: 400 S. Moss Lake Rd. Fri. & Sat. 9-7. Kin, ex: bike, baby items, Prom Dress, clothes, bird cages, glassware, cake pans, toys, lot's misc.

RAIN OR SHINE - BIG SALE: Fri. & Sat. 2:10 Main, 10-5. Microwave, full size mattress, box springs & more added every day.

Moving Sale: 1405 Scurry, Thur. - Sat. 8-5. Nails, Formica, Molding, Bldg. mat., misc. Household items, some furn. & much more.

Multi Family Garage Sale: 1413 Wood. Fri. only. 8-7. Little tykes desk, Cardiology, Cannon Color Printer, Name Brand Girl clothes, X-Mas items.

FAMILY MOVING SALE: 2513 Cindy. Fri. 8:30-2. Computer, Little Tikes 3pc. Kitchen \$60.00, bookshelves, maternity clothes, tops of children's clothes, boys 2T-7, girls 2-ST. All b.c. cond., adult clothes, household misc.

FOUND / LOST PETS

FOUND at 805 N. Benton, Rothweiler puppy. Call 263-9138 or come by.

MISSING: Area of County Rd. 51 & F. M. 821, East of Coahoma. Male Golden Retriever & female Blue Heeler. Both tattooed & microchipped. Call 270-0043, 394-4251 or 267-7387.

MISCELLANEOUS

'86 Dodge Ram PU; Delta buck saw, Snapper Rototiller; cutting torch gases, freon gauges. Call 263-8195.

NordicTrack's Walkfit Prolike new \$300.00. Call 263-2625.

2 3/8 Testing Tubing \$125/per ft. 2 3/8 Structural, \$18 joint. 267-5818 after 8 pm.

Big & Beautiful Red Oak trees, single or multi trunk. 16-18ft. tall. Priced to sell. Delivery & planting available. 264-7233.

SWIMMING POOLS

Don't wait till it's HOT!! Let Watson Makers & Leisure Products put PARADISE in your own backyard. 80 down W.A.C. Delivery & Installation Available. 264-7233.

ACREAGE FOR SALE

For Sale or Rent 10.94 acres Todd Rd. Fenced, water, septic. 940-552-5094.

BUSINESS PROPERTY

2 Commercial Buildings. Sell or Lease. 1001 W. 4th & 1501 W. 4th. 263-2382.

COMM. REAL ESTATE

For lease or sale by owner. 2800 sq. ft. Commercial building, 1.2 acres on I-20. Immediately available. Owner financed. 915-267-3326.

For sale or lease, owner will finance, 1500 sq. ft. of office. 3500 sq. ft. of shop/warehouse on approximately 3.26 acres. Located at 700 Anna St. For information contact David Galloway at (806) 374-8288.

HOUSES FOR SALE

3 BEDROOM, 1 3/4 BATH, Coahoma. Walking distance to school. Owner will consider financing. 394-4016 or 915-537-2856.

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2 bedroom home for sale: \$19,500. Owner will finance with low down payment & low monthly. 1104 E. 13th. 915-520-3649.

FREE HOUSE w/ purchase of \$60,000 Pecan trees. Must sell quickly. May see at 1802 Runnels. Call 264-8211.

HOUSE FOR SALE: 1 bdr. Located downtown. \$8000 O/B.O. Call 915-530-0786

Clean new natural colors. All tile baths, open sunny 3/2 garage, Trane C/H/A, ceiling fans, blinds, storm windows, stove, ref., 2 patio attached storage, large yard. All for \$58,000 in Kentwood. Call 263-3788

Large, very nice 3 bdr. 1 bath home with a large back yard. Credit & references req. 1601 E. 17th. Call 263-1792 or 264-8006.

Large Brick Home for Sale. Appraised. 4-3-2. 2516 E. 24th. Call 263-2318 or 806-794-7054 for appointment.

3217 FENN \$84,800. Construction almost complete. 3 bd, 2 bath, formal dining, 2 car garage, total electric. Qualifies for FHA, VA or Conventional financing. Call for showing. Key Homes, Inc. 523-0848.

ASSUMPTION Non qualifying. No Credit Check. 2716 Central. Loan balance approximately \$51,275.00. Total monthly payment \$730.00. 17 years remaining. 10.25% interest rate. \$67,500. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, fireplace, central heat/air. 2 car garage, fenced yard. Call 520-9848.

FOR SALE BY OWNER 800 W. 18th. 3 bd., 2 bath, 1900 sq.ft. Central heat & air. Privacy yard, cinderblock fence. \$68,000. Call 263-1792 or 264-8006.

NEW ON THE MARKET Beautiful Highland South Home for sale by owner. 4 bdr; 3 bath; den; fireplace; garden room; corner lot. Sprinkler system; Many extras. Call 263-4649 day, 263-8735 evening.

BARGAIN. BEST CASH OFFER. FOR SALE. 4 bedroom, 2 bath 1309 Mt Vernon. Lots of extras. Call 263-3986.

MOBILE HOMES \$1800. Factory Direct. A-1 Homes. 653-1152. 1-800-626-9978. Selected Models.

1998 Doublewide \$198. month. \$25,900. \$1300 down. 9% fixed. 360 months. A-1 Homes. San Angelo. 653-1152. 1-800-626-9978.

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\$500 down on All singlewides. A-1 Homes San Angelo. Example: \$19,900. 11.5% APR. \$227 month for just 15 years. 653-1152.

Just \$1000 down on All Doublewides. A-1 Homes San Angelo. Example: \$25,900. 11.5% APR. \$265.00 month for 240 months. 653-1152.

\$1000.00 Back in your pocket 3 bedroom, 2 bath Doublewide with Den available at USA Homes 4608 W. Wall, Midland, Tx. 520-2177, 1-800-520-2177.

\$500 DOWN, as low as \$262 a month on a singlewide. 10.25% APR. 360 months with approved credit at USA Homes 4608 W. Wall, Midland, Tx. 520-2177, 1-800-520-2177.

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KENTWOOD APARTMENTS 1944 East 25th Street 267-5444 263-5000

2 bdr. home for rent. No pets. Call 267-2070 for further information. NO HUD.

3 bdr. 1 1/2 B, C/H/A, garage, fence, 1010 Bluebonnet. \$375. + dep. References. 263-6195.

5 bdr. 1 1/2 baths! Well lit plus 5 room house! Fenced 2 storage! Pecans Galore! Also Motor Home! 76 Pickup! 267-8745.

3 bdr. 1 bath: C/H/A, cover patio, carpet. \$350/mo. \$300/dep. Call 267-8861. Shown on Sat. 3/14/98. Be seen at 3306 Auburn St.

Very clean 1 bdr. ref/air, carpet, NO PETS, ref. 250/mn. 263-2382 or 263-4697

Taking applications for lease of 3 bd., 2 bath, den, lg. basement, single garage, plus carpet, central heat/air, tile fence. 1004 Wood. \$475/mo., \$300/dep. Must have good references. No HUD. 263-3889.

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3 bedroom, 1 bath. New paint & carpet. \$385/mo. \$150/dep. Call 263-1792 or 264-8006.

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Sacrifice Sale. Luxury Repo. Low down. Low interest rate. 4 bedroom, 2 bath Doublewide. USA Homes 4608 W. Wall, Midland, Tx. 520-2177, 1-800-520-2177.

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*Giant Used mobile Home sale. Must liquidate. Cash prices starting at \$1200.00. buy one or buy them all, large selection Homes of America. Odessa, Tx. 1-915-363-0881 1-800-725-0881

*Last one! First time buyers, 1998 Fleetwood 3 bedroom, low down, low monthly payment. Only \$450.00 down, \$181.00 month, 11.75% apr, 180 months. Call for pre-qualification. Homes of America Odessa, Tx. 1-915-363-0881 1-800-725-0881 See table separate

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FURNISHED APTS. Spacious 1 bd. Washer connections, big closets, ceiling fans. \$235. No pet! 611 Runnels. McDonald Realty 263-7616.

1 BEDROOM APTS for rent on 605 E. 13th. \$175 \$100.00/dep. 263-7648 or 263-3855.

Attractive clean, 1 bdr. apt. w/corport. Large closets, carpet, ref air. Lease, dep. & credit certification. 1104 E. 11th. \$225/mn. 267-7826

Apartments, houses, mobile home. References required. 263-6944, 263-2341.

HOUSING WANTED

Cash buyer needing home within 30 days. 3 bdr. 2 bath. 1800 sq. ft. & up. Must be in good condition. Call Sue at The Real Estate Shop. 263-7653

Needed executive home to lease. 8 months to (1) year. Minimum sq. footage 2000. Call Sue at The Real Estate Shop. 263-7653

OFFICE SPACE

Office space of barber/beauty shop for rent. See at 307 Union or check at Downtown Carwash. 263-0844

UNFURNISHED APTS.

Efficiency \$200 1 bdr. \$225 2 bdr. \$275 Clean, quiet and on sight maintenance and management. 915-267-4217

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1987 Chevy Blazer 4WD. AC, power windows. \$8250. Come by 1105 Marjio or call 263-4714.

3226 DREXEL: Sat. & Sun. 8:00-7:30 Family Garage Sale. Lots of items to many to list. Clothes, toys, dishes, etc.

1987 Nissan Maxima Plus, v6, high mileage, loaded with new tires. \$1500. Call 264-6852

UNFURNISHED HOUSES 1305 Mt. Vernon: 2 bdr., fenced yard, carpeted. Call 264-8931 or leave message.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 13.

You will be more interested in others than usual this year. Feedback comes from all around you, popularity soars and you enjoy being out and about. Your ability to socialize is strongly highlighted. Work through some major problems with partners, and create more financial security for yourself. If you have a bad feeling about someone or something, you need to honor it. If you are single, romance is certainly likely to flourish in your life. If attached, your relationship is empowered by your sixth sense and heightened sensitivity. LIBRA adores you.

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) Plunge through work as quickly as you can. Clear your desk, return calls and tie up loose ends. Plan a long lunch or early exit, as your need to interact increases. Others seek you out with great suggestions. Someone you meet triggers your imagination. Tonight: Spend time with friends.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Unleash your creativity, and let your imagination come into play. Listen carefully to a boss who seems elusive. Don't hesitate to ask questions, verify information and open up to new ideas. Though you might not plan on it, work takes over. Tonight: Get as much done as possible.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Handle personal matters this

morning. This might involve clearing your desk and answering mail. Much could happen later in the day. A call from a distance brings dreamy news. If you don't quite understand what a friend is saying, keep asking for clarity. Tonight: Romance happens.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Reach out for others, initiate conversations and ask more questions. Finish work already begun, and return calls. You might need to focus on a financial matter in the afternoon. A partnership is instrumental in enhancing your success. Tonight: Buy that lottery ticket!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You feel muddled or slightly off with key associates or a special partner. The truth is that you might not be able to grasp the full implications of what this person is saying. Remove your rose-colored glasses. Discussions about funds are important; take them seriously. Tonight: Make merry!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Further a cause that is close to your heart. Listen carefully to what is going on. A co-worker or business related matter tends to pull the wool over your eyes. Take another look. Balance your budget before committing to a new expense. Tonight: Pamper yourself.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Though you get off to a slow start, you get on a roll by the afternoon. Be direct and clear about what you need. Listen carefully to a loved one and his revelations. Feelings are intense, loving and special. Let

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DEAR CONCERNED CITIZEN: Good question. I spoke to an official with the Los Angeles Police Department, who told me that the drugs are kept in the police station's property division until the particular case goes to trial. After the trial, the police destroy the drugs by burning them.

WALTER WINCHELL'S DEFINITION OF AN OPTIMIST: A man who gets treed by a lion but enjoys the scenery.

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8:30 PM Movie: One Hot Summer	New York Undercover	Monty Roberts	Movie: On God!	Teams TBA	Movie: One Hot Summer	Sinfeld (CC) Veronica's Cl.	(05) Movie: Invasion	Alguna Vez (CC)	Prime Time Country	Movie: Basquiat (CC)	Original Gangstas (CC)	News Life in Word	Unexplained	Wings Over the Gulf	Movie: Glory	NHL Hockey: Dallas Stars	Baseball: Coyotes	Baseball: Sportscenter (CC)	Agreement (CC)	BET Tonight	
9:30 PM Night (CC)	Team Knight Rider	Horse Whisp. Mystery (CC)	College Basketball	NCAA Tourn.	Night (CC)	ER (CC)	(05) Movie: U.S.A.	P. Impacto Noticiero Uni.	Walt Disney Presents	Dukes of Hazzard	(9:50) Movie: Crumb	Hookers: Going Out Again	Something Good	Law & Order (CC)	Justice Files (CC)	Movie: and Honor (CC)	FOX Sports News	Baseball: Outside the Lines	Movie: Wyoming	227 (CC) Midnight Love	
10:30 PM News (CC) Cheers	Home Imp. Mad Abn. You	700 Club	NCAA Tourn.	Teams	News (CC) Nightline	News Tonight Show	(05) Thunder (CC)	Al Rimo de la Noche	Zorro (CC) Mickey Mouse	Dukes of Hazzard	(10:55) Movie: The Class of 1999	(10:55) The Pentagon	Israel Tour Crystal Lyons	Biography	Wild Discovery	Movie: Emperor of the North	FOX Sports News	Baseball: Mail	Movie: Mail		
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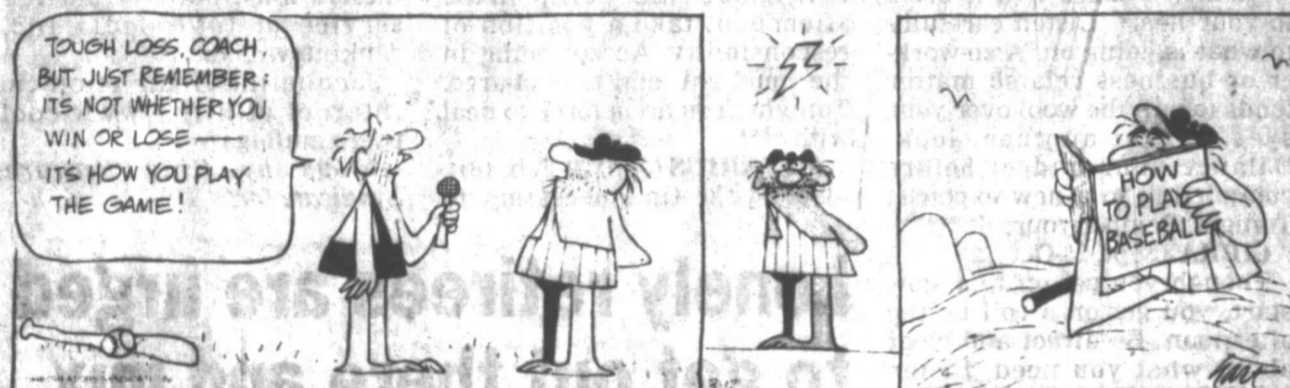
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

Today is Thursday, March 12, the 71st day of 1998. There are 294 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On March 12, 1938, the "Anschluss" took place as German troops entered Austria, completing what Adolf Hitler described as his mission to restore his homeland to the Third Reich.

On this date: In 1664, New Jersey became a British colony as King Charles II granted land in the New World to his brother James, the Duke of York.

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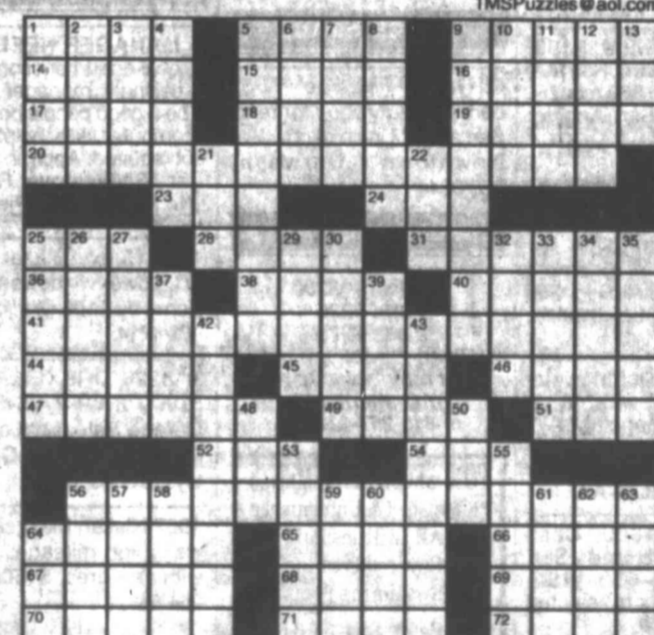
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- 28 Little tykes
- 31 Drug user
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- 40 Now
- 41 Lounge singer of note
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- 46 Western alliance, briefly
- 47 Flatt or Maddox
- 49 Long gone bird
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- 52 Picnic pest
- 54 That's revolting!
- 56 First Lady of note
- 64 Capital of Vietnam
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- 68 Norwegian king
- 69 Immense
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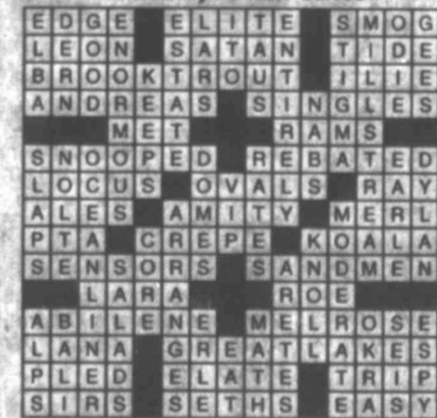
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- 1 Slender
- 2 Mexican treat
- 3 Call from the pews
- 4 Transmitter
- 5 Skip town



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Wednesday's Puzzle Solved



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In 1912, in Savannah, Ga., Juliette Gordon Low founded the Girl Guides, which later became the Girl Scouts of America.

In 1925, Chinese revolutionary leader Sun Yat-sen died.

In 1930, Indian political and spiritual leader Mohandas K. Gandhi began a 200-mile march to protest a British tax on salt.

In 1933, President Roosevelt delivered the first of his radio "fireside chats," telling Americans what was being done to deal with the nation's economic crisis.

In 1939, Pope Pius XII was formally crowned in ceremonies at the Vatican.

In 1940, Finland and the Soviet Union concluded an armistice during World War II. Fighting between the two countries flared again the following year.

In 1947, President Truman established what became known as the Truman Doctrine to help Greece and Turkey resist Communism.

In 1969, Paul McCartney married Linda Eastman in London.

In 1987, "Les Miserables" opened on Broadway.

In 1994, the Church of England ordained its first women priests.

Ten years ago: Rev. Jesse Jackson won the Democratic precinct caucuses in his native South Carolina.

Five years ago: Janet Reno was sworn in as the nation's first female attorney general. Thirteen bombs exploded in Bombay, India, killing more than 300 people.

One year ago: Authorities in Los Angeles arrested Mikail Markhasev as a suspect in the shooting death of Bill Cosby's son, Ennis, almost two months earlier. Markhasev, who pleaded innocent, has yet to stand trial.

Today's Birthdays: Former AFL-CIO president Lane Kirkland is 76. Former astronaut Wally Schirra is 75. Playwright Edward Albee is 70. Former Atlanta Mayor Andrew Young is 66. Broadcast journalist Lloyd Dobyns is 62. Singer Al Jarreau is 58. Actress Barbara Feldon is 57. Actress-singer Liza Minnelli is 52. Singer-songwriter James Taylor is 50. Rock singer-musician Bill Payne (Little Feat) is 49. Actor Jerry Levine is 41. Rock musician Steve Harris (Iron Maiden) is 41. Singer Marlon Jackson (The Jackson Five) is 41.