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## Officials close to putting final wraps on Beals Creek project

By CARLTON JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

The Beals Creek Flood Control Project, which recently had its ribbon cutting to mark completion of construction, still has a few details to wrap up, city officials said.

City Manager Gary Fuqua told city council members Tuesday that the project recently took another step toward total completion when Congress

released the \$1.7 million that was owed the contractor by the federal government.

"Congress has released the funds and the city hopes to sit down with the contractor and close out its own financial obligation on the project," Fuqua said. "We will probably take a trip to Fort Worth in a couple of weeks to sit down and talk to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers."

What remains to be done is

hauling away contaminated soil as well as planting grass on the slope of the channel, officials said.

When all is complete, the city hopes to have around \$100,000 to \$150,000 left from bond funds to maintain the channel, Fuqua said.

"We signed an agreement with the U.S. government as to our responsibility for maintaining the channel, such as moving and dredging," Community

development Director Todd Darden said. "If we get a machine for those purposes, I would like for it to be something we could also use in other departments."

In October 1992, Big Spring voters approved a bond to finance the project, which had an original price tag of about \$4.7 million. The city's share of that was \$1.4 million.

Early in 1997, the project ran into a construction delay

because more contaminated soil than expected was discovered.

The source of the contamination stemmed from petroleum products used in the area several years ago, officials said.

Officials originally hoped to use the contaminated soil from the site as cover at the city landfill, but the level of contamination — more than the 600 parts per million limit — thwarted that idea.

The amount of contaminated

soil officials had to deal with was estimated as the equivalent of a football field 13 and a half feet high.

The additional contamination increased the estimated project cost to \$10,885,800, of which \$2,721,450 was owed by the city.

The city eventually received \$1.9 million in credit (for in-kind services) for disposal of the soil and estimated the cleanup process had a value of about \$3.8 million.

## Firefighters' convention Saturday

By CARLTON JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

On Saturday, firefighters from 44 cities will converge on Big Spring to participate in the Permian Basin District Firefighters Association convention. The convention will consist of the district business meeting and pumper races.

Pumper races will be held on 10th Street, beginning at 1:30 p.m.

"We expect approximately 600 firefighters to attend the convention," Howard County Volunteer Fire Department (VFD) Chief Tommy Sullivan said.

The men's business meeting will begin at 9 a.m. in the Big Spring High School auditorium and the women's auxiliary meeting will be in the high school band hall.

"During the business meeting, we will also have a memorial service for the firefighters who have died in the line of duty in the last year," Sullivan said.

"This is something we do each year during the spring convention."

To help cover the cost expenses associated with building rental, trophies and food for the Saturday evening meal, the VFD is selling sponsorships.

Saturday's dinner will be from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Howard County Fair Barn, following by a dance.

Individuals and corporations who help sponsor the event will be recognized in Sunday's *Big Spring Herald*, according to Sullivan. Sponsorships are at the following rates: corporate sponsorship, \$250; trophy sponsorship, \$100; and general sponsorship, \$20 to \$90.



From right, Seth Mansfield and Megan Parrish listen during rehearsals for the annual Coahoma Kindergarten Rodeo. Both children were clowns in the rodeo, which was held this morning at the elementary gym.

## Early voting Balloting begins in city, school, college elections

By CARLTON JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

Tuesday's primary runoff election brought a close to this spring's county and statewide races, but Wednesday saw the start of early voting in city, school board and college board races.

The Big Spring Independent School District has had the luxury of canceling its election since there were three at-large positions up for election and only three candidates running.

Incumbents Al Valdes, Steve Fraser and newcomer Mike Dawson were declared winners in the aborted election.

In city races, which include the race for mayor and city council District 5, early voting began Wednesday and will run through Tuesday, April 28. The election will be held May 2.

During the early voting period, ballots will be cast in city hall each day, beginning at 8 a.m. and continuing through 5 p.m.

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

Mayor Tim Blackshear is seeking reelection to a third term in office, and is being challenged by Wendell D.

McDonald, who says the city is in major decay and needs to do more for people with AIDS as well as make more areas wheelchair accessible.

Blackshear and McDonald are joined on the ballot by former city councilwoman Pat DeAnda, who served with Blackshear through two terms on the council.

The District 5 seat is being sought by Jeff Gunselman, who challenged incumbent Chuck Cawthon and Greg Biddison in 1996 for the District 3 council seat, which Cawthon eventually won.

Joining Gunselman on the ballot for the District 5 seat are Ron Booth, JoAnn Smoot and Maria Douglas.

The drawing for positions on the May 2 ballot was held March 20 in 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: Maria Douglas, Ron Booth, Jeff Gunselman and JoAnn S. Smoot.

All eligible voters may cast ballots in the mayoral election.

However, only residents residing in city District 5 may cast ballots in that race.

## Howard College changes programs to allow night, weekend completion

By KATHY GILBERT  
Staff Writer

For the first time in history, Howard College nursing students will be able to complete their associates' degrees entirely on nights and weekends.

Like most U.S. colleges, Howard is struggling to meet the needs of a student population that is older and more interested in work than in traditional academics.

Night and weekend programs are one of many changes Howard College is making to capture the interest of a changing population.

"The Allied Health area is really growing and trying to meet the needs of the community," said Director of Nursing Cindy Stokes.

To keep people involved in the nursing program, students will also be admitted to the program twice a year, said President Cheri Sparks. "If one of the student nurses has a problem and

has to exit, it allows another opportunity for re-entrance."

Howard hopes to enroll 10 students in the program when it debuts in Spring 1999. If the program becomes popular, it will expand, Stokes said.

"We have a tentative plan worked out and we'll work out the glitches as we go," she explained.

The alternative Associate Degree Nursing Program will provide the same curriculum as the traditional degree program, but at a different time, Stokes said.

Details are being hammered out, but classes are expected to run for four hours on Thursday and Friday nights. Clinical coursework will be taught for 12 hours on Saturdays.

"The hospitals would love to have us on weekends," Stokes said.

Many nursing students are used to working late hours during nights and weekends, so the program will probably not be

unattractive for that reason, Stokes said.

To gain the diversity of clinical hospital experience required for an associates degree, Howard College nursing students must travel to Snyder, Lubbock, Midland, and other locations, she said. "They are on the road at 1 a.m."

An alternative class time will simply allow students to work full-time while completing their coursework.

The program will be especially valuable for single moms, she added. "For students who work and with families it's a great alternative."

Howard has seen a growing need for classes that fit working students' schedules over the years, Stokes said. "We've had people who've suggested it for years."

One faculty member will be hired to teach 10 students, using Howard's required 1-to-10 faculty-student ratio for nursing courses, Stokes said.

## Chamber of Commerce busy with accreditation procedure

By CARLTON JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce is in the midst of its accreditation process, but that's not slowing down the chamber's normal schedule of activities.

The chamber's most immediate order of business is this weekend's health fair, which the chamber is co-sponsoring along with 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; Wal-Mart; and Leonard's Pharmacy.

For the accreditation process six committees have been formed.

Committees and their chairpersons include: Linda

Conway, organization; Allan Johnson, program of action; Mark Odle, finance; Frances Wheat, staff; Shirley Lee, communications; and Kent Sharp, plant and equipment.

"We are also working on our bylaws," Kennedy said. "We have some discrepancies and some things that are outdated."

Some of the details to be worked out are minor where wording in the bylaws are concerned.

One example is that the chamber has committees and not councils as it once did, which is one of the changes to be made in the bylaws.

"By May 18, we hope to have reports from our accreditation committees and by Aug. 21 we want to have submitted our report to the U.S. Chamber of Commerce," Kennedy added.

Being accredited by the U.S. Chamber is important for several reasons, according to

Executive Vice President Terri Newton.

"The importance of accreditation is that we will be endorsed by the U.S. Chamber," Newton said. "They have certain guidelines we have to follow, which makes us a better chamber."

"Because of their guidelines, we know if we have the proper programs to help our local businesses," Newton added. "It helps our businesses to know that someone's stamp of approval says we're doing things the right way."

The submission to the U.S. Chamber on Aug. 21 will include rating, written comments, recommendations and exhibits.

Other items on Wednesday's meeting agenda of the chamber's board of directors included discussion of the Business After Hours program, and upcoming spring and fall business seminars.

### WEATHER

Tonight:



Fri:



Sat:



Sun:



Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows 40-45. Friday, mostly cloudy. A slight chance of showers. Highs in the 60s. Friday night, mostly cloudy. A chance of showers. Lows upper 30s and 40s. Extended forecast, Saturday, chance of showers. Highs mid 60s to mid 70s. Sunday, dry. Lows in the 40s. Highs in the 70s. Monday, slight chance of thunderstorms.

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## Coahoma board candidate points to managerial skills

By KATHY GILBERT  
Staff Writer

A hotly contested race in the Coahoma Independent School District has seven candidates vying for two three-year at-large positions.

Elections will be held Saturday, May 2. Early voting started

Wednesday and will last through April 28.

Challenger Cindy Neff, 32, a managed care director at the West Texas Centers for Mental Health and Mental Retardation in Big Spring and mother of two, says she will use her values and ethics to be the best board member she can be.

A native of Greenwood, she moved to Coahoma in 1992.

"I wanted to be in Coahoma because I'm used to that type of community," she said. "They have strong family values and I want my children to part of

that. Coming from a similar community, I feel very much at home."

She had been considering a school board run for several years. "When the opportunity presented itself this year, I felt like I needed to take advantage of it and give it my best effort."

A stint on a Coahoma district-wide site-based decision-making team also sparked her interest, she said.

The school board is a good place to use her job skills in planning, diplomacy and representation, Neff said. She man-

ages mental health and mental retardation service contracts for a 23-county area and directly supervises 10-13 staff members.

"Community involvement and input is a big part of my position. Making sure we're talking to the people we provide services and that they're getting the services they need — not what we think they need, but what they think they need."

The current school board is "doing a fine job," Neff said. "I'm not running because I have

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OBITUARIES

Jeanne W. Edgar

Rosary for Jeanne W. Edgar, 69, Big Spring, will be 7 p.m. tonight at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel led by David King. Funeral service will be 2 p.m. Friday, April 17, 1998, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Rev. Jeremiah McCarthy, pastor of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, officiating. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.



EDGAR

Mrs. Edgar died Monday, April 13, in a San Antonio hospital.

She was born on April 5, 1929, in Sweetwater, and married John Edgar on Dec. 31, 1967, in Big Spring. Mrs. Edgar attended school in Coahoma and Westbrook, graduating from Westbrook High School in 1947. She then attended Howard Junior College. After college she was employed at the First National Bank and Pinkies Liquor Store in Big Spring. She attended Medical Arts Nursing School and was a dedicated nurse for over 30 years, retiring and returning to Big Spring in 1993. She was a Catholic and was attending Rica Classes at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church.

Survivors include: her husband, John Edgar of Big Spring; two daughters, Stephanie Cannon of Phoenix, Ariz., and Toni Jabor-Mrotz of Pottsville; one son, Jimmy Skelton of Phoenix, Ariz.; six grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Jack E. York, Sr.

Graveside service for Jack E. York, Sr., 81, Fort Worth, formerly of Big Spring, will be 11 a.m. Friday, April 17, 1998, at Trinity Memorial Park with Rev. Glynn David, pastor of Abundant Life Church in Garland, and Rev. Jerry Berry, pastor of Kelview Heights in Midland, officiating.

Mr. York died Tuesday, April

14, at his daughter's residence in Midland.

He was born on May 23, 1916, in Trinidad, Colo., and married Jimedith Sanders on Oct. 8, 1937, in Fort Worth. She preceded him in death on July 26, 1996. Mr. York had worked for the Civilian Conservation Corps Company 856, in Sherman in 1935. He was a truck driver for Merchants Fast Motor Lines for 45 years. He was a Baptist and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows in Irving.

Survivors include: two daughters, Betty Beebe and Joyce Holmes, both of Midland; two sons, Jack E. York, Jr. of Garland, and Larry York of Dallas; one sister, Maxine Grimsley of Fort Worth; eight grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to: Hospice of Midland; P.O. Box 2621; Midland, Texas; 79702.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Darrell Adams

Darrell Vincent Adams, 73, Midland, died Tuesday, April 14, in a Midland hospital. Prayer service will be 7 p.m. tonight at Pipkin Funeral Home Chapel, Midland. Funeral service will be 10 a.m. Friday, April 17, 1998, at Our Lady of San Juan Church in Midland with Father Tom Kelly officiating. Burial will follow in Fairview Cemetery.

Arrangements under the direction of Pipkin Funeral Home.

He was born March 17, 1925, in Granbury, but spent his early years in Forsan. He graduated from Forsan High School. He attended Texas Tech. He was a decorated veteran of World War II with service in the US Army. He received Combat Infantryman's Badge, Purple Heart Medal, two Bronze Stars with combat V, American Campaign Medal, EAME Campaign Medal, World War II Victory Medal and French Croix de Guerre with Palm. He worked for Mobil Oil and the city of Midland as airport manager. He was a member of the American Association of Airport Executives, Accredited Airport Executive, Executive Emeritus. He, also, was a member of the Suburban Lions Club, Colonel Confederate Air Force, Society of the 3rd INF Division, Quite Birdmen (QB) Member, Midland Hanger, Veterans Land Board, and county committee member. In the Lions International, he served as Past President Terminal Lions Club, Past President Suburban Lions Club and Past Director. He had also served as Campaign Treasurer for county commissioner Louisa Valencia. He enjoyed hunting and fishing, genealogy research and stayed active after his retirement for the City of Midland.

Survivors include: his wife of 49 years, Mary Adams of Midland; four sons, Paul Adams and wife Margaret of Lubbock, Pete Adams of Lewisville, Ben Adams and wife Melinda of Euless, and John Adams and wife Sharon of Dripping Springs; three daughters, Agnes Adams of Houston, and Aimee Jackson and husband Richard of Midland; a brother, Col. John Adams and wife June of McAllen; 12 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be his grandchildren.

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James S. Parks

Funeral service for Chaplain James S. Parks, 90, Bedford, formerly of Big Spring, will be Friday, April 17, 1998, at 10 a.m. in the Sheffield Funeral Home in Temple with Dr. Mark Labaj and the Rev. Theiss Jones officiating. Burial will be in the Ridgeview Memorial Park, McKinney, at 3:30 p.m. Chaplain Parks died Monday, April 13, in a Dallas nursing home.

He was born on Aug. 4, 1907, in Towanda, Kan. He attended Baylor University in 1992 and 1993 at the age of 84 and 85. He married Thelma Gladys Price on Sept. 29, 1933, in Houston. She preceded him in death on Jan. 14, 1988. He served as chaplain in the Army during World War II and the Korean War. He pastored various churches including East Fourth Street Baptist Church and Baptist Temple Church, both in Big Spring.

Survivors include: a daughter, Barbara Jean Roddy of Arlington; a sister, Mrs. Lois Williams of Dallas; two granddaughters; and one grandson. Arrangements under the direction of Sheffield Funeral Home, Temple.

Billy Ray Carter

Billy Ray Carter, 69, Big Spring, died on Wednesday, April 15, 1998, at his residence. Service will be 10 a.m. Saturday, April 18, 1998, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Pastor Carroll Kohl, of St. Paul Lutheran Church, officiating. Graveside service will be 10 a.m. Monday, April 20, 1998, at Deyo Mission Cemetery in Cache, Okla., with Rev. Jerry Black officiating.

CARTER

He was born on April 23, 1928, in Merkel and married Ramona Kosepeah on June 18, 1973, in Durant, Okla.

He attended school at Center Point and Big Spring. Mr. Carter was an electrician for Cosden-Petrofina and Fina Oil and Chemical Company for 30 years, retiring in June of 1984. He coached Little League for several years.

Mr. Carter was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church. He was in the United States Army Air Force from 1945 to 1949 and was in the Air Force Reserves from 1949 to 1956. He was a member of the Cosden 25 Year Club, the American Bowling Congress for 22 years and a past member of the Eagles Lodge.

Survivors include: his wife, Ramona Carter of Big Spring; one son, David Ray Carter of Lubbock; two step-daughters, Noma Barker of Cache, Okla., and Amber Jones of Big Spring; one step-son, Barthel Jones of San Marcos; one brother, Howard Carter of Clyde; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Alfred Riley Carter and Samantha Violet Cox Carter.

Honorary pallbearers will be Tom Shirley, Jerry Metcalf, Charles Williams, Olin Bearden, Don Barker and G.A. Darden.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests memorials to: Family Hospice; 3210 E. 11th Place; Big Spring; or St. Paul Lutheran Church; 810 Scurry; Big Spring. Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Paid obituary

NEFF

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complaints. I feel they're doing a good job with what they have at hand."

Academic achievement is critical, she said. "I think it's very important to emphasize our academics, and celebrate our academic achievements."

Recruiting excellent teachers is the way to guarantee continued academic success, she explained.

"We have an excellent group of teachers and I want to provide them with all the support possible in continuing to recruit good teachers into the system."

Creating good relations between the community and

BIG SPRING  
AROUND THE TOWN

schools is also a top goal. She pledged to "foster the development of community and school involvement, building better support for kids," and said "the community and schools together can meet the changes" that are normal for any governmental body.

Neff, a self-described full-time working mom, tries to spend as much time with her family as possible and is a member of the First Baptist Church of Coahoma.

Other candidates in the Coahoma election are challengers Becky Holleman, Troy Kerby, Walter Lee, Jesse Lee Metcalf, and Leroy Walker. Incumbent Hubert Rowden is seeking re-election. Incumbent John Wayne Metcalf stepped down to run in the county commissioner's race.

BRIEFS

DAVID BARTON, NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED Christian historian, will speak at a patriotic program tonight at 7 p.m. in the high school auditorium. Admission is free, and the program will include a performance by the Big Spring High School band, as well as a vocal performance by Cathy Mays.

ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL SCHOOL is selling six flavors of frozen cookie dough in three-pound tubs for \$10 each. The sale begins Tuesday, continuing through April 20.

The dough is from the Red Apple Baking Company, and includes such flavors as chunky chocolate, radical raisin oatmeal, macadamia madness and others. For more information, call the school at 263-0203.

THE BIG SPRING 17TH ANNUAL Friends of Medina Children's Home Dinner will be 7 p.m. on Saturday, April 18, at the Howard College cafeteria. Tickets are \$15 per person, with the proceeds going to Medina Children's Home. Tickets are available at the 14th & Main Church of Christ. You can call 263-1303.

The dinner is open to anyone interested in helping the Medina Home.

THE COAHOMA LIONS CLUB is planning their annual community-wide garage sale. If you would like to participate and have a garage sale on May 16 in Coahoma, register at the Little Sooper Market or call Irene at 394-4424. Something new this year for clubs or people who live out of town, we will have spaces to rent. Deadline to register is Tuesday, May 12.

FORMER STUDENTS OF TEXAS A&M University will assemble in Big Spring Tuesday for the annual Texas Aggie Muster. Chair is Hayes Stripling. Activities consist of dinner and a traditional program beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Big Spring Country Club. It is open to all former students and their families, parents of students, and friends.

Texas Lottery

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SPRINGBOARD

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

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

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

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

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

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

• Masonic Lodge NO. 1340, 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster. Call Ron Long, 267-8715.

• Rackley-Swords Chp. 379 Vietnam Veterans of America, 7 p.m., 124 Jonesboro Road.

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

• Coahoma's 20th Annual Kindergarten Stickhorse Rodeo, 9 a.m., Coahoma Elementary Gym. Everyone welcome!

• Fun Dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m., Canterbury, 1700 Lancaster. \$3 cover charge.

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

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Wednesday's high 88  
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Average high 79  
Average low 49  
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Month to date 0.00  
Month's normal 0.60  
Year to date 2.71  
Normal for the year 2.82

POLICE

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

• DAVID MARTIN, 18, was arrested for public intoxication.

• SHANNA PIERCEFIELD, 18, was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia.

• SHANE BRIM, 24, was arrested for driving while license invalid.

• JIMMY DUBOSE, 36, was arrested for public intoxication.

• JOHN GALAN, 18, was arrested for burglary of a building.

• RAUL FLORES, 17, was arrested for burglary of a building.

• THEFT reported in the 900 block of Willa and the 2300 block of Wasson.

• FELONY THEFT reported in the 400 block of Washington.

• FORGERY reported in the 2200 block of Gregg.

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Quita Shryack, 65, died Monday. Services will be 2:00 PM, Thursday at Trinity Baptist Church, with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

James R. Hawkins died Wednesday. Services are pending.

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Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory  
906 Gregg St.  
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Jeanne W. Edgar, 69, died Monday. Rosary will be 7:00 PM Thursday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Services will be 2:00 PM Friday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Jack York, 81, died Tuesday. Graveside services will be at 11:00 AM Friday at Trinity Memorial Park.

Billy Ray Carter, 69, died Wednesday. Services will be 10:00 AM Saturday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Graveside services will be 10:00 AM Monday at Deyo Mission Cemetery in Cache, Oklahoma.

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# Driving Miss Crazy TV stunt driver fools instructor

ABILENE (AP) — Driving instructor Allen Merritt thought he had taken on the world's worst student driver. She nearly flattened a construction worker and a food stand and ran afoul of a police officer.

But as it turned out, the joke was on Merritt.

The "student from hell" was actually a Hollywood stunt driver hired by a TV show called "Payback" in cooperation with Merritt's colleague, A-1 Academy of Driving owner Rick Bennett.

"I had no idea what was going on," Merritt, 67, said after the ordeal was over. "Everybody knew but me!"

Eight cameras recorded the road rage of stuntwoman Jill Brown, who was helped with the gag by a bogus construction worker, a phony policeman and a fraudulent food stand.

"It was a driving instructor's worst nightmare," said 34-year-old stuntman and actor Johnny Cann, who portrayed a police officer. Genuine Abilene patrolman Kevin Easley rode with Cann just in case some bona fide catastrophe actually arose.

"We put this stuntwoman in the driver's seat with him and told her to drive like a maniac," Cann said.

"And then we had a second driver bothering her on the road. Then we had what amounted to an obstacle course of things for them to run amok through."

Merritt grew increasingly frustrated as he became convinced that his "student" was out of control.

"Nobody's listening to me!" Merritt cried out, according to witnesses. "The police aren't listening to me, you're not listening to me and he's not listening to me!"

Bennett enjoyed the scene. "It was great," he said. "Al was hilarious. I'm sure all of his students will love it."

# Long-time Cambodian strongman Pol Pot dead at 73

ANLONG VENG, Cambodia (AP) — Cheating pursuers who believed they were days away from capturing him for trial, toppled Khmer Rouge leader Pol Pot died in the jungle — evading prosecution in the deaths of as many as 2 million countrymen. He was 73.

Cambodians wept in disappointment after hearing that Pol Pot had died of heart failure Wednesday in a hut barely 275 yards from the Thai border, even as the last diehard members of his vanquished movement were moving toward surrendering him to an international tribunal.

"He deserved to die. I am only sorry that he died so easily without being tried," sobbed Kim Saren, whose entire family died under Pol Pot's regime.

The Khmer Rouge and the Thai military showed an Associated Press photographer the body today, seeking to ease doubts about the often-rumored death.

Pol Pot's Khmer Rouge ruled Cambodia from 1975 to 1979, killing everyone who stood in the way of remaking the country into a Marxist agrarian regime. One person in five died of starvation, illness or execution.

King Norodom Sihanouk, whom the Khmer Rouge deposed, recently described Pol Pot as "one of the most powerful monsters ever created by humanity."

The last few hundred Khmer Rouge were on the run from government soldiers and the movement was nearing its

demise at the time of his death. He was no longer the leader, but a prisoner of his own men who were offering to turn him over for trial in exchange for a peace deal.

Pol Pot's wife discovered his body when she went to arrange the mosquito netting around him for the night, said Non Nou, his Khmer Rouge jailer.

"At 12 midnight his wife came to us" sobbing, Non Nou said. "She learned that her husband was dead when she was tying the net for him. He died in a hut built for him after he lost his power."

Non Nou said Pol Pot's body would be kept for one or two days before a traditional Cambodian funeral. "Wait and see," he said when asked if journalists or outsiders would be

allowed to attend. A small group of journalists, including Associated Press photographer David Longstreath, was shown the body. Teen-age guerrillas carrying AK-47s stood impassively around the body lying on a wooden bed inside a simple hut reeking from formaldehyde.

A bouquet of pink and white flowers rested at the head of Pol Pot, who was dressed in gray slacks, an off-white short-sleeved cotton shirt and partially covered with a lime-green shroud.

Skepticism about the news of the reclusive leader's death was especially strong given the timing.

The United States sought China's aid on April 9 in bringing him to trial for crimes

against humanity, and his comrades-turned-captors were mulling over what nation, if any, they should surrender him.

"I think we could almost have arrested him tomorrow. It was very close," said Youk Chhang, director of the Documentation Center of Cambodia, a Yale University-affiliated project gathering evidence against top Khmer Rouge leaders in case they are ever brought to trial.

Youk Chhang said countries like Thailand and China must be "relieved" about the death because Pol Pot would not be able to reveal just how much these countries had aided his movement.

To the end, Pol Pot showed no regret, or even recognition of the misery he had caused.

# Business over Internet is booming

WASHINGTON (AP) — More Americans are using and conducting business over the Internet, a new Commerce Department study has found, and few places is the trend more apparent than in the airline reservations business.

Using new services that let them act as their own travel agent, increasing numbers of fliers are going on-line to check flight times and air fares and to buy their own tickets.

In 1996, Internet users booked \$276 million worth of travel business on-line — 90 percent of which was for airplane tickets, according to the study released Wednesday. In 1997, the volume tripled to \$827 million, with airline tickets again constituting the bulk of the business.

By 2000, the Commerce Department predicts, on-line travel sales could total \$5 billion. That is expected to trail only Internet sales of computer products and books.

Operators of on-line travel services say their product is perfectly tailored for point-and-click devotees.

"The Internet — with its pictures, its ability to provide video clips, to offer ratings of different hotels — is really the perfect service for those travelers who want to be in control of their destiny," said James Marsicano, vice president and general manager of Sabre Interactive. The company operates easySabre and Travelocity, two of the most popular Internet reservations services.

But travel agents say they won't soon die out, noting that even with the explosive growth

in Internet sales, on-line reservations are projected to account for no more than 8 percent of airline tickets sales by 2000.

"Certainly the Internet has exploded in terms of its use by all segments of the population, but the fact remains that there is no way a machine is going to replace the peace of mind that travelers get from working with another human being," said James Ashurst, spokesman for the American Society of Travel Agents.

Another possible impediment to growth is the lingering fear among some Internet users about the security of using their credit card over the World Wide Web.

The Commerce Department study, called "The Emerging Digital Economy," found that information technology — including business on the Internet — is growing twice as fast as the overall economy.

The industry employs 7.4 million workers, some of whom earn among the nation's highest average salaries.

Meanwhile, Internet traffic has doubled every 100 days and Internet commerce among business will likely surpass \$300 billion by 2002, the report said.

Travel reservations have boomed as vacationers discovered they could go on-line and get highway directions, recommended itineraries, photos of hotels and other information such as the local weather. The airline ticket services link computer users to the same reservation systems used by travel agents and airline reservations agents.

Travelocity, for example, has a free service letting users search for the three lowest fares on the travel dates they request.

It and other services, including Preview Travel on America Online or Expedia from Microsoft, can send users an e-mail when a discount fare appears on a route they've requested.

Airlines benefit, too. They pay none or only half the standard 8 percent commission on tickets booked over the Internet and they can cut their personnel costs. They also can dump unused seats at the last minute by sending e-mails offering special "cyberfares."

"Any time you can take a human being out of the equation, you know what happens there: Bits and bytes don't go on vacation, take sick days," said Marsicano.

Not to be outdone, travel agents are using the Internet themselves.

Some have set up their own Web sites, while others also use e-mail to tell clients about travel specials.

The American Society of Travel Agents, the world's largest travel trade association, recently launched a "trip request" service. Internet users can go to ASTA's Web site, outline where they want to go and when, and member travel agents then bid on the business by suggesting different itineraries.

"It's a great way for consumers who want to use the Internet more to not lose the services of a professional travel agent," Ashurst said.

# Young boy's wish to be donor honored

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Gary Brigman's grandmother recalled that her 12-year-old grandson was eager to donate his heart and other organs to save lives when he died.

"He never thought he was going to be such a young donor," Maria Brigman said Wednesday.

Hours earlier, her grandson died of injuries he suffered a day earlier when he was struck by a car.

The boy, a sixth grader at Lowell Middle School, had been walking from school to his home in a housing project. He was struck by a car as he ran across the road.

The grandmother said she was able to make the decision for the organ donations because she had talked to him and had listened to what he said.

She said she and her grandson had often talked about life and death and their strong belief in God.

Both decided they would be organ donors if death came suddenly or unexpectedly, he said.

Gabriel Rymers, a family friend who attends church with the Brigmans, said the family was told by officials at Wilford Hall Hospital that Gary's heart was given to a 20-year-old and his left kidney to a 13-year-old. Part of his intestine might go to a child, they were told.

*Whenever I wanted to smile, Gary was there, but I never got a chance to say goodbye.*  
A classmate on Gary Brigman

Students and teachers at the middle school said they had fond memories of the young boy.

"He was a regular kid," science teacher Richard Redden said. "He'd cut up and get in trouble like everybody else, but he was never disagreeable about it."

The boy's classmates have decided to pay tribute to their friend. They plan to give a school track uniform to his grandmother to place in the casket. The boy wanted to be on the track team, but couldn't until he was in the seventh grade.

Redden asked his students to write down their feelings about the boy.

One note he read aloud: "Whenever I wanted to smile, Gary was there, but I never got a chance to say goodbye."

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## OUR VIEWS

### Let's all ante up for July 3rd celebration

Plans, as well as fund-raising, are well under way for the July 3 celebration at the Amphitheatre in Comanche Trail Park. The Big Spring Symphony, fireworks and more are planned for that Friday night as a variety of groups and organizations continue to work to provide activities for our residents as well as functions that will draw others to our community.

With a budget of \$27,000, the Pops in the Park Concert and Fireworks is no small undertaking — but it is one that is gathering community support at every turn.

The Convention and Visitor's Bureau of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce has kicked in \$5,000 and the City of Big Spring has added \$2,500. There are other pledges of financial support, as well as a number of folks who promise to provide physical help when the time rolls around.

Perhaps there's even the possibility that county commissioners, who couldn't support it financially for the same reason they couldn't support Kids' Zone, can find a way to (a) get out there and volunteer their help or (b) see if county employees will join in with the city employees who will be helping on this project.

This is one of those projects that benefits the entire Howard County community and should be supported.

## YOUR VIEWS

### TO THE EDITOR:

After reading the article of April 7 about Liza O'Valle, a person has to wonder about the intelligence of the BSISD personnel involved.

Each year the students are assailed with the message "say no to drugs." They are encouraged to turn in students that are suspected of using or dealing drugs.

Now we have a student that is tempted not once, but twice by others with cocaine, does the supposed right thing and what does she get for the effort...suspended from school.

The article states since she touched packaging that the drug was in, she was technically in possession of drugs.

At least two teachers and although the article does not say it, I would bet at least that many administrators of the school came into contact with the packaging for these drugs before the police took them into possession.

Does this make the teachers technically in possession of drugs, too?

OR is the message that BSISD is trying to send is that teachers and administrators do not have to hold themselves up to the same standards that the students do?

The school district had an opportunity to take this inci-

dent and turn it to its advantage by encouraging students to ignore the pressure, to take a proactive stand against drugs, to work with the teachers in the schools to rid our schools of drugs. But what have the accomplished? They have ruined any trust a little girl had in the system.

They have taken a person they should have held up as an example of what they are trying to accomplish and made her a criminal.

If 60 children had actually gotten sick from coke laced gum, is this child not to be praised?

Rules are put into place for a purpose, but when rules become so tight that there is no gray area for people to use their intelligence for the interpretation of said rules, then we become a society of people enslaved to the absolute-with no room to imagine.

The next time a situation like this arises the students of Big Spring will likely think two things: A. Do I turn the drugs in and suffer the same fate as Liza, or B. do I keep the drugs and keep my mouth shut. The good money is on B.

If this was a test for the BSISD administration, you flunked with flying colors.

Grade F.

BARRY C. BARNETT  
Big Spring

# Court hears case of the apprehensive dentist

Sydney Abbott had a toothache. She made an appointment with Dr. Randon Bragdon in Bangor, Maine, and routinely filled out his informational form. There she advised him that she carried the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), precursor of AIDS. This was in September 1994.

The dentist located the problem in a lower molar, but declined to risk filling the cavity in his office. He was agreeable to doing the work in the local hospital. She declined the offer, sued him, and won her case under ADA — the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. On March 30, a puzzled Supreme Court heard argument in Dr. Bragdon's appeal.

The Supremes had every right to be puzzled. From the time the ADA became effective in January 1992, the ambiguities of the act have puzzled lawyers and judges across the nation. The law deals chiefly with discrimination against the disabled in employment and public accommodation.

Through September of 1997 (the latest available figure) 90,803 complaints of discrimination in employment alone had been filed with the Equal Employment Opportunity

Commission. No one seems to know how many of the complaints of discrimination in public accommodations have materialized into lawsuits, but the number runs into the thousands.

In the case of the apprehensive dentist, the issue boiled down to the meaning of a few key words. The relevant portion of the act defines a "disability" in words that are covered with fuzz. A disability is a physical or mental impairment "that substantially limits one or more of the major life activities" of an individual. The act says that a place of public accommodation, such as a dentist's office, may not discriminate against a disabled person.

At oral argument, the Supremes chewed on the statute for an inconclusive hour. They found it hard to swallow. For one thing, Dr. Bragdon's patient was asymptomatic. She was living a full life. No impairment was visi-

ble. The justices wondered aloud if she were really "disabled" at all.

Does the mere presence of the virus substantially limit Ms. Abbott in a major life activity? Granted, reproduction is a major life activity, but the inert virus does not limit Ms. Abbott "substantially." Indeed, said counsel, she is free to copulate, conceive and give birth as she pleases. She is therefore not disabled, and she suffered no discrimination forbidden by the act.

It was hard to tell if the justices were impressed. Justice David Souter made the point that Ms. Abbott's decision to refrain from sexual intercourse, lest she pass the virus on to a partner or to a fetus, was a moral judgment, not a statutory requirement.

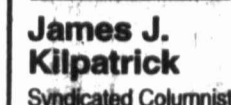
The ADA does not require an employer to hire anyone who might pose a "direct threat" to the health or safety of others. By extension, it seems plausible that if HIV constitutes a direct threat, dentists may be home free. If the virus is not a direct threat — an issue on which counsel disagreed — ADA will apply.

This was the first case under ADA to get to the Supreme Court. I'm sorry the court agreed to hear it. Other ques-

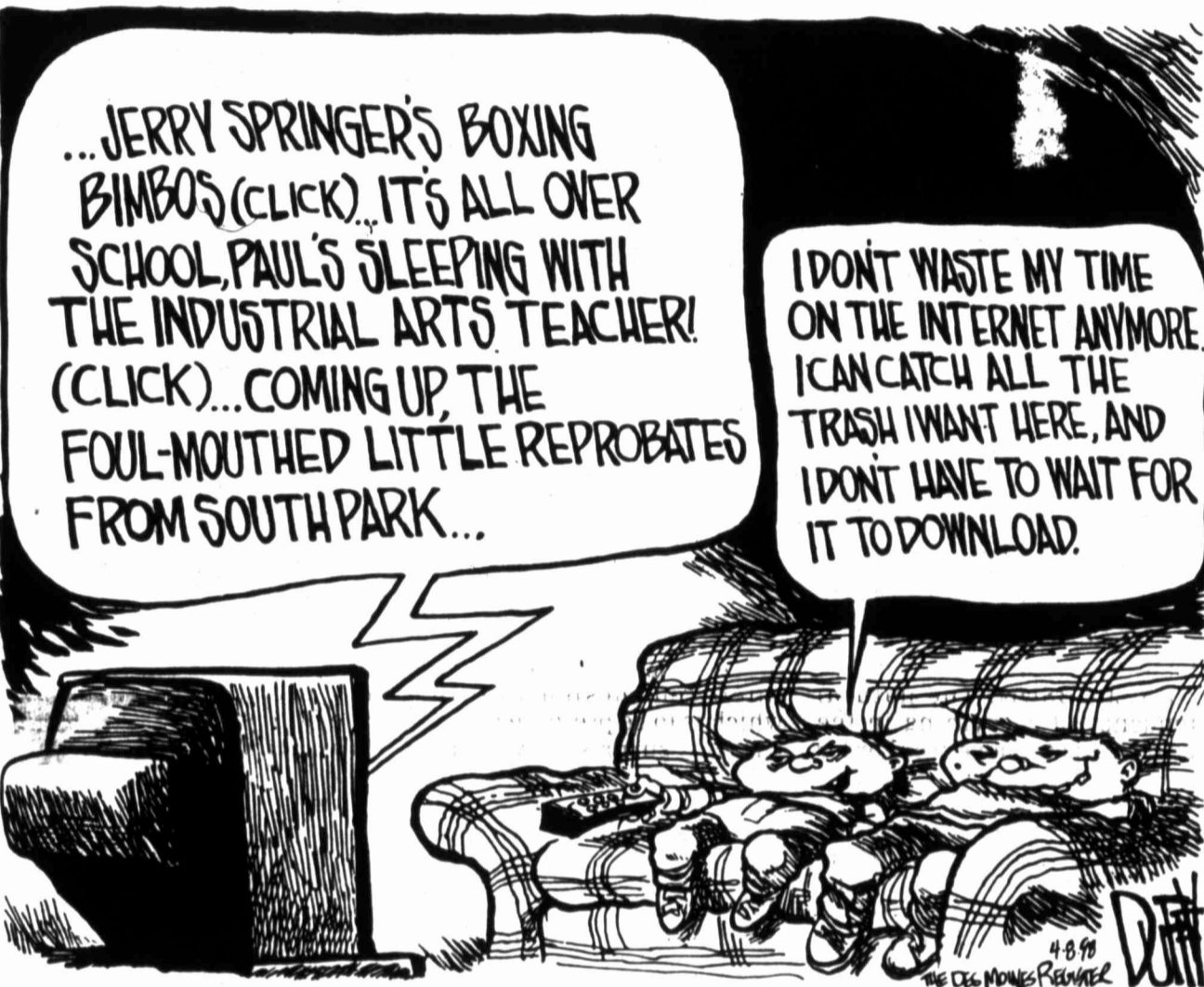
tions arising under this well-intentioned but obtuse act have far greater significance than the refusal of a dentist to fill a cavity.

In the seven years since ADA became operative, lower courts have struggled with complaints that Congress seems never to have foreseen. Many cases have to do with the problems in employment. Under the law, employers may not discriminate against a "qualified individual" with a disability. Such individuals are entitled to "reasonable accommodation" that will enable them to perform the essential functions of their employment.

You will see what a playpen Title I has created for lawyers. Qualified? Reasonable? Essential? Aggrieved employees have demanded — and courts have awarded — all kinds of privileges and benefits in the name of "reasonable accommodation." A leading case in 1993 involved a nonsmoker who won a smoke-free environment. But a would-be bus driver in Frederick County, Md., lost his claim. He had suffered two heart attacks in the four years preceding his application; he suffered from diabetes, and he had phlebitis in both legs. No accommodation would have been reasonable.



James J. Kilpatrick  
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## Every tax day, I say: Hooray!

WASHINGTON — I'm paying more taxes today than my Pa ever dreamed anybody could squeeze from a poor boy from Tennessee. And I'm as happy as a brown bear at a salmon run.

I've signed a fat check for Uncle Sam with a smile, knowing that it means that this ol' poor boy has kept enough to eat real high on the hog, not just pigs' feet and chitlins of a leaner (fatter) time.

If you think I'm nuts to rejoice at paying a lot of taxes, think also of two alternatives:

1) I could be working at the minimum wage at one or two of the grubbiest jobs in America, yet still be unable to truly support a family. I would be waiting for Uncle Sam to send me a small check as an Earned Income Tax Credit.

2) Or I could be unschooled and untrained enough to be jobless and needing charity in this hate-the-poor "welfare reform" era, with no real reason to file a tax return.

But I'm ponying up for the federal government today with gusto, and just a bit grudgingly to the District of Columbia and five states. And I've got good reasons to feel positive about it.

A lot of the money that I'm

sending to the feds I think of as interest on that 1946 GI Bill investment that enabled me to attend a great Ohio college, Oberlin. So I trust that some of my 1998 tax dollars will enable another generation of needy youngsters to know the liberating force of learning. I pay still hoping that somehow we can convince this society that it is more elevating for all of us to spend more on schools than on prisons.

And I'm writing this ode to taxes outdoors in the April sun, feeling strong and sassy, because somebody's tax dollars made possible the medical research and training that gave me the blessing of survival from a couple of nasty trips to the hospital.

Sure, I'm dipping into a half-dozen vials of pills these days, but I know that tax-paid research played a role in the development of today's miracle

drugs. And my tax dollars help to sustain the necessary federal bureaucracy that ensures that the pills I take are reasonably safe and efficacious.

Sometimes I bemoan the size, the intrusiveness, the inefficiency of the federal government. Then I think of things like our massive civil and criminal justice systems. We could still have justice by posse and mob, or wait around for weeks for the circuit judge, but I prefer the big, complex, speedy system, whatever its cost.

Paying colossal local taxes, as I do here in D.C., is a lot less palatable when you know you have a bad mayor and a bloated bureaucracy.

But someone still has to pay for a decent public school system, and traffic lights, and garbage pickups.

Just as you value the sense of security that you get from financing the Pentagon, so you know that to feel secure in your home, or on your streets, you have to pay for a police force.

Most of the time we take for granted the water we drink — and the air we breathe, but the truth is that we pay dearly to keep them both reasonably clean.



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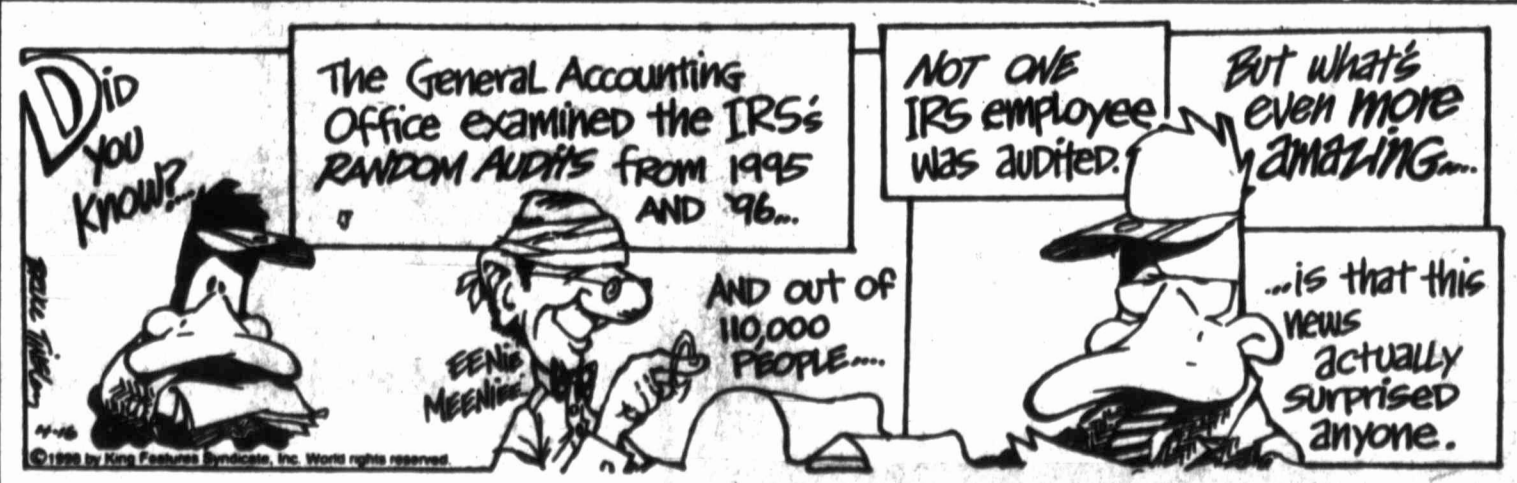
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## Parents, get your checkbooks ready — it's time for the prom

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN  
Features Editor

Dust off your dancing shoes and break out that boutonniere — it's time for the prom.

Big Spring students will celebrate this coming-of-age ritual Saturday, April 25, and the race is on for the perfect dress or tuxedo, corsage and cummerbund.

In corsages, the trend is toward the wrist.

"We've tried to steer them back toward the nosegay bouquet like some of us had," explained Marciel Smith of Faye's Flowers. "That's worked for some of them, but most are going with the wristlet."

The girls will buy their date a boutonniere that matches the corsage, that is already planned to match the dress that matches the tuxedo. It's a very coordinated affair.

While the guys may have to shell out \$20 or more for a corsage, a boutonniere may cost less than \$10.

In dresses, some things never change.

"A lot of them are wearing the long dress with spaghetti-strings," said Nancy Newell, of Formal Affair, which has discounted all of its prom-type dresses half-price.

"There may be some type of accent, but we're not talking about a lot of sequins," Newell said. She added that today's prom dresses usually include a slim skirt, not the Southern-belle versions of years past.

Although black is always popular, also seen this year will be hunter green, red, and royal

## Evening promises good time for all

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN  
Features Editor

It may not look like it, but underneath the "moon and stars" themed decorations of Big Spring's prom will be their school cafeteria.

"They'll be covering all the walls, and the entry walls," explained senior class sponsor and teacher Peggy Skiles. "I don't think they'll even know where they are."

Already a team of students and their sponsor have been working to assemble decorations. For the April 25 prom, the real decorating work will begin as soon as school lets out for the weekend.

By now, most juniors and seniors have their dates or their plans made. When he or she buys a \$10 ticket, the student has to get principal Kent Bowerman's approval for their date.

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Above, Nancy Newell of Formal Affair shows some of the store's prom-type dresses. Above, right, a manicure is often a prom-day indulgence for local high school girls.

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blue. There will also be some beiges and pastels, according to other reports.

Dresses bought locally can cost from \$50-150, but the sky is

really the limit, and many will spend much more, according to reports.

Some of the girls will also wear gloves, and some choose

dyeable shoes and match them to the color of the dress. Some will have their hair profession-

Please see PROM, page 6A.



## After-prom party lasts all night

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN  
Features Editor

After the prom, local junior and senior students will head over to the Dora Roberts Community Center for a real Las-Vegas experience.

But many of them will stop and change clothes first.

"I wish they would wear their dresses and tuxedos," said parent and after-prom organizer Susan McClellan. "But most of them will go home and change into their school clothes."

The "casino-night" party is open to all Big Spring High School juniors and seniors — even those who don't attend the prom. Also welcome are their prom guests.

"Everyone can come in at any time," McClellan said, adding that the party goes on from midnight until the wee hours of Sunday morning. "But if they leave during the evening, they won't be allowed back in."

Students will play casino games such as blackjack, craps and "wheel of fortune." They will win play money which can later be used to "buy" prizes in an auction of such items as television sets, dorm-style refrigerators, VCRs and stereos.

"The goal is to keep them off the streets," McClellan said. "We've planned a really good time for them."

All through the evening. Please see PARTY, page 6A.

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Paleontologists will plan field trips and organize field excavations. They do research on the fossils they find and present this information in scientific journals, or lectures.

**WORKING ENVIRONMENT:** They work in an office, lab, or at an excavation site.

**HELPFUL HIGH SCHOOL CLASSES:** College preparatory classes, trigonometry, physical science, algebra, geometry, chemistry

**CONTINUING EDUCATION/TRAINING:** The study of Paleontology is usually a part of the geology or sometimes the biology department of a university. Most people enter the field of Paleontology with a degree in biology, geology, archeology or a similar degree. Junior college or senior college.

**SOME SOURCES OF TRAINING OR EDUCATION:** Howard College (basics), University of Texas at Dallas (U.T. Dallas is the only state supported university to offer a degree in Paleontology).

**SALARY:** \$17,000 to \$40,000 or more

**JOB PROSPECTS:** Average. Career Corner is provided by Roger Goertz of the career technology department at Big Spring High School.

## Marriages require attention to avoid drifting apart

**QUESTION:** You have said that the natural progression of a marriage is to become more distant rather than more intimate. Why is that true?

**DR. DOBSON:** The natural tendency of everything in the universe is to move from order to disorder. If you buy a new car, it will steadily deteriorate from the day you drive it home.

Your body is slowly aging and dying. Your house has to be repainted and repaired every few summers. A business that is not managed carefully will unravel and collapse. A brick that is placed on a vacant lot and left there long enough will eventually turn to dust.

Indeed, even the sun and all the stars are slowly burning themselves out. We are, in a manner of speaking, in a dying universe where everything that is not specifically being protected and upgraded is in a downward spiral.

The principle that governs this drift from order to disorder might be called "the law of disintegration." (Engineers and

scientists sometimes call it the law of "entropy.") The only way to postpone or temporarily combat its influence is to invest creative energy and intelligent design into that which is to be preserved.

Not so surprisingly, human relationships also conform to the principle of disintegration. The natural tendency is for husbands and wives to drift away from each other unless they work at staying together. To provide another analogy, it is as though they were sitting in separate rowboats on a choppy lake.

If they don't paddle vigorously to stay in the same neighborhood, one will drift to the north of the lake and the other to the south.

That is exactly what happens when marital partners get too busy or distracted to maintain their love.

If they don't take the time for romantic activities and experiences that draw them together, something precious begins to slip away. It doesn't have to be

that way, of course, but the currents of life will separate them unless efforts are made to remain together.

I wish every newly married couple knew about the law of disintegration and would actively protect their relationship from it.

**QUESTION:** You have said that children and young people are experiencing an epidemic of self-doubt and feelings of low self-esteem. Why do you think this is true?

**DR. DOBSON:** It has resulted, in part, from an unjust system of evaluating human worth now prevalent in our society. Not everyone is seen as worthy; not everyone is accepted.



Dr. James Dobson  
Columnist

## Now showing: Good rental movies to watch with kids

By H. J. CUMMINS

Minneapolis-St. Paul Star Tribune

"L.A. Confidential" and "The Full Monty" may be top-quality films, but hardly the sort parents want to share with young children. That's true both because of what's in them — violence and nudity, for example — and what's not — that is, anything relevant to young lives.

But if the Academy Awards have you in the movie mood, why not turn to your neighborhood video store for family entertainment? It's cheaper than going out, and your choices can include a variety of classics.

Here is some guidance in selecting films for children of different ages, mostly from Scott Blakely, author of the book "KidVid," and a sampling of video selections for different age groups:

**2 to 4 years**  
The fascination through these years is with how things work. So popular videos often have lots of trucks or trains, or lessons about playing with friends or picking up toys. Prescreening of any videos is still advised, because fantasy

and reality are still pretty much the same thing at this age.

"Farm Animals: Up Close and Very Personal." Endorsed even by the grownups at "Prairie Farmer" magazine, this is a funny tape short on narration and long on barnyard noises. Others from Stage Fright Productions include: "Big Rigs" and "Choo Choo Trains."

"Dreadlocks and the Three Bears." There's a Rastafarian feel to this story of a heroine whose aunt has moved into a teddy bear forest. From

Tapeworm Videos.

"The Cat in the Hat & Dr. Seuss on the Loose." This Playhouse Video also has "Green Eggs and Ham," "The Sneetches" and "The Zax." (Blakely advises: Be sure to reassure kids about the Dalilike landscapes.)

**4 to 6 years**  
The line between reality and fantasy remains fuzzy, making witches and violent rainstorms scary even in those wonderful Walt Disney animated classics. So parents need to look at the film through preschool eyes, and be prepared to soothingly

explain the notion of "make believe."

"Maurice Sendak's Really Rosie." It's Carole King's music to Sendak's pictures and story about a young girl who knows she's a "great big deal."

"Cinderella." One of the Disney greats — "Faerie Tale Theater: Pinocchio." One of Shelley Duvall's series of zany fairy tale classics, starring actors such as Robin Williams, Billy Crystal and Joan Collins. Here Pee-Wee Herman is the marionette who turns into a little boy.

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Slice of Life!

## COMMUNITY NEWS

These College Heights Elementary students enjoyed an Easter tradition last week, cracking cascarones over the heads of their classmates. The eggs are filled with confetti.

HERALD photo/Linda Choate



## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

### Cookie dough benefit

St. Mary's Episcopal School is selling six flavors of frozen cookie dough in three-pound tubs for \$10 each. The sale begins Tuesday, continuing through April 20.

The dough includes such flavors as chunky chocolate, radical raisin oatmeal, macadamia madness and others. For more information, call the school at 263-0203.

### Gump event at mountain

"Run Forrest Run" the first annual "Master the Mountain" fun run/fun walk will be held at Big Spring State Park at 8 a.m. on Saturday April 18. Contact Lauri Phillips at Scenic Mountain Medical Center, 263-1211 for more information.

## THE LAST WORD

Magic lives in curves, not angles.  
Mason Cooley

Aspects are within us, and who seems most kingly is king.  
Thomas Hardy

It is a blind goose that comes to the fox's sermon.  
John Lyly



# Christian concert set Friday

HERALD STAFF REPORT

"Friday Night Alive" will present John Cox, Christian musician, Friday night at 7:30 p.m. in the Comanche Trail Amphitheater.

Tickets are \$8 in advance, \$7 each for groups of 10 or more. They are currently on sale at the Karat Patch and Spanky's in Big Spring.

Those interested in tickets can also call 263-2722.

With a style described as "alternative" to "ballad rock," Cox is known for his lyrics, according to press information. He is a Christian songwriter, singer and guitarist with an acoustic sound.

His latest album is "Sunny Day," which shows his personal storytelling style that young people can identify with.



John Cox will perform Friday at the Municipal Auditorium.

# Deadly campus alcohol abuse on rise

By KAREN LEE SCRIVO

Congressional Quarterly

Leslie Anne Baltz had been drinking heavily before she died last November in a fall down a flight of stairs. In fact, the 21-year-old honors student may have died after observing what some students claim is a longtime custom among University of Virginia (UVA) seniors — the "fourth-year fifth" — downing a fifth of liquor before the football team's last home game.

Baltz's friends left her sleeping on an upstairs couch and went to the game. Upon returning, they found her unconscious at the foot of the stairs. She was rushed to the university medical center, where she died. Her blood-alcohol level was 0.27 percent — more than three times the state's legal limit for intoxication.

Baltz, of Reston, Va., was the fifth Virginia college student in less than two months to die following a night of heavy drinking. A few weeks earlier, Melinda Somers, a Virginia Polytechnic Institute (VPI) freshman, apparently rolled out of bed and through an open eighth-floor dormitory window. She had been drinking heavily at a Halloween party.

Somers' death prompted Virginia's attorney general to form a task force of college presidents, students and health experts to find ways of curbing alcohol abuse on campuses. UVA President John Casteen sent out a letter after Baltz's death calling for the community "to learn how to change a culture that too often considers alcohol abuse a normal stage of growing up."

The deaths of Somers and Baltz were the latest in a string of campus alcohol-related tragedies. In September, 18-year-old Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) freshman Scott Krueger died after an off-campus party at the fraternity he was pledging. He had an alcohol level of 0.41 — more than five times the legal limit. A month earlier, fraternity pledge Benjamin Wynne died after a Sigma Alpha Epsilon party at Louisiana State University. He had an alcohol level of 0.58, nearly six times the state's legal limit.

Just how widespread alcohol abuse is on campus depends on whom you ask and how you define "binge drinking."

According to a 1993 Harvard

## How to talk about teen drinking

By KAREN LEE SCRIVO

Congressional Quarterly

John and Beverly Gaffney of Bowie, Md., didn't talk much about drinking with their two daughters when they were young. "They got the education from school and the example from home," Beverly Gaffney says.

The couple — he's a Unitarian Universalist minister and she's a nurse — enjoy an occasional glass of wine with dinner and drinks with friends. They say they introduced wine with meals when Juliette and Rachel were about 16 or 17, and offered them a sip, but neither liked the taste.

Juliette, a Drew University graduate who works for Sen. Paul Sarbanes, D-Md., and considers herself a moderate drinker, says that her parents did not talk much about drinking but she and Rachel, a junior at Elon College, saw that they drank moderately.

School of Public Health study of more than 17,000 students, 44 percent had engaged in binge drinking, or five drinks in a row within a short period for men, and four drinks for women.

"While there has been an overall decline in drinking in American society as a whole, recent studies have shown no proportionate decline among college students," said Henry Wechsler, director of College Alcohol Studies at the Harvard Department of Health and Social Behavior. According to the 1993 study, directed by Wechsler:

- Residents of fraternity and sorority houses had the highest rate of campus binge drinking — 86 percent and 80 percent, respectively.

- 50 percent of all the college males and 39 percent of the females were binge drinkers.

- 48 percent of white students engaged in binge drinking, compared with 38 percent of Hispanic students, 34 percent of Native Americans, 21 percent of Asians and 16 percent of African-Americans.

- Half of the college binge drinkers had binged as high school seniors.

"The same student can be a healthy drinker or a binge drinker, depending on who

When it comes to drinking, studies show that many kids take their first drink in the middle school between the ages of 10 and 14. Yet many parents don't even bring up the subject of alcohol until high school. And when they do, they're often not sure what to say. But experts say that just telling kids to say "No" to underage drinking isn't always enough.

In an effort to help parents teach their children about drinking, several organizations — including some affiliated with the alcohol industry — produce materials and videos aimed at helping parents talk about alcohol with their children.

In the 30-minute video "Ready or Not: Talking with Kids about Alcohol," middle-school students cite several reasons why they or their friends drink, such as curiosity, peer pressure, looking for excitement, stress reduction, rebellion and trying to be an adult.

writes the story," says Michael Haines, coordinator of Health Enhancement Services at Northern Illinois University, in DeKalb. He argues that the term "binge drinking" conjures up images of "the lost weekend" and being intoxicated for long periods. He defines binge drinking as taking 14-21 drinks in a 12-to-24-hour period.

Furthermore, Haines says, Wechsler's Harvard study creates the impression that binge drinking is the norm, when the reality is that most students do not harm themselves by their drinking. Indeed, he says, exaggerating the severity of the problem makes it worse, because youths tend to follow what they think their peers are doing.

Wechsler defends his study's binge-drinking definition, pointing to the health, social and academic problems connected with binge drinking. Students defined as binge drinkers in the study were up to 10 times more likely to drive after drinking compared with non-binge drinkers. And they had up to a 25 percent greater chance of experiencing at least one of several alcohol-related problems, he says, such as getting behind in schoolwork and unplanned and unprotected sexual activity.

## PARTY

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there will be drawings for prizes, including oil changes, dinner, movies and even Howard College scholarships.

Manning the tables will be many of their parents, in black and white casino attire. Students will snack on pizza and soft drinks.

At about 5 a.m., the whole evening will come to a close. Then some students will go to breakfast, and probably arrive home at about 7 a.m.

## PROM

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ally styled, and more will have their nails done for the occasion.

The guys are ordering their tuxedos at local formal wear shops or dry cleaners. Prices, according to reports, can range from \$55-105. The difference is in the accessories — the vest and cummerbund can be chosen to coordinate with a date's dress.

Whether with a date or a group, prom-goers can arrive at the dance in style. Already, some Midland limousine services say they are booked for the evening, at prices of about \$60 an hour.

Although he doesn't have a limo to rent, local taxi service owner David Mitchem said he has an alternative.

"I can take you in a very fancy Suburban, with leather interior, everything," Mitchem said. He also has a van that will hold 6-7 people.

## MOVIES

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— "How the Leopard Got Its Spots." This story comes from Africa, an animated version of the legend told by Danny Glover, with music from Ladysmith Black Mambazo.

— "Winnie the Pooh and the Blustery Day." This is early Disney animation of the endearing bear and all his friends in the Hundred Acre Wood. From the A.—A. Milne books.

6 to 8 years  
Now children are in school, learning to read and write and draw their own conclusions. Clear on reality and fantasy, they crave adventure — only to regret it sometimes when they unwittingly take things too far. It makes them a little like the "Sorcerer's Apprentice," the young assistant who dips into magic incantations unconcerned about the consequences until he nearly drowns in them.

— "Anne of Green Gables." Adapted from the Lucy Maud Montgomery book about the impetuous, red-haired orphan who finds a family to love on Canada's Prince Edward Island.

— "The Black Stallion." Again from a book, this one about horse racing and more likely to appeal to boys.

— "The Secret Garden." This is the lush, Hallmark Hall of Fame production from 1987 of the Frances H. Burnett story of an orphan girl who brings beauty back to an abandoned garden, and finds two great friends in the process.

— "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow." Glenn Close narrates this animated telling of the New England classic story of Ichabod Crane and Brom Bones.

TAKE TIME FOR YOURSELF...  
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## EVENING

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Expected are about 300 students and guests.

Skiles said she expects there will be several large groups of boys and girls without dates, or "stag."

"I'm glad they're going to come," she said. "They shouldn't let the fact that they don't have a date stop them."

They will snack on cookies and soft drinks in between

dances. Greenhouse

Photography will take their pictures in front of a "moon and stars" backdrop.

Skiles said from her experience at the event four years ago, most of the students will have an excellent time.

"I hope they will," she said. "Some of them have put a lot of work into it."

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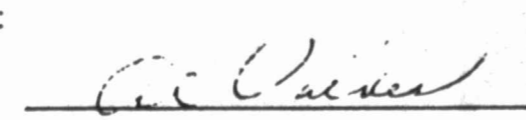
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### RESOLUCION

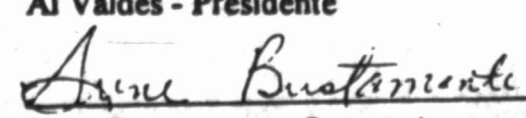
La Mesa Directiva Escolar del Distrito Independiente de Big Spring HA DECIDIDO que los senores Michael (Mike) Dawson, Steve Fraser, y Al Valdes han sido Elegidos como miembros del consejo escolar en general. Sera efectivo despues de la primera junta regular en Mayo, 1998, cuando los tres (3) candidatos seran jurados. Esta eleccion tiene un termino de tres (3) anos el cual se cumple en Mayo de 2001.

**ES DECLARADO** que las elecciones generales catalogadas en Mayo 2, 1998, sean canceladas. Este es con el acuerdo de la Ley de Elecciones de Tejas. (Elecciones de Candidatos Encontrados), Subcapitulo C, Seccion 2.051., Seccion 2.052., Seccion 2.543.

**CONFIRMADA Y APROBADA** esta dia nueve de Abril, 1998 por los siguientes miembros que votaron POR la Resolucion:  
Larry McLellan, Larry Hollar, Frank Long, Steve Fraser, Al Valdes, Irene Bustamante  
Glynnna Mouton (Absent)  
y con los miembros CONTRA la Resolucion:



**Al Valdés - Presidente**



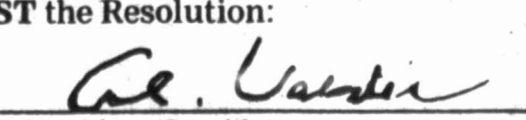
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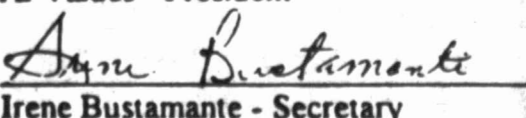
**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Trustees of the Big Spring Independent School District that Michael (Mike) Dawson, Steve Fraser, and Al Valdes be declared **Elected At-Large District Wide**. This will be effective after the first regular board meeting in May 1998, when the three (3) candidates are sworn into office. This election will be for a three (3) year term of office, ending in May of 2001.

**BE IT KNOWN** that the **General Election** scheduled for May 2, 1998 will be cancelled. This is in accordance with Texas Election Law (Election of Unopposed Candidate), Subchapter C, Section 2.051., Section 2.052., Section 2.053., and Section 2.543.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 9th day of April, 1998 with the following members voting **FOR** the Resolution:  
Larry McLellan, Larry Hollar, Frank Long, Steve Fraser, Al Valdes, Irene Bustamante  
Glynnna Mouton (Absent)  
and the following members voting **AGAINST** the Resolution:



**Al Valdés - President**



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## Rangers rip Tigers, 7-3; off to second-best start in club history

ARLINGTON (AP) — The Texas Rangers are just a win away from the second-best start in club history.

If Texas can defeat Baltimore on Friday night, the Rangers will have a 10-4 record. Their best start ever was 10-3 in 1989.

Texas has a 21/2-game lead over Anaheim in the AL West, its largest advantage since winning the division by 4 games in 1996.

Tom Goodwin's triple keyed a five-run rally in the sixth inning Wednesday night as the Rangers beat Detroit 7-3 for a three-game sweep and their fourth straight win.

The Rangers are doing it with hitting, solid pitching and the best fielding team in the major leagues. They

scored 28 runs in sweeping the Detroit series.

Rick Helling (3-0) got relief help from Tim Crabbtree in the seventh as Texas sent the Tigers to their fifth consecutive loss.

"It's great to be pitching for this team because you know it's just a matter of time before they start scoring runs," Helling said. "Our lineup is solid from the one to the nine hitter. I just tried to throw strikes, let the defense work and wait for the runs to come."

Helling went six innings and gave up six hits and three runs. After a walk, a single and Joe Randa's RBI single in the seventh, Crabbtree shut down Detroit without further damage.

"We are really playing well right now," Texas manager Johnny Oates said. "We have a lot of depth on this team, more than we had last year. We had one good inning tonight, and that's all it took."

Tim Worrell (1-2) gave up five hits in a row to start the sixth as Texas overcame a 2-1 deficit.

Fernando Tatis started the big inning with a single, and he scored on Goodwin's triple. Mark McLemore hit an RBI single, and singles by Rusty Greer and Juan Gonzalez produced another run.

Pinch-hitter Mike Simms had a sacrifice fly off reliever Sean Runyan. Ivan Rodriguez was hit by a pitch from Bryce Florie, who then gave up a run-

scoring single to pinch-hitter Will Clark.

Detroit manager Buddy Bell wasn't happy with what he saw.

"We've got good players out there who continue to make mental mistakes," he said. "Big leaguers just can't play like that. We're missing signs. We're running into outs. We're not getting people over. There's no secret why we are losing."

Detroit had a late night flight back to Detroit, and Bell planned an off-day workout starting at 9:30 a.m.

"I can't wait to get back out there," he said. "The sooner we get back out there, the better we are going to be."

Detroit took a 2-0 lead in the fourth on consecutive doubles by Luis

Gonzalez and Tony Clark, and Frank Catalanotto's sacrifice fly. It was Catalanotto's first RBI of the season.

Worrell walked the first batter he faced, then retired 13 in a row before Rodriguez homered down the left-field line with one out in the fifth, making it 2-1.

Simms added an RBI single for Texas in the eighth.

**Notes:** The Rangers, who began the game with the best fielding percentage in the majors at .993, did not make an error. ... Will Clark missed starting his first game of the season at first base, because Oates decided to rest him. Bell did the same with Damion Easley. ... Rodriguez has 11 homers against Detroit, his most against any club. ...

## Li ready for all 4-4A comers

### Set to lead Steers into tournament

By JOHN A. MOSELEY  
Sports Editor

Going into Friday's opening round of the District 4-4A tennis tournament at Midland College, Big Spring's Hsiao-Hsuan Li displays an almost cocky confidence.

Li, of course, should be confident.

It's a confidence born not of ego, but of experience ... and plenty of it.

As a result, Li — like virtually everyone else with an interest — was anything but surprised when Steers tennis coach Ralph Davis returned from the district tournament's seeding session with word that Li is the No. 1 ranked player in boys' singles.

"I expected to be the No. 1 seed ... I'd break if I wasn't," Li admitted prior to the seeding practice session at the Figure 7 Tennis Center on Wednesday.

Now a senior, Li has been the district's top seed for four years. And his expectations are for nothing short of a fourth consecutive trip to the Class 4A state tournament in Austin.

If anything, however, Li is more determined to play well in the next few weeks than he ever has at the district and regional level, wanting more than anything to atone for what he feels was a letdown at last year's state tournament.

After having reached the state semifinals as a freshman and sophomore, Li bowed out of the state tournament with a quarterfinals loss to Highland Park's Eric Corona in 1997 in a 3 1/2-hour match.

That marathon match eventually cost Corona his bid for a state singles championship, having exhausted all his energy in reaching the finals.

As a result, Fort Worth Boswell's Scott Eddins, who'd defeated Li in the Region I, Class 4A championship game, easily took the state title.

The regional meet in itself was a somewhat difficult experience for Li, who'd been the Region I champion his freshman and sophomore seasons, only to find realignment moving Boswell into Region I from Region II.

The state quarterfinals loss to Corona robbed Li of a chance to



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Big Spring's Hsiao-Hsuan Li will again be the No. 1 boys' singles seed when the District 4-4A tennis tournament gets under way Friday at Midland College. Li, who has reached the state tournament in each of his first three years in high school, says he's putting pressure on himself to again qualify for a trip to Austin. He said he expects to face teammate Devon Swafford in Saturday's singles championship game.

possibly gain revenge for a semifinals loss to Eddins his freshman year.

"Eddins was so good, I'm glad he graduated," Li explained. "I went three sets with him my freshman year ... he ran me like crazy, from one side of the court to the other. Then he beat me in the regional finals both my sophomore and junior years."

Perhaps even more than his loss to Corona and his inability to have a chance at upsetting Eddins, Li remembers the regional seed a year ago that left him No. 3 behind Wichita Falls' Scooter Gillen.

"They had Scooter as the No. 2 seed, even though I'd beaten him twice during the fall ... that was really frustrating," he remembers. "It made it tough, because I wound up having a tough semifinals match before I

ever got to the regional final."

As a senior, Li realizes that this year there are no tomorrows. As a result, he says he's changed his mind set going into the district tournament.

"It's kind of a cutthroat situation this year," he explained. "This is it. For the past three years, the coaches have been able to say, 'You have next year.' They can't say that this year."

"This is my chance," he added. "I'm putting the pressure on myself this time. This weekend, though, I just want to go out and play ... play the best tennis I can at that moment."

Going into this weekend's tournament, Li admits he has little doubt he'll take his fourth straight 4-4A singles title.

"There's really nobody I'm worried about in district," he said, adding that he wouldn't

be surprised to face teammate Devon Swafford in the 4-4A championship final. "My worry comes when regional gets here."

Gillen, while still a member of Wichita Falls' team, isn't a concern this spring because he's playing doubles.

"Everybody says I'll probably have a tough final at regional," he acknowledged. "Scooter's playing doubles because they (Coyotes) are supposed to have a better singles player this year. We'll just have to wait and see."

**TENNIS TEAM NOTES:** Big Spring's Monica Villarreal will be the No. 1 seed in girls' singles, as she opens her bid for a return to the state tournament. Big Spring's other seed in the tournament is the girls' doubles tandem of Kim Dominguez and Christina Vera at No. 3.

## NFL Draft

### Marshall coach says knocks on Randy Moss are unfair

CHARLESTON, W. Va. (AP) — Marshall football coach Bob Pruett says the questions about Randy Moss' character are unfair.

"Randy has not had a problem since he's been at Marshall," Pruett said. "I don't think it's fair to keep chastising someone for as far back as high school. He's being chastised only because he's a gifted athlete. If he wasn't, people wouldn't care about this."

Moss' troubled past is as well documented as his dashes into the end zone. And it has some NFL coaches and executives wondering if he's worth spending a high draft pick on a player who is the enigma of the draft: a very talented athlete with a dubious past.

"The team that gets him, they're going to be a whole lot better," Pruett said.

There's little question about his talent — the biggest question about him is if he will catch balls over the middle, a prerequisite for a top NFL receiver.

But at 6-foot-5, he runs the 40-yard-dash in 4.3 seconds and can leap over most defensive backs.

In 1996, he had 29 touchdowns in leading Marshall to the 1996 Division I-AA title. Last season, the school's first in Division I-A, he caught 96 passes for 1,820 yards. He had a single-season record 25 touchdown receptions.

But his personal problems make him a gamble, just like Warren Sapp and Lawrence Phillips, two highly rated players with personal problems who slid down in the draft.

Sapp, taken by Tampa Bay with the 12th overall pick in 1995, has become a Pro Bowl player and has caused no off-field problems. Phillips, taken sixth overall in 1996 by St. Louis, lasted 1 1/2 years with the Rams and now is with Miami.

Moss had a scholarship revoked by Notre Dame after being charged three years ago with beating up a high school classmate. He went to Florida State, where he redshirted his freshman season, but was kicked off the team for violating probation by smoking marijuana.

And during his first season at Marshall, Moss and the mother of his daughter were arrested on misdemeanor domestic charges. The woman's family

### Will Dallas take chance?

IRVING (AP) — Will the image-tarnished Dallas Cowboys play with fire in the NFL draft and take wide receiver Randy Moss, who has had his share of off-the-field incidents?

Or will they play it safe with the eighth overall pick and get a much-needed pass rushing defensive end or an offensive lineman or a linebacker?

The Cowboys aren't saying. Once again, team owner Jerry Jones has gagged his coaches and himself from discussing Saturday's draft with the media, limiting the discussion on whether the Cowboys would take Moss should he still be available.

"I really won't know where I am until we're right in there at that particular time on draft day," Jones said. "With his talent, he's somebody that we have to give a lot of consideration."

Moss and 14 other first-round draft picks have been interviewed at Valley Ranch by Jones, his coaches, and Calvin Hill, the team's behavior consultant.

said she was not physically harmed, and the charges were dismissed after both agreed to attend counseling, said Moss' attorney, Tim DiPiero.

Without the questions, Moss probably would be drafted in the top five. Now, he probably won't go that high, and some people think that if he doesn't go to New Orleans with the seventh pick Saturday, he could tumble all the way to 20 or lower.

Personnel director Bobby Griener of New England said this week he doesn't want Moss because of his past problems. Rams coach Dick Vermeil has said the same.

And Tampa Bay coach Tony Dungy said: "He's the kind of guy we wouldn't go near. We don't want personal baggage."

Moss has visited with the Saints, Chicago Bears and Dallas Cowboys. And although the Bears, who pick fifth, say they're still interested, most people believe they're saying that in hopes another team will attempt to trade for their pick.

## Sweetwater pitching collapse provides Steers with 12-11 comeback

HERALD Staff Reports

**SWEETWATER** — Big Spring's Steers were forced to battle back from a nightmarish start before benefiting from a virtual gift from Sweetwater's Mustangs that afforded them a 12-11 win in District 4-4A baseball action Tuesday.

In a game in which both teams would see pitching become a major problem, it was Big Spring that suffered its mound woes early.

The Steers' freshman starter, Clint Bamert, didn't survive the first inning before being replaced atop the hill by senior Jeff Denton, who ran into problems in the bottom of the second.

As a result, the win went to reliever James Darling who took over with the Steers looking at the short end of a 9-1 score. Darling's side-arm delivery proved to do the trick, however, allowing the Mustangs just two runs on four hits in the final five innings of play.

The Steers, who improved to 12-11 overall and 4-3 in district play, got most of their offensive punch from Derek Hansen and Marcus Hyatt, but still trailed 11-5 going into the top of the seventh

### BSHS ROUNDUP

**inning.**

Hyatt finished the game with a 3-for-4 showing at the plate, including a double and a home run, while Hansen went 3-for-3, delivering a crucial hit in the seventh inning.

In the Big Spring seventh, however, Sweetwater pitching literally collapsed — six walks, Hansen's hit and an error combining to allow the Steers off the hook.

Hansen's bases-loaded double scored three runs that tied the game at 11-11 before a fielding error by the Mustangs' third baseman allowed the game-winning run to score.

The Steers return to 4-4A action Saturday, traveling to Fort Stockton where they'll take on the Panthers at noon.

### Athletic physicals set Saturday

The Big Spring Independent School District's

athletic department will be offering students in the sixth through 11th grades to receive athletic physicals for the 1998-99 school year beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday in the Big Spring High School cafeteria.

The physical examinations, BSHS athletic trainer Andy Rankin explained, are required for all students wishing to participate in athletics that are entering the seventh or ninth grades, as well as those in other grades who haven't received one.

The examinations will begin at 10 a.m. for students currently in the sixth grade, while those currently in the eighth grade are scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Those currently in the ninth through 11th grades will receive physical exams starting at 10:30 a.m.

Rankin explained that no physicals will be administered after 11:30 p.m.

In addition, he cautioned students needing physicals not to arrive early, noting that those showing up before the scheduled time will not speed up the process involved, nor will they shorten the time spent waiting in line.

### Monday is deadline to make reservations for HC banquet

HERALD Staff Report

Monday is the deadline for making reservations for the annual Howard College Athletic Banquet scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 28, in the East Room of Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

Reservations to attend the banquet must be made no later than 5 p.m. Monday, according to Corky Mitchell, the college's director of communications, and no one will be admitted without reservations.

Tickets for the banquet are priced at \$7 and will be payable at the door.

The banquet's menu will include a choice of beef or chicken entree, salad, vegetables, hot rolls and desert.

Those wishing to make reservations should call 264-5040.



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Yankees post a win at home, just not at Yankee Stadium

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

The New York Yankees won a home game — on the road, that is. Forced to move out of Yankee Stadium because of structural problems, Darryl Strawberry & Co. took up residence at Shea Stadium for an afternoon that made baseball history.

watched the Mets beat the Chicago Cubs 2-1 at Shea. The odd doubleheader marked the first time this century two regular-season games involving four major league teams were played in one stadium on the same day.

Both the Yankees and Angels got dressed early in the morning at Yankee Stadium, then bused over to Shea. Anaheim used the old locker room once occupied by Joe Namath and the New York Jets, and sat in the Mets' dugout.

SPORTS BRIEFS

SMMC officials slate fun run, fun walk for Saturday

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

Lady Steers Booster Club meeting rescheduled

The Big Spring Lady Steers Booster Club has rescheduled its meeting, originally set for Thursday, to 6 p.m. Monday in the Athletic Training Center at Big Spring High School to make final preparations for the annual Lady Steers Athletic Banquet.

Figure 7 Tennis Center schedules social for Sunday

A tennis social has been scheduled for 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday at the Figure 7 Tennis Center in Comanche Trail Park.

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FISHING REPORT

Here is the weekly fishing report as compiled by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for Apr. 16:

CENTRAL: BROWNWOOD: Water fairly clear; black bass up to 8 pounds are fair to good on Carolina and Texas-rigged lizards fished on the outer points and also around drop offs. Crappie are fair to good on live shiners and Beetle Spins fished over brush and under lights at night. Channel catfish are fair to good on live minnows and on small tube jigs fished around the crappie barges. Catfish are good on trotlines baited with cut bait.

BUCHANAN: Water fairly clear; black bass up to 7 pounds are fair to good on Texas-rigged worms and on shallow-running crank baits fished in fairly shallow water. A number of bass are also being caught on wacky worms. Striped bass are good on live bait fished in deep water in the river channel and around the deep water dam. White bass are fair to good on live bait and on spoons fished in the river. Crappie are fair to good on live minnows and on small tube jigs fished around the crappie barges. Catfish are good on trotlines baited with cut bait.

SOUTH: ARISTAD: Water clear; lake level 1083; black bass up to 10 pounds are good on Carolina and Texas-rigged worms and on crank baits. White bass and striped bass are good on live bait and crank baits fished in deep water and in the river with some action at night. Catfish are very good on rod and reels baited with shrimp and cheese bait.

WEST: ALAN HENRY: Water clear on main lake and murky in the tributaries; elevation 2183.68; 64 degrees; black bass are fair to good on spinnerbaits and plastic worms and lizards fished in 2 to 5 feet of water. Crappie are fair on minnows fished around the brush in 2 to 6 feet of water. No report on catfish.

ARROWHEAD: Water clear; 65 degrees; black bass are fair to good on white spinnerbaits, plastic worms and lizards fished in 2 to 6 feet of water. Crappie are excellent to 1-pound on large shiners and on chartreuse jigs fished in 3 to 4 feet of water. Channel and blue catfish are fair on rod and reel and jugs baited with shrimp and cut bait. Yellow catfish to 38 pounds are fair on trotlines baited with gold fish.

COLORADO CITY: Water murky; 10 feet low; 66 degrees; black bass are fair to good on white and chartreuse spinnerbaits, Rat-Traps and Carolina-rigged worms and lizards fished in 2 to 6 feet of water. Crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs fished in 4 to 8 feet of water. Channel and blue catfish are fair to good on cut bait. Yellow catfish are slow. Redfish are fair to good on cut bait.

KEMP: Water murky; elevation 1144; 65 degrees; black bass are fair on white and chartreuse spinnerbaits fished in 2 to 6 feet of water. Striped bass are fair on live bait. Blue and channel catfish are good on cut bait. Yellow catfish are fair on trotlines baited with live perch and goldfish.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water clear on main lake and murky in the tributaries; 68 degrees; black bass to 10 pounds are good on spinnerbaits and Texas and Carolina-rigged worms fished in 1 to 5 feet of water. Crappie to 18 pounds are good on minnows and yellow tube jigs fished in 1 to 3 feet of water. White bass are good in the upper end on white spinners and small crank baits. Channel and blue catfish are good on cut bait and stink bait fished around the flats in 2 to 6 feet of water. Yellow catfish are fair on trotlines baited with live perch.

O.H. IVIE: Water clear on main lake; 67 degrees; black bass to 10.25 pounds are fair to good on chartreuse spinnerbaits and black Texas-rigged worms fished in 3 to 9 feet of water around mud flats on the Colorado and Concho rivers. Black bass are also good on blue and pumpkinseed-colored Texas and Carolina-rigged worms on the main lake fished around wind-blown points in 5 to 15 feet of water. Crappie are good to 2 pounds on minnows and red and white tube jigs fished in 1 to 3 feet of water in the backs of the creeks. White bass are fair on slabs in 20 to 30 feet of water and on small crank baits in shallow water in the early mornings and late evenings. Channel and blue catfish are fair to good on cut bait and earthworms. Yellow catfish are fair on trotlines baited with live perch.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water fairly clear; elevation 999.05; 64 degrees; black bass to 10 pounds are good on white and chartreuse spinnerbaits, slugs and topwaters fished in 1 to 4 feet of water (females are on the nest). Crappie are fair on minnows and white and chartreuse jigs fished in 5 to 10 feet of water. Sand bass are fair to good on small crank baits and slabs. Striped bass to 27 pounds are fair to good on live shad and with deep-diving crank baits around the buoy line at the dam. Channel and blue catfish are good on cut bait and earthworms. Yellow catfish are fair to good on chicken livers and cut bait.

SPENCE: Water fairly clear; 65 degrees; black bass are fair to good on spinnerbaits and plastic worms and lizards fished in 1 to 6 feet of water. Striped bass and sand bass are good on live bait, Rat-L-Traps and buck-tailed jigs fished around the dam. Crappie are good on minnows and tube jigs fished in 2 to 6 feet of water. Blue and channel catfish are fair to good on chicken livers and cut bait.

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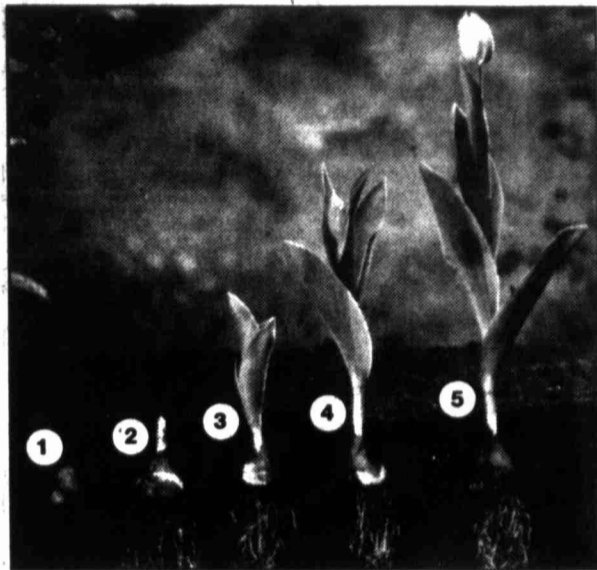
By BETTY DEBNAM

First Flowers of the Season Springing From Bulbs

The first flowers you see in the spring probably spent the winter enclosed in bulbs. Tulips, crocuses, hyacinths, daffodils, irises and lilies all grow from bulbs.

A bulb is a package of food surrounding a new flower. The plant uses this food to survive during the cold winter.

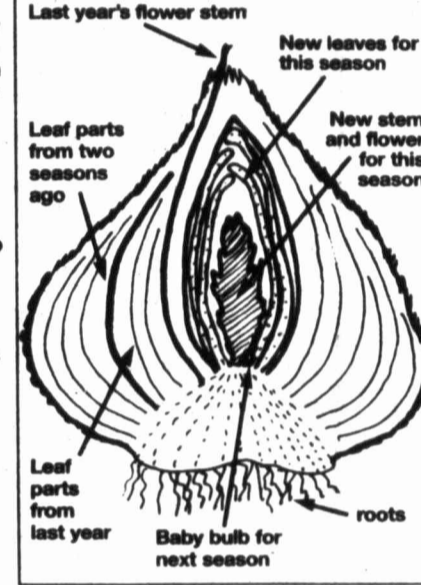
Layers of thick leaf parts surround a stem and new buds. Food is stored inside these leaf parts. Many bulbs, such as onions and tulips, are also covered by a papery skin called a "tunic."



A tulip goes through stages of growth as shown in this photo.

- (1) The bulb rests or hibernates during the cold winter months. (2) When the plant first senses water in the ground, it starts growing roots. (3) The new stem begins rising through the soil toward the warmth and light. (4) Leaves grow and unfold. (5) The bud opens to become a flower.

This cutaway of a hyacinth bulb shows a bulb that has been growing for three years. You can see how each year adds new layers to the bulb package. Each year the bulb grows larger. Some other bulbs, such as tulips, shed their old layers each year. These bulbs do not grow bigger year after year.



What bulbs need

- In order to grow into a spring flower, a bulb needs: • water • a time in the cold • then a time of warmth • light.

When to plant

To get spring flowers, bulbs usually must be planted before the first hard frost. In cold northern areas, they should be planted in early fall. In warmer areas, they should be planted in December or later. (Spring bulbs do not do well in warm winter areas, such as the South.)

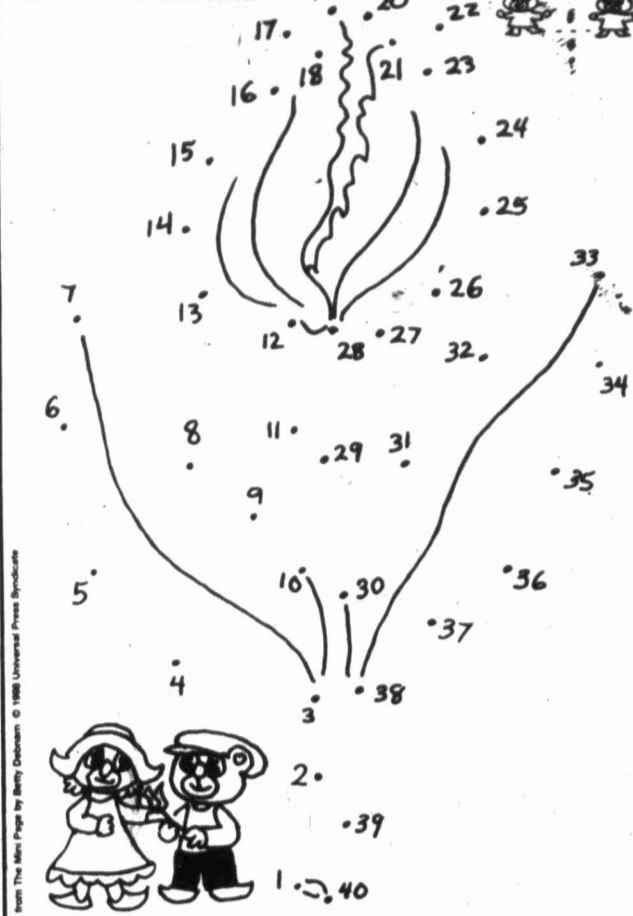
Some bulbs such as dahlias and lilies can be planted in the spring to bloom in the summer.

Fall planting tips

- Bulbs that bloom in the spring can live in sun or shade. They do not do well where water is likely to collect, such as at the bottom of hills. To plant: 1. Dig a long bed, or trench, for many bulbs. Or dig one hole per bulb. Large bulbs need a hole about 8 inches deep. Smaller ones need holes about 5 inches deep. 2. Loosen the soil with a rake. Take out any weeds or rocks. Mix in some peat moss or compost. Gently put in the bulbs, pointed side up. 3. Cover with dirt. Water well.

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FLOWER BULBS TRY 'N FIND

Words about flower bulbs are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward. See if you can find: BULBS, SPRING, FLOWERS, TULIPS, CROCUSES, HYACINTH, DAFFODIL, IRISES, LILIES, COLD, FOOD, BUDS, LIGHT, BLOOM, DUTCH, GROW, GROUND, DIG, SOIL, STEM.

Mini Spy ...

Mini Spy and her friend Alpha Mouse are picking some flowers from her garden. See if you can find: letter H, star, chick, banana, mushroom, number 7, ladder, piglet, safety pin, butterfly, word MINI, number 8, letter E.

Tulip Tales

History The tulip first grew in the area now covering Turkey and parts of Russia. Its name comes from the Turkish word for turban. It is still Turkey's national flower. About 400 years ago, an ambassador to that area of the world discovered tulips and gave some to a friend who was a plant expert. The expert took his bulbs to the Netherlands and started a Dutch craze for tulips. They were so rare and popular that only the rich could afford them. In the early 1600s, one bulb sold for about \$2,250 plus a horse and carriage! From 1634 to 1637, people made and lost fortunes selling tulips. During that time of "Tulipmania," one bulb might cost as much as a house.

The Netherlands

When people think of tulips, they think of the Netherlands, also known as Holland. Each spring, millions of people come from all over the world to visit Holland's colorful tulip fields. The Dutch grow and sell about 65 percent of the world's flower bulbs. Each year, the Netherlands grows about 9 billion flower bulbs. This is enough to give every person on Earth two bulbs. Out of this, 3 billion are tulips. If these were planted four inches apart, they could go around the middle, or equator, of the Earth seven times. The Netherlands sells about 7 billion of their bulbs to people in other countries. Americans buy the most, about 1 billion, followed by the Japanese and the Germans. There are about 3,500 different types of tulips being sold today.

Growing steps

In Washington, tulip farmers go through these steps: 1. In September through early November, machines plow the soil. 2. Planting machines place bulbs in rows, then cover them with dirt. 3. Around the first of April, flowers bloom. After about three weeks, machines chop off the blooms. This is necessary because then all the nutrients go from the leaves to the bulbs. Also, petals that drop on the leaves can cause disease. 4. After 8 to 10 weeks more, the leaves stop growing and a machine digs up the bulbs. 5. Bulbs are sent to warehouses to be cleaned and sized. Large bulbs are shipped and sold. Smaller bulbs are kept back to be replanted in the fall.

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Community wide Garage Sale  
May 16, 304-4424  
Your Place or Ours.

Q 2317 Allendale: April 18. Sat. 7am-2. Electronics, computer accessories, clothes-men, ladies, exercise equipment, misc.

Q **INSIDE SALE:** TV, love seat, coffee table, dishes, kitchenware & Crafts. 2210 Main. Friday-Saturday.

Q Saturday: 9-7 1107 Ridgeroad. Singer touch & sew, computers, bed, refrigerator, dog house, etc.

Q **YARD SALE:** 2106 S. Monticello. Fri. 17th Sat 18th 9am-12. Nice mens & womens clothes all sizes. \$.25-\$1.00 shoes, purses puzzles, lots of good stuff.

Q **CARPOR SALE:** Sat 18 April 8am-4pm 3404 Gal Hwy. No Early Sale. 3/10 mile north from blinking light on HWY350. 263-8557.

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Q Sat. 9-2. 610 W. 4th. Southwest furniture, claw bathtub, lot's of misc.

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**FOUND:** Male Collie w/Lassie type colors. In the Sand Springs area. Call 393-5501.

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Coronado Hills addition only 9 lots left. Call today **KEY HOMES, INC.** Harry Deter 5 5 3 - 3 5 0 2 or 915-520-9848/416/98

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**FOR RENT:** Small, 2 bedroom, 1 bath. \$100/dep. \$300/mo. C/H/A. No pets! 267-9822.

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**TOO LATES**

The Howard County Library will be taking applications for part-time maintenance, janitor beginning Thursday, April 26, 1998. Applications must be turned into the Library by 5:00p.m., Thursday, April 23rd. Applicants need to show a willingness to follow directions and they need to show evidence of dependability. Must be willing to clean the library as well as to maintain the library grounds. Hours will be Monday through Friday, 9:00a.m. to 3:00p.m.

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**TOO LATES**

3 Bdr 1 1/2 bath, freshly painted. Rent \$375., \$200 dep. NO PETS. After 5:00 267-2939.

Q **GARAGE SALE:** 119 Miller A Road in Sand Springs, Exit 184, go East on South Service Road 1/2 mile. Saturday Only! 8am-7

Q 3311 11th place: Family Garage Sale Sat. 18: 8-2. Kids clothes, and mens size lg. misc.

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**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**  
The Big Spring Independent School District shall receive sealed bids for the following article:

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Girls Basketball Supplies  
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Specifications and bid documents may be secured from the school district's Business Office, 708 Eleventh Place, Big Spring, Texas 79720-4610, phone number (915) 264-3620. Bids will be publicly open and read immediately following the deadline for receiving the bids in the Business Office of the Big Spring Independent School District. Bidders are invited to be present at the bid opening. Bids received after the opening date and time will be returned unopened. Bids will be presented for consideration to the Board of Trustees on May 14, 1998, at 5:15 p.m. at their regularly scheduled board meeting. The Big Spring Independent School District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.  
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**CITY OF BIG SPRING NOTICE TO BIDDERS**  
Pursuant to the authority granted by the City Council of the City of Big Spring, Texas, sealed bids will be received until 2:00 p.m., Friday, April 24, 1998, for the sale of an old Palm Booth located at the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark. The booth will need to be dismantled and moved by the successful bidder. Bids are to be opened and read aloud in the Office of the Purchasing Manager, 1380 Airpark Drive East, Big Spring, Texas 79720-3850, with award to be made at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Big Spring City Council. Bid information and specifications may be obtained from the Office of the Purchasing and Material Control Manager, 1380 Airpark Drive East, Big Spring, Texas 79720. All bids must be marked with the date of the bid and a general description of the bid item(s). The City of Big Spring reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any of all formalities.  
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**HOROSCOPE**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR FRIDAY, APRIL 17:**

Career assumes an exceptionally high priority this year. Aim for what you want, make goals and then proceed. You might want to invest a little more time, energy or money into your work, public persona or both. Success is what you seek. If you are single, you will meet a possible mate through work, though you might hedge before you decide to make a commitment. Mixing business and pleasure can be tricky! If attached, enlist a partner's support for your professional ambitions. He will be there for you. CAPRICORN is concerned about your image. 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)**

Step back, and view career matters from a distance. Your energy is powerful and, if properly directed, can add to your income. Question a potential investment before you commit. Take time to touch base with an authority figure. Tonight: Attend a mandatory event.\*\*\*\*

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

You spring forward with solutions. Your ingenuity complements your high level of verve. Ferret out details, consider a specialized class and make plans for a trip. You want change; now you can create it. Get those projects off the back burner! Tonight: Escape.\*\*\*\*

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

You have the intuition and the resources to express what is on your mind. Hesitate no longer; make decisions and have that key discussion with a partner. You cannot bring back what was, but you can have a better relationship. Tonight: Reveal yourself to a friend.\*\*\*\*

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

Others vie for your attention. Can you deal with such popularity? Open doors, take risks and create more of what you want. A male friend pushes you hard. His ideas are quite good. Make time for friends and a gathering. Tonight: Do what you will, but not alone.\*\*\*\*

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

Plug into work. You get a lot done quickly. Your energy is well-directed, but you could easily tell off a boss. Make reasonable demands on others. You are a perfectionist. Pace yourself, and get as much done as you can. Tonight: Get into a spirited game of ball.\*\*\*\*

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

Your mischievous personality dazzles. You are usually serious, but today the kid in you comes out. If single, you delight an admirer: If attached, you add to the moment's passion. Creative brainstorming allows a potential trip. Tonight: Make it different.\*\*\*\*

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

Take a serious look at the foundations in your life. One-to-one relating is heated and flamboyant. You might not see eye-to-eye. Take in someone's point of view, even if you disagree. The more information you gather, the more sound your decisions. Tonight: At home.\*\*\*\*

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

Discussions are animated. Ask questions, and investigate on your own. A partner is testy and demands more information. Keep talks flowing. Return calls, make plans and catch up on news. Work through lunch, and leave early if you can. Tonight: A favorite spot.\*\*\*\*

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

Evaluate your finances more carefully. A scheme at work might take more effort than you realize. You could be frustrated with the energy you need to expend to make it happen. Do not discard your desires and needs. Realize how much you offer others. Tonight: Balance your checkbook.\*\*\*\*



THURSDAY												APR. 16											
Time	KMID (2)	KPEJ (3)	KERA (5)	FAM (6)	KOSA (7)	WFAA (8)	KWES (9)	WTBS (11)	UNI (13)	DISH (14)	NASH (15)	TMC (16)	SHOW (20)	HBO (22)	KMLM (24)	A&E (25)	DISC (26)	TNT (28)	FSN (29)	ESPN (30)	AMC (31)	BET (32)	
6:30	Midwest News (CC)	Simpsons Home Imp.	Science Guy	Walkers	News Grace Under	News (CC) Fortuna	News Seinfeld (CC)	Andy Griffith Andy Griffith	Sin Ti	Movie: Susie Q (CC)	Dallas	Movie: Meatballs Part II (CC)	Movie: Woman in Red	Independence Day	Jewish Voice John Haghe	Law & Order (CC)	Gimm Shelter	Babylon 5 (CC)	Last Words Sports News	NHL Hockey	Platman	Planet Groove	
7:30	Furthest Home Videos	Wildcat Police Videos	New Tastes Travels	Rescue 911 (CC)	Promised Land (CC)	Furthest Home Videos	Friends (CC) Just Shoot Me	(05) WCW Thunder (CC)	Esmeralda	(36) Movie: Championship Rodeo	Movie: Juice (CC)	Movie: Striptease (CC)	Movie: Operation Delta	Movie: Light of the Southwest	Biography	Wild Discovery	Movie: This Boy's Life	This Week in NASCAR	Teams to Be Announced	Movie: Battle			
8:30	Movie: Tremors II	Scarlet Police Stings	Mystery (CC)	Movie: Goddess of	Diagnosis Murder (CC)	Movie: Tremors II	Seinfeld (CC) Veronica's Cl.	(05) WCW Thunder (CC)	Pueblo Chico, Infierno	Teen Witch (CC)	Prime Time Country (CC)	Movie: Juice (CC)	Movie: Striptease 2 (15) Stargate SG-1 (CC)	Movie: Force II: May Day (CC)	News Life in-Word	Unexplained	Wings	Movie: NHL Hockey: Dallas Stars	Baseball	Hi List			
9:30	Aftershocks (CC)	Team Knight Rider	Nova (CC)	Love	48 Hours (CC)	Aftershocks (CC)	ER (CC)	(05) WCW Thunder (CC)	Bienvenidos	Growing Pains Growing Pains	Today's Country	(35) Movie: Walnut Creek	(15) Stargate SG-1 (CC)	Movie: From the Earth	News Crystal Lyons	Law & Order (CC)	Justice Files	Movie: at Phoenix Coyotes	Baseball	Movie: What a Way to Go!	BET Tonight		
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11:30	Nightline Politically Inc.	Vibe	Letters From Waco	Bonanza-Lost	Show (CC) Married... With	Ent. Tonight Politically Inc.	(CC) Late	(05) WCW Thunder (CC)	Al Ritmo de la Noche	Zorro (CC) Mickey Mouse	Dukes of Hazzard	(20) Movie: Underrow	(15) Stargate SG-1 (CC)	Movie: From the Earth	News Crystal Lyons	Law & Order (CC)	Justice Files	Movie: at Phoenix Coyotes	Baseball	Movie: What a Way to Go!	BET Tonight		
12:30	Keenan Ivory Waysans	Martin (CC) In the Heat of	Roam Sweet Home (CC)	Paid Program	Late Late Show	News Ent. Tonight	Night (CC) Gayle King	(12:05) WCW Thunder (CC)	Club America	The Misadventures of	Prime Time Country (CC)	Underrow	(45) Movie: From the Earth	News Crystal Lyons	Law & Order (CC)	Justice Files	Movie: at Phoenix Coyotes	Baseball	Movie: What a Way to Go!	BET Tonight			

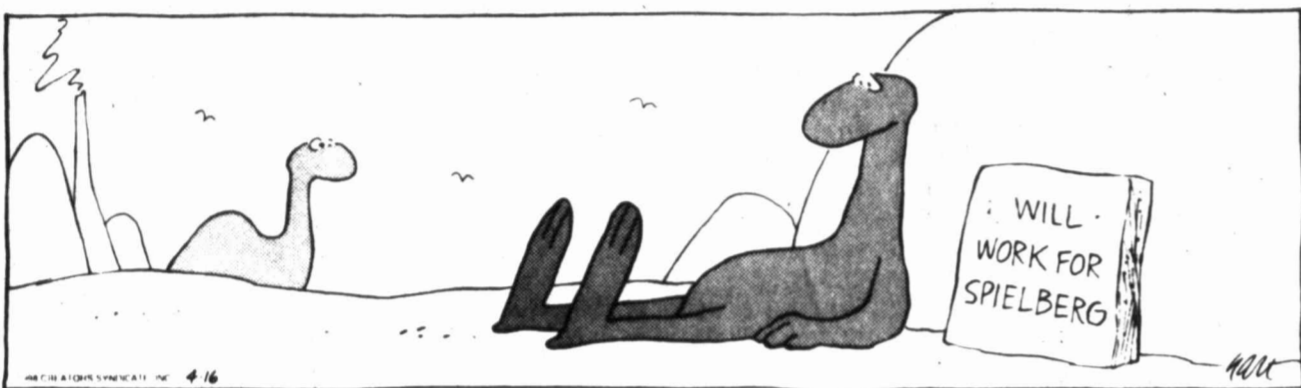
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

Today is Thursday, April 16, the 106th day of 1998. There are 259 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On April 16, 1947, America's worst harbor explosion occurred in Texas City, Texas, when the French ship Grandcamp blew up; another ship, the Highflyer, exploded the following day. The blasts and resulting fires killed 576 people.

On this date: In 1789, President-elect Washington left Mount Vernon, Va., for his inauguration in New York.

In 1862, a bill ending slavery in the District of Columbia became law.

In 1912, Harriet Quimby became the first woman to fly across the English Channel.

In 1917, Vladimir Ilyich Lenin returned to Russia after years of exile.

In 1935, the radio comedy program "Fibber McGee and Molly" premiered on the NBC Blue Network.

In 1945, in his first speech to Congress, President Truman pledged to carry out the war and peace policies of his late predecessor, President Roosevelt.

In 1945, U.S. troops reached Nuremberg, Germany, during World War II.

In 1947, financier and presidential confidant Bernard M. Baruch said in a speech at the South Carolina statehouse: "Let us not be deceived - we are today in the midst of a cold war."

In 1962, Walter Cronkite succeeded Douglas Edwards as anchorman of "The CBS Evening News."

In 1972, Apollo 16 blasted off on a voyage to the moon.

Ten years ago: The Palestine Liberation Organization accused Israel of assassinating Khalil al-Wazir, a top PLO military figure, in Tunisia. Palestinians reacted angrily, and at least 14 were shot and killed by Israeli troops during clashes in the occupied Gaza Strip and West Bank.

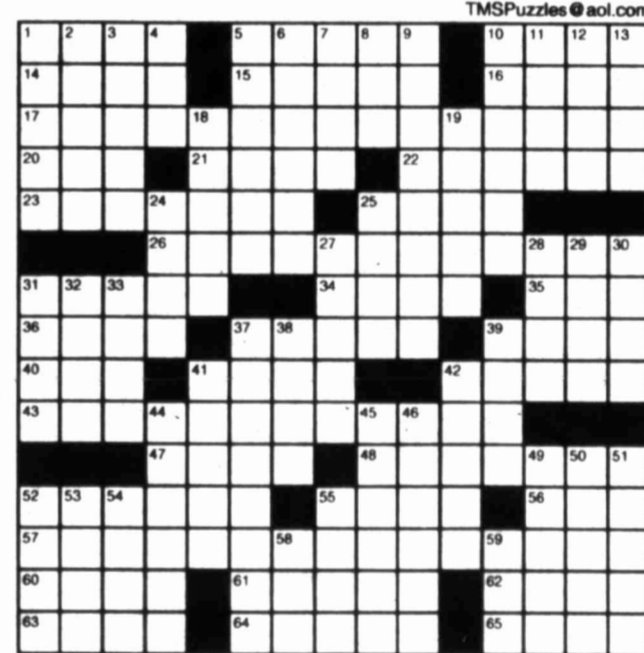
Five years ago: At the White House, President Clinton pressed Japanese Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa to help ease Japan's persistent trade surplus with the United States. President Clinton received gay and lesbian activists in the Oval Office for a one-hour meeting.

One year ago: Police in Israel recommended indicting Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu for breach of trust in an influence-trading scandal. (Prosecutors later decided not to pursue charges against Netanyahu, citing a lack of proof.)

Today's Birthdays: Actor-comedian Spike Milligan is 80. Actor Barry Nelson is 78. Actor-director-author Peter Ustinov is 77. Actor Peter Mark Richman is 71. Actress-singer Edie Adams is 69. Jazz musician Herbie Mann is 68.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

- ACROSS
- 1 Con game
  - 5 Between one another
  - 10 Faucet flaw
  - 14 Facility
  - 15 More mature
  - 16 Santa, CA
  - 17 With 57A, comment by 26A
  - 20 Anne de Beaupre
  - 21 Additional conjunctions
  - 22 \$10 gold coins
  - 23 Inorganic
  - 25 Of India, pref.
  - 26 Legendary baseball manager
  - 31 Educate
  - 34 Portent
  - 35 Simian
  - 36 Excessive anger
  - 37 The March King
  - 39 Dancer Verdun
  - 40 Wrath
  - 41 Letter opener?
  - 42 Competed in the Tour de France
  - 43 26A affectionately
  - 47 Washington bills
  - 48 Forward progress
  - 52 Ashe Stadium event
  - 55 Apple PCs
  - 56 After the style of
  - 57 See 17A
  - 60 Flying, pref.
  - 61 Eatery
  - 62 First-class
  - 63 Hinged fastener
  - 64 Musical exercise piece
  - 65 Lower digits



By Edgar Fontaine Dighton, MA 4/16/98

Wednesday's Puzzle Solved



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- DOWN
- 1 Earthquake
  - 2 Desert plants
  - 3 Gray-faced
  - 4 culpa (Sorry 'bout that)
  - 5 Showplaces
  - 6 Halfway point
  - 7 Makes a choice
  - 8 O.T. book
  - 9 Unfermented beverage
  - 10 St. George's monster
  - 11 Dice toss
  - 12 of Man
  - 13 Permission slip
  - 18 Abraham's wife
  - 19 Half a Black Forest spa?
  - 24 homo (Behold the man!)
  - 25 Doctrines
  - 27 Now talking!
  - 28 Rubberneck
  - 29 Fencing sword
  - 30 Make a loan
  - 31 Small combo
  - 32 British nobleman
  - 33 Elderly
  - 37 Glenn Miller's "Sunrise"
  - 38 Bumpkins
  - 39 Surround
  - 41 Supergiant star in Cygnus
  - 42 Brag
  - 44 Soda can opener
  - 45 Apportioned
  - 46 Safe
  - 49 Southern elm
  - 50 Skirt shape
  - 51 Director Peter in Cygnus
  - 52 Zion National Park state
  - 53 Mets stadium
  - 54 Rowers
  - 55 List of dishes
  - 58 Tiny portion
  - 59 Stetson or fedora

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