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## Kiwanis Club pancake supper set this evening

The annual Kiwanis Club of Big Spring pancake supper will be held from 5 p.m. until 8 p.m. today in the Howard College Cafeteria.

Tickets are \$5 per person and proceeds from the supper will go to fund the Kiwanis Club's youth activities, which include the Big Spring High School Key Club and Operation ID.

In addition to pancakes, sausage and bacon will be served, along with drinks.

Tickets are available from any member of the Kiwanis Club or at the door.

## Heckler benefit planned Sunday

A benefit dinner and auction is planned Sunday for Danny Heckler, whose home was destroyed by fire in October.

Beginning at 11 a.m. at Mel's Fish and Seafood, there will be an all-you-can-eat catfish buffet for \$8.50 a plate. Spiritual and gospel music entertainment is planned as well, by Patsy Heckler, Jim Abernathy and Jim Pope.

About 3 p.m., an auction will begin, with donated items to be auctioned for the benefit of Heckler's family. Items for auction are still being taken. Anyone with something to donate can call Patsy at 267-8239 or 399-4647.

All proceeds from the day's events will be going to Heckler and his wife, Debbie, to help in the completion of their home.

## WEEKEND TICKETS

### TODAY

□ Kiwanis Club of Big Spring pancake supper, 5 p.m. until 8 p.m. in the Howard College Cafeteria. Tickets are \$5 per person, available from any member of the Kiwanis Club or at the door.

□ Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. All seniors invited.

### SATURDAY

□ Howard County Scottish Rite Club, 7:30 a.m., Masonic Lodge, 21st and Lancaster. Breakfast served.

□ Dance 8:30 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third. Everyone welcome.

□ The Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
□ The Pottin House, 200 Gregg, a restored historic home, is open from 1-5 p.m.

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## Library awarded almost \$15,000 to help boost access to Internet

By MARSHA STURDIVANT  
Staff Writer

Howard County library recently was awarded \$14,912.08 in credit to purchase more equipment for the Internet public service available.

"In February we received



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funding notification that this will be refunded and we are required to apply this reimbursement on the purchase of new equipment," said Loraine Redman, county librarian.

Once the credit is received, which may take up to a year, new equipment will be purchased and installed, she said.

This will give Howard County library more than \$54,000 in Internet public use equipment, she said.

"The state should be commended for their foresight in

recognizing the need for our children and the general public to have free access to information," Redman said.

Currently, about 400 people use the free Internet service at the library each month, she said.

"The federal government and the state of Texas made these grants and discounts available to schools and libraries to ensure that the general public would have equal access to information, even if they might not be able to afford to purchase the necessary equipment for

themselves," she said.

In 1997, the Federal Communications Commission adopted a universal order referred to as the Telecommunications Act of 1996, she said.

From that act came up to \$2.25 billion annually available as discounts to eligible schools and libraries to receive Internet access. This funding is often referred to as the "E-Rate."

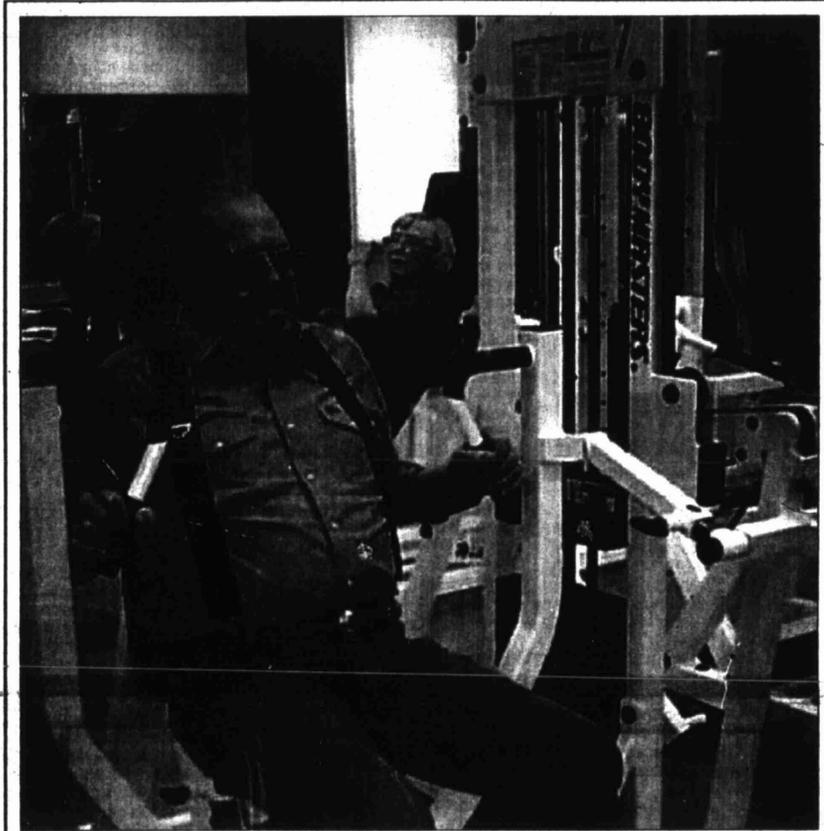
Howard County has computer work stations for public Internet use, a network file server and hardware, two laser

printers available to the public and a special RJ45 cable connecting the computers to the network.

Also, Redman said a T-1 line, necessary for Internet connections, as well as the University of Texas at Austin Internet Service is part of the library service, and was listed as items for discount and credit.

According to the Universal Service Administrative Company, which handles all the appropriations for E-Rate funds

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HERALD photo/Debbie L. Jensen  
Ross Callihan and (background) Millie Cunningham were among those exercising this morning at Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center's new Wellness Center. Classes will be starting the first week of April for those who want to join the program.

## Air Force training route would nip eastern edge of Howard if approved

By BILL McCLELLAN  
News Editor

An environmental impact statement to be released March 19 on the Realistic Bomber Training Initiative won't be making any recommendations as to which of four proposals might be selected, an Air Force spokesman said Tuesday.

The purpose of the EI (environmental impact) statement is to analyze and study the potential impact on citizens and the environment," said Lt. Don Kerr, public affairs officer with the 7th Bomb Wing at Dyess Air Force Base in Abilene. "The study won't recommend any site. The Air Force can't do that and the environmental contractor cannot do that. However, people may be able to read through and form an opinion on which is more advantageous for the citizens and for the military."

The impact statement is the latest step in the Air Force's plan to improve aircrew training by linking existing low-altitude training routes with a military operations area (MOA), while providing electronic simulations of combat conditions. Called the RBTI (Realistic Bomber Training Initiative), it would offer realistic, integrated training to develop combat skills the Air Force contends are necessary for its pilots.

Four areas are being studied, including the Lancer MOA, a 40 by 80 nautical mile space which is over an eight-county area that includes Borden, Dawson and Scurry counties. There is another site in the Reagan County area, and another in New Mexico. The fourth alternative is to take no action.

Last year, the Air Force held

public meetings in various cities, including Snyder. The concerns raised by citizens in the proposed training zones are a part of the impact statement.

"It incorporates concerns and questions community members have," Lt. Kerr said. "Those questions are answered to the best ability of an independent environmental contractor."

None of the Lancer MOA lies within Howard County, although the training route to get to it does touch the far eastern edge, said Lt. Kerr.

"In none of our proposals is Big Spring flown over. That's not a part of any of our proposals," he said. "Our reason to keep people informed in that area is there may be people who own land in, or live in the eastern edge of the county who might be in the route that leads into the military operating area."

Those training routes - called MTRs - are routes where low and medium altitude would be taking place.

"Crews have a low-latitude requirement. They have a requirement to fly as low as 500 feet," said Kerr. "Between 10 and 15 percent of the crews have a requirement to fly as low as 300 feet."

High-speed, low-altitude flying is what has several groups, such as the Heritage Environmental Preservation Association, opposing the Air Force. They contend the low B-1 and B-52 bomber flights would disrupt cattle and wildlife, and endanger the environment. Recently, they have asked U.S. Rep. Charlie Stenholm to help their voices be heard.

Lt. Kerr said that in the event the Lancer MOA is selected, it

## HEPA opposes public hearing site in Snyder

HERALD Staff Report

A group formed to oppose the Realistic Bomber Training Initiative (RBTI) says the Air Force is deliberately trying to curtail citizen input by scheduling a public hearing in a small, inaccessible setting.

HEPA, the Heritage Environmental Preservation Association, says the Air Force's plan to hold a public hearing at the Snyder High School cafeteria on April 7 is unacceptable.

"We don't think they are taking our concerns seriously," said HEPA executive director Doug Thompson, in a memo. "Participation at the hearings is one of the primary methods used by the Air Force to determine opposition. They have a history of changing the location and time for these hearings, thus limiting participation."

Thompson said the combined lunch/multipurpose room at the high school has a capacity of 150 to 200 people and that parking is limited. He said that on short notice, 260 people attended a meeting last winter.

"Since then we have found that there is strong opposition to the proposed RBTI in our area and we anticipate a much larger crowd for the (April 7) public hearing," he said.

Buster Welch, president of HEPA, met with U.S. Rep. Charles Stenholm, earlier this week in an effort to get some

## Oil bill signed

### Bush inks emergency oil bill making oil and gas producers eligible for relief

From staff and wire reports

AUSTIN — Small Texas oil and gas producers are now eligible for \$45 million in tax relief.

Gov. George W. Bush signed emergency legislation Thursday that oil producers say is essential to saving jobs that otherwise would be lost because of low oil prices.

"I sign this hoping it will help many Texas families who depend on the oil business to put food on their tables," Bush said.

"These are tough times for the oil and gas industry and this legislation says our state is committed to helping this vital industry."

Bush signed the bill — the first major piece of legislation of the year — within hours of the House giving it final approval on a 128-8 vote.

"This issue is real in the district I represent," said David Counts (D-Knox City). Counts' 70th House District includes some of the hardest hit counties in the state, including Howard. "It affects real people that we work with, go to church with and associate with every day. And now we have a chance to help with some real relief."

The tax break "was a long time coming, but we finally have a plan to provide a tempo-



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rary tax break on those marginal wells that make up a significant share of our oil production in Texas," said Railroad Commissioner Charles Matthews.

Bill supporters say the measure will keep marginal wells, which provide millions in property taxes to local school districts, from being shut down.

"A healthy oil and gas industry remains critical to communities and school districts across our state," Matthews said.

"This legislation moves us closer to our ultimate goal of keeping the industry strong and benefiting all Texans."

Lawmakers said the legislation was needed because the slump in oil prices caused nearly 3,000 Texans to lose their jobs in the first 10 months of 1998, when more than 1,000 oil wells and 500 gas wells were plugged.

Opponents decried the measure as providing corporate welfare to large oil companies while offering little long-term relief to the industry. They said other industries are suffering with economic downturns, too, and not getting similar help from the state.

"It is bad tax policy to reduce the revenue when we're not meeting the basic fundamental needs of the people of Texas," said Rep. Lon Burnam, D-Fort Worth, one of the eight House members voting against the bill.

Burnam said it's irresponsible to grant oil producers tax relief when the state fails to meet basic needs in social services and health care.

The law exempts small oil producers from the state's 4.6

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## Ministers agree to cut daily oil production

From staff and wire reports

AMSTERDAM, Netherlands — Oil ministry representatives from Saudi Arabia, Iran, Venezuela and Mexico today agreed to cut production by more than 2 million barrels a day in an attempt to bolster oil prices.

The agreement is effective April 1, Saudi Oil Minister Ali Naimi said. The pact was reached after two days of meetings ahead of a March 23 meeting of OPEC oil ministers in Vienna, Austria.

"That's good news," said Wade Choate of the Choate Company. "There had been talk that they might reduce production by 1 million barrels, which would help."

"Two million barrels will really help, if they'll live by the rules and do what they promise."

After hovering near 12-year lows this winter, oil prices have rebounded in recent days as traders grew optimistic that some production cutbacks would be announced before the OPEC meeting.

North Sea Brent Blend crude oil up 78 cents to \$12.96 per barrel in midday trading at the International Petroleum Exchange in London.

West Texas intermediate crude closed at \$11.75 on Thursday — down 25 cents from Wednesday's close. At midday today, the price was down another 25 cents to \$11.50.

Thursday's drop broke a string of increases that saw the price for crude oil rise \$2.50 a barrel over the last nine trading days.

The issue of Iran's production had been one of the major obstacles to a new agreement on further output cuts by both the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries and non-OPEC countries.

Iran has insisted that any cuts be made from a base production level of 3.925 million barrels a day, while other oil producers claim that figure should actually be 3.625 million barrels a day.

In the past week, consultations between Saudi Arabia and Iran and also between Gulf Cooperation Council members appear to have broken the stale-

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OBITUARIES

Juana Ruiz

Juana Ruiz, 77, Big Spring, passed away on Thursday, March 11, 1999, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center following a long illness. A rosary will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, March 12, at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Saturday at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church with Rev. Jerry McCarthy officiating. Burial will follow in Mount Olive Memorial Park. She was born on May 27, 1921, in Terlingua. She married Jose Ruiz, and he preceded her in death in 1978.



RUZ

She had lived most of her life in Big Spring. She was a member of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by: one son and daughter-in-law, Robert and Lydia Ruiz of Big Spring; two daughters and sons-in-law, Juanita and Wayne Ball of Highlands, and Isabel and Jose Flores of Big Spring; one sister, Maria Olivas of Greeley, Colo.; 15 grandchildren; and 24 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, Gilberta (Cookie) Rodriguez in 1992.

Pallbearers will be: Chris Ruiz, Luis Hernandez, Jose Gomez, John Olivas, Jesse Flores and Oscar Valencia.

The family will be at 101 Valley, Big Spring.

Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

*Paid obituary*

Leola Lee Hedrick

Graveside service for Leola Lee Hedrick, 82, Dallas, formerly of Stanton, will be 3 p.m. Saturday, March 13, 1999, in the Evergreen Cemetery.

Mrs. Hedrick died Wednesday, March 10, in a Dallas hospital.

She was born on Oct. 26, 1916, in Lovington, N.M. She was a former resident of Stanton and had lived in Dallas since 1993.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

Juana Ruiz, 77, died Thursday. Rosary will be 7:00 PM tonight at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be 2:00 PM Saturday at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. Burial will be in Mt. Olive Cemetery.

NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH Funeral Home

Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory  
906 Gregg St.  
(915) 267-6331

James T. Mutters, 79, died Wednesday. Services will be 10:00 AM Saturday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

May E. Manns, 73, died Thursday. Graveside services will be 2:00 PM Monday at Trinity Memorial Park.

Wanda Denson, 64, died Friday. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Lucy Belle Boullioun, 94, of Big Spring died Friday, March 12, 1999, at her residence. Her services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home, Big Spring, Texas.

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She married Jake Carroll on June 1, 1938, in Lamesa. He preceded her in death. She then married Ralph Hedrick on July 9, 1969, in Big Spring. He also preceded her in death on Nov. 19, 1990.

Survivors include: one stepson, Jarrell Hedrick of Stanton; a step-daughter, June Rhea of Taft; five nieces and three nephews.

Arrangements under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home, Stanton.

May E. Manns

Graveside service for May E. Manns, 73, Eastland, formerly of Big Spring, will be 2 p.m. Monday, March 15, 1999, at Trinity Memorial Park with Rev. Elmer Clinton officiating.

Mrs. Manns died Thursday, March 11, in an Eastland hospital.

She was born on May 7, 1925, in Mayville, Mich. She married Phillip Earl Manns on April 4, 1957, in Weatherford. He preceded her in death on Aug. 7, 1992. She and her late husband owned and operated B&H Cleaners in Big Spring until 1992. Mrs. Manns moved to Eastland in 1993. She was a Baptist.

Survivors include many friends.

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

Wanda Denson

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obtained from the Universal Service Fund (USF), \$1.66 billion was committed for the first year of funding.

"The future is now," said Kate Moore, president of the Schools and Libraries Division of the USF. "This commitment of \$1.66 billion will enable thousands of students and library patrons to leapfrog into the realm of Internet connectivity which would otherwise have taken years to reach. The result will be a more highly educated society and a more competitive workforce."

The FCC will determine each year the amount of funding for the USF, with an annual cap set at \$2.25 billion.

This money is to be used to connect public and private schools and libraries with Internet service.

TAX RELIEF

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percent severance tax when crude oil prices fall below \$15 a barrel for three consecutive months.

Wells producing 15 barrels or less daily are exempt, potentially covering 83 percent of Texas wells and about 38 percent of production.

Natural gas producers are exempt from a 7.5 percent tax when prices fall below \$1.80 per thousand cubic feet. That trigger is not expected to be met.

The law takes effect immediately. Qualifying oil producers won't have to pay the tax for February, which is due later this month. The exemption lasts through Aug. 31 — the end of the current budget cycle.

The Railroad Commission expects more than 5,900 oil and gas producers to qualify for the tax break. The operators have more than 142,000 eligible wells.

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support.  
"Stenholm promised us that

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he will get the Air Force to get adequate space that will accommodate everyone will come," said Welch.

"We have lot of space in Texas and New Mexico," Welch recalled Stenholm as saying.

"I don't know of a single space in Texas or New Mexico that is not being used," said Welch. "I'd sure like him to show me those areas."

AIR FORCE

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is doubtful that aircraft would be flying at low altitude when they come over the edge of Howard County, because they will need to gain altitude to enter the military operating area. Flights within the MOA will be conducted at between 3,000 and 18,000 feet, he said.

After the release of the environmental impact statement, there will be a 45-day comment period for citizens to respond. Five hearings have been scheduled in Texas: April 6 at Abilene High School, April 7 at Snyder High School cafeteria, April 8 at Reagan County High School auditorium in Big Lake, April 9 at the Pecos High School cafeteria and April 10 at the Alpine Recreation Center. All of the meetings except the last one will be held from 5 until 9 p.m. In Alpine, the times are 10 a.m. to noon and 1-5 p.m.

Following the 45-day response period, there will be another period to prepare and release the final impact statement, said Lt. Kerr. The final decision on the proposals lies with the Secretary of the Air Force.

REUNIONS

THE CLASS OF 1949 will be having its 50th class reunion on Oct. 14-16.

The following is a list of missing classmates: John Brinkaefer, Roy Burke, Beverly Campbell, Winona Fincher, Helen Eubanks Harris, Irvin Hurt, Myrl Lou McGuire, Rodman Roberts, Vonia "Scottie" Scott, Jean Seiler, Jo Ann Tanner, and Jean (Waldrop) Womac.

If you have any information of these classmates, please contact Katie Jones Cathey at 263-4611 or Jane Stripling Jones at 263-3078.

SUPPORT GROUPS

FRIDAY

•Turning Point A.A., 8-9:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad. Open to all substance abusers.

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

•Al-Anon support group, noon, 615 Settles.

SATURDAY

•Alzheimer's Association Support Group, second Saturday of the month, Carriage Inn Retirement Center, 501 W. 17th, 10 a.m.

•Family support group for current and former patients and their families, 1 p.m. weekly, Reflections Unit of Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Call Beverly Grant, 263-0074.

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

•"So I Forget," Attention Deficit Disorder support group for individuals and couples, first Saturday of the month from 9 to 10:30 a.m., Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas, Inc., Midland. Call the center at (915) 563-4144 or 1-800-329-4144. Cost is \$15.

•West Texans Living with Chronic Fatigue & Immune Dysfunction Syndrome/Fibromyalgia, 1-3 p.m., on different Saturdays of the month, HealthSouth facility at Hwy. 191 and Loop 250,

A BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

Midland. Call Joann Carney, (915) 686-7977, or Marsha Brunet, (915) 337-4829 to get the correct meeting date.

•NA 10 p.m. candlelight meeting, St. Mary's Church, 1001 Goliad. Call 268-4189 (pager no.).

•Open birthday night meets the last Saturday of the month with a covered dish at 7 p.m. and birthday meeting at 8 p.m., 615 Settles. This is to celebrate AA sobriety yearly birthdays.

•West Texans Living with Chronic Fatigue/Fibromyalgia Syndromes support group meets the second Saturday of each month at 1 p.m. at HealthSouth, Loop 250 and Hwy 191.

IF YOU HAVE A SUPPORT GROUP LISTING, PLEASE SUBMIT IT IN WRITING.

BRIEFS

THE TEXAS AGRICULTURE EXTENSION Service will sponsor the Texas Community Futures Forum - Open Forum on March 23.

This Forum will gather Howard County residents together to identify, discuss and define our community's current and future needs. What issues would you like to see addressed - what do you think your family and your community faces as we move into the year 2000. If you would like to be a part of the Texas Community Futures Forum, contact the Howard County Extension Office at 264-2236.

PARENTS OF BIG SPRING

High School juniors and seniors are asked to attend the "Parents Who Care" after-prom party planning meeting Monday, March 15 at 7 p.m. in the school library. For more information, call Sue Bagwell at 264-7016 or Kelly McBee at 263-2306.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR THE 'Don't Mess With Texas' Trash Off, scheduled for Saturday, April 10 in the community.

Groups, individuals and organizations are asked to give a few hours of their time to help with this city-wide cleanup effort. Call 263-4607 to volunteer.

THE COAHOMA COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE

is scheduled for Wednesday, March 17, from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Church of Christ fellowship building in Coahoma. Everyone is encouraged to "give the gift of life." You can schedule an appointment by calling 394-4277.

SCENIC MOUNTAIN MEDICAL CENTER

will hold a community blood drive Wednesday, March 17, in their first floor classroom. Please call 268-4960 for an appointment.

Crimestoppers offering reward for information in vandalism

By MARSHA STURDIVANT  
Staff Writer

Crimestoppers is offering a reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for theft and vandalism at Mount Olive Cemetery in February. According to Police Chief Lonnie Smith, between Feb. 10-15, unknown persons destroyed several burial markers at the

TEXAS LOTTERY

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

cemetery and stole some brass statues.

"The cemetery workers found things torn up when they went to work that morning, and when they got to looking around, they found several things were missing as well," Smith said.

Several graves were desecrated, and concrete statues, as well as a ceramic angel, a marble cross, marble flower vases and marble markers were destroyed, he said.

Crimestoppers will pay up to \$1,000 for information leading to the arrest, conviction or indictment of any person or persons involved in this or other criminal activity.

Det. David Mohn, Crimestoppers coordinator for the BSPD, said all information received by Crimestoppers remains confidential.

"It takes some really brave individuals to slither around in the shadows of the night to destroy and steal from our departed loved ones," Mohn said in a Crimestoppers press release.

"Since these jerks like to tear things up that don't belong to them, let's give them a challenge, and put them behind bars to see how well they can tear them down," he said.

Anyone with any information may call Crimestoppers at 263-TIPS (8477).

Police investigate assault with knife

Big Spring Police Department is currently investigating a report of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon report.

According to Sgt. Roger Sweatt, public information officer with the police department, about 10:30 p.m. in the 900 block of East 14th, a suspect approached a victim, grabbed him and threatened bodily harm with a knife.

Police were called, and the suspect had left the scene before their arrival, he said.

The victim knew the suspect, he said.

No arrests have been made at this time, he said, although the incident is still being investigated.

POLICE

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

• CRUELTY TO ANIMALS was reported at the police station.

• JOHN JIMINEZ, 17, was arrested for local warrants.

• DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 1600 block of Goliad.

• THEFT was reported in the 1100 block of Lamesa, 2700 block of Lynn, 2300 block Wasson and at the intersection of 11th and Settles.

• FORGERY was reported at the police station.

• MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 700 block of West I-20.

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DAILY: 4:40, 7:20 & 9:40  
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• EVADING ARREST was reported in the 1100 block of Marijo.

• ACCIDENTAL DAMAGE was reported at the police station.

• DISTURBANCE/FIGHT was reported in the 1000 block of Runnels.

• SHOTS FIRED was reported in the 1100 block of Stanford.

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following incidents between 8 a.m. Wednesday and 8 a.m. today:

• SHERRY RAE BURDETTE, 19, was arrested for burglary of a habitation with intent to commit theft.

• MARIA RODRIGUEZ CRUZ, 49, was arrested for motion to revoke probation of driving while intoxicated.

• SAMMY VILLA, 18, was arrested for driving while license suspended or invalid.

• PRECILO RODRIGUEZ, 43, was arrested for driving while license invalid or suspended, no insurance and unrestrained child under 2 years of age.

RECORDS

Thursday's high 52  
Thursday's low 39  
Average high 68  
Average low 39  
Record high 92 in 1989  
Record low 10 in 1948  
Precip. Thursday 0.00  
Month to date 0.03  
Month's normal 0.22  
Year to date 0.28  
Normal for the year 1.46

FIRE/EMS

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

THURSDAY

1:52 a.m. — 800 block W. 7th, trauma call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

8:13 a.m. — 3300 block Abilene, medical call, patient transported to SMCC.

10:50 a.m. — 1700 block Lancaster, trauma call, patient transported to SMCC.

11:10 a.m. — 2100 block Lancaster, medical call, patient transported to SMCC.

5:59 p.m. — 3200 block Parkway, medical call, patient transported to SMCC.

8:31 p.m. — North Highway 87, traffic accident, two patients transported to SMCC.

11:28 p.m. — 1500 block E. Fifth, medical call; patient transported to SMCC.

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## Senate OKs youngsters' health insurance bill

AUSTIN (AP) — Many youngsters whose families can't afford private health insurance but aren't poor enough to qualify for Medicaid could get coverage through a new program under a bill approved unanimously Thursday by the Texas Senate.

"They're caught betwixt and between. These families have simply slipped through the cracks, as have their children," said sponsoring Sen. Mike Moncrief, D-Fort Worth.

The bill, which heads to the House for consideration, represents a compromise in efforts to reach uninsured youngsters through the federally initiated Children's Health Insurance Program.

Some lawmakers have sought to qualify youngsters if their parents make up to 200 percent of the federal poverty level, while others have advocated a

lower level of 150 percent.

The difference for a family of four is an income of \$25,200 versus \$33,600, Moncrief said.

Under the Senate-approved plan, those from birth through age 10 would be covered at 200 percent of the poverty level. Those 11 through 18 would be covered at the 150 percent level.

There is a provision to increase coverage for older children if enough money is available.

"It's hard to pass those TAAS (Texas Assessment of Academic Skills) tests ... when your ear aches and your teeth hurt, or right now you can't see the blackboard that well," Moncrief said.

The program would cost \$153 million in state funds in the next two-year budget period, an amount that would be financed through proceeds from Texas'

settlement of its lawsuit against the tobacco industry. It would draw federal matching funds.

Of 1.4 million uninsured children — one-fourth of all Texas youngsters — almost 400,000 could get CHIP coverage in the next four years under the plan, according to Moncrief.

The state also would work to identify youngsters who qualify for but aren't covered by Medicaid.

"Today, the Senate showed that our children do matter more than politics," said Republican Lt. Gov. Rick Perry. "The future of our state depends on a generation of children who are safe, who are healthy and well-educated."

Sen. Rodney Ellis, D-Houston, said he hopes the bill "will be a beginning and not an end." He said lawmakers should make it a priority to cover all families

up to 200 percent of poverty.

The March of Dimes, while applauding the vote, also said it hoped the House could make the program available to even greater numbers of working families.

"We hope the House can find the means to cover all children up to age 19 at the highest level available," said Jennifer Howe, national president of the voluntary health agency that works to prevent birth defects.

Moncrief said after the House passes its version, he expects a final plan to be worked out in a conference committee of senators and House members.

"Obviously I think everyone on this floor would like to go to 200 percent (of poverty) ... But realistically, I think we also know that we've got to be responsible in how we get there," Moncrief said.

## House panel considers 'living wage' legislation

AUSTIN (AP) — Alicia Mallory graduated from the University of Texas and works for the state full time. But she says she doesn't earn enough to afford her own apartment.

State Rep. Lon Burnam says Ms. Mallory is an example of why the minimum wage in Texas should be raised to a "living wage" and correlate with housing prices.

On Thursday, a House committee considered a bill sponsored by Burnam, D-Fort Worth, to tie the minimum wage to fair market rents determined by the federal government.

The bill would ensure that no 40-hour-a-week worker has to spend more than a third of his or her earnings on the minimum level of housing.

In Dallas, for example, the fair market rent for a one-bedroom apartment is \$560 a month, so the minimum wage would be \$9.77 an hour. The current federal minimum wage is \$5.15 an hour.

Supporters testified before the House Economic Development Committee that many full-time workers spend so much on housing they are not able to meet other basic needs.

Opponents of the bill argued that raising the minimum wage would result in layoffs and fewer work hours for some employees.

To Ms. Mallory, it's all about making ends meet.

"I cannot be self-sufficient. I can't live on my own," said the University of Texas library assistant, who earns \$7.61 an hour.

Under Burnam's bill, the minimum wage in Austin would be \$9.16 an hour. The city's fair market rent for a one-bedroom apartment as determined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development is \$525 a month.

Burnam said Ms. Mallory's situation serves as a wake up call.

"A lot of people do not realize the crisis we're facing in low-income housing," the lawmaker said.

But representatives from restaurant and nursing home associations spoke out against the bill, saying businesses would be forced to cut jobs and raise prices.

"When the minimum wage goes up, everyone wants an increase," said Hans Nadler, owner of Nadler's Bakery & Delicatessen in San Antonio.

The House committee also considered a bill to raise the wages of agriculture and domestic service workers, who are not covered by the federal minimum wage but only by the state minimum wage of \$3.35. That bill would increase the state minimum wage to the federal level of \$5.15.

The committee took no action on either bill.

## Oil price rebound pushing low pump prices back up

NEW YORK (AP) — After months of cruising on cheap gas, drivers are seeing prices climb at the pump.

Crude oil prices have rallied in recent days, helping to lift prices at the pump, on hopes that major producers such as Saudi Arabia and Iran will agree to cut output and ease the world's oil glut.

While that means drivers may have to shell out a few more cents per gallon, the surge is providing relief to U.S. oil companies that have been battered by the long price slump.

"Higher prices would help a

lot of companies here, so I wouldn't mind paying a little bit more," Karen McQuilling said Thursday after filling up her sport-utility vehicle in Houston with 89-cent gas.

The rally has pushed crude oil futures to about \$14.30 per barrel, a level not seen since November and a 33 percent jump from December's 12-year low of \$10.72.

The surge has carried over to Wall Street, where stocks in oil companies such as Exxon, Mobil and Chevron have risen on hopes that their dwindling profits would be revived by a

turnaround in oil prices.

And the results are already showing at the pump, where gasoline prices rose last week for the first time since September. The average price of self-serve regular gasoline was 94 cents per gallon, up a penny from two weeks earlier, according to the Lundberg Survey Inc., which polls 10,000 gas stations nationwide.

If oil production cuts are announced and sustained, analysts said crude oil could rise to \$17 or \$18 per barrel in the next several months — adding another 10 to 20 cents per gallon to

average gasoline prices.

Increased demand during the spring and summer travel season historically adds a few cents per gallon to pump prices as well.

But even that would not mean much hardship for drivers because gas prices are now at their lowest point since 1979, said AAA spokesman Mitch Fuqua.

Just 18 months ago, for example, the average price for regular gasoline was \$1.27 per gallon — 35 percent higher than its current level, according to Lundberg Survey.

## Proposed sale of 24 F-16 fighters to Egypt will prolong 10,000 jobs

FORT WORTH (AP) — The Pentagon's decision to offer 24 advanced-model F-16 fighters to Egypt will keep the production line moving at Lockheed Martin Corp., which makes the sophisticated aircraft, officials said Thursday.

The deal is part of a proposed \$2.9 billion military equipment sale to Egypt involving some of the most sophisticated weapons in the U.S. arsenal.

Defense Secretary William Cohen announced the sale at a news conference in Cairo following his meeting with Egyptian President Hosni

Mubarak, who requested the purchase.

It requires U.S. congressional approval. The deal would also involve 200 M1-A1 tanks and an eight-unit Patriot missile battery.

U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, called the news great for Lockheed workers.

"The decision to sell F-16s to Egypt means that production lines at Fort Worth will stay open through early 2002 instead of shutting down in the middle of 2001," he said. "The production for Egypt will save the jobs of 10,000 workers until mid-2001,

when production of F-16s for the Air Force and for foreign buyers is expected to begin."

Lockheed spokesman Joe Stout said company officials have been talking to Egyptian government officials for some time.

"This is very good news for us," he said. "It's one of the larger international sales that we've had for a while, and will help sustain our production line beyond earlier expectations."

The new fighters, the advanced Block 40 version, will cost \$1.2 billion. They will add to Egypt's existing force of 196

F-16s.

Cohen characterized the proposed sale as part of Egypt's effort to modernize its armed forces.

Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, who serves on the Senate defense appropriations subcommittee, said the sale demonstrates that F-16 remains "the fighter aircraft of choice among America's allies."

"When you consider the recent decision by the U.S. Air Force to buy at least 30 more in the next four years, this sale of 24 F-16s and the numerous other countries that are considering

the aircraft, it is pretty clear that we are going to continue to build F-16s in Fort Worth well into the future."

The sale would substantially expand Egypt's armored capability. Egypt has 555 M1-A1 tanks.

The new tanks will cost about \$680 million and be assembled in Egypt from parts manufactured in the United States.

Egypt would be buying the most advanced model of the Patriot anti-missile battery.

The \$1.3 billion Patriot deal involves the Patriot 3 model of a system that drew attention dur-

ing the Persian Gulf War when it was used against Iraqi Scud missiles.

Egypt plans to buy a single missile defense battery composed of eight boxcar-like missile firing units — a total of 32 missiles.

The Patriot 3, made by Raytheon Corp., is still being developed and tested in the United States.

Defense officials said it will be several years before the missiles can be delivered.

The exact purchase price and the timing of delivery are still being worked out.

## Democrats disclose GOP's school funding ideas

AUSTIN (AP) — Scooping Senate Education Committee Chairman Teel Bivins on his own school funding ideas, two Democratic senators said Thursday that a teacher salary proposal Bivins disclosed to them was inadequate and showed misplaced priorities.

Sen. John Whitmire, D-Houston, said Bivins, R-Amarillo, planned to announce a bill next week that would provide \$1.5 billion for property tax relief and \$1 billion for teacher salaries.

"That sends a message to me that they've got their priorities wrong," Whitmire said near the end of a news conference called by the Senate Democratic Caucus to say they believe programs to benefit children should get priority over tax cuts.

Bivins said in an interview that the numbers weren't final and that he had been trying to develop a bill with bipartisan backing. He said the measure hasn't yet been filed.

"My intent in talking to them today was to sit down with them next week and get input and try to come up with a bill. But instead what happened is I shared my ideas with them and it appears they became the topic of an organized partisan response," he said.

"These are just ideas I talked to them about. ... I just deeply regret this response."

Lawmakers and other state leaders have been wrangling

over how to spend a multibillion-dollar budget surplus. Gov. George W. Bush, among others, supports increased education funding but also wants tax relief.

Sen. Gregory Luna of San Antonio, vice chairman of the Senate Education Committee, said at the Democrats' news conference that the proposal

included money for a \$1,300 to \$1,500 teacher salary increase.

Luna said he hadn't been consulted in the crafting of the bill and called the proposed increase "completely inadequate."

Later, Luna said that he had spoken again with Bivins and that they planned to meet next week.

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## OUR VIEWS

### We salute:

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

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

This week we salute:

- **GOSPEL SINGERS** Steve Moses, Tim Dunn and Debbie Dunn, who make up the group Homeland and will perform March 19 at the Southwest Festival of Music in Big Spring.

- **WEST TEXAS CENTERS FOR MHMR**, on its second anniversary.

- **THE CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU** of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, on attracting two 300-person conventions to our city.

- **CORNELL CORRECTIONS, INC.** on their planned 544-bed expansion.

- **BIG SPRING PROSPECTOR'S CLUB**, on another successful Gem & Mineral Show.

- **SENIOR CITIZENS AND LOCAL PEACE OFFICERS**, who are forming an alliance through SALT (Seniors & Law Enforcement Together) to help fight crime through education and awareness.

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

## YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

I do not believe the people in Big Spring are quitters as it seems your high school baseball coach tries to teach his players to be.

The second time in recent years he has refused to let his team finish their commitment to the Leveland Baseball Tournament. After a loss, he refused to play the last game of the bracket and took you team home early. This left our kids disappointed and frustrated with a shortened schedule. They were not allowed to play the game that they had already paid and prepared for.

I do not believe the Big Spring's team will be welcomed in this event again. I personally will be e-mailing all high school coaches in West Texas about this coach's habit. Come on Big Spring, you can do better than this.

MONTY ROBERSON  
LUBBOCK

TO THE EDITOR:

I wonder if Big Springers realize what a great ethnic situation we have here in our fair city.

Some years back, I visited my old home place in Los Angeles, Calif. The old neighborhood has all Blacks and Hispanics now - all grouped together. Not exactly an ideal situation in my opinion. It's a different story here in

Big Spring. On my street, I have a very nice Hispanic family living next door. Across the street on both sides there are several Hispanic families on a street where Whites also live. All of these homes are "home owned" with only one rent house, which is vacant at present.

So far - no Blacks on my street, but I feel sure if any family were to come, they would be welcomed. Such a nice place to live. Sort of an ethnic utopia...???

AL SCOTT  
BIG SPRING

TO THE EDITOR:

I would like to say thank you to everyone that helped to make the BSYBA (Big Spring Youth Basketball Association) a huge success. A big thanks to Trinity Baptist Church and the Church of the Nazarene for opening their doors to our program. The parents hung in there and were very flexible and backed the kids through every game. This was the best group of supportive parents.

I would also like to thank the people and businesses that gave donations to help our league succeed. The coaches and referees put in a lot of hard work and this did not go unnoticed. We all came together as a team to make this work.

CHARLIE HALL

# Anti-drug campaign benefits PR firms

It seems fitting in today's political climate that one of the most high-profile administration initiatives in recent years will primarily benefit an industry that's hardly in need of government help: Spin-control.

Last month, despite advice from a growing body of experts to just say no, the Office of National Drug Control Policy launched a \$1 billion advertising and public-relations campaign - the most expensive crusade in government history to curb teen-age drug abuse.

The linchpin of this campaign will be a series of prime-time TV ads, and the government will provide an estimated \$175 million in matching funds to the print and broadcast media that run them.

"There is every reason to believe that this absolutely will turn around drug abuse by youngsters," boasted retired Gen. Barry McCaffrey, who heads the ONDCP. "You have to educate them by getting the message on high-profile television time."

The federal government is not the only one using the airwaves to spread the anti-drug message. In 1996, The Partnership for a Drug-Free America, a private sector group, consumed \$265 million worth of donated broadcast time and print space.

McCaffrey's campaign comes near the end of a decade that saw teen-age drug experimen-



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tion skyrocket before leveling off in 1997. Federal drug-abuse data show that between 1991 and 1996, first-time use more than doubled for marijuana, quadrupled for heroin, nearly tripled for cocaine and crack and more than doubled for hallucinogens and inhalants.

But so far the main beneficiaries of the media blitz have been the firms overseeing the project. In the first year of the campaign, two public-relations firms, Porter Novelli and Fleishman-Hillard, have taken in \$10 million, and one ad agency, Ogilvy & Mather, has collected nearly \$130 million.

One source close to Fleishman-Hillard told us the firm is expecting to collect \$50 million over the life of the campaign, but ONDCP officials declined to confirm the figure because the contracts must be renewed each year.

What's good for the spinners

may not do much to help the kids, unfortunately. Social marketing - or using mainstream marketing techniques to sell societal change - is a relatively new advertising technique. While proponents cite a number of public health victories in developing countries, such as a 32-fold increase in condom use in India, social marketing has been noticeably unsuccessful in the United States. Despite a decade of anti-smoking propaganda, for example, more than 4,000 American teens take up smoking every day.

Many of the foot soldiers in the war on drugs are dismissing the ad campaign as a feel-good way for politicians to look like they're doing something about a problem that nobody's really sure how to solve. And while teens are getting lectured by their televisions, the hardcore addicts who need help the most are having a harder time getting treatment.

In less than a decade, Marti Potter, administrative team leader of the Pathways drug and alcohol treatment program in Maryland, has seen the average stay for an adult in her inpatient drug treatment program shrink from 28 days to seven. Potter says the shorter stays are the result of hospital policies and shrinking funds, not some amazing new rehab program.

"The admission criteria handed down by the HMOs

make accessing appropriate levels of care extremely difficult," Potter diplomatically told our associate Ashley Baker.

Potter's program remains one of the lucky ones, however. At least they're still in business. As funding for the "war on drugs" continues to rise, hundreds of drug and alcohol prevention and rehab programs are shriveling or dying.

"I don't believe (ad campaigns) are effective," said Harvey Oaklander, a licensed clinical psychologist for the Drug Abuse Treatment Center in Arlington, Va. Oaklander has been treating drug addicts since the late 1970s, when penalties for possession and use were far less stringent than today. "The more they make (drugs) forbidden, the more tempting it is. The most effective way (to curb use) is to give community support to families under stress. Kids should have a parent there when they come home," Oaklander says.

Not everyone in the PR industry is optimistic about the campaign either.

"The fact that it's a negative message doesn't stop the desire to investigate," said Pat Jackson, editor of PR Reporter, a public-relations trade publication. "Communication merely puts the ideas or products in people's mind. You need to go one-on-one with the potential drug user, you need parents, you need community."



# Feminism has cost women advantages

Feminism has been a disaster for American women. The bad consequences flow from the feminists' fundamental error of confusing a political concept with biology.

The political concept is that women should be equal to men in the eyes of the law. Like all political concepts, that is simply a matter of arbitrary agreement or disagreement. Most Americans, at least, agree - including me.

But equality before the law does not translate into biological sameness, and that is where feminism hits the rocks. Men and women are not the same, and the differences are more than just anatomical. Whether feminists like it or not, nature has programmed women to be mothers. This requires a male, not only for

his sperm, but also to provide security for the female during pregnancy and for the children during early infancy. That, at least, is the natural order of things.

Unfortunately, the male is not biologically programmed to be a father or to make any kind of commitment to the female once the male itch is satisfied.

All of that commitment, that respect, that sense of obligation, came from culture and in our case, specifically Christian-based culture.

So what feminists did, as a result of confusing equality with sameness, was to free the American male from his cultural bonds. What they couldn't do was to free the American female from her biology.

So ask the question, "Who benefits from feminism?" True, women are slightly better off in terms of cash-paying jobs and opportunities to work for cash.

There are all sorts of dull and boring or dirty and dangerous jobs open to them. But materialism is far too narrow a gauge to measure human happiness. One look at the lives of the

rich will tell you that. While the absence of money can be painful, the presence of money cannot guarantee happiness.

The sexual promiscuity feminism unleashed is all to the advantage of the male. It's much easier for the male to get his itch scratched and to do it without incurring any economic or emotional commitments and without incurring any social or legal penalties. Women get more of the negatives - abortion, children to raise by themselves, diseases and loneliness.

Nor will women ever succeed beyond some tokenism in the so-called man's world for the basic biological reason that males will always be more aggressive and ruthless, whether it's on the streets or in the office suites. If women want to play as if they were men, then men will treat them no better than they treat each other, which is to say, the stronger will whip the weaker, the faster will outrun the slower.

Feminist fantasy abounds in Washington and Hollywood, on TV shows and in TV ads. But the reality is the only power

any woman will ever have over a man is her sex appeal, and that fades - from the male point of view - rapidly with aging.

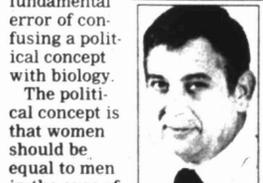
It took nearly two millennia for Christianity and Western Civilization to convince men they should make a commitment based on more than sex to women, and it took less than a few decades for feminism to undo it.

It's certainly true today, as bitter women and anxious parents will tell you, that there are fewer good men left, and for that you can thank the feminists. The few are those who retained the values of a traditional upbringing.

What the feminist leaders were and are is stupid. For the sake of a wrong idea they tossed away the social and legal advantages women already had in Western society. Unfortunately, many young American women won't realize what's been lost until they face their late 30s.

It won't be a pleasant discovery.

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# House p

WASHINGTON (AP) House Banking Committee is breaking a deadlock over privacy, on overwhelmingly approval to lift Depression-era restrictions between banks, firms and insurance companies.

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## House panel approves financial overhaul bill, breaking privacy deadlock

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House Banking Committee, breaking a deadlock over consumer privacy, on Thursday overwhelmingly approved legislation to lift Depression-era barriers between banks, securities firms and insurance companies. The panel voted 51-8 to adopt the complex measure and send it to the full House. The Clinton administration has expressed strong support for the bipartisan bill but has threatened to veto financial overhaul legislation pending in the Senate.

into the 21st century (and) protects and promotes consumer rights," Rep. John LaFalce of New York, the committee's senior Democrat, said after the vote. As Congress tries again to overhaul the financial services laws and allow the three industries to get more deeply into each other's businesses, there have been fears about how customer information will be shared among affiliates of the big new companies. Reps. Jay Inslee, D-Wash., and Robert Weygand, D-R.I., proposed including in the bill a pri-

vacancy measure that would have required new financial conglomerates to give consumers the right to opt out of arrangements for sharing all of their personal data with affiliated companies. Such an "opt-out" is considered less stringent than an "opt-in," which requires a consumer's written consent before personal data can be used by a financial institution or disclosed to others. But the lawmakers voted, 52-6, to adopt a milder proposal instead by committee Chairman Rep. James Leach, R-Iowa.

It would restrict the sharing of customers' health information among affiliated companies but would allow their transaction data, such as checking account history, to be shared even if they made an opt-out request. Under current law, opt-out requests apply to a consumer's credit history but not to his or her transaction data. Consumer activists, including Ralph Nader, have maintained that the legislation would create serious privacy risks for Americans as banks, brokerages and insurers compiled profiles of customers' buying

habits, hobbies — even health information. Lobbyists for the three financial-services industries indicated earlier Thursday that adoption of Inslee's more stringent privacy measure could kill their support for the overall legislation. One key reason the industries have been pushing financial overhaul legislation is that it would open opportunities for them to market their services by using shared customer data. A current example is the effort by financial giant Citigroup to sell Citibank cus-

tomers the investments and insurance offered by the bank's merger partner, Travelers Group. Over the next six months, New York-based Citibank plans to train and license up to 3,000 of its branch employees in financial analysis and sales. Citigroup, created by one of the biggest mergers in U.S. corporate history, got permission from the Federal Reserve to operate for several years — so the company didn't have to wait for enactment of financial overhaul legislation before it combined.

## NATO, in eastward push, adds three new members

INDEPENDENCE, Mo. (AP) — Poland, Hungary and the Czech Republic are completing their improbable migration from communist dictatorships tied to the Soviet Union to full-fledged democratic members of the U.S.-led NATO alliance. The accession of the former Warsaw Pact members into NATO was taking place at a ceremony today at the Harry S. Truman Library in Independence. It was during the Truman presidency that the North Atlantic Treaty Organization was founded on April 4, 1949, just under 50 years ago. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright was presiding at the ceremony, joined by the foreign ministers of the three countries. The festivities carry special significance for Albright, a daughter of Czechoslovakia who as a child fled her native land twice, first to escape the Nazis and later the communists. There were 12 original members of NATO at the time of its founding. Since 1949, it has been expanded to include Greece and Turkey in 1952, Germany in 1955 and Spain in 1982. The new additions bring the total to 19 and many other hopefuls are waiting in the wings: Slovenia, Romania, Bulgaria, Slovakia, Lithuania, Estonia and Latvia. Just what NATO will do with these eager applicants is not clear. The issue is expected to dominate a NATO summit set for Washington in April. NATO's mission has changed dramatically since its founding in 1949, a time when the West was intent on halting the westward spread of Soviet-led communism — a threat Winston Churchill warned about in his famous "Iron Curtain" speech delivered on March 5, 1946, at Westminster College in Fulton, Mo., 130 miles east of here. Now the alliance's mission is more ill-defined. NATO warplanes helped end the war in Bosnia almost four years ago.

## Woman creates bright future to cover dark, unhappy past

DEAR ABBY: When I read the letter from "Repented in Oregon," I had to write. When I was a teen-ager in a small town, I, too, was promiscuous — and for basically the same reasons. I wanted attention, and believe me, I got it! It was the wrong kind of attention, and every boyfriend I had left me. Later in life, I grew accustomed to short-lived romances, and I dumped every love I had before he could dump me. Your advice to relocate was sad, but it was right on. I moved away, changed my name, and moved on with my life. Life hasn't always been easy, but nothing worthwhile ever is. I have been happily married for 10 years and have two wonderful children. My husband knows all about my rocky past, for we have no secrets between us. I'm active in the school's PTO and am working on my bachelor's degree. I now have love and, finally, respect! I wish "Repented" the best of luck. It does get better, life does go on, and she will be happy. — DEEP IN THE HEART OF TEXAS



ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

people I went to school with, plus all the parents who heard about me through the grapevine. The whispers never stop. I see people looking at me, then looking away. My biggest fear is that my children will find out. I don't volunteer anymore or go to many of my kids' school functions, hoping it will keep the whispers from reaching my children. Abby, people don't forget or forgive and move on. They still see you as you were when you were a teen-ager. Please urge "Repented" to move and start over. If I'd done it, I would be a much happier person today, and not so paranoid about who I'll run into at the Little League field or at a school function. Parents: Talk to your kids. Be involved with them and keep an open mind. If my parents had been there for me, I know I would have been a different person. — IN ENDLESS PAIN, ORLANDO, FLA.

## House supports Clinton Kosovo policy... with strings

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Republican led-House is supporting President Clinton's plan to send U.S. troops to Kosovo if a peace agreement is reached, with some strings attached. But prospects for that peace looked bleak in advance of a resumption of talks on Monday in Paris, with neither side in the dispute indicating any readiness to sign onto an agreement. The House voted 219-191 late Thursday for a resolution expressing general support for the administration's proposal to use 4,000 U.S. troops, if necessary, as part of a NATO peace-keeping operation.

Clinton, whose administration had begged the House not to take up the issue until after the next round of peace talks, declared himself pleased. He said in a statement the "broad bipartisan support" for U.S. efforts in Kosovo "sends a clear message to both parties that it's time now to sign an agreement that stops the fighting in Kosovo and creates real self government for the Kosovar people." Forty-four Republicans — including Speaker Dennis Hastert — joined Democrats in support. But the House attached some strings — urging Clinton to

report to Congress on how long such a deployment would last, how much it would cost and whether it would affect overall military readiness. The vote represented a hard-fought victory for the administration, following a day of contentious debate. In the key vote of the day, the House turned aside, 237-178, a proposal by Rep. Tillie Fowler, R-Fla., to protest any American troop engagement in the war-torn Serbian province. "It is not within our power to solve all the world's problems," she said. Although it would have been nonbinding, the administration

warned the amendment's approval seemed certain to sink any prospects of reaching a peace agreement in Paris. Hastert, R-Ill., cast his vote for the overall resolution and did not vote on the Fowler amendment. He said he made up his mind to support the president only after hearing the entire debate. "This was a tough decision," he said, but "stopping the violence and the barbarity of the combatants ... inspires me to vote yes." One influential Democrat, Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., told Clinton that the Senate was also deeply divided.

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## We can be recycled for use by God

Recycle? You are probably wondering why a pastor would speak to the issue of recycling. Well, let me tell you what brought it to mind.

Some of our teens are headed for a giant youth congress in Toronto this July. One of the projects they are doing is collecting aluminum cans for recycling. As I sat and pondered the whole process of recycling, it intrigued me. These cans were originally made from pure material. They were brought into the cannery and filled with fresh new products and shipped off to the local grocer for consumption by you and me.

When we are done with these cans, they are used, dirty and good for only one thing... disposal. But then comes along recycling. When these cans are recycled, it means they are melted down, the impurities are drawn off and the aluminum is made into a bright new material from which a new can will make its way to the cannery, fresh new product will

go into it and it goes to the market and eventually your refrigerator — and the whole process starts over again.

I thought about how some of this process is so important in our human hearts.

You would be disappointed if, as a pastor, I didn't make some kind of spiritual application, so I will not disappoint you. We are created by the miracle of conception. We are conceived pure and spotless. God in His grace and mercy, fills us with unique qualities and gifts with the intent that we should make an impact in the world in which we live.

The only impurity in us is that of a desire to live differently than God intended...separat-

ed from God. These gifts and talents are pure, but something happens when we begin to mature and get exposed to an impure world.

We begin to fully understand the right from the wrong and often we choose wrong because of this impurity within us called sin. As life goes on, we impact our world with our gifts and talents. But this impurity keeps cropping up in our lives and all of the purity in us disappears.

We become much like the can on the shelf that was pure until opened. We use up the contents of our lives only to wake up one day and find we have nothing left to give. We are no longer good for much of anything. We are "waste."

But I have good news. Humans can be recycled too. God has a way of taking our wasted, empty lives and recycling them into useful, helpful lives again! He purifies us much like the aluminum, takes away the impurities, and makes us into new people ready to be used again for His

purposes.

He recycles our thoughts and makes them pure. He recycles our mouths and cause good words to come out of them. He recycles our desires and causes us to want to do things pleasing to God.

You see the major difference between us and cans — cans don't have a choice concerning what they will contain or where they end up. We do.

We can go through life containing impure thoughts, saying unkind things, and allowing evil to proceed out of our lives and making a negative impact on our world and ending up in you-know-where.

Or we can choose to go through God's recycling process and think pure thoughts, speak words of love and encouragement, and doing good works, thereby making a positive impact on our world and ending up in the arms of God.

I choose to be recycled by God for His purposes...what about you?

Roger Huff is pastor at First Church of the Nazarene.



ROGER HUFF

## CHURCH NEWS

### First United Methodist Church

"The Joy of Keeping the Peace" (Romans 14:14-21) is Dr. Ed Williamson's message this Sunday at the First United Methodist Church, 400 Scurry. The message is about the special peace that God gives us. Worship is at 8:30 and 10:50 a.m. Our home page is <http://www.xroadstx.com/dove>.

United Methodist Men will have their monthly breakfast Saturday at 8:30 a.m. in the Garrett Hall. Come in and enjoy the good breakfast and fellowship. On March 21, there will be a Christian Education Workshop for anyone currently teaching or interested in teaching or substitute teaching a Sunday School class of any level. Everyone is welcome to attend the workshop from 12 to 3 p.m., and there will be a luncheon in Garrett Hall with day care provided. Please RSVP at 267-6394.

### Diocese of San Angelo

There is a great need for rain throughout West Texas, so Bishop Michael Pfeifer, OMI is declaring March 21, as a day for all communities to pray for rain during all services.

He is also asking all priests and pastoral leaders to bring this day of prayer for rain to the attention of other religious denominations for the local communities, inviting all people of good will to come together for this special prayer service for rain.

### First Assembly of God

The Lighthouse Singers will be guests at First Assembly of God, Fourth and Lancaster, this Sunday at 10:40 a.m.

Frank and Joyce Taylor began their music ministry in 1959, traveling as full time music evangelists. In 1976, their children began traveling with them and they formed the "Lighthouse Singers."

They have sang on the 700 Club, and recently were special guest on Prime Time Christian Broadcasting, in Midland.

Pastor Havener and the congregation of First Assembly invite you to join them for a great music concert this Sunday.

### First Church of the Nazarene

First Church of the Nazarene, 1400 Lancaster, invites you to join them in an evening of Southern Gospel Music, Sunday at 6 p.m. The Brashears, Janice and Jerrel, from Russellville, Ark., have crisscrossed the United States for over 26 years singing gospel music Southern style.

Janice writes much of their music and through the magic of the technological world, they bring with them the big sound of a full band and a full backup group of vocalists. The words of their songs bring hope to a hurting world and encouragement to the downtrodden. "Our purpose is to help people...and show them Jesus through music," says Jerrel.

There is no charge for the concert, but a "love" offering will be taken. Join us for all of our services every Sunday at 8:30 and 10:50 a.m. worship celebrations, 9:40 a.m. Bible study

classes for all ages, 6 p.m.

Celebration of Praise and our Wednesday evening Bible classes. Wednesday night classes feature topics like: "Financial Freedom," Project "Timothy," and "Godly Communication Skills for Women." Pastor Huff's morning worship message series is entitled, "Fruit That Is Never Out of Season" and his Sunday evening series continues in the book of Revelation. "Making Revelations Relevant."

We also feature outstanding Children's Ministry and our new "state-of-the-art" paging system for moms and dads who have children in our Infant Nursery and Toddlers Church Ministry. Join us every Sunday at First Church of the Nazarene, 1400 Lancaster. For more information, call 267-7015.

### St. Mary's Episcopal Church

The Contemplative Prayer meeting will be held today at 5:30 p.m. in the library. Anyone interested in learning and practicing this ancient form of Christian prayer is welcome.

The Episcopal Church Women will have their meeting this Sunday after the 10:30 a.m. service.

Our Computer Users' Group will discuss the Internet at 1 p.m. Sunday.

St. Mary's Lenten Program continues on Wednesday, March 17. The All-Parish meatless pot luck supper is at 6 p.m. The Rev. David Krause from Lubbock will present a program on slothfulness around 6:45 p.m. We will end with a brief service of Compline.

### March For Jesus

Preparations are being made to organize the March For Jesus in May. If you are or your church are interested in learning how you can be a part of the March For Jesus, please call Jack Nixon, organizer, at 264-9318.

There is a video available to show to congregations and vans provided by Miracle Revival Center, Hillcrest Baptist Church, First United Methodist Church and Baptist Temple for the elderly.

### First Christian Church

This Sunday, Rev. Paula Brooks will be bringing the message for the 10:50 a.m. worship service at First Christian Church.

The schedule for Sunday will be as follows: 9:15 a.m. Elders Prayer Meeting, 9:25 a.m. Singing, Elementary Children's Parlor, everyone else - fellowship hall; 9:45 a.m. Sunday School; and 10:50 a.m. morning worship.

The J.I.M. (Jesus In Me) Adult Class will begin their study on the first charter of "The Jesus I Never Knew," by Philip Yancey. Participant's Guides and Study Guides are available for those interested in this study.

Parents of children and youth are to meet with Judy Reed this Sunday evening, for a planning session. Please check the bulletin Sunday for time and place.

First Christian Church is having Evening Vesper Services from 6 to 6:30 p.m. each Wednesday during Lent to prepare us spiritually for Easter by remembering the life, ministry, crucifixion, death

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## CLUB NEWS

### City F.C.E. Club

Francis Mason was hostess to seven members of the City Family and Community Education Club of Howard County on Friday, Feb. 26.

Each member is encouraged to submit six recipes for a cookbook to be published for District 6. Recipes are due March 26.

Frances Zant discussed part two of "Who Gets Grandma's Yellow Pie Plate," a program on distribution of non-titled property, either before or after death.

Meanings of articles differ with age, gender, generations and spouses. Family discussions of feelings for various articles in an estate should occur and children should be made aware of the history of family possessions in determining "Who Gets Grandma's Yellow Pie Plate."

The door prize was given to Mildred Callihan. Irene Priebe will be hostess on March 12, at 2 p.m.

### Coahoma Lions Club

The Coahoma Lions Club met at the Coahoma Community Center on Monday, March 8, at 6 p.m. for their regular second Monday meeting. The club was delighted to have three visitors: Zone Chairman Guy Teague, as well as, Kelly and Sarah Overton.

Lions Randy Overton and Buddy Anderson reported on the recent Pancake Supper.

All were pleased with the results of the annual event that was held on March 4 in the Coahoma Elementary School cafeteria.

Lion Irene LeMarr reminded the club of the upcoming annual City-wide Garage Sale. It has been tentatively set for the second Saturday in May.

Boss Lion Bruce Griffith commended the club for its

support of the Leader Dogs for the Blind organization. The club received a certificate and

a badge for its support.

Zone Chairman Guy Teague invited everyone to attend the final zone meeting of the year. It will be held at the Sand Springs Lions Club building on March 30. Lion Guy will be cooking supper.

The Coahoma Community Blood Drive is scheduled for Wednesday, March 17, from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Church of Christ fellowship building in Coahoma. Everyone is encouraged to "give the gift of life." You can schedule an appointment by calling 394-4277.

### Retired Teachers Association

Members of the Big Spring-Howard County Retired Teachers Association will meet in the Cactus Room at Howard College on Monday, March 15. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m.

Plans will be made for attending the TRTA State Convention in Dallas April 10-13 in Dallas.

Newly elected officers for the coming year include: Harold Bentley, president; Nila Allen, first vice-president; Betty Cox, second vice-president; Clarence Hawkins and Billye Grisham, co-treasurers; Myrtle Lee, recording secretary; and Jean Warren, corresponding secretary.

Terri Johansen will present a program about growing plants. All retired school personnel are invited to attend the meeting.

### Order of the Eastern Star

Big Spring Chapter No. 67, Order of the Eastern Star, will have an initiation at a stated meeting Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. Masonic Temple.

## Couple pool talents in Houston ministry

HOUSTON (AP)— In a baseball cap, T-shirt and blue jeans, Rudy Rasmus grabs a wireless microphone and bellows, "Good morning, family!"

Hundreds of people halt a happy frenzy of greeting, meeting and chatting to roar a hearty "Good morning" response to their pastor.

A four-member band, playing with the verve of a high-powered soul-filled marching band, fills the 80-year-old downtown sanctuary with a spirited beat that is barely contained by the vaulted ceiling. From a stage-like platform, Rasmus challenges the congregants to look their neighbors in the eye and exchange greetings and hugs.

The sanctuary becomes an ant bed of hugs, smiles and salutations. Exchanging the greetings are millionaires who slept in comfortable beds and homeless folks who slept under a bridge.

St. John's United Methodist Church, located on Crawford almost under the Pierce Elevated, does not offer a low-key, garden-variety United Methodist Sunday service with swelling organ music and people in suits and ties. Seven years ago it was barely a congregation, with only nine official members. That was before Rudy Rasmus, 42, and Juanita Campbell Rasmus, 37, arrived.

Under the husband-wife pastors, St. John's has grown to 3,600 members and become a social services center for downtown's homeless. It serves more than 6,000 meals monthly. It recently opened a three-story \$2.2 million Center for Hope for children who are HIV-positive or have behavioral problems.

The couples' work earned them the 1998 Distinguished Evangelist Award from the Foundation for Evangelism, a national organization affiliated with the United Methodist Board of Discipleship.

Marsha Bell has attended other churches, "too many to count." For the past six months, she has been coming

to St. John's despite the long commute from her home in far north Houston.

"It is the best church to be in," Bell said. "I can be down, but I feel I have the whole world in my hands when I come out the doors."

Not bad for a couple with no ministerial training or seminary education. The Rasmuses, married since 1985 and parents of two children, took on St. John's in 1992 at the request of their then pastor, the Rev. Kirbyjon Caldwell of Windsor Village United Methodist Church. The couple had been looking for a lay ministry to serve when Caldwell was asked by Bishop J. Woodrow Hearne to take over St. John's.

St. John's was organized in 1890 as Tabernacle Methodist. It became St. John's in 1919. By the 1940s, membership grew to more than 600. But as Houston grew, the primarily white congregants fled to suburbs, leaving a church in sharp decline.

Rudy Rasmus, then a real estate broker, remembers stepping over the homeless sleeping on the church steps on his first exploratory visit to St. John's. Juanita Rasmus recalls her husband's excited cellular phone call that day. "This is it! This is it! This is the place!" she recalls him yelling.

St. John's was more than a place for mission for Rudy Rasmus. It was a chance for redemption. After graduating from North Texas State in 1976, Rasmus worked in banking in Dallas then moved back to his native Houston in 1980. Besides his real estate brokerage, Rasmus operated a liquor store and a motel with a "no questions asked" policy.

"I rented my rooms by the second, the minute or by the hour," Rasmus said in a candid but pained confession. It was a policy tailor-made for pimps and prostitutes, drug dealers and drug users.

When he joined Windsor Village church in 1986, he

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## COMMUNITY NEWS

Former San Angelo resident Sylvia McDaniel, romance book author, will be at Wal-Mart today from 5:30-7:30 p.m. to sign copies of her latest books.

"In His Arms Again" is the story of Sabrina Callahan's struggle to save her family's ranch without losing her heart again to her former fiancé, the Texas Ranger who arrested her brother for cattle rustling two years ago.

"A Hero's Heart" is set on the frontier, where Rachel, a preacher's daughter is stranded with only her sister and her three small children. She becomes involved with a hardened gambler, Wade Ketchum, who is the only man who can ensure their safety.

McDaniel works full-time in the telecommunications industry, and says she gets up at 4:30 a.m. four mornings a week to write. She has written three novels and is working on her fourth.



## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF Retired Persons 55 Alive/Mature Driving Course will be given Monday and Tuesday, March 15-16, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center in the Industrial Park. Both sessions must be attended. There are no tests or written exams. One need not be a member of the AARP to take the course.

Upon completion of the eight-hour course, attendees will receive a certificate which will entitle them to a 10 percent discount in automobile insurance premiums, good for three years. One must be 50 years of age or older to attend.

This is a review course designed to sharpen and enhance the driving skills of older drivers. Tuition is \$8 and includes a valuable workbook to keep. To enroll, call the Senior Citizens Center at 267-1628.

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became a spiritual conversion, realizing he couldn't run such businesses any longer. Juanita Rasmus, who formerly sold securities and insurance in a family business, prayed for God to help Rudy embrace such a choice.

Eventually, Rudy closed the liquor store and motel. He began to sense a divine call to ministry.

"When I said 'yes' to God," Rasmus said, "I knew (I would be called) to a group of people I helped to destroy, but I just didn't know where."

When he saw St. John's and the homeless, he identified them with former occupants of his motel and customers of his liquor store.

"I knew what happened," he said of the people hanging around the church. "They slipped off the edge, one (drug) hit too many, one motel room too many, one drink too many."

The couple readily took on the challenge of ministering to the street population developing the Bread of Life Homeless Project.

The former one-bedroom, wood-framed parsonage next to the church became DayBreak Community Center, providing showers, laundry, haircuts, medical and HIV testing services to hundreds of homeless weekly. The center is busy after the 6:30-7:30 a.m. Monday-Friday breakfast that attracts about 250 people daily to the church's sanctuary.

"Folks were hungry so we started a meal program," Rasmus said. "We discovered that people were dirty, so we started a hygiene component where we provide showers and laundry."

Drug-treatment programs, a jobs program and medical care — all developed to meet community needs.

About 75 members of Windsor Village church initially came with the Rasmuses as Caldwell shuttled between the churches for Sunday morning services. But after a few weeks, the Rasmuses became the church's leaders and co-preachers. The congregation grew by word of mouth. Many were homeless, drawn by the Rasmus' growing ministry to the needy. Homeless or formerly homeless people make up an estimated 25 percent of the church's membership.

A new \$600,000 DayBreak facility is under construction on Jackson Street directly behind St. John's. It is being built with the help of a \$250,000 grant from Houston Endowment. The church will receive a \$100,000 grant from Methodist Hospital to provide medical services at the new facility, which is expected to be completed this spring.

The new Center for Hope, financed primarily by the growing congregation, will house St. John's Academy, a preschool for poor children and children exposed to substance abuse or infected with HIV or AIDS.

The church must meet the needs of the poor, Rudy Rasmus said, because helping the needy was Jesus Christ's mission statement for the church.

Many congregants are attracted to St. John's because it offers hope, its pastors said. "One thing we have found as a common denominator among the congregants is an understanding of human suffering," Rudy Rasmus said.

Congregants at St. John's understand what it is to be poor, to have broken relationships, to lose a loved one to death, he said. "Just because we have suffered or still suffer doesn't mean we have to build a camp or tent around the suffering," he said. "We encourage people to move out."

That's what it means for Kay Fry, a Star of Hope resident who is in a drug treatment program.

"I am a Methodist, but this is unlike any Methodist church I have been to in my whole life," said Fry, 35, who has been attending Sunday services for a month. "This one is real spiritual."

"Coming to this church helps me kick off my week," said Fry, who is trying to kick a 22-year drug habit.

The congregation has grown by 500 members annually, a feat in a denomination that has shrunk from 11.1 million members to 8.5 million members in the last 30 years. Methodism continues to lose more than 40,000 members yearly, according to church statistics.

The Rasmuses take turns preaching on Sundays and also rely on a team of lay preachers to assist them during the 8 and 10 a.m. and noon services. While the couple is not ordained, they are licensed as pastors and are inching their way through ministerial classes.

"One of the things that makes a difference is the unconditional love that people can experience here," Juanita Rasmus said. Hugging, a practice that Rudy and Juanita encourage, helps people find the warmth and acceptance that is often missing in today's society, she said.

Informal attire reduces class distinctions, said Rudy Rasmus. He rarely wears suits, a practice that has attracted large numbers of African-American males who feel out of place in more traditional churches where suits are the custom, he said.

### Pastor helps train volunteers to counsel the dying

GRAND PRAIRIE, (AP) — He's a credentialed massage therapist and has a black belt in judo. He's been a college professor, the director of an experimental outreach ministry and a high-profile advocate for the homeless in Texas.

These days, he's a part-time pastor, a full-time stock clerk and the only cleric on the national board of the Hemlock Society.

The Rev. Andrew Short, a Presbyterian minister with a small congregation in Grand Prairie and a national following through the Hemlock Society, says that his current work continues a lifetime commitment to the lives of society's least powerful.

He says he's stood by the bedside of two desperately ill people who chose to hasten their own deaths.

The first was his wife. Recently, he helped train a cadre of volunteers to advise dying people

who are considering suicide. The "Caring Friends" program is new for the

Hemlock Society. It is the first time the group has had a formal way to connect sick people who want to die with volunteers trained to inform them about their choices.

"I remember a friend of mine who referred to the homeless mentally ill as the most marginalized, defenseless group on the street," Short said. "If, however, there is any group in today's society more vulnerable to abuse ... it is the terminally ill."

His is a controversial stand on an issue that is anything but settled in this country. Pope John Paul II and others condemn assisted suicide on moral and theological grounds. Meanwhile, Dr. Jack Kevorkian is standing trial this month in Michigan for delivering a lethal injection in full view of the cameras for 60 minutes.

Now some medical ethicists are troubled by the concept of a relatively untrained volunteer corps who may not be qualified to deal with the most sensitive of end-of-life issues.

The Hemlock Society, created in 1980 by Derek Humphry, is well-known as an advocacy group for the right of dying people to choose a peaceful death. But before the creation of Caring Friends, the group officially restricted itself mostly to distributing information to its members and other callers.

Short was one of those callers in 1995. His wife of 35 years was dying after a five-year fight with bone cancer. Kit Short spent her last two months in the hospital and her final days refusing nourishment and water.

### At 75, priest-founder of Appalachian project still fired up after all these years

LOUISA, Ky. (AP) — Monsignor Ralph Beiting didn't have much sympathy when a fellow Catholic priest told him he was getting burned out.

"I told him you have to be fired up before you can get burned out," Beiting recalls.

Beiting, 75, has never had problems getting fired up. This year marks his 50th as a priest in the mountains of eastern Kentucky where he has helped build 16 churches.

The founder of the ecumenical Christian Appalachian Project said he plans to celebrate the anniversary this summer with 17 nights of preaching aboard a houseboat along the Kentucky River. Beiting, a Newport native, will be joined by ministers from other Christian churches.

Itinerant preaching is not new to Beiting. He's been doing it for the last 49 years in front of courthouses, gas stations and general stores.

The reception he receives now is different from the early years, when he was the first Catholic priest many eastern Kentuckians had ever seen.

"I've been shot at, hit by tomatoes, run off the road. We've had police come and chase us off and so forth," Beiting says. "Now when I go, it's like, 'We didn't think you were coming. What took you so long?'"

His acceptance has come partly because the Christian Appalachian Project embraces people of all faiths.

"I keep yelling, 'We're the family of God!'" Beiting says. "We're not Catholic or Protestant, Democrat or Republican. We're not old or young or rich or poor. ... We're the family of God, and why can't we act like it? Why can't we really take his leadership and his love and start loving one another?"

CAP, based in Lancaster, began in the early 1960s and now has an annual budget of more than \$55 million. Its 75 programs range from adult edu-

cation to housing repairs throughout Appalachia. The group also works to recruit industry to the job-scarce mountains.

Bishop Kendrick Williams of the Lexington diocese, which includes eastern Kentucky, said Beiting has raised the awareness of Appalachia's problems to a national level.

"People always come up who've been affected by Father, and they always remember his talks he's given at retreats and the sermons he's given, challenging them to share their resources great or small with the poor," Williams said.

Beiting is not without critics. Some charge that he and his organization are too paternalistic, handing out goods instead of teaching people in the perennially poor, undereducated region how to move out of poverty.

The Rev. Al Fritsch, a Jesuit priest, is one of them. Fritsch, director of Appalachia-Science in the Public Interest, an environmental advocacy group based in Mount Vernon, acknowledges that CAP has some self-help programs. But he adds, "I think a lot of their money could have been better spent on changing the structures of our society."

An example he offers of how this might be done: By forcing coal companies to be more

accountable for their actions. Besides doing priestly duties and overseeing CAP as its board chairman, Beiting serves on civic boards such as the Kentucky Appalachian Commission and the governor's task force on education.

"I get mad at God about the whole thing," Beiting says, joking. "Because I said, 'Why didn't you give me all this work to do in my 40s and 50s?'"

"I love Appalachia. I love the church. I love the priesthood," he says. "Why in the world would I want to sit down some place?"

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### CHURCH

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and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. On Wednesday, March 17, Ronnie and Pam Moss will bring the meditation. Each service will conclude with Holy Communion.

### Coahoma Church of Christ

The Church of Christ in Coahoma will be holding a series of gospel sermons by Bob Kiser, Sunday, April 11 through Wednesday April 14. Bob Kiser is known by many people in Howard County. He will be speaking on the theme:

"The Gospel of Your Salvation" (Ephesians 1:13). Everyone is encouraged to check their schedules and plan to come hear Bob preach the good news.

### First Presbyterian

Friday, March 19 our Lenten Lunch Break series continues when Ron Ellison, clinical coordinator at Samaritan Counseling Center presents, "Identity in Christ." The program begins at noon at the church, 8th and Runnels, and should last about an hour. Bring a lunch and a friend!

All church and club news are due by Tuesday noon for Friday publication.

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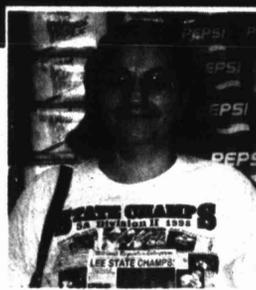


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### IN BRIEF

#### YMCA extends period for roller hockey sign-ups

The Big Spring YMCA has extended registration for its new roller hockey program.

Play will be staged in three age groups: kindergarten and first graders; second, third and fourth graders; and those in the fifth through eighth grades.

Players will need skates, sticks, a helmet, mount piece, knee and elbow pads and gloves or wrist pads.

Fees will be \$15 for YMCA members, \$27 for basic members and \$32 for non-members.

The seven-week season will have its first games on March 27.

For more information, call the YMCA at 267-8234.

#### Athletic department slates 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 a.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, until March 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 Saturday, May 27. T-ball and Division I players will try out at 1:30 p.m. and tryouts for Division II and III players will begin at 2:30 p.m.

#### Fundraiser tournament scheduled for April 3-4

The Ballapalozza Softball and Ragball Tournament to benefit youth sports programs and the Roy Anderson Complex has been scheduled for April 3-4.

Games will begin at 8 a.m. each day and continue until midnight.

Entry fees for the 20-team softball tournament field will be \$100, while a fee of \$80 will be required to enter the 12-team ragball tournament field.

The deadline for registering teams will be March 26.

### IT'S MISSING

The only information available concerning the Big Spring Steers' opening round games at the Abilene Invitational baseball tournament on Thursday was a final score.

The Steers dropped a 6-4 decision to Richland, and a 13-1 loss to El Paso Jefferson but other details were unavailable because coaches did not call in results.

The same was true of the Coahoma Bulldogettes 13-1 win over Dumas in a warm-up game at the Canyon Reef in Snyder.

### ON THE AIR

#### Television COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Men  
6:30 p.m. — NCAA  
Tournament, first round games, CBS, Ch. 7.

#### HOCKEY

7:30 p.m. — Anaheim Mighty Ducks at Dallas Stars, FXS, Ch. 29.

## Hawks take close tourney wins; Lady Hawks win one of three

HERALD Staff Report

PIMA, Ariz. — Howard College's Hawks and Lady Hawks had decidedly different fortunes in Arizona baseball and softball tournaments on Thursday.

The Hawks, having opened the Cactus Classic at Pima College with a 5-0 loss to Eastern Arizona and then rebounding with a 13-6 win over Cochise (Ariz.) College on Wednesday, improved their record to 26-2 overall Thursday with an 8-6 win over Pima's host squad and edging South Mountain 6-5.

Sophomore lefthander Nick Webb went

the distance in chalking up the win over Pima, as Rhett Wells, John Michael Herrera and Caleb Reger provided two-hit performances.

Herrera's hitting was the most productive, as he drove in three runs.

In the win over South Mountain, sophomore Duite Welch earned the pitching win, coming in relief of starter Brandon Claussen, as the Hawks scored two runs in the bottom of the seventh to post the comeback victory.

Reger drove in the game-winner, ripping a single to plate third baseman Drew Topham.

In the Hawks' 13-6 win Wednesday

afternoon, former Coahoma Bulldogs pitching star Mike McMillan chalked up the victory, benefiting from a three-hit performance by center fielder Kennard Bibbs and home run blasts from both Jay Alsop and Wells.

Alsop's homer was his seventh of the season, while Wells' shot was his third of the year.

For the Lady Hawks, however, only their opening game in the Phoenix College Tournament was anything coach Andy Mace and his team wanted to call home and report.

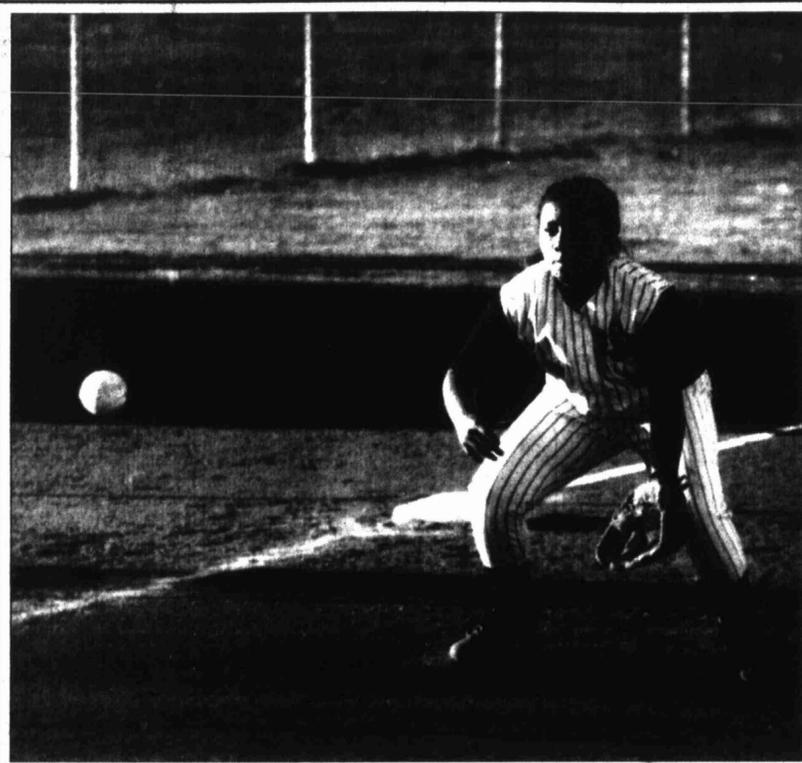
Howard's women opened the tournament with a 4-0 blanking of Highland

(Kan.) College as Maria Lopez recorded 14 strikeouts in recording the shutout.

Unfortunately, the Lady Hawks next two games Thursday saw them facing No. 18-ranked Ricks (Idaho) College and No. 15-ranked Utah Valley.

Ricks took a 3-0 win in Thursday afternoon's game, all three of their runs coming as a result of Lady Hawks errors, wasting a 7-strikeout performance by freshman pitcher Brandy Smith.

The evening ended with Utah Valley taking an 8-0 win over the Lady Hawks, leaving Howard with a 16-8 record overall going into today's game with Pima's women.



HERALD photo/Jim Fiero

Big Spring third baseman Leticia Hernandez prepares to field a ground ball during last week's win over Lubbock Monterey's Lady Plainsmen. Hernandez and her Lady Steers teammates took a 2-1 win over Merkel in a warm-up game Thursday in preparation for today's opening round of the Canyon Reef Tournament in Snyder. Big Spring will open the tournament with a 5 p.m. game against El Paso Bel Air.

## Lady Steers take 2-1 win in warm-up for tourney

HERALD Staff Report

SNYDER — Big Spring's Lady Steers and Merkel's Lady Badgers were forced to resort to international softball rules in deciding their opening warm-up game at Snyder's Canyon Reef Tournament on Thursday.

The Lady Steers emerged from the extra inning with a 2-1 win, but not without having provided plenty of excitement.

After four scoreless innings, each team was given an at bat with a base runner already in scoring position at second base.

In the top of the fifth inning, the Badgers wasted little time in gambling — sending their runner on a steal attempt.

Lady Steers catcher Trista Casey, in trying to make the play at third base, overthrew Big Spring third baseman Leticia Hernandez, allowing Merkel to take a 1-0 lead.

The bottom of the inning, however, saw the Lady Steers respond in more conventional fashion.

With Kaci Aciri at second, Misty Padilla laid down a bunt to advance the runner and turned it into an infield hit. With runners at the corners, Cecily Paradez singled to tie the game.

That brought Casey to the plate with runners still at the corners, giving her an opportunity to atone for her miscue in the top of the inning.

Paradez stole second and Casey fouled off two bunt attempts before delivering a game-winning sacrifice fly to left, allowing the Lady Steers to improve their record to 15-4 on the year.

The Lady Steers were scheduled to play another warm-up game this morning with Midland Greenwood's Lady Rangers, but head coach Dan Arista said he and Greenwood coaches decided not to play that game.

As a result, the Lady Steers will open first-round tournament action at 5 p.m. today, taking on El Paso Bel Air's Lady Highlanders.

Other first-round games called for Snyder's host Lady Tigers squad to face Lubbock Monterey, Berger to take on Winters, Coahoma to square off with Greenwood, Merkel to face Dumas, Hermleigh to play Monahans and San Angelo Lake View to take on Lamesa. Hawley will play a first-round game with Clyde at 9 a.m. Saturday.

Coahoma's Bulldogettes took a 13-1 warm-up game win over Dumas on Thursday, but no other results were available because coaches did not call the Herald.

## Clemens shuts down Rangers for 6-0 win

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Roger Clemens shut down Texas, exactly what the New York Yankees hoped for and the Rangers dreaded.

Clemens pitched four hitless innings in New York's 6-0 victory Thursday night at Tampa, Fla. It's only spring training, but it's something the Yankees hope they will see again in October.

"I left a couple pitches out over the middle that they hit hard," said Clemens, who struck out three and walked one in his second spring start. "I have quite a bit of work to do. I have to be more of a power pitcher and drive the ball harder."

It appears bench coach Don Zimmer is likely to run the Yankees until the return of manager Joe Torre, who left Wednesday to undergo treatment for prostate cancer.

But while Zimmer recovers from knee surgery, the Yankees say Torre's duties will be split between coaches Mel Stottlemyre, Willie Randolph,

Chris Chambliss and former manager Stump Merrill.

"If I'm going to manage, I will take responsibility for all the decisions," said Zimmer, who nearly broke down in tears when asked to describe his feelings for Torre. "We think alike and I will try to do the same things he would have done. I want to run the team like Joe would have."

Albert Belle finally erupted — in the clubhouse, not on the field.

After an 0-for-3 day that dropped him to 3-for-13 this spring, the Baltimore Orioles outfielder had a tirade in which he angrily threw his glove, two bats and his helmet into his locker, shattering one of the bats.

Belle also scattered several letters that were sitting on his chair. He then quickly undressed, showered and stormed out of the clubhouse without exchanging a word with teammates.

The tirade occurred after a questionable third-strike call in the sixth inning of the Orioles' 4-2 victory against the New York Mets at Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

"He was just mad at himself, just like when he gets mad at people when they ask him questions," manager Ray Miller said. "It shows me he wants to hit and that he demands excellence from himself. There's nothing wrong with that; I just told (clubhouse attendant) to stay out of the way."

At Fort Myers, Fla., Ramon Martinez agreed to a minor league contract with the Boston Red Sox.

Ramon Martinez, 30, gets a \$1.5 million signing bonus and a \$140,000 a month salary in the minors. But if he's added to the major league roster, which is expected, he gets a two-year contract with a team option for 2001, a deal that could bring him about \$24 million over three years.

"I'd like to be here the rest of my career," said Ramon, recovering from shoulder surgery and not expected back until midseason. "The good thing about Pedro is he's very competitive and I'm also very competitive. He's going to have to help me with the scouting report. We're going to help each other."

## Clarksville coach can't rally Tigers in loss to Mexia

AUSTIN (AP) — Clarksville coach Clyde Carlisle had rallied himself out of a hospital bed to come to the state basketball tournament, but his team couldn't focus to get him into the Class 3A final.

Backup center John McGilvray hit a layup in the final minute and Demar Chambers added two free throws with seven seconds remaining to send Mexia past defending state champion Clarksville 47-43 Thursday in the 3A semifinals of the boys high school state tournament.

Mexia (32-5) advances to Saturday's final to play Seminole (36-3), which beat West Oso 70-64 in Thursday's other semifinal.

Mexia and Clarksville exchanged one-point leads five times in the final 3:23 after Clarksville rallied from a 38-28 deficit.

Tyronne Richardson sparked an 11-0 run that put Clarksville's Tigers up 39-38.

A Chambers free throw tied the game at 43-43 with 1:23 left before McGilvray, who scored seven points, put Mexia ahead to stay.

Clarksville put up several shots to tie but couldn't find the mark before Richardson was forced to foul Chambers on a breakaway dunk attempt with seven seconds left.

Chambers hit both free throws to put Mexia up by four and seal the win.

Tim Hubbard led Mexia with 12 points and Chambers had 11. Richardson and Steven Edwards each scored nine to lead Clarksville (29-6).

Carlisle, who has 997 career victories, had checked into a hospital on Tuesday after suffering chest pains.

Carlisle checked out of the hospital on Wednesday in order to be with his team. Carlisle suffered a heart attack in 1988, which damaged the front third of his heart. In 1991, he had quadruple bypass surgery.

In the other 3A semifinal, University of Texas signee Chris Ogden scored 20 points and Seminole (36-3) survived a 3-point shooting barrage by West Oso for the semifinal victory.

Richard Gonzalez led West Oso (28-9) with 25 points with

seven 3-pointers.

As a team, West Oso made more 3-pointers (13) than 2-point field goals (11).

Officials for the University Interscholastic League, the governing body for Texas high school sports, did not know if Gonzalez' seven 3-pointers was a state tournament record.

In other semifinal games Thursday:

In Class 4A, Crowley (33-4) defeated Austin LBJ 70-67 and Port Arthur Lincoln (29-5) advanced past Coppell 55-44.

Jason Smalls hit a driving layup with 17 seconds left to snap a 66-66 tie and Jamell Grandberry added two free throws for Crowley.

Terry Shelton led Crowley with 17 points, including 10 in the final period. Grandberry had 16 points and a game-high 17 rebounds and Smalls had 13 points.

Marcus Johnson had 26 points for Austin LBJ (25-7).

Rhossi Carron scored 16 points for Port Arthur, which used a 13-0 run the fourth quarter to rally from a nine-point deficit for the victory. Jamon Copeland led Coppell (27-10) with 13 points.

Lincoln allowed Coppell just seven points in the final period.

In Class 1A, Robert Tovar scored 29 points to lead defending champion Moulton past Paducah 56-45 and Brookeland blew past Ponder 68-45.

Scott Chaloupka added 14 points on 7-of-10 shooting for Moulton (34-4), which scored 28 points off 18 Paducah turnovers. Eric Rekieta led Paducah (28-4) with 16 points.

Ramon Williams scored 24 points for Brookeland (38-0) and Darrell Garrett had 18 and Jarry Hunt 15 as the Wildcats opened a 20-6 lead in the first quarter and never looked back.

Marcus Bobb scored 25 points and grabbed 12 rebounds for Ponder (30-8).

In today's semifinals, Wellington (28-5) plays Grapeland (28-8) in Class 2A starting at 9:30 a.m., and Peaster (26-7) plays Brookshire Royal (22-13) at 11 a.m.

In Class 5A, Duncanville (33-3) plays Beaumont Central (30-6) at 3 p.m., and Dallas Kimble (33-4) plays San Antonio Jay (31-6) at 7 p.m.

## Buffalo linksters take third place

HERALD Staff Report

ROBERT LEE — Forsan's Buffaloes posted a 345 total Monday to finish third at the Robert Lee Invitational Golf Tournament, trailing only team champion Rocksprings and runner-up Sterling City.

Logan Stanley paced the Buffs with a round of 82, while Michael Rowden and William Osburn provided scores of 86 and 87, respectively.

Jarrett Hopper finished his round carding a score of 90, while Aaron Schafer rounded out the Buffs' scoring with a 106. Rocksprings took an eight-stroke win over Sterling City in the team standings, finishing with a 319 total.

The Buffs' next tournament will be the Coahoma Invitational set for Wednesday at the Comanche Trail Golf Course. That will also be the site for the Forsan Invitational tournament set for Monday, March 22.

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SPORTS EXTRA

NCAA-MEN

First Round

Friday, March 12

At Charlotte Coliseum

Charlotte, N.C.

Tennessee (20-8) vs. Delaware (25-9), 11:25 a.m.

Wisconsin (22-9) vs. Southwest Missouri State (20-10), 30 minutes after previous game

Duke (32-1) vs. Florida A&M (12-18), 6:40 p.m.

College of Charleston (28-2) vs. Tulsa (22-9), 30 minutes after previous game

At The FleetCenter

Boston

Cincinnati (26-5) vs. George Mason (19-10), 11:15 p.m.

Texas (21-10) vs. Kent (23-6), 30 minutes after previous game

Miami (22-6) vs. Lafayette (22-7), 6:40 p.m.

Texas (19-12) vs. Purdue (19-12), 30 minutes after previous game

Second Round

Saturday, March 13

At Charlotte Coliseum

Charlotte, N.C.

Duke-Florida A&M winner vs. College of Charleston-Tulsa winner, 11:10 a.m.

Tennessee-Delaware winner vs. Wisconsin-Southwest Missouri State winner, 30 minutes after first game

At The FleetCenter

Boston

Cincinnati-George Mason winner vs. Temple-Kent winner, 1:20 p.m.

Miami-Lafayette winner vs. Texas-Purdue winner, 30 minutes after first game

At Continental Airlines Arena

East Rutherford, N.J.

Regional Semifinals

Friday, March 13

Duke-Florida A&M-College of Charleston-Tulsa winner vs. Tennessee-Delaware-Wisconsin-Southwest Missouri State winner

Miami-Lafayette-Texas-Purdue winner vs. Cincinnati-George Mason-Temple-Kent winner

Regional Championship

Saturday, March 21

Semifinal winners

SOUTH REGIONAL

First Round

Thursday, March 11

At The RCA Dome

Indianapolis

Oklahoma State (69, Syracuse 61, Auburn 80, Wake Forest 41, Ohio State 72, Murray State 58, Detroit 56, UCLA 53)

At Orlando Arena

Orlando, Fla.

St. John's (26-8) vs. Indiana (23-10), 11:10 a.m.

Marquette (27-5) vs. Creighton (22-8), 30 minutes after first game

Thursday, March 18

At Thompson-Boling Arena

Knoxville, Tenn.

Auburn-Oklahoma State winner vs. Ohio State-Detroit winner

Marquette-Creighton winner vs. St. John's-Indiana winner

Regional Championship

Saturday, March 20

Semifinal winners

MIDWEST REGIONAL

First Round

Thursday, March 12

At The Bradley Center

Milwaukee

North Carolina Charlotte (22-10) vs. Oregon (20-12), 11:30 a.m.

Arizona (22-6) vs. Oklahoma (20-10), 30 minutes after previous game

Michigan State (24-4) vs. Mount St. Mary's (15-14), 6:55 p.m.

Villanova (21-10) vs. Mississippi (19-12), 30 minutes after previous game

At The Superdome

New Orleans

Utah (27-4) vs. Arkansas State (18-11), 11:30 a.m.

Washington (17-11) vs. Miami, Ohio (22-7), 30 minutes after previous game

Kansas (22-9) vs. Evansville (23-9), 6:50 p.m.

Kentucky (25-8) vs. New Mexico State (23-9), 30 minutes after previous game

Second Round

Friday, March 19

At The Bradley Center

Milwaukee

Arizona-Oklahoma winner vs. North Carolina Charlotte-Rhode Island winner, 1:15 p.m.

Michigan State-Mount St. Mary's, Mt. winner vs. Villanova-Mississippi winner vs. Arizona-Oklahoma-North Carolina Charlotte-Rhode Island winner

At The Superdome

New Orleans

Utah-Arkansas State winner vs. Washington-Miami, Ohio winner, 1:30 p.m.

Kentucky-New Mexico State winner vs. Kansas-Evansville winner, 30 minutes after first game

At Trans World Dome

Las Vegas

Regional Semifinals

Friday, March 19

Michigan State-Mount St. Mary's, Mt.-Villanova-Mississippi winner vs. Arizona-Oklahoma-North Carolina Charlotte-Rhode Island winner

Miami, Ohio winner vs. Kentucky-New Mexico State-Kansas-Evansville winner

Regional Championship

Saturday, March 21

Semifinal winners

WEST REGIONAL

First Round

Thursday, March 11

At MichiCenter

Des Moines

NBA STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

W L Pct GB

Miami 15 5 .750 -

Orlando 14 7 .667 1

New York 11 8 .579 3 1/2

Philadelphia 11 8 .579 3 1/2

Washington 8 11 .421 6 1/2

Boston 7 10 .412 6 1/2

New Jersey 3 15 .167 11

Central Division

Indiana 13 5 .722 -

Milwaukee 12 5 .706 1/2

Detroit 11 8 .579 2 1/2

Atlanta 10 9 .526 3 1/2

Cleveland 8 9 .471 4 1/2

Toronto 6 11 .353 5 1/2

Charlotte 5 12 .294 7 1/2

Chicago 5 14 .263 8 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

W L Pct GB

Utah 15 4 .789 -

Minnesota 12 7 .632 3

Houston 12 8 .600 3 1/2

San Antonio 11 8 .579 4

Dallas 7 14 .333 9

Denver 5 15 .250 10 1/2

Vancouver 4 16 .200 11 1/2

Pacific Division

Portland 15 3 .833 -

L.A. Lakers 15 6 .714 1 1/2

Phoenix 10 9 .526 3 1/2

Golden State 9 10 .474 4 1/2

Sacramento 9 11 .450 5

L.A. Clippers 1 17 .056 14

Thursday's Games

Atlanta 99, Boston 85

Miami 83, Toronto 73

New York 98, Washington 86

Seattle 92, Chicago 83

Houston 102, Vancouver 91

Dallas 93, Orlando 76

Utah 84, Denver 89

L.A. Clippers 106, Sacramento 92

Golden State 89, Minnesota 82

Friday's Games

New Jersey at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.

Milwaukee at Indiana, 6 p.m.

Charlotte at Washington, 6 p.m.

Boston at Detroit, 7 p.m.

New York at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.

San Antonio at Phoenix, 8 p.m.

Utah at Portland, 9 p.m.

Dallas at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.

Minnesota at Sacramento, 9:30 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Toronto at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.

Vancouver at Dallas, 7 p.m.

Cleveland at Houston, 7:30 p.m.

Denver at San Antonio, 7:30 p.m.

Minnesota at Utah, 8 p.m.

Portland at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.

Orlando at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.

LOCAL BOWLING

WEDNESDAY NITE TRO

WEEK 24

RESULTS-Cornet Cleaners over

Fiesta Dodge 6-2, Big Spring Music over

M&M's 6-2, Spanky's over Slow

Starters 6-2, Back-N-Action over The

Astros 6-2, A Timeless Design split with

Alley Cats 4-4, Allan's Furniture split with

HC Steakhouse 4-4, American

State Bank split with Robertson Body

Shop 4-4, Loan Stars over Western

Auto 8-0, HAR Block over Lulu's Family

6-2, Bowlarama Pro Shop over

Morehead Transfer 6-2, Arrow

Refrigeration over BSI 6-2, hi sc game

men Junior Barber 257, hi sc series

men Junior Barber 619, hi sc game

men Alton Fields 284, hi sc series

men Philip Ringner 717, hi sc game

women Faye Stoker 226, hi sc series

women Evelyn Williams 572, hi sc game

women Faye Stoker 272, hi sc game

women Vicki Renshaw 716, hi sc

sc team game American State Bank

648, hi sc team series American State

Bank 1732, hi sc game game Cornet

Cleaners 747, hi sc game team series

Spanky's 2043.

STANDINGS-Arrow Refrigeration 137,

55, Loan Stars 119-73, Cornet

Cleaners 113-79, HC Steakhouse 111-

77, Big Spring Music 110-78, American

State Bank 109-83, Robertson Body

Shop 103-89, HAR Block 102-90, Slow

Starters 94-98, Western Auto 93-99,

Allan's Furniture 92-100, BSI (unop-

posed) 91-93, Spanky's 89-103, Back-

N-Action 87-105, A Timeless Design 84-

108, Fiesta Dodge (unopposed) 74-118,

Lulu's Family 66-99, Morehead Transfer

63-129, Bowlarama Pro Shop 38-26,

Alley Cats 26-38.

WEEK 25

RESULTS-Karat Patch over Dell's

Cafe 6-2, Big Spring State Park over

Greenhouse Photography 6-3, Jim's

over Head Hunters Beauty Salon 6-2,

717, Big Spring Music 6-2, Arrow

Refrigeration 6-2, American State

Bank 6-2, Robertson Body 6-2, hi sc

game men John Gibson 235, hi sc

series men John Gibson 577, hi sc

Connecticut, minus Calhoun, routs UT-San Antonio at West

DENVER (AP) — Connecticut's opening act in the NCAA tournament was solid. Too bad coach Jim Calhoun missed it.

The Huskies, the No. 1 seed in the West Regional, started their bid for their first trip to the Final Four in 13 seasons under Calhoun with a 91-66 win Thursday night over Texas-San Antonio.

Calhoun, who has guided Connecticut to eight NCAA appearances in 13 seasons, missed the game after developing "virus-like" symptoms.

The Huskies (29-2) play ninth-seeded New Mexico (25-8) Saturday. The Lobos beat eighth-seeded Missouri 61-59.

On the other side of the bracket, No. 4 seed Arkansas (23-10) will meet No. 5 seed Iowa (19-9). Arkansas ran past No. 13 seed Siena 94-80 and Iowa beat No. 12 Alabama-Birmingham 77-64.

All-American Richard Hamilton scored 28 points and the Huskies used runs of 13-2 and 18-1 late in the first half for a 52-27 lead against the No. 16 seed Roadrunners (18-11), who were making only their second appearance in the tournament.

"We showed that we have spurt ability, and we just continued to put the pressure on them," said point guard Khalid El-Amin, who had a career-high 10 assists.

El-Amin said the Huskies didn't miss Calhoun.

"It really wasn't much different," he said. "We knew the coach's spirit was there."

If not for how the Huskies

closed out the half, Texas-San Antonio might have had a chance, said Roadrunners coach Tim Carter.

"As much as I was talking about a miracle to (the media), behind the scenes I was talking about, 'Why not us?'" Carter said. "We scored 39 in the second half, and they scored 39. If that big run doesn't take place in the first half, who knows what would have happened?"

The Roadrunners kept the game close early on, leading 19-17 with 11:45 left in the first half.

Carter said he was hoping the lights would go out at that point, but it was all Connecticut the rest of the way.

New Mexico, 7-0 this season in games decided by one or two points, advanced to the second round for the fourth straight year on Lamont Long's short jumper in the lane with 5.5 seconds left. The game ended on a controversial note, with Missouri complaining the clock continued to run after Long's basket.

**HOROSCOPE**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR SATURDAY, MARCH 13:**

Much goes on that you might not choose to share this year. Your unusually active dream life gives birth to many resourceful ideas. Develop your psychic ability. Be honest with yourself. Refuse to get into power and control issues; stay clear, if possible. If you are single, romance seems inevitable with your high charisma, though you might have a tendency to choose someone who is emotionally unavailable. If attached, work and play as a team. You will enjoy many benefits. Aquarius reads you cold.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)**  
\*\*\*\*Don't settle, even if you feel financially limited. Find another way. Your creativity is backed by friends' support. You might be amazed by what you can come up with in a brainstorming session. Pursue new beginnings; take a risk. Make time for a fun gathering of friends. Tonight: Web browsing.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)**  
\*\*\*You could easily be overwhelmed. Responsibilities are difficult to shrug off. Rethink decisions one more time. Talk to someone in the know. Find another way to create what you want. Count on your resources and friends. Tonight: All eyes turn to you.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)**  
\*\*\*\*Get past negativity; there is another way. You might not see it, but if you get on the phone, talk to friends and tap into your ingenuity - you will find a solution. Good times happen once you relax and allow your imagination to emerge. A partner is tasty, at best. Tonight: Having fun with friends.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)**  
\*\*\*You could be disappointed by a friend. Use a change in plans to give a loved one that quality time he craves. Taking on a new burden could leave you most unhappy in the long run. Prioritize and complete a couple of pending projects. Tonight: Go along with a partner's plans.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)**  
\*\*\*\*Don't let another's demands get to you. Others illuminate your life. A power play poses a problem. Feelings are intense. Part of the issue is that you don't see another realistically. Take an overview. Talk to another who sees far more than you. Tonight: Demonstrating your deserved reputation as a party animal!

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)**  
\*\*\*Take some time off. Let down your hair; drape yourself over an armchair. A change in plans just might be perfect. Release the need to push. A family member raises the roof in response. A talk is needed, though don't get into a tug of war. Let another express his feelings. Tonight: Take it easy.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)**  
\*\*\*\*Keep interactions light and easy. Stay out of trouble. An associate has a heavy agenda he might not be aware of. Allow a child or loved one to draw you into his fun. A flirtation needs to stay that way, right now. Tonight: Spicing up your life - and others'.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)**  
\*\*Pressure from a partner is intense. You might not be able to skirt the issue anymore. Discuss family life, long-term desires and what each of you wants. Be willing to cut your losses and walk away from a difficult scenario. Tonight: Nurturing takes many forms.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)**  
\*\*\*You are clearly making a change because of events. Keep communication flowing. Discuss long-term dreams. Others respond with enthusiasm. Recognize a need to reorganize your daily life, perhaps even take exercise more seriously. Tonight: Favorite spot, favorite person.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**  
\*\*\*\*Deal with finances creatively, but take on no risks. Be conservative; build security. Family discussions concern a positive option on the homefront. Decisions don't need to be made right now. A partner or roommate supports whatever you want to do. Tonight: Mellow out with the good vibes.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)**  
\*\*\*\*You are personality plus and full of energy. A domestic matter weighs heavily on your mind. Follow an unusually resourceful idea. A friend poses obstacles. Your ability to draw others in permits you to make the choice you want. Tonight: Your charisma speaks.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)**  
\*\*Reflect, rather than act. Communication could be difficult in the morning, leaving you with a sour feeling. Loosen up and be more direct about your needs. Recognize the pressure a work-related issue is putting on you. Be honest about what needs to be done. Tonight: Be kind to yourself.

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**The Good Shepherd**

"My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me; and I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish, and no one shall snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. I and the Father are one."

These beautiful words spoken by Jesus in the book of St. John are both comforting and reassuring to those who follow the Good Shepherd. Not only do God's people have eternal life, they also know that no one can snatch them out of our Heavenly Father's hand. There is no such thing as a problem-free life, and although each day brings its own concerns and challenges, enjoying and appreciating the many good things that God has given to us, and then trusting in Him when problems do arise, will help make us better followers of the Good Shepherd.

*I am the Good Shepherd.  
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time is short: it remaineth,  
that both they that have  
wives be as though they had  
none.  
I Corinthians 7:29

And wisdom and knowledge  
shall be the stability of thy  
times, and strength of salva-  
tion: the fear of the Lord is  
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thou false tongue?  
Psalm 120: 2, 3

The just man walketh  
in his integrity: his  
children are blessed  
after him.  
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Ideal applicants should have knowledge of spreadsheets, excellent time management skills, and type 40wpm. Persons with experience in patient billing systems, insurance recertification and patient scheduling for multiple staff preferred. Direct patient care with outpatients after on the job training will be required.  
**Part-time PT/OT Aide**  
Will provide on-the-job training. This position requires direct patient care. To apply, please mail, fax or email your resume, or call for an application.  
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1601 West 11th Place Big Spring, Texas 79720 Phone: (915) 268-4833 Fax: (915) 263-0151 e-mail: rebecca@smmccares.com

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**HELP WANTED**  
Kitchen help needed. Apply Tuesday - Friday, 8-5pm. Big Spring Country Club, Driver Rd.  
**LITTLE CAESAR'S PIZZA**  
Delivery Driver & Part-time Asst. Manager needed. Good references only, must be hardworking & reliable. Apply in person, 2111 Gregg. No phone calls please.  
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**RED MESA GRILL**  
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**Apply at 2401 Gregg.**  
Salesperson - must have positive, aggressive attitude. Salary plus commission. Bring or fax resume to: Westex Auto Parts Inc. 1511 Hwy 350 N. Fax 915-267-1680  
Town & Country Food Store, Full & Part time position open in Coahoma, Big Spring & Stanton. Able to work all shifts. Apply at 1101 Lamesa Hwy. EOE., Drug test required.  
**WAITRESS NEEDED:** Must be 18, dishwashers needed day/evening. Full/Part time. Apply at 2401 Gregg.  
**RED MESA GRILL**  
West Texas Centers For MHMR has job opening for Human Resource Development Training Specialist. Responsible for educational and training programs for staff. Will be required to obtain teaching certifications in CPR & PMAB. Salary \$699.59 biweekly (\$18,192 annually). Applications may be obtained at 409 Runnels, Big Spring, TX or by calling Jobline 800-687-2769.

**TOP PAY FOR TOP TECH**  
Taking applications for Auto Technician, Chrysler, Plymouth, Jeep experience preferred. Call Shane Roberts at 1-800-708-7342 or fax resume to: Fiesta Dodge at (915) 264-6697 EOE

**PROFESSIONAL DRIVERS TRAINING**  
Odessa College International Schools offer a Four Week Best-Driver Training Course in ODESSA  
All qualified applicants pre-hired prior to class start Call (915) 806-0900 or (909) 881-8106 619 North Grant Ave. #118 Odessa, Texas 79761

**TRANSPORTATION**  
Major carrier has immediate openings at its Big Spring Terminal for experienced truck drivers. CX offers: sign on bonus-\$300.00, group health insurance, retirement plan, paid vacation, paid company holidays, home most nights, CX requirements, 23 yrs. old, 1 yr. verifiable road experience, CDL-Class A License with Haz Mat. Endorsement, good driving record, must pass DOT physical & drug screen. Applicants can apply at I-20 & Midway Rd. Big Spring or call 1-800-729-4645.

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HELP WANTED

Join the team! Large property management firm is currently hiring apartment managers for the Big Spring area. We prefer 1 yr. of apt. mgmt. experience, an enthusiastic and energetic attitude. Must be very reliable. We offer an extensive benefit package, including vacation, sick leave, health ins. and 401(k). Please send resume to blind box: P.O. Box 1431/2709, Big Spring, TX 79721.

**NURSES UNLIMITED.** PRN/RN's & LVN's needed with one year hospital experience. Contact Kim Gee at 1-800-270-8298, 8-5, M-F, EOE.

**Office Help Needed.** Non-smoker, good clerical skills. Send resume to: P.O. Box 1431/124, Big Spring, Texas 79721.

**MOUNTAIN VIEW LODGE**  
Accepted applications for Certified Nurse Aides  
• 2 weeks vacation after 1 year  
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• Insurance & IRA available  
• Starting wage \$5.50 pr. hr.  
• Drug testing mandatory for hire  
Apply in person, 2009 Virginia, Big Spring, TX, EOE

**WORK FROM HOME**  
My children come to the office every day. Earn \$500-\$1500 PT/mo or \$2,000-\$4,000 FT/mo. Call toll free 800-690-0583

HELP WANTED

Needed PT clerical helper to work in the afternoon from 1-5pm. Send Resume to: P.O. Box 951 Big Spring, TX 79720.

**NEEDED:** RN's, LVN's for staffing in the Midland/Odessa/Big Spring area. (Instant Pay) is available. Call Interim Health Care 1-800-791-7007.

**MECHANIC, Full Time**  
Mechanic needed for Albuquerque paving contractor. Experience required with asphalt paving and heavy equipment. Will pay extra for well equipped truck. Starting at \$14.00 plus benefits. We reimburse relocation expenses. Call (505) 831-7311 or FAX (505)831-0811. Clean driving record and drug free required. EOE

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Any odd jobs you don't have time to do, well do for you. Call 263-4973 or 268-9398.

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**1000 NEW CUSTOMERS**  
No Credit - No Problem Loans \$100-\$446  
Apply by phone 267-4591 or come by  
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Loans \$100-\$430. Open M-F 9-6pm. 612 Gregg. 263-1353. Phone app's. welcome. Se Habla Espanol.

**HORSES**  
**BIG SPRING HORSE, SADDLE & TACK AUCTION**  
Sat., March 13th, 12:30pm  
Everyone welcome to buy, sell or visit.  
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Unbeatable Values at  
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LOST: Black fountain pen. Reward! 267-8203 or 267-5934.

Lost (Camera, bag, etc.) during Howard College's basketball game playoffs. **REWARD!** Please call 394-4444 or (915)347-6882

Lost Gold Diamond Cluster Pendant, on 3/9/99 possibly at HEB. Great sentimental value. **REWARD.** 399-4369 or 270-4458 leave message.

**MISCELLANEOUS**  
1985 Olds Cutless Clera. Runs fair, high mileage. \$800. Hooked On Phonics / Math. Brand new \$225. 267-7513 leave message.

MISCELLANEOUS

**8' POOL TABLE 3/4"**  
Slate bed, cue sticks, cue rack, other accessories. \$500. Call 263-7032.

**TY Beans for sale.**  
Over 90 to choose from including all May 98 retirees. Prices from \$8.00 to \$15.00. 264-6294

**PORTABLE BUILDINGS**  
Steel buildings, new, must sell 30x40x12 was \$10,200 now \$6,990; 40x60x14 was \$16,400 now \$10,871; 50x100x16 was \$27,590 now \$19,990; 60x200x16 was \$58,760 now \$39,990.  
1-800-406-5126

**WANT TO BUY**  
Want to buy silver Bach Stratavious trumpet Call 263-4645.

Wanted: 3/2 with assumable loan or owner finance. Please call Debbie at 263-1061 or 263-7857 after 4pm.

**BUILDINGS FOR RENT**  
FOR LEASE: building on Snyder Highway. Approx. 1800 square feet with office on 1 acre. \$300 per month 100 deposit. Call Westex Auto Parts 263-5000.

HOUSES FOR SALE

**\$400 down, \$257/Mo.**  
4 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 living areas, central heat, utility room, newly decorated. 1509 Oriole. Must have excellent credit. 806-794-5964.

**ABANDONED HOMES**  
In Big Spring. Take up payments without down. Local 264-0510

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Beautiful Executive 2 story home. Country club rd. Pool, landscaping, acreage, 3-car garage, priced below owners cost. 263-0066 (business), 268-9686 (home).

**COLLEGE PARK: 2/1 C/H.A.** Newly remodeled. Possible Owner Finance. \$39,900. 263-5926 or 254-559-9671.

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HOUSES TO BE MOVED

**HOUSE FOR SALE TO BE MOVED!**  
3 bd., 1 bath Stucco. \$6500. Call 915-363-4422.

**MOBILE HOMES**  
\$1,000 Cash Factory Rebate on three 1998 homes. These homes must go to make room for the 1999's. Clayton Homes ask for Sherry 550-0018 or (800) 530-0018.

**BARGAIN HUNTERS**  
New Year's Inventory Reduction. '98 decor & discontinued models. \$499/\$999 down with wac. Ask about FREE Satellite Dish. Only at Oakwood Homes 1-20 @ Pine St. - Abilene. 915-676-7122.

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For a small down payment and the same monthly payment or less, you can stop renting and own your home. For more information call Keith Barry @ 563-9000 today. 7206 W. Hwy. 80, Midland TX. 1-800-755-9133.

Stop renting, own your own home, call Barry, I do the rest. A-1 Homes (915) 563-9000.

Tired of living in something that's not your's. Come see John at A-1 Homes and let me put you in your own home for less than what your paying in rent right now!!  
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**FURNISHED ARTS.**  
Apartments, unfurnished homes, Mobile Homes. References required. Call 263-6844, 263-2341.

One bd. furnished Trailer. Fenced yard. No pet! Inquire at 1213 Harding.

**OFFICE SPACE**  
2 bedroom garage apt. C/H.A, fenced yard, lease, deposit. \$200/mn. 263-6824, 263-7373.

Very nice office space for rent. 706 South Main. See by appointment. Call 394-4741.

**UNFURNISHED APPTS.**  
2 bdr. \$275 Central H/A Open Weekends 915-267-4217

2/1 Apartments. Move in Specials. From \$275-\$400 plus electric. Furnished or unfurnished. 263-7821

**UNFURNISHED HOUSES**  
1208 Main: 2 bd., 1 bath. Basement & fireplace. W/D connections. \$325/mo, \$300/dep. Call 915-363-8243.

2 bdr., central heat/air, very clean. \$350 month. 263-5818.

**FORSAN:** 2 bd., 1 bath trailer for rent. Call 263-0684 after 5:00pm.

**IN COAHOMA:** 2 bdr. 1 bath Mobile Home. New carpet, partly furnished. Call 394-4956.

2 bedroom stove & refrigerator furnished. 1009 Nolan (rear house). 263-4410.

2210 Lynn Drive: 3 bdr. 2 bath fenced, Central AC, 1 yr. lease required. \$800/mo. \$400/dep. No Indoo or Pets! Owner/Broker. 263-6514.

3 bdr., 1 bath. 1304 Colby. Central heat & air. HUD Approved. \$385./mo. 1-800-543-2141. 915-962-6942.

3 bdr. 1 bath duplex in Sand Springs area. Call 267-3841 or 270-7309.

**COAHOMA ISD:** 1 bd., 1 bath. Stove & refrigerator furnished. \$250./mo., \$100/dep. No bills paid. Call 267-1802 after 5:00.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 59, TEXAS PROPERTY CODE, AMERICAN SELF STORAGE WHICH IS LOCATED AT 3314 E FM 700, BIG SPRING, TX, 79720 WILL HOLD A PUBLIC AUCTION OF PROPERTY BEING SOLD TO SATISFY A LANDLORD'S LIEN. SALE WILL BE AT 11 O'CLOCK A.M. ON SATURDAY, MARCH 20, 1999 AT AMERICAN SELF STORAGE, 3314 E FM 700, BIG SPRING, TX 79720.

PROPERTY WILL BE SOLD TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH. SELLER RESERVES RIGHT TO NOT ACCEPT ANY BID AND TO WITHDRAW PROPERTY FROM SALE. PROPERTY TO EACH SPACE MAY BE SOLD ITEM-BY-ITEM, IN BATCHES, OR BY THE SPACE. ALL SALES ARE SUBJECT TO TEXAS STATE SALES TAX. SALE IS ON THE CONTENTS OF:

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TOO LATES

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1707 S. Benton. Sat. 8-7 Chrome rims, clothes, kid table, baby items/crbs, toddler bed, misc., toys.

**SATURDAY 10am-4pm. 1107 Ridgeroad.** Wedding gown, book shelves, bedding, cookware, camp stuff.

Moore Development For Big Spring, Inc. is accepting bids on janitorial services for their offices located at 215 W. 3rd Street. Spec sheets will be available at Moore Development offices on Monday, March 15, 1999.

Now Selling Pecan Pies. To place an order call 264-7820.

**Estate Sale #3 WILLIAM B. ALLENWORTH, M.D.**  
908 Mountain Peak Dr. Big Spring, Texas

Watch for large ad in Wednesday paper.

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Assistant Managers One of the fastest growing Fast Food Restaurant Chains is looking for career minded individuals. Must have restaurant & supervisory experience. Salary \$3-\$53K/year (DOE) + bonus + benefits + Advancement opportunity. For appointment, call DP PERSONNEL 915-682-0033.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Joy Lewallen, Deceased, were issued on the 5th day of March, 1999, in and for the County of Howard County, Texas, to David Bruce Lewallen.

The address of David Bruce Lewallen is: 4006 94th Street, Lubbock, Lubbock County, Texas 79423. The address for any claims is: 4006 94th Street, Lubbock, Lubbock County, Texas 79423.

All persons having claims against the estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. DATED the 5th day of March, 1999.

**WARD & FREELS, L.L.P.**  
By: John A. Freels  
ATTORNEYS FOR THE ESTATE  
2224 MARCH 12, 1999

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS, AMENDING PART ARTICLE 1, CITY CODE, BY AMENDING SECTION 1-170(A), TIME AND PLACE OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS ORDINANCE WAS DISCUSSED WAS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW.

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ASST. CITY SECRETARY  
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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 1, ARTICLE 1, BY ADDING SECTION 1-85, BY PROVIDING FEES FOR CRIME PREVENTION REWARDS; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS ORDINANCE WAS DISCUSSED WAS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW.

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TAMMY MATTHEWS  
ASST. CITY SECRETARY  
2227 MARCH 12 & 14, 1999

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
TCA Cable TV of Big Spring will be making the following changes to the cable channel lineup. CPAN2 will move from cable channel 97 to cable channel 98. This change will be effective Monday, 3/15/99. There will be no change in the level of service this channel is on and no other channels will be affected. Our office may be contacted at 267-3821 or at 2006 Broadway Ln. for questions or comments.  
2227 MARCH 10, 12, & 14, 1999

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**1998 Lincoln Town Car**  
Light blue clearcoat w/leather, all power, 20,000 miles.  
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Green w/cloth, all power, 17,000 miles.  
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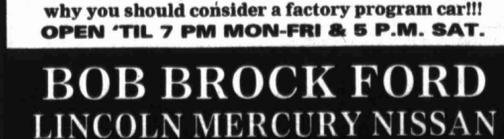
**1998 Ford Taurus SE**  
Blue w/cloth, all power, 19,000 miles.  
Was \$14,995 Now \$13,995



**1998 Ford Mustang**  
Red, automatic, V-6, all power, ground effects; 19,000 miles.  
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**1998 Ford Mustang**  
White, automatic, V-6, all power, 14,000 miles.  
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White w/black top, automatic, V-6, all power, 13,000 miles.  
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**1998 Mercury Tracer L.S.**  
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\* Look in Too Lates for more!! \*

- 2514 Broadway, Friday, 8-5, Saturday 8-12. Furniture, kids clothes, lots of good stuff.
- 6 Family Garage Sale: Sat. & Sun. in Sand Springs on Jalico Rd. take Salem exit.
- Fri-Sat. 8:00-7 Dining room suits, many kitchen gadgets, asst. dishes, meat smoker, mens & womens clothes. On Snyder Hwy., 5.2 miles past blinking light; rock house on N. side of Hwy. NO EARLY SALES!
- Garage Sale: 1324 Harding, Fri. & Sat. 8-4pm. W.B. stove, 8-trk. tapes, artif. flrs., clothing, tables, shelves, pottery, glassware, stereo, paint, misc.
- GARAGE SALE: 1752 Purdue, Fri. & Sat. 8-2pm. Dining table, baby items, clothes, lots of misc.
- Garage Sale: 1810 Settles, Sat. 8-7 only. Kids beds, baby furniture, new & used guns, misc.
- Garage Sale: 200 E. 24th. 8am Sat. Built-in-stove, stereo cabinet, mens & boys clothes, lawn furn., bicycles & gas heaters.
- Garage Sale: 2608 Albrook, Sat. & Sun. 8-7pm. Waterbed, couch, misc.
- Garage Sale: 3001 Cactus St. Sat. Lot's of baby clothes, elect. stove, Burritos, cokes, evaporator cooler, misc.
- Multi Family, Sat. 8-7 Coahoma, S. 6th St. cross over railroads, right hand corner, big shop. Clothes, misc.
- Multi-Family, 3233 Duquesne, Fri. & Sat. Furniture, bikes, clothes, something for everyone!
- Garage Sale. 500 Abrams, Fri. - Sun. 8-7 China cabinet, table & chairs, entert. center, T.V.'s, VCR, speakers, bar stools, washer/dryer, gas stove, misc. 94 GEO Metro, 82 Dodge Duley w/sliding unit wrecker.
- Garage Sale: 6013 E. Midway Rd. Sat. 8-5 Sun 1-5. Sofa, recliner, lamps, coffee tables, skates, toys, X-Mas items, high chair, many more items.
- Garage Sale: Sat. 4210 Hamilton. 8-7 Lot's of clothes, bed, car stereo & misc.
- GARAGE SALE: Saturday, March 13, 8:00-12:00. Corner of Ave. H & 1st Street - Ackerly.
- Inside Sale: 617 Riddlea. 8-7 Sat. only. Household sale, everything goes!!!!
- INSIDE SALE, Friday & Saturday, 8am-3pm. 1810 State. Clothes, toys, some furniture, lots of misc.
- Inside Sale: Full size bed frame, coffee table, gum ball machine, dishes, liners, Nintendo w/games. Fri. & Sat. 2210 Main.
- Moving Sale: 1111 Wilson Rd. Fri. & Sat. 8-7 Furniture, collectibles, lot's of miscellaneous.
- Multi Family Sale, Sat. 8-5. 6408 S. Service Rd. 1-20. Baby items, furniture, clothes, lot's of misc.
- Several Families Garage Sale, Fri. & Sat. 9-5. 2 miles N. on 87. Food booth. Everything.
- Carport Sale: 2501 March Circle, Thu. - Sat. 8-7 Lot's of clothes for the whole family, misc.

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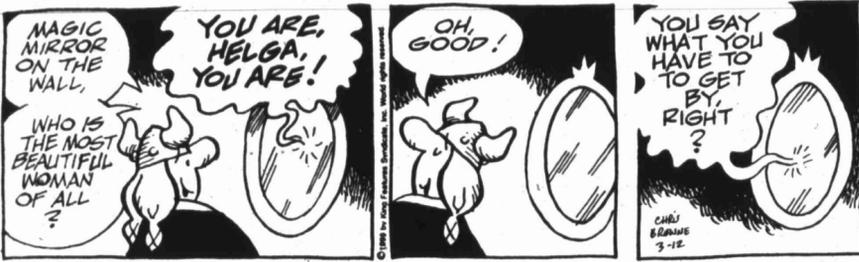
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KMID	7:30	Two of a Kind Boy-World	KPEJ	7:30	Brimstone	KERA	7:30	Wash. Week	FAM	7:30	Can ..	KOSA	7:30	Baseball: NCAA Team	WFAA	7:30	Two of a Kind Boy-World	KWES	7:30	Providence (CC)	WTBS	7:30	(05) Movie: Date With an Angel	UNI	7:30	La Usuradora	DISN	7:30	Nightmare (40) Movie: A Rollerjam: California vs. New York	NASH	7:30	Motor Madness	TMC	7:30	Movie: Father of the Bride	SHOW	7:30	Scream 2 (CC)	HBO	7:30	I Know What You Did Last Summer (45) Movie: Scream 2 (CC)	KMLM24	7:30	Faith Pleases God	A&E	7:30	Code Red-Sub.	DISC	7:30	Code Red-Sub.	TNT	7:30	Movie: Pie in the Sky	FSN	7:30	FOX Sports NHL Hockey	ESPN	7:30	Gymnastics	AMC	7:30	Movie: Blood and Sand	BET	7:30	Movie: I Spy Returns
KMID	8:30	Sabrina-Witch Brother's Kpr	KPEJ	8:30	Millennium (CC)	KERA	8:30	Andre Rieu: Romantic	FAM	8:30	Movie: Who's Harry?	KOSA	8:30	Teams TBA	WFAA	8:30	Sabrina-Witch Brother's Kpr	KWES	8:30	Daisies (CC)	WTBS	8:30	Angel	UNI	8:30	Mentira	DISN	8:30	Kid in Aladdin's Palace	NASH	8:30	Jett Jackson Music Videos	TMC	8:30	Movie: Father of the Bride	SHOW	8:30	Summer Movie: Scream 2 (CC)	HBO	8:30	Light of the Southwest	KMLM24	8:30	LA Detectives	A&E	8:30	News Inferno	DISC	8:30	News Inferno	TNT	8:30	Code Red-Sub.	FSN	8:30	Mighty Ducks of Anaheim at	ESPN	8:30	Baseball: Rock 'n' Roll	AMC	8:30	Movie: Blood and Sand	BET	8:30	Movie: I Spy Returns
KMID	9:30	20/20 (CC)	KPEJ	9:30	Mad Abt. You Nanny (CC)	KERA	9:30	Moments Great	FAM	9:30	Crumb?	KOSA	9:30	College Basketball	WFAA	9:30	20/20 (CC)	KWES	9:30	Homicide: Life on the Street	WTBS	9:30	(25) Movie: Better Off Dead	UNI	9:30	Fuera de Serie	DISN	9:30	Jett Jackson Music Videos	NASH	9:30	Motor Madness	TMC	9:30	Movie: Father of the Bride	SHOW	9:30	Wishmaster 2: Evil Never Dies (CC)	HBO	9:30	Wishmaster 2: Evil Never Dies (CC)	KMLM24	9:30	Cracker	A&E	9:30	Code Red-Sub.	DISC	9:30	Code Red-Sub.	TNT	9:30	Movie: The French Connection	FSN	9:30	Dallas Stars	ESPN	9:30	Baseball: Rock 'n' Roll	AMC	9:30	Movie: Blood and Sand	BET	9:30	Movie: I Spy Returns
KMID	10:30	News (CC) Nightline	KPEJ	10:30	Jerry Springer	KERA	10:30	Performances (CC)	FAM	10:30	700 Club	KOSA	10:30	NCAA Team	WFAA	10:30	News (CC) Nightline	KWES	10:30	News Tonight Show	WTBS	10:30	(25) Movie: Better Off Dead	UNI	10:30	Mejor Ritmo	DISN	10:30	Walk Disney Presents	NASH	10:30	Championship Bull Riding	TMC	10:30	Movie: Hard Boiled	SHOW	10:30	Recall 2070 (CC)	HBO	10:30	Die (CC) Dennis Miller	KMLM24	10:30	Code Red-Sub.	A&E	10:30	Code Red-Sub.	DISC	10:30	Code Red-Sub.	TNT	10:30	Connection	FSN	10:30	Sportscenter (CC)	ESPN	10:30	Sportscenter (CC)	AMC	10:30	Movie: Blood and Sand	BET	10:30	Movie: I Spy Returns
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KMID	12:30	(12:08) Ricki Lake	KPEJ	12:30	Judge-Brown Earth: Final	KERA	12:30	Live!	FAM	12:30	Paid Program	KOSA	12:30	(12:05) Late Show (CC)	WFAA	12:30	(12:08) Oprah Winfrey (CC)	KWES	12:30	Night (CC) Walker, Texas	WTBS	12:30	(25) Movie: Some Kind of Wonderful	UNI	12:30	Gordo y Flaca El Biabazo	DISN	12:30	Mickey Mouse	NASH	12:30	Movie: Those Callows	TMC	12:30	Movie: Hard Boiled	SHOW	12:30	Tracy Takes Mean Guns (CC)	HBO	12:30	Tracy Takes Mean Guns (CC)	KMLM24	12:30	News Inferno	A&E	12:30	News Inferno	DISC	12:30	News Inferno	TNT	12:30	(15) Movie: The Sugarland Express	FSN	12:30	FOX Sports News	ESPN	12:30	FOX Sports News	AMC	12:30	Movie: Blood and Sand	BET	12:30	Movie: I Spy Returns

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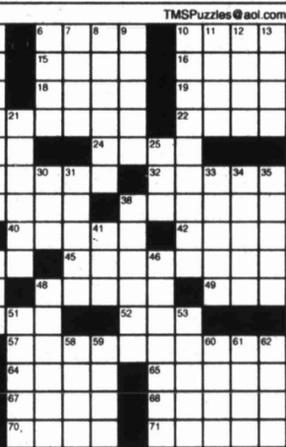
The ASSOCIATED PRESS Today is Friday, March 12, the 71st day of 1999. There are 294 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On March 12, 1912, Juliette Gordon Low founded the Girl Guides, which later became the Girl Scouts of America. On this date: In 1664, New Jersey became a

British colony as King Charles II granted land in the New World to his brother James, the Duke of York. In 1925, Chinese revolutionary leader Sun Yat-sen died. In 1930, Indian political and spiritual leader Mohandas K. Gandhi began a 200-mile march to protest a British tax on salt. In 1932, the so-called "Swedish Match King," Ivar Kreuger, committed suicide in Paris, leaving behind a financial empire that turned out to be worthless. In 1933, President Roosevelt delivered the first of his radio "fireside chats," telling Americans about the nation's economic crisis. In 1938, the "Anschluss" took place as German troops entered Austria. In 1939, Pope Pius XII was formally crowned in ceremonies at the Vatican. In 1940, Finland and the Soviet Union concluded an armistice during World War II. Fighting between the two countries flared again the following year. In 1947, President Truman established what became known as the "Truman Doctrine" to help Greece and Turkey resist Communism. In 1969, Paul McCartney married Linda Eastman in London. In 1993, Janet Reno was sworn in as the nation's first female attorney general. Ten years ago: Some 2,500 veterans and supporters marched at the Art Institute of Chicago to demand that officials remove an American flag placed on the floor as part of a student's exhibit. Five years ago: The Church of England ordained its first women priests. Secretary of State Warren Christopher held discussions with Chinese leaders in Beijing that were marked by blunt exchanges on human rights. One year ago: The government reported the rate of new cancer cases among Americans had inched down for the first time; so 70,000 fewer people than expected were diagnosed between 1992 and 1995.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

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By Gregory E. Paul Scottsdale, PA 3/12/99

Thursday's Puzzle Solved



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Today's Birthdays: Former AFL-CIO president Lane Kirkland is 77. Former astronaut Wally Schirra is 76. Playwright Edward Albee is 71. Former Atlanta Mayor Andrew Young is 67. Broadcast journalist Lloyd Dobyns is 63. Singer Al Jarreau is 59. Actress Barbara Feldon is 58. Actress-singer Liza Minnelli is 53. Singer-songwriter James Taylor is 51. Rock singer-musician Bill Payne (Little Feat) is 50. Actor Jon Provost ("Lassie") is 49. Actor Jerry Levine is 42.