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## Agencies' agreement to keep West Texas water at home, officials say

### Water entities on threshold of new era of cooperation

After finding themselves on opposite sides of the fence on virtually ever issue over the past 33 years, the CRMWD and LCRA appear poised to enter an era of cooperation.

Part of today's agreement is that the two agencies will be working together to try and determine if a combined operation of CRMWD's three main reservoirs and LCRA's series of Highland Lakes will increase the amount of water supply available to both organizations.

"Not only are we concerned about water being available in the upper Colorado River Basin, but water quality has a major impact on our supplies. Operating our reservoirs in a coordinated manner should help the challenges we face

with water quality," CRMWD General Manager John Grant said.

Over the years, LCRA has fought many of CRMWD's efforts to ensure an adequate water supply for West Texas.

The river authority raised legal questions to stop permitting of both E.V. Spence and O.H. Ivie reservoirs.

In fact, LCRA dropped its opposition to both reservoirs only after CRMWD agreed to a release-on-demand clause sought by the Austin-based river authority.

But with today's announcement at CRMWD headquarters, it appears — on the surface — that the days of hard feelings and opposition may be a thing of the past.

—JOHN H. WALKER

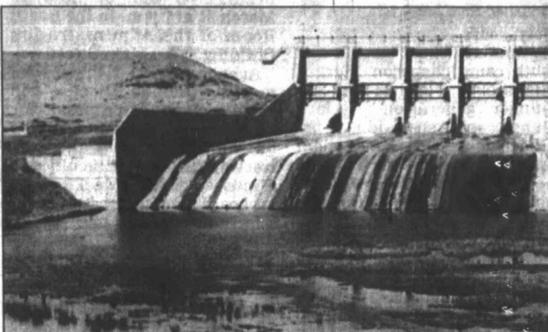
By JOHN H. WALKER  
Managing Editor

A 13-year-old settlement between the Colorado River Municipal Water District (CRMWD) and the Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA) will be modified to keep West Texas water in West Texas, according to an announcement made today at CRMWD headquarters.

The announcement was made jointly by John Currie, CRMWD board president, and Mark Rose, general manager of the LCRA.

It was under the 1985 settlement that the LCRA dropped a lawsuit opposing the permitting of what is now known as Lake O.H. Ivie, located some 25 miles southeast of Ballinger at the confluence of the Colorado and Concho rivers.

That settlement gave the LCRA the authority to demand the release of water from Ivie under certain conditions. The



HERALD photo/John H. Walker

Under terms of a joint agreement announced today by the Colorado River Municipal Water District and the Lower Colorado River Authority, water from CRMWD's O.H. Ivie Reservoir will no longer be released downstream on demand by the LCRA. The agreement also calls for the two agencies to work together to determine if joint management and operation of CRMWD's three main lakes and LCRA's Highland Lakes is feasible. This photo shows the spillway in January 1992.

1965 permit issued for E.V. Lee, carried a similar provision. Today's agreement removed

those provisions pending approval of the boards of both CRMWD and LCRA and is contingent on permits being granted by the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission.

Under the new agreement, LCRA will give up its right to demand the release of water from both Ivie and Spence.

Terms of the settlement include the removal of the LCRA's right to demand the release of water from Ivie when the reservoir is full and the river authority's lakes are low.

"One of the provisions of the 1985 agreement gave LCRA the right to call on water above elevation 1543 in the Ivie Reservoir," explained CRMWD General Manager John Grant. "If the Ivie Reservoir were full, this would translate to a volume of approximately 147,600 acre-feet. At our current delivery rate, 147,600 acre-feet would be a 2 1/2-year supply of water to our

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## Moore luring Lockheed to town

By CARLTON JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

Moore Development For Big Spring Inc. hopes that greasing the wheels of Lockheed now may pay off for the community later.

At its February board meeting, New Industry Attraction Chairman Terry Wegman told board members about a potential new industry moving into Big Spring — Lockheed.

Lockheed is a name most residents think of in terms of defense contracting, but the company approached Moore several months ago about renting space at the airpark for a two-year period for a satellite testing facility.

During Monday's board meeting, Moore's board of directors basically finalized plans it had made last month.

Moore will pay up to \$1,500 for a fence being built for the project as well as the two-year lease on the 300-foot by 300-foot cement pad Lockheed will be using.

"Lockheed built a satellite for a private company and wants to do their testing in Big Spring because the weather is favorable," Moore Executive Director Kent Sharp said. "The testing will be done once the satellite is launched."

After looking at the area in the airpark, Lockheed and engineers for the private company decided they wanted a secure fence around the area and said they would split the cost, according to Sharp.

"I'm excited because other opportunities could be presented to Moore as a result of this venture," Sharp said.

The project would be for two years, the duration of the testing period, and it is likely that Lockheed would hire one person locally to monitor the test

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Dorothy Sizenbach, right, talks to a pair of Marine Corps recruiters during Career Expo, held Monday afternoon at Howard College's Student Union Building.

## UBS blood drive set for Saturday

By CARLTON JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

In order to avoid a critical shortage of situation of O-negative and A-positive blood types, United Blood Services (UBS) will conduct a blood drive from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at Big Spring Mall.

"We're asking that everyone take the time to donate this spring so we can avoid a critical shortage situation," Angie Tyson, UBS community relations representative, said.

March has been an unusually difficult month for the blood supply, according to Tyson, but as with past drives Big Spring residents have usually responded well to UBS events.

"Typically, more people donate during the month of March than at other times during the year, but that has not been the case this year," Tyson said. "We're experiencing a low inventory of O-negative and A-positive types, so we're especially asking that those healthy donors with those blood types

make an attempt to donate at this blood drive."

O-negative blood, which is found in only 6 percent of Americans, can be transfused into any patient.

Type O blood is especially treasured in a situation like this because O-positive blood is found in 39 percent of Americans and can be transfused into anyone with positive blood types, which means 86 percent of the American population can receive type O.

Donors participating in Saturday's blood drive are asked to bring a form of identification, such as a driver's license or UBS donor card and know the name of any medication they may be taking.

"Donors must be between the ages of 17 and 79 and must be feeling well and healthy at the time of donation," Tyson said. "Anyone wanting more information about donor eligibility can contact me at (800)756-0024."

In order to adequately supply hospitals in the UBS service area, more than 325 units of blood must be collected each

week, according to Tyson.

UBS operates based on agreements made with local hospitals to supply that hospital's blood products. UBS supplies both Scenic Mountain Medical Center (SMC) and the VAMC.

"The agreements we make with local hospitals mean we have the opportunity to go into various communities to host our blood drives," Tyson said. "People who donate are basically making sure their own community hospital is provided with blood as well as the next largest hospital they or someone may have to go to for further medical care."

Statistics a year and a half ago showed some 8 million Americans were donating 14 million pints of blood every year — Only 5 percent of those healthy enough to donate.

Everything from apathy to the fear of AIDS to the aging of America's population is being blamed for the blood shortage.

"Blood is a perishable item and is good for only 42 days, meaning hospitals need a constant supply," Tyson said.

## A new look

### Howard College trustees move toward new direction for system

By KATHY GILBERT  
Staff Writer

Howard College took its first steps toward defining a new look and feel for the school during its regular board of trustees meeting Monday.

A large-scale distance learning program, a nursing surgitech program, a night-weekend nursing program, a revitalized fine arts program, and a new partial student health clinic were unanimously approved by the board.

Two new trustees were also welcomed onto the board. Place 1 incumbent Mike Flores and at-large candidate Sue Partee will begin their six- and four-year terms at the first regular board meeting in May. The two candidates were unchallenged in their races. Following state law, the board chose to cancel elections for the two positions, so both candidates automatically assumed their places on the board.

Howard officials said the unusual number of proposals approved signaled a period of growth. Howard cancelled nursing programs outside its newly legislated service area in the past four years. After closing programs in Del Rio, Snyder, Kerrville and Fredericksburg, the college needed time to realign its resources.

Howard is nearing the end of the restructuring period, Vice-President for Institutional Advancement Linda Conway said, and is ready to press forward.

The proposals presented by the administration and approved by the board attend to the changing needs of students in the 90s.

Beginning in Jan., a nursing program curriculum will be offered exclusively on nights and weekends. "It's really important to a lot of our students to work full-time and study — for single moms especially" Cindy Stokes, director of Allied Health Services at the college.

A new certificate in surgical technology program will also be starting up in Fall. The San Angelo and Big Spring Advisory Board members have identified the need for Certified Surgical Technologists in the area, Stokes said. In a recent survey 71 percent of respondents showed a willingness to support the program and stated a need for the services.

Surgitech nurses maintain safe environments for patients undergoing surgery, transport patients, prepare supplies, operate equipment, handle instruments, and are a key part of the surgical team, Stokes explained.

The new proposals also bring Howard College on-line in a powerful way. A draft distance learning program plan, presented by Vice President for Instruction Ken Tunstall, calls for Howard College to become a regional access point for connecting learners to quality telecourse and netcourse instruction.

Two-way interactive telecourses will be broadcast from Big Spring to San Angelo, Lamesa, and peripheral location and vice versa through the district and REACH networks.

A new director of distance learning will be hired. Bids for the distance learning equipment and services are being evaluated, President Cheri Sparks said. A decision will be presented to the board in a special meeting April 14.

Student services were also boosted with the opening of a new student health clinic in the fall. A \$25 fee will be charged all students carrying three hours or more to fund the program, generating about \$75,000 revenue, Kyle Ditto, of the nursing faculty said.

A consulting physician, assisted by a full-time nurse working part-time at both SWCID and the Big Spring campus will be assisted by nursing students, Ditto explained.

Finally, the fine arts program

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## Burt seeks third term on Forsan ISD school board

By KATHY GILBERT  
Staff Writer

Five candidates are vying for three at-large positions in the Forsan Independent School District this year.

Incumbent Debbie Burt is the senior candidate in the field, boasting two prior terms. Burt, elected in 1992, says she is "very interested in the educational system," and feels "there are things that need to be addressed" during the next three-year term.

Technology is a particular

concern for the Big Spring native. "We've done a lot in the area of technology," she said, "I want to make sure the children are getting the best use out of it."



BURT  
She has three daughters, ages 15, 12 and 10, all of whom attend

Forsan schools.

She assists her husband in running the Highland Animal Hospital and attended Howard College before marrying and raising children.

"My bottom line is the quality of education our students are getting," she said. "We've spent so much money, I want to make sure it is being utilized to its fullest extent."

That means students using the computers in each classroom to look up information, she explained. "A real hands-on approach," is Burt's primary

goal. "I would like every child to be computer-literate," she added.

As a parent with children in several grade levels, Burt says she feels like she "has knowledge of what happens at the elementary, junior high and high schools."

She has volunteered at the elementary school, covering for teachers during Wednesday workshops. She has worked with the youth department of Trinity Baptist Church for

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### WEATHER

Tonight:	Wed:	Thur:	Fri:

Tonight, clear. Lows near 40. Wednesday, sunny and breezy. Highs lower 80s. Wednesday night, fair. Lows in the 40s. Extended forecast, Thursday, partly cloudy and windy with a slight chance of showers or thunderstorms. Lows in the 40s. Highs near 80. Friday and Saturday, partly cloudy. Lows in the 40s. Highs mid 70s to near 80.

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OBITUARIES

**Martha Cortez**  
Rosary for Martha Cortez, 74, Big Spring, will be 7 p.m. tonight at Myers & Smith Funeral Home Chapel. Funeral service will be 11 a.m. Wednesday, April 1, 1998, at St. Thomas Catholic Church with Rev. Cornelius Scanlan, pastor, officiating. Burial will follow in Trinity Memorial Park.

of Katy; a daughter, Cathy Ann Scheffel of Rising Star; a sister, Mary Ann Workman of Rankin; two brothers, Tommy Workman of Midland, and Jimmy Workman of Denver, Colo.; and two grandchildren. Arrangements under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home, Stanton.

**BURT**

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seven years.  
A Sunday school teacher and youth camp chaperon, Burt is enthused by working with the younger generation. "I love young people," she said.  
Elections will be held Saturday, May 2. March 27 was the last day to withdraw from the election. The deadline for write-in candidates to declare their candidacy is April 2. Early voting will take place April 19 through April 28.

**MOORE**

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site, according to Sharp.  
"This is more of an investment in introducing the potential for future business rather than jobs," Sharp said.  
The first phase of the paint design (intermittent black and white squares) has already been completed, according to Sharp.  
As for the possibility of any future projects with Lockheed, Sharp said Moore is in a wait and see mode.

**Juanita Flowers**  
Service for Juanita Fannin Flowers, 76, Houston, formerly of Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

She died Monday, March 30, 1998, in Lake Charles, La.

**David K. Workman**  
Graveside service for David Knapp Workman, 73, Stanton, will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, April 1, 1998, in Resthaven Memorial Park in Midland with Rev. Fred Campbell, of San Angelo, and Rev. David Harp, of Stanton, officiating.

Mr. Workman died Sunday, March 29, in Midland.  
He was born on May 17, 1924, in Ashland, Ohio, and had lived in Stanton 40 years. He served in the Army Air Force during World War II. He had been president of Midland & Western Production Credit Associations, and retired as vice president of Sweetwater PCA in 1987. Mr. Workman was a member of the First Baptist Church in Stanton. He married Louise (Ann) Koerting on Sept. 7, 1947, in Dumas.

Survivors include: his wife, Ann Workman of Stanton; a son, David Michael Workman

of Stanton, officiating.

**NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH Funeral Home**  
Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory  
906 Gregg St.  
(915) 267-6331  
Juanita Fannin Flowers, 76, died Monday, March 30, 1998. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

**MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL**  
24th & Johnson 267-8288  
Helen Weaver, 79, died Sunday. Services will be 2:00 PM Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel, with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.  
Martha Cortez, 74, died Sunday. Rosary will be 7:00 PM, Tuesday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be 11:00 AM Wednesday at St. Thomas Catholic Church, with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

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The important thing, according to Rose, is that the acquisition places the control of the water rights in the hands of a public authority charged with the responsibility to manage the waters of the lower Colorado River and not by a public or private entity that could transfer the water outside the basin.

**BRIEFS**

**COAHOMA ISD BOARD MEETING** will be held on March 31 at 7 p.m. in the Board Room of the Administration Building at 600 Main Street. Agenda items for the special meeting include: Discuss and issue request for proposals for contractors for the science building, personnel and contract discussion for faculty not discussed at last week's regular board meeting, and textbook selection.

**GREAT STRIDES, THE WALK** for cystic fibrosis, is Saturday at Comanche Trail Park. Walkers should meet at 10 a.m. at the Bolensky Pavilion. T-shirts and other prizes are available for participants, who will be raising money to help find a cure for cystic fibrosis, the number-one genetic killer of children and young adults in the U.S. today.

**APRIL IS SEXUAL ASSAULT** awareness month, using the theme, "Standing Together Against Sexual Violence." During this month, Rape Crisis-Victim Services is asking local citizens to show support by putting a green ribbon on their car antennae. Speakers from RCVS can be arranged for groups, clubs and organizations as well. Call 263-3312.

**KENNEL CLUB DOG SHOW** in Big Spring will be April 25 and 26 in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. The shows usually feature 100 or more American Kennel Club breeds, and admission is free. About 900 dogs compete in conformation, obedience and junior showmanship. Entries close April 18. Premium lists with entry forms are available from Onofrio Dog Shows, P.O. Box 25764, Oklahoma City, Okla. 73125-0764, or call 405-427-8181 or review www.onofrio.com. Contact Carole Owen, show chairman, at 915-263-3404 for more information.

**AREA AGENCY ON AGING** needs volunteers for its ombudsman program at local long-term nursing facilities. Ombudsmen monitor the quality of care and quality of life of our elderly. For information, call Bob Stokes, 563-1061.

**THE BIG SPRING EVENING** Lions Club has free eyeglasses for all adults the second Saturday of each month from 9 a.m. to noon at the Big Spring Evening Lions Club bingo building, 1607 East Third. All adults needing eyeglasses who don't have the income to purchase the exam or glasses are welcome. For more information call Tom Mills, Al Valdes or Bob Noyes at 267-6095.

**A BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN**

**SPRINGBOARD**

**IF YOU HAVE ANY CHANGES** in a SPRINGBOARD ITEM OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT GINA GARZA, 263-7331 ext. 238, BETWEEN 8:30 A.M. AND 2 P.M. All Springboard items must be submitted in writing. Mail to: Springboard, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas 79720; bring it by the office at 710 Scurry; or fax it to 264-7205.

**TODAY**  
•Most Excellent Way, a chemical dependency support group, 7 p.m., Living Water Church, 1008 Birdwell Lane. Call 267-1424 after 5 p.m. or 263-3168 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.  
•Al-Anon, 8 to 9 p.m., 615 Settles.

**WEDNESDAY**  
•Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room. Call Archie Kountz, 267-3821.  
•Line dance classes, 1 p.m., Senior Citizens Center, following lunch. For more information call 398-5522 or 267-1628. All ages welcome.  
•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. closed meeting at the VA Medical Center on fourth floor.

**THURSDAY**  
•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 class, 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.

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

**Texas Lottery**

•Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, 7 p.m. Bible study.  
•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. Big Book Study.  
**SATURDAY**  
•Candlelight NA meeting, 10 to 11:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad.

**MARKETS**

May cotton 68.05 cents, down 213 points; May crude 15.78, down 43 points; Cash hogs steady at 50 cents higher at 35; cash steers steady at \$1 lower at 61; April lean hog futures 53.37, down 10 points; April live cattle futures 63.52, down 22 points.  
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Prime Rate	8.50%
Gold	298.00-298.50
Silver	6.25-6.28

**RECORDS**

Monday's high \*\*  
Monday's low \*\*  
Average high 73  
Average low 43  
Record high 94 in 1946  
Record low 22 in 1975  
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**FIRE/EMS**

Following is a summary of Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reports:  
**Monday**  
9:07 a.m. — 600 block Sgt. Paradez, medical call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.  
11:26 a.m. — 100 block NE 9th, trauma call, patient transported to SMMC.  
2:17 p.m. — 200 block Rocco Road, medical call, patient transported to Lubbock Methodist.  
6:34 p.m. — 1700 block Lancaster, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.  
6:44 p.m. — 1000 block Sycamore, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.  
9:46 p.m. — 3200 block Parkway, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

**POLICE**

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents between 8 a.m. Monday and 8 a.m. Tuesday:  
• GARY OLIVER, 26, was arrested on local warrants.  
• RICHARD RAMIREZ, 32, was arrested on local warrants.  
• KATRINA HARVELL, 24, was arrested on local warrants.  
• ADOLFO FRANCO, 33, was arrested for public intoxication.  
• BURGLARY reported in the 400 block of W. 5th.  
• BURGLARY/HABITATION reported in the 400 block of E. 7th.  
• FORGERY reported in the 2000 block of Gregg; near the intersection of Wasson and Parkway and at the police station.  
• THEFT reported in the 1200 block of Ridge Rd; the 1700 block of W. 4th; and the 1200 block of E. 11th Pl.  
• BURGLARY/BUILDING reported in the 1700 block of Aylesford.  
• TERRORIST THREAT reported at the police station.  
• BURGLARY/COIN-OP MACHINE reported in the 400 block of Johnson.  
• CRIMINAL TRESPASS WARNING reported in the 700 block of E. 11th Pl.  
• ASSAULT reported in the 900 block of E. 12th.

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## Ex prison chief indicted in VitaPro probe

HOUSTON (AP) — Former Texas prison chief James A. "Andy" Collins has been indicted on conspiracy, bribery, money laundering and other charges stemming from the purchase of a meat substitute fed to prisoners, the Houston Chronicle reported today.

A Houston federal grand jury also has returned six indictments on the same charges against Yank Barry, president and chief executive officer of VitaPro Foods Inc. of Quebec.

The indictments were returned in January and unsealed on Monday, the Chronicle reported.

Barry's company secured a \$33.6 million contract to sell VitaPro to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

The indictments allege that VitaPro paid Collins at least \$20,000 while Collins was still head of the state prison system. In exchange, officials allege, Collins gave Barry a five-year extension on a contract to purchase the foodstuff and for giving Barry access to TDCJ.

According to the indictment, Collins told three former top aides to sign the contract extension in 1995.

Collins and Barry also are accused of conspiring to conceal the kickbacks by funneling them through a fake company.

Within a month of leaving the state prison system in 1996, Collins transferred \$12,000 to his personal bank account and \$6,000 to pay an American Express credit card bill, the indictment says.

If convicted, both men could each face up to five years in prison and a \$250,000 fine on the conspiracy count; 10 years in prison and a \$350,000 fine on the bribery count; 20 years and a \$5 million fine on the money laundering charges; and five years and a \$250,000 fine for false representation of a Social Security number.

Barry did not return telephone calls, the Chronicle said.

Collins could not be reached for comment, but attorney William A. White of Austin told the newspaper that they had "no inkling" that the indictments were to be returned.

"This is a shock," White said. "Why now? Why 2 1/2 years later, after they have had this same information for 2 1/2 years?"

He added, "All these allegations have certainly pretty much ruined his life and the life of his family, so I wouldn't say it's a blessing in disguise to ever be indicted, but I will say at least now you get a chance to face your accuser."

Collins was forced out of his job as chief of Texas prisons as the VitaPro matter unfolded. He had agreed to work as a consultant for the company, but Barry withdrew the offer because of news stories about the investigation.

A source close to the investigation told the newspaper that U.S. Justice Department officials decided to unseal the indictments and to ask both men to turn themselves in: By early Monday evening, though, neither apparently had done so.

## Officials eye INS shakeup

WASHINGTON (AP) — Responding to criticism that the federal immigration service is overburdened and has conflicting missions, the Clinton administration is proposing a dramatic restructuring that would separate the agency's enforcement and service functions.

Fearful that congressional critics will seek to abolish the Immigration and Naturalization Service and farm out its functions to other agencies, the administration headed to Capitol Hill today with a proposal that would keep INS intact, yet radically changed.

In a draft of a letter to be submitted to the chairman of the House appropriations panel that funds INS, top administration officials said their proposed restructuring would untangle the agency's "overlapping and confusing organizational structure."

"The reorganization will greatly improve the ability of the INS to effectively and efficiently perform its duties," Attorney General Janet Reno, domestic policy adviser Bruce Reed and budget chief Franklin Raines said in the letter.

The plan by INS Commissioner Doris Meissner, prepared in consultation with outside consultants, calls for a total divide in the agency's two-fold mission: Enforcing federal immigration laws and doling out benefits such as citizenship or legal permanent residency. While the enforcement and benefits operations would be split, served by separate staffs with distinct chains of command, both would remain under control of INS headquarters in Washington. Although located in separate offices, the enforcement and benefits operations would share access to INS databases and technologies.

It remains to be seen how the blueprint will be greeted on Capitol Hill or by the service's 26,000 employees.

Rep. Harold Rogers, R-Ky., who summoned administration officials to appear today before his appropriations subcommittee, has expressed support for a plan abolishing the immigration service.

The current INS organizational structure, viewed as too decentralized by many, grants a great deal of power to district directors.

Field managers, who in the past have bridled at directives from Washington, were summoned last week to the nation's capital and briefed by Meissner on the restructuring. Administration officials acknowledge that there has been strong resistance among some of the rank-and-file.

## Campaign reform advocates to try one last time on bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Any hope of campaign finance reform legislation getting through the House this year depends on plans by Democrats and a group of Republicans to outmaneuver the GOP leadership and force a vote on the bill they say has the best chance of passage.

Operating under rules that limited debate, prohibited amendments and required a two-thirds majority for passage, the House voted 337-74 late Monday to reject a Republican-drafted campaign finance bill — elements of which offended members of both political parties.

Democrats, who denounced the process as a "sham" and a "cynical maneuver," promised to begin pressuring colleagues to support a parliamentary procedure that would, if successful, allow them to bypass the traditional committee process and automatically schedule their bills for votes.

"It's the only way left to reverse this fraud that's perpetuated on us here tonight," said Rep. Scotty Baesler, D-Ky. "Campaign finance will not die today. The game is not over."

The effort requires 218 signatures, a majority of the House. So far, just 188 members — 182 Democrats and six Republicans — have signed what is known as a "discharge petition."

"Only 30 more signatures are needed to bring campaign finance reform to the floor under fair rules," said Ann

McBride, president of public interest group Common Cause, which was launching a nationwide campaign to secure the remaining signatures.

"We're going to get that vote before this Congress ends," added House Democratic leader Richard Gephardt of Missouri. Even some Republicans criticized the process that brought four campaign finance bills to the floor under procedures typically reserved for the least controversial measures.

The harshest critics said GOP leaders rigged the process to allow a vote on reform — as Speaker Newt Gingrich had promised — while killing the legislation at the same time.

"When we act with such transparent tactics, can we blame the public for giving up hope?" asked Rep. Asa Hutchinson, R-Ark. "Do we really believe that we can go home and tell our constituents that we had an honest debate and vote on reform? I don't think so."

The main bill, presented as the Republicans' response to calls for an overhaul of campaign finance rules, aimed to curtail union political activity and ban large, loosely regulated "soft money" donations to the national political parties. Democrats and some Republicans criticized the union provision.

Republicans subsequently extended the ban to state parties after critics said such donations could be funneled back to

congressional campaigns without a similar ban.

"Soft money is the narcotic that's destroying our democracy," said Rep. Christopher Shays, R-Conn., who repeatedly has battled party leaders over the issue.

The bill also would have let local election officials seek federal help to verify the citizenship of prospective voters and allow individuals and political action committees to donate larger sums to candidates than current law allows.

GOP leaders — none of whom spoke in defense of the measures — also offered three other bills.

A measure to tighten the prohibition against noncitizens making donations or expenditures in connection with federal elections passed 369-43.

The House defeated, 246-166, a measure that would have required unions to get written permission from individual members before spending their dues for political activity.

The final measure, requiring stronger disclosure of contributions, passed, 405-6.

Shays, Rep. Martin Meehan, D-Mass., and others had pressed for a vote on their alternative.

President Clinton had argued for its passage. In a letter Monday to Gingrich, Clinton said the Shays-Meehan bill was the "best chance in years to reduce the role of special interests, give voters a louder voice and treat fairly incumbents and challengers of both parties."

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## OUR VIEW

### DRRC landscape project adds beauty to center

It was back in the latter stages of 1992 that a group of people began discussing the future of the Dora Roberts Community Center and what could be done within the community to salvage the building.

That November, several hundred people gathered for a 1950s "Sock-Hop" to raise money to begin a restoration project on the former Cosden Country Club.

Persons interested in turning the building, which was in a state of near-total disrepair, into a useful, functional facility paid \$25 for the privilege of heating hamburgers and dancing to that good old rock and roll.

Since then, the Dora Roberts Foundation has provided major monies for the restoration and renovation while annual fundraisers have helped raise maintenance monies.

The end result is a facility that is useful to the community. The Dora Roberts Community Center is used 52 weeks out of the year and plays host to nearly 20,000 persons annually.

Events held at the facility run the gamut from birthday parties to political gatherings to monthly workshops for department heads from other West Texas communities.

Now, in an effort to continue to enhance the appearance of the center, a major landscaping project is under way.

Gone is the flat-as-West-Texas look — replaced by berms and mounds of flowers and plants, landscaped with an eye on the rest of the terrain in and around Comanche Trail Park.

The ongoing effort to first turn the Dora Roberts Community Center into a useful part of the community and then continue to develop it as its usage grows would not be possible without the commitment of a group of people within the community.

It was Beverly McMahon that first talked about "what if" back in 1992 and it has been under the leadership of Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Vice President Cavan McMahon that the effort has been continued.

In between, there have been hundreds and hundreds of persons who bought hamburgers, twisted, did the bob and attended a variety of functions, including the most recent, a formal affair that drew support from across the community.

People working together to reach an end result is what makes a difference within any community ... that it is making such a difference in our community is clearly evident at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

## OTHER VIEWS

Congressional negotiators are tiptoeing ever closer to agreement on a package of laws meant to bring the tobacco industry to its knees and save thousands of lives. It includes an increase in the federal tax on cigarettes by \$1.10 a pack over five years, and it would siphon some \$138 billion more from tobacco companies than the \$368 billion originally profited, bringing the total to \$506 billion.

That's a ton and more of money, of course, and what's puzzling to members of Congress is how they might spend it. The White House proposes to use the funds to finance several new programs that might help the Democrats in the fall elections, and the Republicans are saying no, they don't like that idea. One GOP notion is to spend the money on Medicare, helping to tide that troubled program over until true reform can save it.

The trouble with either approach should be obvious, however. By spending the money in either of these ways, the government becomes a stakeholder in the tobacco industry. The continued prosperity of that industry would become vital to the maintenance of programs that are desired by certain constituencies. If a crucial purpose of the tobacco legislation is the drastic curtailment of smoking, the government could end up at loggerheads with itself.

It should not be particularly mystifying to members of Congress or the White House about how they should spend this money, assuming they want to remain consistent with their avowed intentions in advocating these measures. The money should be spent on anti-tobacco advertising and all sorts of educational undertakings.

There are endless problems with the tobacco legislation. Will the high taxes create a huge black market for cigarettes? Can Congress constitutionally grant liability limitations to one industry and not to others? Are proposed advertising restrictions on the industry an infringement of First Amendment rights to free speech? But it particularly unseats the supposed intention of the legislation for the government to put itself in the position of having to hope the industry thrives.

Jay Ambrose  
Scrapps Howard

### Watch what you read — Starr may be watching

By BILL MAXWELL  
St. Petersburg Times

Let's eavesdrop on a bit of a couple's conversation:  
"What are you wearing?" he asked.

She said, "I'm wearing a white shirt with little stars, green and black stars, on it, and black pants, and socks the color of the green stars, and a pair of black sneakers I got for nine dollars."

"What are you doing?"  
"I'm lying on my bed, which is made. That's an unusual thing. I made my bed this morning."

Here's another snippet of this increasingly suggestive tete-a-tete. The woman speaks first:

"What hand are you holding the phone with?"

"My left," he said.

"What are you doing with your right hand?"

"My right hand is, at the moment, my fingers are resting in the soil of a potted plant somebody gave me, that isn't doing too well. I'm sort of moving my fingers in the soil."

And so it goes. Well, not quite.

The truth is that most of the conversation is so pornographic that I cannot not quote 75

percent of it in this family newspaper. This conversation is "telephone sex," the raison d'etre for "Vox," Nicholson Baker's 1992 best-selling novel.

Nearly six years after its titillation appeal has become pretty much passe, Vox has been resuscitated, thanks to Kenneth Starr, the independent prosecutor investigating alleged sexual misconduct, in the Oval Office, between President Clinton and former White House intern Monica Lewinsky.

The Washington Post reported recently that Starr has subpoenaed the records of a Washington bookstore in search of the titles of books that Lewinsky purchased there. Starr, the president's silk-suited nemesis, obviously believes that "Vox" may lead him to a smoking gun of sorts.

Has he finally lost his mind? Not exactly. He is apparently trying to corroborate

Lewinsky's alleged claim to Linda Tripp that she and the president regularly engaged in telephone sex.

Eureka! "Vox"!

If Lewinsky and Clinton did have telephone sex like that in the novel, the First Illicit Couple had one hot and heavy relationship, let me assure you.

Sorry, I cannot quote from

the book.  
At any rate, Starr is hoping to find a pattern, albeit far-fetched, in an electronic (telephone) and linguistic (novel) universe where simulation and imagination are proxy for the real thing, as it were.

Do not ask. I cannot quote from the book.

Instead of further implicating the president, however, "Vox" may show that Lewinsky made up the telephone sex story after reading the book. I am willing to bet right now that that is what happened. Sure, records show that she and Clinton probably talked. They may have exchanged a few sweet nothings, too. But time may show that what Tripp spilled her guts about was essentially the creative efforts of Nicholson Baker, who was happily married in upstate New York when the book was published.

Do not think for a moment that the legal profession is not paying close attention to Starr's "Vox" faux pas. The lawyer for the bookstore owners in question, for example, told The New York Times that his clients are caught in "the cross-hairs of a special prosecutor."  
Lewinsky's lawyer, William

Ginsburg, is said to want to do Starr bodily harm. "Mr. Starr has sunk to a new low," Ginsburg said during a televised news conference. "He is truly an agent of government who is out of control."

Civil libertarians and others who care about First Amendment freedoms are outraged at Starr's subpoena. "People in this country ought to have the right to buy books without government scrutiny," said Steven Shapiro.

Indeed, millions of Americans would be in deep do-do if Starr concocted a reason to subpoena records of their book purchases.

Hell, I would be locked up for life if he came after my receipts. Not only do I have "Vox" (I enjoyed it), but I have bought and read smutty tomes such as Henry Miller's "Tropic of Cancer," "Tropic of Capricorn" and "Quiet Days in Clichy" and William Burroughs' "Junky," "Naked Lunch" and "Queer." My vast, wonderful collection of steamy novels written by black women for black women is a treasure trove that is growing.

What would the special prosecutor do if he knew that I also have classics such as "Lady Chatterley's Lover"?

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### Printer's ink not yet erased by computers

In 1875 the folks at Remington asked Mark Twain to write a testimonial for their new typewriter. Here's how he answered:

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Twain's main complaint was that the typewriter's novelty caused people to ignore the content of his letters. Technology overshadowed genius.

The "curiosity breeding little joker" had become more important than the dictation of one of the great brains of last century.

I found that anecdote in a paperback called "The Typewriter Legend," on sale for a pittance at my local library.

It was an ink smudge of a February day, dark and messy, and so I trotted on down to the book sale. Cheap books call out to me like "Night Train" to a wino. I love the feel of used volumes, the esoteric titles that inevitably end up in cardboard boxes labeled "SALE BOOKS."

In all, I bought about 1,000 pages of words for \$10. That's a lot of pages, a lot of words. I got Robert Penn Warren's long poem, "Chief Joseph of the Nez Perce?" and a book of Herblock cartoons and a stack of children's books for my niece and nephews. All the way home I congratulated myself for enterprise and frugality.

If you believe the shibboleths of today's high-tech boosters, the screen has replaced the book as the symbol, the literal repository, the ultimate source of most knowledge.

But you cannot do with a screen what I've been doing the past few days with Jacki Lyden's memoir, "Daughter of the Queen of Sheba." At least not without a lot of trouble and miles of extension cord. "Sheba" has gone to bed with

me, and to Pollard's Drive-In, where I sat at the raggedy lunch counter and alternated turning pages and eating turnip greens. I read a few pages while soaking in a hot tub.

The typewriter — this according to my new, old book on the machine — became truly important only after becoming so ubiquitous that it was invisible. That will have to happen to computers, too. Otherwise, novelty will continue to overwhelm content.

I studied my fellow book lovers at the library sale. We didn't look special, or endangered.

There were noisy children, out of school for the day. There was a retired man, searching for books on the Civil War.

A tough-looking woman in jeans picked up a book called "Filing for Divorce in Georgia" and said to her son, "I wish I'd had this a few years ago."

All of us could have gone into the next room and surfed the Net for free, I suppose, but we wouldn't have left with a satisfying sack, a collection of coverless volumes branded with other owners' names and stamped at the back with ink from the pad of some efficient librarian. "DISCARD," they say.

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## Howard College makes decision to initiate women's softball program

By JOHN A. MOSELEY  
Sports Editor

Howard College's Lady Hawks now officially exist as a softball team, following a unanimous vote by the college's board of trustees Tuesday, and efforts to hire a coach and recruit players are already under way.

The program is so new that Athletic Director Tommy Collins, who had been out of town recruiting players for his men's basketball team, wasn't aware trustees had approved softball when he arrived at his office this morning.

Collins had noted earlier in the month, however, that surveys distributed to the Howard student body had

overwhelmingly favored softball as the sport to be added to the women's athletics program.

The decision to recommend establishing the new program was the result of several factors, perhaps the most important being the school's need to meet Title IX guidelines which call for educational institutions to offer the same number of opportunities for women athletes as they do for men, as well as equalize funding for men's and women's athletics.

Howard's athletic committee, chaired by Executive Vice President Terry Hansen, distributed surveys to 500 of the college's students asking for their preferences.

Students returned only 10 percent of those surveys, meaning there were just 50 responses, but more than 25 percent of those responding indicated a preference for adding women's softball to Howard's athletics program which currently includes men's and women's basketball, men's baseball and a coeducational rodeo team.

Only 2.9 percent of the men responding to the survey listed softball as a preference, meaning more than half the women responding listed softball as their first choice.

The softball program's eventual coach will be armed with 12 full scholarships for recruiting athletes. Hansen told trustees the administration hopes

the program will involve 20 to 30 athletes which it is fully in place.

Full implementation of the program could take three years, Hansen said.

As of yet, officials have not indicated whether the Lady Hawks softball program will be provided with a new softball facility on campus, or whether current softball facilities in Big Spring will be utilized.

Hansen did note, however, that the college's existing dormitories have plenty of space to house players involved in the softball program.

Currently, El Paso Community College is the only school in the Western Junior College Athletic Conference that fields a competitive

softball team.

Midland College, however, recently announced it would begin play in the sport next spring. The Lady Hawks would be the third.

Administrators told trustees Tuesday, however, that none of the three teams would be playing as members of the WJCA next season, and would play as independents.

They did note the conference could embrace the softball programs at some future date.

Calls to both Hansen and Howard College President Dr. Cheri Sparks concerning the search for a coach had not been returned as the Herald went to press.

## Dodds says no violation found by UT

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas athletic director DeLoss Dodds says he has found no violation of NCAA rules involving a plane trip provided by a Texas booster to the parents of a Longhorn player as reported by basketball coach Tom Penders.

Penders on Monday said he received a phone call Thursday that a Texas booster flew Gary and Nina Mihm, parents of star Longhorns freshman center Chris Mihm, to Texas' Feb. 24 game at Oklahoma State on a private jet.

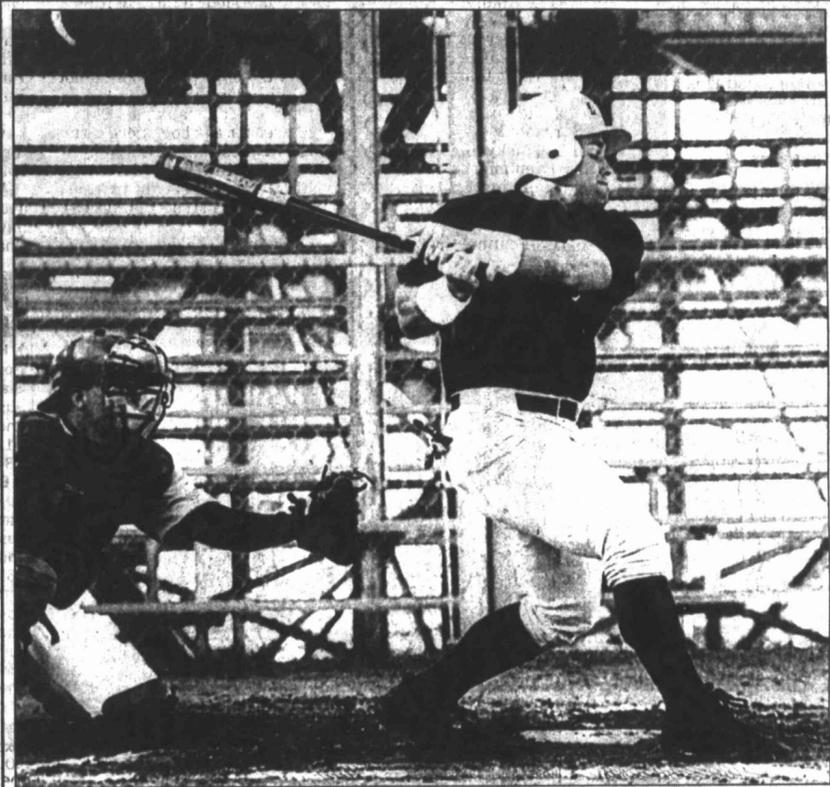
The Texas coach, embroiled in controversy over the past two weeks because of player complaints and an assistant coach's public release of a player's grades, said he reported the information to UT compliance director Barbara Walker on Friday while both were in San Antonio for the Final Four.

Dodds said Monday he and other UT officials had looked into Penders' report.

"We don't see anything there," Dodds said.

The Mihms said they are friends with the booster, Rick Hawkins of Austin, outside of basketball and that the plane trip was not special treatment.

Nina Mihm said Penders was "trying to find any dirt he can to muddy the waters."



HERALD photo/Jim Fiero

Big Spring's Brock Gee follows through after clubbing a ball deep to center field during the Steers' non-district game with Midland Greenwood last week. The Steers, currently 10-8 on the season, were scheduled to put their 2-0 District 4-4A mark on the line today, playing host to Fort Stockton's Panthers in a 4 p.m. game at Steer Park.

## Comeback 'Cats take NCAA crown, rallying past Utah

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Plan A for Kentucky; a fast-breaking blowout.

Plan B: a furious comeback.

Tubby Smith turned to Plan B once again Monday night, and it worked to perfection as Kentucky mounted the biggest comeback in NCAA championship game history to win its seventh title and second in three years, 78-69 over Utah.

Plan B carried Kentucky past Duke in the South Regional final and past Stanford in the national semifinal, and it brought the Wildcats back from a 10-point halftime deficit against Utah in the ultimate game.

All those days in the gym, working on plays with the clock ticking down and pushing through extra minutes when legs were sore and arms weary, paid off for Kentucky when it counted most.

"At the end of practice, especially these last couple of months, we really have been taking pride in the shooting drills when we are real tired," MVP Jeff Sheppard said. "That's when we pull together."

There were plenty of times in this remarkable 35-4 season when Kentucky won with Plan A, games when they ran away from their opponents from the start and never looked back.

But in the cauldron of the NCAA tournament, when Duke was beating them by 17 with 9 minutes to go, when Stanford was pounding them by 10 in the second half, when Utah was punishing them on the boards and their shots weren't falling, that's when the Wildcats had to go to Plan B.

Maybe it was a matter of digging deeper to find the desire, or concentrating more, or calling on reserves. Maybe it was all that.

Smith knew what he had, and

he knew what he didn't have. He didn't have a team filled with NBA blue-chips, as his predecessor, Rick Pitino, did when he won the title two years ago and reached the final last year. There's not an Antoine Walker, Ron Mercer or Derek Anderson in this bunch.

What Smith had, what he saw in practice day after day, was a team that could play fundamentally sound basketball and maintain its poise even in the most desperate situations.

And against Utah, Kentucky was indeed desperate.

Nothing about Plan A worked in the first half. Kentucky missed all six of its 3-pointers. Utah outrebounded the Wildcats 24-6. When the buzzer sounded, the Utes led 41-31. No team in NCAA history had ever come back to win from such a big halftime deficit.

Then again, how many teams made it a point to practice comebacks?

Kentucky did, and Smith knew his players could do it when it counted most.

"Number one, you have to have good players, intelligent players, players that can play with poise," Smith said. "One of the things we talk about is, you have to have longevity, patience, never getting too emotionally high or low. We talk about that all the time."

"I tell them, if you are up by 10, 20, you are not as good as you think you are. And you are not as bad as you look sometimes. It is a mental approach to the game, the way we work in practice. That's a big key. We teach them how to come back."

His players listened and learned the lessons well.

"We always played poised and know never to give up," Heshimu Evans said. "We just come back. We're a fighting team."

## Baseball expands, but quality pitching contracts

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Opening day will have a different look, for sure.

A dozen new members of the World Series champion Florida Marlins. Moises Alou, Robb Nen and Devon White are out, a bunch of rookies are in.

New teams in Phoenix and St. Petersburg. The Arizona Diamondbacks will play in the Bank One Ballpark, which showcases a swimming pool beyond the right-center field fence. The Tampa Bay Devil

Rays will play at Tropicana Field, which features a cigar bar.

New double-play combos for Atlanta and the Chicago Cubs. Walt Weiss and Tony Graffanino are up the middle for the Braves. Jeff Blauser and Mickey Morandini now play for the Cubs, who will be wearing a shoulder patch with a caricature of the late Harry Caray.

The Milwaukee Brewers in a new league. The Detroit Tigers in a new division.

All the elements of Baseball

'98 — expansion style — were going on display today on opening day.

Kevin Brown and Darryl Kile pitching for new teams, Andres Galarraga and Marquis Grissom playing in new places.

And Mark McGwire, Ken Griffey Jr. and a bunch of hitters waiting to tee off on guys who made it to the majors this year only because of expansion.

"We'll be pitching guys who don't belong here yet," Marlins manager Jim Leyland said.

"But there's a big difference

between not belonging here yet and not belonging here at all."

World Series MVP Livan Hernandez was to start the opener at home against the Cubs.

"I feel normal, the same as everyone else," the 23-year-old Hernandez said. "I don't want to change my personality or my way of being."

The rest of the Marlins' rotation, however, has undergone a shakeup. It now includes the likes of Rafael Medina, Brian Meadows and Felix Heredia.

## Bulldog linksters third, Bulldogettes second at Ozona Invitational

HERALD Staff Reports

OZONA — A tight Ozona Country Club course, a lack of familiarity with the layout and high winds combined to literally skyrocket the scores turned in by Coahoma's Bulldogs during Tuesday's Ozona Invitational Golf Tournament.

Iraan's Braves were almost unchallenged in taking the tournament's championship, posting a 328 team total to finish 26 strokes ahead of Ozona's host team.

Coahoma was one more stroke back with a 355, while Forsan's Buffaloes were fourth with a 384 total. Ozona's junior varsity squad finished fifth in the eight-team field, while Eldorado was sixth with a 395. Wall and Rankin rounded out the team totals with scores of 406 and 408, respectively.

Although the Bulldogs' 355 was much higher than Coahoma coach Kim Nichols would have liked, he opted to stress positives when discussing the tournament's finish.

"We had some problems out there, but the thing that's important to me more than anything else is that we finished just one stroke down to Ozona on their home course," Nichols said, noting that the Lions figure to be Coahoma's chief rival next week when the opening round of the District 8-2A tournament gets under way at the Riverside Municipal Golf Course in San Angelo.

Chris Emery of Iraan took the meet's medalist honors with a 79, while teammate Michael Ortiz was one stroke back with an 80. Wall's Craig Braden finished third individually with an 81.

Ryan Peckham and Regi Roberts paced the Bulldogs' individual scoring. Peckham turned in an 85, while Roberts finished with an 86. Kyle Wyatt finished the round with a 91, while Blake Nichols toured the course with a 93 and Blane Wright carded a 94.

Forsan's Buffaloes were led by Cory Walker's round of 90, followed by William Osborne's 93 and

### AREA ROUNDUP

Dustin Morgan's 98. Logan Stanley finished with a 103 and Blake Lansperly rounded out the Buffs' scoring with a 107.

Only two teams took part in the girls' division of the tournament, as Ozona's Lady Lions posted a 384 total for a 98-stroke win over Coahoma.

Jayci Roberts' round of 112 led the way for the Bulldogettes, while Kelli McAdams carded a 121 and Tasha Grummitt had a 123. Kelli Buchanan added a 126 to the Coahoma total, while Mikanna Herring finished with a 149.

### Lady Steers second at Abilene

ABILENE — Big Spring's Lady Steers put together 149.5 points Saturday to finish second in the team standings of the All-American City Classic track meet at Abilene Christian University.

Abilene Willie took the team title with 153 points, while Stephenville was third with 144 points. San Angelo Lake View's Maidens were a distant fourth, while Midland Greenwood's Lady Rangers finished fifth.

Senior Keesha Lott opened the Lady Steers' scoring with first-place finishes in both the long jump and the triple jump. She topped the triple jump field with a leap of 37 feet, 2 inches and won the long jump with an 18-31/2 effort. Teammate Angelica Hinojos was third in the long jump with a 16-61/4.

Nadia Cole and Gina Valdez also gave Big Spring first-place points in the shot and discus. Valdez took the discus with a throw of 104-2, while Cole's winning effort in the shot was 41 feet, 10 inches. In addition, Karen Paradez was fourth in the shot with a 31-11, while Leandra Williams was fifth with a 31-8.

Melissa Flenniken closed out the Lady Steers' scoring in the field events with a sixth in the high jump, clearing the bar at 4 feet, 8 inches.

Lott and McGee joined Angelica Hinojos in providing key running events finishes. Hinojos won the 100 meters with a 12.5-second clocking, while Rita Casillas was third at 12.8, while McGee was sixth with a 13.1.

Lott was second in the 200 meters with a 25.4, while Hinojos was third at 26.02 and Stephanie Henderson added fifth-place points with a 26.8 clocking.

Chanta Farr provided a third in the 400 meters with a 62.5, while Bridget Wilson was fifth in the 3,200 meters.

A huge part of the Lady Steers' point total came from first-place finishes in the 400-meter and 1,600-meter relays and a second in the 800-meter relay.

In the 400-meter relay, Hinojos, Casillas, McGee and Lott combined for a 50.3-second clocking to win the event. Lott and Casillas joined Henderson and Farr in the 1,600 meter relay, posting a 4:03.9 for the victory.

Henderson, Cari Mercillott, McGee and Farr teamed for a 1:47.6 clocking in the 800-meter relay.

Rounding out the meet's team standings were Sonora in sixth place, Lampasas in seventh and Dalhart tying Snyder for eighth-place.

### Coahoma thins fourth, fifth

COAHOMA — Crane's Golden Cranes dominated the boys' field during Saturday's Coahoma Bulldog Relays, while their female counterparts found themselves one point shy of the 128 points Lubbock Cooper scored in taking the girls' division title.

Coahoma's host teams finished fourth in the boys' division and fifth in the girls'.

Harold Ott provided the Bulldogs with their

only first-place finish in the field events, taking the long jump title with a 20-53/4 leap, while Jerry Mann and Tommy Cruz took third and fourth, respectively, in the triple jump.

Mann, Cruz and Ott would figure heavily in the Bulldogs' running event success, as well. Mann took first place in the 100 meters with an 11.23 clocking, while teammate Cody Teeler was fifth.

Mann added a first-place clocking in the 200 meters with a 22.83, while Cruz was sixth. Cruz, Teeler, Ott and Mann combined for a 45.14 clocking to finish third in the 400-meter relay.

Sebastian Gollandeau added third-place points in the 400 meters and Jerrod Weaver was third in the 800 meters.

Led by senior Tara Sterling, the Bulldogettes were a little more successful than the Bulldogs in the girls' field events. Sterling took first place in the triple jump with a leap of 33-113/4 and finished second in the long jump with a 15-83/4, while teammate Amber Kemper added fourth-place points in the long jump.

Amber Bennett gave the Bulldogettes a fifth in the shot put, while Krista Stanislaus and Courtney Kemper finished fourth and fifth, respectively, in the high jump.

The Bulldogettes also managed third-place finishes in the 400- and 800-meter relays and were then fourth in the 1,600-meter relay.

Meredith Barr closed out the Bulldogettes' scoring with a sixth-place finish in the 1,600 meters.

In the boys' junior varsity division, Mario Garcia provided Coahoma with its only field events points with a fifth-place finish in the long jump. He then teamed with Walt Bordeleon, Lance Montealeone and Chris Harding to finish fifth in the 400-meter relay.

The remainder of the Bulldog JV's points came from the 1,600-meter relay foursome of Garcia, Logan Long, Bordeleon and Harding that finished fifth.

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**HOROSCOPE**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1:**

You are personality-plus, and others delight in being around you. Generosity of spirit helps you make friends easily and opens doors. In fact, something you want could unexpectedly enter your life. Intuition is unusually powerful this year. You make strong decisions and have the endurance to carry them through. If you are single, there are likely to be changes; a special friend could take your world by storm. You will learn a lot about relating. If attached, your partner is full of surprises. Make sure that you are on the same wavelength. GEMINI loves swapping jokes with 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)**

Talks open up possibilities and allow for the unexpected. This could be a memorable April Fools' Day! You come from an anchored position. Intuition is right on. Be willing to joke and tease someone, to help him loosen up. Trust your perspective. Tonight: Visit a friend.\*\*\*

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)**

Your more possessive side comes out when dealing with a boss who knows how to unnerve you. Friends come through in a big way. Higher-ups remain unpredictable, however. You see decisions far differently. Don't feel as if you have to agree. Tonight: Be diplomatic.\*\*\*

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)**

Be willing to adjust plans because someone has a lot of ideas. Be sensitive with a friend who sometimes adopts a rigid point of view. Sometimes, your spontaneity puts him on the defensive. Help him overcome his fear of taking risks. A talk helps. Tonight: Whatever you want!\*\*\*\*

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)**

Be careful with a partner who might be jeopardizing your financial security. Initiate a talk, and accept more responsibility. An associate has odd business ideas, but they could work. Stay even and direct. Let others reveal their true colors. Tonight: Run home and vanish!\*\*\*\*

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

Aim for what you want. Be clear about your expectations of those who are at a distance. Relish a different opinion or perspective. Doors will open as a result. A partner who specializes in the unexpected delights you. Accept an offer. Tonight: Do just what you want.\*\*\*\*

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)**

There is no question that someone is demanding. Carefully think through your responses. Take your time. Be willing to break patterns and re-establish boundaries. Discussions with a trusted partner prove to be enlightening.

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**Tonight: Head out on your own.\*\*\***

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)**

Be clear about what is gossip and what is reality. Refuse to compromise; remain grounded. A partner has an excellent argument and gives you a run for your money. Laughing at an unexpected idea eases tension. Be more nurturing. Tonight: Read between the lines!\*\*\*\*

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)**

Make time for a tete-a-tete with an associate. He offers you new insights. A co-worker provides his worth; you might consider a change in how you work together. Be careful about spending, and look over the terms of a financial agreement. Tonight: Make time for a friend.\*\*\*

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)**

Let others take the lead. You will see a situation differently. You laugh at another's ingenuity, while the unexpected runs riot. A loved one cannot resist inciting you. Someone dear finally feels like sharing on a truthful level. Tonight: Go along with someone else's plans.\*\*\*\*

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**

Be more direct when dealing with a family member. Hedging, or not being open, backfires in the long run. Discussions are animated and revealing, and they help you build stronger foundations. Unexpected expenses could throw you off. Tonight: Make it an easy night at home.\*\*\*

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)**

You seem vested in surprising others. In some form, you embody the essence of April Fools' Day in your words, actions and spirit. Initiate talks, return calls and schedule a key meeting. Money seems to flow in and out of your checking account! Tonight: Swap stories.\*\*\*\*

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)**

You might not understand what is going on with someone. Stay detached and grounded. Explore options, and find out what will make this person comfortable. You have a wild financial idea; go for it, as long as you can afford the outcome. Tonight: Put your feet up.\*\*\*

**BORN TODAY**

Author David Eisenhower (1947), actress Ali MacGraw (1938), actress Debbie Reynolds (1932)

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**Clerk kept after hours has advice for late shoppers**

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I are newly married and have been working for a large, well-known retail store for several years.

When a store posts its hours on the front door, there is no excuse for a customer to waltz in three minutes before closing time and expect to shop the entire store.

Even if no hours are posted, one can assume that the doors will be closing at 9 p.m. This is standard for retail stores. (Holidays and weekends may vary.)

Almost every night people stroll in three to five minutes before closing time. We will approach them and ask, "Is there anything I can help you find?" Invariably they say, "No, thanks. I'm just looking." (On rare occasions, a considerate customer will say, "Oh, thank you, I'll come back tomorrow.")

Thirty minutes after we have locked the doors and are waiting to close the registers, these "lookie-loos" stroll out, without so much as a thank-you or apology.

How I wish I could say, "You may have nothing to do and nowhere to go, but most of us clerks have families waiting for us at home, sometimes a hot dinner cooling on the table, or

a child waiting for a goodnight kiss. We're tired and want to get out of the store. Please give us a break." —ANONYMOUS, NATURALLY

DEAR ANONYMOUS: Some stores have public address systems over which they announce that the store will be closing in 15 minutes, and it's the policy in others to flash the overhead lights to signal closing time. In others, clerks are allowed to approach the late customer and say, "We are closing in three minutes. May I help you find something?"

TUESDAY

MAR. 31

Time	KMID (2)	KPEJ (3)	KERA (5)	FAM (8)	KOSA (7)	WFAA (4)	KWES (6)	WTBS (11)	UNI (10)	DISN (14)	NASH (15)	TMC (18)	SHOW (20)	HBO (22)	KMLM (24)	A&E (25)	DISC (26)	TNT (28)	FSN (29)	ESPN (30)	AMC (31)	BET (33)
6:30 PM	News (CC)	Simpsons Home Imp.	Science Guy	Waltons	News (CC)	News (CC)	News (CC)	News (CC)	Esmeralda	Movie: Just Like Dad	Dallas	(15) Movie: Sister Act	We Were Kings (CC)	the Last Crusade (CC)	Herakl-Victory	Law & Order	Gimme Shelter	Babylon 5 (CC)	Houston Astros	Major League Baseball	The Curse of the Mummy's Tomb	Planet Groove
7:30 PM	Home Imp. Something So	Do With It (CC)	Movers on Addition	Diagnosis Murder (CC)	Public Eye (CC)	Home Imp. That's Life	Frasier (CC)	League	City Slickers II: The City (CC)	Primer Impacto Noc.	Goody Admtr	Jamboree	Movie: The Rapture (CC)	Monty Python Life in Word	News (CC)	Jane Eyre (CC)	Wild Discovery	NBA Basketball: Detroit Pistons at Chicago Bulls	This Week in NASCAR	Seattle Mariners (CC)	That Heaven Allows (CC)	Hi List
8:30 PM	NYPD Blue (CC)	Penelope-Wing	Close to Home (CC)	Hawaii Five-O (CC)	Public Eye (CC)	NYPD Blue (CC)	Dateline (CC)	(40) Movie: City Slickers II: The City (CC)	P. Impacto Noticiero Uni.	Walt Disney Presents	Goody Admtr	Jamboree	Movie: The Rapture (CC)	Monty Python Life in Word	News (CC)	Jane Eyre (CC)	Mystery: Unexplained	Justice Files	Inside-NBA	FOX Sports News	Major League Baseball: Colorado Rockies at Arizona	Steve McQueen
9:30 PM	News (CC)	Home Imp. Mad Ab. You	Grand Day Out-Shave	Bonanza-Lost	Show (CC)	Ent. Tonight Politically Inc.	Ent. Tonight (32) Late	Legend of Curly's Gold	Al Ritmo de la Noche	Zorro (CC)	Mickey Mouse	Dukes of Hazzard	(10) Movie: The Glass Cage	Red Shoe Beverly Hills	Movie: Nixon (CC)	(11:55) Murder at the Southwest	Ask Joe Good Aquila Nash	Wild Discovery	FOX Sports News	Diamondbacks (CC)	227 (CC)	Midnight Love
10:30 PM	Nightline (30) Keenan	Vibe	Grand Day Out-Shave	Bonanza-Lost	Show (CC)	Ent. Tonight Politically Inc.	Ent. Tonight (32) Late	Legend of Curly's Gold	Al Ritmo de la Noche	Zorro (CC)	Mickey Mouse	Dukes of Hazzard	(10) Movie: The Glass Cage	Red Shoe Beverly Hills	Movie: Nixon (CC)	(11:55) Murder at the Southwest	Ask Joe Good Aquila Nash	Wild Discovery	FOX Sports News	Diamondbacks (CC)	227 (CC)	Midnight Love
11:30 PM	Ivory Wayans Politically Inc.	Martin (CC)	Wrong Trouser (CC)	Paid Program	Late Late Show	News Ent. Tonight	Night (CC)	Gayle King	Police Academy	Club America	Candleshoe	Nunsense 3: The	Gags	Movie: Nixon (CC)	(11:55) Murder at the Southwest	Ask Joe Good Aquila Nash	Jane Eyre (CC)	New Detectives	Last Word (NH) Shots	Sportscenter (CC)	(12:15) Movie: Magic	

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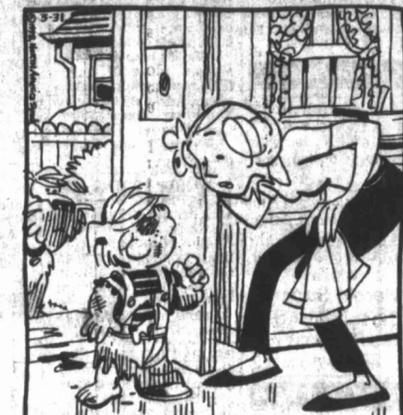
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"Hear that, Daddy? The Diamondbacks won!"

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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

Today is Tuesday, March 31, the 90th day of 1998. There are 275 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:**  
On March 31, 1968, President Johnson stunned the country by announcing he would not run for another term of office.

In 1492, King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella of Spain issued an edict expelling Jews from Spanish soil, except for those willing to convert to Christianity.

In 1889, French engineer Alexandre Gustave Eiffel unfurled the French tricolor from atop the Eiffel Tower, officially marking its completion.

In 1917, the United States took possession of the Virgin Islands from Denmark.

In 1923, the first U.S. dance marathon, held in New York City, ended with Alma Cummings setting a world record of 27 hours on her feet.

In 1933, Congress authorized the Civilian Conservation Corps.

In 1943, Rodgers and Hammerstein's musical "Oklahoma!" opened on Broadway.

In 1945, the Tennessee Williams' play "The Glass Menagerie" opened on Broadway.

In 1976, the New Jersey Supreme Court ruled that coma patient Karen Anne Quinlan could be disconnected from her respirator. Quinlan, who remained comatose, died in 1985.

In 1986, 167 people died when a Mexicana Airlines Boeing 727 crashed in a remote mountainous region of Mexico.

In 1995, Mexican-American singer Selena, 23, was shot to death in Corpus Christi, Texas, by the founder of her fan club. Yolanda Saldívar was convicted of murder and sentenced to life in prison.

Ten years ago: The novel "Beloved" by Toni Morrison was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for fiction, while the Charlotte (N.C.) Observer won the prize for public service for its coverage of the Praise The Lord scandal.

Five years ago: The U.N. Security Council increased international pressure on Bosnian Serbs, authorizing NATO warplanes to shoot down aircraft that violated a ban on flights over Bosnia. Actor Brandon Lee, 28, was killed during the filming of a movie in Wilmington, N.C., by a prop gun that fired part of a dummy bullet instead of a blank. "Star Dust" lyricist Mitchell Parish died in New York City at age 92.

One year ago: Jury selection began in Denver in the trial of accused Oklahoma City bomber Timothy McVeigh. The Supreme Court ruled that the government can force cable television systems to carry local broadcast stations.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

ACROSS

- Formal dance
- Man alone
- Turkish official
- Give off
- Heavy volume
- For the birds?
- First-class
- "The Kiss" sculptor
- Moocall
- Phenomenon
- San \_\_ CA
- State with conviction
- Crude crosses
- Social blunders
- Nora, once of "SNL"
- Gotcha!
- Bucolic
- Carpenter's grooves
- Mo. writer begins
- Aroma
- Siekel and Wilder
- Correct copy
- Break the tape
- Charges
- Spanish diacritical mark
- Drunkard
- Formerly
- Epic by Virgil
- Kitchen knife
- Popeye's \_\_ Pea
- Lend beauty to
- Gilder piece
- Coop biddy
- Army rank, casually
- Private area of a theater
- Bring upon oneself
- Russian-born artist/designer
- Seaweed
- Grate deposit
- Impudence
- Work station

DOWN

- blocker
- Book between Joel & Obadiah
- Cup brims
- Inc. in the U.K.
- Lines for notes
- Tall, slender structure
- So be it!
- Hamlet's mom and others
- Exempts from penalty
- Keep from happening
- One way to sit on a horse
- Reagan's Alexander
- Part of A.D.
- Eat, drink, and be merry
- To a distance
- Yoko's family
- Expands
- Teletext sound
- Neighborhood viewpoint?
- "Divine Comedy" writer
- Spyri novel
- Performed
- Depicts
- Departed
- One German
- Parts of an intersection
- Swarms (with)
- Routes from sleep
- Bicker
- Groups within groups
- Sikkim's continent
- Blocker and Duryea
- Actress Theda
- Sain's ring
- Ornate base
- Orderly
- Faucet

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