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| TUESDAY |
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| January 12, 1999 |
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Jury selected for sexual assault trial Jury selection concluded
Monday, with eight men and four women scheduled to hear the trial of Jaime
Mendez Cuellar 33 , accused of sexual assault of a child. Cuellar is represented by court-appointed attorney Novert Morales, of Midland
Hardy Wilkerson attorney for Howard County, will represent the state in he tryal hat began a.m. 118th District Judge Robert Moore is presiding

What's UP.
WEDNESDAY
O Optimist Club, 7 a.m.,
Howard College
Rig Spring Downtown College Cactus Room. Line dancing, Senior Citizens
Industrial Park. - Eagles lodge Ladies Auxiliary, 7 tp.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W . Third.
Texas author Herb Texas author Herb
Marlow will be at Moss
Elementary School at 130 Elementary
and 2:15 p.m.
THURSDAY Gideons Internationa
Big Spring Camp No. 4206, a.m., Hermans. D Big Spring
Citizens
Center art cenior
classes 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. for 55 and older. D Kiwanis Club, noon,
Howard College Howard College Cactus
Room. Room. Christmas in April,
noon, Lion's Club Den, 1607 E. Third. Criends of the Library,
noon, Howard County Library. American Legion
 2084. 7:30 p.m., 219 Main. B Big, Spring Newcomers Club contact Pat Mireles for
time and location at 267-8741 FRIDAY
Signal Mountain Quilting Guild, 9.5 p.m., S
Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281 Bring a lunch. City Senio Citizens country/western
dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Al seniors invited.
SATURDAY
Rite Club Lodge, 21st and Lancaster Breakfast served (\$4).
Dance $8: 30$ pm. Lo Dance $8: 30$ p.m., Eagles
Lodge, $704 \quad \mathbf{W}$. Third Everyone welcome. The Heritage Museum Inside todar..
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7335 before 7 p.m. on week. days and 11 a.m. on Sunday.

Scenic Mountain Medical Center CEO resigns, bound for California By MARSHA STURDIVANT Health Systems.
chief operations officer, will ac chief operations officer, will a
as interim administrator. Staff Writer $\begin{array}{ll}\text { I think he saw the final pro- } & \begin{array}{l}\text { second floor obstetrics created a } \\ \text { whole new atmosphere in the }\end{array} \\ \text { jects here through, and now he's. }\end{array}$ jects here through, and now he's
going where he's needed. He's
 going where he's needed. He's And other improvements have
been here four years, which is a
marked Randall's administralengthy time ), said Amber tion, such as a redesign of the
Rich, SMMC director of business development. Rital in 11, who came to the hospitillin 1995, has headed several and remodels to the hospital and remodels to the hospital.
A $\$ 500,000$ third floor remodel and patient care redesign will and patient care redesign will
becompleted this month, with a
grand opening scheduled for A $\$ 1^{1}$ million



Howard County Junior Livestock Show boasts more exhibitors, more animals than last year $\frac{\text { By JOHN H. WALKE }}{\text { Managing Editor }}$
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## An began head


rows, lambs, steers and heifer shows must be checked-in by 8
tonight", explained Howard tonight," explained Howard
County
Extension Agent Agriculture David Kight
"After that, goats have to be checked in by noon Wednesday and rab
Approximately 200 young-
sters-up from 178 a year ago

- will be showing 352 animals will be showing as2 animals
(up from 328 ) durtng the show, which will conclude with the premium sale Saturday after noon at 1:30. One change in the show this
year is addition of rabbits in place of capons. A total of 88 rabbits are entered.
"We "We opted to go to rabbits
this year," Kight said. "Last year, we had trouble
finding a good source of capons finding a good source of capons
and I even think a few of them and I even think a few of them
died, which is tough on the kids.
Judges for this year's show
include David Graff for bar include David Graff for bar-
rows, Richard Long for lambs, rows, Richard Long for lambs,
Preston Ferris for goats, Billy Kash for steers and heifers and
Eddie Puckett for rabbits. Competition
Wednesday at $5: 30$ begins
with the HERALD Staff Repor

Junior livestock shows get under way at week's end in Borden and Martin counties as
local and area youngsters local and area youngsters pre
pare for larger shows in Fort
By JOHN H. WALKER Managing Editor

## While Howard County has not yet received its check for yet received its check for $\$ 571,212$ as part of Texas' settle-

 \$57,212 as partment with the
tobacco ment with the
tobacco indus$\stackrel{a}{\mathrm{O}}$ O
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C $\begin{aligned} & \text { Cor unn t y } \\ & \text { Commissioners } \\ & \text { on Monday } \\ & \text { that the monies } \\ & \text { were on the } \\ & \text { way. }\end{aligned}$
LOCKHART County judge
Ben Lockhart told the court he Ben Lockon had discussed plac-
and
ing ing $\$ 500,000$ in a long-term
interest bearing account and interest bearing account and
retaining $\$ 71,000$ in a short-term retaining
account.
account.
"We are looking at doing it
that way because it will allow that way because it will allow
us to get the benefit for the us to get the benefit for the
major portion of the money, but have some shor-term funds
available in the event we need them," Lockhart explained.
Howard County paid $\$ 343,000$

County plans to invest tobacco funds in indigent health care in fiscal
1997 after budgeting $\$ 540,000$, Lockhart said.
"We are required by state law "We are required by state law
to set aside 10 percent of our tax
levy for indigent health care to set aside 10 percent of our tax
levy for indigent health care.
We are thinking of investing We are thinking of investing
this money and earmark all of this money and earmark all of it
to pick up the indigent health to pick up the indigent health
care bills," he explained.
"Each year, the county reviews Case
Each year, the county reviews
health care applications for res health care applications for res-
idents that are deemed ineligiidents that are deemed ineligi-
ble for the program, he said. ble for the program, he said.
Ocasionally, the ineligibility results from an income that
may only be $\$ 10$ over the accept may only be $\$ 10$ over the accept-
able limit, he said. able limit, he said.
"Sometimes we'll pay those "Sometimes we'll pay those sense, he said, continuing that
an income that close probably an income that close probably
indicates an inability to pay. indicates an inability to pay.
However, the $\$ 571,212$ does not However, the 8571,212 does not
have to be used for indigent
health care, the judge said health care, the judge said.
"We can use this for whatever "We can use this for whatever
we want." he said. we want." he said. "T h e
money is the result of a clause in the Texas tobacco settlement increasing payments from the
tobacco companies as a result of tobacco companies as a result of
the 'Most Favored Nation' provi-
sion. When the state of
Minnesota and the tobacco
industry reached an agreement, industry reached an agreement,
the clause kicked in the extra revenue for Texas," comptroller
rever public accele revenue for Texas," comptroller
of public accounts Carole
Keeton Rylander Keeton Rylander said. Each county in the state will
receive funds from the settle receive funds from the settle-
ment in proportion to population. Along with the funds
being distributed this being distributed this month,
more money will be paid in 2000 and 2001. Monies over the next two years will be distributed in direct proportion to the amount
of money spent on indigent of money spent on indigent
heath care. health care.
This $\$ 300$ million is in addiThis $\$ 300$ million is in addi-
tion to the $\$ 15$ billion negotiated by the state with the totacacco
companies. companies.
Legislation will determine how
The Legislation will determine how city, county and hospital dis
trict has autonomy over the trict has autonomy over the use
of this money, the comptroller of this
said.
iWe
in the (Howard County) joined in the suit on the tobacco See FUNDS, Page


Christy Welch gets her lamb roady for show beforo last year's Howard County Junior Li
This year's lamb shdw is Wednesday, with activites sheduled through the weekend. cards are due in on the market HOWARD COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW
goats by 2 p.m. Wednesday. oats by 2 p.m. Wednesday.
The continues Thursday with weight cards
due on barrows by $8 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Steers due on barrows by 8 a.m. Steers and papers checked on heifers
by 1 p.m. After th show will begin at 5 p.m. while lamb weigh-in cards are due by T.m.
Three shows are scheduled
for Friday, with the rabbit for Friday, with the rabbit
show at 9 a.m... the lamb show

## Wednesday - $5: 30$ p.m., Market Goat Thursday -5 p.m., Market Hog Show

Firday - 9.am., Rabblt Show

- 1 p.m., Lamb Show
-5 p.m. Steer and Helfer Show

Saturday - noon, Buyer's Barbecue - 1 p.m., Awards Program
1:30 p.m., Premlum Sale

The buyer's barbecue is set

Youth getting ready for shows in Borden and Martin counties show at 9 a.m., the lamb show
at 1 p.m. and the steer at 1 p.m. and the steer and
heifer show at 5 p.m.
The buyer's barbecue is set
meal catered by Al's and Son
Barbecue, followed by the Barbecue, followed by the

## Sal

Last year's sale at 1:30 p.m. brought in more than $\$ 50,000$. Worth, San Antonio, Houston, El Paso and San Angelo.
The Borden County show gets The Borden County show gets
started Thursday at 6 p.m. with started Thursday at 6 p.m. With
the steer show, followed by the
lamb show at 9 am. and the lamb show at 9 a.m. and the
swine show at 10:30 a.m. on
Friday.

The show's
scheduled
Saturday for $7 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. on awards ceremony at 9 a.m. and the prem. Saturday.
The Martin County show gets
under way Friday morning at 8 under way Friday morning at 8
executive will work with the that the transition is smooth and that we lose no momentum on issues in progress, while continue to search for a perma
nent
replacement," And Rich said she anticipates
few problems with the changeover.
smooth. We have 35 dep will be said.

## Banquet

Tickets on sale for upcoming chamber event By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer
The Big Spring Are
Chamber of Commerce annua Chamber of Commerce annual
banquet, promises to be a
soiree of majestic proportions, soiree of majestic proportions,
as this year more than 500 peoint
ple are expect-
ed.
is set for $7 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

Terri Newton,
chamber exec-
This year's theme, "Rise and
Shine in '99" offers a glimpse Shine in '99" offers a glimpse
into the chamber's vision for
1999, an early-bird approach to business and industry in Big
Spring. Spring.
"This.
"This year the chamber of
commerce will focus on all
commerce will focus on al
areas of business, all types of
industry "shes
industry,", she said
Tumbeweed Smith will be
event.
Our very own Tumbleweed
Smith We are extremely excit-
ed about that," Newton said.
Man and Woman of the Year
wall also be announced at the
banquet, she said
"And outgoing board mem
bers and new board member
bers and new board member
will be recognized," she said. Decorating the coliseum has
been a challenge this year, and been a challenge this year, and
Newton said she's had some
very interesting ideas for the decor of the banquet, she said elegant evening." Newton said. Newton also said the annual
banquet will be an opportunity for community members to
socialize and enjoy each other's company.
"This is one event we have to
look forward to each year. an we promise not to make it to long," she said.


LOCAL

## Obitlarils

## A.D. "Tony"

 Fisher
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Anna Koepp
Acton Hughe
 greaterand children
to the American Hear
Association; 3525 Andrew
Hwy Suite 111; Midland; 79703.


NALLEY-PICKLE \& WELCH Funeral Home


Billy Bingham, 50, died
Sunday. Services will be 10:00 AM Wednesday at Nalley-
Pickle $\&$ Welch Rosewood Pickle \& Welch Rosewood

Chapel. Interment will follow Anna Koepp | Anna Koepp Acton |
| :---: |
| $\begin{array}{c}\text { Hughes. } 81, \text { died Monda. } \\ \text { memorial service will be } 11: 00\end{array}$ | AM Wednescay at at 1209

Douglas. Interment will follow at a later date.




## FUNDS



 Infants and Children) promen,
wint be closed ofr all services
on Jan. 18.1., The office will
open agan for services Jan. 20
at 8 a.m.

a.m. to 1 p.m. in the first flloor
classrom. Please call $268-4960$
for an appointment.

BIRTHRIGHT IS NEEDING
DONATIONS
DONATIONS of layette items
for newborns: sleepers, booties
disposable diapers, baby to
letries, large gift bags, flanel
fabric. Items may be delivered
to Simpler Pleasures, 1305
to Simpler Pleasures, 1305
Gregg, of Family Life Center
(northeast door) of First Baptist

THE MOBILE MEALS PROGRAM, also known a eers to deliver meals.
If you can spare one hour pe meals, we need you. About 8
to 90 meals are prepret to 90 meals are prepared, pack-
aged and delivered within the
city limits of Big Spring. If you can volunteer, please call 26


## TUESDAY <br> -Support for MS and Relater Diseases, $6: 30$ p.m. second Tuessay of each month Tuesday of each month Canterbury south. Public invit <br> ed. Call Leslie, 267-1069. -AlAnon, 8 p.m., 615 Settle -Sentors,

 hild, $7: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. first Tuesday in eibruary, April, June, August,October and December in the
Family Life Center Building
First Baptist Church amily Life Center Building,
First Baptits Church, 705 West Marcy. Enter by Cancer support group, first
Tuesday of each month, 7.8 p.m., VA Medical Center room
213. Call Beverly Rice, 268-5077. -"Most Excellent Way," an addiction support group, 3610
Dixon, call $264-9900$. Alcoholics Anonymous, 615
Aettles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. closed-meeting.
$\cdot$ Family Education and Family Education and
Support, sponsored by Howard
ounty Mental Health Center County Mental Health Center,
meets the second Tuesday of
each month at $5: 30$ p.m. at 319 Runnels. For more information -The Big Spring Alliance for
the Mentally Ill meets the fourth Tuesday of each month
at $6: 30$ p.m. at 409 Runnels (for-
merly the TU building) For furmerly the TU buildinge) For for
ther information call Sondra at her information call
267-7220
Counseling
Center of West Texas will have Center of West Texas will have
Dr. Ronald Meyer, D.Min.,
LCDC, LMFT, specializing in CDC, LMFT, specializing in
individual and marriage coun-
seling, Attention Deficit Deling, Attention Defici
Disorder and chemical depen-
dency, available for clients in dency, available for clients in
Midland. Appointments for
counseling services are made counseling services are mad
by calling 1-1-80-329-4144.

- Narcotics Anonymous,
p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal WEDNESDAY
 p.m., St. Stephen's Catholic
Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley,
Midland. Call 263 -8920. Alcoholics Anonymous, 615
Settles, noon open meeting and Settles, noon open meeting and
8 p.m. 12 and 12 study.
-Narcotic Anonymous, 8 p.m. St. Mary's
Church.Call 268-4189 (pager no.) IF YOU HAVE A SUPPORT GROUP LISTING, PLEASE
SUBMIT IT IN WRITING.


## Mexican

Mafie' trial
begins under
tight security
Marshals armed with rifles
stood guard on neighboring
rooftops this morning as jury
selection began in the federal
racketeering trial of 11 accused
members of the Mexican Mafia.
Each suspect is charged with
a single racketeering count,
which carries a potential life
sentence.
The federal indictment
against the gang accuses the
members of participating in,
among other crimes, the shot-
gun slayings of five people in a
San Antonio home last August.
The indictment, handed up in
July, accuses the Mexican
Mafia, also known as the
"Mexikanemi", or "La Eme, ". of
routinely dealing drugs, rob-
bing, extorting, assaulting and
killing. The gans is suspected
group, 2 p.m., Can
South. Call $263-1265$.
-Compassionate Fri
port group for parents who
have experienced

## for emergency custody were granted it while the state inves tigates. Mrs. Olswing said she believes the household is "immoral" and "depraved." William Monroe, Mrs. Olswing's law yer, said the grandmother is tring to pro- tect the child. "Raising a 3 . year-old girl in a household where the child sees her moth- er sleeping with two men is abusive and injurious to her health." Monroe said. Mrs. Divilbiss said she and her legal husband, Shane Divilbiss, 24, brought Chris Littrell, 22, into their relation

## "They both loved me, she said. "They didn't want to lose their friendship over a woman so they decided to pretty much

Arrests up along border between
Ariz.-N.M.
YUMA, Ariz. (AP) - Border
Patrol agents here apprehended
twice as many people in the
last quarter of 1998 as they did
last quarter of 1998 as they did
in the same period a year before, another serign of an onearg-
ing shift in illegal immigration ing shift in
patterns.
From
From October through
December, 13,742 illegal immi December, 13,742 illegal immi-
grants were apprehended, said Yrants were apprehended, said spokesman Al Casillas. The agency reported 6,144 apprenen
sions for the last three months With the border tightening in 11 Paso and San Diego, Casilla said, people looking to enter
the country illegally could be
"Let's try elsewhere."


## 1998 was hottest year on record

WASHINGTON (AP) - The

Werd's femperature bumped up $\begin{array}{lll}\text { world's temperature bumped up } & \text { sormal climate fluctuations and } \\ \text { sat that, at any rate, some } \\ \text { a notch last year rising } & \text { r.34 } & \text { warming might do more good }\end{array}$ | degree Fahrenheit to make 1998 | $\begin{array}{l}\text { warming might do more good } \\ \text { than ill. } \\ \text { tharmest year on record. } \\ \text { "One has to say we're seeing a }\end{array}$ |
| :--- | :--- | the warmest year on record.

"It is
teally
quite extraordinary. We've got a record and it's
ne of the largest increases that and ever seen in one year,",
said D. James Baker, head of he National Oceanic and In recent years rising temper ures caused by human indus ial activity have raised con erns that the planet would danhe controversial. That led to eached in Kyoto, Japan, in educe emissions of carbo ioxide and other gases thought to threaten the climate. contend that the temperature


 Part of the 1998 warmth wa associated with a strong E
Nino, a periodicic warming of the Nino, a periodic warming of the
Pacific ocean, that was occur rachict ocean, that was occiar
ring icord irst haf of the year According to NASA, the
largest unusual
temperature

 But almost the entire worid we
warmer than normal in l 198 . Because the Pacific Oce Because the Pacific ocea
temperature has cooled, globa
temperatures in 1999 are expec temperatures in 1999 are expectthe scientists said. But they
expect it to remain above the

High-tech executive to investigate UFOs
multimillionaire executive has
resigned from the Internet firm
he founded to promote his belief
that many high-tech advance-
ments including fiber optics
and lasers - come from aliens.
Joe Firmage, e8, said he decid-
ed to quit his post Friday as the
chief strategist at USWeb/CKS
Corp. to save the company from
"public relations complica-
tions" as he pursues his inves-
tigations.
"There is a bigger picture out
there than just tomorrow's
stock price," Firmage said
Monday "I've had explicit con-

## Butler says


na.
Reportedly known as the "Fox
Mulder of Silicon Valley"
after the alien-chasing FBI
agent trom the TV series ""The
X-Files" F Firmage has pub-
lished a 600 pagee manifesto,
titled ""The Truth." mane
So far, he says the pursuit has
cost him $\$ 3$ million and quite
possibly his reputation as a
savvy high.tech businessman.
"I've done a lot in my life,"
Firmage said. "I have a lot to be
thankful for and proud of. I also
have shown that I'm rational
and level headed."

## Clinton lawyers, House

 prosecutors clash over impeachment evidence$\qquad$ House prosecutors and White House defenders are clashing over the evidence in a written preview of the drama soon to unfold in
the Senate. The two sides filed briefs Monday that blended argumen the case would influence future judgments of presidential mis
In a road map for oral arguments that begin with the Hous if Cintation Thursday on the Senate floor, prosecutors said tha tice charges, "the bar will be so pigjury and obstruction-of-jus raitor will need to be concerned earlier in the day. Clinton's lawyers contended that his attempt to conceal an extramarital affair with former White House inter
Monica Lewinsky "do not permit the conviction and removal of a duly elected president
The charges ... do not rise to the level of 'high crimes and mis House sai
Both sides Monday tried to hone their presentations, knowin
that the openings will take on an even greater significance if th Senate does not allow witnesses later in the trial. Each side has
24 hours on the clock, with the White House to follow when Lead prosecutor Rep. Henry Hyde, R-III., who plans to begin th prosecutors' opening presentation, said this was "not the time to
get angry with the Senate" over its decision to delay his dime get angry with the Senate" over its decision to delay his demand
for witnesses. He said the House "managers" wouldn't "want to hang our hat just on the question of witnesses. Vice President Al Gore predicted Monday that the Senate
would not muster the two-thirds vote to convict Clinton. "What an interview "He's wong," Gore told The Associated Press in But what he did falls far short" of misbehavior warranting The White House submission Monday was a 13-page answer impeachment approved by the House. The House submissio was a 105-page trial brief. The White House
to counter with its own trial brief rebuttal.
ill return to Iraq with expanded role

|  |  | tion is not yet assured. | Force fighter jet fired an anti- |  | $\mathrm{y}$ |
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| ing his age | '"We've had one (monitoring | Dec. 16-19 - launched | missic | Sc | halted its nuclear weapons |
| return to work in Iraq, pos- | stem) there since 1994 | Butler said Baghdad wasn't | the northern | em, but Butler has repeated | development, |
| ly with a less intrusive mon- | clearly in the future it w | cooperating with U.N. | As in two separate inci | rejected the charges. | monitoring program like |
| ring mission to keep | to be bigger in scope, | tors - effectively ended | Monday, the U.S. plane | Intelligence help from the | one now envisioned |
| watch, on President Saddam | staffing," Butler said | UNSCOM's work to ensure Ir | come under fire | United States and 35 to 40 | UNSCOM. |
| Hussein. | remarks to a nonproliferation | destroyed its chemical and b | safely to base, | countries, Butler said, | the Sec |
|  | conference sponsored by the | logical weapo |  | for t |  |
| ttler said of the U.N. Spec | Carnegie Endowment for | siles and does not rebuild the | President Clinton has pledged |  | UNSCOM |
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| tead, U.N. weapons insp |  | Saddam has |  | Butler confirmed that all U. | aggressive docu |
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Internal Revenue Service opens Web problem site to alert taxpayers to errors


## There's no away around the polities of it

By WALTER R. MEARS AP Special Correspondent
WASHINGTON - Despite the Senate's self-celebrated una-
nimity on the way in to the nimity on the way in to the impeachment trial of President
Clinton, there will be no route past political lines on the way pat. Republicans can rule the
proceedings, but they cant proceedings, but they can
convict Clinton without convict Clint
Democrats.
So what's
So what's been done simply
guarantes a guarantees a replay, first of the
case against the president, then case apains the president, then
of decisions that are likely to
be decided on the of decisions that are likely to
be decided on elose to party
lines, on questions raised linec, on questions raised
before. Chief among them: - Whether Clinton's removal even should the House allegations against him be proved to
the Senate. The White House the Senate. The white defense of Clinton Monday that the answer is
"no," while denying the per jury and obstruction of justice charges voted against
saying that the articles of
impeachment should be dis impeachment should be dis-
missed.
-Whether Monica Lewinsky and other figures in the sex
scandal shou.d be called as wit nesses to be questioned before the Senate. Republicans tend

Democrats and the White
House don't want summoned House don't want summoned.
-And whethen short of the
two-thirds conviction vote that
still seems beyond Republican reach - it would take a dozen
Democrats should all 55 GOP senators vote to dust Clinton the Senate should censure the president for his misconduct. That's the Democratic option,
and it could attract some GOP votes.
There is, of course, no guaras they largely did when the House voted to impeach. But this is stilla political
exercise. There is exercise. There is no more par
tisan, issue than the impeachment 'and possible dismissal of a Democratic president by a
Republican-controlled Republican-controlled
Congress. Only when Richard M. Nixon's role in the Richard
Water Watergate cover-up was prove
in his own tape-recorded in his own, tape-recorded
words did his GOP defend words did his GOP delenders
yield to the inevitability that led him to resign the presiden
cy. The $100-0$ Senate agreement on initial proced
Instead, it delayed the deci
sions that will reflect those sions that will refl
political divisions.
The aim was to avoid the
open, bitter partisanship of
open, bitter partisanship of
House impeachment, and

Senate leaders may have suc--
ceeded in that, since this isn't
subject to debate now -...nnt
to writen questions, closed
deliberations and, finally, to
votes. "When this is all over, no matter what the outcome, you will be proud of the Senate and prouder still that our system of
government is able to handle government is able this handle
even this mentous matter even cisis momentous mater
wess," Sen. Trenter and fairness," Sen. Trent Lott, the
majority leader, said in the mapority leader, said in the address.
Perhaps, but this is a case hat has stirred neither prid nor civility, and fairness
depends on who is judging Lott said, for example, that in
fairness, the Senate should be fairness, the Senate should be
able to call witnesses should a majority believe that necessary. That wou l be a
Republican majority Republican majority;
Democrats argue that the 60,000 pages of evidence com-
piled by Independent Counsel piled by Independent Counsel
Kenneth Starr is mare Kenneth Starr is more than
adequate. adequate.
House prosecutors relied on
hat record in bringing the that record in bringing the
charges, but want figures in he case called and questioned in person in the trial. They are
irked that witnesses won't be part of the Senate case from
> ning Thursday. In doing so,
they are limited to what is they are limited to what is
already on the impeachmen record, which means the case made first in the House the House floor.
That should be to clinton's advantage since it will be the third time that case has been
heard and because it will avoid for now any new evidence, which GOP prosecutors had
> The prosecutors, then the president's defenders, have up o 24 hours a side to argue their cases, without being
interrupted by questions. N o trial drama there, only speeches, probably repetitive ones record.
> Then questions, in writing and then votes, on a motion dismiss and on summoning
witnesses and considering new
> witnesses and considering new
evidence.
On those points, majority On those points, majority
rules, so 51 votes can continu and expand the Clinton trial, with votes on calling specific
> Witnesses to fociow. test impeachment strength, and the 67 it would take to oust Clinton could lead to compro
 512-463-0326.

## E DITORIAL

"Congress shall make no law respecting an establish,
ment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; ment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof;
or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or
the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petior abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or
the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to peti-
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## Olr Views

With fire hatchet buried, it's time for us to move on

$S$ome where, some how, some one flipped a witch to shine some light over the ongoing war of words between the Howard Count Olunteer Fire Department.
The result, it seems is that both sides are now will ing to sit down and discuss and solve problems, rathe han airing dirty laundry and pouting in public We salute volunteer chief Tommy Sullivan for doing
the right thing and issuing an apology to members of the right thing and issuing an apology to members of the county commissioners court over his action
admitting the fact he was part of the problem
Chief Sullivan has done an excellent job of organiz ing the department and maintaining an effective fire fighting agency. The fact he is man enough to admit when he
the job.
he job
Since Chief Sullivan's Dec. 30 letter to commission ers, there has been a meeting between the chief, coun ty attorney Mike Thomas and commissioners Bil Crooker and Gary
for the department.
The volunteer's plan to incorporate, along with the proposal to establish an executive committee to over see the overall operation of the volunteer fre depar and well-thought-out.
and well-thought-out.
As we have previously stated, the commissioner's court must be the body responsible for the fire depart ment
We have no concern over whether or not the volun for the fire department, but it is the commissioners court that is constitutionally charged with the over sight on all tax monies.
Let us now leave the more sordid details of this one commissioners and firefighters want to do - serve the people of Howard County.

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## To the Edrtor:

As another hosiday season
draws to a close, I would like to commend the Big Spring
Herald for its efforts to obtain a sponsor for each Angel on Trees. Each year my husband and I
sponsor as many Angels as we can. I would hope each family
in Big Spring would same.
Part of the reason so many Angels go unclaimed is the simple fact that the toy the expensive
child wishes to have a Nintendo 64, a new bicycle, a life-size Barbie, et fills out the Angel card The should encourage the child to choose a less expensive item. Many families would love to
help the children in need, but can't afford such extrava-

Linn Hoghrs
Garden City
remarks about Charles as you called it. Charles has joined the wolfThey smell blood and each on of flesh from what they consider to be a wounded victim.
Charlie has voted his conscience without any thought of the welfare of the country
he has sworn allegiance to. Right now it stands Stenholm's conscience one,
the United States of America
The Democratic voters of in office for 18 years in spite in Washington he takes advice from and espouses the causes
of the people that have always voted against him.
Maybe it is time for our
Congressman to stand in fr of a mirror and ask himself Democrat, Republican or hypocrite?
The answer shouldn't

Juil. E. Reid
Stanton

Witnesses: Not clear which side has more to lose


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## SPORTS

## In Brief

Lady Steers freshmen suffer losis in Snyder The fourth time was defi-
nitely a charm for Big Spring's Lady Steers frereshme
Monday, as they suffered a 33 4 loss to Snyder's young Lad Tigers.
Having
times this seatason, the Lady
Steers were shocked when the Lady Tigers employed a zone Spring's inside game
As a result, Snyder was able
to pull away to a $22-9$ lead in oo pull away to a $22-9$ lead in
the third quarter before the the hird quarter before the
Lady Steers mounted a come-
back bid that trimmed the nargin to $26-24$ with $3: 5$ Thaining. Spring's run, however, a
Snyder closed the game wit Snyder closed the game w
seven unanswered points. ven unanswered points.
Dena Cook paced the Lady
Deers with nine points, while Seers with nine points, while
Jessica Woodward added five
more.
Now 8-6 on the year, the
Lady Steers will face the host Lady Mustangs at 9 a.m Lady Mustan
Thursday in
tournament.

## Hunter Education course

 scheduled for Feb. 20-21 A hunter education courserequired for all hunters born on or after Sept. 2, 1971 , will
be conducted Feb. 20-21 at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce offices located a
the corner of Third and Grege streets.
Boyce Boyce Hale will be the
instructor for the classes which are scheduled for 8 a.m
to 5 p.m. both days. A few of 10 per person is required Hale at 267.6957 or Dibrell Gun Shop at 267-7891.
Local youngsters play in USTA zone tourney Several youngsters from Big
Spring took part incthe year's
irst
USTA Zone Are Tournament in Ar Jay Shroff, an eighth grader School, won his division and qualified for championship evel tournaments.
Goliad Middle enth grader Ame Blacketer division after having won three matches at the Copper
Bowl Tournament in Tucson, Ariz., during the Christmas Ariz., during
holiday break.
Other local
matches were Zach Smiley Edgemon, Meagan, $\begin{gathered}\text { Alex } \\ \text { Jake Smiley, Vishal }\end{gathered}, \begin{gathered}\text { Rhroff }\end{gathered}$
Shrof and Jim Blackete
Cliff Green, Mic Mindy Partee, Veronica
Villarreal, Senica Arguillo and Brian Wingert also com

BSHS Golf Boosters set meeting for Thursday The Big Spring Golf
Boosters Club will hold its
first meeting of the school year at 7 p.m. Thursday in the
BSHS Athletic Training All parents of Big Sprin goifers are urged to attend and Today mah school basketbal 6:30 p.m. T Tahoka at Coahoma (girls $*$ Forsan at Wall (girls).

- Midand Trinity at Fors $\rightarrow$ Post at Stanton (girls and 7:30 p.m. Big Spring at Snyder (girls). d boys).

On the Air

## CODAY:

${ }_{6}^{\text {Men }} 6: 30$ p.m. - lowa at Ohio


Five players from Crossroads make six-man all-state team By JOHN A. M
Four seniors who played pivotal roles in Borden County's run to the six-man
state championship game for a second
strag straight year have been named to the
1998 Texas Six-Man Football All-State 1998 Texas Six-Man Football All-Stat
Team.
The Coyotes three first-team selection The Coyotes three first-team selections
are all repeat selections to the team, as
quarterback Colt quarterback Colt McCook, running back
Fernando Baeza and defensive lineman Fernando Baeza and defensive lineman
Ryan Grant picked up all-state accolades for a second straight year.
Teammate Colt Miller
Teammate Colt Miller earned a line backer's spot on the second-team
defense, as did Grady defensive linema Greg Gibson.
Among those joining McCook and
Baeza in the first-team offensive

Lady Wranglers find it wasn't really 'the night By JOHN H. WALKE

| Stefi Clark hung around the Dorothy |
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## Howard opens WJCAC play ripping OC


who rushed for 265 yards and five touch- and Mike Risse of Blanket, center Stoney
 win over the Coyotes.
Others named to the first-team offen- $\begin{gathered}\text { Trinidad placed three players - line- } \\ \text { man Demond Smith, linebacker Jame }\end{gathered}$ sive backfield were deep back Shane Cherry and safety Corey Westbrook Mallory of Strawn, and running back
Jon the first-team defensive unit with
Grant $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Jeremy Holt of Silverton. } \\ \text { Rounding out the first-team offense } & \text { Grant. } \\ \text { Other first-team defense selections }\end{array}$

 second-team defensive unit include linemen Juan Rodriguez of Highland
and Justin Sullivan of Whitharral; line backers Andy Leyva of Grandfalls
Royalty, Jimmy Holland of Blackwel
and Josh Pough of Balmorhea; safety and Josh Pough of Balmorhea; safety
Matt Hood of Amherst; and punter Shane Bhe second-team offense included deep
back Eddie Chism of Jayton back Eddie Chism of Jayton; quarter
back Stan Ball of Cheroke rennit back Stan Ball of Cheroke, runnin
backs Jeremy Webb of Wellman-Unio and Danny Santiago of Grandfalls Royalty; ends Travis Pruitt of Jonesbor
and Ty Hamm of Wellman-Union: cente and Ty Hamm of Wellman-Union; center
Jamie Shuck of Groom; and kicker Jeff Hopkins of Straw

Hawks' rebounding takes Wranglers
out of game plan
Sy John A. Moseley


HoWard Cóloge Lady Hawks guard Latasha Moore' (24) applles interse defense on Odessa College's Summer Sparmon (10) during Monday's conference opener at Dorothy Garrett 16-1 win an $89-59$ win over the Lady Wranglers. Moore was among the Lady Hawks leading scorers, finishing the night with 12 points. Now 16-1 on the season, the No. 6-ranked Lady Hawks will continue WJCAC play Thursday night
when they travel to Snyder to face when they tr
Western Texas

## ing good decisions." Washington led all scorers with

points for Howard while Latasha Moor
added 12. Jovanae St. Cyr. Aiesha Love

## nine points each, respectively. Tasha Campbell, who hit three 3-point

shots, led OC with 16 points.
Howard, now $16-1$ and $1-0$ in confer
ence, is at Western Texas
Thursday in a 7 p.m. game. On Monday the Dusters dropped an $86-61$ decision to
New Mexico Junior College (13-3, $1-0)$. In other WJCAC play on Monday
Midland College (14-2, 1-0) came from
behind to drop South Plains (9-8, 0-1), 65 behind to drop South Plains (9-8, 0-1), $65-$
55 and Clarendon (7-2, 1-0) droped
Frank Phillips ( $5-11,0-1$ ) $74-68$.





Wed stressed the importance of play
on the boards, he added. That's their
game... rebounding, making the outlet
game ... rebounding, making the outlet
pass and running the fastbreak. But you
can't do that when yoo ree not getting the
And you can't press effectively when
te other team is getting a lot of defen ive rebounds, either
Indeed
Instead of the Wranglers dominating
he tempo, the Hawks did most of the What's and gunning.
What's more, Howard unveiled a numthey hadn't employed during th
"That's something we always do,
games as an entirely different team
games as an entirely different team.
We've got three different presses and a
couple of trapping defenses that we had-
ber of offensive schemes we'll be be using
that we hadn't shown to anyone early in
The result was clearly devastating, as lock with a 10 pooint string of unan
swered less than three minutes into the
game.
That string was punctuated by 6 -footSreshman guard Justin Rhodes' first of

## Odessa coach Orlando Ontiveroz

 immediately called for a timeout, andthe break allowed the Wranglers to regroup to some extent.
Wranglers guard Stan Blackmon man Wranglers guard Stan Blackmon m
aged to break the Howard skein wit drive to the bucket for a 3-point play.
But Rhodes, who led all scorers with 24 points, answered with another 3-pointer
and teammate Lamont Roberts nailed and teammate Lamont Roberts nailed
another a few seconds later. Two more Howard runs left the Hawks
clearly in control, the latter including a pair of 3-point shots by Rhodes that left
him with 21 first-half points, one more While Odessa would manage to play a
ittle better on the boards in the secondmany as 40 points behind the scoring ofCeasar finished the night with 12
points, while Roberts and Allaway added10 points each. In addition, all but one oftributed to the point total.
Odessa, on the other hand, had onlyone player in double figures, Blackmo
finishing the night with 10 points. Guard
Kevi Griffin added eight points in supKevi Griffin added eight points in sup
port, while guard Terry Odom had six.Former Stanton standouts Le
McCalister and Marcus Washingtorwere limited to a total of two points.
Washington, who started at a post posi-tion, was held scorelesss, but was among
the Wranglers' leading rebounders.The Hawk now travel to Roswell,
N.M., on Thursday to face New Mexico



Jordan expected to retire Wednesday

CHICAGO (AP) - For six
months, Michael Jordan teased, taunted and tantalized a nation awaiting his answer. one. The greatest player in NBA
history and the history and the most popular
athlete since Muhammad Ali is athlete since Muhance his retire-
expected to announce ment Wednesday at a news con-
ference in Chicago, a source ference in Chicago, a source
with close ties to the NBA told with close ties to the
The Associated Press. If so, if would be the second
time in five years that Jordan time in five years that Jordan has walked away.
"This is a man who truly, as
far as I'm concerned, is the
modern day Babe Ruth," former recently.
Just as with Jordan's first rement, a number of factors his age, a picture-perfect endbeginning for this a fracture to have influenced his - decision And just like last time, Jordan could change his mind and But for now, he is expected to once again leave the game that bears his indelible mark, leave it when he's at the top, the way he said he would.
sage left on his phone, and Bulls at his Arizona home, said: '"' done any comments."'. Idon' Asked about Jordan's retire
ment, Bulls spokesman Tim ment, Bulls spokesman Tim
Hallam said, "At this particular Hallam said, "At this particular
time, I san't comment." His agent, David Falk, said that until Jordan "announces whether he is retiring or returning, anything else is spec
ulation." And there's been a considerJordan hit the final, thrilling
shot in Game 6 of the NBA shot in Game
Finals in Utah.

Steers suffer 63-49 loss in final loop warm-up

## HERALD Staff Report

Big Spring's Steers suffered a $63-49$ loss to Midland Trinity on their home court Monday night in what will be their final warn up before playing host to An
The Steers, now $7-14$ on the season, dropped behind early, bu quarter, trimming an eight-point Trinity lead to just four, 47-4 before being blasted down the stretch.
Andy Hall paced the Steers with 15 points, while Lance Brock added 14 more.
Trinity, howe
Trinity, however, put four players in double figures, paced by
Thomas Ephrian's 17 points and Nick Whitley's 16. Greg McCabe
and Mike Stoltz chipped in 11 more for the Cher Thomas Ephrian's 17 points and Nick Whitley's 16. Greg McCabe
and Mike Stoltz chipped in 11 more for the Chargers.


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