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## Commissioners convene Monday

Action on an Agriculture Industry Transportation Alliance and a proposed burn ban for the county are on the agenda for Howard County Commissioners Court, which convenes at 10 a.m. Monday.

Other items before the court are an attachment to the constitution and by-laws of the volunteer fire department and drawing for members of the grievance committee.

## WHAT'S UP...

### MONDAY

- Big Spring Evening Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E. Third.
- Howard County NAACP, 7 p.m., Chamber of Commerce conference room. Call Stephanie Horton, 264-0306.
- Big Spring Comandery No. 31, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Temple, 211 1/2 Main. 6:30 p.m. dinner.
- Big Spring Assembly No. 211, Social Order of the Beauceant, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Temple, 211 1/2 Main. 6:30 p.m. dinner.
- Women Aglow, 7 p.m. Miracle Revival Center, 600 E. FM-700. Speaker will be Carol Torrance of Missouri City, Texas, the U.S. Director/South Central Region of Aglow International. Call Brenda North at 267-3398 for information.

### TUESDAY

- Beginning line dance classes, 9 a.m., Senior Citizens Center. Call 267-1628.

### WEDNESDAY

- Optimist Club, 7 a.m., Howard College Cactus Room
- Big Spring Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room. Call Terry Hansen at 264-5175.
- Line dancing, 1 p.m., Senior Citizens Center, Industrial Park.
- Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxiliary, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third.

### THURSDAY

- Gideons International Big Spring Camp No. 4206, 7 a.m., Hermans.
- Big Spring Senior Citizens Center art classes, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. for 55 and older.
- Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.
- Christmas in April, noon, Lion's Club Den, 1607 E. Third.

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## Rain showers are in the forecast for Crossroads area

By BILL McCLELLAN  
News Editor

It's going to be windy today, but that's nothing new for Crossroads area residents.

What is new is that the forecast calls for a chance of showers — a pretty good chance, in fact.

"I'd say we're going to have the best chance I've seen for some rain since early part of January," Brian Curran, meteorologist with National Weather Service in Midland, said early Saturday evening. "It's not going to be a drought-buster by any stretch of the imagination, but right now I think we'll take anything

we can get."

Howard County hasn't had a substantial rainfall in months — extending back to last year — and the total precipitation for all of 1998 has been just over a quarter of an inch.

The lack of rainfall prompted a gathering of almost 800 people for a prayer-filled West Texas Rain Rally in Big Spring last week. Rain or not on Sunday, the dry conditions will also likely prompt Howard County commissioners to call for a burn ban on Monday.

According to Curran, the system that looks promising to bring rain was moving into the Southern Rockies Saturday night. It will mix with moisture heading

our way from the South Texas coast.

"We could see some showers as early as after midnight Saturday," said Curran, who was predicting a 40 percent chance of rainfall today and a 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms tonight.

"By Monday, it will pretty much all be over with," he said. "We could see a couple of showers linger, but the system is going to move through pretty rapidly."

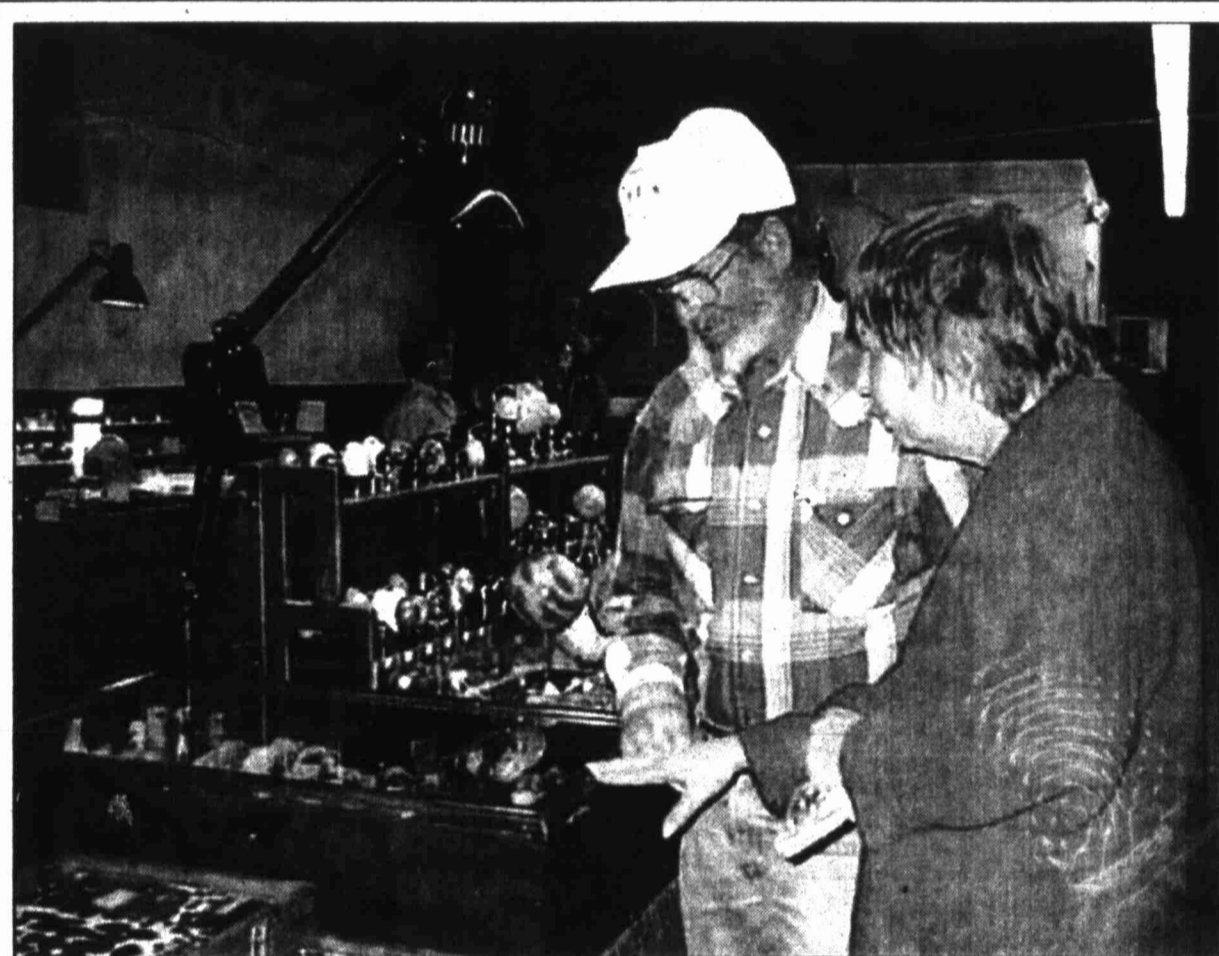
It will be pushed by southeast winds which will be 20 to 30 miles per hour "easy," he said.

The rain — Curran figures a quarter-inch up to an inch in some places — won't be enough to remove this area from the Extreme Wildfire Danger Alert.

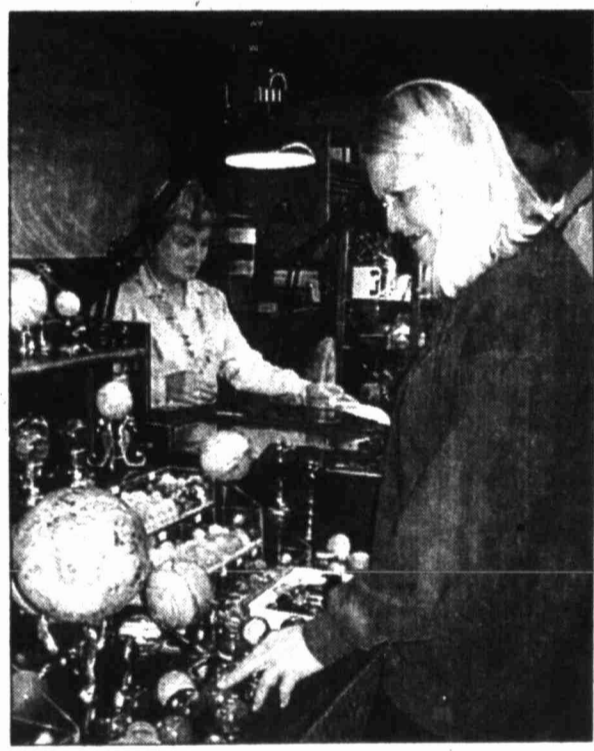
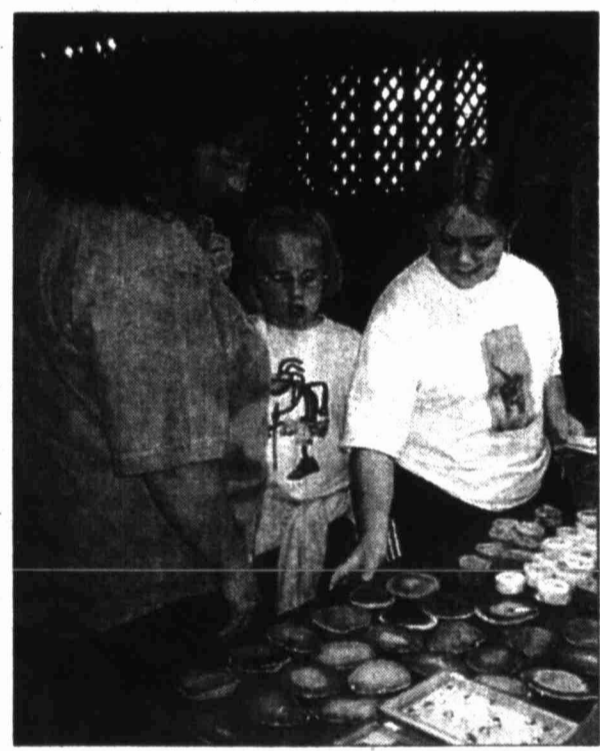
In fact, Texas Forest Service officials are concerned that the thunderstorms in the forecast may produce lightning strikes.

Lou Sloat, Texas Forest Service information director, said on Saturday that because of the dry conditions, Abilene is gearing up for establishment of a heavy tanker base which will stage a multi-engine fixed wing heavy tanker for making retardant and large water drops. He said two Blackhawk helicopters are also an option for the Abilene area that the Texas Forest Service is considering.

There are now 25 counties in Texas with burn bans and others — including Howard — are expected to join them this week.



Harry and Mary Ann Musick (above) were among those, including Roetta Jones (below right) and Kathy Nanny, Jordan Chesworth and Chelsy Nanny (below left) who were enjoying themselves at the 30th annual Gem and Mineral Show Saturday in the Howard County Fair Barn. The show continues from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. today. Admission is free.



## Moore board

### Director to recommend joining corridor group, but holding off on funds

By MARSHA STURDIVANT  
Staff Writer

Moore Development for Big Spring board of directors have called a special meeting for Monday at 3 p.m. to consider joining the Texas, Mexico and Orient Corridor.

"I'm going to recommend that they take action, to either sign off or sign on," said Kent Sharp, director of Moore Development.

"And I'm going to recommend that they join the group now, but not to send the money. I figure this helps, and it can't hurt," Sharp said.

The proposal is that Howard County join in a six-county alliance, with a goal of promoting economic growth in West Texas.

The idea for a multi-county union came from a visit to California by officials from Scurry, Nolan and Jones counties.

The six counties involved are Howard, Scurry (Snyder), Mitchell (Colorado City), Nolan (Sweetwater), Jones (Stanford) and Rotan (Roby), Sharp said.

He also said he hopes to see the 18-member board of the alliance meet to decide the best means of generating funds and form a mutual decision for spending any funds generated.

"We need to discuss how to raise money and how to spend that money," he said.

The proposal calls for seed

money that might be obtained on a per capita basis for the six counties who are forming the coalition. Howard County's portion might be \$32,000.

Scurry County could contribute \$19,000, Jones might contribute \$18,000, Nolan \$16,000 and Mitchell \$8,700.

Sharp said he will recommend Moore Development join the alliance, but not to fund its participation at this time.

The purpose of the alliance is an attempt to secure industrial growth within the West Texas area. By pooling resources, counties could promote and attract corporations and industry that might be interested in locating in the area.

Scott McLaughlin, a member of the alliance organizational committee, said long-term regional economic growth is the goal of the members.

He said the organization is seeking to gain the attention of legislators in Austin, and that this project is more broad-based than the Port to Plains highway designation proposal.

"This is way beyond that. To get the attention of the Legislature, the organization must be in place," McLaughlin said.

Part of the proposed alliance would be to establish trade routes through the West Texas area that utilize the existing railways.

Locating manufacturing plants that will cooperatively work in transporting merchandise to the coastal areas is another vision of the alliance.

The scope of the distribution network includes main trade areas east and west, as well as north and south.

## Hangar 25 about to be home to trainer aircraft once again

By BILL McCLELLAN  
News Editor

Within a week, newly-refurbished Hangar 25 will have two tenants — a Lockheed T-33A "Shooting Star" and a Cessna T-37B "Tweety Bird."

"We truly are excited about it because we worked so long and hard for this day," said Jerry Worthy, president of the

Hangar 25 Air Museum Association.

Today, retired Air Force Col. Jim Little left Big Spring for Mesa, Ariz., where the two planes are presently on display. He'll be joined by four Big Spring city employees on Monday. Worthy plans to make the trip Tuesday.

Little is going up early to stop at stop at AMARC — the Aerospace Maintenance and

Regeneration Center at Davis-Monthan Air Base in Tucson, Ariz.

"They are the people that manage the program that we've gotten these plans through," said Little. "I also want to talk with them about some parts we might need. For instance, I know one of the planes doesn't have a landing gear."

Following him up in a city-owned tractor and trailer and

another city truck with a trailer on loan from Phillips Fabrication, Inc. will be city employees Johnny Bedell, Gary Osburn, Luis Coronado and Stephen Gray. They'll meet at Williams Gateway Airport in Mesa to pick up the planes.

Later, Vietnam Memorial Committee member Jerry Groves will join the group with another trailer donated by Gene Wilson. Groves be there to pick

up any odds and ends Little can acquire at Davis-Monthan.

The project is being funded by the Hangar 25 Air Museum Association. The city is donating use of the city-owned equipment.

Boeing, which has a facility at Gateway Airport, will be assisting the project, Little said.

"We're getting tremendous

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## Area senior citizens voice concerns over cost of medicine, transportation

By BILL McCLELLAN  
News Editor

High cost of medicines, long-term care and transportation needs, and the problem with loneliness and neglect were among the concerns voiced here Friday during a Texas Department on Aging public hearing.

"The main reason I am here is to holler for help," said Will Gonzales, a volunteer with the Mobile Wheels or Meals on Wheels program in Big Spring. "At the rate we are going, one day there will be a lot of persons who won't be getting

meals."

Gonzales told the group of 80 to 100 people gathered at Dora Roberts Community Center that the program has revenues of \$33,000 and expenditures of \$74,000.

"Meals on Wheels volunteers not only deliver meals, but we look in on patients," said Gonzales, who recounted that he once found a client who had been lying on the floor for two hours because he had fallen from his wheelchair and could not get up. "Sometimes we are the only ones they see in a day. There is no one around to visit them."

coordinator for Comanche Trails Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, said one problem is that seniors and their families don't plan for long-term care.

"In the last six months, I admitted 58 people and probably one of them was prepared for long-term care," she said. "It's so important to plan."

Another concern she voiced was the need for volunteers, family and others to spend time with home- or care-bound seniors.

"Big Brothers and Big Sisters programs adopt children and



Sheryl McCurtain, left, of the Harley Owners Group, with C&M Garage's Marlan and Charles Buzbee, shows off the jug for collections to buy a thermal imaging camera for the Big Spring Fire Department. The Buzbees, along with the Bookworm, met the challenge by donating \$100 to the effort. The Prospector's Club also donated \$200 to the drive recently.

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OBITUARIES

Grover Marlin Springer

Grover Marlin Springer was born in Caddo, Okla., on Sept. 6, 1913, the oldest son of Fritz and Pearl Springer. He married Irene McNeerlin on June 6, 1936. He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Irene, of Big Spring; three sons, Marlin Springer of Huntsville, Ala., Steve Springer of Tours, France, and Mike Springer of Houston; seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by one son, Pat, in 1992.



SPRINGER

Grover moved to Martin County in 1929, where his family farmed in the Tarzan community. He graduated from Stanton High School in 1932 and from Texas Tech University in 1940. Grover began his school teaching career at South Plains School in Tarzan, and continued at Lenora and Grady schools, where he retired in 1977. Grover organized Troop 10 of the Boy Scouts of America at Lenora in 1937, and served as its Scoutmaster for the next 50 years, until 1987. He influenced the lives of hundreds of boys during that time, and received almost all scouting awards, including the prestigious Silver Beaver award in 1962. In 1946, Grover went into business with his brother, Denver, and operated Springer Brothers Grocery in Lenora for 17 years until he returned to teaching in 1963. Throughout his life, Grover was involved in the family farming business until 1987. He also served the U.S. National Weather Service as a volunteer for 50 years. He was very active in the Grady Lions Club and served as its president and secretary.

Grover was a member of the First Baptist Church of Big Spring at the time of his death. He was previously a member of Lenora Baptist Church for 51 years, from 1937 to 1998. He was ordained a deacon at Lenora in 1944 and taught Sunday School there for over 40 years.

Mr. Springer died on Friday, March 5, 1999, in a Big Spring hospital. Service will be 10 a.m. Monday, March 8, 1999, at the First Baptist Church of Stanton with Rev. Eddie Tubbs, pastor

of First Baptist Church of Big Spring, and Rev. J.B. Shewmake, pastor of Travis Baptist Church of Midland, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Pallbearers will be Scott Springer, Mickey Springer, Andrew Sanders, Paul Greenleaf, Steen Erickson and T. Springer. Honorary pallbearers are all current and former members of Boy Scout Troop 10 in Lenora.

The family requests that memorial gifts be given to the Martin County Historical Museum; P.O. Box 929; Stanton; 79782 or the charity of their choice.

The family will receive friends from 5 to 6 p.m. Sunday at Gilbreath Funeral Home. Arrangements under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home, Stanton.

Paid obituary

Rodney Gale Tiller

Rodney Gale Tiller, 70, Abilene, formerly of Coahoma, died on Friday, March 5, 1999, in an Abilene hospital. Service will be 10 a.m. Monday, March 8, 1999, at Coahoma Church of Christ with Ralph Beistle, minister of South Plains Church of Christ, Lubbock and Claude Parrish, minister of Woodlawn Church of Christ, Abilene, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.



TILLER

He was born on May 4, 1928 in Colorado City. He married Doris Jones on June 3, 1948, in Colorado City. She preceded him in death on Dec. 18, 1993. He then married Beth Bostick on May 22, 1994, in Midland.

Mr. Tiller graduated from Colorado City High School in 1945 and then joined the Army Air Corps. Upon his discharge he attended Texas Tech University and graduated in 1952. He had worked as a field operator for Texaco Oil Company for 32 years, retiring in 1986. He was a resident of Coahoma for 40 years, moving to Abilene in 1994. He was an avid fisherman and sportsman.

He was a member of Woodlawn Church of Christ, Abilene. Survivors include: his wife, Beth Tiller of Abilene; a son and daughter-in-law, Ronald Mark and Rhonda Denise Tiller of Katy; a daughter, Rhonda Susan Cochran of Midland; a grandson, Douglas Cochran and his wife, Amanda of Lubbock; a granddaughter, Lisa Bayley and her husband, Andy of College Station; a grandson, Nick Tiller of Katy; a great-grandson, Mitchell Douglas Cochran of Lubbock; a sister and brother-in-law, Anne and Tom Palmer of Houston; and two nieces and one nephew.

He was preceded in death also by his parents, Elize Lee and Alice Jewell Smith Tiller and by a son-in-law, Phillip Mitchell Cochran.

The family suggests memorials to Doris Tiller Memorial Scholarship; c/o First Bank of West Texas; Coahoma; 79511 or to the Haitian Mission Fund; Woodlawn Church of Christ; North Kent & Woodlawn; Abilene; 79603.

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

Paid obituary

Gwen Fryar

Gwen Fryar, 65, Big Spring, died on Friday, March 5, 1999, at her residence. Service will be 4:30 p.m. Monday, March 8, 1999, at First Baptist Church with Dr. Kenneth Patrick, Chaplain of Baptist Memorials



FRYAR

Center, San Angelo, officiating. He will be assisted by Rev. Arnold Tonn, pastor of Spring Tabernacle. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

She was born on May 23, 1933, in Big Spring, and married Martin Fryar on Dec. 20, 1950, in the Fairview community.

Mrs. Fryar was raised in Garden City and attended Garden City schools. She was a homemaker and was of the Baptist faith.

Survivors include: her husband, Martin Fryar of Big Spring; three daughters and three sons-in-law, Debbie and Mike McDonald of Garland, Lesia and Gary Strum of Big Spring, Tammy Green of Big Spring; eight grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; one brother, Lael Roberts of Marfa; and one sister, Linda Davidson of Stamford.

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Paid obituary

Lee Roy Hunt

Lee Roy Hunt, 72, Big Spring, died on Thursday, March 4, 1999, at his residence. Service will be 2 p.m. Monday, March 8, 1999, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Rev. Tim Winn, a retired Baptist minister from New Deal, officiating. Interment will follow at Foster Cemetery in Sterling County.

He was born on Jan. 13, 1927, in Archer City. He grew up in the Garden City area and graduated from Garden City High School. Mr. Hunt served at a Sergeant in the United States Army during World War II. He owned and operated Lee Roy Hunt Trucking for over 20 years, retiring in October 1998.

Survivors include: three sons and a daughter-in-law, Lee Roy "Bud" Hunt, Jr. and his wife Pattie, and Jack Hunt, all of Big Spring, and Charley D. Hunt of Blackmon, Ohio; a grandson, Jesse Joe Hunt of Big Spring; one brother, Charlie Hunt of Kermit; and one sister, Pearla Faye O'Brien of Albany.

He was preceded in death by one son, Joe Robert Hunt in 1964 and by a daughter, Sharon Debra Lee Griffin in February 1999.

Pallbearers will be Jerry Currie, Dusty Choate, Harry Money, Danny Murley, Roy Lee McDaniel, Huck Huckabee and Royce Pruitt. Honorary pallbearers will be Marvin Sewell, Bob Ballinger, Curtis Palmer, Ronald McDaniel and R.C. Schafer.

The family suggests memorials to: Christmas in April; P.O. Box 2326; Big Spring; 79721-2326, or to St. Thomas Catholic Church; P.O. Box 627; Big Spring; 79721-0627, or to Big Spring Evening Lions Club Charities; 1607 E. Third; Big Spring.

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

Paid obituary

Edward E. Smith

Edward E. Smith, 56, Gail, died on Friday, March 5, 1999, in a Big Spring hospital. Service will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 9, 1999, at First Baptist Church of Gail with Rev. Randy Hardman, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow at

Gail Cemetery.

He was born on Nov. 26, 1942, in Big Spring, and married Terry Clift on March 17, 1964, in Big Spring.

Mr. Smith was a farmer and rancher in Borden County and had worked for Borden County. He had supported the Borden County Junior Livestock Association and 4H.

He was a Baptist. Survivors include: his wife, Terry Smith of Gail; two sons, Gerry Smith of Amarillo, and James Smith of Stratford; his mother, Juanita Smith of Big Spring; two sisters, Judy Hagins of Bridgeport, and Carolyn Foster of Stanton; one brother, Don Smith of Weatherford; an uncle and aunt, C.H. and Anna Mae Hyden of Luther; and several other uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Pallbearers will be Doug Isaacs, Larry Smith, Ross Sharp, Bo Hendricks, James Telchik and Buddy Telchik. Honorary pallbearers are all Borden County employees.

The family suggests memorials to: Borden County EMS; P.O. Box 156; Gail; 79738 or Borden County Parents Club Fellowship; c/o Borden County High School; P.O. Box 95; Gail; 79738.

The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

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

Paid obituary

A BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

TEXAS LOTTERY LOTTO:3,5,16,22,42,46

Lottery numbers are unofficial until confirmed by the state lottery commission.

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Paid obituary

Earl Beal Guitar, Sr.

A memorial service for Earl Beal Guitar, Sr., 95, Abilene, will be 3 p.m. Tuesday, March 9, 1999, at St. Paul United Methodist Church in Abilene with Rev. Archie Echols and Paige Baize officiating. Private graveside services will be directed by Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home, Abilene.

Mr. Guitar died Friday, March 5.

He was born in Abilene on Nov. 18, 1903. He was a 1923 graduate of Abilene High School. In 1961, Mr. Guitar acquired ranches in several counties including one in Howard County, which is currently being managed by his son, Phil.

Survivors include: his wife, Anita Grissom Guitar of Abilene; two sons, Earl Jr. and Phil Guitar, both of Abilene; six grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of Elliott-Hamil Funeral Homes, Abilene.

Paid obituary

PLANES

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support from them. The Boeing people have volunteered cranes and lifts and other devices to remove one plane from a pedestal and help disassemble the wings. Then we'll have to load them on the trailers," Little said.

No one knows how long the entire trip will take, but Little figures the last truck will probably head back toward Big Spring on Saturday.

For him, it will be a rewarding experience.

"It's been pretty exciting, too. There were a number of other planes we thought we had before, but for one reason or another we didn't get them. That was disappointing," said Little. "We were going from a static display program into a museum program, and we are not a certified museum yet, so we got 'You can't because of this...' or 'You can't because of that...' It's great to see it all

finally come together."

How that happened was unexpected, said Worthy.

"There were just several coincidences that came together. Dr. Darryl Powell with the Veterans Administration Medical Center spotted them (the aircraft) and Jim Little followed up and negotiated their acquisition," Worthy said.

"Congressman (Charles) Stenholm helped and the City of Big Spring has been extremely cooperative," said Worthy.

"One of the great things about it is that we will have something to show when the first activity happens, and that's a reunion of one of the first graduating classes."

The 1952-D Pilot Training Class Reunion will be held April 30-May 1 and will use the renovated hangar for part of its activities.

Because the planes won't be have their wings on them on the trip back, it wouldn't normally be as obvious to travelers what the trailers are hauling, much less their destination.

The Hangar 25 Museum Association has taken care of that, though.

"We have a sign we are putting on the back: 'These Airplanes Are On Their Way to Hangar 25 in Big Spring, Texas,'" said Worthy with a laugh. "We're gonna let everyone know about it."

AGING

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work with them. Why can't we have that for the elderly? Sometimes they don't have anybody. There needs to be someone who will call them every day, go and see them once a week. Make sure they are all right."

One woman told those present that her sister has been in a nursing home since 1987 and by now all of her stocks, bonds, her savings, her insurance has been spent and her home has been sold and that money spent on her care.

Wayne Bonner, celebrating his 76th birthday on Friday, talked about how the importance of addressing the needs of Meals on Wheels, transportation, and the cost of medicine.

"The cost is horrendous," he said. "We need some assistance with medication."

The purpose of the hearing

was to get public input on needs for senior citizens throughout Texas. Frank Pennington, with the Texas Department on Aging, outlined the program for the crowd. He explained that every four years, the agency is required to submit a state plan to the federal government.

"Your input today will become part of that plan," said Pennington.

He said major roles of the agency are planning and advocacy.

"Advocacy is prominent now because the legislature is in session," he said. "We track all bill that may affect aging."

As for planning, Pennington said, "Most people prepare one way, financially. They don't know what to do about their social needs, their spiritual needs, they aren't prepared."

"A lot of folks don't get or they just sit up in from of a TV all day. They don't know what to do with themselves. They age badly. We want them to age well," he said, speaking of the agency's "Aging Texas Well" program.

Key functions of the agency, he said, are developing policy and advocacy activities, public-private partnership development, Aging Texas Well and "Texercise," a fitness-promotion program that encourages Texans to make lifestyle changes that help them improve their lives.

Anyone who would like to address issues that might benefit senior citizens can write a letter to the Texas Department on Aging, P.O. Box 12786, Austin, TX 78711.

Friday's hearing was sponsored by the Permian Basin Area Agency on Aging and the Concho Valley Area Agency on Aging.

MEETINGS

Martin County Commissioners Court will convene at 9 a.m. Monday to consider requests for paving CRC 3100 and CRC 3200. Routine items are also on the agenda.

Stanton City Council will convene at 7 p.m. Monday. Agenda items include a resolution authorizing a grant application to the community development funds.

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*Your goodness and unfailing kindness shall be with me all of my life... Psalm 23:6 TLB*

*Words can not express how much we, the Tim Salazar Family, appreciate everyone's outpour of sympathy during this time of sorrow. To all of our family and friends, the beautiful floral tributes, cards, food, prayers and thoughtfulness were greatly appreciated.*

*To his second family, all the current and previous employees of Scenic Mountain Medical Center/Malone & Hogan Hospital, your friendship and support is one of a kind and will never be forgotten. To Dr. Subbaraman thank you for always being there for our family.*

*To Father Scanlan Sacred Heart Church, Father Chris Coleman, Immaculate Heart of Mary Church and Father Frank Chavez, Holy Redeemer Church of Odessa, your sincere and kind words will always be remembered.*

*To Bill Myers and all the staff at Myers and Smith Funeral Home your services were more than anyone could ask for thank you for making this time at lot easier.*

*To all who knew Tim Salazar always remember him as Terrible!!*

God Bless -  
**Gina and Denise Salazar**  
**Debbie and Larry Valverde**  
**and the entire Salazar Family**

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Lee Roy Hunt, 72, died Thursday. Services will be 2:00 PM Monday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Foster Cemetery, Sterling County.

Gwen Fryar, 65, died Friday. Services will be 4:30 PM Monday at First Baptist Church. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

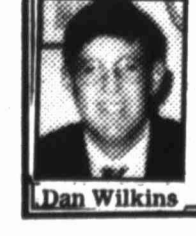
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Air

WASHINGTON - Air Force unveiled on mixed results to Texas, providing a new role and jobs for Abilene as while stripping a San Antonio military research laboratory of its power.

Dyess Air Force Base is home to one of the nation's largest Air Force research laboratories for developing new aircraft.

The reorganizing of the Air Force to meet the needs of the 21st century is a major challenge for the Air Force, according to a report released last week.

Texas

ALBUQUERQUE - Irrigators sued the state for "flooding" after a week that El Niño rains in Mexico for Rio Grande.

Texas and Colorado have already had a court over the rights. Now a dispute is on tap.

At issue: Elephant Butte and how it will be used.

"The potential for Mexico could be New Mexico," Turney said. "New Mexico? I don't know."

Secret talks are being held in both states.

Woman

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Singer

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U.S. DISTRICT COURT (AUSTIN) - A mental analysis and opportunity for public in year-old pipeline under a law accepted by a court.

The lawsuit ranchers could have potential effect on U.S. District Sparks earlier in hold environmental.

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# Air Force plan holds both good news and bad news for Texas

WASHINGTON (AP) — An Air Force reorganization unveiled on Friday delivered mixed results to Texas, providing a vital new role and jobs for an Abilene base while stripping a San Antonio military research laboratory of manpower.



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Dyess Air Force Base in Abilene will be home to one of the 10 expeditionary forces designated by the Air Force to rotate responsibility for deployments to trouble spots like Bosnia and Iraq. The reorganization, to be put

in place by next January, is the first major overhaul of the service's structure since the end of the Cold War. It is designed to ease the strain of increasing overseas missions and to improve morale at a time when military pilots are leaving in droves for higher-paying airline jobs. "Some people are being run pretty ragged," acting Air Force Secretary Whitten Peters acknowledged. Dyess' expeditionary force, like the nine others, will be on call for deployments during one 90-day period every 15 months. As lead wing, Dyess' 7th Bomb Wing will oversee a force of about 175 aircraft, including fighter jets and heavy bombers as well as reconnaissance, elec-

tronic warfare, refueling and transport aircraft. The aircraft will be dispersed at different bases around the country, but the air crews will train together. With its lead wing role, Dyess will gain 71 jobs. The base's 317th Airlift Group gains seven military positions. The announcement solidifies earlier announced gains. Last year, the Pentagon announced it would activate Dyess' 13th Bomb Squadron as a flying training unit with six B-1B aircraft, adding 282 military jobs. "There are winners and losers in the Air Force announcement, and Dyess is clearly a winner," said Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas. "Being designated as an aerospace expeditionary

wing demonstrates a longterm commitment to Dyess and Abilene." Rep. Charles Stenholm, whose district includes Dyess, also applauded the news. "The designation of the 7th Wing at Dyess as one of only 10 lead wings means increased responsibility and visibility and additional military personnel to help out with the workload," said Stenholm, D-Stamford. With the Air Force shift in priorities, less funding will be given for non-space science and technology programs. That affects Brooks Air Force Base in San Antonio, home to an Air Force research laboratory. The base will lose 145 military and civilian positions. Mrs. Hutchison and Rep. Ciro

Rodriguez, D-San Antonio, deplored the cuts in research at Brooks and other Air Force research installations. "The Air Force must stop its hasty reduction-in-force schedule for Brooks Air Force Base and allow Congress time to do its constitutional duty of reviewing and approving the Department of Defense budget," Rodriguez said. Brooks isn't the only San Antonio base taking a hit. Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio will lose 105 jobs with transfer of the 820th Security Forces Group to a Georgia base and realignment of a 59-person training squadron to Camp Bullis. In other moves: —Kelly Air Force Base in San

Antonio, due to close by 2001, gains 99 jobs mainly from the conversion of the Air National Guard's 149th Fighter Wing from a general-purpose fighter unit to a training unit. When Kelly is closed, its missions will transfer to Lackland. —Ellington Field in Houston gains 19 jobs with the conversion of the Air National Guard's 147th Fighter Wing to a general purpose mission. —Laughlin Air Force Base in Del Rio gains a T-37 squadron and 12 jobs. —Randolph Air Force Base in San Antonio gains 70 jobs and 2 T-1A aircraft from Corry Naval Air Station in Florida. But it loses 20 jobs with the reduction of the 100th Flying Training Squadron.

## Texas-New Mexico water tensions escalate

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — Irrigators say cooperation is dead, and the state engineer is "floored" after learning this week that El Paso has amassed millions of dollars to battle New Mexico for Rio Grande water. Texas and New Mexico already had slugged it out in court over Pecos River water rights. Now a Rio Grande dispute is on tap. At issue: Ownership of Elephant Butte Reservoir water and how it will be used by whom. "The potential cost to New Mexico could be exorbitant," New Mexico State Engineer Turney said. "What's the cost to New Mexico? Tens of millions, hundreds of millions of dollars? I don't know." Secret talks have been ongoing since last summer by water users in both states. The talks

are aimed at settling a lawsuit the federal government filed in 1997, claiming ownership of Elephant Butte water. But the lawsuit also has pitted New Mexico and Texas against each other because Texas irrigators claim the Rio Grande water they get is too salty and too scant. The parties have been working with a Washington, D.C., mediator to settle at least some of the disputes out of court. But this week, it was reported that Texas lawmakers tentatively agreed to appropriate \$4 million for litigation in the event negotiations fail. "I was absolutely floored," Turney said. "What does the mediation mean when you see something like this? The consequences to New Mexico are very grave." The Elephant Butte Irrigation

District responded by announcing it would no longer cooperate with a special commission's efforts to get clean water to El Paso. "The EBID board was very upset. It seemed to us these issues were the subject of mediation and the subject of a gag order," said Steve Hernandez, the irrigation district's lawyer. "EBID has withdrawn its participation in any alternative being discussed by the commission for the transport of water that involves an EBID facility." Hernandez said the New Mexico irrigation district would continue to withhold support for an El Paso water project until Texas water officials clear up what New Mexico water officials see as a breach of a gag order on the negotiations. Texas is entitled to a certain amount of water from New

Mexico under the Rio Grande Compact, but Texans are increasingly using that water for drinking rather than agriculture. The New Mexico-Texas Water Commission was established to find a way to get drinking water year-round to El Paso. Immediately after the Texas report surfaced, U.S. Magistrate William Deaton scheduled a hearing, apparently to discuss the gag order. But he canceled that hearing Friday. "The parties are making substantial progress," said mediator John Bickerman, who declined comment on any other aspect of the case. Ed Archuleta, general manager of El Paso Water Utilities which provides drinking water to about 700,000 in the El Paso area, said Deaton has warned parties to stay silent.

## Report: Texas governor's security staff uninformed about separatists' threats

DALLAS (AP) — A plot to kill Gov. George W. Bush by militant separatists that preceded the group's West Texas standoff was not relayed from federal agents to the governor's security staff, according to The Dallas Morning News. The newspaper, in a copy-right story for Saturday's editions, said an FBI informant who infiltrated the antigovernment Republic of Texas revealed the threats six months after the April 1997 standoff when he testified at leader Richard L. McLaren's kidnapping trial in Alpine. Texas Department of Public Safety officers, responsible for protecting the governor, told the newspaper they were blindsided and stunned — but kept their concerns private. Texas DPS Director Dudley M. Thomas contends his agents should have known about the threats. But FBI agents said they didn't confide in the DPS because the threats were not considered credible. "We were unhappy," said Thomas. "I view it as an isolated incident, a one-in-a-million occurrence." "But my comment to the FBI has been and always will be

that if it was a 180-degree situation and we had an informant telling us that individuals were trying to get him to help with or devise a plan to assassinate the president, vice president, attorney general, a congressman, director of the FBI or a city police officer, we would pass the information on to the appropriate agency to make sure they could evaluate their security," he said. The governor's office had no comment on the threats. One suspect died in a shootout with officers during the six-day Republic of Texas standoff in 1997. Members contend the annexation of Texas as a state in 1845 was illegal and that their leaders constitute the legitimate government of an independent nation of Texas. An FBI spokesman in El Paso said the agency followed its policies. "Those threats considered to be viable are disseminated to the appropriate agencies," said FBI Special Agent Al Cruz. "That is our policy. It was determined, on our part, that McLaren did not have the capacity to carry out the threats."

## Woman gets probation for fatally stabbing husband

ANGLETON (AP) — A woman who claimed she fatally stabbed her husband in self-defense after he attacked her has been freed after receiving a 10-year probation sentence and a \$10,000 fine. Elizabeth Rose had faced up to 20 years in prison after her conviction on manslaughter charges. But she walked out of the courtroom a free woman Friday after a jury recommended the lighter punishment.

Upon hearing the sentence, Ms. Rose collapsed in her chair, heaved a sigh of relief, put her hands to her face and wept. Tad Frederickson suffered a deep stab wound to his thigh and bled to death on the side of a road on Dec. 18, 1995. The couple had married just two months earlier. Ms. Rose, 35, testified Friday that she and her husband had argued at a bar. She claimed she was walking home when he

came up behind her and attacked her. When he ignored her warnings to stop, she stabbed him. She said she had been carrying a knife in her purse that day because her previous husband had hanged himself and "there was a lot of people in town that blamed me for his death." Ms. Rose, who remarried one month after Frederickson's death, said she never meant to kill her husband. "I only meant

to stop him from hurting me further," she testified. "This is a woman who was living in a trailer and had a man move in with her and things didn't work out," defense attorney Robert Scardino Jr. said. But District Attorney Jeri Yenne said Frederickson's death was no accident. "Things not working out? Tad Frederickson is in the cemetery," Ms. Yenne said.

## Singer George Jones injured in auto accident

FRANKLIN, Tenn. (AP) — Country singer George Jones was in critical condition Saturday after he smashed his sport-utility vehicle into a bridge near his home. Jones, 67, lost control of his vehicle while rounding a curve on Highway 96 and hit the bridge abutment, Tennessee Highway Patrol spokeswoman Dana Keeton said. It took rescuers about two hours to free him following the

1:30 p.m. accident, and he was taken by helicopter to Vanderbilt University Medical Center in nearby Nashville. Jones, famous for hits like "He Stopped Loving Her Today" and "The Race is On," is generally considered one of the finest country singers ever. Jones has battled alcoholism and drug abuse during much of his life. He was given the nickname "No Show Jones" for failing to appear at so many con-

certs and later recorded a song by that name. Jones was elected to the Country Music Hall of Fame in 1992. That same year, country fans and the media voted "He Stopped Loving Her Today" the most popular country song of all time. Jones was born in the East Texas town of Saratoga on Sept. 12, 1931. At age 11, his family moved about 20 miles south to Beaumont.

## U.S. District Judge accepts pipeline settlement

AUSTIN (AP) — An environmental analysis will be completed and opportunities provided for public input before a 48-year-old pipeline can be used to ship gasoline across Texas under a lawsuit settlement accepted by a federal judge. The lawsuit was filed by ranchers concerned about the potential effects of a leak. U.S. District Judge Sam Sparks earlier had put the project on hold and ordered an environmental impact study. The analysis called for could be conducted in a shorter peri-

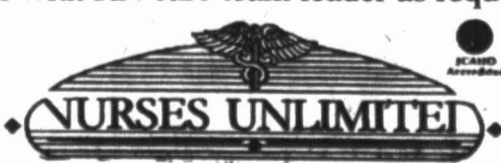
od of time, officials said. But if problems are found, it also could prompt a more lengthy assessment. "We were able to tailor the environmental study specifically for this pipeline and the areas it's crossing through, instead of having a cookie-cutter kind of approach under basic federal regulations," said lawyer Renea Hicks, representing landowners and the Barton Springs-Edwards Aquifer Conservation District. "We got an environmental assessment-plus," she said.

The landowners' effort was joined by the conservation district, city of Austin and Lower Colorado River Authority, which said every major tributary into the river is crossed by the pipe. Gregg Cooke, regional administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, said "Most people don't know or care about the difference" between the types of environmental studies. "All people want to do is to ensure this is going to be environmentally safe."


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# EDITORIAL

*"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment 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 petition the Government for a redress of grievances."*

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## OUR VIEWS

### Time to speak up about making life better for elderly

There was no missing the concern on their faces or the passion in their voices, the group of mostly senior citizens who gathered Friday afternoon at Dora Roberts Community Center. They were there to tell the officials from the Texas Department on Aging what their concerns are.

And their concerns are many.

- Medicine is too expensive. It's not unusual for someone on a fixed income to have to make a decision of whether to put food on the table or buy medicine.
- Programs such as Meals on Wheels are frequently underfunded. There is always the threat that they will be curbed or discontinued altogether.
- Transportation is frequently inadequate, or extremely inconvenient. Many times, seniors have to reserve transportation days or weeks ahead of time and then follow a strict schedule.
- Home-bound seniors too frequently have no one who visits them, particularly if their family lives in another community.

Those were only some of the concerns expressed. Help with long-term care, legal assistance and affordable health care were others.

It's also true, noted a Department on Aging spokesperson, that we don't tend to plan for aging. Some will set up a savings plan, but few of us try to plan just exactly what we will do with our time upon our retirement.

Right now, the Texas Department on Aging is conducting a series of meetings like the one held at Dora Roberts Community Center, to allow seniors and others to say what their needs are, and how the agency can better help them.

You may have some thoughts on that, and if you do, it's not too late to make your opinion known. You can write a letter to the Texas Department on Aging at P.O. Box 12786, Austin, TX 78711, or email the agency at mail@tdoa.state.tx.us. But do it quickly, the survey period only lasts a few more weeks.

What you say can make a difference. It really is your future we're talking about.

## OTHER VIEWS

History makes a poor argument for extending the law authorizing the office of independent counsel. More than \$150 million spent by 21 independent counsels over 20 years has brought seemingly interminable investigations and few significant convictions.

The absence of an independent counsel statute still would allow the U.S. attorney general to appoint a special prosecutor. The late Leon Jaworski was appointed by President Nixon's Justice Department and went on to gather evidence that drove Nixon from office and sent more than a dozen of his subordinates to prison.

The fate of the independent counsel system should not rest upon a single independent counsel, but the case of Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr demonstrates a glaring failure if the goal of the statute is to remove politics from the process.

An occasion might arise when a special prosecutor is hamstrung and a counsel independent of the Justice Department is needed to root out wrongdoing in high places.

In the meantime, millions of dollars would be saved and little justice lost if Congress failed to renew the independent counsel statute and allowed it to expire.

HOUSTON CHRONICLE

crime. Congress needs to pass tough new federal laws. Right? Wrong.

Congress has enacted a flood of federal criminal laws since 1970 and they haven't worked. That's the conclusion of a task force sponsored by the American Bar Association. The task force spent two years preparing a report called "Federalization of Criminal Law."

So why, then, has Congress been so eager to pass new federal crime laws? The answer is simple: Congressmen are afraid of appearing soft on crime. A heinous crime is committed. Calls go out for a new federal law to keep it from happening again, and Congress obliges, even if there are already adequate state laws in place.

We suggest that every member of Congress have printed in giant letters on his or her office wall the key conclusion of the ABA report: "There is no persuasive evidence that federalization of local crime makes the streets safer for American citizens."

Perhaps that would remind our congressmen that the way to fight crime isn't to add to the federal bureaucracy, but to make sure that state and local law enforcement agencies have the resources needed to do the best job they can.

CLARKSBURG (W.V.) TELEGRAM

## It's just a wonderful season for sleeping

By JOE MICHAEL FEIST  
News Editor

I've been up to my neck in good sleeping weather lately, and I'm sure feeling snug. Yes sir, just as snug as a mud dauber on an outhouse wall.

Back when I was a kid, in the technologically challenged era, we thought central air and heat was something they had in the middle of the country, somewhere around Kansas. We had

West Texas air, which we got plenty of just by opening the windows, particularly at night. Sometimes it was so hot you stuck to the sheets, so still and quiet you could hear the sweat ooze out of your pores.

But every once in a while along about this time of the year, when we were living right and doing good, we'd be blessed with prime sleeping weather. I think folks outside of Texas know what good sleeping weather is, but I don't think they appreciate it like we do. They get too much of it, and it becomes routine.

But not here in Texas. Here, good sleeping weather is a rarity, a charmed thing of beauty, something to savor and talk about over coffee the next day.

Prime sleeping weather, you know, is when you're able to shut down all your automatic heat and all your automatic cold, open your windows and turn your nights over to automatic nature.

It comes in the betwixt and between time, when winter is struggling to hang on and summer is still just a half-baked idea.

I've made some observations and estimations and recommendations on what to do when good sleeping weather is on the horizon, which you are free to dispute or agree with, depending on if you want to be wrong or right.

Now, my body tells me that several acts of God have to co-exist in peaceful harmony to create the kind of smoozing condition I'm talking about.

First, of course, you have to have clean sheets which, at my house anyway, is a true act of God. Just kidding, dear. But the fact is, clean sheets are a prerequisite, particularly when they've been dried outside on a

clothes line. If you don't have a clothes line and wouldn't know a clothes pin if you sat on it, toss one of those good-smelling things in your dryer with the sheets.

Next, you have to have the right convergence of weather patterns. It has to be the second or third day after a cold front has blown through, one of those days when low clouds have been replaced with deep blue Texas skies and the sun is as warm as a grandmother's hug. It can't be muggy, and it won't be on a day like this.

Now, the temperature at night is the crucial part of the equation. It has to be between 50 and 60 degrees, though I've heard some tough old birds who favor 45. But to my way of thinking, anything colder than 50 and you're likely to be awakened by a frosty nose or a shivering sacroiliac. Any warmer than 60 and you won't have the proper amount of cover, an often overlooked element of good sleeping weather.

After the bottom and top sheets, you need a regular old store-bought blanket. On top of that blanket you have to place

a homemade quilt that your grandmother or great aunt spent weeks or months creating. Now, the quilt is a vital part of the whole ambience, the whole back-to-your-roots point of good sleeping weather.

Ignore it at your own peril. Besides, according to a recent scientific study, a homemade quilt will guarantee sweet dreams. The final ingredient, weather-wise, is the gentlest of breezes, no stronger than a baby's breath, to surround and grip your senses. You need the breeze to remind you that you don't just have the thermostat set too low.

Now, if you want the ultimate experience, you'll do all this on a screened porch somewhere in the Texas Hill Country with a little soft guitar music in the background.

But don't be afraid to try it at home when the conditions are right. Open a window and sleep cozy and snug. Just as snug as Lawd's on a Cowboys cheerleader.

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## FEMINIST SOLIDARITY THEN & NOW



APRIL 1992  
BY MICHAEL COVINE

## Force essential to protecting American society

Back in the 1960s, liberals used to argue that if you don't pay the welfare costs, you will have to pay for the cost of crime.

My reply to that was always, "Bullets are cheaper than welfare."

If Americans hope to live in a livable society, they are going to have to make up their minds that they will not give in to blackmail or to threats for any reason at any time.

The big failure on many campuses in the 1960s was the spinelessness of university presidents who would not defend the civilization that makes a university possible. They allowed students to use fascist tactics to silence everyone they disagreed with. The presidents gave in to the use of

force. Whenever students or anyone illegally occupy someone else's property, the proper course is to warn them to leave, then have them arrested and prosecuted for criminal trespass and then, if they are students, expel them permanently. Thugs have no place on a campus.

The message that should always be sent is that in a free society, every topic, every complaint is open to debate and civil discussion and to remedy by the democratic process. But the second that force is introduced or threatened, all discussion stops. The issue then becomes upholding the law. As Ayn Rand said perfectly. The only logical reply to force is counterforce.

Too many Americans back then were too gutless to do that, and many once-great universities became jokes, as many still are. Too many Americans today are still too gutless to do the right thing.

I read an article the other day by a professor who argued that even though affirmative action and racial quotas are wrong, they are necessary to

avoid riots.

Well, in the first place, in the two states where affirmative action and racial quotas have been banned, there haven't been any riots. But if the choice is doing the right thing and having riots or doing the wrong thing to avoid riots, then by all means bring on the riots. Once more, bullets are cheaper than giving into blackmail.

If you are going to maintain a free society that is governed by reason and democratic processes, then you have to be willing to shoot any number of people who try to destroy that society by using force. You cannot maintain anything which you are unwilling to defend. Indeed, you cannot really love something or someone if you are unwilling to defend them. You cannot preserve the rule of law by surrendering to force or the threat of force.

I've always said that the way to stop a riot is to start shooting and to keep shooting until there isn't any riot left. People intent on robbery, arson and murder don't deserve to be

talked to. You'd only have to stack the dead looters up once, and I think that the next time there was an incident, even stupid people would realize it was not a healthy idea to have a riot.

It's a paradox, but a society based on civility, reason and the democratic process requires the same brutal protection against a threat of force that any other, less-perfect society requires.

One of those unpleasant rules that many people don't wish to acknowledge is that today, as in the past, force is the ultimate ruler of human affairs. All of Rome's laws, arts, technology and intellects existed within the ring of steel provided by the legions. When the ring was breached, Roman civilization fell to the sharp swords of the barbarians.

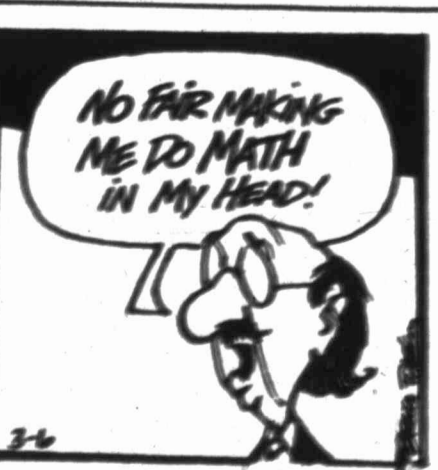
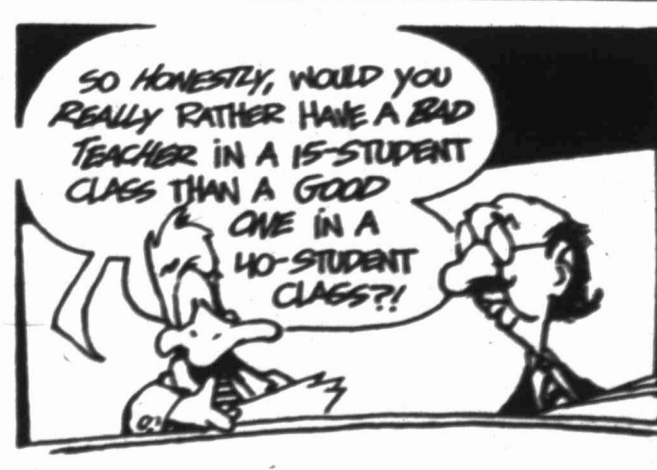
And so will ours if we fail to protect it. Words can't protect it against steel. Only steel can talk to steel. Less has changed than most post-modern Americans want to admit.

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# House speaker Hastert promotes individual taxpayer investment

WASHINGTON (AP) — Individual taxpayers, not the government, should control investment decisions when it comes to Social Security, House Speaker Dennis Hastert said Saturday. In the Republicans' weekly radio address, the Illinois congressman said he agrees with the Clinton administration that Social Security needs to get a better return on its investment dollars. But Hastert said he wants to enable

individuals to decide how to divert their Social Security taxes into the stock market. Republicans have expressed unease in the past that letting the government make such decisions ultimately would lead to political interference in financial markets. Hastert also said Republicans want to do more than put aside 62 percent of the budget surplus to shore up Social Security, as President Clinton has pro-

posed. "Our proposal will lock away every penny of the Social Security surplus for our nation's senior citizens. It will also create a safe deposit box to make sure that these funds cannot be raided for wasteful spending programs," Hastert said. "Social Security is a trust fund for the American people, not a slush fund for the federal government to use it as it pleases."

Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., voiced similar thoughts Friday, accusing Clinton of trying to turn Social Security into a slush fund for foreign aid by using it to help Central American victims of Hurricane Mitch. Lott's assertion was based on Clinton's plan to use federal surpluses to pay for the bulk of a \$1.9 billion emergency measure approved by the Senate Appropriations Committee. All

of this year's projected \$111 billion budget surplus comes from Social Security, which is building up reserves to handle the retirements of baby boomers a decade from now. Clinton economic adviser Gene Sperling noted earlier Friday that under budget law, federal surpluses can be used to pay for any item that both Congress and the president designate an emergency.

# President Clinton pushes Senate vote on teacher hiring subsidies

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton argued Saturday to get a vote on teacher hiring subsidies, the centerpiece of his education agenda, attached to a popular Republican school bill moving through Congress. "The choice is simple: Are we going to give Americans smaller classes, or more partisanship?" Clinton said in his weekly radio address.

"Are we going to put politics ahead of progress, or put 100,000 teachers in our nation's classrooms?" Clinton accused GOP congressional leaders of "trying to shut down debate" and thwart his proposal for another round of grants to help schools reach the goal Clinton and Congress set in 1998 of hiring 100,000 new teachers over the next six years. At issue is the GOP-written

legislation, dubbed "Ed Flex," to give states more flexibility in spending federal school dollars. It at first appeared destined for swift enactment until Democrats, in what is shaping into the first big policy battle of the post-impeachment Congress, sought to expand the bill to fit the president's education agenda. Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., has promised a

vote Monday to force the legislation's passage without Democratic amendments. The legislation expands nationwide a 12-state pilot project that waives regulations for many federal school programs in order to encourage local reform efforts. Clinton and congressional Democrats want to use the bill as a vehicle for winning a second year of financing for grants

to help school districts hire and train 100,000 new teachers over seven years. In budget negotiations leading up to last November's election, Republicans had agreed to the first round of the grants, more than \$1 billion to be released in July. "We now have the first big test of whether this Congress is really willing to work together across party lines and with the

White House to get things done," Clinton said Saturday, "whether the Congress is serious about giving our children the education they need and deserve." The goal is to cut pupil-teacher ratios in the first through third grades. The national average now is 22 pupils per teacher, and Clinton wants that reduced to 18 or fewer.

# Law allowing rape victims to sue attackers tossed

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — An appeals court struck down a federal law allowing rape victims to sue their attackers for civil rights violations, ruling the law was a "sweeping intrusion" into matters traditionally handled by states. Women's groups hoped Friday's decision by the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals would be reviewed and overturned by the Supreme Court. "It would be a tragedy if this became the law of the land," said Eleanor Smeal, president of the Feminist Majority Foundation. Smeal called the 1994 Violence

Against Women Act the first major advance for women since Congress banned sex discrimination in federally funded schools in 1975. The 4th Circuit held that Congress stretched too far its interpretation of its right to regulate interstate commerce when it passed the law. "Such a statute, we are constrained to conclude, simply cannot be reconciled with the principles of limited federal government upon which this nation is founded," Judge J. Michael Luttig wrote. The ruling is binding in Virginia, West Virginia,

Maryland, North Carolina and South Carolina. Eileen Wagner, lawyer for plaintiff Christy Brzonkala, said she expected the case would be appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court. "They can either give it a thumbs-up — in which case they will use this law, which they are reluctant to do now — or a thumbs-down, which would encourage Congress to go back to the drawing board and rewrite the thing," Wagner said. In her suit, Ms. Brzonkala, a Virginia Tech student who has allowed her name to be dis-

closed, sought unspecified damages against two football players whom she said had raped her in dormitory. She did not report the alleged incident for several months and no charges were filed against the players. Their lawyers did not return calls for comment. Ms. Brzonkala's lawyers defended the Violence Against Women Act by arguing that gender-motivated violence affects commerce by imposing medical and legal costs on victims, inhibiting travel by those who fear violence and lessening productivity.

# Court-ordered bagpipes are the punishment

FORT LEPTON, Colo. (AP) — They don't take requests at this after-hours club and there's definitely no karaoke. The DJ is a police officer, and he's ready to bounce anyone who dances or talks. Employing something like the aversion therapy in the movie "A Clockwork Orange," Municipal Judge Paul Sacco requires people convicted of violating the city's noise ordinance to listen to music they don't like. The noise scofflaws — most of whom got in trouble for playing their stereos too loud — gather once a month, on a weekend night, to listen to court-selected songs. The offenders are mostly young, so there is a heavy dose of lounge music, including Wayne Newton and Dean Martin, plus some Navajo flute music, bagpipes and John Denver songs. During the most recent session, the group of seven heard one of the judge's own jazz compositions, "I'm Sleeping in My Car." Seventeen-year-old David Mascarenas was apparently scared straight. "I'm not going to jam no more," he said. "I took my stereo out already. I don't want

to be hassled no more." Court coordinator Patrice Redearth, who suggested the one-hour music treatment, said she got her first playlist by asking her 17-year-old "what the kids would hate." The worst selection was the "Barney" theme song, said Ryan Bowles, 21, adding, "If you laugh they cite you for contempt." The DJ, policeman Joe Morales, said there's something annoying for everyone, and it works. He recalled having problems "with one kid three or four times. He came here once and he hasn't been back." A requiem might have been the most appropriate choice for the most recent session, Feb. 26. It certainly looked like a funeral. One teen wore a shirt that read, "I hate this town." "If they fall asleep their eyes will be pried open," said clerk Patrice Redearth, in a joking reference to "A Clockwork Orange," in which a gang member involved in a rape is forced to watch sickening videos, his eyes pinned open, while listening to Beethoven, his favorite composer. Sacco's program debuted Dec. 5 in this agricultural and indus-

### RECENT MUSIC PUNISHMENT SESSION

- Beethoven's Fifth Symphony, Moonlight Sonata and Fugue
- Wayne Newton, "Danke Schoen"
- Wayne Newton, "Bill Bailey Won't You Please Come Home"
- Disney's "This Old Man"
- Judge Paul Sacco, "Sleepin' in My Car"
- Dean Martin, "Theme from 'The Last of the Mohicans'"
- Dean Martin, "One Cup of Happiness"
- Dean Martin, "It's Cryin' Time"
- Tony Orlando and Dawn, "Tie a Yellow Ribbon Round the Old Oak Tree"
- Hugo Montenegro, "Theme from 'The Good, the Bad and the Ugly'"
- Jerry Vall, "Volare."
- Henry Mancini, "Love Theme From Romeo and Juliet"
- John Denver, "Sunshine on My Shoulders"
- Indian flute instrumental
- Roy Rogers and Dale Evans, "Happy Trails to You"
- Roger Whittaker, "I'm Going to Leave Old Durham Town"

trial town of 5,200 people 30 miles north of Denver. The sessions are held in City Hall. Most of the offenders are rapping teens. But not all. "There was a guy who was 45 who got a ticket for listening to Bob Seger," the judge said. Sacco, who is 45 himself and has been playing blues guitar

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# Government accuses Wal-Mart of disability bias

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — The federal government has sued Wal-Mart, the nation's largest retailer, accusing it of using job questionnaires to screen out disabled applicants. The suit claims Wal-Mart violated the Americans with Disabilities Act, attorneys for the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission said. The questionnaire asked applicants to indicate if they

might need any accommodation to perform required duties. The EEOC says it is illegal to ask about disability before a job offer is made. "An employer is entitled to know if someone can do a job, but the question is: At what point?" EEOC attorney David Kelley said of the lawsuit filed Thursday in federal court. Wal-Mart officials said the questionnaire was designed to

accommodate job applicants, not discriminate against them. "We didn't want an applicant to give up their current job, come to work for Wal-Mart and then find out that we couldn't accommodate their needs," said Melissa Brown, a company spokeswoman. Brown also said Wal-Mart had removed questions about disabilities from its questionnaire in December 1997, following

previous legal challenges. Kelley said EEOC investigators found the questionnaire being used in stores as recently as last year. "Wal-Mart had assured the commission that they were no longer using the form," Kelley said. "We learned during our investigation that they continued to use it in various facilities in California, Texas, Arizona and elsewhere."

# Research satellite spins out of control

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Ground controllers were racing against time to save a newly launched, \$49 million NASA satellite that was spinning out of control after being launched into orbit. The mishap is apparently due to the thruster-like action of hydrogen gas venting from a system needed to keep the satellite's telescope extremely cold. The Wide-Field Infrared Explorer, or WISE, was spinning Friday at the rate of once per second. Unless engineers gain control, all the hydrogen could be lost, said Don Savage, a spokesman at National Aeronautics and Space Administration in Washington. The launch cost \$18 million.

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# NATO 'ready to act' if peace plan rejected

WASHINGTON (AP) — The NATO allies stand ready to force an end to "violent repression" of Kosovo's ethnic Albanians if Serbia refuses to sign a peace plan for the province, President Clinton says.

As Clinton spoke Friday, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright headed for London from Asia for unscheduled meetings on the Kosovo issue with presidential emissary Bob Dole, British officials and U.S. Army Gen. Wesley Clark, NATO's supreme commander.

Officials cautioned against suggestions that an emergency doctrine be changed in plans.

Dole, the 1996 Republican presidential nominee and former Senate majority leader, met Friday with ethnic

Albanian leaders. Albright "wanted to get an update to the state of play in the region," State Department spokesman James P. Rubin told reporters.

He said that at the London meeting, Albright and Clark would discuss three possibilities: a peacekeeping force, should both sides sign an accord; airstrikes against the Serbs if the ethnic Albanians sign but the Serbs don't; and NATO's reaction if the Serbs make aggressive moves on the ground, and neither side signs.

Clinton commented on the Kosovo situation during a White House news conference with Italian Prime Minister Massimo D'Alema.

Some analysts have accused the president of threatening NATO military action against

Yugoslavia, only to back away. But Clinton cited NATO air strikes in 1995 against Serb positions in Bosnia as evidence of the alliance's willingness to use force if necessary.

"I don't think it's fair to say that NATO threatens and backs away," he said. "I don't think (Yugoslav President Slobodan) Milosevic is under any illusion that if NATO has an action order outstanding that we won't activate it. And I would be astonished to believe that our allies would back away from a commitment we've made."

With the next round of talks set to begin March 15 in France, Clinton said he very much hopes that Kosovo's ethnic Albanians will sign the peace plan, which if imple-

mented would give them a measure of self-rule and the protection of 30,000 NATO troops.

He said Serbs must accept both the political agreement and the NATO force. So far they have accepted only part of the autonomy provisions and refuse to agree to foreign troops in Kosovo. "NATO remains ready to act, but Serbia instead continues the violent repression of Kosovo's people," he said.

Dole spent much of Friday meeting with ethnic Albanian leaders in an attempt to persuade them to sign the agreement even though it falls short of their goal of full independence from Yugoslavia. He said afterward that the leaders could sign a peace agreement within days.

# Applications up at many colleges across the nation

BOSTON (AP) — The growing use of the Internet combined with a surge in high school graduates helped boost the number of college applications submitted last year, said several school officials.

Although most colleges don't accept applications via the Internet, it's becoming far more common for them to post blank applications on the Web, allowing would-be students to download forms and mail them in later.

For those schools that do accept applications over the Internet, some even waive the fees — typically \$35 to \$60.

"From the candidate's point of view, it is a much easier ball game and the Internet has facilitated that," said Marlyn

McGrath Lewis, director of admissions for Harvard University, which saw the number of applicants rise almost 8 percent this year over last.

Applications to Yale University rose 10.5 percent; University of California-Riverside applications were up 14.6 percent; Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, N.Y., was up 13 percent; and Temple University in Philadelphia was up a whopping 23 percent.

Tom Maxey, Temple's vice-president for enrollment management, said many of the applicants took advantage of the school's electronic forms. The Web, he said, "is certainly giving us and our colleagues a lot more exposure."

# NY Times: China stole nuclear secrets from Los Alamos lab

NEW YORK (AP) — An investigation of nuclear secrets stolen by China from a U.S. laboratory was repeatedly slowed and played down by the federal government in favor of keeping good relations between the countries. The New York Times reported today.

China's espionage at the Los Alamos National Laboratory in New Mexico in the mid-1980s helped it develop the technology to miniaturize nuclear bombs, a key step toward fielding a modern nuclear arsenal, the newspaper said.

By 1996, a year after the theft was discovered, investigators had identified a suspect working at the laboratory, where the 1940s Manhattan Project developed the first atomic bomb.

The investigation also determined that China was continuing to steal nuclear weapons secrets from major American labs.

But some officials claim the government pushed aside the investigation for policy reasons, the Times reported.

"This conflicted with their China policy," said a U.S. offi-

cial speaking on condition of anonymity. "It undercut the administration's efforts to have a strategic partnership with the Chinese."

The White House was told of the nuclear espionage in the summer of 1997, just before a U.S.-Chinese summit meeting — the first such meeting in eight years — which was intended to highlight the improvement of relations between the Clinton administration and Beijing.

The White House claims that it took the spying seriously by ordering improved security at

the labs.

But a reconstruction by the Times shows that the response to the nuclear theft was marked by delays, inaction and skepticism throughout the government — even though some senior intelligence officials believed the theft was among the most damaging cases of espionage in recent history.

Within a year of the discovery of the theft, investigators had identified the suspect working at Los Alamos.

But he continued in his job with full security clearance for

another year. To date, no arrests have been made.

The espionage was not detected until 1995, when American experts analyzing Chinese nuclear test results found similarities to America's most advanced miniature warhead, the W-88.

In the past, China's nuclear weapons were a generation behind American designs, largely because Beijing was unable to produce small warheads that could be launched from a single missile at multiple targets.

# Split personality: La Nina dries Southwest, soaks Northwest

DENVER (AP) — It's been so mild and dry this winter that Coloradans have been trading parkas for T-shirts, and cactuses in Arizona likely won't bloom.

Folks in Seattle, meantime, suffered 90 days of rain in the four months leading up to March — a record for soggy gloom in a region usually boastful about its wet climate.

Blame La Nina, a phenome-

non that has delivered a feast-or-famine winter to the West, dousing the Northwest with record rains while keeping the Southwest mostly dry.

"We expect that these types of patterns that we have seen will continue," said Marty Hoerling, a National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration meteorologist.

"If you will, the rich will get richer and the poor will get

poorer."

La Nina is the lesser known sibling of El Nino, which warmed the waters of the eastern Pacific Ocean and disrupted weather around the world for about a year until easing last May.

The current La Nina shows the opposite pattern, with sharply cooler ocean temperatures fostering the unusual weather.

And it has been unusual.

Mount Baker in Washington state has about 70 feet — that's 70 FEET — of snow, while more than 5 feet of rain has hit parts of the Olympic Peninsula since Nov. 1.

But down in the Southwest, firefighters already fear that parched forests are a spark away from wildfire.

Although the potential for summer blazes depends on

spring rains, the risk of fire already is high in Arizona and New Mexico forests.

"We're going to be looking at getting a lot of firefighters on early," said Dougger Hughes of Arizona's Prescott National Forest. "We could get a lot of rain in March and April, but from what the weather service is telling us, it looks like it's going to be a pretty dry year for us."

# Sweepstakes industry under assault from several sources

WASHINGTON (AP) — The sweepstakes "performance review" sent to Mr. R. Miller is marked "personal & confidential" and includes details on a \$1 million drawing.

The material rates how well Miller did such things as filling out Publishers Clearing House entry forms and mailing them on time and how he can upgrade his status with the company by making purchases.

State regulators say people are being duped by such personal appeals.

"They're getting you to buy because they make you believe that-out of the millions and millions and millions of people who have sent in responses, that you have personally come to their attention," said Wisconsin Attorney General James Doyle.

Doyle's state is one of several suing sweepstakes houses over their mailings.

In Miller's case, he earned "exceptional" ratings in every category but one: "Often takes advantage of our Unbeatable Deals."

"Commendable" was his

grade there. An attached note tells Miller he qualifies for an upcoming \$1 million drawing, and can upgrade his status with the company by ordering "by the deadline."


The sweepstakes industry is under new scrutiny on several fronts, including Senate legislation that would affect companies such as Publishers Clearing House and American Family Publishers.

A bill sponsored by Sen. Susan Collins, R-Maine, would set fines up to \$2 million for deceptive sales tactics and provide the first federal regulation targeting the sweepstakes industry.

State regulators also are complaining sweepstakes companies target the elderly.

Several states have sued the biggest sweepstakes houses, alleging a variety of deceptive practices.

Attorneys general from about half the country met in Indianapolis last month to look at mailings "that seem to promise a far greater chance of winning if the consumer buys something."




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He was named Rookie of the Year during his senior year, only the second ever accomplish

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The Big Spring School District Department of physical education is looking for anyone in the area to join through Juniata school for Saturday.

Physicals for all students will be held in the gymnasium on Saturday, March 13, from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**Big Spring**  
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Officials with the United Girls Softball Association in Coahoma will accept registrations until April 15. For more information, call 915-264-4433.

Parents should sign up their child's registration until the league.

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Girls interested in Coahoma Girls Softball should register for the season by 5 p.m. Monday, March 15-19, at the Coahoma Center.

Registration conducted from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, March 13, at the Coahoma soft ball field. Tryouts will be held on Tuesday, March 16, at 7 p.m. Division II and III.

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Results from the High School girls' softball tournament were announced as the Herald.

Coaches of the teams that did not call in for the tournament were:

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**Television**  
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1:30 p.m. — Cup Las Vegas and Ch. 8.

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2 p.m. — Big Spring vs. Ch. 7.  
5:30 p.m. — Big Spring vs. ESPN, Ch. 30.

**NBA BASKET**  
11 a.m. — New York Knicks at Indiana Pacers.  
5 p.m. — Los Angeles Lakers at Utah Jazz.  
8 p.m. — Dallas Mavericks at Sacramento Kings.

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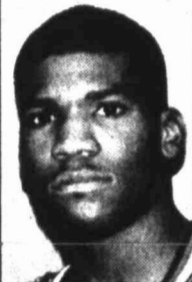
### IN BRIEF

#### Former Howard standout is top Big 12 newcomer

Texas A&M junior point guard Clifton Cook, a transfer from Howard College, has been named Big 12 Conference Newcomer of the Year in balloting by the league's basketball coaches.

Cook led the Aggies in scoring assists and steals, averaging 15.1 points, six assists and 2.7 steals per game. In addition, he was second in rebounding with 5.4 per game. He also led the conference in minutes played with 36.0 per game.

He was named the Big 12 Rookie of the Week three times during the regular season, only the third player to ever accomplish that honor.



COOK

#### Athletic department sets physical exams

The Big Spring Independent School District Athletic Department has scheduled physical examinations for anyone in the sixth grade through junior year of high school for Saturday, March 27.

Physicals are required for all students wishing to participate in athletics.

Exams will be given at Big Spring High School at 10 a.m. for current sixth graders and at 10:30 p.m. for all other grades.

#### Big Spring UGSA's registration continues

Officials with the Big Spring United Girls Softball Association have announced that registration will continue until April 9 at All-Star Sports, formerly Neal's Sporting Goods.

Parents should bring each child's birth certificate and registration fee of \$25 when signing up their children for the league.

#### Coahoma UGSA slates sign-ups, team tryouts

Girls interested in taking part in Coahoma's United Girls Softball Association program this season will be able to register from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday, March 15-19 and March 22-26 at the Coahoma Community Center.

Registration will also be conducted from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 20, and from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, March 27, at the Coahoma softball park.

Tryouts will be held May 27, T-ball and Division I players will try out at 1:30 p.m. Division II and III at 2:30 p.m.

### IT'S MISSING

Results from Big Spring High School's boys' track, girls' softball and boys' baseball teams were not available as the Herald went to press.

Coaches of those teams did not call in results from their meets and tournaments.

### ON THE AIR

#### Television

##### AUTO RACING

1:30 p.m. — NASCAR Winston Cup Las Vegas 400, ABC, Ch. 2 and Ch. 8

##### COLLEGE BASKETBALL

###### Men

2 p.m. — Big 12 Conference Tournament championship, ESPN, Ch. 30

2 p.m. — Big Ten Conference Tournament championship, CBS, Ch. 7

5:30 p.m. — NCAA Division I Tournament selections show, ESPN, Ch. 30

##### NBA BASKETBALL

11 a.m. — New Jersey Nets at New York Knicks or Miami Heat at Indiana Pacers, NBC, Ch. 9

5 p.m. — Los Angeles Lakers at Utah Jazz, NBC, Ch. 9

8 p.m. — Dallas Mavericks at Sacramento Kings, FXS, Ch. 29

##### GOLF

2 p.m. — PGA Doral Ryder Open, final round, NBC, Ch. 9

##### TENNIS

2 p.m. — ATP Franklin Templeton Classic, FXS, Ch. 29

## Stanton's playoff run ends in regional finals defeat

By JOHN H. WALKER

Managing Editor

ABILENE — Wellington's Sky Rockets (28-5) had too much speed and quickness here Saturday afternoon at Moody Coliseum en route to a 68-62 Region I-2A boys championship over Stanton's Buffaloes (18-6).

Wellington had to withstand a furious Stanton rally in which the Buffs went on an 11-0 run to cut an 18-point deficit to just seven, 63-56, with 1:21 left in the game.

A time-out by Rockets' coach Tim Webb allowed him to calm his team and capture the win.

Stanton, which advanced to the regional championship game by virtue of a 71-

50 win over West Texas High on Friday night, led early but when George Shrubs scored on a lay-up following a steal with 49.3 seconds left in the first period, Wellington was on its way to Austin.

Shrubs, who finished with 23 points, came back just moments later to complete a three-point play when he made a free throw following another steal and basket.

Shrubs then added a three-pointer off the right wing to give the Rockets a 19-11 lead at the end of the first period.

Wellington went up by 10, 21-11, when Shrubs scored what would turn out to be his 10th straight point as the Rockets capped an 18-2 run over a three minute, 49-second stretch of the first and second periods.

Stanton then responded, going on an 8-

1 run to pull to within three, 22-19, before Wellington again stretched the margin to 10, 31-21, at the end of the first half.

The two teams battled virtually even during the third period, with Stanton able to trim only a point off the Rocket lead when Kyle Herm connected on a three-pointer with 21.1 seconds left in the period — but things would quickly turn sour for the Buffs.

As it turned out, Herm's basket would be the last Stanton points for nearly 4 1/2 minutes — until Chad Smith connected on the first of two free throws with 3:52 left in the game.

By the time Smith made his charity toss, Wellington had stretched its lead to 16 points — 57-41 — with a quick, 7-0 burst to open the final period.

Herm led all scorers for Stanton with

24 points, while Chad Smith added 18 and Justin Cobb 14. George Shrubs — one of three brothers on the Rockets — had 23 to lead his team, while Jason Wishkaemper had 14 and Nakia Nash 10 for the Rockets.

Region I, Class 2A Boys' Championship Game  
Wellington 68, Stanton 62  
WELLINGTON — Nakia Nash 2 5-7 10, Larry Shrubs 0 1-2 1, Larry Valles 2 0-0 5, George Shrubs 10 2-2 23, Jason Wishkaemper 6 0-0 14, Larry Shrubs 2 0-0 4, Andrew Falcon 2 0-0 4, Shawn Turrentine 2 0-0 5, Gene Pena 1 0-0 2, Totals 27 8-11 68  
STANTON — Kyle Herm 9 3-5 23, Justin Cobb 6 2-3 14, Maurice Martinez 1 0-1 2, Austin Kelly 1 0-0 2, Jeremy Hull 0 0-2 0, Brady Cook 1 0-0 2, Chad Smith 7 4-4 18, Totals 25 9-15 62  
Score by Quarters:  
Wellington 19 12 19 18-68  
Stanton 11 10 20 21-62  
Three-point goals: W 6 (Nash, Valles, G. Shrubs, Wishkaemper 2, Turrentine), S 3 (Herm 3), Total Fouls: W 14, S 12. Fouled Out: None. Technical Fouls: None. Records: Wellington is 28-5, Stanton finishes at 18-6.

## Howard's Region V dreams come to end

### Hawks' national bid falls victim to No. 10 Coyotes

By JOHN H. WALKER

Managing Editor

ABILENE — Weatherford College's "Lithuanian Legion" of Arunas Drasutis, Mindaugas Burneika, Nerijus Puida and Daniel Novak combined for 73 percent of the Coyotes' points here Saturday in a 91-85 overtime win over Howard College in the championship game of the Region V NJCAA Tournament at Hardin-Simmons University.

The four internationals led a furious Weatherford rally that saw the Northern Conference champions battled back from a 14-point deficit to tie the game at 79-79 at the end of regulation on a three-point shot by Drasutis.

"They (Weatherford) couldn't win it, we could only lose," explained a dejected Howard head coach Tommy Collins. "And that's exactly what we did."

No. 10-ranked Weatherford now takes a week off before beginning play in the National Junior College Championship Tournament in Hutchinson, Kan. while Howard ends its season at 27-6.

Howard trailed throughout much of the first half before a three-point shot off the left wing by Lamont Roberts tied the game at 29-29 with 5:26 left in the first half.

The Hawks then took their first lead of the night when Larry Allaway drove off the right side of the basket, twisted under and then banked the ball in off the left side of the glass with 4:38 on the clock.

Weatherford reclaimed the lead, was pulled back into a tie by Howard, then opened a four-point advantage at the end of the half.

"The first half, we were scared," Collins said. "We had three freshmen out there and the game was bigger than they were."

"In the second half, we were able to settle down some, but we still didn't get the job done."

Collins described the match-up between Howard and Weatherford as "the USA versus Lithuania."

"We can't have them," he replied to a reporter's question as to why Howard didn't have any international players on its roster. "We would if they'd (trustees) let us ... they're older, more mature and more experienced."



HERALD photo/Jim Fierro

Howard College's Derrick Franklin (00) pulls down a rebound before teammate Greg Lewis (30) and Weatherford's Mindaugas Burneika (21) can get to it during the first half of Saturday's Region V Junior College Men's Tournament championship game. The Hawks suffered a 91-85 loss in overtime.

And while Weatherford's internationals didn't score all of the team's points, they did score 29 of the Coyotes' last 31 points and 37 of the last 45 — from the point where Howard held its biggest lead of the night at 60-46 with 8:43 left in the game.

Howard stormed out of the dressing room at intermission to reel off 16 unanswered points, taking a 49-39 lead largely behind the play of Sweetwater freshman Derrick Franklin.

After a Drasutis basket opened a six-point lead to start the final period, Allaway split two defenders in the lane for Howard's first points in two minutes and 54 seconds — back to a pair of Allaway free throws with 2:06 left on the

first half clock. Franklin then took over the backboards on both ends, scoring on an inbounds play with 18:46 left and then slamming a monster jam through just 25 seconds later to tie the score at 39-39.

A Greg Lewis rebound gave Howard the lead at 41-39 with 17:01 left and the Hawks held the lead until Drasutis hit his fourth three-pointer in the final 3:25 of the game, tying the score at 79-79 with just 4.6 seconds left.

Howard had been in a position to put the game away from the free throw line, but missed three of four attempts inside the final 20 seconds of regulation.

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### Lady Hawks suffer 68-58 loss to No. 2 Grayson

By JOHN H. WALKER

Managing Editor

ABILENE — Outscored 28-8 from the free throw line, Howard College's Lady Hawks (28-4) saw their hopes for a return trip to the NJCAA national tournament disappear in a 68-58 loss to No. 2-ranked Grayson County (32-0) Friday afternoon at Hardin-Simmons University.

"They were able to get to the foul line ... that's where they beat us," Howard coach Matt Corkery said after the game.

In an extremely physical contest, Howard was called for 30 fouls — and had five players foul out — while Grayson was whistled for just 18 fouls.

"You've got to play 40 minutes," Corkery told a Howard fan after the game. "They were better than us ... stronger."

The intensity level of the game was evident, as neither team shot well from the floor — Howard just 22 of 69 (31.9 percent) and Grayson just 19 of 60 (31.7 percent).

But it was at the free throw line where the Lady Vikings shot their way into the Region V championship game, where they fell to Midland.

Trailing by as many as eight early in the second half, Grayson changed its offensive game plan from one on the perimeter to one inside the paint.

Smith hit a three-pointer with 14:53 left to pull Grayson to within five, 38-33, followed a minute later by a pair of free throws by Kristin Tramonte after she had been fouled under the basket.

A Ricka McKee three-pointer off the right wing put Howard back up by six before Tramonte went back up with a rebound to pull Grayson to within four, 41-37, with 12:09 left in the game.

Another three by McKee looked as if it shook the Vikings, but then Grayson completely abandoned its outside game and started feeding the ball low to Tramonte and 6-foot, 2-inch Australian Brooke McCormack.

McCormack took the ball low on a feed by Sheila Lambert, scoring inside and drawing a foul off Aeisha Love to make the score 44-39 with 9:30 left.

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## Howard well represented on All-WJCAC basketball squads

### Collins named top men's coach for second consecutive season

By JOHN A. MOSELEY

Sports Editor

ABILENE — After leading his Hawks to the Western Junior College Athletic Conference championship, Howard College head coach Tommy Collins has been named WJCAC Men's Coach of the Year for a second straight season.

Collins was selected for the honor by his peers this weekend when they gathered at the Region V Junior College Men's Tournament to name their All-WJCAC Men's Basketball Team.

In his fifth season at the Hawks helm, Collins led the Hawks to a 26-5 record going into Saturday evening's Region V men's championship with No. 10-ranked Weatherford College's Coyotes.

Collins was named the conference's top men's coach in 1998 after leading an injury-depleted team that lost several starters to disciplinary action before the season started to a third-place finish in the WJCAC and qualified for Region V tournament play.

Howard became the first WJCAC men's team to finish conference play undefeated since Midland College's Chaparrals pulled off the feat in 1986.

Two of Collins' sophomore starters, post Greg Lewis



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### Western Junior College Athletic Conference All-Conference Basketball Teams

#### WOMEN

**MOST VALUABLE:** Karlita Washington, Howard College

#### ALL CONFERENCE:

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La Tash Moore, Howard College  
Kiri Neptune, Clarendon College  
Tasha Campbell, Odessa College  
Fatime Ndaiye, Midland College  
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Missy Frazier, South Plains College  
Shelly Alderman, Midland College  
Jody Avent, South Plains College  
Vanessa Dunn, New Mexico Junior College  
**COACH OF THE YEAR:** Ron Jones, Midland College

#### MEN

**MOST VALUABLE:** Stan Blackmon, Odessa College

#### ALL CONFERENCE:

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Nate Jones, Clarendon College  
Eugene Costello, Midland  
**COACH OF THE YEAR:** Tommy Collins, Howard College

### Lady Hawks' Washington gets nod as women's most valuable

By JOHN A. MOSELEY

Sports Editor

ABILENE — Howard College's Karlita Washington was named the most valuable player of the Western Junior College Athletic Conference (WJCAC) when the league's coaches met to select their WJCAC All-Conference women's basketball team during the Region V tournament at Hardin-Simmons University.

Washington led the Lady Hawks to the Region V semifinals before falling to No. 2-ranked and unbeaten Grayson County on Friday. Howard finished at 28-4 overall.

The Lady Hawks, who spent the entire season ranked in the NJCAA Women's Top 25 and finished conference play with a 12-2 slate, also placed sophomore Latasha Moore on the all-conference squad, while classmates Jovanna St. Cyr and Ricka McKee were honorable mention selections.

A 5-foot-9 sophomore point guard, Washington led the WJCAC in scoring and assists, averaging 19.8 points per game and 4.8 rebounds going into the region tournament. In addition, she was among the conference's tops in steals per game with 2.6 thefts.

Moore, a 5-foot-11 forward from Irving, finished the



WASHINGTON

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PHOENIX COYOTES—Recalled G Scott Langlow from Utah of the IHL.

ST. LOUIS BLUES—Assigned G Brent Johnson to Worcester of the AHL.

COLLEGE BAYLOR—Announced the resignation of men's basketball coach Harry Miller.

ILLINOIS STATE—Announced basketball C Sean Riley will not return for his senior season.

MARQUETTE—Fired Mike Deane, men's basketball coach.

ST. LOUIS—Announced the retirement of Charlie Spoorhour, men's basketball coach.

SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA—Announced the resignation of John Lyles, men's basketball coach.

SOUTHWEST MISSOURI—Announced the resignation of defensive coordinator Bill Witt.

THE CITADEL—Named Everette Sands assistant running backs coach.

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YMCA swimmers display strength

HERALD Staff Report

The Big Spring YMCA Swim Team has been performing incredible things of late.

In February, the team headed to Abilene to compete in the West Texas "C" Championships where they blew the other teams out of the water, winning by more than 100 points.

Big Spring swimmers piled up 542 points, compared to runner-up Abilene's Tidal Wave team which scored 377.

Top honors were taken by individuals Cameron Hughey, Ryan Hughey, Hannah Lester and Katie Hunnicutt in their respective age groups.

In addition, there were numerous spectacular individual performances. There were several first-place finishes and all the kids competing cut time in some of their events.

The Big Spring team's first win came in the 10-Under girls' division 100 freestyle relay where Alex Pappajohn, Kelly Sage, Lauren Sage and Wendy Mayfield posted a 1:15.83 clocking.

Ryan Hughey added a win in the 10-Under boys' 25 freestyle and followed that with first in the 25 butterfly.

Will Liggett won the boys' open 100 butterfly with a 1:20.02 clocking and added a win in the 100 breaststroke.

Cameron Hughey and Daniel Budke finished one-two in the 8-Under boys' division 50 freestyle, while Hannah Lester, Lauren Sage and Wendy Mayfield swept the top three places, respectively, in the Under 10 girls' 50 butterfly.

Holly Mayfield and Jessica Hughey finished first and second in the Girls' 11-12 division 50 breaststroke before Hana Lester and Lauren Sage went one-two in the Under-10 girls 50 breaststroke.

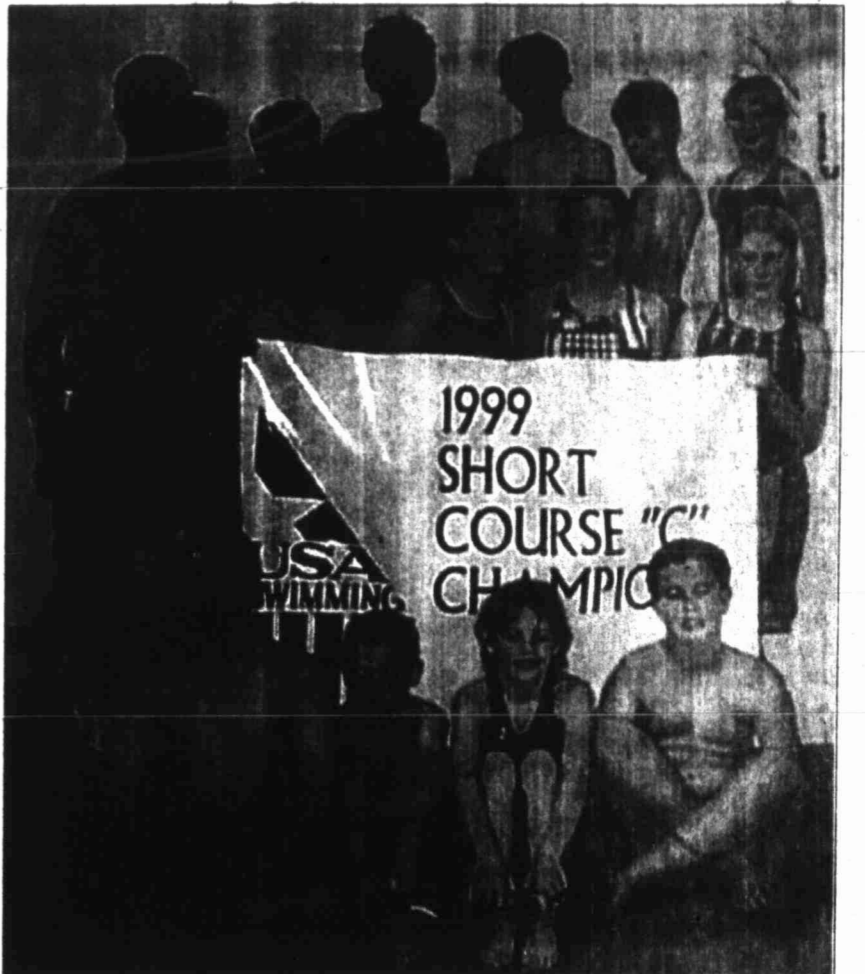
Hana Lester also finished first in the 10-Under division's 100 individual medley and 100 freestyle.

Katy Hunnicutt added a first in the Girls' 11-12 division 100 freestyle.

Kelly Sage, Lester, Lauren Sage and Mayfield teamed to finish first in the Under-10 girls' 100 medley relay, as the Big Spring team took first places in all three divisions of that event.

Lewis Grossman, Daniel Budke, Liggett and Seth Kinn took the boys' open division 200 medley relay win at 3:22.89, while Ryan Hughey, Karl Brode, Cameron Hughey and Nick Ross won the Under-10 boys' division with a 1:08 clocking in a 100-meter race.

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Members of the Big Spring YMCA Swimming Team pose with the banner they earned by winning the USA Swimming 1999 Short Course "C" Championships in Abilene recently.

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BSHS golfers fifth at Andrews

HERALD Staff Report

ANDREWS — Big Spring's Steers golf team, like the rest of the field, found Saturday's winds difficult to tame as they posted a round of 327 to finish at 647 and in fifth place at the Andrews Invitational Golf Tournament.

The Steers, who'd negotiated the Andrews Country Club's par 71 layout in 320 fashion on Friday, entered Saturday's final round in fourth place behind Andrews' host squad, Odessa Permian and Amarillo.

But Odessa High's Bronchos, who trailed Big Spring by just one stroke after the opening round, finished with a 325 Saturday and bumped the Steers to fifth place in the team standings by one stroke.

Andrews took the meet's title with a 296-316, 612; while Permian was second at 309-318, 625.

Andrews' Brad Gibson posted a one-under-par 69-72, 141. Sweetwater's Shane Mercer finished runner-up in the medalist chase with a 149 total.

Big Spring's Sammy Rodriguez was fifth in the medalist standings with a 74-82, 156.

Rounding out Big Spring's team scores were Heath Bailey 79-81, 160; Rudy Gamboa 82-83, 165; Richard Gaitan 85-81, 166; and Zach Hall, 88-99, 187.

Steers coach Gary Simmons also entered O.J. Hernandez for medalist honors only and he finished at 90-85, 175.

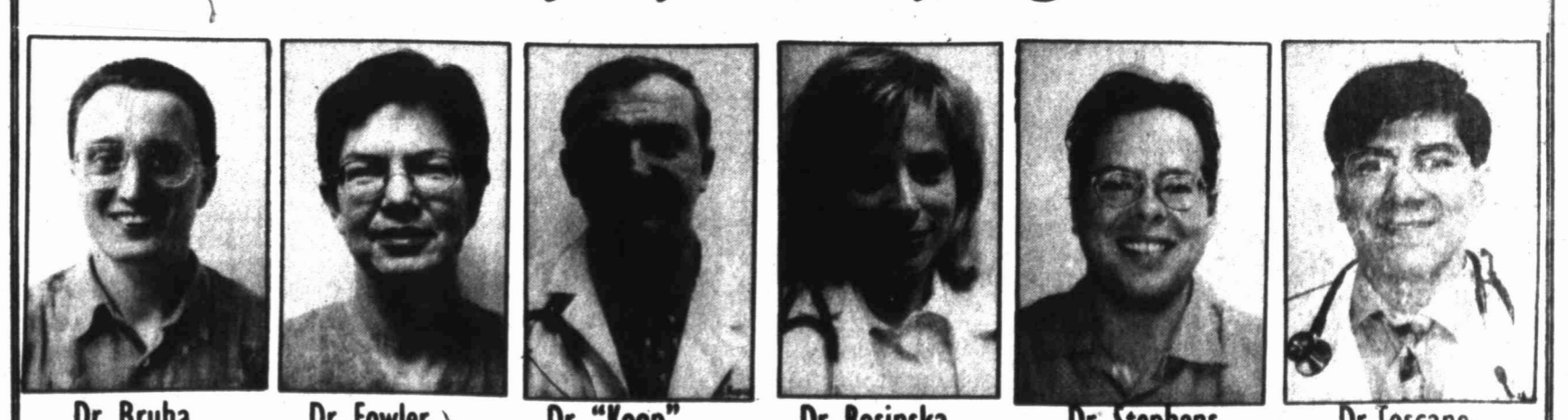
The Steers will play in the San Angelo Classic this weekend.

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HERALD Staff Report

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They followed run-ruling Snyder Tigers and Sweet Mustangs in a three on Saturday.

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Coahoma's Kenni Kay Buchanan delivers the first pitch of the game Friday against Andrews' Lady Mustangs. Buchanan went the distance in the Bulldogettes' 2-1 win over the Class 4A powerhouse squad.

## Bulldogettes post sweep over three 5-4A squads

HERALD Staff Report

SNYDER — Competition from Class 4A teams didn't seem to faze Coahoma's defending Class 2A state champion Bulldogettes over the weekend, as they knocked off three teams from District 5-4A.

The Bulldogettes opened the weekend's work with a thrilling 2-1, come-from-behind win over Andrews' Lady Mustangs.

They followed that win by run-ruling Snyder's Lady Tigers and Sweetwater's Lady Mustangs in a three-way series on Saturday.

Sophomore pitchers Kenni Kay Buchanan and Amber Bingham turned in stellar performances — Buchanan going the distance in the wins over Andrews and Sweetwater, while Bingham shut down Snyder.

Andrews provided the biggest threat to the Bulldogettes, now 7-2 on the season, when they scored an unearned run in the third inning Friday and seemed intent on making that stand.

Coahoma finally retaliated in the bottom of the seventh when Kayla Smith reached base on a two-base error. She scored moments later when senior Cassie Tindol single to right.

Tindol, who advanced to second when Andrews made an unsuccessful attempt to throw out Smith at the plate, scored when shortstop Misty Baker bunted and beat out an errant throw to first.

Saturday's opener saw Bingham strike out nine batters, walk two and allow just three hits in the 12-1 Bulldogettes win in five innings.

Coahoma pounded out 17 hits paced by Buchanan's 4-for-4 performance that drove in three runs. Bingham aided her own cause with a 3-for-4 showing. She drove in three runs as well.

Catcher Kortney Kemper was also 3-for-4 at the plate, while Baker went 2-for-4.

The Bulldogettes closed out the busy weekend with a 10-0 win in six innings over Sweetwater, as Buchanan struck out nine, walked one and scattered two hits.

Freshman Erin Stovall paced the Coahoma offensive attack that pounded out 13 hits by going 3-for-3. Kemper, Bingham and Kim Elmore all went 2-for-4 at the plate, while Brandie Hart was 2-for-5 on the day with 3 RBIs.

The Bulldogettes open district play at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday in Winters.

## Hawks romp to three-game sweep over NMJC

HERALD Staff Report

Howard College's Hawks chalked up their third straight sweep of a Western Junior College Athletic Conference (WJCAC) opponent with a lopsided 11-0 win in seven innings Friday and then took both ends of a doubleheader 6-2, 4-3 Saturday over New Mexico Junior College.

The Hawks, who improved to 23-1 overall and 9-0 in conference play, literally exploded offensively in Friday's run rule-shortened contest.

Sophomore Nick Webb went the distance in improving his pitching record to 4-0 on the year, striking out eight New Mexico batters, while allowing just one Thunderbird walk.

Howard, on the other hand, pounded out 15 hits — the biggest of the day coming in the bottom of the first inning when third baseman Drew Topham belted a three-run home run. The sophomore from Lake Charles, La., finished the game with 5 RBIs.

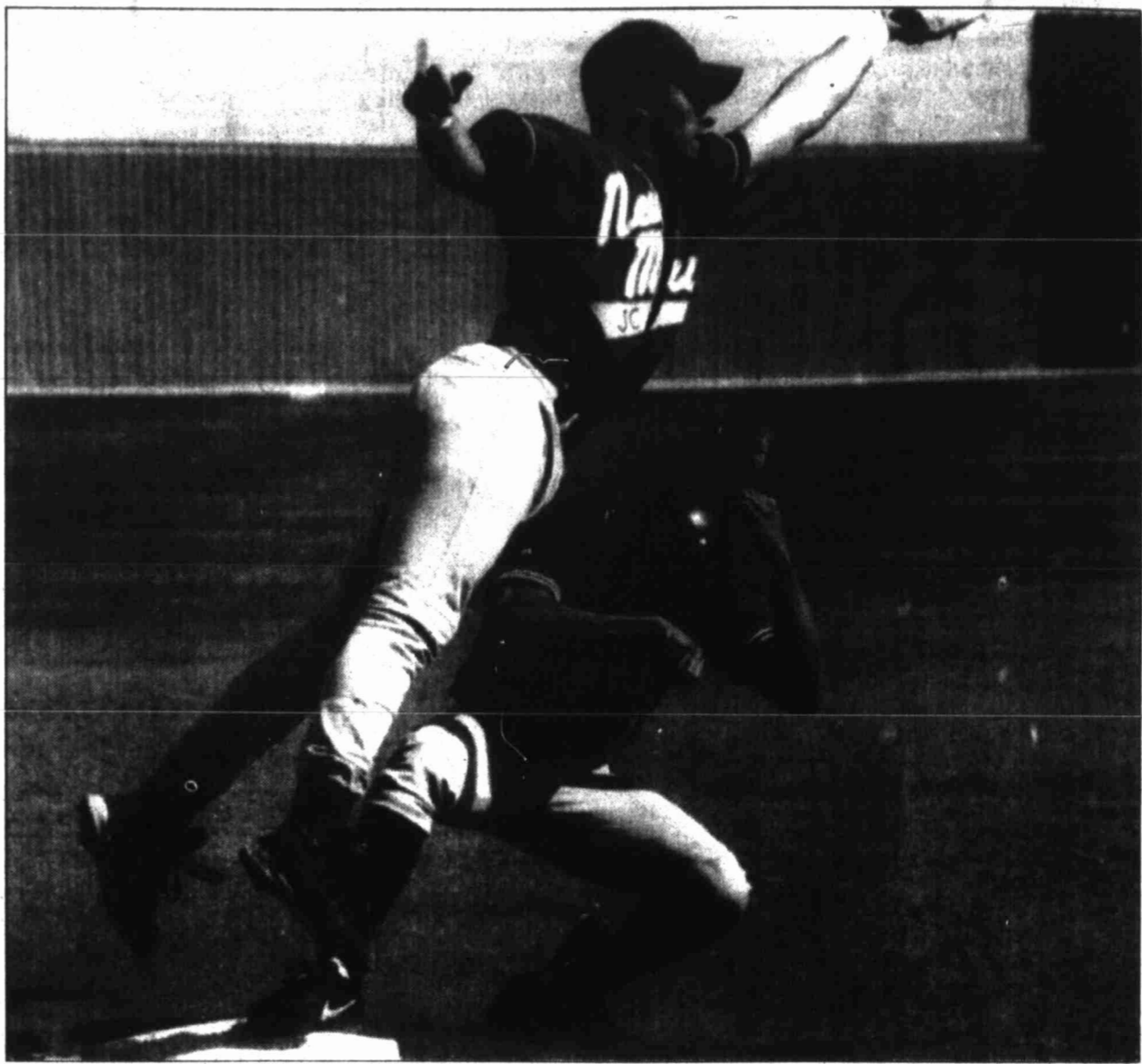
From there, the Hawks never looked back.

Freshman outfielder Jay Alsup added a solo home run, his fifth of the year, in the fifth inning.

In addition to the big knocks by Topham and Alsup, the Hawks got 3-from-4 hitting from second baseman John Michael Herrera and first baseman Caleb Reger. Both finished with a pair of RBIs.

Saturday's opener saw sophomore lefthander Brandon Claussen go the distance, scattering seven NMJC hits while striking out five and walking one.

New Mexico took a 2-0 lead with single tallies in the first two innings, but in the bottom of the second, Reger ripped a



HERALD photo/Jim Fiero

Howard College base runner Kennard Bibbs slides in at third base as New Mexico Junior College's Scott Lucase keeps a high throw from allowing an unearned run in to first inning Friday. Bibbs scored moments later on a home run by teammate Drew Topham as the Hawks took an 11-0 win.

double that tied the game and center fielder Kennard Bibbs singled to give Howard the lead.

The Thunderbirds' first inning run was unearned, coming as a result of the only error the Hawks would commit during the three-game series.

Reger finished the game with two hits and the two RBIs, while Alsup and shortstop Shane Webb also had a pair of hits. Herrera paced the offensive attack with three hits.

That set the stage for the series' big thriller.

Freshman pitcher Danny McMurtry went 6 2/3 innings, striking out five and walking a pair of NMJC batters. He managed to scatter 10 New Mexico hits and pitched his way out of

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## Lady Hawks suffer setback in WJCAC softball opener

HERALD Staff Report

EL PASO — Howard College's Lady Hawks opened Western Junior College Athletic Conference (WJCAC) play in less than spectacular fashion over the weekend.

The Lady Hawks took a 2-0 win over El Paso Community College's Lady Tejanos in the opening game of a four-game series, only to drop the day's second game 5-4.

The second outing on Friday did not count in the conference standings, but 7-1 and 4-3 losses on Saturday did.

In Friday's opener, sophomore Maria Lopez went the distance, striking out 11 El Paso batters and walking one. She then helped her cause by ripping the game-winning hit.

Teresa Johnson provided the biggest blast of the day, a 2-run homer in the top of the fifth inning.

Saturday, freshman Brandy Smith suffered the opening game loss, while Lopez was the victim of three unearned El Paso errors in the nightcap.

Lopes allowed seven Lady Tejano hits in the final game of the series, struck out a like

number, but the Lady Hawk defense committed four errors. The losses left the Lady Hawks overall record at 15-6 and 1-2 in conference play.

"This team really needs to play before a home crowd," Lady Hawks coach Andy Mace said following El Paso's sweep on Saturday. "We're looking ahead to getting a chance to host Midland (March 19-20)."

That series with Midland College's Lady Chaparrals will be played at the new Big Spring ISD Softball Complex. But before the Lady Hawks can finally play their home opener, they head to Arizona where they'll take on Pima College on March 11 and then take part in the Phoenix College Tournament that weekend.

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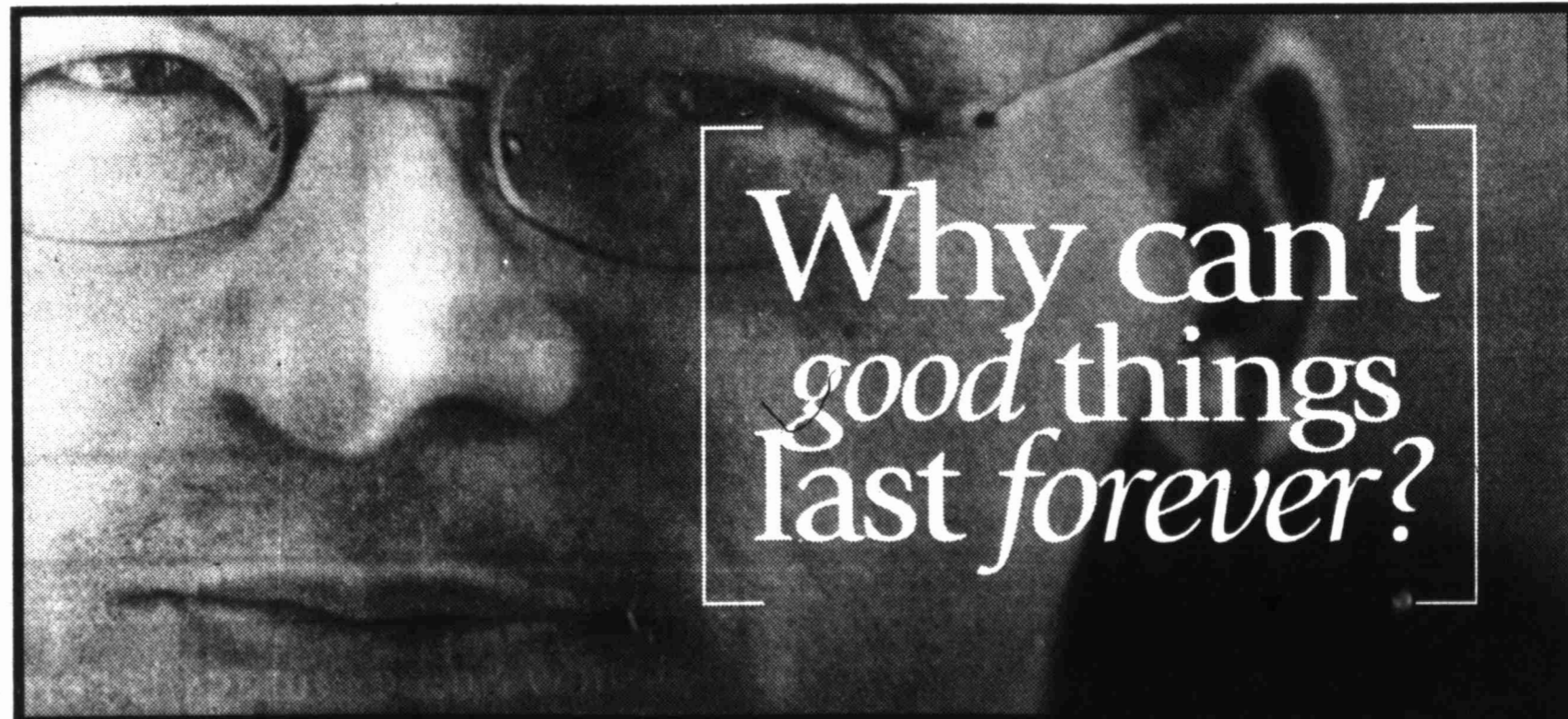
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"We didn't block out on rebounds and we didn't make free throws ... it's pretty simple," Collins said. "We tried to lose it last night (a 73-68 nail-biter against South Plains) and we finally accomplished it tonight.

"We didn't sprint back on transition and they made some plays. When we were up three at the end, we were supposed to switch screens to get on him (Drasutis) and we didn't switch. "I thought about fouling, but as poorly as we were rebounding, why take a chance on them tipping one back in on us/ "Twenty (Drasutis) just ran down the floor, got open and

took the shot and we didn't do a darn thing to stop him."

Drasutis led all scorers for Weatherford with 28 points, while Puida added 19, Burneika 16 and Warren Busby — the only American in the Coyotes' starting lineup — added 10.

Greg Lewis paced Howard with 24 points, while Allaway added 18, Franklin 15 and Donald Ceasar 10.

Weatherford out rebounded Howard 44-43 — with Burneika hauling in 13 and Puida 11. Franklin had 12 caroms for Howard, while Ceasar had 11.

Weatherford's win was the second in a row for the North over the West and denied Howard its first trip to the national tournament in 38

years, since Harold Davis took the then-Jayhawks to Hutchinson in 1961.

Region V Tournament Men's Semifinal Game HAWKS 73, SOUTH PLAINS 68

HOWARD — Derrick Franklin 2 1-4 7, Justin Rhodes 1 0-0 2, Scooter Owens 3 0-0 7, Lamont Roberts 2 0-2 5, Don Peace 0 0-0 0, Greg Lewis 2 1-2 5, Darryl Martin 0 5-8 5, Larry Allaway 5 8-23, Donald Ceasar 6 2-3 14, Myron Brown 1 0-0 2, Fred Lewis 1 1-2 3. Totals 26 15-29 73.

SOUTH PLAINS — Steven Barber 3 3-6 10, Centellis Tucker 4 1-2 9, Terrell Byrd 0 0-0 0, Lamarque Ward 3 2-5 10, Omar Lowery 2 1-1 5, Deshawn Curtis 3 1-1 7, Rapha Moore 0 0-0 0, Terrence Watkins 6 0-0 14, Claude Doucet 0 2-4 2, Reggie York 3 1-2 7, Gerald Scott 2 0-2 4. Totals 26 11-23 68.

Halftime score: Howard 39, South Plains 25.

Three-point goals: HC 6 (Franklin 2, Owens, Roberts, Allaway 2), SPC 5 (Barber, Ward 2, Watkins 2). Total Fouls: HC 21, SPC 23. Fouled Out: G. Lewis. Rebounds: HC 39 (Brown

9), SPC 35 (York 12). Turnovers: HC 11, SPC 15. Assists: HC 13 (Allaway 5), SPC 10 (Ward 3). Technical Fouls: None.

Region V Tournament Men's Championship Game WEATHERFORD 91, HOWARD 85, OT

HOWARD — Derrick Franklin 6 2-4 15, Justin Rhodes 0 0-0 0, Scooter Owens 0 2-2 2, Lamont Roberts 2 0-0 5, Greg Lewis 9 6-13 24, Darryl Martin 3 0-0 7, Larry Allaway 5 8-11 18, Donald Ceasar 4 2-2 10, Myron Brown 2 0-0 4. Totals 31 20-32 85.

WEATHERFORD — Warren Busby 4 1-2 10, Travis Hutto 5 1-1 1, Quinton Ray 3 1-2 8, Arunas Drasutis 6 3-4 16, Mindaugas Burneika 6 3-4 16, Nerijus Puida 6 7-10 19, Jared Johnson 3 0-1 6, Darrin Novak 1 1-2 3. Totals 29 26-38 91.

Three-point goals: HC 3 (Franklin, Roberts, Martin), WC 7 (Busby, Ray, Drasutis 4, Burneika). Rebounds: HC 43 (Franklin 12, Ceasar 11), WC 44 (Burneika 13, Puida 11). Turnovers: HC 18 (Lewis 6) WC 14 (Busby 4). Assists: HC 17 (Allaway 7), WC 14 (Busby 5). Fouls: HC 28, WC 22. Fouled Out: Martin. Technical Fouls: None.

LADY HAWKS

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A steal on the inbound and a put back by Tramonte, coupled with Yolanda Grant's fourth foul, allowed Grayson to cut the lead to two, 44-42, with 9:28 left in the game.

Thirteen seconds later, Tramonte tied the score when she hit a pair of free throws following a steal and foul by Love.

Karlita Washington answered with a three off the right wing, but McCormack came right back to convert a three-point play and tie the score at 47-47 with 8:35 left in the game.

"She didn't look like a player, but she beat us inside," Corkery said of McCormack. "They just kept pouring the ball in to her and we couldn't stop her."

Love came back to hit a basket from underneath, but a pair of free throws by Smith tied the score again, this time at 49-49 with 7:55 remaining.

A backdoor basket by Jovanae St. Cyr gave Howard its last lead — and last offensive flicker — with 7:35 left in the game. It would be more than six minutes before Howard would score its next field goal.

A three-pointer by Lambert with 6:45 left gave Grayson the lead for keeps, 52-51.

From that point on, Grayson was on the free throw line — making 10 of 20 free throws — while Howard went to the line just six times the remainder of the game.

Howard was never able to close on Grayson as the clock wound down — as the Vikings closed on a 16-7 run.

Along the way, Love, Caryn Ross, McKee, Grant and St. Cyr all fouled out.

"The key was inside," Corkery said. "We kept them off-balance in their perimeter game and made them miss some shots, but then they went inside on us."

SWIMMERS

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As another bonus, several more kids qualified for the next level of swimming, allowing them to compete in the "A-B" meet in Amarillo held at the end of February.

The Big Spring swimmers who competed in Amarillo were Will Liggett, Hannah Lester, Ryan Hughey, Cameron Hughey, Jessica Hughey, Wendy Mayfield and Holly Mayfield.

Several other members of the

team also qualified to enter, but were unable to compete.

Of the Big Spring participants, 9-year-old Ryan Hughey finished third in the Under-10 division's high-point standings.

They finished fourth in a field of 18 teams.

MEN

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and point guard Larry Allaway, were named to the all-conference men's team, while freshman post Donald "Yogi" Ceasar was an honorable mention selection.

Lewis, a 6-foot-4, 200-pounder from Akron, Ohio, finished the regular season as the conference's third-leading scorer, averaging 16.3 points per game and was ninth on the list of the league's top rebounders with 6.7 boards per outing.

Allaway, a 5-foot-11, 180 pounder from Chicago, just missed being listed among the conference's leading scorers with 11 points per game. He

was, however, among the league's assist leaders with 4.9 per game and was eighth in steals with 2.1 per game.

At 6-foot-6 and 197 pounds, Ceasar — a product of Lake Charles, La., who spent two years playing minor league baseball in the Atlanta Braves organization before signing with the Hawks — finished sixth in the conference in field goal percentage, hitting 111 of 189 shots for an average of 58.7 percent.

Odessa College's Stan Blackmon, who finished fourth on the conference's scoring leaders list with 15.4 points per game and was sixth in rebounding with 7.5 boards per night, was named the conference's

most valuable player.

Others named to the all-conference team included South Plains College's trio of Terrence Watkins, Centellis Tucker and Lamarque Ward; Clarendon's Nate Jones; Midland's Eugene Costello and Mike Cummings; New Mexico Junior College's Rafi Stevens, Odessa College's Terry Odom and Frank Phillips College's Derossany Manuel.

Those joining Ceasar on the honorable mention list included NMJC's Chas Chriss, William Ames, Brian Russell and Jerome Brown; New Mexico Military Institute's Kez Kennedy and Anthony Poulard; Frank Phillips College's Nick Orr; and Clarendon's Danny Anaya.

WOMEN

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regular season as the conference's 10th leading scorer with 11 points per game.

St. Cyr, a 6-foot post from Los Angeles, was among the conference's leading rebounders, pulling down six boards per game to finish No. 10 on the league leader's list; and McKee, a 5-foot-8 guard from Coleman, finished just behind Washington on the conference steals list with 2.4 thefts per game.

Midland College's conference champion Lady Chaparrals placed the most players on the All-WJCAC women's squad with three selections — Jhudy Gonzales, Fatime Ndaiye and Shelly Alderman — while regional tournament qualifiers New Mexico Junior College and South Plains College also put two players each on the team.

New Mexico's all-conference performers were Genevieve Swedor and Vanessa Dunn, while South Plains' Jody Avent and Missy Frazier earned spots. Odessa College's Tasha

Campbell and Clarendon College's Kirl Neptune rounded out the all-conference team.

Midland College's Ron Jones was named the WJCAC Women's Coach of the Year.

Those joining St. Cyr and McKee on the all-conference honorable mention list included Odessa's Tiffany Taylor; Midland's Autumn Johnson; New Mexico's Rachel Grayson and Latoya North; South Plains' Mindy Norman; and Western Texas College's Pamela Odhugno, Rosalind Lawrence and Christy Wells.

BHS junior varsity netters fare well in tourney

HERALD Staff Report

Big Spring High School's junior varsity tennis team fared well, sweeping the two boys' championships and a girls' singles runner-up spot at the Big Spring JV Invitational Tennis Tournament.

Michael Williamson got the young Steers netters off on the right foot, knocking off Snyder's Kris Casas for the boys' singles championship while Brian Watt and Drew Mireles teamed together to take the boys' doubles title.

In the tournament's girls divi-

sion, Big Spring's April Cunningham finished second in singles, suffering a loss to Abilene Cooper's Megan Mendenhall.

Players from Abilene High School also took part in the tournament, but were shut out of the top finishes.

HAWKS

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trouble in almost every inning before giving up a bases loaded double in the seventh and left the game with the Hawks trailing 3-2.

Josh Duwe came in to relieve and held the Thunderbirds scoreless until Duite Welch came on to close the game in the ninth.

Howard took the lead in the bottom of the eighth when

Lady Steers thinclads second at Concho Belle

HERALD Staff Report

SAN ANGELO — Big Spring's Lady Steers thinclads turned in a strong performance Saturday, finishing second in the team standings behind Amarillo Palo Duro at the Concho Belle Relays. The Lady Steers relay teams went a long way to Big Spring's 148-point total that left them 19 points off Palo Duro's lead, but edged San Angelo Lake View by nine points.

Chanta Farr, April McGee, Amanda Rubio and Angelica Hinojos led the way, winning the 400 meters in 50.7 seconds. Hinojos added a first-place finish in the 100 meters, while Alexis Casillas was first in the high jump.

The Lady Steers' 800-meter and 1,600-meter relay teams both finished in third place. The 800 foursome finished at 1:53.8, while the 1,600-meter squad posted a 4:23.0, providing valuable points in the final standings.

Complete results from the meet will be listed in the Monday edition of the Herald.

Roger led off with a single and moved to second on a sacrifice bunt by Alsup.

Robert Ramos then singled and was replaced on the basepaths by Mike McMillan. Bibbs drew a walk to load the bases.

Herrera then singled to score Reger and McMillan, providing the game-winning runs.

"I was really pleased with the way we played in this series," Hawks head coach Brian Roper said following Saturday's night-

cap. "Our guys really battled and our pitchers did a tremendous job."

"New Mexico came in her with a .426 team batting average and our pitchers went out there and threw the ball well," he added. "Plus, our defense ... just one error in three games ... made a big difference."

The Hawks now head to Tucson, Ariz., where they'll play at the Pima Junior College Cactus Classic on Wednesday.

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### QUICK TRIVIA

◆It takes 3,000 cows to supply the NFL with enough leather for a year's supply of footballs.

Do you have a good story idea for the *life!* section? Call 263-7331, Ext. 236.

Not feeling quite so sharp these days? Forgetting more than you used to?

Maybe you feel run down, tired, and need more rest than you once did?

That's okay, it's just because you're getting older... or is it?

Some local experts said entering the senior citizen zone doesn't have to mean you give up quality of life. With a little help and a healthy lifestyle you can enjoy your later years just as much, or even more, than your youth.

Alma Fisher, 79, doesn't let her age slow her down.

"It's about attitude," said Fisher, one of the Dandi Line Dancers, a group from Lubbock that performed Wednesday in Big Spring. "I don't feel that old."

B.D. Mason of Big Spring is enjoying his retirement years as well. He said he enjoyed his many years of work as a Snap-On Tool salesman, but the schedule — six days a week, 11-12 hours a day — took its toll. In 1975 he had his first heart surgery. Another would follow in 1991.

When his wife died, in 1987, Mason said his life "changed drastically."

"It took me three years to begin to look for other things to do besides work," he said.

But after that time, he began to get out and try to enjoy life. He began a hobby of working with computers, and started attending weekend dances at the Spring City Senior Center.

That's where Mason met widow Dorothy Kennemur, and the two now spend quite a bit of time together. They are both members of the line dance team, the Spring City Stompers, which performs regularly in the community. They travel every now and then, and they still attend dances at the senior center.

"I enjoy myself," Mason said. "I've got the time to do things, and that's sure different than when I was younger."

There are many "secrets" to a longer, healthier life, experts said. One of them, according to Betty Coffee of Big Spring Health Food Center, is the right food supplements.

"Everybody, young and old, needs food supplements," she said. "We cannot get out of our food everything that we need, even if you try to eat a good diet."

Along with taking supplements, Coffee recommends drinking plenty of water and getting regularly exercise.

Even those on low-fat diets need to get healthy, unsaturated fats and oils, she said. Vitamin C cream has become a very popular treatment for aging skin. It is described in literature as a quick facial.

To prevent wrinkles, sunscreen is a necessity. To boost your immune system, antioxidants are on top of the list, Coffee said.

But the group of immunity-boosters, some of the most popular supplements taken to combat aging, includes such complicated names as 7-Keto DHEA, and IP-6 with inositol. Some of them contain hormones, others say they use enzymes.

Newer preparations such as Ginkgo biloba are touted to do more than just replace nutrients not found in many diets. Ginkgo is taken by many people to improve brain function, treat dementia, depression and impotence. Some people even take it to combat symptoms of Alzheimer's disease.

Coffee said new supplements are being developed all the time, and they are more popular than ever as people try to turn back the clock.

"We've got role models ahead of us," she said, adding that vanity plays a large part. "I think sometimes you just don't like to look at yourself getting older."

But local family practice doctor Micheal Stephens said nothing he has found will work better to enhance a long, healthy life than preventive medicine.

"That's having your blood pressure checked, your cholesterol checked, and keeping up with those things," Stephens said. He added exercise, even a relatively small amount, is absolutely vital.

"It's one of the best things you can do," he said. "It improves your life in many ways. Just a walk 20 minutes a day is good for you psychologically."

Added benefits include prevention of osteoporosis and heart disease, among other problems.

The future of medicine, Stephens said, is prevention. That means it is never too late to

# Can we turn back the clock?

By Debbie L. Jensen

Can you look and feel younger as you age?

Nobody can say for sure.

But experts say there are things you can do to improve, and lengthen your life.



start preparing for a better life as you age.

"We've got to get to people with high blood pressure, high cholesterol, in their 20s and 30s," Stephens said.

But the doctor agreed with the nearly 80 Alma Fisher, who said attitude is what has made the difference.

"You usually find healthy people are the ones with a positive attitude," he said. "So you get to the question, 'Which comes first the chicken or the egg?' I think people with a positive attitude get out and enjoy their life. That's healthy."

That was evidenced on Wednesday, when hundreds of senior citizens gathered for the line dance festival at the Spring City Senior Citizens Center. They laughed, visited and danced — a form of fun exercise.

No one has to tell Fisher what's good for her in her senior years.

"Your priorities change as you get older," she said. "You go with the flow. Your friends are important, your church. You have more laughter in your life."



In the photos: At top, left, 79-year-old Alma Fisher says she feels great; right, Dorothy Kennemur and B.D. Mason are enjoying their retirement years. At left, Betty Coffee of Big Spring Health Food Center shows some of the store's "anti-aging" products, and above, Jo Wyatt joins the Spring City Stompers in some fun exercise.

## Canine confidence is all part of the show at Westminster

Well, it's all over for another year. The second Monday and Tuesday in February is the Westminster Dog Show at Madison Square Garden in New York City.

There are larger shows — Westminster is limited to 2,500 dogs — but they are all champions. It isn't a specialty show, all American Kennel Club recognized breeds are eligible. One hundred forty of them were this year, some of which you may never have realized existed.

A great friend of animals, Roger Caras is the Master of Ceremonies. As he announces each dog, he tells a little about that breed.

A lot has taken place before we get to see anything. Each of the breeds is judged, and a "Best of Breed" then goes on to their "group." There are seven

groups: Herding, Working, Hounds, Toys, Sporting, Non-Sporting and Terriers. The winner of each group will go on to compete for Best in Show, the biggest prize.

The largest group is the Terriers, over 30 different kinds, from so small they can fit in your pocket, to the larger Airedale, dogs trained to dig in the ground, and/or look for small game.

My favorite is the Sporting Group, where most of the dogs are retrievers that "spring" or point for game. Since I have a great affection for Springer Spaniels and Golden Retrievers, I find this group close to my heart.

Caras says every dog has a job, even if it's only to make the master happy. The Herding, and Working groups have some of the oldest breeds

known to man. The Spanish and those people who herded sheep, goats, and finally cattle, have evolved dogs for this purpose over a thousand years. The Pyrenees, a beautiful large white dog, and several other breeds could easily protect our livestock from coyotes and wolves as they have for centuries in Europe.



MARY RANDLE

We learn that medieval merchants placed their moneybags around the necks of Rottweilers, knowing that thieves wouldn't fool with a

large dog trained to protect their money. This group includes the German Shepherd, several Belgian look-alikes, Border Collies, and other breeds so useful to man.

The sight and scent hounds are beautiful and very different from each other. The sight hounds basically resemble the greyhound, very long slender legs, large chest cavity, delicate bone structure, long heads and noses.

There are pictures of the Pharaoh hounds in the pyramids, they were trained to hunt lions. All these as well as the rest of the scent hounds don't look strong enough to run up your driveway, much less chase prey at 30 miles an hour. A beautiful Saluki won the Hound group — they are probably the oldest purebred dogs in the world. They used to run

down gazelles, and were called the royal dog of Egypt. In this group the bloodhound came in second by a nose.

Some of the breeds are just fun to see and learn about. The Poule is a medium-sized black dog, covered with Shirley Temple curly ringlets. The white version, the Komondor, is an excellent watch and sheep dog.

If you need a good water dog, the Poule is one, along with the Otter Hound, Portuguese Water Dog and the very swimmer at 150 the Newfoundland or Newfie. They are used as water rescue dogs, beautiful black dogs that move with authority. If I were that big, I would too.

The Non-Sporting includes breeds that can't be put elsewhere, Chow Chow, Dalmatian and other favorites. Tibet, China and Japan have

contributed many small, toy as well as guard dogs, there seem to be some in almost every group.

The Toys are very small dogs who believe they are as large as the Great Danes. They priss and prance and capture a lot of ribbons. This year the winner was a Papillion, his ears resembled butterflies, the French word for butterfly. This dog had "it," he had already won over 16,000 dogs in Iceland, so I'm sure the 2,500 dogs at Westminster didn't faze him. He won Best in Show in a breeze, at six pounds sat in the winner's bowl, cool as a cucumber.

After watching so many breeds with thousands of years of history behind them, I have observation: Why in the world are we worried about Y2K?

# WEDDINGS

## Carrow-Foresyth

Jennifer Sue Carrow and James Richard Foresyth, both of Midland, were united in marriage on Feb. 8, 1999, at the Imperial Palace in Las Vegas, Nev.

She is the daughter of Marvin Carrow of Tyler, and Evelyn Wills of Burnet.

He is the son of Jimmy and Deanna Foresyth of Big Spring, and the late Linda Doyle Alldridge of Cullman, Ala., and the grandson of the late James Doyle of Stanton.

Given in marriage by Jimmy Foresyth, the bride wore a fitted ivory floor length gown with off-the-shoulder sleeves and a beaded bodice.

Matron of honor was Kerry Ferguson, and best man was Brett Ferguson.

A reception was held Feb. 21, at the home of Jerry and Jan Foresyth, Big Spring.

The wedding cake was a three-tiered heart of red and ivory enhanced with fresh flowers and ivory pearls.

The groom's cake featured a bride and groom driving away in a car, done in blue and ivory.



MR. AND MRS. JAMES RICHARD FORESYTH

The bride is attending UTPB, majoring in accounting. Upon obtaining her degree, she will be attending law school. She is employed by Green & Frost CPA firm in Odessa.

The groom is a 1989 graduate of Permian High School, Odessa, and attended Wallace State University in Alabama, and Midland College. He is the owner of Hardedge Computers.

The couple will make their home in Midland.

## Jabor-Luke

Joey Jabor and Aaron Luke, both of Corpus Christi, were united in marriage on Feb. 14, 1999, at the Heritage Park in Corpus Christi with Judge Martha Huerta officiating.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jabor (deceased) of Big Spring.

He is the son of Melissa Nance of Abilene.

The bride wore a white silk gown with a bodice embroidered in black with delicate leaf and flower designs. It was strapless with a matching silk jacket.

She carried a bouquet of white and pink carnations.

A reception was held at the Heritage Park.

The wedding cake was a three tiered white traditional cake.

The bride is a 1989 graduate of Big Spring High School, a 1994 graduate of Howard College and a 1998 graduate of



MR. AND MRS. AARON LUKE

Texas A&M-Corpus Christi. She is employed by Cinemark Theatres.

The groom is a 1990 graduate of Richardson High School.

Following a wedding trip to Austin and San Antonio, the couple will make their home in Corpus Christi.

## Kirtley-Simmons

Kristen Kirtley of El Lago, and Cody Simmons of Big Spring were united in marriage on Feb. 20, 1999, at the Seabrook United Methodist Church with Richard Goodrich officiating.

She is the daughter of Richard and Laura Kirtley of El Lago.

He is the son of Larry and Carol Simmons of Big Spring.

Nicole Gavin, Tere Montgomery and Berry Feriend were the instrumentalists.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore an off-the-shoulder gown of tulle and satin. She carried a bouquet of white roses.

Maid of honor was Nicole Gavin of Ennis.

Bridesmaids were Stephanie Spear of Austin, Stacey Chauvin of El Lago, Paula Kirtley, bride's sister-in-law, of La Port, Mandy Kirtley, bride's cousin, of Houston, Cristi Wright of Lubbock, and Breck Simmons, groom's sister, of Big Spring.

Dylan Dabil, bride's cousin, of Midland, was the ringbearer.

Gene Rogers of Colorado City served as best man.

Serving as groomsmen were Beau Wheelless of Houston, Jason Wheelless of Lubbock, Ryan Kirtley, bride's brother, of La Port, Clay Klatt of Dallas, Mark Asbury of Nacogdoches, and Trey Longbotham of Lubbock.

Phil Foster, bride's uncle of Alvin, Max Kirtley, bride's cousin of Houston, and Michael Prince of Dallas, served as ushers.

A reception was held at the Bay Area Community Center.

The bride's cake was a multi-layered white cake topped with pastel colored fresh roses.

The bride is a 1993 graduate



MRS. CODY SIMMONS

of Clear Lake High School, and a 1998 graduate of Texas Tech University. She is employed by Lapdata Corp. in Houston.

The groom is a 1993 graduate of Big Spring High School and a 1998 graduate of Texas Tech University. He is employed by United Space Alliance in Clear Lake.

Following a cruise to the Eastern Caribbean, the couple will make their home in Pasadena.

## Veterans receive special visitors, letters

By IVA JO HANSLIK  
VA Medical Center

Cary D. Brown, Medical Center Director, extends a special thanks to the entire community for their support during National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week. On Feb. 16, a group of 15 athletes and cheerleaders from Howard College distributed valentines to hospitalized veterans. On Feb. 18, a group of veterans attended the Howard College basketball games.

During a reception held for our hospitalized veterans and celebrities, Chris Lamb and his "Country Classics" provided entertainment.

Brown presented Certificates of Appreciation to the Howard College athletes, and to the "Country Classics."

Several of the area schools created many attractive valen-

tines for hospitalized veterans, for which they were extremely grateful. Additionally, valentines were received from as far away as New York. Thanks to each and every student for remembering our hospitalized veterans.

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Welcome-New Employees

Big Spring VA Medical Center welcomes the following new employees: Dr. Martha McKnight, Physician; Dr. Faizir Rehman, Physician; Dr. Myint Aye, Physician; Shane Kemper RN; Janice Gaskins, LVN.

Joy Rodgers, LVN; Christina Carl, LVN; Luis Davila, Police Officer; William G. Foster, Social Worker; Donna Rotan, Medical Technologist; Joseph Krug, Supervisor Inventory Management Specialist; Janet Tipton, Pharmacy Tech; Angelo Alsbaugh, Clerk.

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The laboratory at the Big Spring VAMC has been awarded a two-year accreditation by the Commission on Laboratory Accreditation of the college of American Pathologists (CAP), based on the results of a recent on-site inspection.

Dr. Kokila Vasanawala, Laboratory Director, was advised of this national recognition and congratulated for the "excellence of the services being provided." The Big Spring VAMC Lab is one of the more than 5,000 CAP-accredited laboratories nationwide.

The CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program, begun in the early 1960s, is recognized by the federal government as being equal to or more stringent than the government's own inspection program. Inspectors examine the records and quality control of the labo-

ratory for the preceding two years, as well as the education and qualifications of the total staff, the adequacy of the facilities, the equipment, laboratory safety, and laboratory management to determine how well the laboratory is serving the patient.

Cary D. Brown, Medical Center Director, congratulates Dr. Vasanawala and the staff in Pathology and Laboratory Medicine Service for another successful inspection.

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Upcoming Events  
March 30-Doctors' Day  
April 18-24-National Volunteer Week  
May 6-12-National Nurses Week

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Iva Jo Hanslik is temporarily the Community Relations Coordinator. She may be contacted at (915) 264-4824.

## WHO'S WHO

Baylor University named its Deans' Academic Honor List for the Fall Semester 1998.

Among those listed was Nicole Ann Rubio Johnson, daughter of Allan and Margie Johnson of Big Spring. In order to be on the Honor List, students must achieve a grade point average of 3.7 to 4 and be enrolled in 12 semester hours.

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The A Honor Roll and



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Distinguished Student list for the Fall 1998 semester has been released at Tarleton State University. These students have a 4.0 grade point ratio (GPR) on the 4.0 system and are taking a minimum of 12 hours.

Distinguished Students include freshman and sophomore students who have a minimum GPR of 3.25 with no grade lower than C, and juniors and seniors who have a minimum GPR of 3.5 with no grade lower than C and are in good standing.

Among those listed were Big Spring residents: Tina L. Sherrod, A Honor Roll and Distinguished Students; Irene Cantu and Jason Henry, both on the Distinguished Students List.

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Todd Lancaster, son of Stephen and Polly Lancaster, has been chosen to represent Western Texas College in the 1999 edition of "Who's Who

Among Students in American Junior Colleges." Students are chosen based on their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities, and potential for continued success. Lancaster was also named on the fall 1998 Dean's List. To qualify for the Dean's List, students were to have a 3.5 GPA and carry at least 12 hours of coursework. He is a graduate of Big Spring High School.

Lancaster is a Sophomore golf/landscape technology major and serves as one of two students who double as the campus mascot "Dusty."

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High ranking students at Midland College for the 1998 fall semester have been announced. The Dean's List is for students who compile at least a 3.5 grade point average for 12 hours or more.

Among those listed was: Ray Mendoza of Big Spring.

## ON THE MENU

SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER  
MONDAY-Swiss steak & gravy, rice, peas & carrots, tossed salad, milk/rolls, cake

TUESDAY-Chicken strips, potato wedges, zucchini/tomatoes, spinach salad, milk/rolls, fruit.

WEDNESDAY-Liver and onions, potatoes, carrots, tomato/cucumber salad, milk/rolls, pudding.

THURSDAY Ham, sweet potatoes, baked beans, fruited gelatin, milk/rolls.

FRIDAY-Catfish, macaroni & cheese, green beans, tossed salad, milk/cornbread, cookies.

SANDS SCHOOLS  
MONDAY- Hamburgers, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, french fries, cake, milk.

TUESDAY-Fried chicken w/gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, jello, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Frito pie, salad, pinto beans, spanish rice, cornbread, pudding, milk.

THURSDAY-Steak fingers w/gravy, whole new potatoes, june peas w/carrots, hot rolls, jello or fruit, milk.

FRIDAY-Fish, salad, pork & beans, macaroni & cheese, batter bread, fruit, milk.

BIG SPRING, STANTON, FORSAN, ELBOW AND COAHOMA SCHOOLS:  
SPRING BREAK

## IN THE MILITARY

Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Paul Talamantez, a 1993 graduate of Big Spring High School, recently participated in a community relations project during a visit to Hong Kong, while on a six-month deployment to the Western Pacific and Indian Oceans aboard the aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson, homeported in Bremerton, Wash.

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Marine Pvt. Seth T. Ralston, son of Tommy L. Ralston, Big Spring, recently reported for duty with 1st Battalion, 2nd Marines, Camp Lejeune, N.C. He is a 1998 graduate of Big Spring High School.

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Marine Lance Cpl. Chris Perez, son of John Perez of Big Spring, is currently halfway through a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf while assigned to the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU), embarked aboard the ships of the Nassau Amphibious Ready Group.

The 1995 graduate of Maranatha Baptist Academy joined the Marine Corps in August 1995.

Photos used in Sunday life must be picked up within 30 days.

## STORK CLUB

Jonathan Michael Byrd, boy, Feb. 15, 1999, 3:19 a.m., seven pounds nine ounces and 19 1/2 inches long; parents are Darren and Ami Byrd.

Grandparents are Richard and Bettye Davis of Odessa, Harold and Pam Reed of Midland, and Donna Reed of Lubbock.

Great-grandparents are Jane Crain of Arlington, Al and Marion Byrd of Fountain Valley, Calif., and Buddy and Gladys Clinton of Big Spring. Big brother and sister are Alex and Alyssa.

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## GETTING ENGAGED



Letha TaNeal Coahoma, and Richardson of Big Spring, were united in marriage on Feb. 10, 1999, at the Church of Christ in Big Spring. She is the daughter of Laura Anderson and the granddaughters of Vera Dell and Anderson of Coahoma. He is the son of the late Gary Richardson and the late Owen Johnson of Big Spring.



Jennifer Foust and Jeff Edward will be united in marriage on April 3, 1999, at the Baptist Church with Rev. David pastor, officiating. She is the daughter of Nelda Foust and the grand daughter of Evelyn Simpson. He is the son of Shannon Edwards.



Stephanie Hobbs and Jeff Chrane, both of Big Spring, were united in marriage on Feb. 12, 1999, at the home of her father in Lubbock. She is the daughter of Hobbs of Lubbock. He is the son of Steve Chrane and the grand daughter of Charles Buckner Laverne Chrane of Big Spring.



Cara Rae Mood and Jeff Chrane, both of Big Spring, were united in marriage on June 12, 1999, at the Baptist Church in Lubbock. She is the daughter of Mrs. Dennis Mood. He is the son of Coahoma, and Willeford of White.

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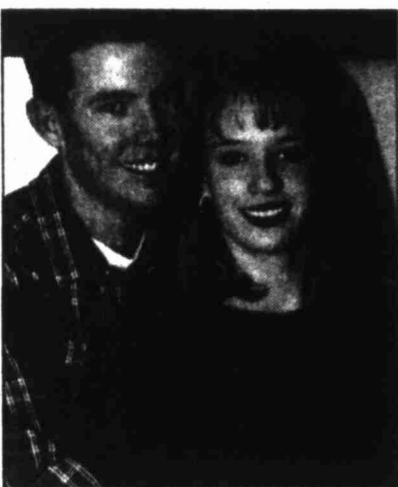
## GETTING ENGAGED



Letha TaNeal Anderson of Coahoma, and Brad Wayne Richardson of Big Spring will exchange wedding vows on April 10, 1999, at the Coahoma Church of Christ with Bill Gregory officiating.

She is the daughter of Joe and Laura Anderson of Coahoma, and the granddaughter of Neal and Joy Ward of Sand Springs and Vera Dell and the late L.F. Anderson of Coahoma.

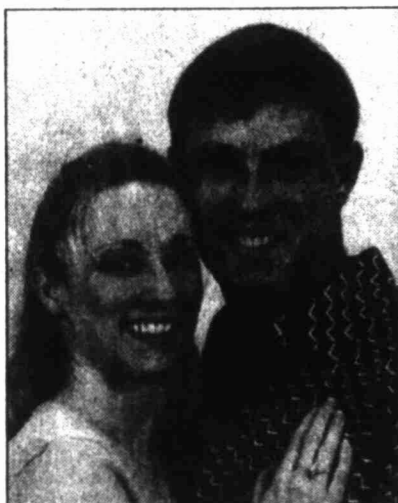
He is the son of Nancy and the late Gary Richardson, and the grandson of Jessie Mae and the late Owen Johnston of Sand Springs, and Berle Richardson of Big Spring.



Jennifer Foust of Littlefield and Jeff Edwards of Amherst will be united in marriage on April 3, 1999, at the First Baptist Church in Littlefield with Rev. David Ceballos, Jr., pastor, officiating.

She is the daughter of Rex and Nelda Foust of Littlefield, and the granddaughter of Evelyn Simpson of Big Spring.

He is the son of Larry and Shannon Edwards of Amherst.



Stephanie Hobbs and Bobby Chrane, both of Lubbock, will unite in marriage on May 8, 1999, at the home of the bride's father in Lubbock.

She is the daughter of Tommy Hobbs of Lubbock.

He is the son of Paula Jones and Steve Chrane, and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Buckner of Big Spring, Laverne Chrane and Bill Chrane of Big Spring.



Cara Rae Moody and Micheal Self, both of Temple, will exchange wedding vows on June 12, 1999, at the First Baptist Church in Little River.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Moody of Temple.

He is the son of Johnny Self of Coahoma, and Coralyn Willeford of White Sands, N.M.

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## How to know if you have class

**Do You Have Class?**  
Some time ago, my wife and I attended a graduation exercise for a class of nurses at one of our fine hospitals in nearby Little Rock. Near the end of the program, the head instructor read something titled, "What is class?" that was so good that I went to her afterwards and asked for a copy of it.

In today's time, we often hear it said of someone that they have "class," but have you ever thought about what the word really means when it's used in this way. Well, in layman's terms, the person who has class is just someone who has good manners in all situations, especially when they are hurt or wronged in some way. As you read this article about "class," it might be well to think about it as it relates to your life.

**CLASS**  
"Class never runs scared, it is sure-footed and confident that you can meet life head-on and handle whatever comes along.

Class never makes excuses, it takes it lumps and learns from past mistakes.

Class is considerate of others. It knows that good manners are nothing more than a series of petty sacrifices.

Class bespeaks an aristocra-

cy that has nothing to do with ancestors or money. The most affluent blue blood can be totally without class, while the descendant of a Welsh miner may ooze class from every pore.

Class never tries to build itself up by tearing others down. Class is already up and need not strive to look better by making others look worse.

Class can walk with kings and keep its virtue and talk with crowds and keep the common touch. Everyone is comfortable with the person who has class, because he is comfortable with himself.

If you don't have it no matter what else you have, it doesn't make much difference."

To me, the contents of this article has a way of penetrating to the depths of my very soul.

I especially like the thought "class never makes excuses, it takes its lumps and learns from past mistakes."

Wouldn't we all be better off if

we would learn to do that?

I know many times when I have failed to do something, I usually try to find a way to justify my actions. Then I say, "I did it because." In some cases, I've said to myself, "I wouldn't have done that if it hadn't been for so and so." All I was doing was trying to transfer the blame for my own failure to someone else.

We should never be too hard on ourselves, because if we do that on a regular basis, all we are doing is putting ourselves down and the result will surely be low self-esteem. We do, however, need high standards because it's the only way to improve.

When it comes to personal accountability and establishing a standard for person behavior, I don't believe you can improve on the qualities mentioned in the article on class. Ask yourself, "Do I have Class?" if you don't, would you like to have it? Of course it takes much more than just saying it to make it so, but the first step is to start acting like a person who has class. Who knows? It may become a wonderful habit.

**(EDITOR'S NOTE: Jim Davidson is motivational speaker and columnist. You may contact him at 2 Bentley Drive, Conway, AR 72032).**



JIM DAVIDSON

## Parker creates another 'good mood' mystery

"Small Vices." Robert B. Parker. Berkley Books, New York, New York. March, 1998. 326 pages. \$6.99

Spenser is back again. In Robert Parker's latest take, a Boston law firm hires Spenser to investigate whether a client's murder conviction was valid, or if he was innocent and had not been defended adequately during the trial. The imprisoned man is a habitual criminal, but certain aspects of the crime have led other lawyers to the belief that he might



PAT WILLIAMS

have been the scapegoat for the actual killer, as well as his being the victim of racial discrimination.

The investigation begins with the usual fact-finding exercises, but Spenser is stonewalled as he attempts to uncover any facts about the victim or the circumstances of her death. Even though Spenser is roughed-up and warned that his life will be jeopardized by further inquiries into the case, he is determined to finish the job.

As in other Parker books, with Spenser as the lead, his sidekick and able cohort, Hawk, has a major part.

It is through his voice that the reader is treated to the cynical and humorous comments

that give the story its lightness. Susan, the love of Spenser's life, has a larger part in this novel than in previous books. As she and Spenser have a running discussion throughout the story about their adopting a baby, the serious tone of desire, consequence, and responsibility gives the reader something to ponder besides the circumstances of an imprisoned man.

Robert B. Parker is the author of thirty books, a few of which were joint efforts with other writers.

Even though he frequently uses the repeat character of Spenser, his plots never give the reader the feeling of reading a reworked plot, but each one is unique. Small Vices is distinctive among Parker's books for the use of Spenser's personal dilemmas to offset the primary murder investigation.

The written word is Robert B. Parker's friend. His sentence structure is effective in creating an appropriate mood, as well as giving the reader a mental picture of the setting for the action. His use of action language is so clever and precise that the reader goes exactly where Parker has intended.

Not to be counted as one of the world's greatest tomes, Small Vices is a good contemporary mystery, especially if you like macho detectives. Every now and then the reader can expect a good laugh, which is just what Parker uses to change the atmosphere within the story. This is a perfect book for a lazy afternoon.

**RATING: (\*\*\*)** three out of four=Good entertainment

## Couples aim for child of the century

ATLANTA (AP) — The odds oppose them, Y2K computer alarmists warn against it and doctors frown, but some prospective procreators are eyeing the mother of all due dates for their newborns — Jan. 1, 2000.

For would-be parents hoping to have a Y2-Kid on New Year's Day, April 9 is the prime conception date — although experts say it's almost impossible to plan a child's birthday without major technological intervention. That doesn't discourage millennial mothers.

"It's going to be all new — a new year, a new section of our lives," said Cameron House, a researcher in Bryan, Texas, who will schedule her artificial insemination at a clinic the second week of April if she and her husband don't conceive by then.

And while some couples want to avoid hospitals next January because they are terrified of the Year 2000 computer bug wreaking havoc, Mrs. House and others are seeking to add the joys of parenthood to their New Year's Day celebrations.

"My husband, he thinks it's kind of cool," said Michelle Ramirez, a human resources manager in Hollister, Calif. "To me, at this point, I just want a baby."

While every new year leads to endless "first baby" contests and prize packages, the first births of 2000 have captured the imaginations of couples and entrepreneurs alike.

A San Francisco Web site is selling a \$49.99 Millennium Conception Kit, which includes a fertility guide, ovulation prediction tests, a pregnancy test, massage oil and candles.

A New Zealand company is sponsoring a contest to guess the sex and weight of that nation's first 2000 baby, and a British television network has incurred the wrath of churches with a documentary-style series about couples striving for a millennium baby.

Obstetricians aren't thrilled about millennial-baby enthusiasm, especially if women want help hurrying their baby along around midnight on Dec. 31. They warn that inducing labor increases the medical risks and costs. Atlanta gynecologist Dr. Mark Perloe, like many doctors, says he doesn't let patients pick their child's birthday.

"I think people set all kinds of crazy goals, but that doesn't mean that medical science should go out there to meet it," he said. "It's not medically appropriate to do something like that."

Women can schedule in-vitro fertilization and other clinical procedures electively, but that doesn't much improve the chance of birth on a specific day.

Caesarean sections can also be elective, as medically warranted, but with Jan. 1, 2000, a Saturday, many doctors will try to avoid the operations that day.

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## NEWCOMERS

Newcomers welcomed recently by Joy Fortenberry and the Newcomer Greeting Service include:

Otis and Ruby Fonda, Hobbs, N.M. He is a retired mechanic.  
Jason Smith, Midland. He is employed by 7-11.

Bob and Leslie Faulst, daughter Karol and son Ryan, Lancaster, Calif. He is employed by Arco Western Energy, and she is employed by the Big Spring Care Center.

Brent Allen, Des Moines, Iowa.  
Ean and Amy Cook and son Ryan, Des Moines, Iowa. He works for Fred Von Steenburg.

Gloria Rodriguez and daughter Amber, West Springfield, Mass. She is employed by HEB.

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### Dell to purchase IBM equipment in \$16 billion, seven-year pact

NEW YORK (AP) — Dell Computer Corp. will buy an estimated \$16 billion worth of equipment from International Business Machines Corp. under a seven-year deal that also calls for the companies to jointly develop new computer technology.

The announcement of the agreement sent the stock prices of both companies higher. The deal initially calls for Dell to buy equipment from IBM including disk drives, flat-panel displays and memory chips. The companies eventually expect broader sharing of technology, including co-developing new products.

For IBM, the deal helps insure a steady and increasing flow of business from a company that is already one of its largest customers. In addition, IBM will be able to make sure its future technologies are suited to customer's needs.

Despite the deal, Dell can continue to buy from a variety of suppliers but has a strong incentive to give a large chunk of business to IBM. "Our share of Dell's business should increase as a result," said Dave Ernsberger, vice president of worldwide sales for IBM's technology group.

Computer makers are under intense pressure to shave costs and become more efficient amid a price-cutting war that has hurt even Dell, the fastest growing maker and the No. 2 manufacturer of PCs behind Compaq Computer Corp.

Dell said the deal will help the company boost its competitiveness in notebook PCs, storage products and servers. Round Rock, Texas-based Dell reported last month that its fourth-quarter sales fell short of Wall Street expectations as it was hurt by rivals who bid more aggressively for corporate customers.

### IN THE NEWS

Cotton producers in the Permian Basin Boll Weevil Eradication Zone who wish to represent the six-county area on the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation's statewide board of directors have until Tuesday to place their names into nomination. Forms are available at county extension service offices. Producers can fax the form to (512) 463-1104. The nomination must be received on or before Tuesday.

Cotton producers who farm in the zone and who have grown cotton for at least seven years may place their names on the ballot. Those wishing to be placed on the ballot must fill out a nomination form which is supported by the signatures of at least 10 other eligible cotton growers in the zone. The Permian Basin Boll Weevil Eradication Zone consists of acres in Dawson, Ector, Howard, Martin and portions of Borden and Midland counties.

RONNIE PALMER and RICHARD ATKINS with Texas Farm Bureau Insurance of Howard County were recently awarded the National Quality Award.



PALMER

The National Association of Life Underwriters (NALU) in Washington, D.C. confers these awards to promote and recognize excellence in client and customer representation.



ATKINS

The National Quality Award was created in 1944 and recognizes an agent's ability to provide long-standing insurance products and service to clients. Only 10 to 15 percent of the nation's insurance agents receive this prestigious NALU industry award.

The Texas Department of Transportation will conduct two public meetings in the Abilene District to discuss the draft FY 2000-2002 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The public meetings will be held Tuesday, March 16, in Snyder and Thursday, March 18, in Hamlin. Both will be at 7 p.m.

In Snyder, the meeting will be held at Snyder Savings and Loan conference room, 2619 College Ave. The Hamlin meeting will be held at the Hamlin Housing Authority Community Building, 200 SE Ave. A.

The FY 2000-2002 TIP is a three-year plan developed by TxDOT for Borden, Callahan, Fisher, Haskell, Howard, Jones, Kent, Mitchell, Nolan, Scurry, Shackelford, Stonewall and Taylor counties.

It includes a priority list of projects and project segments that will be carried out within the three-year period and a financial plan that demonstrates how the TIP can be implemented.

Anyone wishing to make oral comments or presentations may register starting at 6:30 p.m. A 10-day comment period will follow to submit written comments to Bill Hale, District Engineer, TxDOT, Abilene District, P.O. Box 150, Abilene, TX 79604.



HERALD photo/Marsha Sturdivant

Banners cover the new signs that are already up for the grand opening of Bealls For Her and Bealls For Men & Kids which will begin March 19 in the Big Spring Mall.

### Mall goes to find pair of Bealls, one for her, one for him & kids

HERALD Staff Report

Sales and a grand opening will mark the kickoff for two "new" Bealls stores in Big Spring — a Bealls For Her and a Bealls For Men and Kids. Stage Stores, Inc., parent company of Stage and Bealls, had announced last year its intent to close the Stage store and convert it and the existing Bealls into two larger more specialized stores — one for women and the other for men and children.

"Stage and Bealls have carried similar brand and merchandise assortments over the years. By converting the stores, we can offer the customer broader brand assortments which are in deeper size, style and color selection," said Joanne Swartz, with Bealls Stores, Inc.



"Bealls For Her will carry such favorite makers as Liz Claiborne, Calvin Klein, Guess, Unionbay, Sag Harbor, Vanity Fair, Hanes, Nike, Adidas, as well as cosmetics, fragrances and shoes. The conversion will begin on

"At Bealls For Men & Kids, look for names like Bugle Boy, OP, Levi's, Reebok, Dockers, Van Heusen and Carters, plus fragrances and shoes," said Swartz. The conversion will begin on

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### Biologists locate genes that permit bugs to smell

Researchers say finding may save lives and crops

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) — Scientists may soon be able to genetically alter a bug's life to save the lives of people and crops.

Yale University biologists have become the first to identify genes that give insects their sense of smell, a discovery that could lead to ways to control pests that carry deadly diseases and destroy millions of dollars in produce each year.

The study was published in the February issue of the journal Neuron.

The researchers found 16 odor receptor genes that affect how fruit flies respond to apples and bananas.

The scientists believe their work could be applied to other insects, including mosquitoes that carry the Equine Encephalitis virus, malaria and yellow fever, all of which are potentially deadly to humans.

"Hundreds of millions of people all over the world are affected by insect-borne diseases," said lead researcher John Carlson, an associate professor of molecular, cellular and developmental biology.

A top researcher of mosquitoes that carry malaria called Carlson's discovery very important.

"Mosquitoes, like many insects, use olfaction to find and choose an appropriate

source for a blood meal. What makes a mosquito decide to bite a person rather than an animal is largely an olfactory response," said Laurence Zwiebel, assistant professor of biology and molecular biology at Vanderbilt University.

Scientists may be able to design better insect traps and repellents, or manipulate genes to inhibit certain behaviors, Zwiebel said.

The study also may be good news for farmers. The Yale scientists say the research could apply to bugs like Mediterranean fruit flies, which infest more than 250 varieties of fruits, vegetables and nuts.

Carlson said the long-term goal is essentially to turn off the olfactory neurons that insects use to find their feasts.

The scientists also said that different odor receptor genes play a role at various stages of an insect's development.

Professor John Hildebrand, who directs the division of neurobiology at the University of Arizona, said the finding is important because moths behave differently as caterpillars.

"If you're dealing with moths that lay eggs on plants and the little guys that are born eat those plants, the mother has made a decision about what her babies are going to eat by where she decides to lay her eggs," Hildebrand said.

"If you look at the economic impact, the most important economic pests are moths," he said.



Jose Fernandez, left, Howard County maintenance section employee with the Texas Department of Transportation, is presented a five-year service award by Abilene District Engineer Bill Hale. Fernandez was honored during a recent supervisors' meeting in Abilene. TxDOT photo/Mary E. Kilgore

### Koch sells Kansas, Texas feedlots

WICHITA, Kan. (AP) — Koch Industries Inc. has sold three cattle feedlots, including two in Kansas, as it continues to divest its Koch Beef business, according to a published report.

Cactus Feeders, a closely held company based in Amarillo, purchased Koch's feedlots in Ulysses and Syracuse, as well as one in Hale Center, The Wichita Eagle reported.

Officials for both companies declined to disclose the sale price for the three feedlots, which have a capacity to feed 112,000 head of cattle.

But Steve Kay, publisher of Cattle Buyers Weekly, an industry newsletter, estimated the price at \$12 million, based on information he gained from other cattle feeders who had explored a deal with Koch.

The acquisition makes Cactus the nation's largest cattle-feed-

ing company, with a total capacity of 460,000 head, Kay said. New York-based Continental Grain, which had surpassed Cactus in 1991, has the capacity to feed about 405,000 head at a time.

The new owners have kept the more than 100 employees of the two Kansas feedlots, said Koch spokeswoman Mary Beth Jarvis.

Koch announced in November that it would sell its four feedlots after reportedly suffering substantial losses in an aggressive attempt to become a major fed-cattle producer and supplier of fresh and processed beef products.

The company still owns four cattle ranches, two in Kansas and one each in Texas and Montana.

"There's still a huge commitment by Koch to the beef indus-

try," Jarvis said. "The ranches are part of that, and so is Purina Mills," the livestock feed processing company that Wichita-based Koch acquired last year.

Koch had sold a fourth feedlot, in Lubbock, to a group of employees in late December.

The company also owns two intensive grazing operations — one in Lakin, in Kearny County in western Kansas, and one in Follett, Texas — that are up for sale.

Paul Engler, president of Cactus Feeders, said the depressed cattle market of the past couple of years made this an opportune time for the company to add to its feedlot capacity.

"This decision is a long-range one," Engler said, adding he thinks the business will be even tougher in the future.

### Oil war

Texans and Oklahomans joining together in fight against foreign producers

LUBBOCK (AP) — Anyone who lives in the oil patch can sense increasing desperation.

Threats of legal action against producers of foreign oil are escalating into action. Legislators are adding a strong dose of nationalism to their calls for an end to imports of cheap oil. Those without the stomach for a lengthy battle are cashing in their chips.

Oilmen from Oklahoma met with their Texas counterparts last week in Midland to prepare to file a lawsuit. They're seeking compensation under trade laws prohibiting import price-slashing that causes substantial harm to at least 25 percent of those in an industry.

"We've got to do something, even if it's the wrong thing," said Mike Cantrell, former president of the Oklahoma Independent Producers Association, who attended the meeting. "Otherwise, we will be out of business. Our backs are against the wall."

Oilmen say that at best, the suit would permanently bar foreign producers from flooding U.S. markets with cheap oil. At worst, they say, it would grant some sort of temporary injunction against imported oil.

The industry is experiencing its worst downturn in decades. The number of rigs actively exploring for oil and natural gas in the United States plummeted to an all-time low of 562 last month. Analysts blame a worldwide surplus of oil for dropping prices.

Ted Collins, who owns Collins and Ware Inc., was among those who said he will contribute to the legal fees involved with filing the lawsuit.

### OIL PRICES

A list of the average price of crude oil per barrel since January 1997. The price figure is commonly referred to as the domestic first purchase price, the price for which a company owner can sell a barrel of oil for before taxes.

1997
January \$21.76
April \$16.63
August \$16.19
December \$15.04

1998
January \$13.48
April \$11.64
August \$10.18
December \$8.14

1999 (estimated)
January \$8.19

Source: Energy Information Administration

"It may sound a little far-fetched, but it is better than trying to get tax relief or loans," Collins said Friday. "We need higher oil prices."

Collins said the lawsuit, while aimed at foreign producers, will effectively give the oil industry the same protection other industries receive.

"It can be successful because we protect every market in the world except oil," he said.

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Garza, Chila J., 704 NW 6th, Seminole  
Helms, Johnny Michael, Jr., 538 Westover No. 15, Big Spring  
Hernandez, Omega, P.O. Box 1574, Big Spring  
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Lujan, Gloria, 1411 S. Grant 73, Odessa  
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Martinez, Evelyn, 717 E. 21st, Colorado City  
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Perez, Juanita, Box 133, Westbrook  
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Valadez, Grace, 1806 37th, Snyder  
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Christoval C. Velasco, 24, and Elizabeth Hernandez, 23  
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Donald Craig Baker, 27, and Alison E. Arbo, 39  
Wesley James Shoup, 30, and Lillie E. Martin, 35

Court Records:

Motion to dismiss revocation of probation: Weldon James Akin  
Order of dismissal: Jade Ferguson, Mary Bacot, Lance Aaron Bodine, Anthony Paul Munoz, William Otto Warner, Paula Baker  
Judgment & sentence DWLS: Terry Leon Partlow \$500 fine, \$219.25 and 100 days in jail.  
Judgment & sentence DWLI: Bobby Lance Cunningham \$250 fine, \$219.25 court cost and 30 days in jail  
Probated judgment DWI: Ruben C. Castillo (2nd offense) \$2,500 fine and 365 days in jail, Thomas Edward Lewis \$1,500 fine and 180 days in jail, Robert Burrows \$1,500 fine and 180 days in jail  
Probated judgment resisting arrest: Jeanetter Thornton \$250 fine and 180 days in jail  
Judgment & sentence criminal trespass: Anthony Munoz \$500 fine, \$219.25 court cost and 60 days in jail  
Judgment & sentence DWI: William Otto Warner (2nd offense) \$1,000 fine, \$269.25 court cost and 120 days in jail  
Revocation of probation & imposition of sentence: Terry Leon Partlow  
Deeds:  
Warranty deeds:  
grantor: Todd Ray Smith  
grantee: Linda Helen Winterbauer  
property: the east 26' of lot 6 and the west 32' of lot 7, blk 2, Monticello Addition

filed: Feb. 16, 1999  
grantor: David A. Weseloh, Ph.D.  
grantee: Big Spring Humane Society  
property: lot 7, blk. 7, Bauer Addition  
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grantee: Big Spring Humane Society  
property: the middle 85' of lot 17, blk. 99, Original Town of Big Spring  
filed: Feb. 16, 1999

grantor: Lindy Williams and Shirley Williams  
grantee: Mark L. and Elizabeth A. Gentry  
property: the east 1/2 of lot 13 and all of lot 14, blk. 5, Worth Peeler Addition  
filed: Feb. 16, 1999

grantor: Beverly Lou Rybolt  
grantee: Cory and Michelle Long  
property: lot 11, blk. 4, Kentwood Addition Unit No. 1  
filed: Feb. 16, 1999

grantor: James Stephen and Joyce A. Coleman  
grantee: Robert and Sherry Wegner  
property: a 5.0 acre tract, all of lot 19, the east 12 3/4' of lot 20 and the east 129.3' of the south 67.61' of lot 21, blk. "D" Campestre Estates, out of section 17, blk. 32  
filed: Feb. 16, 1999

grantor: James L. and Katie Kinman  
grantee: Horace E. and Nancy P. Nash  
property: the east 87' and west 85' of lot 5, blk. 3, Clanton Subdivision of the Kennebec Heights Addition  
filed: Feb. 16, 1999

grantor: Robert A. and Connie S. Chase  
grantee: Chuck Rosenbaum  
property: the south 50' of lot 1 and the south 50' of the west 40' of lot 2, blk. 30, Cole & Strayhorn Addition  
filed: Feb. 17, 1999

grantor: Ruth Robinson  
grantee: Matalle Grant Pennington  
property: two tracts of land out of section 48, blk. 32  
filed: Feb. 17, 1999

grantor: Rosalinda Arguello  
grantee: Miguel and Eva Mendoza  
property: lot C, tract 8, Kennebec Heights Addition  
filed: Feb. 17, 1999

grantor: Dominick V. and

Helene Bonura  
grantee: Larry Pick  
property: lot 27, blk. 5, Capehart Addition  
filed: Feb. 17, 1999

grantor: Auriel and Joan Lafond  
grantee: Fredrick E. Carstensen, Jr.  
property: lot 22, blk. 8, Douglass Addition  
filed: Feb. 17, 1999

grantor: James O. Duncan  
grantee: Lee Harris and Clay Harris  
property: a tract of land out of section 6, blk. 32  
filed: Feb. 17, 1999

grantor: Stanley Haney and Regena Franks  
grantee: Merle Haney  
property: a tract of land out of the northeast 1/4 of section 5, blk. 32  
filed: Feb. 17, 1999

grantor: Merle Haney  
grantee: Stanley Haney and Regena Franks  
property: the southeast 1/4 and an undivided 60 acres of the southwest 1/4, all in section 23, blk. 31  
filed: Feb. 17, 1999

grantor: First Bank of West Texas  
grantee: John and Jo Ann Staulcup  
property: all of lots 1-3, blk. 2, Wright's First Addition  
filed: Feb. 18, 1999

grantor: Ismael Paredes  
grantee: Greg Medina  
property: all that certain tract or parcel of land out of tract no. 16, Amended Plat of William B. Currie Subdivision out of the southeast 1/4 of section 42, blk. 32  
filed: Feb. 19, 1999

grantor: Andrew M. Cuomo  
grantee: Keith Chaney  
property: lot 24, blk. 3, Washington Place Addition  
filed: Feb. 19, 1999

grantor: Sheryl Kennedy  
grantee: Robert Kennedy  
property: all of lot 26, blk. 3, Kentwood Addition Unit No. 1  
filed: Feb. 19, 1999

grantor: Don Knightstep  
grantee: Donald E. Hankins  
property: lot 9, blk. 1, McEwen Addition  
filed: Feb. 19, 1999

grantor: Al Blake and Tommie Hutto-Blake  
grantee: Virginia Sawyer Hutto  
property: all of grantors' undivided interest in lot 10, blk. 14, North Parkhill Addition  
filed: Feb. 19, 1999

grantor: Bruce S. Hutto  
grantee: Virginia Sawyer Hutto  
property: all of grantors' undivided interest in lot 10, blk. 14, North Parkhill Addition  
filed: Feb. 19, 1999

grantor: Cendant Mobility Services Corp.  
grantee: Johnny Lee Palmer and Mary Palmer  
property: lot 4, blk. 3, Hillcrest Terrace  
filed: Feb. 22, 1999

grantor: Andrew M. Cuomo  
grantee: Tana T. and John N. Kennemur  
property: lot 12, blk. 3, Washington Place Addition  
filed: Feb. 23, 1999

grantor: Jimmy Jolley  
grantee: Jimmy and Evelyn Hawkins  
property: lot 2, blk. 8, Banks Addition  
filed: Feb. 23, 1999

grantor: Pedro O. and Josefina O. Ramos  
grantee: Jesus and Hilda Carpero  
property: lot 5, blk. 6, Indianola Addition  
filed: Feb. 23, 1999

grantor: Kurt D. and Grace M. Sawyer  
grantee: Mary Gonzales  
property: all of lot 3, blk. 19, Saunders Addition  
filed: Feb. 24, 1999

grantor: First Bank of West Texas  
grantee: Roselyn O. Comer  
property: all of tract 7, Balch Addition out of the northeast 1/4 of section 32, blk. 32  
filed: Feb. 24, 1999

grantor: Strickland & Knight Equipment Co.  
grantee: Cezary Kuprianowicz and Ana Rosinska  
property: all of lot 10, blk. 3, Highland Caprock Subdivision out of a 16.709 acre tract of land out of section 8, blk. 32  
filed: Feb. 25, 1999

warranty deed with vendor's lien:  
grantor: Joseph J. and Silvia C. Gallegos  
grantee: Karan E. Gilbert  
property: all that certain parcel and piece of land out of and part of section 2, blk. 33  
filed: Feb. 16, 1999

grantor: Roy Curtis Mullins, Jr. and Christine Mullins  
grantee: Michael D. Bailey and wife  
property: 0.12 acre tract of land out of blk. 9 of Highland South No. 6  
filed: Feb. 16, 1999

grantor: Twila Starkey  
grantee: Richard and Jennifer C. Sifuentes  
property: a tract of land in section 5, blk. 32  
filed: Feb. 17, 1999

grantor: Michael L. Seal  
grantee: Jose Luis Lujan and Tammy L. Lujan  
property: the north 150' of lot 1, Replat of Lots A&B, tract No. 8, Kennebec Heights  
filed: Feb. 17, 1999

grantor: Kenneth C. booth  
grantee: Carol J. Boyd  
property: all of lot 4, blk. 9, Kentwood Unit No. 1  
filed: Feb. 18, 1999

grantor: Virginia Sawyer Hutto  
grantee: Michael H. and Barbara P. Hall  
property: all of lot 10, blk. 14, North Parkhill Addition  
filed: Feb. 19, 1999

grantor: Mary Lou Salazar  
grantee: Andy and Aminta Lopez  
property: all of my undivided 1/2 interest in lots 11-12, blk. 10, Bauer Addition  
filed: Feb. 19, 1999

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Tract 1: A 67.63 acre tract of land, more or less, being out of Section 31, Blk. 34, T-1-S, T&P, Ry. Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas. Howard County Farm #1699, 491 lbs. Cotton Yield. Property Location: From sale site 1/2 mile North on FM 818 to the Northeast corner of this tract.  
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Tract 4: A 320 acre tract of land, more or less, being the W/2 of Section 23, Blk. 25, Abstract No. 76, Cont. No. 2407, T-2-N, Texas & Pacific Ry. Co. Survey, Martin County, Texas. Howard County Farm #1567, 445 lbs. Cotton Yield, 29 bu. Grain Yield. Martin County Farm #1637 80 acres in CRP Program at \$40 expires 2001. Property Location: From Big Spring, TX 19 miles West on Texas 176, then 4 miles North on CR A 3901 to the Northeast corner of this tract, or from Lenorah, TX 6 miles East on Texas 176, then 4 miles North on CR A 3901 to the Northeast corner of this tract, or from Knott, TX 5 miles West on FM 846, then 2 miles South on CR A 3901 to the Northeast corner of this tract.  
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Public Notice The County of Howard will hold a Public Auction on March 20, 1999 for general office equipment and miscellaneous items. The auction will be held in the Old Library Building at 312 Scurry Street, from 9:00 A.M. until 12:00 Noon. The building will also be open from 9:00 A.M. until 11:30 A.M. on March 19, 1999 for public viewing of items to be auctioned. Jackie Olson 2206 March 7, 1999

Public Notice NOTICE TO BIDDERS Sealed bids will be received by the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, Maintenance and Construction, at 909 W. 45th Street, Bldg. 3, Room 149 Austin, Texas 78751, until 2:00 p.m. Thursday, April 8, 1999, for Project No. 99-007-688, Annual Assisted Therapy Building, Big Spring State Hospital, Highway 87 North, Big Spring, Texas 79721. A MANDATORY PRE-BID CONFERENCE will be held on Thursday, March 25, 1999, in the Administration Building 502, Big Spring State Hospital, Highway 87 North, Big Spring, Texas 79721. Attendance at the Pre-Bid Conference is MANDATORY. A bid will not be accepted from any bidder that has not attended the Pre-Bid Conference. Plans and specifications will be available Monday, March 8, 1999, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Marcum Architects, AIA, PLLC, 125 Washington, San Angelo, Texas 76901. Telephone: (915) 658-1563. Facsimile (915) 653-6163, a \$25.00 deposit is required. Work consists of all new concrete slab of grave with face brick veneer and concrete block walls, and standing seam metal roof on plywood deck and wood truss system. Bids will be received in accordance with State Procedures. 2214 March 7 & 8, 1999

Public Notice Notice is hereby given that if requested in writing by April 15, 1999 a public hearing will be held by West Texas Opportunities, Inc., 603 North 4th Street, Lamesa, Texas on April 19, 1999 at 4:00 p.m. to accept comments on a proposed continuation of rural public transportation services within Lamesa and Dawson County, Stanton and Martin County, McCamey/Rankin and Upton County, Seminole/Sagravans and Gaines County, Andrews and Andrews County, Big Spring and Howard County, Crane and Crane County, Garden City and Glasscock County, Monahans and Ward County, Pecos and Pecos County, Ft. Stockton and Peace County, Kermit and Winkler County, Sanderson and Terrell County, Mentone and Loving County, and Gall and Borden County. Financial assistance to provide the service is being sought from the Texas Department of Transportation in the amount of \$229,979 and we anticipate receiving additional State funds to supplement this amount. Service will be for the general public and fares will be charged for the service. Additional vehicles will not be required to provide this service. Written comments may be accepted at P.O. Box 1308, Lamesa, Texas until 4:00 p.m. on April 15, 1999. If you wish to or cannot attend the hearing, further information including a full copy of the application can be reviewed at West Texas Opportunities, Inc. 2211 March 7 & 14, 1999

HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR SUNDAY, MAR. 7:

You are unusually intuitive with money. In fact, if you have a strong sense that you want to play the lottery, do it. You will gain financially this year, though you might have a tendency to overspend, as well. Remember the long term and your objectives. Nevertheless, indulge yourself: plan that trip, go back to school, do what you have been wanting to do. If you are single, travel and a foreigner could play a large role in your year. Encounters are particularly upbeat in early summer. If attached, plan on that second honeymoon or a trip. Scorpio helps you maintain an overview.

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) \*\*\*\*Bright ideas come from hanging out with friends, especially one with a runaway imagination. Read between the lines. One-to-one relating is important; it chills out a partner. Appeal to reason. Talk about what is bothering you. Tonight: Do some research or watch a sci-fi movie.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) \*\*\*\*Allow another to give you feedback. Evaluate what seems too good to be true. Trust your inner voice. Start up conversations, but stay centered. Friends gather around you. You love celebration; make it happen. Tonight: Socializing to the extreme.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) \*\*\*Complete a project if you can. A friend could tempt you with an offer that is most appealing. What's wrong with taking off? The challenge is figuring out how you can do both. Brainstorm with someone you put on a pedestal. Be more conscious of your image. Tonight: Call it an early night.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) \*\*\*\*You might feel shoved by a child or loved one. Sometimes you need to say "no" instead of being so agreeable. A partner is not centered in a financial matter, and you might not even care. Be more in touch with what you can expect, financially, from your work. Tonight: Make fun your highest priority.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) \*\*\*\*Listen more carefully to news from a family member. Make a long-distance call. An associate adds confusion without intending to. Discuss his vision, and try to walk in his footsteps. Spending time with another helps bond you even closer. Tonight: Order in.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \*\*\*\*Communication flows, and you come out on top. Listen, share and make plans. Visiting with others, catching up on news and socializing is presently your forte. Your energy could ebb; ask a partner to pitch in and help. You might be amazed by how willing another is. Tonight: At a favorite spot.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

\*\*\*\*Expenditures could go out of whack; only you will have to answer for this. A child or loved one could be deceiving you unintentionally. Help him see what is going on, if you can. Laughter and goodwill mix. Share a project with a loved one. Tonight: Use caution with funds.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) \*\*\*\*You are full of pep and energy. Get into a game of racquetball; you'll have plenty of energy to get even more done. Socialize and make time for a loved one. A child shows his caring in a very touching manner. Don't worry about work; that can wait until tomorrow. Tonight: Others can't help but respond to you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) \*\*Listen carefully to feedback from another. You might be hazy over an issue, but you really don't have the luxury of being this conflicted. A child or loved one makes an excellent point. You might be hard-pressed to make a decision, but don't! Relax and mellow out. Tonight: Take some time just for you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) \*\*\*\*Aim high and know what you want. You could be distracted by another's version of what is going on. Be careful about a purchase; you might not be seeing the complete story. Join a friend for a meal and a visit. Take time to catch up on news in general. Tonight: Wherever you are, having a good time!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) \*\*\*You could feel clouded. Make time for relaxing and visiting with a friend. You hear something "on the q.t." Laughter marks your day, though you'll still need to make a must appearance. Be careful about spending; you could easily go overboard. Tonight: Enjoying yourself!

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) \*\*\*\*Make plans to go to the movies or escape to a concert. You need a break and the space to let your mind expand and relax. Browse, take a drive or do whatever relaxes you. You might think you are on the nose about a money matter. Careful! Tonight: Try some foreign cuisine.

BORN TODAY Auto racer Janet Guthrie (1938), singer Peter Wolf (1946), actor Daniel J. Travanti (1940)

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Almost daughter-in-law wants respect from almost in-laws

DEAR ABBY: My fiance and I had a child three years ago. (I know we should have waited until we were married, but we didn't.) I also have other children.

among the other siblings. And they should curb it because it's unfair to her to be resented for something over which she has no control.

When his parents learned I was pregnant, they wanted me to have an abortion. I refused. Ever since my daughter was born, they have become doting grandparents. They want her to themselves as much as possible.

DEAR ABBY: My son is going to be baptized next month. His godparents will be flying in from another state for the ceremony. Is it proper to present them with a gift on behalf of my son? I would like to thank them in a special way for their commitment. — CONFUSED MOM

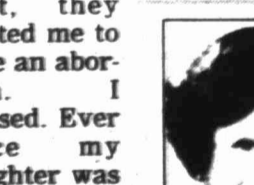
DEAR CONFUSED MOM: Although it is not required, presenting them with a gift on behalf of your son would be a lovely gesture.

CONFIDENTIAL TO "FREEZES UP IN PUBLIC": There are two kinds of people in the world. There are those who come into a room and their attitude says, "Here I am!" And there are those who come into a room and their attitude says, "There you are!" Which are you?

The "there-you-are" type is the winner. If you want to receive a warm welcome, remember: The happier you are to see others, the happier they'll be to see you.

CONFIDENTIAL TO MY READERS: Debtors Anonymous has moved. The new address is P.O. Box 888, Needham, Mass. 02492-0089. The Web address is: www.debtorsanonymous.org.

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