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## More than 50 organizations to take part in April 18 health fair

By CARLTON JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

The 13th annual Big Spring/Howard County Health Fair is scheduled for Saturday, April 18 at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum and will feature more than 50 area organizations manning booths to promote their products and services.

The fair is sponsored by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce as well as corporate sponsors St. Mary-Malone & Hogan Clinic; Family Medical Center; Comanche Trail Nursing Center; Warren Chiropractic; Scenic Mountain Medical Center; Nursefinders of West Texas; Medical Care Plaza;

VA Medical Center; WalMart; and Leonard's Pharmacy.

The idea of the health fair is to promote wellness in the community and to serve as a way of letting the community know what medical services are available.

Several topics will be covered during the fair, which will also feature demonstrations.

"So far we have 52 registered booths," Debby Valverde, chamber program coordinator, said.

"This is about average because we normally have between 50 and 54 booths."

"We want to educate the community about new products or new developments in the health

field," Valverde added. "The health fair also gives people a chance to participate in free screenings which can detect such things as diabetes, cholesterol, high blood pressure and glaucoma."

The theme for this year's fair is "Feeling great in '98."

Booths for the fair are 10 feet by 10 feet and include a covered table; two chairs; a sign; and a trash receptacle.

Other exhibitors for the 13th annual event and their functions include Eye Associates; Canterbury Retirement Center; eligibility requirements; Hardin-Simmons University; blood pressure/postural screening; Big Spring Kennel Club,

brochures/pet therapy; TEEN Challenge of the Permian Basin, brochures; Rivercrest Hospital, stress management; West Texas Centers for Mental Health and Mental Retardation; Starlight International, information on nutrition, losing weight and increasing energy level; Alzheimers Association; Big Spring Independent School District Food Service, school nutrition; Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, back and hearing screenings and blood pressure checks; Big Spring Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, stress releasers; and Family Medical Equipment.

Also participating are Alpha Home Care, blood pressure and

capillary blood sugar; Total Home Health Care, educational material; Texas Nurses Association, blood pressure and blood sugar; Rape Crisis/Victim Services, information and brochures; Big Spring State Hospital, mental health information; Paradigm Physical Therapy and Sports, grip strength and testing; Big Spring Fire Department, pulse oximetry; Family Hospice, information on hospice services; Vital Link Home Health, blood pressure; Stanton Care Center, information; Permian Basin Regional Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, information; Nurses Unlimited Inc., PPT reading, fat calibration, blood

pressure, pulse oximetry; Infusion Plus, PFT test, blood pressure, DME display, depression screenings; Carriage Inn and Senior Life Care, information and display; Best Home Care; Howard County Injury and Pain Relief Institute, posture screen, feet and shoe evaluations; People for the Park; Mountain View Lodge, educational material; The Eye Institute, glaucoma and cataract; Lee Medical Supply, oxygen pulse oximetry, blood pressure; Manish Shroff, MD; Marcy House; Westwood Medical Center Wound Care Center; Reliv International; and the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, pamphlets,

## Voting begins April 15

### Early balloting set to start for council election

By CARLTON JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

City Secretary and Finance Director Tom Ferguson said the deadline for voter registration for this year's city elections has passed, and that early voting begins April 15.

Early voting for the city election will begin two days later than it normally does, according to Ferguson.

"Early voting will begin on Wednesday, April 15 and run through Tuesday, April 28," Ferguson said. "Early voting will be held in city hall each day during the period and will begin at 8 a.m. and continue through 5 p.m."

New voting laws require that voters have their voter registration card to vote or a picture ID, according to city and county officials.

In the May 2 city election, Mayor Tim Blackshear will be seeking reelection as well as a third term in office.

His challenge will come from Wendell D. McDonald, who is running because he says the city is in major decay and the city needs to do more for people with AIDS as well as make more areas wheelchair accessible, and former city councilwoman Pat DeAnda, who served with Blackshear through two terms on the council.

Incumbent City Councilman Jimmy Campbell is not seeking reelection and his District 5 seat.

That seat is being sought by Jeff Gungelman, making his second run at a council seat as well as three other candidates.

Gungelman challenged incumbent Chuck Cawthon and Greg Biddison in 1996 for the District 3 council seat, which Cawthon eventually won reelection to after defeating Biddison in a runoff.

Joining Gungelman in seeking the District 5 seat are Ron Booth, JoAnn Smoot and Dr.

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Young J.J. Murphree takes advantage of a recent sunny afternoon to make good use of the slides at Comanche Trail Park. Forecasts call for sunny skies and warm temperatures through the weekend.

## Take two Early balloting for Prec. 2 runoff set to begin Monday

By CARLTON JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

Monday will be the first day for early voting in the runoff election between challenger John Wayne Metcalf and incumbent Jerry Kilgore for the Republican nomination as Howard County Commissioner, Precinct 2.

The winner of the April 14 runoff will face Democratic nominee Roosevelt Shaw.



KILGORE



METCALF

In 1994, Kilgore and Metcalf were both new at the political game with Metcalf receiving more votes than Kilgore in the primary only to have Kilgore close the gap between the primary and the runoff.

Early voting for the runoff between Kilgore and Metcalf will run from Monday through Thursday, because April 10 is Good Friday and county offices will be closed. Early voting will be from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Howard County Clerk's office.

For the runoff only two polling places will be used.

Goliad Middle School for Precincts 101-112, 301-306, 401-408, 410 and 202-205 and 208. Precincts 207 and 409 will vote at Coahoma City Hall.

Only voters in Precinct 2 will be able to vote in the county commissioners race, but those voters who didn't vote at all on March 10 or who are registered to vote but didn't may vote in other statewide runoff races.

As for the April 14 runoff, this time Metcalf has to close the gap.

Kilgore received 451 votes (45.56 percent) to 356 votes (35.96 percent) for Metcalf on March 10.

Ken Mayhall was third in the balloting on March 10 receiving 183 votes (18.48 percent).

Both candidates looked at going into a runoff as a somewhat unpredictable event.

"Runoffs are tough because it's hard to get people out again," Kilgore said. "You have to see who is eligible and go from there."

Metcalf says he was surprised by the outcome of the March

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## Runnels students to pitch in for cleanup, Settles project

By CARLTON JOHNSON  
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Saturday's Great Texas Trash Off is just the beginning for Runnels Junior High School students and their community service efforts in Big Spring.

As students gather to clean the Runnels campus Saturday, they will also be raising money to help complete the window project for the Settles Hotel.

"We will begin at 10 a.m. and continue through noon and will be asking people for donations," Runnels secretary and event coordinator Cheryl Kennedy said.

The window project will continue Monday with a four-day contest in Runnels classrooms.

"The contest will be during third period and we will play a different song on the public address system that has to do

with hotels or windows and the students will have to guess the artist and the song," Kennedy said.

Students will have to guess the correct song and artist each day and turn their entries in Thursday. The winner of the contest will receive a pair of sunglasses.

According to Kennedy, students will continue to raise donations for windows at the Settles in whatever manner they choose through Thursday and the class with the highest amount raised will win a pizza and coke party.

"We want to try to buy as many windows as possible for the Settles," Kennedy said.

Tommy Churchwell, who began the project almost a year and a half ago, said there are only 37 windows remaining to be purchased to complete the

window project.

Also, Thursday will be shades day at Runnels, according to Kennedy.

"Students on the north side of the building will ask teachers to raise their blinds so they can see the Settles Hotel," Kennedy said. "They will also be able to wear their sunglasses."

The ideas of getting Runnels involved with the Settles project actually began with State National Bank.

"My son, John Kennedy, works at State National Bank and they did something similar for the Settles," Kennedy said.

State National Bank purchased the 15 windows to be placed in the penthouse of the hotel.

The student council at Runnels will also match whatever students are able to raise for the project.

"I've always thought the window project was a good idea," Kennedy said. "Everyone went for the idea in our faculty meeting. Teachers always support things like this and this is for the community."

Projects like this give teens some positive publicity, which is what everyone needs once in a while, according to Kennedy.

"We have some great kids here and they do get behind things," Kennedy said. "We also do the Salvation Army Food Drive and recently completed the Cystic Fibrosis campaign and donated \$500 to that campaign."

Churchwell will be at Runnels Monday to do a slide presentation of the Settles Hotel for Runnels students.

The presentation is of San Angelo's Cactus Hotel, which he says at one time was like a mirror of the Settles.

"The slide show basically serves to show people what can be done," Churchwell said.

"The project is going very well," Churchwell added. "I think the Runnels project is a huge statement. People are finally realizing how bad the Settles really did look."

People will soon be able to drive by and admire the building, Churchwell added.

"Having a huge structure in the middle of town look like a slum is not the image we want of Big Spring," Churchwell said. "The best part of this project is that it coming down to the schools and the kids. In the beginning, people thought the idea was crazy, but now the kids are involved."

"If the kids have ownership in the town, they are less likely to

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### WEATHER

Tonight:



Sat:



Sun:



Mon:



Tonight, clear. Lows 40-50. Saturday, mostly sunny. Highs 75-82. Sunday, mostly sunny. Lows in the 40s. Extended forecast, Sunday and Monday, mostly sunny days and clear nights. Lows in the 40s. Highs mid 70s to near 80. Tuesday, partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms. Lows around 50. Highs mid 70s to near 80.

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## Arts and Crafts Show, Trade Days on tap for weekend

HERALD Staff Report

Looking for something to do this weekend? Here's your ticket to weekend activities in and around Big Spring.

This feature is published each Friday and will include a variety of activities. It is limited to activities of a general nature, community fundraisers, community functions, free performances, etc. It is not available to commercial ventures.

To submit your activity, send it to "Weekend Ticket," Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79721.

You may also fax your listing to 264-7205 or bring it by the Herald offices at 710 Scurry. No information will be taken over

### WEEKEND TICKET

the phone.

• Country and western dance, tonight from 7:30-10:30 at the Spring City Senior Citizens Center. Music will be provided by CW & Company.

• The Heritage Museum, today from 9-5 and Saturday from 10-5 at 510 Scurry.

The museum is also the site of the world's largest collection of lophorns as well as an extensive doll collection.

• Four-person charity golf scramble, Saturday at 8:30 at Big Spring Country Club.

For more information, call Julie Wolf at

263-7664 or the Pro Shop at 267-5354.

• Great Texas Trash Off, Saturday at 9, various locations around the community.

More than 15 local groups have signed up to participate in the world's largest one-day clean-up.

For more information, call City Hall at 264-2505 or Pat Simmons at 263-4607.

• Great Strides Cystic Fibrosis Walk, Saturday at 10 a.m. at Bolensky Pavilion in Comanche Trail Park.

For more information, call Kay Watson at 264-3641, ext. 166.

• F-4E Phantom jet work day, Saturday at 9 a.m., Hangar 18 in McMahon/Wrinkle

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# BSSH volunteers take two awards

Big Spring State Hospital Volunteers returned from the state meeting in Addison recently with two awards and runner-up for the David Wade Plaque.

Thirteen volunteers and four staff members attended the meeting. Lexeen Weaver, chairperson, received the Region I Volunteer of the Year and Linda Hawthorne received the Rookie of the Year.

Cory Marr, employee and winner of the 1997 Preston Harrison Award, gave the opening speech and then played in the band for an evening of '50s music.

Merlene Williams was recognized for the Volunteer Hall of Fame with 10,000 or more hours of volunteer work.

## VOTE

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Maria Douglas. The drawing for positions on the May 2 ballot was held March 20 Ferguson's office and candidates will appear in the following order:

•In the mayor's race Wendell D. McDonald, Pat DeAnda and Tim Blackshear.

•In the race for the District 5 council seat Dr. Maria Douglas, Ron Booth, Jeff Gungelman and JoAnn S. Smoot.

For the position of mayor, citizens of the city of Big Spring who are eligible registered voters at the time of the election may cast ballots for that position, but only residents residing in city District 5 may cast ballots in the race for a city council representative for District 5.

Residents not familiar with which district the live in may contact city hall, but for information regarding city district and county precincts residents should review their new blue and white voter registration cards.

At its last meeting, the Big Spring City Council approved the rate of pay for election judges for the May 2 election.

Each judge or clerk working the May 2 election will be paid at the rate of \$6 per hour and the judge who delivers the election returns shall be paid \$25 for that service.

Election judges and alternates were also approved with District 3 being the only exception. A judge for that district will be determined at the council's next meeting.

All ballots will be cast at Big Spring High School, but election judges and alternates for the May 2 election are as follows:

•District 1 — Omega Hernandez with Cynthia A. Hernandez serving as alternate judge.

•District 2 — Donna Reyna with Hinjinio Moreno serving as alternate judge.

•District 4 — Shirley White with Delores Pearce serving as alternate judge.

•District 5 — Rayford Dunagan with Merel Ringener serving as alternate judge.

•District 6 — Leta Kirby with Jerry Oliphant serving as alternate judge.

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HERALD photo/Linda Choate  
Ruth Rutledge poses with her companion and roommate Babe at Marcy House recently.

## RUNOFF

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primate, but he appreciates the votes he received.

"Runoffs are where the danger zone is," Metcalf said. "I want to push the fact that I don't want anymore tax increases nor do I want anymore pay increases for commissioners."

Neither candidate has changing his stance on the issues campaigned on during the primary.

"What you see with me is what you get," Metcalf said. "The county is doing well right now, but we can do better. I want to encourage people to get back out and vote in the runoff because I'd like to win for them as well as for myself."

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

Kilgore says the current commissioners' court has established a good working relationship with other entities around the city of Big Spring and Howard County.

"We are almost debt free" Kilgore said. "We have been successful in attracting jobs, and if we continue to attract jobs and increase the tax base, our future looks great."

As a second-term commissioner, Kilgore said he wants to continue to keep the tax rate as low as possible and still allow the county to function, and he would also like to continue to work in partnership with the city of Big Spring, Moore Development, Coahoma and Forsan and other entities to continue the progress made in the last four years.

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## SCHOOL BANS CAMOUFLAGE

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# BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

## SCHOOL

The 11- and 13-year-old boys accused in the March 24 slayings of four girls and a teacher at a Jonesboro middle school were wearing clothing with a camouflage pattern at the time of the shooting.

Keller is 12 miles north of Fort Worth.

Dress codes are usually approved by a vote of the school board, but principals are allowed to temporarily change the code during the school year if it's deemed necessary.

The ban at the high school got a mixed response from the school's 1,650 students when it was announced on Monday.

Dress codes at two middle schools already forbade camouflage clothing, a policy that's been in effect about 10 years, Baker said.

Melody Hicks, president of the school's Parent-Teacher-Student Association, said she supports the ban.

"I feel he weighed all of the aspects of this, and if he felt that strongly about it, I'm behind him 100 percent," Ms. Hicks said.

## 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

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

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

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. Big Book Study.

•Candlelight NA meeting, 10 to 11:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad.

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

•Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has services at 2 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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•Big Spring Evening Lion's Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E. Third. Call Al Valdes, 263-6810.

•Project Freedom, Christian support group for survivors of abuse, 7 p.m. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241.

•TOPS Clubs (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 5:15 p.m. weigh in and 6:15 p.m. meeting, Family Hospice, 3210 E. 11th Place.

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•Gospel singing, 7 p.m., Kentwood Center, 2805 Lynn.

## Texas Lottery PICK 3: 8,4,0 CASH 5:2,6,20,31,37

Call 267-6764. Guest singers from Stanton, Midland and Colorado City.

## TUESDAY

•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.

## BRIEFS

**JUNIOR AND SENIOR BIG** Spring High School parents who care about their children, are asked to attend the After Prom Party planning every Monday at 7 p.m. in the Big Spring High School Library.

For more information call Susan McLellan at 267-5759 or Lee Ann Rollins at 267-4959 or 264-5072.

## MARKETS

May cotton 66.45 cents, down 27 points; May crude 15.84, up 10 points; Cash hogs steady at 50 cents lower at 33.50; cash steers steady at \$1 higher at 62; April lean hog futures 50.25, down 37 points; April live cattle futures 66.25, up 50 points.

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Atlantic Richfield 85% - 1/2  
Atmos Energy 78 + 1/2  
Calenergy Inc. 30% + 1/2  
Chevron 29% + 1/2  
Cifra 82% - 1/2  
Coca Cola 17% to 17%  
Compaq Computer 80% - 1/2  
Cornell Correc. 25 - 1/2  
De Beers 23 - 1/2  
Diagnostic Health 12% + 1/2  
DuPont 70% + 2%  
Excel Comm. 23 - 1/2  
Exxon 69% - 1/2  
Fina 62% + 1/2  
Halliburton 52% + 1/2  
IBM 106% + 1/2  
Intel Corp 77% + 1/2  
Medical Alliance 3% + 1/2  
Mobil 79% - 1/2  
Norwest 42% + 1/2  
NUV 9% - 1/2  
Phillips Petroleum 51 - 1/2  
Palex Inc. 13 - 1/2  
Pepsi Cola 44% + 1/2  
Parallel Petroleum 5% - 1/2  
Rural/Metro 32% + 1/2  
Sears 58% - 1/2  
Southwestern Bell 43% + 1/2  
Sun 42% + 1/2  
Texaco 62% + 1/2  
Texas Instruments 56% + 1/2  
Texas Utils. Co 40% + 1/2  
Unocal Corp 40% + 1  
Wal-Mart 51% + 1/2  
Amcap 17.90-18.99  
Euro Pacific 29.73-31.54  
I.C.A. 31.36-33.27  
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Gold 306.40-306.90  
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## BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE

was reported in the 1500 block of Mesquite.

•ASSAULT was reported in the 900 block Willa.

•ASSAULT BY THREAT was reported in the 400 block of Aylesford.

•JUVENILE PROBLEMS were reported in the 900 block of Willa and 2000 block of Johnson.

•THEFT was reported in the 300 block of Gregg and in the 1500 block of Mesa.

•MINOR ACCIDENTS were reported in the 1500 block of Stadium, and at 3000 W. 80.

•RENE MARQUEZ, 32, was arrested for driving while license suspended.

•DOMESTIC DISPUTES were reported in the 400 block of East Fourth and the 1200 block of Lindberg.

•MAJOR ACCIDENT was reported at the intersection of Marcy and Wasson Roads.

•CLIFTON GRIFFIN, no age given, was arrested for public intoxication.

•SHOTS FIRED was reported in the 2900 block of Cherokee.

•CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1400 block of Sycamore.

## FIRE/EMS

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

**THURSDAY**  
12:10 a.m. — West County Rd. 36, medical call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

7:39 a.m. — Highway 87 and FM 461, traffic accident, patient transported to SMMC.

9:36 a.m. — 900 block NW Second, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

2:17 p.m. — 1300 block Gregg, medical call, patient transported to Midland Memorial.

5:36 p.m. — 1600 block Kentucky Way, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

8:16 p.m. — Luther Gln, structure fire.

10:23 p.m. — 900 block Goliad, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

## RECORDS

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Average low 46  
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## Disabled residents ordered to vacate

FORT WORTH (AP) — Disabled residents of an apartment complex have been given 60 days to leave.

The owner says he's losing money and wants to make changes that will make it more profitable.

Residents and social workers say the complex is the only one in Tarrant County designed for disabled people who live alone. Living quarters are specially designed for the handicapped.

The 23 tenants of the Villas at Eastchase Apartments learned by letter Wednesday that they have two months to vacate their apartments.

Many of the residents said they fear their only option will be to move into group homes or nursing homes, at the expense of privacy and independence.

Trina Hardenburg, 38, who lost the use of legs after she was hit by a car in 1993, said she spent more than 3 years in a nursing home before moving into the complex in 1996.

"I can smoke a cigarette when I want to, I can cook my own meals," said Ms. Hardenburg, 38. "I'm not living in no group home. That's all there is to it."

The 10 stucco, single-story buildings were purchased in May from a Fort Worth bank.

Bill Shopoff, a co-owner of Austin-based Asset Recovery Fund, said a previous owner went bankrupt after operating the complex at a loss for about six years.

"This facility has never operated as a financially viable property," Shopoff said.

Residents said they pay between \$300 and \$600 a month for one-bedroom apartments. Shopoff said he doesn't know how much the company will charge for the refurbished units, but that the rent will be higher.

"We did some demographic

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analysis and determined that the senior housing market had potentially a greater demand," Shopoff said.

Most of the residents, who have cerebral palsy, paralysis from spinal cord injuries and other severe disabilities receive \$300 to \$800 in monthly benefits.

Shopoff called his company "an opportunistic real estate company" that purchases and redevelops foreclosed properties nationwide. But residents said they feel betrayed.

The company's management firm told tenants in a letter Jan. 12, "There is no plan to close the apartments or displace any of our residents."

The company has changed its plans, Shopoff said.

He noted that the company is giving residents twice the legally required notification to vacate. He told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram he will provide residents with at least \$500 each to help cover moving expenses.

"I think those are things that help out," he said. "Do they make it perfect? No."

"There is not another place that I am aware of like Eastchase," said Betts Hoover, the president and chief executive officer of the Easter Seals Society for Children and Adults of Tarrant County.

Many residents said they will look for other accessible apartments, but waiting lists are long for the few such units in standard complexes, and prices are prohibitively high in other special residences.

## Records don't support Williamson resume

DALLAS (AP) — Some of the claims GOP attorney general candidate Barry Williamson has touted on his resume don't appear to be reflected in public records, according to a review by The Dallas Morning News.

Williamson has asserted that he has represented "hundreds of clients" in state and federal courts, but records show that he has represented far fewer.

Opponent John Cornyn, a former Texas Supreme Court justice, says Williamson has padded his resume with false information and attempted to mislead voters.

Williamson, a lawyer and current state Railroad Commission member, denied that, and an

aide accused Cornyn of using "diversionary tactics" irrelevant to the race.

Williamson won his post in 1992 after he blistered Democratic incumbent Lena Guerrero for faking her resume. She said she had graduated from college when she had not.

Williamson spokesman Eric Barse said Thursday that any inconsistencies in the Republican's legal resume are because much of his work was handled outside a courtroom and so it is not part of the public record.

In campaign reports, resumes and public speeches reviewed by "The Dallas Morning News": Williamson states in a cam-

paign resume that he has represented "hundreds of clients and tried cases in federal and state courts across Texas."

Williamson, who received his law degree from the University of Arkansas in 1982, worked for the law firm Turpin, Smith, Dyer & Saxe in Midland from 1983 to 1985. He said he specialized in commercial, banking and finance, and oil and gas law.

During those three years, he filed 67 civil cases in Midland's state district and county courts, records show. Almost all of the banking and finance cases — 45 of the 67 cases — involved his foreclosing on mortgaged property for the same banking

client. Most of the others included cases seeking payment of debts.

Midland County records also show he filed two cases in federal court.

Williamson was unavailable for comment on Thursday, but Barse said the candidate practiced some law for the company and its investors that did not necessarily involve court records.

Barse said Williamson also was involved in a handful of cases in Tom Green County in West Texas and in Maverick County on the border. And that, Barse said, supports Williamson's line that he tried cases "across Texas."

## North Texas cities join forces for massive garage sale

VERNON (AP) — For garage sale lovers, it's perhaps the ultimate.

A garage sale that extends for 50 miles across several towns?

The garage sale is scheduled for Saturday along U.S. 287 from Electra to Quanah — going through Harrold, Elliott, Oklaunion, Vernon and Chillicothe along the way.

It's a first-time, multi-city event called "Super Swing." Backers say the response so far has been beyond expectations. And the forecast for Saturday is clear skies with no precipitation.

Organizers say they're so sure it's going to be successful, they are already thinking ahead to 1999.

"We're going to be meeting in May to start on next year's," Vernon merchant Alvin Hall said.

But, he says, "there's no such thing as an original idea."

Hall came up with the plan after hearing from customers in his hardware and antique store in Vernon about a 450-mile-long garage sale involving towns in Alabama, Tennessee and Kentucky.

He presented the idea to

Vernon's Main Street Advisory Board, a group promoting the revitalization of downtown Vernon.

The idea caught on, and the Vernon Chamber of Commerce is helping with the effort and handling publicity among participating towns.

"We've had people who've told us they want to start in Quanah and work their way east," said Lana Tolleson, executive director of the Vernon chamber. "We've had a lot of great responses from people, vendors who want to set up downtown. Several businesses in towns

up and down the route will have their own sales by selling bargain merchandise on the sidewalk.

Vernon businesses designated by large pink signs will be handing out maps showing the location of garage sales in the town. They will also have maps for the sales in Electra.

All of the towns along the 50-mile stretch of highway will have numerous signs pointing the way for bargain hunters called "garage salers" who spend their Saturday mornings looking for the ultimate bargain.

## Pharmacist sentenced in drugging death of wife

RUSK (AP) — A pharmacist has been sentenced to prison for killing his wife by giving her an overdose of medicine.

Frederic Welborn Lunsford, 55, was sentenced Thursday by U.S. District Judge John H. Hannah Jr. to 20 years for distributing a controlled substance with the intent to commit a crime of violence.

State District Judge John Robert Adamson sentenced Lunsford later in the day to 35 years in prison on a murder

charge.

Janis Pamela Lunsford, his wife of 14 years, died June 28, 1997, in their Rusk home after she was given a drug overdose. She also had been shot in the chest and her wrists slit.

Lunsford killed his wife to avoid losing his children in a divorce and custody battle, according to district Attorney Jim Cromwell.

A seven-month investigation revealed that Lunsford carried out a plan to kill his wife over a

two-year period.

Cromwell said Lunsford repeatedly poisoned his wife of 14 years with prescription medication he stole from Drug Emporium in Tyler, where he worked.

The medication gave the woman rashes, swelling in her joints, slurred speech and other medical problems, the prosecutor said.

Lunsford told her she was dying of Lupus, a chronic inflammatory disease, despite a

doctor's report that she did not have the disease, Cromwell said.

Officials said that on June 28, 1997, Lunsford gave his wife excessive amounts of methadone, a drug used to treat addictions to narcotics, and ambian, a hallucinogenic sleeping aid, which put her in a coma-like sleep. Then he shot her in the chest and cut her wrists as she lay in the bed of their Rusk home, Cromwell said.

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-FIRST AMENDMENT

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## OUR VIEW

### We salute:

Each Friday, the *Herald* salutes individuals and groups from our community and area who have been recognized for special achievements or accomplishments.

We recognize these special people for working to help make our region a better place to live, work and play.

This week we salute:

• **COLORADO RIVER MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT** and **LOWER COLORADO RIVER AUTHORITY** officials, on working out an agreement that will allow West Texas water to remain in West Texas.

This week's agreement could add another 30 to 50 years to the West Texas water supply.

• **STATE REP. DAVID COUNTS**, **STATE REP. ROBERT JUNELL**, **STATE SEN. BOB DUNCAN** and **U.S. REP. CHARLIE STENHOLM**, for their work behind the scenes to get LCRA to the table with CRMWD and hammer out an agreement.

• **RUSS McEWEN**, **SIDEWINDERS PARENTS** and the **SIDEWINDERS GYMNASTICS TEAM** on an outstanding USAG State Championship Meet last Saturday and Sunday.

• Big Spring High School students **MAGGIE HADDAD**, **ALLISON THOMAS**, **STEFANIE WAGGONER**, **KIRSTEN WILLIAMS**, **YUCHING LI**, **JEARLYN HOLLAND**, **ALICIA PHIFER**, **CHRISTINE MEDELLIN**, **CHERYL PLATTE** and **SARAH SANGHAVI**, who received Medals of Accomplishment in a regional honors ceremony Thursday at Angelo State University.

**WILLIAMS** is a semi-finalist National Merit Scholar while **THOMAS** and **WAGGONER** are commended National Merit Scholars. National Merit Scholars are named at three levels: finalist, semi-finalist and commended.

• Big Spring High School VICA students **JOHN REED**, **DAVID PARRISH** and **CHRIS PERRY** on winning first place awards in the district contest last Saturday in Midland.

• **HOWARD COLLEGE OFFICIALS**, on making a commitment to revitalize the Fine Arts Department.

• **EDWARD SLATE**, who retired Tuesday after nearly 23 years as a postman. **SLATE** was accompanied along much of his route on his final day by well-wishers and customers he had served over the years.

• **SPADE AND HOE** and **GREEN THUMB GARDEN CLUBS**, for their fashion show last weekend that benefitted the Johnny Johansen Scholarship Fund at Howard College.

*Is there an individual or organization in our community that you feel should be saluted? If so, please send us their name and why you think they should be recognized. We must have your name and telephone number and you must provide it in writing.*

## OTHER VIEWS

Even if the White House does say so itself, President Clinton's African safari was a success.

He did focus American attention on sub-Saharan Africa, an area we tend to forget when there's not a crisis. He was welcomed everywhere by huge crowds, sometimes scarily so as in Accra. He preached market economics, trade and investment so convincingly he might have been speaking from President Reagan's old notes. The amounts of aid he left behind, while not large, do reassure the African nations of our commitment to their well-being.

At times, Clinton did appear to be apologizing too much, often in the wrong place — Uganda was not a source of American slaves — and for events outside U.S. control — the tribal warfare in Rwanda. And he found that the new government in South Africa can be prickly about such prerogatives as its continuing relations with Libya.

Whether the success of the trip will be more than ephemeral depends, of course, on the follow-up. The United States should never again sustain, out of political expediency, a dictator of the stripe of Zaire's Mobutu Sese Seko, and it may face that test sooner rather than later with

Mobutu's successor, the increasingly dictatorial Laurent Kabila.

Clinton plans on more overseas trips as his presidency draws to a close, and this trip offers two lessons.

First, the trip was hyperactively overscheduled, six countries in 11 days. In part, this is a reflection of Clinton, who has to meet everybody and see everything. But one has to ask how much good it does American foreign policy to have the president and his retinue spend three of the first four nights aboard airplanes and to plan visits, like Kigali, that are little more than a touch-and-go landing at the airport.

Second, the size of the presidential retinue and the extent of its security precautions were overwhelming. In South Africa, the backup limousines and the welded manholes were a subject of ridicule. A common criticism around the world is that being the sole superpower has made us arrogant. An American president should be able to travel with a restraint and dignity something short of the triumphal march from "Aida."

But well done, Mr. President, and welcome back.

Dale McFeatters  
Scripps Howard

# Let Puerto Ricans decide their fate

The House has passed a bill that would allow Puerto Ricans to vote in plebiscite. They could choose statehood, the present commonwealth status or independence. The Senate ought to pass the bill and let them vote.

Before we consider this issue — and all others really — we ought to examine ourselves to see if we are thinking on the basis of facts and the principles of justice or on the basis of prejudice.

Now I'm not one of those thought-police types who thinks prejudice is a near-capital offense. There isn't a human being on earth who doesn't harbor a prejudice or two. Prejudice, after all, is just an opinion, and people can be prejudiced in favor of a group or against a group. The human brain cannot help forming generalizations.

The key thing to understand is that prejudice is an opinion too often based on insufficient data. Our brains do operate somewhat like computers. Our senses collect data, primarily

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images (real or fictional), and all are stored in a relational database of sorts — our memory.

For example, suppose the only contact you had ever had with Puerto Ricans was with street gangs you saw on television. That's the data that your brain would store, and when something writes Puerto Rico in your "search box," your database would produce the only data it had — images of gang members.

On the other hand, if you were fan of Pablo Casals, the great Spanish cellist who organized annual music festivals in Puerto Rico from the late '50s to the early '70s, a search would produce memories of Casals and his music.

No kidding, for years before I ever met a Puerto Rican, the words always triggered in my mind images of the great actor Jose Ferrer, who won an Academy Award for his performance as Cyrano de Bergerac. Ferrer, like many prominent people Americans know through their art, was born in Puerto Rico.

Any group, of course, will

encompass the whole range of human behavior from criminal to saint. But humans have an odd quirk that can turn innocent prejudice into something ugly.

We all know that our own group has bad guys, but we don't then conclude that the whole group (including us) are bad guys. Too often, however, we will conclude that another group has all bad guys just because of a few individuals.

At any rate, prejudice is the enemy of clear thinking and justice. We ought to always delete it from our mental computers when we find it.

Now back to the issue. Puerto Ricans deserve an opportunity to determine their own status. They have a long history. In 1898, when the American elite got the crazy notion it wanted an empire like the British had, they looked around and saw that Spain was the weakest of the colonial powers and declared war.

We invaded Puerto Rico (a year after, by the way, Luis Munoz Rivera, had won from Spain the right to set up an autonomous government) and

other Spanish possessions and just took them. It was a violation of our own principles. Therefore, we have no right to deny the Puerto Rican people the opportunity to choose their own destiny.

Personally, I think Puerto Ricans would choose either to retain the commonwealth status or statehood, rather than gain independence. For reasons I don't understand, the independence movement has not been very strong lately. But whatever they choose is OK with me and is their right.

Puerto Ricans have been American citizens since 1917. They have lived with us in peace, fought beside us in war and contributed to our art and culture. It's foolish to talk about problems of integrating Puerto Rico into America if it becomes a state. It already is integrated.

Nor would language be a problem. Many more Puerto Ricans than some critics think know and speak English and have for years. (In 1993, the government of Puerto Rico declared Spanish and English joint official languages.) The official language of the American government should be English, but there is nothing wrong with Americans speaking whatever language they please in private life.

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Charley Reese  
Columnist



## A tame river can become a savage

ON THE LITTLE TALLAPOOSA RIVER — A stranger dropped from the blue one day, perched on my sofa and stared intently out the glass doors to the old mill house and river.

Two men drowned right out there, he said and pointed.

Those deaths by drowning were a long, long time ago, when the mill ran and half the community used its pond as a swimming hole.

I never felt quite the same about the river after hearing that story. Oh, it remains a hoot to float to the pretty community called Victory, to see the pink laurel on the bank the first of May, to watch the long-legged heron wading for supper. I still wander to the deck at the least provocation.

But now I know that even the lazy brown horseshoe wrapped around this place has a meaner, more aggressive face. Like all water, it can mean business.

Sunday I watched the river, watched while it leapt its banks and crawled up the fieldstone legs of the mill house. I hid my tools from it, stuffing rakes and mowers on high shelves. The river kept coming, creating a lake in the pasture, swallowing the bright green stems and yellow cups of daffodils.

And as I watched, perversely enjoying the duty, not far away, up river, a mother and her baby slid into Buck Creek, which feeds the Little Tallapoosa. The old car Rachel Lynn Barron was driving plowed off a bridge and into the creek. The water was 13 feet deep, bloated and brown, and in the rush and the cold that engulfed her, the mother lost sight of her baby boy, Brandon. They haven't found him. They keep looking.

There can be no darker death than drowning. I have never lost anyone that way, but if you love water, you have to acknowledge the power behind the allure.

Not long ago I talked to a man whose son was lost at sea. That father had no patience with the new movie "Titanic"; he compared it to inevitable rubber-necking whenever there's a bad wreck on the highway. There was nothing romantic to him about the

notion of dying in a frigid sea.

You'll remember that Hemingway's Old Man thought of the sea as a woman, as la mar, "which is what people call her in Spanish when they love her. . . the old man always thought of her as feminine and as something that gave or withheld great favors, and if she did wild or wicked things it was because she could not help them."

I have stood by the tepid waters of a Mississippi reservoir named for a pre-eminent segregationist as volunteers searched for a body. "That's my brother they're looking for," a little boy told me.

One summer's night in Memphis a man watching a Jimmy Buffett concert from the free, riverbank seats waded out too far. He was mellow with beer and music. Soon boats with blue lights streaked across the dark waters, while Buffett and the band played on. A five-paragraph story in the newspaper the next morning identified him only as John Doe. Witnesses heard him call for help three times before he went under.

There is no philosophical, Big Picture balm for the young mother in a trailer park grieving her lost son. Such a horrible, unspeakable thing has never happened before.

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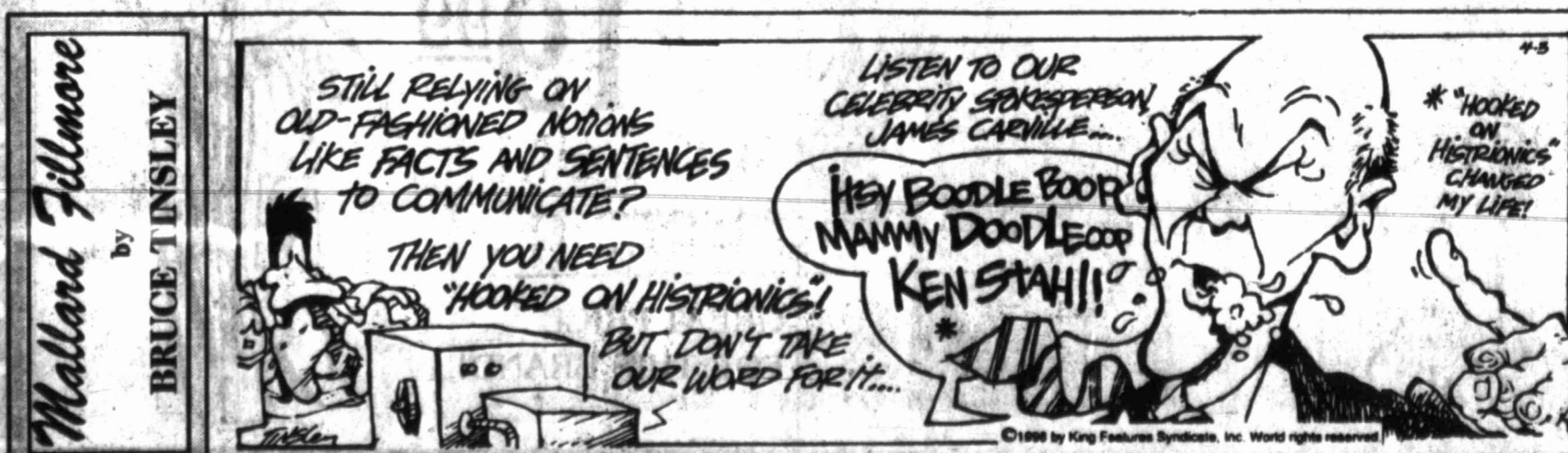
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# Summit: No cure, but support for Asia's ailing economies

LONDON (AP) — Europe cannot afford to abandon Asia in its time of economic turmoil, British Prime Minister Tony Blair said today at the opening of a two-day economic summit. But despite the strong words, the 15-nation European Union was prepared only to offer moral support not financial aid. The most sensible way to ease the Asian crisis is to keep European markets open to Asian goods and for Asians to commit to financial and economic reforms, the prime minister insisted as the two-day

Asia-Europe summit got under way. "We are not fair-weather friends who turn away at the first sign of difficulty but partners for the long term, ready to stick by Asia through thick and thin," said Blair, the summit host. But conspicuously absent from the EU pledge of sympathy and support were any significant offers of financial assistance. For their part, Asian nations tried to reassure their European counterparts that they will soon

have their house in order. Speaking for the Asian side at today's opening ceremony, Thai Prime Minister Chuan Leekpai said Asians were "united in our resolve to turn the situation around as best we can." He stressed that despite the current slump, "the economic fundamentals in Asia remain sound." That was echoed by Japanese Prime Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto, whose country is seen as key to reviving down-trodden Asian economies. The EU and Asian leaders were to approve a statement

calling for open trade, full implementation of reforms in Asian nations, and better supervision of banks. In concrete terms, the EU's biggest gift will be a small trust fund, to be managed by the World Bank, of about \$45 million. Although the fund is little more than a symbolic gesture, at least one representative expressed appreciation. "Personally, I think it's a good beginning and I would like to see it go further to alleviate liquidity crunches of many coun-

tries," said Surin Pitsuwan, Thailand's foreign minister. The summit is an encore to a 1996 meeting in Bangkok, held under drastically different conditions. Then, it was the Europeans who were mired in an economic slump and looking for trade opportunities. One theme that cropped up two years ago and again today is the European insistence on human rights — an issue that has long been a sore point in relations between the two regions.

Blair made a cloaked reference to human rights in his opening speech, saying Europe and Asia must be ready to talk "in private and frankly ... about the issues that matter to us." Asian nations "consider European harping on human rights an interference in their internal affairs. Human rights campaigners threw an "unrepresented peoples" reception Thursday night to make the point to EU and Asian leaders that without human rights, Asia's economic crisis will never be solved.

## Violence never far away in split city

HEBRON, West Bank (AP) — With a fatherly gesture, Col. Yigal Sharon reached out and separated two Palestinian children who had begun punching each other on Hebron's Street of Martyrs. Sharon, the commander of Israeli forces in this divided town, eventually got the pair of 10-year-old boys to make up and shake hands. But breaking up other fights in the streets of Hebron is rarely so easy. Jewish settlers, Palestinian militants, Israeli and Palestinian security forces, and the constant eye of the media keep Hebron ever close to the boiling point.

The city of 130,000 is a jigsaw puzzle of potential trouble spots. About 450 Jewish settlers, many of them militants who oppose peacemaking with the Palestinians, live intermingled with Palestinians. Palestinian police control most of the town while Israel maintains the center — though the border is often unmarked or unclear.

Keeping the peace in the most volatile areas is left to Israeli soldiers, most in their late teens or early 20s. Many prefer fighting guerrillas within the well-defined battlelines of Lebanon to trying to make sense of Hebron.

"In Lebanon, things are clearer," said Sharon, 38. Soldiers "know when to shoot, when to use a tank, when to call in an airplane. They know who the enemy is."

Sharon, who sees his job as part diplomat, walks Hebron's streets without a helmet or a flak jacket or even an escort of soldiers. A good listener, speaking so softly his words are often lost, he stops and chats with international observers, Palestinians, settlers and soldiers clustered on guard duty.

But the soldiers under his command, most serving out their compulsory three years of duty, are often jumpy — some say trigger-happy.

Geir Furuseth of Norway, chief press officer of the TIPH, the international observer group in Hebron, said the Israeli army occasionally displayed "a disciplinary problem" that aggravated tensions.

In recent violence, a 13-year-old Palestinian boy was fatally wounded in the head by a rubber-coated metal pellet fired by

soldiers during a clash with stonethrowers. That confrontation came during a week of unrest in early March, which followed the killing of three Palestinian workers by soldiers who mistakenly believed they were under attack at a checkpoint near Hebron.

A year ago, soldier Noam Friedman — who was not posted in Hebron — showed up in town and began firing at Palestinians. He wounded four people before fellow soldiers overpowered him, and he has since been confined to a psychiatric hospital.

Palestinians insist the soldiers frequently take out their frustrations on them — subjecting Arab youths to humiliating searches or insults. They also blame the army for failing to contain attacks by Jewish settlers, such as a recent rampage in which the windows of Arab cars and houses were smashed.

From the soldiers' point of view, however, there is good reason to be cautious. In the past they have been the targets of suicide attacks, car bombs, drive-by shootings and knife attacks.

Even though the soldiers receive several weeks of special training before being assigned to Hebron, Sharon said dealing with the city's complexities amounted to on-the-job training.

"A young soldier, 18 or 19, comes into a very complicated situation here politically, socially, militarily," Sharon said. "We have to remember that he is still a child."

Nowhere is the explosive potential more evident than at Tel Romeida, where an encampment of seven house-trailers with Jewish families faces Palestinian houses and an army outpost.

Guy, the lieutenant in charge of the Tel Romeida unit, said his job was tough but "not mission impossible."

"The Arabs and Jews want the same place. Hebron has a long history and is a holy place, so there is much friction," said Guy, who is barred by Israeli military policy from providing his full name.

Mark Heller, a political scientist at Tel Aviv University's Jaffee Center for Strategic Studies, said soldiers were instructed to look after themselves first.

## Most do not want to invest their own SS funds

WASHINGTON (AP) — Three-quarters of Americans say they would favor letting workers shift some Social Security taxes into private accounts to invest on their own, according to an Associated Press poll.

But asked if they would want to invest their own Social Security money in stocks and mutual funds, more than half of those surveyed — 53 percent — said no, it would be too risky.

In Kansas City, Mo., where President Clinton on Tuesday will kick off a series of town hall meetings to discuss possible Social Security changes, people interviewed separately from the poll had many questions about how private accounts would work and whether it was wise to use them to replace Social Security.

"How much privatization are we talking about?" Rick Yarnell, a 41-year old auditor, wondered.

Some in Congress have proposed shifting to private accounts to help keep Social Security financially viable as millions of baby boomers retire. The Clinton administration has raised concerns about such "privatization."

"We've had disasters with privatization in other areas," said Katie Neely-Phelan, 42, a Kansas City video editor.

Still, most Americans polled — 74 percent — say they would rather see a fundamental redesign of Social Security than tinkering. Just 17 percent said they would prefer adjustments to payroll taxes and pension benefits that could maintain the current retirement system.

The telephone poll of 1,013 adults was taken for AP on March 27-31 by ICR of Media, Pa. The margin of error is plus or minus 3 percentage points.

When asked about specifics, 80 percent of those polled said they would favor letting workers shift some of their Social Security tax payments into private accounts.

Less dramatic changes were not as popular.

For example, just 22 percent of Americans said they would support raising payroll taxes for all workers. Nearly 76 percent opposed raising taxes.

About the same number, 77 percent, oppose further increases in the retirement age, which is already scheduled to go up gradually from 65 to 67 for people born after 1937. About 21 percent of those surveyed favored a retirement age of 70, with those already over 65 the most supportive.

People were more evenly divided about scaling back cost-

of-living raises now given yearly to retirees, with 53 percent in favor and 44 percent opposed. Those over age 55 were actually the most supportive group, with about 60 percent willing to sacrifice benefits they get now or will soon.

Although private accounts were the most appealing option in theory, Americans are wary when asked if they would want to invest their own Social Security taxes in stocks or mutual funds; only about 46 percent said they would.

People between the ages of 18 and 34 were most likely to support the idea of private accounts, with nearly 90 percent in that age group in favor. But far fewer of these young people — only 52 percent — said they'd want to risk investing for themselves.

Most likely to be interested in taking charge of their own retirement savings were people younger than 54, those making over \$50,000 a year and those with at least some college education.

Social Security is in danger of being overwhelmed by the impending retirement of the largest generation in America's history — the baby boomers. Current predictions are that the program will run short on cash by 2029 if nothing is done. Many Republicans in

Congress and some moderate Democrats support diverting Social Security taxes into a private savings system.

Under such a system, workers themselves would invest the money deducted from their wages.

House Speaker Newt Gingrich this week endorsed an experimental approach that would start those accounts this year,

without touching Social Security, by using government surpluses resulting from the balanced-budget deal. Gingrich said the accounts could "create the framework for a new, modern, personal retirement system."

However, Clinton administration officials say a radical restructuring of Social Security is not necessarily needed.

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## CHURCH NEWS

### Birdwell Lane Baptist Church

The Birdwell Lane Baptist Church will host their 33rd Annual Fellowship April 7-9. The church began having this fellowship as a means of reaching out to other areas of the country and providing a time for pastors and other full time ministries to meet together for a time of encouragement and relaxation. Our visiting preachers will participate in a golf tournament on Tuesday morning. The meetings will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday with a mini-concert by Dale Pittman. Services begin Wednesday morning at 9 a.m. Wednesday evening service begins at 6:30 p.m. with a mini-concert by Diane Posey. The fellowship will end at noon Thursday. We are expecting 20-25 pastors, missionaries, evangelists and their families for this great time of fellowship, music and preaching. Meals are provided by the church. Everyone is invited. Further information is available by calling 267-7157.

### College Baptist Church

College Baptist Church, 1105 Birdwell Lane, is having a revival April 5-8 with Evangelist Bobby Boyles. Richard Vickers will lead the music. Sunday through Wednesday, the services start at 7 p.m. and Monday through Wednesday, there is a 11:30 a.m. lunch and program. For more information call 267-7429.

### First United Methodist Church

"Jesus: Going Straight Through The Challenge" (Luke 19:28-40) is Dr. Ed Williamson's message this Palm Sunday at the First United Methodist Church, 400 Scurry. The message is about following the footsteps of the Master.

Many activities are planned for Holy Week. On Palm Sunday, a processional, with families and all Sunday School classes invited, is to begin at 10:30 a.m. in front of the church office.

The evening of April 5 there will be a special Palm Sunday Drama/Musical presented at 7 p.m. Monday-Friday, pastors will lead a noon service from 12:30 to 1 p.m. and a luncheon will be provided at noon.

Maundy Thursday Service and Communion, April 9, will begin at 7 p.m. On April 12, there will be an Easter Brunch in Garrett Hall from 9-9:45 a.m. before Sunday School and everyone is invited to bring a finger food. Please call the church office for more details, 267-6394.

Palm Sunday night, at 7 p.m., the First United Methodist Church Adult Chancel Choir and orchestra will present a very touching musical performance. "How Great Thou Art," written by David Clydesdale, is a dramatic performance that tells the story of Jesus' last week of life.

Clydesdale was first inspired to compose this portrayal of Jesus' life during a trip to the Holy Land. Clydesdale was walking along the "Via Dolorosa," in Jerusalem, when he was struck with the thought, "My God, how great Thou art!" During the remainder of the trip, he felt compelled by God to compose a musical about the trials and

triumph of our Lord's crucifixion and His defeat over death. The result of the Epiphany was to cumulate in a very moving and inspirational message through the medium of drama.

Soloists for the presentation are: Jesus - Chuck Carr; Judas Iscariot - Dr. Ed Williamson; Martha - Mary Elaine Williamson; Mary, Mother of Jesus - Jackie Henry; Mary Magdalene - Sherry Phillips; Pontius Pilate - Joe Dawes; Angel at the Tomb - Joyce Bradley; and Narrator - Roxie McDaniel.

### St. Mary's Episcopal

There will be a Quiet Day St. Nicholas' Episcopal Church, 2900 Princeton, Midland, on Saturday. They will begin the program at 9 a.m.

Palm Sunday, this Sunday, will begin at 10:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall. The service includes the service of the Palms, a procession into the church and the reading of the Passion from St. Luke's Gospel. Also, Gloria Steelman, violinist from Midland, will be performing "Larghetto" from "Sonata V for Violin" by G.F. Handel. She will also accompany the St. Mary's Parish Choir.

St. Mary's Lenten Program ends this Wednesday, April 8, at 5:30 p.m. There will be evening prayer, a potluck supper and a special presentation on Christian Ministry by The Rev. Canon David Veal from Lubbock.

Throughout Holy Week, morning prayer will be said at 7:30 a.m. in the Chapel. Stations at the Cross will be at noon on Tuesday and Thursday. The Maundy Thursday Communion will be at 6 p.m.; the ancient Good Friday service will be at both noon and 6 p.m., and the Great Vigil of Easter will begin at 9 a.m. on Saturday, April 11. On Easter Sunday, April 12, the festive service will start at 10:30 a.m. The public is invited to all services.

### First Church of the Nazarene

A Passover meal celebration will be observed at First Church of the Nazarene on Saturday, April 11, at 6 p.m. Lee Rushing, with CrossPoint Ministries, is coordinating the Passover meal observance.

Reservations are necessary to insure the proper amount of items for the Passover celebration. The meal will be potluck style and those who attend are asked to bring a food dish or dessert. Meat, table service, and drinks are provided.

For more information and reservations, please call First Church of the Nazarene at 267-7015.

### Easter Sunrise Service

The annual Big Spring community-wide Easter Sunrise Service will be at 7 a.m. on Easter Sunday, April 12, at the Comanche Trail Park Amphitheater. Everyone is invited to this family and community event.

The theme this year is "Celebrate Jesus!" and will have involvement from several churches in our community. The message will be done in three parts by three different pastors from Big Spring. Refreshments will be served by the Salvation Army Canteen.

### Hillcrest Baptist

There will be a "True Love Waits" commitment signing April 5 at 6 p.m. at Hillcrest Baptist Church. All teens and college students are invited to attend as well as parents and

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## Relay planners on track, going full speed ahead

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN  
Features Editor

Plans for Relay for Life, the community campout fundraiser for the American Cancer Society, are in full swing.

At a planning meeting earlier this week, it was announced that more than \$20,000 in underwriting has already been received. In addition, nearly 50 teams have committed to participate.

Relay for Life is May 15-16 at Blankenship Field.

"It's going great," said Diane Wood, committee chairperson. "Things have fallen into place. This is an event that sells itself."

"We have a town full of heroes," added Susan Lewis, reporting on the businesses that have agreed to underwrite parts of the event. Underwriting has increased this year by 50 percent, organizers said.

"This is so community oriented, it gets a lot of people involved," Wood said. "And anybody who's been involved once wants to be involved again."

More than \$60,000 was raised last year, putting the local event fifth in the state for ACS

Relay fundraising. Planners have been working since September to organize this year's Relay.

Walkers literally "camp out" at Blankenship Field for the 24-hour event, decorating their campsites with various themes. During the evening there are games and special entertainment is planned.

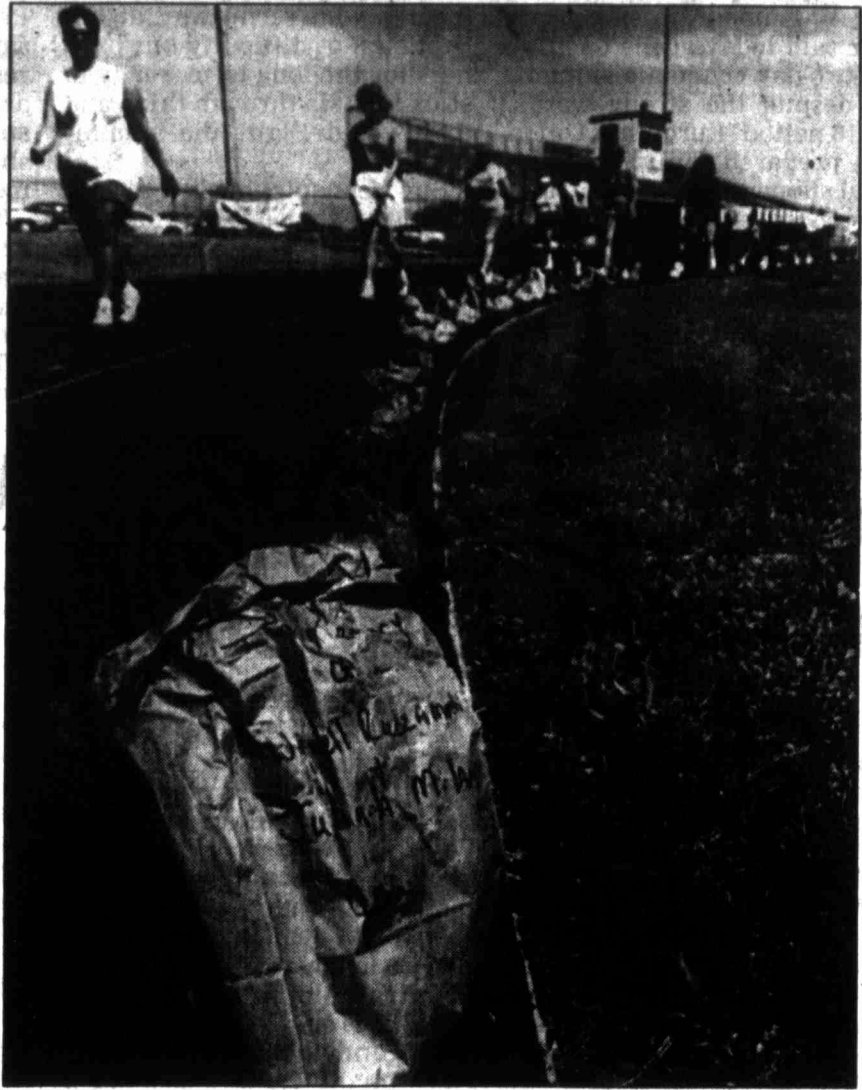
Relay will include a Survivor's Walk, honoring those who have battled cancer, and a luminaria service to remember those who lost their lives to the disease.

A golf tournament has been added to the fundraiser this year, planned for April 25-26 at Big Spring Country Club. Prizes include golf shop credit certificates for the winners, \$10,000 for the first hole in one on No. 16, a long drive and putting contest, and "closest to the pin" prizes.

Entry fee is \$75 per player.

Sponsors for the event are: Crossroads Communications, Partee Drilling, Buffalo Country Fina, and Howell Auto Sales. For more information, call the country club at 267-5354.

For more information about joining Relay, call Kim or Jay Phinney at 267-1480.



HERALD file photo  
Walkers circle the track ringed with luminaria that were donated in honor or memory of someone affected by cancer. The 24-hour campout event is planned May 15-16 at Blankenship Field, and teams are forming now.



Courtesy photo

Estelle Howard, president of the Big Spring Art Association, gives an oil painting lecture/demonstration at West Texas Center for the Arts, Howard College. She was a recent presenter to the group.

## CLUB NEWS

### Busy Bees

Busy Bee's met at noon on March 11 with each member bringing a sack lunch. There were nine members present. Rae Nell Best brought the devotional, a short business meeting was called to order by Jo Dell Callahan. The project for this meeting was a fan made with spring flowers.

### Rosebud Garden Club

The Rosebud Garden Club met Tuesday, March 23, at the home of Ruth Oppgaard. A program on the restoration of the Settles building was presented by Tommy Churchwell.

Ima Dell reported that Ozella Long had cataract surgery on Monday, Kathryn's son in Lubbock has had surgery, Betty Wrinkle will be moving to Dallas.

Potted plants are needed for Mt. View Nursing Home. Lou Vincent reported that weeds have been pulled at the Pocket Park, plans are to plant Monkey grass in the area.

Fran Turrentine moved that we take \$150 from our savings account and purchase a window for the Settles building in the name of The Rosebud Garden Club.

Lou Hill will send a donation to the Polly Mays Scholarship fund in Jane Jones' name as a thank you for her program on birds.

### Women's Forum

The Women's Forum met with Edna Faye Smith March 10. Cohostesses were Connie Gray and Joy Lewallen. Our speaker, Gabriel Ianculoucia, a student at SWCID from Rumania, was introduced by Steve Smith. Gabriel, who spoke no English when he came to America two years ago, speaks very fluently now. He plans to return to Rumania and start a school for the deaf when he has completed his education.

Gabriel gives God credit for his being in America and also for having funds to stay here. He says he is trying to change his culture to ours. He is eating Kentucky Fried Chicken, going with teenage girls and listening to their music and also it is an honor for him to be here. He said, "I believe if I ever hear the American

Anthem when I go home, I will stand at attention."

### Woman's Club

The Big Spring Women's Club finished the month of March with its meeting in the home of Nancy Spurgin. Members voted on an amendment to the club's bylaws, a new slate of officers, and this year's outstanding club woman and rookie. BSWC will have its annual installation banquet and dance May 2 at the Big Spring Country Club. Dr. Rory Minck, an OB/GYN located next to SMMC, spoke to the group on women's health care.

BSWC starts the month of April with a charity golf tournament at the Big Spring Country Club. Tournament is Saturday, April 4 only, at 8:30 a.m. Contact the club's pro shop to register.

Many great recipes can be found in the club's cookbooks which will be on sale this weekend, April 4 and 5, at the arts and craft show in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

### City FCE Club

Vicki Cole, Administrator of Mountain View Lodge, spoke to nine members of the City FCE Club on March 29, at 2

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## Celebrate Jesus 2000

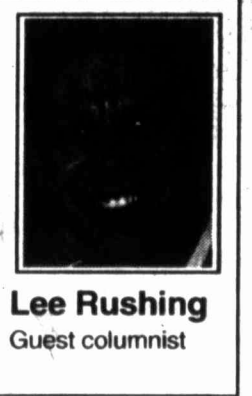
Of all the people on earth, none have more reason to celebrate than do God's people. We know that the Lord Jesus Christ who came 2,000 years ago impacts more than just our calendars. He is the cornerstone of human history...the author and finisher of our faith.

As we approach the year 2000, the only answer to the condition of our country is a genuine spiritual awakening. With the accelerating moral decline in our country and communities, concerned believers are uniting in a growing movement of prayer for evangelism and spiritual renewal across America.

Under the banner of a network called Mission America, over 300 national leaders of denominations and Christian ministries have agreed to pray and work together to see our country reached with the gospel of Jesus Christ. These leaders which represent many of the denominational churches in Big Spring have affirmed the goals of a strategy now called "Celebrate Jesus 2000."

The goal is to "pray for and share Christ with every person in our nations by year-end 2000." This is a worthy goal, a lofty goal, and an impossible goal unless the church of Jesus Christ comes together as partners to fulfill this evangelistic mission. Many groups and events you're already familiar with are a part of this overall strategy, such as Southern Baptists, Assemblies of God, Church of God, Promise Keepers, Jesus Film, March for

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Lee Rushing  
Guest columnist

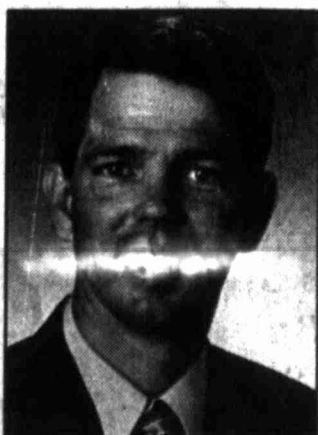
## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Historian Barton to speak in Big Spring

Concerned Women of West Texas will host David Barton, nationally-known author and historian April 16. He and his organization, WallBuilders of Aledo, have conducted research on the Founding Fathers and Barton will present the results of his studies on numerous issues facing America today.

The public is invited to hear Barton at Big Spring High School Auditorium at 7 p.m. Admission is free.

Barton believes America has turned away from the path laid by the far-thinking builders of the nation, and he documents the destructive turn he believes that has brought. He will also offer solutions for citizens to take responsibility to rebuild "our Godly heritage."



## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

### Unusual mailboxes sought

Do you have an unusual, artistic or interesting mailbox? If your mailbox shows your personality, showcases your hobbies or interests, the Herald wants to know for an upcoming feature. Call Linda Choate or Debbie L. Jensen at 263-7331.

### Roping benefit Saturday

Students from Sanus High School Wilderness Club will conduct a roping benefit Saturday in Lamesa beginning at 10 a.m. Books open at 9 a.m.

The event will raise money for a group trip to Big Bend National Park. For more information, call Tommy Smithson at 353-4744.

## THE LAST WORD

When the 30-year-old lawyer died, he said to St. Peter, "How can you do this to me? - A heart attack at my age? I'm only 30."

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## Women's group tends to needs of less fortunate

By CHRISTENE HORN  
Herald Correspondent

One hundred and thirty six years ago, March the 17th 1842, one of the oldest and largest organizations of women in the world was organized in Nauvoo, Illinois. It is known as the Relief Society of the Church Of Jesus Christ Of Latter Day Saints.

In various ways, more than 180,000 women of the church has had a celebration in honor of this organization, throughout more the 96 countries, during the month of March.

In Big Spring, the Sisters were no different. They gathered at the church on the 28th of March for a Belgian waffle and fresh fruit breakfast. It was cooked and served by members of the Priesthood Quorum (husbands of some of the ladies).

The ladies sang the hymn "God is Love", and the meeting began with an opening prayer. Ruth Ann McKay read to the Sisters, the history and purpose of the Relief Society. In 1842 The Latter Day Saints were building a Temple in Nauvoo, Illinois. One of the Sisters went down by the building and noticed that a number of the men working were not dressed warmly enough. People were very poor then, also.

She went to see one of her neighbors and asked her if she provided material, would the neighbor help her make shirts for those were in need of better clothing. She then went around her neighborhood and asked several more of the Sisters if they would help make shirts. They also took meals to the workers and helped take care of the needs of the Sisters, there in Nauvoo.

The Prophet Joseph Smith recognized the need for the women to do these things and on the March 1 called the women of the Church together and organized them into what what started with a few women 18 years and older (single and

married). Their purpose was to feed and clothe the hungry and take care of the needs of the sick.

They were to study their scriptures, have concern for the less fortunate, and be very sure they did not gossip about the needs of their other Sisters.

The purpose of this organization is still the same as it was 136 years ago, with a few added chores. They were to teach the younger Sisters and new converts to the Church the art of bread making, quilting, crocheting, knitting, or whatever talent that could be shared with each other to make them better wives, mothers and homemakers.

Now, we are to become as educated as possible, and educate our children. We are to teach them to read and write and comprehend. We are to train our sisters in the art of food storage, to prepare at 72 hour emergency kits against the unexpected job loss, illness, disasters, and the like. We are to be prepared to help others whether they are of our faith or not.

Judy Colwell entertained the Sisters with a special rendition of "Love At Home" on the piano. A special program was presented by some of the Sisters representing the greatest women in the Bible.

We met the new Sister Missionaries, Sister Cox and Sister Mortinson. They took the place of the Elders who were transferred to new stations.

We were privileged to see a display of arts and crafts made by mothers, grandmothers, and great grandmothers of some of the ladies. The theme of the display was "A Woman's Worth In A Provident Home, Is Worth More Than Rubies."

The work meeting of the Relief Society is the second Tuesday of each month and women of other faiths are welcome to share their talents with us and learn of ours.

## RUSHING

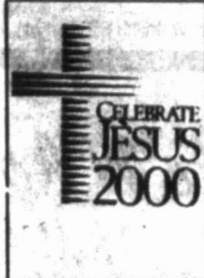
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Jesus, National Day of Prayer, U.S. Prayer Track, and much more.

Billly Graham says, "As we approach the dawn of a new millennium, our country stands in great need of genuine spiritual awakening. I strongly support the goals of Mission America, and pray that God will use it to bring a new wave of evangelism and spiritual renewal to our nation and our world."

Would you be a part of Celebrate Jesus 2000? If you want more information about

Mission America and Celebrate Jesus 2000, please call CrossPoint Ministries in Big Spring at 268-1234. Together, we

really can reach our city and nation with the gospel of Jesus Christ!



## Many older Americans deficient in Vitamin D

By LEE BOWMAN  
Scripps Howard News Service

A new study suggests that more than half of older Americans might not be getting enough bone-building vitamin D.

Research published Thursday in The New England Journal of Medicine found more than half of the patients admitted to a Boston hospital were deficient in the vitamin, and nearly a quarter of them had blood serum concentrations less than half the amount thought necessary to preserve bone mass.

Earlier studies of homebound seniors and nursing home residents had found between a quarter and half of elderly people to be low on the vitamin, depending on the yardstick used.

But Dr. Joel Finkelstein of Massachusetts General Hospital and colleagues looked at a more diverse group, 290 patients ranging in age from 18 to 95 admitted in March and September 1994.

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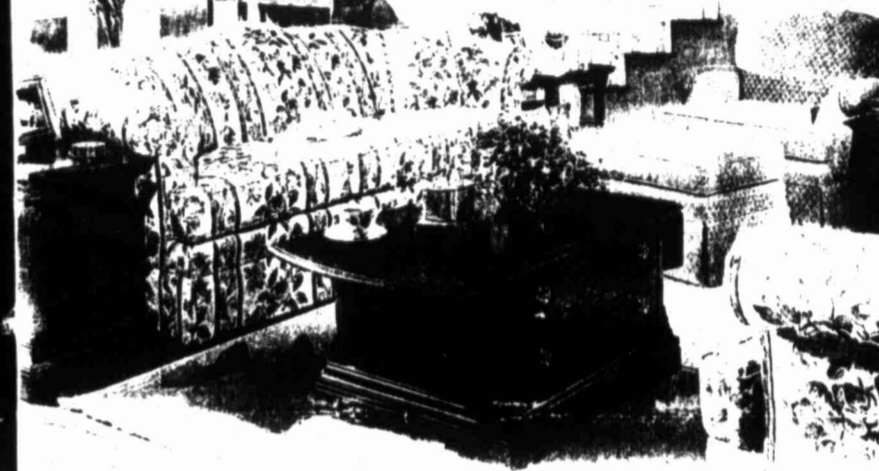
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## CLUB

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She explained that Mountain View now qualifies as a skilled nursing facility and that physical therapy care is available. Cole explained the importance of preplanning for the care of the family member.

## CHURCH

Continued from page 6A. kinfolk. This is not a denominational issue, but a young adult issue! Support your kids as they pledge to sexual purity until marriage.

### First Christian Church

Immediately following the celebration of Palm Sunday during the 10:50 a.m. worship service Sunday, all are invited by the First Christian Church to attend an open house in the church's Education Wing highlighting the Cherub Ministry, a children's Christian Education program for 2-5 year-olds. A sandwich luncheon and short program will follow in the fellowship hall.

Holy Week worship opportunities for the larger community include Wednesday evening's Vespers service at 6 p.m.; Maundy Thursday sandwich supper and Seder Meal reenactment in the fellowship hall at 6 p.m.; and a joyful morning worship service celebrating Easter Sunday at 10:50 a.m.

### College Park Church of God

College Park Church of God, 603 Tulane, will have Verna McPherson in concert Wednesday beginning at 7 p.m. McPherson's appearance is part of her "Along for the Ride" tour. McPherson, who lost a son to a gun accident, personally relates to those who have lost a child, or suffered other losses and hurts. She is known as "the lady who sings with her eyes."

### First Church of God

The new praise and worship singing group, "Majestik" will be sharing their music and testimony at the First Church of God, 2009 Main Street, at 10:40 a.m.

Their music style ranges from country/southern Gospel to contemporary. They sing many original songs written by Marvin White, the lead vocalist and guitarist. Karen Thornhill sings and does percussion and Susan Wood, formerly of Big Spring, plays keyboard. Bobby Thornhill is the sound technician.

### First Presbyterian

Worshippers at First Presbyterian, Big Spring, will gather in the narthex to process into the 11 a.m. service for Palm Sunday. Immediately following the service, there will be a congregational dinner and Easter egg hunt.

Holy Week services are as follows: Monday, 6:30 p.m. at First Presbyterian of Coahoma; Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. at First Presbyterian of Coahoma; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. service in the sanctuary, Big Spring; Maundy Thursday, 7 p.m. service at First Presbyterian, Coahoma; Good Friday, 7 p.m. in the sanctuary, Big Spring; Saturday, Easter Vigil begins at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary, Big Spring. Special musical guests for Saturday's service is Capella Antiqua of Lubbock.

Special guest minister Easter Sunday at Big Spring First Presbyterian will be Allan Guthrie.

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I Corinthians 7:29

*He Who Began  
A Good Work In You*


Parents usually like their children to stick to whatever endeavor they begin, so as not to encourage them to take the easy way out. They realize that anything worthwhile usually requires a commitment and hard work.

No one likes to be known as a quitter or someone who never finishes what they start. However, we have all been in the position where we may have decided to quit something. Knowing when to quit is sometimes a sign of good judgement. Whatever our reason for quitting, it is nice to know that God does not give up on us, and the Bible tells us that He who began a good work in us will finish it.

There may be times when we may feel that God has forsaken us; but, Romans 8:28 tells us that in all things God works for good with those who love Him, those who He has called according to His purpose. We should be encouraged to know that God never gives up on us.

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Good News Bible Philippians 1:6



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## Jarrett says drivers should stop complaining about track, start racing

FORT WORTH (AP) — Dale Jarrett has some advice for his fellow NASCAR drivers who continue grumbling about problems with the track at the 1-year-old Texas Motor Speedway: Deal with it.

"There's too much fuss being made," Jarrett said Thursday after his first laps around the 1.5-mile oval since it has undergone \$517,000 in improvements. "You know what you've got. This is the racetrack; this is what it is. They can't come in and redo it.

"I haven't seen anybody be able to build the perfect racetrack yet. It's just different. So you have to adapt to that. That's what myself and these other

guys get paid to do." On Sunday, Winston Cup drivers will be paid handsomely for their efforts in the Texas 500. The winner will get about \$400,000 of the \$4,033,914 purse, the third-largest of the season.

But there are obstacles to be overcome.

The transition from 24-degree banking to 8 degrees at the exit of Turn 4 is still almost as rocky as it was last year, drivers said, despite that being the focus of the expensive makeover.

And, because the track is still relatively new, the racing groove isn't very wide.

"I think everybody would be much

more comfortable here if we can get another groove worked into this race-track, so you realize if you get eight inches out of the groove, you're not going to bust your tail," Jarrett said. "When we do that, I think you'll hear a lot more positive comments."

Drivers also found a new problem with the surface on Thursday: a bump at the entrance to Turn 4.

"It's not a bump; it's a crater," Todd Bodine said. "If you don't have enough ground clearance, you're going to bottom out there."

Some observers say the drivers are whining too much, that similar problems give other tracks their charm and

personality. But TMS is held to a higher standard. Plus, it's only fair to hold TMS to a higher standard. The facility was built just last year and cost \$130 million.

"This is a state-of-the-art facility ... but whoever was in charge of building the race track ..." driver Ward Burton said. "It's really unusual. There are patches all over the track. It looks like a track that was built 30 years ago that's never been repaved."

Ford cars, which have dominated the series all year, appeared to again have an edge here Thursday. Eight of the top nine times practice times were all run in Taurus.

"That was probably as good as we've ever been," said Jeremy Mayfield, who led the first session with a lap of 182.113 mph, then topped the second session at 184.313 mph.

The day was marred by two accidents, the worst of which left Winston Cup rookie Jetty Nadeau with a cut finger and bruised right foot.

"I got a little high in Turn 1 and there was nothing there. The nose of the car hit first and I took a pretty hard hit," said Nadeau, who was briefly hospitalized to be examined.

Busch driver Buckshot Jones wrecked during a morning practice, but returned for the afternoon session.

## Steers head into big game tonight

### Take perfect district mark on the road

By JOHN A. MOSELEY  
Sports Editor

As far as Big Spring coach Bobby Doe is concerned, his Steers need to develop a collective case of amnesia tonight when they face Pecos' Eagles in a crucial District 4-4A baseball game.

"We need to forget that we're 3-0 and that they're 0-3 in district play," Doe said of tonight's game set for a 7:30 start. "What we need to remember is that Pecos is a much better team than they've started in district. We need to remember that they were picked in the preseason to be one of the two or three top teams in the district."

What's more, Doe says the Steers should note that the Eagles haven't yet sent pitching ace Jason Avila to the mound in 4-4A play, and will more than likely throw him tonight.

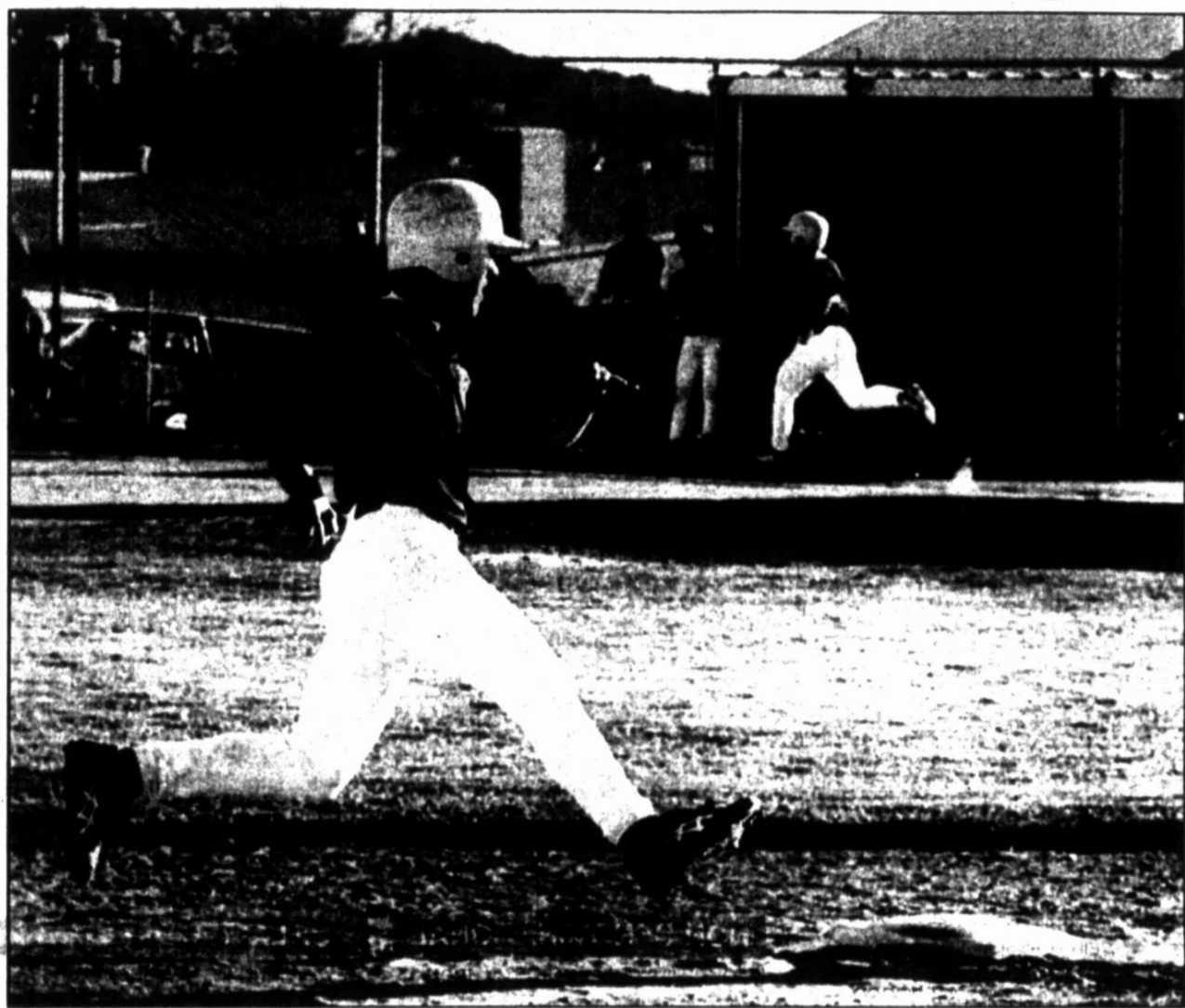
"I really expect that we'll see Avila," Doe said Thursday afternoon. "Baseball is Pecos' sport ... the one they concentrate on the most. They've had a couple of really tough games, but you can bet they're going to be ready for us and we'd better be ready to read to a real battle."

The Steers, currently 11-8 overall and tied for the 4-4A lead with Andrews' Mustangs at 3-0, have already faced the Eagles once this season, suffering a 4-2 loss in the Snyder Invitational Baseball Tournament.

Big Spring goes into the game fresh off an 8-6 win over Fort Stockton's Panthers — another of the teams expected to contend with Andrews for the 4-4A title in the coaches' preseason poll.

"We played extremely well the other day," Doe said of the Steers upset of the Panthers. "That's the kind of baseball we've got to play to be consistent ... to get where we want to be."

Where the Steers want to be, of course, is headed into the Class 4A playoffs at the close of the 4-4A baseball campaign. And although Big Spring's 3-0 start in district play goes a long



Big Spring's Eric Hansen rounds third base and heads for the plate en route to scoring the Steers first of three runs in the sixth inning Tuesday against Fort Stockton. Hansen scored on a single by Aaron Boadle, seen heading for first in the background. The Steers, now 3-0 in District 4-4A play, play a crucial game at 7:30 tonight in Pecos.

HERALD photo/Jim Ferro

way toward accomplishing that goal, Doe notes it's too early to be making postseason reservations.

"It's still awfully early in the district schedule," the Steers skipper explained. "I'm pleased to be sitting where we are, but I won't really be happy until we get three or four more district wins under our belt. Then I'll be a little more comfortable."

"What we really want to be able to do is go into the Andrews game still tied for the district lead," Doe added. "To do that, we've got to knock off Pecos on its home field. That's really going to be the real key for us. If we can win two or three more road games, we ought to be in pretty good shape."

"If we can knock Pecos off over there, we're going to be right back in the position where we're used to seeing Big Spring baseball teams be ...

able to determine our own destiny."

Tonight's game marks the Steers' second road game since the 4-4A campaign started — they opened the season with an 11-0 come-from-behind win over San Angelo Lake View.

The Steers, in fact, have been forced to come from behind in each of their three district victories — a factor that is extremely gratifying for Doe.

"That's one of the biggest differences between this team and last year's," Doe noted. "Being able to come back on people like we have has been a big confidence builder."

"Last year, when we'd get one or two runs behind, we'd fold our tents," he explained. "But this year, these kids believe they can get right back into a game and are doing it."

While Doe expects Pecos to send Avila to the mound tonight, he plans to start senior

ace Jeff Denton with plans to leave the big righthander at least four innings.

Denton chalked up the win over Fort Stockton on Tuesday, going six strong innings before being replaced by James Darling with nobody out and two runners aboard in the seventh inning.

"That was a pretty big confidence builder for Jeff," Doe explained. "He'd had a couple of rocky starts before that. We really wanted to be able to stay with him if at all possible and he pitched very well. Hopefully, that gave him a boost to take in against Pecos."

Doe did explain, however, that he won't hesitate in using the hook if any of his pitchers run into serious trouble.

"This is a big game," he noted. "We'll use all the pitchers we have to use. We definitely want to go into Andrews undefeated in district."

## Lady Steers romp to easy 19-0 win over Lady Eagles

HERALD Staff Report

PECOS — Big Spring's Lady Steers needed just 50 minutes to dispatch Pecos' Lady Eagles, 19-0, Thursday in the make up of a District 4-4A softball game postponed due to inclement weather last week.

It should be noted, however, that it took those 50 minutes to complete just three innings.

Lady Steers coach Wes Overton said he reluctantly agreed prior to the game that if one team were 15 runs ahead after three innings, the game would be called.

"The only reason for us to agree to a 15-run rule was that we have to turn around and travel to San Angelo and play Lake View tomorrow," Overton said following the game.

The Lady Eagles, now in their first season of University Interscholastic League play, showed their unfamiliarity with the fast pitch brand of softball none of them had played until this year.

While the Lady Steers jumped out to a quick 10-0 lead in the top of the first inning, Angie Phillips was completely shutting down the Pecos batting order.

In fact, Phillips faced only nine batters and was credited with a no-hitter. She did walk one batter, but the Lady Steers defense cut down the only Pecos runner, allowing Phillips to face the minimum number of batters.

The win improved Phillips record to 5-2 overall and a perfect 2-0 in district play, as the Lady Steers pushed their record to 21-4 on the season and 5-0 against 4-4A opposition.

The Lady Steers, on the other hand, conducted a virtual hitting clinic — pounding out 23 hits behind the lead of Jessica Cobos, Phillips and Melissa Martinez.

In fact, every player in the Big Spring lineup managed at least one hit and at least one RBI.

That left the Lady Eagles, who play in a minor league baseball park that boasts a center field fence 405 feet from the plate and measurements of 330 feet down the lines, scrambling with lots of territory to cover.

Cobos and Martinez were both 4-for-4 at the plate, while Phillips was 3-for-3, including an inside-the-park home run. Phillips helped her cause by driving in four runs, while Martinez, who also hit an inside-the-park homer, and Cobos both drove in three runs.

Freshman Amy Jackson, who Overton moved up from the junior varsity, went 3-for-3 and had two RBIs, while Honey Belew was 3-for-4 with a pair of RBIs and Jessica Canales added a 2-for-4 showing with two more RBIs.

The Lady Steers will take on Lake View this afternoon with varsity actions starting at 5 p.m. in San Angelo. A junior varsity game will follow at 6:30.

## Warriors look for first win in Saturday home opener

By JOHN A. MOSELEY  
Sports Editor

After getting off to a less than sparkling 0-3 start in Pan American Football Conference (PAFC) action, Big Spring's Warriors will finally play their first home game of their inaugural season at 1 p.m. Saturday when they host Midland's Gunslingers at Blankenship Field.

For Warriors head coach Vivian Garcia, who saw his team able to score just one touchdown in each of its first two games and then hammered in a 67-0 whitewashing by Midland's Colts in their third outing, a chance to play at home is welcomed.

"This is something we've been looking forward to," Garcia said. "We get a chance to play in front of a home crowd, but more than that, we finally get a chance to bring the league to Big Spring."

In the Gunslingers, the Warriors face an opponent that dealt them an 18-6 road loss in their first foray into Amateur

Football League of America (AFLA) play.

However, Garcia says he expects a somewhat different Gunslingers team than that the Warriors faced in their first game of the season.

"They've lost 14 players, five of them starters, since the season started," Garcia explained. "We've had our share of injuries, too, but we hope that's going to make a little bit of a difference Saturday."

The Warriors, Garcia added, should be almost at full strength for Saturday's game, although Chip Ingram — the team's 6-foot-11, 300 pounds-plus behemoth — will be questionable.

"Chip's having some ligament trouble with his left knee ... really won't know whether he'll be able to play until game time," Garcia explained. "He's already suffered a hairline fracture just below the knee, but the ligament problem is his primary concern right now."

Tickets for Saturday's home opener are priced at \$4 for adults and \$2 for children.

## Rangers set team record with 20-4 win over Chisox

ARLINGTON (AP) — Aaron Sele never had it so good at Boston.

He got some huge run support with the Red Sox, averaging almost six runs per game when he pitched.

But never in the 26-year history of the Texas Rangers had they ever hit the ball like they did Thursday night against the Chicago White Sox in a 20-4 win that featured a club-record 23 hits.

"Whatever we threw them out

there, they hit," said Chicago pitcher Tom Fordham, who gave up three of Texas' five homers, including a grand slam to Juan Gonzalez.

Gonzalez's grand slam capped a 10-run seventh inning.

Sele, making his debut for Texas after being traded last December, said, "This is one of those games you will probably never see again. You never expect it. But it was fun to watch."

Kevin Elster, Mike Simms,

Ivan Rodriguez and Lee Stevens also homered for the Rangers, who scored their most runs since beating Baltimore 26-7 on April 19, 1996.

Sele (1-0) pitched five solid innings, allowing four runs — two earned — on six hits in his Texas debut. Roger Pavlik, making his first relief appearance since Aug. 15, 1992, came on in the sixth and was credited with a save.

"With runs support like this, it could be a tremendous sea-

son," Sele said.

"In the seventh inning, I got tired getting up off the bench and giving high fives going to the end of the dugout," Simms said. "It was fun. Everybody got into the act."

Elster hit a solo homer in the third inning and Simms had a two-run shot in the fourth.

In the seventh, nine consecutive Rangers reached base and Gonzalez finished off the big inning with his sixth career grand slam off Fordham.

## Penders resigns as Longhorns coach, UT buys out four years left on contract

AUSTIN (AP) — A divided and somewhat dazed Texas basketball team was left to pick up the pieces after coach Tom Penders' resignation in the wake of a player revolt.

"It's a confusing time right now, and I think it's going to hurt the team for awhile," said freshman guard Bernard Smith.

Smith was one of four players who went to the home of Texas athletic director DeLoss Dodds on March 8 and complained about playing for Penders and his program.

The Longhorns finished 14-17 this season, one of two losing seasons for Penders in 10 years at Texas. Penders leaves as the winningest coach in Longhorns history with 208 victories and 110 losses as well as eight NCAA tournament appearances. He averaged nearly 21 wins.

Penders' resignation came 3 weeks after freshmen Luke Axtell, Chris Mihm and Smith as well as sophomore Gabe Muoneke — all starters and cornerstones of the team — met with Dodds and complained about the pro-

gram. Junior co-captain and leading scorer Kris Clack, a Penders supporter who repeatedly said Penders' departure would send a signal that players could run off a coach, shook his head in disbelief.

"I'm going to have a different perspective when I look in the eyes of those players about what kind of person they are," Clack said.

"But I'm not going to go out and point fingers. I'm going to go out there and play to the best of my ability. But

it just makes me look at people in a different manner."

Penders, 52, who had four years remaining on his contract at \$550,000 per year, resigned Thursday and will be paid \$643,000 from the university as a settlement.

The departed coach said it was time to make changes, adding that he is considering television and radio jobs.

Axtell and Muoneke have said they intend to transfer.

Muoneke said he is still considering his options.

"The people who say it was a player revolt are looking for a scapegoat," Muoneke said Thursday night. "It's really and truly impossible for three freshmen and a sophomore to get rid of a nationally recognized coach."

"They can believe that, but it's really ridiculous. I don't have any personal grudges against Coach Penders at all. I just told the truth, and if people think I'm a baby for telling the truth, that's their business."

Axtell was at the center of the storm after being suspended by Penders.

SPORTS EXTRA

BASEBALL POLL

State high school baseball polls for the week ending April 3, as selected by the Texas High School Baseball Coaches Association:

CLASS 5A

- 1. Lubbock Monarchs (16-2)
2. CC Moody (16-2-1)
3. Klein (15-1)
4. Round Rock (14-2)
5. Bellme (13-2)
6. Spring (13-1-1)
7. San Antonio Madson (12-0)
8. Duncanville (11-3)
9. Marshall (10-2)
10. Fort Bend Austin (15-2)

CLASS 4A

- 1. CC Calallen (16-1)
2. LC Mauriceville (16-2)
3. Brownwood (15-1)
4. Nederland (13-3)
5. Dallas Highland Park (12-4)
6. Snyder (16-3)
7. Waxahachie (10-2)
8. Boerne (12-3)
9. Waco Conroy (12-3)
10. Athens (12-3)

CLASS 3A

- 1. Hallettsville (13-1)
2. Lake Dallas (13-2)
3. Liberty (13-1)
4. Alamo (12-2)
5. Wintersville (15-2)
6. Frisco (14-4)
7. Waco Robinson (12-1)
8. Boerne (12-2)
9. Hutto (11-3)
10. Shawlwater (11-2)

CLASS 2A

- 1. Gurter (12-0)
2. Mayfield (13-1)
3. RIVERS (14-1)
4. Weimar (13-3)
5. Alto (11-3)
6. Hempill (12-3)
7. Brackett (12-5)
8. Elysian Fields (12-2)
9. Hutto (11-3)
10. Shawlwater (11-2)

CLASS 1A

- Indiana 111, Minnesota 108
New York 81, L.A. Clippers 70
L.A. Lakers 117, New Jersey 106
Golden State 104, Houston 94
San Antonio 103, Miami 89
Seattle 107, Dallas 86

Today's Games

- Toronto at Washington, 6 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m.
Indiana at Charlotte, 6:30 p.m.
Houston at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Cleveland, 7 p.m.
Boston at Detroit, 7 p.m.
Minnesota at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
Denver at Utah, 8 p.m.
Dallas at Portland, 9 p.m.
Seattle at Vancouver, 9 p.m.
Milwaukee at Sacramento, 9:30 p.m.

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Golden State at San Antonio, 7:30 p.m.
Portland at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Washington's Games
Orlando at Washington, 12 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Detroit, 12 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Cleveland, 12:30 p.m.

Sunday's Games

- Milwaukee at Indiana, 1:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Atlanta, 2 p.m.
Chicago at Houston, 4:30 p.m.
Toronto at Philadelphia, 5 p.m.
Utah at Vancouver, 6:30 p.m.
New York at Boston, 7 p.m.
Dallas at Sacramento, 7 p.m.
Seattle at Denver, 8 p.m.

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MAJOR LEAGUE STANDINGS

American League East Division

Table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct., GB. Boston 2-0, Baltimore 2-1, Tampa Bay 2-1, Toronto 1-1, New York 0-2.

Central Division

Table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct., GB. Cleveland 2-0, Chicago 1-1, Minnesota 1-1, Detroit 1-2, Kansas City 1-2.

West Division

Table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct., GB. Anaheim 2-0, Texas 1-1, Oakland 0-2, Seattle 0-2.

Thursday's Games

- Boston 6, Oakland 3
Minnesota 3, Toronto 2
Tampa Bay 7, Detroit 1
Baltimore 4, Kansas City 3
Texas 20, Chicago White Sox 4
Anaheim 10, N.Y. Yankees 2

Only games scheduled

- Today's Games
Texas (Helling 5-9) at Toronto (Ju. Guzman 3-6), 6:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Baldwin 12-15) at Tampa Bay (Gorecki 1-0), 6:05 p.m.

Saturday's Games

- Texas (Sanders 6-14) at Baltimore (Drabek 12-11), 6:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Haney 1-2) at Minnesota (Radke 20-10), 7:05 p.m.
Boston (Lowe 2-6) at Seattle (Cloude 4-2), 9:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Burba 11-10) at Anaheim (McDowell 3-3), 9:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Mendoza 8-6) at Oakland (Haynes 3-3), 9:35 p.m.

Today's Games

- Kansas City (Pichardo 3-5) at Minnesota (Morgan 9-12), 7:05 p.m.
Boston (Rose 0-0) at Seattle (Swift 4-6), 8:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Colon 4-7) at Anaheim (Watson 12-12), 9:05 p.m.

National League East Division

Table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct., GB. Atlanta 1-1, New York 1-1, Philadelphia 1-1, Florida 1-2, Montreal 0-2.

Central Division

Table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct., GB. Pittsburgh 2-0, St. Louis 2-0, Chicago 2-1, Milwaukee 1-1, Cincinnati 1-2, Houston 1-2.

West Division

Table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct., GB. Colorado 3-0, San Diego 2-1, San Francisco 2-1, Los Angeles 0-2, Arizona 0-3.

Thursday's Games

- Chicago Cubs 8, Florida 7
Pittsburgh 4, Montreal 3
St. Louis 8, Los Angeles 5, 12 innings
Cincinnati 5, San Diego 1
Philadelphia 6, N.Y. Mets 5
Milwaukee 8, Atlanta 6, 11 innings
San Francisco 9, Houston 2
Colorado 6, Arizona 4

- Today's Games
Montreal (Vazquez 0-0) at Chicago Cubs (Trachsel 8-12), 1:20 p.m.
Milwaukee (Mercedes 7-30) at Florida (Ludwick 1-5), 6:05 p.m.
Los Angeles (Normo 14-12) at Cincinnati (Weathers 1-3), 6:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Loaiza 11-11) at N.Y. Mets (Reed 13-9), 6:40 p.m.
Philadelphia (Grace 3-2) at Atlanta (Neagle 20-5), 6:40 p.m.
Colorado (Wright 8-12) at Houston (Lima 1-6), 7:05 p.m.
San Diego (Langston 2-4) at St. Louis (Aybar 2-4), 7:10 p.m.
San Francisco (Gardner 12-9) at Arizona (Suppan 0-0), 8:05 p.m.

Association

- WNBA-Signed G Nani Cochetti, G Skyia Sisco, C Polyanna Johns, C

Giorgina Branzova, F Agueda Clark, and F Kent Chaiten to player contracts.

FOOTBALL ENGLAND MONARCHS-Signed DT Lewis Cripps.

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE NHL-Suspended Philadelphia Flyers F Denis Zubrus two games and fined him \$1,000 for slashing Chicago Blackhawks D Chris Chelios in a March 31 game.

ANAHEIM MIGHTY DUCKS-Signed RW Teemu Selanne to a two-year contract extension.

BUFFALO SABRES-Agreed to terms with D Richard Smolnik on a multiyear contract.

CAROLINA HURRICANES-Recalled Mike Rucinski from New Haven of the AHL.

MONTREAL CANADIENS-Returned C Eric Hovinen to Fredrikson of the AHL.

NEW JERSEY DEVILS-Recalled C Brendan Morrison from Albany of the AHL.

PHILADELPHIA FLYERS-Recalled G Neil Little from Philadelphia of the AHL.

PHOENIX COYOTES-Assigned RW Jocelyn Lemieux to Springfield of the AHL.

TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS-Recalled F Lorry Bohonos from St. John's of the AHL.

OLYMPICS SEATTLE BID COMMITTEE-Named Kathy Scantian president of the committee seeking the 2012 Olympics.

SOCCER Major League Soccer

MLS-Named Fernando Clavijo assistant coach of the U.S. Pro-40 Select team.

LOS ANGELES GALAXY-Traded F Eduardo Hurtado to New York-New Jersey for MF Wellington Sanchez.

COLLEGE FAIRFIELD-Named Tim O'Toole men's basketball coach.

FORDHAM-Named Rich Nagy defensive coordinator, John Marzka offensive coordinator, and Dean Paul wide receivers coach.

IOWA-Announced the resignation of Tom Davis, men's basketball coach, following next season.

LOUISIANA-Marymount-Named Paul Krumpke men's soccer coach.

OAKLAND, MICH.-Named Scott Teeters women's swimming coach.

PROVIDENCE-Named Tim Welsh men's basketball coach.

SETON HALL-Named Jeff Fogelson athletic director.

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS-Announced the resignation of Cindy Scott, women's basketball coach, effective at the end of the academic year.

TEXAS-Announced the resignation of Tom Penders, men's basketball coach.

WINTHROP-Named Gregg Marshall men's basketball coach.

NHL Wednesday's Games

- St. Louis 3, Pittsburgh 2
Buffalo 4, Los Angeles 0
N.Y. Islanders 4, Tampa Bay 0
Boston 4, N.Y. Rangers 2
Carolina 4, New Jersey 0
Montreal 4, Florida 3
St. Louis 6, Toronto 4
Detroit 2, Colorado 0
Calgary 3, Dallas 1
Vancouver 4, Edmonton 2
Phoenix 5, Anaheim 1

Thursday's Games

- Washington at Tampa Bay 1
Philadelphia 3, Los Angeles 0
San Jose 3, Ottawa 3, tie
Chicago 2, Colorado 1

Today's Games

- Boston at Buffalo, 6:30 p.m.
Ottawa at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
Anaheim at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Dallas at Edmonton, 8 p.m.

Saturday's Games

- Pittsburgh at Tampa Bay, 1 p.m.
NY Rangers at NY Islanders, 1 p.m.
Florida at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
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San Jose at Toronto, 6:30 p.m.

Cowboys' soft record in '97 rewarded with soft schedule

IRVING (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys' soft 1997 record has been rewarded with a soft 1998 schedule.

The Cowboys, coming off a 6-10 season, had no complaints Thursday when the NFL released its schedule.

Aside from an early-season match with the Super Bowl champion Denver Broncos and a late-season game at Kansas City, Dallas drew a considerably easier non-division schedule than in years past.

The Cowboys' 1998 opponents include only five playoff teams from last season and have a combined record of 91-98. Last year's opponents were 102-87.

And NFL schedulers gave the Cowboys a break with back-to-back division games at home to end the year.

Head coach Chan Gailey said the Cowboys will try to capitalize on their schedule, which he says keeps them in Texas during the harsh December months.

"Having coached in both Denver and Pittsburgh, I know the type of advantage a cold-weather team can have by playing at home late in the year," Gailey told the Dallas Morning News.

Cowboys spokesman Rich Dalrymple said the team is trying not over-analyze the schedule.

"I would imagine that our composite opponents record is not as high as last year's because we didn't finish in first place in our division," Dalrymple said Thursday.

"But today, coach Gailey said that there is not a whole lot you can say about a schedule in (the spring) — some teams that you expect to be very strong, mid-way through the season may experience injuries or other difficulties."

The Cowboys' schedule, released Thursday, opens at home against Arizona. It's the first time they're starting at home since 1992.

The only other home games in the first nine weeks of the season are Sept. 27 against Oakland and Oct. 11 against Carolina.

Also during the stretch are road games at the New York Giants, Washington, Chicago and Philadelphia. Dallas' bye week is Oct. 25.

The Cowboys drew two Monday night games — Sept. 21 at New York and Nov. 2 at Philadelphia — and one Sunday night game — the Dec. 27 season finale at home against Washington.

1998 SCHEDULE

Here is the Dallas Cowboys 1998 schedule:

PRESEASON

- Aug. 1 — Seattle, 8 p.m.
Aug. 8 — Oakland, 8 p.m.
Aug. 17 — New England at Mexico City, 7 p.m.

REGULAR SEASON

- Sept. 6 — Arizona, 3:05 p.m.
Sept. 13 — at Denver, 3:15 p.m.
Sept. 21 — at NY Giants, 7:20 p.m.
Sept. 27 — Oakland, 12:01 p.m.
Oct. 4 — at Washington, 12:01 p.m.
Oct. 11 — Carolina, 12:01 p.m.
Oct. 18 — Chicago, 3:15 p.m.
Oct. 25 — Bye
Nov. 2 — at Philadelphia, 7:20 p.m.
Nov. 8 — NY Giants, 12:01 p.m.
Nov. 25 — at Arizona, 3:15 p.m.
Nov. 22 — Seattle, 12:01 p.m.
Nov. 26 — Minnesota, 3:05 p.m.
Dec. 6 — New Orleans, 12:01 p.m.
Dec. 13 — at Kansas City, 3:15 p.m.
Dec. 20 — Philadelphia, 3:15 p.m.
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Day gets off to fast start in New Orleans

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Glen Day played the first round of the Freeport-McDermott Classic like a man anxious to get to the pool table, or maybe Augusta.

No one came close to Day's early round of 64 — 8-under par and two strokes off the course record — but Day's not the kind to hang around worrying.

"I've got a big rent-a-crowd in town for this," said Day, who is from nearby Poplarville, Miss. "There are a lot of people from home here, and we're going to play pool."

He made eight birdies on the first 12 holes, then played steady par over the final six.

A victory this week would give the career non-winner a \$306,000 payday and a spot in The Masters next week.

"I'm playing good golf now, and when you play good, the best thing you can do is get out of your own way," Day said. "I'm not worrying about The Masters."

"My job is to play this tournament and do the best I can do in this tournament. Now, if I win it, obviously that gets me a ticket to The Masters. But I've got to take care of this business here and if I win it, good things will come."

Two players — Jay Delsing and Steve Flesch — were tied for second, two strokes back.

A group of golfers finished at 67, including D.A. Weibring. There was another jam at 68 and a group at 69 that included Bob Tway.

Day used a 45-foot bunker shot to birdie the par-4 first hole, then added birdies on the second, fifth, sixth, seventh, ninth, 11th and 12th. He missed five greens, but saved par each time.

"Good shots breed confidence and confidence breeds good shots," Day said. "So which

came first, the chicken or the egg?"

Defending champion Brad Faxon finished the 7,116-yard course at 72. He was in a group

that included Davis Love III and Lanny Wadkins.

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SPORTS BRIEFS

Reception for Lady Hawks scheduled for Tuesday

A reception honoring Howard College's Lady Hawks on their third-place finish at the National Junior College Athletic Association's Women's National Tournament has been scheduled for 11:30 a.m. Tuesday in the Fireplace Room of the Dora Roberts Student Union Building.

CGA schedules low ball tournament for Sunday

The Chicano Golf Association of Big Spring will have a 4-man, low ball tournament Sunday at the Comanche Trail Golf Course.

Tee times will be from 10 a.m. to noon. Entry fees are \$15 per player and must be paid prior to 10 a.m. Sunday.

For more information, call the Comanche Trail Golf Course pro shop at 264-2366.

Deadline to enter BSCC charity scramble is today

A four-person charity scramble golf tournament, sponsored by the Big Spring Woman's Club, has been scheduled for Saturday at the Big Spring

Country Club.

Teams will be composed of A, B, C and D players. Entry fees are set at \$50 per player plus cart rental. The deadline for entries will be noon Friday.

The tournament will get under way with an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start.

For more information or to register, contact Julie Wolf at 263-7664 or the country club's pro shop at 267-5354.

Coahoma Lions Club sets donkey basketball

The Coahoma Lions Club will sponsor an exhibition of Bob Crosby's Donkey Basketball at 7:30 p.m. Saturday in the Coahoma High School gym.

Tickets may be purchased in advance from any Coahoma Lion priced at \$5 for adults and \$3 for students. Tickets at the door will be \$7 for adults and \$5 for students.

Golf tournament set with 'Relay for Life'

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er plus cart fees. Team will include A, B, C, and D players.

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SMMC officials schedule fun run, walk on mountain

Scenic Mountain Medical Center has scheduled the first ever "Master the Mountain" Fun Run/Fun Walk for 8 a.m. Saturday, April 18, at Big Spring State Park.

Entry fees for the event will be \$10 per runner which includes entry into the park. Trophies will be awarded for the top three finishers.

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# McGwire powers Cardinals with second big homer

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Mark McGwire was the first to admit he can't keep up this pace.

"It's just one game at a time, there's a long ways to go," he said Thursday after his three-run homer in the 12th inning gave the St. Louis Cardinals an 8-5 victory over the Los Angeles Dodgers.

A year after hitting 58 homers — the most since Roger Maris' record 61 in 1961 — McGwire is 4-for-8 in his first two games, with seven RBIs and three walks. On opening day, he broke a scoreless tie with a grand slam.

"You know anything is possible," manager Tony La Russa said. "Is that amazing? You don't ever take him for granted."

In other National League games, Colorado beat Arizona 6-4, Milwaukee beat Atlanta 8-6 in 11 innings, Chicago beat Florida 8-7, Pittsburgh beat Montreal 4-3, Cincinnati beat San Diego 5-1, Philadelphia beat New York 6-5 and San Francisco beat Houston 9-2.

In American League games, it was Texas 20, Chicago 4; Baltimore 4, Kansas City 3; Tampa Bay 7, Detroit 1; Minnesota 3, Toronto 2; Boston 6, Oakland 3; and Anaheim 10, the New York Yankees 2.

At St. Louis, Juan Acevedo (1-0) beat out an infield hit against Frank Lankford (0-1) with one out in the 12th and took second on a wild throw by second baseman Eric Young, his third error of the game. Royce Clayton was hit in the forearm with a pitch before McGwire homered.

"He's pitchable," Dodgers manager Bill Russell said. "We struck him out a couple of times. When you keep the ball down, you can get him. But when you pitch him high, he kills you."

**Rockies 6, Diamondbacks 4**  
Dante Bichette hit a three-run homer in the sixth, and Colorado opened with a three-game sweep at Phoenix. Ellis Burks and Greg Colbrunn also homered for the Rockies, who outscored the expansion Diamondbacks 21-6 in the series and outhit the Diamondbacks 38-20.

Pedro Astacio (1-0) allowed four runs and eight hits in 5 1/3 innings. Brian Anderson (0-1), taken from Cleveland in the expansion draft, gave up six hits in six innings, three of them were homers. Jerry Dipoto pitched the ninth for his first save.

**Brewers 8, Braves 6**  
Jeromy Burnitz homered twice, including an 11th-inning grand slam, and visiting Milwaukee picked up its first NL victory.

Burnitz's game-winning drive off Brian Edmondson, the seventh Atlanta pitcher, came one pitch after shortstop Rafael Belliard booted a grounder that could have become an inning-ending double play.

Mike Myers picked up his first win and Adam Butler took the loss in his first major league decision.

**Cubs 8, Marlins 7**  
Jeff Blauser's RBI single capped a two-out rally in the ninth as Chicago overcame a 6-0 first-inning deficit at Miami.

With the score tied in the ninth, Jay Powell (0-1) hit Mark Grace, pinch-hitter Jose Hernandez singled and Blauser lined a 1-0 pitch into left.

Bob Patterson (1-0) pitched 1 2/3 scoreless innings, and Rod Beck got his 200th save, a milestone reached by only 20 other pitchers.

**Pirates 4, Expos 3**  
Tony Womack hit a go-

ahead, two-run single in the seventh at Olympic Stadium as Pittsburgh overcame Vladimir Guerrero's first two-homer game.

With Montreal ahead 3-1 in the seventh, Jose Guillen, Lou Collier and Turner Ward singled off Mike Maddux (0-1) to pull Pittsburgh within a run. Rick DeHart relieved and Womack singled through a drawn-in infield, his second game-winning hit of the season.

Jason Schmidt (1-0) was the winner.

**Reds 5, Padres 1**  
Willie Greene and Chris Stynes homered as Cincinnati won its first game.

Steve Cooke (1-0) held the Padres to one run and four hits in six innings. Jeff Shaw picked Tony Gwynn off first base to undercut a threat in the eighth, and then pitched a perfect ninth for the save.

Andy Ashby remained winless against the Reds at 0-8 in 13 career games.

**Phillies 6, Mets 5**  
Mark Portugal (1-0) got his first win since Aug. 9, 1996, and visiting Philadelphia won despite Gregg Jefferies losing a homer when umpires reversed their initial call and ruled his long drive foul.

The Phillies spoiled the Mets debut of Al Leiter (0-1), long gone when his brother, Mark, relieved for the Phillies. It was the first time they pitched in the same major league game.

Rich Becker's three-run homer off Ricky Bottalico pulled the Mets to 6-5 in the ninth, but Ricky Bottalico settled down for the save.

**Giants 9, Astros 2**  
Stan Javier went 4-for-5 and drove in a career-high five runs to lead San Francisco, which had 16 hits at the Astrodome.

Kirk Rueter (1-0) won despite walking the bases loaded twice. He allowed two runs, three hits and six walks in five innings. Steve Reed and Russell Ortiz completed the three-hitter.

John Halama (0-1), making his major league debut, gave up six runs and nine hits in four innings.

**Orioles 4, Royals 3**  
At Baltimore, Jeffrey Hammonds' two-run single in the bottom of the ninth capped a four-run rally for Baltimore.

The Orioles were 3-54 last season in games in which they trailed after the eighth inning.

Jeff Montgomery (0-1) was the victim of the Orioles' comeback. Harold Baines homered, Brady Anderson walked with the bases loaded and Hammonds singled through the left side.

Armando Benitez (1-0), the sixth Baltimore pitcher, got the last out in the ninth for the win. Royals starter Pat Rapp allowed two hits in seven scoreless innings.

**Devil Rays 7, Tigers 1**  
Mike DiFelice's bases-loaded triple at Tropicana Field broke a seventh-inning tie as Tampa Bay became the fifth expansion team to win its initial series.

Tampa Bay joined Houston (1962), Kansas City (1969), San Diego (1969) and Toronto (1977) as the only expansion teams to finish their first series over .500.

Tony Saunders, the first pick in the expansion draft, and Esteban Yan (1-0) combined on a five-hitter, with Yan getting his first major league win.

**Twins 3, Blue Jays 2**  
At Toronto, Paul Molitor's bases-loaded triple off Kelvin Escobar in the eighth rallied Minnesota.

# Shaq unstoppable in Lakers' 117-106 win

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Shaquille O'Neal showed the Los Angeles Lakers a piece of his repertoire they had never seen before — a 50-point game.

O'Neal had his best game as a member of the Lakers, coming within three points of his career-high as they defeated the New Jersey Nets 117-106 Thursday night.

O'Neal's 50 tied the NBA season-high set by Tracy Murray of Washington on Feb. 10 at Golden State.

"Luckily my shots were falling, my throws were falling," O'Neal said. "I just wanted to come out and have a complete game. They beat us pretty bad last time and they talked about what they did, so we just wanted to come in ready to play."

In 42 minutes, O'Neal shot 18-of-26 from the field and 14-of-20 from the line, where he is usually a 50-percent shooter. He also had nine rebounds.

"It's rare when a player comes out and is on top of his game like that," Lakers guard Kobe Bryant said. "Everything was coming toward Shaq, the ball was coming toward Shaq. Shaq had an excellent game, it was only right to cap it off at the speed limit."

Elsewhere in the NBA, Indiana edged Minnesota 111-108, Golden State downed Houston 104-94, San Antonio defeated Miami 103-89, Seattle beat Dallas 107-86 and New York topped the Los Angeles Clippers 81-70.

O'Neal had the second 50-point game of his career and his 25th of 40 or more. It was also his eighth 30-plus game in the Lakers' last 14 games and his 20th this season. It was the first 50-point performance by a Laker since Cedric Ceballos had 50 against

## NBA ROUNDUP

Minnesota on Dec. 20, 1994.

"He's about 7-foot-7 and he weighs about 800 pounds and he really had his game going," Nets guard Lucious Harris said. "They just came in here and kicked our butts."

The Lakers scored 78 points inside against little opposition from Rony Seikaly, Michael Cage and Chris Gatling.

"What was embarrassing was they were scoring all their points in the paint," Nets guard Sherman Douglas said. "You have to make them earn their points, you can't just give them away. I know we don't have any shot blockers, but you can't keep giving up dunk after dunk and layup after layup."

**Pacers 111, Timberwolves 108**

Anthony Peeler hit four 3-pointers in the closing minutes as Minnesota cut an 18-point deficit to two with 16 seconds remaining at Indiana.

Peeler then missed a short jumper with 13 seconds to play that would have tied the game. Reggie Miller, who finished with 21 points, hit just one of two free throws to give Minnesota a chance to tie on its last possession, but Kevin Garnett, who finished with 24 points and 12 rebounds, missed a 3-pointer at the buzzer.

Antonio Davis led Indiana with a career-high 23 points and 11 rebounds.

**Warriors 104, Rockets 94**

Jim Jackson had 33 points and 11 assists as Golden State had its best shooting game

of the season.

The Warriors, who shot a season-high 52 percent and got 21 points and 11 rebounds from Donyell Marshall, won for only the sixth time all season away from home.

Houston, losing its fourth straight and fifth in six games, trailed by as many as 20 points early in the fourth quarter. The Rockets closed to 99-92 with a minute to go, but Jackson hit a pair of free throws, then blocked a 3-point attempt by Emanuel Davis and added another pair of free throws.

Since his trade to the Warriors on Feb. 17, Jackson has scored in double figures in all 23 games.

**Spurs 103, Heat 89**

Tim Duncan had 22 points and 14 rebounds as the Spurs won their fourth straight game and stopped Miami's seven-game winning streak.

Playing without injured center Alonzo Mourning, sidelined with a fractured cheekbone, Miami tried 24 3-point field goals, but made just six.

David Robinson had 21 points and 14 rebounds and Jaren Jackson scored 15.

**SuperSonics 107, Mavericks 86**

The Sonics reached the 55-victory plateau for the sixth consecutive season by pulling away in the second half to beat Dallas for the first time in three meetings this season.

The Sonics (55-18) had six players in double figures as they moved a half-game ahead of the idle Utah Jazz (54-18) in the race for best record in the Western Conference.

A.C. Green, playing in his 970th consecutive game, led Dallas with 21 points.

# White asks forgiveness in letter to newspaper

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Reggie White is sorry if he offended anybody with a speech in which he criticized homosexuality and cited racial stereotypes when attempting "to reflect the full image of God."

The star defensive end of the Green Bay Packers faxed a statement to the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel late Thursday, saying he did not intend to slight anyone during his March 25 guest appearance before the state Assembly.

"First, I made a point that our society is

fortunate to be comprised of different races and cultures. I must admit that my examples may have been somewhat clumsy and inappropriate on how the races differ, but my intent was not to demean anyone," White said in the statement published on the op-ed page of today's editions.

"If I did, I humbly ask for your forgiveness," he said.

"I did conclude the point by stressing that it takes all of our combined characteristics and qualities to reflect the full image of

God." During his speech, White said the United States has gotten away from God, in part by allowing homosexuality to "run rampant."

Each racial or ethnic group has its own gifts, he said. Together they "form a complete image of God," he said, citing stereotypes of blacks, Hispanics, whites, American Indians and Asians.

After the speech, he told reporters he tried to show that races must put aside their differences and work together.

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**HELP WANTED**

Shirt laundry presser needed. Apply at Comet Cleaners.

AVON \$8-\$18/hr. No Door-to-Door, Quick Cash, Fun & Relaxing 1-800-361-0466.

Need gentlemen to work late shift at laundromat. Fri - Sun. (9pm-1am) \$5.00/pr. hr. Pick up application at 1208 Gregg.

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MISCELLANEOUS

27 cubic ft. Almond refrigerator. 1 yr. old side/side ice, water, in door. Paid \$1500, will sell for \$850. 263-0845

ORIGINAL TY BEANIE BABIES Princess Di, Erin, Valeriano, Peace & others. Call 264-6144 leave offer & number.

THE FIRST BANK OF WEST TEXAS IS ACCEPTING BIDS THRU APRIL 15TH for the following items: Adjustable clothing racks, counters, retail odds and ends, etc.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Contact JOHN SCOTT FIRST BANK OF WEST TEXAS 394-4256.

Best Prices! New large window evap. coolers \$325. (while supplies last.) Branham Furniture 2004 W. 4th • 263-1469

FACTORY DIRECT Sofa, Love seats, \$539.00. Branham Furniture 2004 W. 4th • 263-1469

WEDDINGS by

CREATIVE CELEBRATIONS DISCOUNT-10% off when you book your 1998 wedding this month. Cakes, Abras, arches, silk flowers, etc. Call now for appt. 267-8191

PORTABLE BUILDINGS

As is sale-aged and slightly damaged storage buildings/shops-various sizes-delivery and financing available. Morgan Builders 563-3108.

Must sell this week-display model carport 22'x24'-10" walls-delivery and installation available. Morgan Builders 563-3108.

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Price reduced - slightly damaged and aged 12x24 storage building/shops-delivery and financing available. Morgan Builders 563-3108.

SPAS

Factory direct-no middleman-spas/hot tubs starting at \$9.00 a month-delivery and installation available. Morgan Builders 563-3108.

SWIMMING POOLS

Above ground pools-factory direct-heaviest walls in the industry-starting at \$9.00 a month-delivery and installation available. Morgan Builders 563-3108.

ACREAGE FOR SALE

Small or large acreage For sale will consider financing or Texas Veterans financing. Call 263-8785

HOUSES FOR SALE

By owner. 3/1 det. garage. Qual. assumption. Shop extra. 1609 Tucson. Call 263-4202

For Sale: 1 bedroom house. \$8,000 OBO. Call 915-530-0786.

3217 FENN \$84,600 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 520-9848.

A WORD TO THE \$\$\$ WISE! This neat 2-bedroom brick cottage has just been reduced in price. Open floor plan for large kitchen/cozy den. Economical heat/air. Garage! Fenced! Storm Cellar! Patio! Pecan trees! \$20's. Hurry! Call Reeder Realtors, 267-8266 or Lila Estes, 267-6657.

HOUSES FOR SALE

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.

NEW ON THE MARKET Beautiful Highland South. 607 Highland 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.

I'M MAD ... at banks who don't give real estate loans because of bad credit, problems or new employment. I do, call L.D. Kirk, Homeland Mortgages, (254) 947-4475.

FOR SALE BY OWNER 5 acres in Moss Lake Estates with totally remodeled 3 BR, 2 bath, 2387 sq.ft. home. This is your chance to live in the Coahoma School District as well as \$125,000. Call 393-6628 if interested.

Live FREE one side. Owner finance. \$29,000. \$2,000 down, \$350/mo. 2107 S. Main. Call 1-800-554-1325.

Sparkling clean! Move in Kentwood. 3/2, family livingroom. From carpet to ceiling, all new. Tile fence, lg. storage, garage. Now \$59,000. Call 263-3786.

A GOOD PLACE TO RAISE CHILDREN! Spread out in this 3 or 4 bedroom, 2 bath home in quiet, private setting on large lot. Roller skate on L-shaped, covered patio. Picnic under huge pecan trees. Send the children to Kentwood school! \$50's. Call Reeder Realtors, 267-8266 or Lila Estes, 267-6657.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR SATURDAY, APRIL 4:

Recognizing your limits is instrumental to your well-being. Family and domestic matters put undue stress on you. You have decisions to make that you would prefer not to. Center on what is good for you. Strengthen your foundations, and determine your needs. If you are single, the later part of the year could be a sizzler. You will encounter a spiritual person who shares insights. If attached, there will be divergent opinions about the home. Let romance back into your relationship, and focus more on the pluses than the minuses. LEO makes his feelings known. 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) This is a day to consider being an ostrich. You are challenged, and you respond in kind. You are not surprised when a disagreement breaks out. Play it low profile, and stay close to the nest. Remain tame with family members as well. Tonight: Make love, not war.\*\*\* TAURUS (April 20-May 20) It seems that, despite good intentions, you jinx yourself. It could be the tone of your voice or a facial expression. Keep talks flowing, and be sensitive to others. Complete errands as quickly as possible. Don't indulge in pointless debates. Tonight: Call it an early night.\*\*\* GEMINI (May 21-June 20) It feels impossible to make

ends meet. You know what you want, but the costs of getting there could be high. A friend might get irritated if you back down. Make caring for yourself a top priority. All will end up just fine. Tonight: Put on your favorite duds and go out.\*\*\* CANCER (June 21-July 22) Roll with events. Screen calls; you have demands from people you need to answer to. Make this day yours, and don't get sidetracked. Avoid tension-producing situations. Your personality helps melt barriers. Tonight: Find the action.\*\*\* LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Stay mum while others jump up and down in uproar. News from a distance is irritating, but there is little you can do. Take a nap, relax and practice avoidance. Do for yourself, and recharge worn batteries. Tonight: A breath of fresh air.\*\*\* VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Rethink a decision that irritates a partner. Pull back, and consider the long-term objectives of this situation. Bending might be the best possible response. Use the daylight hours to accomplish what you need. Tonight: A quiet night alone.\*\*\* LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Grilling a partner about what is going on with him proves less than rewarding. Understand what you need to do. Handle responsibilities, but continue to give this difficult person space. There is no agreement now with them. Tonight: Go where your friends are.\*\*\* SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You are more exhausted than

you realize. A change in plans could disappoint others but might be necessary for your own well-being. You are happiest relaxing and not pushing. A discussion about a trip or vacation is necessary. Tonight: You get a second wind.\*\*\* SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Cancel plans that include a cantankerous individual. You will need a magic wand to deal with this person. Talks with a partner are even more difficult than you originally thought. Your best bet is to plan a day trip for as soon as possible. Tonight: Try new, avoid old.\*\*\* CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You feel like you are in a pressure cooker as you try to balance your needs with those of family. It seems as if there is no winning. Pull out, and get above it all. You find a clearing. Discussions are animated but might not be rewarding until later. Tonight: Dinner for two.\*\*\* AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Dig into chores, and get what you need done. There is plenty of time for good times afterward. Until you are ready to

deal with others, screen your calls. You are a lot happier than others, who are generally in a tizzy. Indulge yourself. Tonight: Time to roam.\*\*\* PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) It takes all your creative skills to get through a financial hassle. Do not be pressured or cajoled. Understand and honor your limits. Make time for a delightful hobby. Happiness needn't be expensive. Take time for a child. Tonight: Play until you drop.\*\*\* BORN TODAY Composer Elmer Bernstein (1922), author Kitty Kelley (1942), actress Christine Lahti (1950)

For America's best extended horoscope, recorded by Jacqueline Bigar, call (900) 740-7444, 99 cents per minute. Also featured are The Spoken Tarot and The Runes, which answer your yes-or-no questions. Callers must be 18 or older. A service of InterMedia Inc., Jenkintown, Pa. Jacqueline Bigar is on the Internet at http://www.cool-page.com/bigar. ©1998 by King Features Syndicate Inc.

Teen-age boys and girls share responsibility for choosing sex

DEAR ABBY: As the mother of a teen-age girl who has chosen to have sex, I urge other parents to look at the reasons their teen is going outside the family for affection and attention. Perhaps instead of feeling devastated by the fact that their daughter is no longer a virgin, parents should explore the other things going on in her life. The girl should be made aware that because she has said "yes" once doesn't mean she has to say it again and again. There is a growing movement for "secondary virgins."

I am friendly and have no hang-ups that I'm aware of, but I just can't seem to meet the right man. I refuse to go out with married men (some have asked). I would like to date more, but I have no idea how to find single, decent men. Any suggestions? — CLEMENTINE (NOT MY REAL NAME)

DEAR CLEMENTINE: Your question is one I receive frequently. (Too bad I'm not running a dating service; there are just as many men asking where they can find a decent woman.) One of the first booklets I published is titled, "How to Be Popular: You're Never Too Young or Too Old." The message is as applicable today as it was 20 years ago. In a nutshell: Decent people are found where decent people gather.

Get out of the house and become involved. Enroll in an adult education class, learn to paint or sew, or take a class in auto mechanics or computer training.

Volunteer your services. There are plenty of underprivileged, disabled, elderly and teen-agers who could use a friend. Get involved with your political party, your church or a professional organization.

Take dancing lessons — square dancing, line dancing, ballroom or salsa. Take up fishing or hiking, or join a gym or health club.

Do some entertaining and ask your friends to bring a friend. Let your friends and co-workers know you're available. If you have children, join Parents Without Partners.

P.S. You may not meet someone eligible right away, but you will make new friends — and they may have a friend who's perfect for you.

For an excellent guide to becoming a better conversationalist and a more attractive person, order "How to Be Popular." Send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby Popularity Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

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Abigail Van Buren

THIS WEEKEND'S Garage Sales

\* Look in Too Late's for more!

- 1100 HIGHLAND: Sat. 7am-11am. Clothes excellent condition, women, men & teenager. Silk plants, dishes, & gift items.
- 6109 Walters Rd.-Midway area. Sat. Sun. & Mon. Large 3 family Garage & Estate sale: Collectibles, baby things, furniture, & lots of etcetera.
- Garage Sale: 1605 Indian Hills. Sat. 7-2. Rocky Mountain Jeans, shirts, plus size & boys clothes, decorative items, car bed, videos, antiques.
- Garage Sale: 2903 Cactus: 3 Family: Sat. 8am. Lot's of stuff.
- GARAGE SALE: 3701 Dixon Sat. 8-12. 3-family sale. Lot's of misc.
- GARAGE SALE: Sat. 8:00-12:00. 511 Highland. Children's, baby, ladies & mens clothes, Ty Beanie Babies, lot's of misc.
- Saturday Only! 208 Washington Blvd. 8:30-1:00. Baby clothes, toys, household items, men's & women's clothing.
- 2517 Central: Sat. & Sun. 8-5. Lots of stuff, interior doors, electric range top, solid wall unit, tables, more.
- 7 FAMILY: 3 Separate houses in Ackerly. Sat. 8-2pm. Corners of 2nd St. & Ave. H. Furniture, household items, exercise equip., adult-children & baby clothes, baby furn. & lots of baby misc, toys.
- Carport Sale: 1506 Johnson. Fri. & Sat. & Sun 8:30. Easter Baskets, toys, plants, knic-knacks, bunk beds, misc.
- Garage Sale: 2620 Crestline. Fri & Sat. 8-7 Word Processor, twin beds, sheets. Lot's of NEW merchandise. All proceeds are for the Relay for Life.
- Giant Backyard Sale: 4219 Calvin Sat. 8-2 Sun. 8-12. Dishes, lots of clothes from infant to XX Large sizes. Lots of misc. items.
- Little Girl & Adult clothes, shoes, bed, furniture, grill & more. Friday-Saturday, 7am. 2514 Central.
- Yard Sale: 5802 Midway Rd. Fri. & Sat. April 3 & 4 starting at 9 am each day. Miscellaneous items.
- HUGE SALE: Fri & Sat. 9-5. 1311 Lindbergh. Tools, adult potty, shower bench, dishes, clothing, craft items. misc.
- Sat. 8-7 West of Coahoma, turn on Maple St. at Dome house. Microwave, luggage, lawn mower, toys, kids, adult clothes, VCR, encyclopedia.
- YARD SALE: Saturday, 8-1. 705 E. 17th. Clothes, Futon, full size bed, misc. NO EARLY SALES!
- 2 Family Sale: 1014 Baylor Sat. 8-7 Sun. 1-4. Microwave, exercise equip., lawn edger, 2-working washing machines, girls clothes 8-12, mens clothes lg., womens clothes 14-16. Lot's of misc. Sheet sets (full & queen), full set of dishes, & X-Mas decorations.
- 2805 Coronado, 9-5 Sat. 4/4/98. Household goods, clothes, tools, Nordic Rider, doors, floor furnace, water heaters, bathroom heaters & more.
- 4-FAMILY CARPORT SALE: 1809 Morrison Dr. Saturday, 7:00-11:00am. Mens & women's clothes, Maternity clothes, boys newborn thru size 16, girls newborn thru Toddler, baby swing & high chair, toddler bed w/bedding, baby accessories, toys, ill' boys bike, stroller & lots of other miscellaneous. NO CHECKS!!
- Garage Sale: 12 Chapman Rd. east of Salem exit. Friday & Sat.
- GARAGE SALE: 2311 Mishler. Sat. 8:00-1:00pm. Too much to mention, telephones, clothes, Game Boy game & tapes, kitchen table & much more.
- Garage Sale: 4607 Aspen South on Wasson-west on Cypress to Aspen. Fri & Sat. 8-7 Furniture, misc.
- GARAGE SALE: 605 Washington. Furniture, dishes, clothes & much more. Saturday, 8:00am-7
- Garage Sale: Sat. 8-7only 808 E. 14th, little boys & all size girls clothes, table & chairs, misc.
- MOVING SALE: 2516 E. 24TH ST. 8AM-5PM. SAT. April 4th. 34 yrs. of everything, Tools, bedding, lawn mower etc.

HOUSES FOR SALE

DOUBLE DELIGHT! Nice home! Nice price! Charming and comfortable 3 bedrooms with formal separate dining and nice kitchen. Very pretty setting on corner lot with picket fence and 2-car garage. \$30's! Call Reeder Realtors, 267-8266 or Lila Estes, 267-6657.

SLEEPING BEAUTY! T.L.C. plus a few minor repairs is all that's needed to make this home glisten. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, large family room, dining, breakfast room, and huge game room. Great location! Great investment! \$50's. Call Reeder Realtors, 267-8266 or Lila Estes, 267-6657.

2bd. home for sale: \$19,500; Owner will finance w/low down payment, low monthly. 1104 E. 13th. Call 915-520-3649.

HATE TO LEAVE New, 3bd, 2bth. Corner lot, lg. fenced yard, tool shed, 10 yr. Warranty. 3223 Fenn. Call 268-9036 after 6pm.

FREE HOUSE w/ purchase of \$60,000 Pecan trees. Must sell quickly. May see at 1602 Runnels. Call 264-6211.

MOBILE HOMES

1997 Abandoned Doublewide 653-1152 or 800-626-9978.

PONDEROSA APARTMENTS \*Furnished & Unfurnished \*All Utilities Paid \*Covered Parking \*Swimming Pools 1425 E. 6th St. 268-6319

BEAUTIFUL GARDEN COURTYARD \*Swimming Pool \*Private Patios \*Carports \*Appliances \*Most Utilities Paid \*Senior Citizens Discount \*1 & 2 Bedroom Unfurnished PARKHILL TERRACE APARTMENTS 800 W. Marcy Drive 263-5855 263-5000

LOVELY NEIGHBORHOOD COMPLEX Swimming Pool Carports. Most Utilities Paid. Senior Citizens Discounts. 1 & 2 Bedrooms & 1 or 2 Baths Unfurnished KENTWOOD APARTMENTS 1904 East 25th Street 267-5444 263-5000

MOBILE HOMES

1998 Singlewide \$13,900. Call for Brochure. Storm windows, 5 year warranty. Set-up delivery. A-1 Homes of San Angelo 653-1152 or 800-626-9978. Call for Color Brochure. A-1 Homes San Angelo 653-1152 or 800-626-9978.

Duplewide Fixer Upper \$8,900. A-1 Mobile Homes of San Angelo. 653-1152 or 800-626-9978. REPO Doublewide. Must sell! A-1 Homes of San Angelo 653-1152 or 800-626-9978.

1997 doublewide repo 4 bedroom 2 bath, low down payment and you can own a nearly new home. Homes of America Odessa, TX. 1-915-363-0881 or 1-800-725-0881.

\*Casa mobil doble. Infinidad de gabinetes, doble ventanas mas insulation. 10% de enanche y \$249.00 pr mes, 300 meses, 9.75 p.l. a lame hoy a Homes Of America Odessa, Tx. 1-915-363-0881 or 1-800-725-0881

\* Used Mobile Home for sale 363-8963

\* Very, Very, low down payment!! 1997 16x80 must sacrifice, only 2 left Hurry and get your's today. Homes of America Odessa, Tx. 1-915-363-0881 or 1-800-725-0881 Se habla espanol

LAKE PROPERTY

8x32 ft./Trailer at Lake Colorado City on leased lot. Fur. 1/1, w/10x20 screened in porch. \$4100. Call 806-794-3870 or 806-781-3545

FURNISHED APTS.

1 bedroom apt. for rent on 505 E. Nolan. Apt. D. \$200./mo., \$100./dep. 263-7648 or 263-3855.

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

UNFURNISHED HOUSES

3 bd., 1 bath Duplex. 2107 Main, HUD only \$350/mo + \$50./dep. Call 1-800-554-1325.

3/1 form. D.R., lg. upstairs room, w/D conn. 1 yr old carpet thru out, Huge parking area. \$450., \$225./dep. References req. 1411 Johnson. After 10am Sat. or call 270-1953.

100 Jefferson. 2 bdr. 1 bath, large utility. RENTED. deposit, references. \$450.00 264-6453 or 263-2944

2 bdr. 1 bath, new paint, CH/A RENTED, new carpet. \$400 E. 15. 263-3426

3 Bdr 1 1/2 bath, freshly painted. Rent \$375., \$200 dep. After 5:00 267-2939.

Do you have a house for sale? A car? Let the Herald Classified section help you. Call us Today! 263-7331

UNFURNISHED HOUSES

1 bdr. large fenced yard. Air conditioning, nice furniture. 267-7714

Nice 3 bd, 2 bath House for rent. 17 miles South of Big Spring on 87. Glascock ISD. 915-398-5565.

3/2/1 Nice area \$485.; 3/2/CP Duplex \$450.; Mob. Home 2/2/CP \$345. All have appliances. No pets. 267-2070

1009 Nolan. 2-bedroom, Stove & frig. furnished. \$225/mo. Call 263-4410.

TOO LATES

FOUND: Vicinity of Hillcrest Daycare, Male Rottweiler puppy w/red collar. Approx. 9 wks old. If owner not found, needs new home. 263-8813.

1995 FORD F-350 Powerstroke Crew Cab Dually. Only 35,000 miles. Loaded! Excellent cond. 267-1547 or 263-2261.

NOW HIRING: All Positions! Please apply daily between 8-10am. Furr's Family Dining, 2503 Gregg.

1996 Chevy Lumina: Loaded, 34,000/miles. Call M.F. 9-4 263-1361.

1996 Rockwood Travel Trailer. Loaded, just like new. M.F. 9-4 263-1361

Distributorship. Free sample, Local rte. no selling, protected territories. 800-737-9495/24hrs.

HILLCREST IN COLORADO CITY LOW MONTHLY PAYMENTS for new 3 and 4-bedroom homes in planned neighborhood with park. Great for families. Down-payment assistance allowing \$0 move-in and low interest mortgages available. Visit Hillcrest in Colorado City at 1929 Mattie Woods Lane or call 915-728-3454.

FOR RENT: 2 bdr. house in West Side. Fenced backyard, storage, HUD approved. Call 267-6179.

PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF BIG SPRING PUBLIC WORKS The City Council has directed the City Manager to designate and maintain one (1) way stop sign on McEwen Street yielding to Stadium. Big Spring City Code Sec. 18-133. Stop Intersections. Authorizes the City Manager to designate and maintain stop intersections on streets as directed by the City Council. 1810 April 3 & 5, 1998

FRIDAY

APR. 3

Table with 24 columns (stations) and 7 rows (times 6-12 AM) listing various TV programs and their corresponding channels.

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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

Today is Friday, April 3, the 93rd day of 1998. There are 272 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On April 3, 1968, less than 24 hours before he was assassinated in Memphis, Tenn., civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. told a rally of striking sanitation workers, "It really

doesn't matter with me now, because I've been to the mountain top, and I don't mind." On this date: In 1860, the legendary Pony Express began service between St. Joseph, Mo., and Sacramento, Calif.

THE Daily Crossword

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down words.

Thursday's Puzzle Solved grid with filled-in words and their definitions.

PARK & PUTT Miniature Golf Park & Driving Range advertisement.

RITZ 401 S. Main advertisement.

CINEMA 1 advertisement for Titanic and other movies.

BIG SPRING HERALD advertisement with contact information and office hours.