FRIDAY March 19, 1999



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Lions to offer free eveglasses

Big SpringEvening Lions Club will have free eyeglasses for all adults Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon at the Big Spring Evening Lions Club bingo building, 1607 East Third. ...

All adults needing eyeglasses who don't have the income to purchase the exam or glasses are welcome. The recycled eyeglasses are taken from donations from the community as a service project of the

The Lions group will offer the eveglasses the third Saturday of March and April. For more information call Janis Dean at 267-3068.

UBS blood drives Saturday, Tuesday

The United Blood Services third local blood drive is Saturday from 1-5 p.m. at the Big Spring Mall.

The final blood drive will be Tuesday, March 23, at Lakeview Head Start from 9 a.m. to I p.m.

UBS needs to collect 300 units of blood each week to serve its 18-hospital area. Howard County is in their service area.

To make an appointment call the mall at 267-3853 or Lakeview Head Start at 267-

WEEKEND TICKET

TODAY

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

SATURDAY

☐ The Texas Department of Health Health, 501 Birdwell, Suite 28-B, will have a Saturday Shot Clinic from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and from 1 to 4 p.m. Please bring your child's shot record or a note from school. Call 263-9775 for more information.

☐ Eagles Lodge pot luck supper, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third.

Dance 8:30 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third. The Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Potton House, 200 Gregg, from 1-5 p.m. \ A one-time admission fee of

\$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizen is encouraged. ☐ Big Spring Squares call

267-7043 or 263-6305 for more information.

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Producer of the year to be recognized at Ag Expo Wednesday

By BILL McCLELLAN

News Editor

Howard County farmers and ranchers have their day here Wednesday as Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce presents another Ag Expo and Appreciation

The event takes place at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum and will feature exhibits, seminars, food, and naming of the producer of the year.

Among the types of businesses planning to put up exhibits on the coliseum floor for Ag Expo are those representing wholesale, implement, farm supplies,

seed, financial and insurance.

The Expo begins at 9 a.m. and will run until 4 p.m.

"Ag Expo was started to introduce producers to the latest products and information," said Debbye ValVerde, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce sec-

The Ag Appreciation Lunch was started as a means to honor farmers and ranchers, said ValVerde. This will be the 28th year the event has been held.

"It was originally part of the Howard County Fair. It grew and grew so large it was moved away from the fair, and now we have it as a luncheon during the Ag Expo," she said. "We expect to feed about

450 producers.

Following the noon lunch will be the announcement of the ag producer of the year, an award will will be presented by State Rep. David Counts.

Tickets to the lunch are free to all area farmers and ranches. It is required, however, that anyone attending the lunch pick up a ticket at the chamber office in order to have an accurate count for meal preparation.

The lunch is also open to non-producers at \$8 per ticket.

Seminars hosted by the Howard County Extension Service include:

• 9 a.m., Row spacing, row patterns and plant populations by Dr. Bryan

Unruh, extension agronomist.

 9:45 a.m., Boll weevil summary for Howard County, boll weevil management, by Tommy Doederlein, EA-IPM.

· 10:30 a.m., Economics of drip irrigation by David Kight, Howard County **Extension Agent.**

· 11 a.m., Reducing tillage to increase profitability, Dr. Unruh.

· 1 p.m., Continuing Education Units workshop, Shelly Borgstedte, Texas Department of Agriculture.

· 3 p.m., Worker Protection Standard, laws and regulations.

The Ag Expo is presented by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce and the West Texas Ag Expo Committee.



Globally-acclaimed musical tour group to perform locally

By MARSHA STURDIVANT Staff Writer

Up With People, a globallyacclaimed musical tour group of about 120 young adults

dances into Big Spring April 7

after a seven year absence. "Up With People is an educational leadership program. We will visit between 75-80 cities around the globe throughout the year, and we will meet all new people and travel to all these different countries. It is wonderful and we have a very exciting tour planned," said Filo Lopedoto, a member of an Up With People advance team

The Up With People musical 'Roads" will be performed April 9 at the Municipal Auditorium. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for students, and are available at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce. Howard College and Blum's Jewelry in the Big Spring Mall.

and a German citizen.

"The advance team's goal is to sell out the show, but they will also be involved in other activities in the community, such as a Community Service Day," said Andrea Earle, tourism director with the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.

The advance team consists of two Americans, Josh Sagman from Washington D.C. and Jeannie McFarland from Denver Colo., as well as who lives in Lopedoto, Monchengladbach Dusseldorf, Germany.

The job of these three young adults is to recruit host families as well as arrange Community Service Day April

"These three are doing amazing things," said Earle. "They have a great message. Their program centers around young people and the challenges they face in every day life. They promote say no to drugs, and don't get involved with gangs and do get involved with your commu-



Josh Sagman of Washington, D.C., Jeannie McFarland of Denver, Colo, and Filo Lopedoto of Germany (in front) are members of an Up With People advance team in Big Spring to interact with the community and promote the globally-acclaimed musical.

Earle said host families are needed to provide three nights lodging and meals for a member of the Up With People cast. Living with host families is part of the overall education cast members receive when

People program "We have about 25 families now who have agreed, and with 120 cast members, you can see we need a lot more," she said. Best Western has agreed to provide Sagman with a room

they become part of an Up With See CAST, Page 2A

Fund-raiser set Saturday to help children see show

By MARSHA STURDIVANT

Staff Writer

Saturday and Sunday the advance team of an Up With People cast will have a fundraiser at Wal-Mart Discount Store to purchase tickets for area children to see the musical "Roads" April 9.

"We're hoping to raise enough money so that all the needy children in the Big Spring area can come see our show," said Josh Sagman, an advance team member of Up With People. The fund-raising program

will be A Mile of Quarters, he said, and the goal is to raise between \$500 and \$1,000.

"We want to show that you

don't have to give a whole lot to go a long way," Sagman said.

Tape will be placed on the ground, and donors may place their money on the tape, and watch the line of money grow, he said.

Children from three local organizations will benefit from the effort, he said. These are Excellent Experiences, a mentoring program with the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, The Big Spring Area Salvation Army Youth Program, and the Vista Care Family Hospice.

"Vista Care is an organization for terminally ill patients, and we are hoping to bring all their clients to the show," Sagman said. Up With People is a musical

program that travels the globe performing in various cities. The cast of each program has about 120 18-25 year olds. All cast members must be high school graduates, and each member must pay a program fee of \$13,700 to cover travel expenses and other costs.

Each Up With People program that tours a community See CHILDREN, Page 2A

organizes fundraisers, as well as a Community Service Day in which the entire cast participates.

Currently, the advance team is seeking local projects for Community Service Day, which will be April 8.

Every Up With People cast

Vote

Producers set to cast ballot on boll weevil referendum

By JOHN H. WALKER Managing Editor

Ballots were mailed Thursday to 3,385 cotton farmers andlandowners for the April 8 referendum that will determine whether to establish a boll weevil eradication program and set a maximum assessment in the 6-county Permian Basin Boll Weevil Eradication Zone.

Eligible voters in the Permian Basin Boll Weevil Eradication Zone should receive an official ballot by mail. A postage-paid return envelope is included. Completed ballots must be postmarked on or before April 8 to be counted. Producers who planted cotton in 1998, but do not receive a ballot should immediately contact TDA at (512) 463-7593.

To officially establish a boll weevil eradication program in the Permian Basin zone and set an assessment, the proposition must be approved by a twothirds vote in the April 8 referendum, or those voting in favor must farm more than 50 percent of the zone's cotton acreage.

In addition to deciding if an eradication program should begin in the zone, voters will elect a board member from the Permian Basin zone to serve on the statewide board of directors for the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation Inc. TDA received one nomination for this position before the March 9, filing deadline.

The name of Jim Brown of Midland County appears on the ballot as a board candidate. Brown is a cotton producer who has farmed in Dawson County since 1979. Brown currently serves as the Commissionerappointed director for the Permian Basin zone. The Permian Basin Boll

Weevil Eradication Zone consists of approximately 780,000 acres in six counties: Dawson, Ector, Howard, Martin and portions of Borden and Midland.

Parents voice concern over BSISD calendar for 1999-2000 school year

By MARSHA STURDIVANT

Staff Writer

Big Spring Independent School District trustees Thursday listened to concerns from parents over the 1999-2000 school year that is to begin Aug. 9.



By beginning school Aug. 9, you have effectively reduced the summer vacation from 12 weeks to eight weeks," said Prissy Stanley, who has a seventh grade son attending Goliad.

Terry Stanley, her husband, said starting earlier in the sum-

mer may be popular with teachers, but he believes it is unpopular with parents.

"And there are more of us than there are staff," he said. The debate centers around the school calendar that was

approved by trustees at a February board meeting. This calendar provides the first teacher in-service day as Aug. 4, with school beginning Monday, Aug. 9. This calendar also allows for two weeks Christmas vacation,

a week Thanksgiving vacation,

and school year end set at May

Also under consideration with the approval of this calendar was the ability to end the first semester before the Christmas break. Teachers have expressed concern that students must be

reviewed following the holiday for semester finals, which cuts down on class time for new material.

"Surely review following Christmas vacation is not something out of the scope of teaching. I hope you are considering the people you educate and their needs outside this institution," Prissy Stanley said.

Deputy superintendent Murray Murphy said the calendar selected was chosen by the site-based committee, and that he and William McQueary. superintendent, no longer create the school year calendar.

Traditional holidays, such as a week long Spring Break and two weeks at Christmas, have been considerations for the cal-



Lanelle Witt, First Bank of West Texas; Marie Powell and Debbie Sheppard, Dakotas; and Sherry Phillips, Merle Norman Cosmetic Studios, left to right, visit during Business After Hours Thursday evening at Merie Norman.

OBITUARIES

Martha Jane

Easterday
Graveside service for Martha Jane Easterday, 53, of Austin, formerly of Coahoma, will be 5

p.m. Friday, March 19, 1999, Trinity Memorial Park. She died Tuesday, March 16, 1999, Austin. She

was born May 9, **EASTERDAY** 1945, in Fort

Worth and married Jim Easterday in September 1984 in Big Spring. She grew up in Coahoma and graduated from Coahoma High School. Mrs. Easterday had lived in Austin for the last nine years and was a homemaker. She was a Baptist.

Survivors include: her husband, Jim Easterday of Austin; daughters, Sheila Cunningham of Studio City, Calif., and Debbie Cunningham of San Marcos; her mother, Dorothy Bales of Coahoma; two brothers, Douglas Bales of Irving and Jerry Don Bales of Sand Springs; one sister, Claudine Tucker of Sand Springs; two stepchildren, Kevin Easterday and Karrie Ann Easterday of Casanovia. Mich.; and one granddaughter.

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

Thurman Lester Young
Graveside service for

Thurman Lester Young, 72, Big Spring, will be 2 p.m. Saturday, March 20, 1999, at Resthaven Memorial

Park Lubbock, with Robert Turner, minister of Oasis Church Christ in Big Spring, officiating, assisted John retired Baptist minister · of

Lubbock.

YOUNG

Mr. Young died Thursday, March 18, at his residence.

He was born on Nov. 6, 1926, in Spur. He married Elizabeth Blanch on Oct. 31, 1952, in Abilene. He came to Big Spring on July 4, 1953, from Spur and started to work for Texas Electric. He retired in July of 1987 after 34 years as a general foreman in distribution.

Since his retirement he and his wife were active in craft shows. He was a member of Oasis Church of Christ. He was Chapter President of the local Credit Union's Association for over 20 years and was president and manager of TU Credit Union at the time of his death and had been since 1953. Mr. Young had served in the United States Army during the Korean Conflict with the 1903 3rd Engineering Aviational

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

Thurman Lester Young, 72 died Thursday. Graveside services will be 2:00 PM. Saturday at Resthaven Memorial Park, Lubbock,

Battalion.

Survivors include: his wife, Elizabeth Young of Big Spring; three sons, Allen Young of Big Spring, Bruce Young and Tommy Young, both of Lubbock; one daughter, Brenda Martin of Lubbock; six grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; one sister, Bobbie Brewster of Spur; and three brothers, Wallace Young of Abilene, Ted Young of Snyder, and Jackie Young of Spur.

The family will receive friends from 7 to 8 p.m. tonight at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

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

Don E. Thomas

Graveside service for Don E. Thomas, 75, Friendswood, will be 3 p.m. Saturday, March 20, 1999, at Forest Park East Cemetery, Webster.

Mr. Thomas died Wednesday, March 17:

He was born in Big Spring and was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving during World

Survivors include: his wife, Ruby Lee Thomas; three sons, Edward E. Thomas of Washington, D.C., Don M. Thomas of Manassas, Va., and Timothy B. Thomas of Houston; four sisters, Adelle Tibbs, Rebecca Plunkett, Ruth Salisbury and Peggy McDuff; two brothers, Richard Thomas and Ray Thomas; one granddaughter; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Arrangements under the direction of Forest Park East Funeral Home, Webster.

BSISD

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endar, Murphy said. "What about the traditional

summer vacation?" Terry Stanley asked. Five calendars were selected by the site-based committee and voted upon by teachers, and the

calendar that received overwhelming approval - 132 votes out of 365 total - was approved by trustees. The difference, Murphy said

between now and 20 years ago is that the number of instructional days and teacher in-service and work days have increased 19 days in the past 20 years.

"When I was in school, the school year was 168 days, with five of those in-service days for teachers. Now we have 178 instructional days, 15 more days. That's three more weeks we have." Murphy said.

The Stanley's said by eliminating four weeks of summer vacation, youth camps and other summer activities must be rescheduled or eliminated.

"This throws a kink into the summer activities with the early August beginning and early May ending shift," Prissy Stanley said

Trustee Mike Dawson suggested that a parent survey be administered through each school to hear the viewpoint of all parents within the district. The survey, which may be administered every three years or so, will be an additional tool used to create a school calen-

dar, he said. "Our site-based decision making committees include parents as well as educators. We have parents on the site-based committee, and I do not want this to be perceived as a replacement for the process we already have in place. I see this survey in conjunction with that process,"

Dawson said. In other business, Ron Logback, assistant business manager, said the new junior high school is 95 percent com-

plete in the first three levels. "We are working on our punch list now, on the interior. The contractor will now look very poorly on anybody going in that building and he's going to become hostile. Up till now he's been very cooperative, but now he will say we have to buy the building and assume it, because he doesn't want to be

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responsible for people in the building," Logback said.

McQueary advised that a grand opening dedication ceremony be planned for sometime in July, perhaps July 4.

"I imagine we may have 5,000 to 6,000 people attend, and I don't know where we'll put them, but we'll figure out something," he said.

The exterior landscaping and paving, as well as lighting is underway now, and Logback anticipates the district having the building by the end of May.

"It will then be complete, except for the things that are ours to do, such as furnishings and equipment in the building,' Logback said.

Trustees also accepted \$50,195 in funds from the Texas Education Agency for the speeducation program. Richard Light, director of the program, said these are additional funds available for the district.

Trustees also approved bids for athletic supplies, vehicles and liability insurance and office supplies, as well as the sale of a property.

The textbooks were also adopted for the coming school

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CHILDREN

consists of 53 percent American, 38 percent European, 6 percent Asian, and 1 percent from Australia, Africa and South America.

Each cast visits six to 10 countries around the globe, and between 75 and 90 cities during their year-long tour. The cast members spend 10 months of that year traveling, while a sixweek staging in Colorado begins their adventure.

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for two weeks at no charge. The women are staying with Becky Crane, city parks and recreation director, and Kathy Lusk, manager of Big Spring Mall, Earle said.

"This has been really nice of these individuals. They have allowed these individuals to come into their homes for about a month," Earle said.

To be an Up With People host family, call Sagman, McFarland or Lopedoto at 264-6033.

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 D y s f u n c t i o n Syndrome/Fibromyalgia, 1-3 p.m., on different Saturdays of the month, HealthSouth facility at Hwy. 191 and Loop 250,

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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

·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

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

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 Brinkaeter, 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

THE CLASS OF 1954 is having their 45th class reunion, Oct. 15-16. We have been unable to locate the following class

Barron. Doss Lunnell Brookshire, Martha Buford, Norma Burns. Rebecca Chadwick, Viola Chandler, James Day, Glenda Drennan, Pat Everett, Angel Franco, Wayne 'Lankford, Donald Malone, David McNeely, Kim Milling, Arlene Mitchell, Lewis Newll, Jeanette Petty, Wanda Rouse, Shirley Spero, J.W. Thompson, Joy towery, Jack Wactendorf, Don Washburn, Mike Williamson, and Ronald Young.

If you can help us with an address or phone number for one of these class members, please call 267-6400.

BRIEFS

ANNUAL **AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION chari**ty golf tournament, Big Spring Municipal Golf Course April 17. Sign up at the Municipal Golf course for four-person scramble, must have A,B,C,D player (open to all). \$200 per team (includes cart and green fee).

All proceeds of this event go to the Howard County Chapter of the American Heart Association to help in the fight against heart disease.

AMERICAN LEGION POST 506 will have fish fry Saturday from noon - 3 p.m. Cost is \$6 a plate and carryout is available. The post address is 3203 W. Hwy 80, or call 263-2084 for more information.

A FREE TRIP TO San Antonio is being offered to a volunteer for the Howard College Dental Hygiene Department. Students are seeking a volunteer who has not had a professional tooth cleaning in at least five years to accompany them on the overnight trip, all expenses

The volunteer's teeth will be cleaned as part of the students' examination for certification. Call Laurie at 264-7446 for more information.

Big Spring Symphony Association & Big Spring Symphony Guild Wish to salute all music students and we

would especially like to congratulate Mallory Kennedy

4th grade student at Bauer Elementary and daughter of Tony and Lori Kennedy, for being chosen to sing with the Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorale this Saturday night, March 20, in their production of the St. Matthew Passion.

TEXAS LOTTERY

PICK 3: 4,9,2 CASH 5:6,9,16,25,38

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

THE TEXAS AGRICUL- Thursday and 8 a.m. today: TURE EXTENSION Service 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 face 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.

SACRED HEART CHURCH, 508 N. Aylesford, will be having a Feast of the Annunciation on Thursday, March 25, starting with a 6:30 p.m. Rosary and then a 7 p.m. Holy Mass with Father Jeremiah McCarthy.

After the mass, there will be a talk and healing service with Alan Ames followed by refreshments.

For more information call Mary R. Paradez at 263-7544 or the parish secretary at 263-7884.

MARKETS

May cotton 61.02 cents, down 14 points; April crude 14.98, down 2 points; cash hogs steady at 24 cents even; cash steers steady at 65 even; April lean hog futures 42.07, down 20 points; April live cattle futures 66.85, down 30

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POLICE

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The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents between 8 a.m.

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· CRIMINAL MISCHIEF will sponsor the Texas was reported in the 1000 block of North Main. Tires valued at \$100 were damaged.

· CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1500 block of Tucson. A plate-glass window was damaged.

· TONY CASTELLANO, 25, was arrested for local warrants. · CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported at the police sta-

• EARNEST CLARK, 58, was arrested for public intoxication. JUVENILE PROBLEMS were reported in the 1400 block of Tucson, 2000 block of Goliad, 300 block of East Fourth and

500 block of Marcy · CHRISTINA WOOD, 22. was arrested for possession of marijuana less than two ounces

· COLTON CORROW, 22, was arrested for possession of marijuana less than two

 MAJOR ACCIDENT was reported at the intersection of

Mt. Vernon and 14th. · RICKY HICKS, 19, was arrested for theft more than \$50 less than \$500.

 MINOR ACCIDENT was reported at the intersection of 17th and Gregg. DRAG RACING/RECK-

LESS DRIVER was reported in the 1700 block of Main. THEFT was reported in the 900 block of Willia.

 CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1200 block of Gregg. Two tires, valued at \$140, were damaged.

SHERIFF

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

· WILLIAM LEROY DAVIS, 22, was arrested for bondsman off bond of burglary to a build-THOMAS EUGENE HAUS-

lic intoxication and no liability insurance. ANTHONY ALPHONSO LEWIS, 27, was arrested for assault causing bodily injury.

NER, 33, was arrested for pub-

Records

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BIG SPRING HERAL

Bivins

AUSTIN(AP) - ASschool funding proj backers say would relief to property ov put an average \$2,000 teachers' pockets ann introduced Thursday

Education

Chairman Teel Bivins The tax relief for and homeowners is es average 10 cents per erty value. For a h owing taxes on \$100 would mean \$100 in according to staff.

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Bivins outlines \$2.5 billion proposed school funding measure

AUSTIN (AP) — A \$2.5 billion school funding proposal that backers say would give tax relief to property owners and put an average \$2,000 more into teachers' pockets annually was introduced Thursday by Senate Education Committee Chairman Teel Bivins.

The tax relief for businesses and homeowners is estimated to average 10 cents per \$100 property value. For a homeowner owing taxes on \$100,000, that would mean \$100 in savings, according to staff.

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"This is a work in progress," said Bivins, R-Amarillo. He emphasized that he wants to work with lawmakers on the measure, which drew criticism from teacher groups and those who have fought for school

funding equity.

The bill is backed by Republican legislative leaders such as Lt. Gov. Rick Perry and Senate Finance Committee Chairman Bill Ratliff of Mount

"Senator Bivins' plan represents the largest single increase

Linda Edwards, spokeswoman for Gov. George W. Bush, called the proposal "a great start." Bush has advocated \$2 billion in property tax cuts, but Bivins said the proposed record state

funding increase would be "pretty much keeping our promise." Teacher groups said the plan

falls short. "It's a lousy proposal," said Annette Cootes of the Texas

State Teachers Association. Among objections, she noted that teachers only would get the estimated \$2,000 if lawmakers pass and voters approve a constitutional amendment on a

statewide ballot in November. Under the proposal, the extra money for teachers would come from the state taking over their retirement contribution, which is 6.4 percent of their base pay. That means higher-paid teachers would get more money.

TSTA favors a \$3,000 acrossthe-board increase directly in the salary scale, she said.

Ratliff — who contends such a in school funding in the history raise wouldn't work given the of the state of Texas," Perry state's funding mechanism and

court requirements for equity est school districts. - said, "It is not as much as some people were promising every single equity measure during the campaigns, but I'm sure that everybody understands that that's not possible.

"I think it is a significant amount of money to the teachers of Texas."

The bill immediately drew fire from Education Vice Chairman Gregory Luna, D-San Antonio, who said it would exacerbate funding disparities among school districts with varying local property wealth.

new school funding battle if implemented.

The school funding system relies on state aid, local property taxes and some federal

The state — following a court order for equity among school districts — uses a system that requires the wealthiest school districts to share some local tax would affect equity revenue with the rest of the

Bivins said his bill would ing among the richest and poor- Kauffman said.

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"This legislation improves that we measure our school funding system by," he said.

Luna disagreed. "My analysis is completely the opposite of his. It (the bill) is very disequalizing."

Funneling money directly to teachers without regard to the wealth of the school districts in which they work would harm equity, Luna said.

Among other provisions, Luna also objected to a proposal He said it could result in a to allow fewer wealthier districts to share property tax revenue with the rest of the state.

Al Kauffman of the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, an attorney who represented poor school districts in their funding fight, said he hadn't seen the bill. But he said he also had concerns about how those provisions

"In this year when we have a budget surplus, it is real shame that we're not trying to reduce boost equity, including narrow- the gap between the poor dising the gap in per-student fund- tricts and the rich districts,"

SCHOOL FUNDING PROPOSAL HIGHLIGHTS

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- \$1 billion for increased teacher compensation.

- \$1.35 billion for what Bivins calls a combination of school equity and property tax relief.

\$150 million for school facilities, which Bivins said also would provide local tax relief.

SCHOOL FUNDING CHANGES

- Increase from \$21 to \$23.80 the amount guaranteed to school districts for each penny of property tax over 86 cents per

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Killer of four intruders

Harris County jurors accepted a 22-year-old Houston man's argument that he shot four people to death because he feared for his life, acquitting him of capital murder charges Thursday in a case observers said would test the limits of the self-defense claim.

Narit Burin "Archie" Bunchien acquittal marks only: the third time that has happened on a capital case in

he killed 21-year-old An "Nick" Phong and three of Phong's companions, including a 15year-old girl, in the early

because of the number of vic. Pham, 15.

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Defense lawyer Dick DeGuerin said his client, held in Harris County Jail for more than two years awaiting trial, would be flown as quickly as possible to an undisclosed loca-

immigrants, has been the tarwas jailed in December 1996, DeGuerin said.

While the youth's parents, Lex and Buppha Bunchien, were elated by the verdict ending the two-week trial, the survivors of the four Vietnamese immigrants he admitted shooting were left near tears.

White House rips GOP crop insurance funding reforms, Chambliss said.

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Republicans and the Clinton administration fired opening salvos in the growing debate over how to pay for an overhaul of a farm crop insurance program.

"That's a pretty strong signal he had no intention of making any changes to crop insurance," Chambliss said.

"The House and Senate Budget Committees included the \$6 billion of the program of the

A Republican plan to spend an extra \$6 billion over four years for the reforms doesn't seem possible, the Clinton administration charged Thursday. The White House hasn't even offered a plan, Republicans countered.

"It's easy to make pie-in-the-sky promises about things," Sylvia Mathews, deputy director of the White House Office of Management and Budget, said in an interview. "What is real is the commitment and when you deliver."

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But prosecutors, while admitting they have no reason to disbelieve that Bunchien verdict damaging to her famifeared for his life, had contended his behavior was not

Bunchien; son of two Thai get of death threats since he

"I don't believe it," said Tina Nguyen, mother of Thien "Steve" Nguyen, calling the ly's honor.

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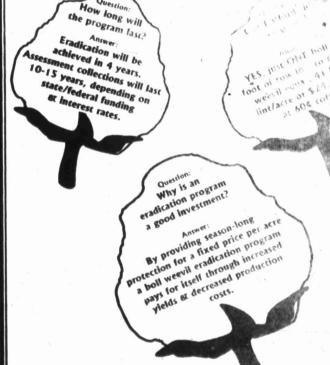
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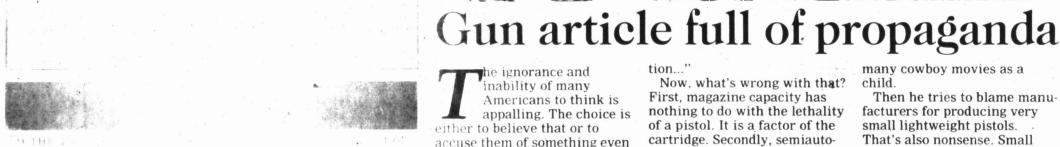
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Clinton and Stephanopoulos of a feather

Stephanopoulos was flying

high in the summer of 1994.

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he fur is flying between the Clintons and their former top aide, George Stephanopoulos. George is a turncoat, White House loyalists whisper. He's violated ancient protocol by penning a

tell-all book "All Too Human" -while the president remains in office. How can any future president solicit confidential advice without worry that the details will soon be told

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on Larry King, establishment types wonder? Hillary Clinton, reportedly, is especially mad at Stephanopoulos' betrayal.

Our verdict: If there were ever two men who deserved each other, it's these two. And like practically every other Clinton misstep, the seeds of this betrayal were planted years ago and fertilized by Clinton's own insistence on winning at all costs.

For this isn't the first time that Stephanopoulos has cashed in on the Clinton presidency to the tune of seven figures. Today we retell a story first revealed in this space more than four years ago -- yet curiously absent from this spare-no-details memoir.

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Times. The headline says, "To

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Here is an example of Mr.

The increase in pistols that

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Diaz's propaganda:

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old Northwest Washington condominium in favor of a far more luxurious property, worth nearly \$1 million, in a nicer neighborhood. At the time, Stephanopoulos was earning a little more than \$100,000 per year, yet he managed to borrow \$668,000 from NationsBank to complete the sale. Dozens of experts we spoke to said the loan smelled of special treatment. "George made out like a bandit," said his proud real-estate

agent, Georgio Furioso, at the time. Made out he did, at a time when NationsBank was in the forefront of a lobbying drive that would ultimately make it much easier for big banks to expand their operations across state borders. NationsBank's chairman, Hugh McColl Jr., was a contributor to and close ally of the president; we later learned the he was among those who sipped iava at those infamous White House "coffees" that were used

1996 campaign. We also wanted to know how Stephanopoulos secured a below-market interest rate for his new abode, especially since some banks might consider it risky to lend so much money to a man whose net worth at the time was relatively low. While things may have smelled funny to us, everyone involved insisted the deal was on the up-

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Now, what's wrong with that?

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never asked for any special treatment," Stephanopoulos insisted. The president's righthand man said he'd never even met McColl, even though Clinton and McColl met regularly and once chatted late into the night at the executive man-As we kept asking questions,

Stephanopoulos' mellow demeanor changed dramatical-

The man who now keeps his cool in media interviews bared his fangs in several profanitylaced tirades while we were reporting the story. "Write whatever the (expletive) you want!" he roared before hanging up the phone to end one conversation.

But we felt the story had to be told -- even if there was (and is) no evidence that Stephanopoulos actually solicited his sweetheart deal from NationsBank, or that McColl personally approved the loan. The appearance of favoritism was enough reason to forgo such a deal.

Stephanopoulos himself explains this particular problem in the first chapter of his book.

He's describing the background check that all prospective White House employees must submit to before getting their security clearance. The background check was conducted, ironically, by future felon Webster Hubbell.

"Now George, I want you to think hard about this, Stephanopoulos quotes Hubbell "Is there anything at all, any-

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where in your past, that could ever come back to embarrass the president?" Stephanopoulos understood the question:

"From now on, everything I said or did would reflect on Clinton and affect our mission, even if it happened long ago. The president's welfare had to be my first concern.

Several months after the loan was issued and our story ran, Clinton signed the interstate banking bill that McColl had been pushing - and which paved the way for a massive expansion by NationsBank. "McColl wrote (the interstate banking) bill," Ken Guenther. executive vice president of the Independent Bankers Association of America, told our associate Aaron Karp. "Between his connections with the White House and (members of Congress), everything was cleared with McColl.

Should anyone now feel sorry for Clinton that Stephanopoulos breached protocol by selling his intimate recollections for a big payday? We all are judged by the company we keep, and in Clinton's case the roster isn't pretty. Before George there was Dick Morris. the toe-sucking consultant whose dalliance with a prostitute got him bounced from the 1996 campaign

Or as Stephanopoulos himself said on Larry King, when asked why he didn't resign from the campaign in 1992 after suspecting that Clinton was lying about Gennifer Flowers: "To be honest, Larry, I wanted to win.

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Skeptical Senate leaders want answers from Clinton on Kosovo

Alarmed over warnings that American military lives may soon be at risk, Senate leaders are demanding a face-to-face accounting from President Clinton on his administration's goals for Kosovo.

Furthermore, the Senate is planning to take up legislation Monday that could block funds for any U.S. military involvement in the Serbian province without prior, congressional approval.

The American people need to have a better understanding what the United States' national security interests are, if any,' Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., said.

Lott and other Senate leaders received a briefing Thursday from Secretary of State Madeleine Albright and other members of Clinton's national security team on the fragile status of peace negotiations between Serbs and Kosovo Albanians in Paris and on the continued threat of U.S.-led NATO airstrikes against Serb

The talks broke down today and French and British mediators said in a statement they won't resume if the Serbs continue to reject the accord.

"There is no purpose in extending the talks any fur-

ther," the mediators said.

Albright, as she went into the closed-door briefing with lawmakers, said "NATO stands ready to take whatever measures are necessary.'

Afterwards, Lott said he wasn't satisfied - and requested a meeting with Clinton.

Clinton agreed to meet with the Senate leaders today.

"I just don't think that the predicate has been laid, that the Senate, let alone the American people, know enough about what the reasons are for potential airstrikes at this time," Lott

"What are the risks? What do we hope to achieve? And what

happens next? I'm just saying paign." that we need to know a lot more than we presently have been advised," Lott added

Earlier Thursday, Pentagon's top military commanders told a Senate hearing that military action against Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic's forces could be difficult and could result in American casualties.

spokesman Lott Czwartacki said sentiment in the GOP-led Congress had changed from "qualified support" for administration policy 'to real serious debate over whether we should be heading into a long drawn-out cam-

David Leavy, a White House spokesman on national security issues, said that at today's meeting, Clinton would emphasize "that the United States has a clear national interest in preventing a wider war from spreading in Kosovo.'

"The president believes it's important to have strong bipartisan consensus here at home as we deliver a strict message to President Milosevic that his actions are intolerable and there will be further consequences if he does not abide by his obligations and agree to a political settlement that guarantees Kosovo's autonomy."

NATO has warned it will bombard Serbian targets if Milosevic continues to resist a proposed three-year settlement to give Kosovo autonomy. The latest round of settlement talks in Paris appeared to be at an end Thursday, and it was unclear whether any more would be held or whether the Serbs would be given a few days to consider their position. Yugoslav forces appeared to be mobilizing for all-out war.

More than 2,000 people have been killed in a year of fighting in Kosovo, a province of Serbia, the dominant of two remaining republics comprising

Report finds little deterring health, safety problems

in nursing homes WASHINGTON (AP) Government inspections and penalties aren't deterring health and safety violations in nursing homes, congres-

sional auditors say. Over a three-year period, the General Accounting Office found virtually no change in the percentage of nursing homes nationwide with health and safety violations causing harm to residents - such as bed sores or accidents or placing the residents at risk of death or serious injury.

"Bad homes stay bad," said Sen. Chuck Grassley, R-Iowa, one of the lawmakers who requested the study that was released Thursday. "The government is not doing enough.'

President Clinton last summer announced a campaign to improve enforcement of nursing home standards and has sked Congress for \$60 million more for such efforts in 2000 than will be spent this

Grassley, who chairs the Senate's Special Committee on Aging, said he has asked the administration for monthly progress reports.

The American Health Care Association, which represents nursing homes, said it welomes closer scrutiny of the government oversight system. One of the biggest prob-

lems that we face is that the rovernment inspection process simply doesn't work,' said AHCA vice president Landa Keegan. "The process is focused on punishing facilities rather than correcting problems. Inspectors cannot even give advice on how to fix a problem.

The GAO Congress' investigative branch - surveved government inspection reports from July 1995 to October 1998 for the nation's 17,000 nursing homes that receive federal Medicare and Medicaid money.

The auditors found the percentage of homes with the most serious health and safety violations dropped only 1 percent, from 28 percent to 27

About 40 percent of the homes that had problems cited in the earliest inspection reports reviewed had equally serious deficiencies in later reports.

Among the most frequent violations were inadequate attention by staff to prevent residents from developing bedsores and lack of supervision or special equipment such as alarms to avert acci-

To determine whether government intervention led to improvement, the auditors studied 74 nursing homes in Pennsylvania, Michigan, Texas and California that state inspectors had referred to federal regulators.

GOP, White House duel as Senate panel OKs 2000 budget

Republicans and the White House traded charges over Social Security and tax cuts as the GOP pushed a \$1.74 trillion budget for fiscal 2000 through

the Senate Budget Committee. Chairman Pete Domenici, R-N.M., shoved the package through his committee by an 11-9 party-line roll call vote on Thursday after spending two days beating back Democratic attempts to kill or shrink GOP

tax cuts. Like a similar version the House Budget Committee approved on Wednesday, the since the Great Depression." Senate measure pledges to cut

years and provide more money for schools and defense while heeding required spending limits. It would also use Social Security surpluses to trim the national debt.

"Our priorities are very good in this budget," Domenici said afterward.

Even before its passage, though, Vice President Al Gore accused the GOP of resorting to "Republican retronomics" resembling President Reagan's budgets of the 1980s, which he said "created the deepest recession **Democrats** have

taxes by \$778 billion over 10 Republicans would do nothing over the next 15 years for those to reinforce Social Security and Medicare for the baby boomers' retirements and would bestow overly large tax cuts and force deep spending cuts - all the while imperiling the economy.

"The Republican plan puts risky tax schemes first and Social Security last," Gore told black newspaper publishers visiting the White House.

Republicans said it was President Clinton, who would give Treasury bonds to the Social Security trust funds, who Medicare. By proposing to reserve 77 percent of surpluses

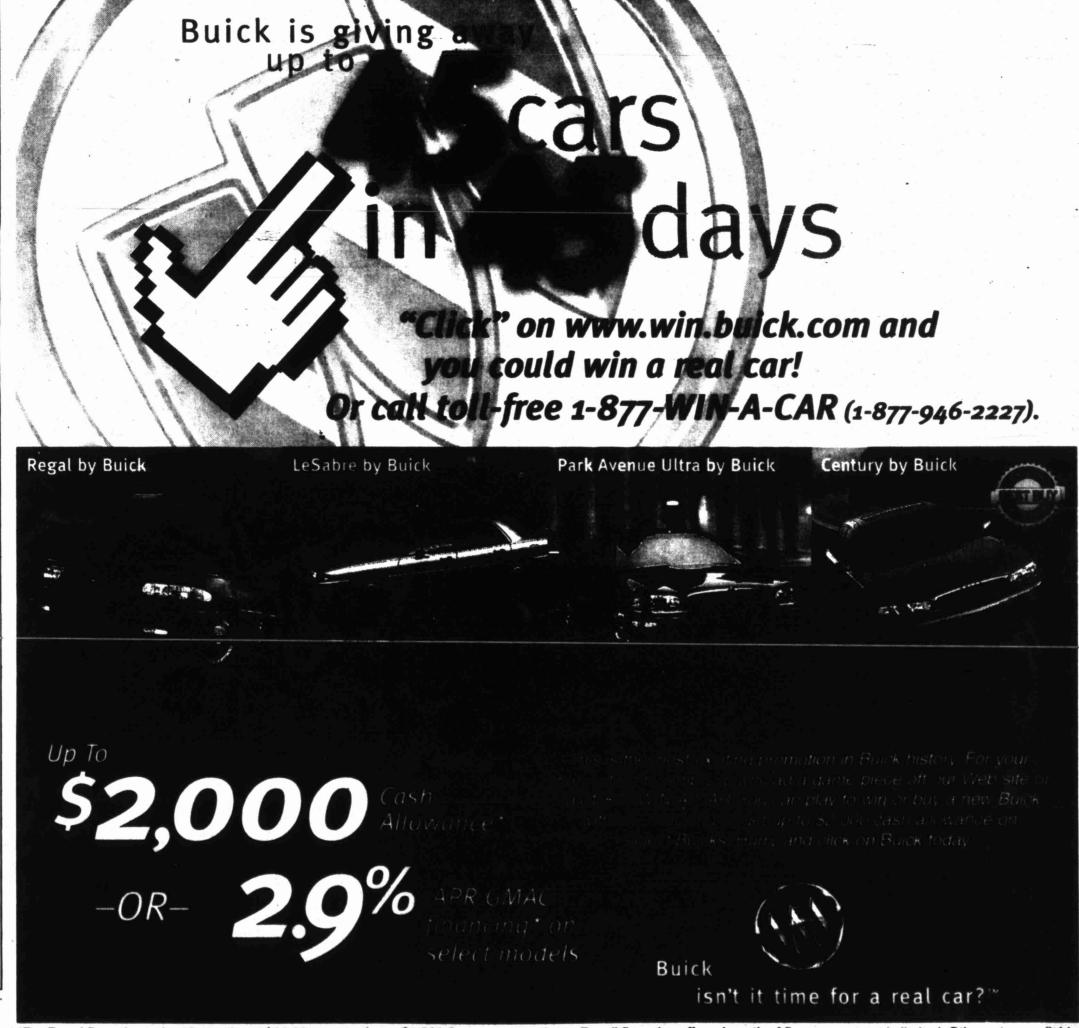
two programs, the president was merely trying to prevent Republicans from cutting taxes.

"The president has handed over the budget situation to the next election," Domenici told reporters. "Instead of trying to get things done, they're trying to electioneer for Vice President Gore already.'

The congressional budget provides lawmakers with overall tax and spending limits for fiscal 2000, which begins Oct. 1, but leaves decisions on specifics was not helping that program or for future bills. It does not require the president's signa-

Before approving Domenici's budget, Sen. Christopher Bond, R-Mo., tweaked Democrats by forcing the panel to vote on the budget Clinton proposed last month. It was rejected 21-0.

Democrats said they support the main principle of the president's budget: reserving most of the surplus for Social Security and Medicare. But with the two parties competing this year, over protecting Social Security, they were reluctant to vote for the Clinton plan because it would allow some Social Security funds to be spent for domestic programs in the next



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Friday, March 19, 1999

East Fourth Baptist proves downtown Big Spring is alive

Features Editor

East Fourth Street Baptist Church is a brighter, more comfortable place these days.

The congregation recently completed a \$100,000 remodeling project for its sanctuary at 401 E. Fourth.

Included were new pews, new carpeting, decorative windows, brighter lighting and new air conditioning.

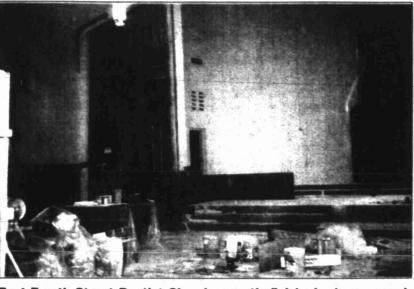
Bob Taylor, chair of the committee that oversaw the renovation, said the additional padding on the new pews, and the added leg room in between them, may cause a problem.

"We told our pastor (the Rev. Dudley Mullins) he's going to have to work harder to keep people awake now," Taylor joked. "It sure is comfortable to sit in here.'

The bright lights may help. Since the replaced their clear windows with brightly colored ones, the committee added extra-bright halogen lighting to the room.

Decorated mostly in teal, the room has accents of mauve. The new windows, made from a process that looks like stained glass, pick up the colors from the room. They include a dove

For seven weeks, the congregation met at the Municipal Auditorium. During that time,



East Fourth Street Baptist Church recently finished a huge remodeling project. Above, their sanctuary was out of service while the remodeling was going on. At right, Pastor Dudley Mullins sits in the church's new pews that are so comfortable, some people have joked he may have to work harder to keep them awake during the

they also did much of the renovation work themselves, tearing out old "gaudy" carpeting and removing the old pews.

Some of the old pews have been moved to the balcony, where they will come in handy later this month. On April 25, the formal dedication of the sanctuary is planned, and many more than the usual 200 Sunday worshippers are expect-

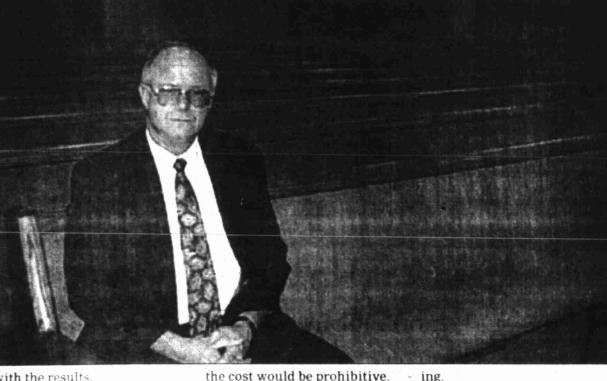
Taylor said the church had considered a renovation project

about five years ago, but finally decided it must be done.

We needed to update the look of our church," he said. "We wanted it to look like a home, for people to feel like they've found a church home."

That included an update for the lobby, which is often the first thing visitors see. It now includes an overstuffed couch, new carpeting and a painting by artist Virginia Whitten, a member of the church.

The pastor said he's pleased



with the results

"I've always said God's house should look as nice as the house of anyone in the congregation," Mullins said.

East Fourth worshippers considered renovating their old sanctuary, which was altered years' ago to make Sunday school rooms and a fellowship

They wanted to make the historic structure a state-recognized historic site, but found

Still, plans are in the works to make it a county historic site. And the church has other projects in mind, since they recently purchased some property behind the church, facing

They are uncertain at this point how they will use the property, but will probably add on to their facilities, since the congregation has doubled in the last year and is still grow-

Third Street.

downtown churches are dead," Taylor said, shaking his head. "We don't believe that, and I think we've proved it wrong.'

For the formal dedication of its newly renovated sanctuary April 25, all former pastors and members of East Fourth Street Baptist are invited.

Services are planned at 10 a.m., 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. on

CHURCH NEWS

Immaculate Heart of Mary

Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, 1009 Hearn Street, will have a non-denominational prayer service for rain on Sunday at 3 p.m. led by Father Jeremiah McCarthy and Father. Chris Coleman. Everyone is invited to come

First United Methodist Church

Through The Eye of a Needle" (Mark 10:17-31) is Dr. Ed Williamson's message this Sunday at the First United Methodist Church, 400 Scurry. The message is about the challenge of faith.

Worship is at 8:30 and 10:50

On March 21, there will be a Christian Education Workshop for anyone currently teaching. or substitute teaching a Sunday School class of any level. Everyone is welcome to attend the workshop from noon to 3 p.m., and there will be a luncheon in Garrett Hall with day care provided. Please RSVP at

Abundant Grace Family Church

Abundant Grace Family Church, located at 1005 East 11th Place, invites you to come hear our guest speaker, Sam Douglass, on Sunday, at 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Sam is Jerry Savelle's pilot and also flies Jesse Duplantis and Richard Robert's planes when not flying for Jerry.

He will be ministering on *Uncommon people with an uncommon God." Sam has also written two books, "A man's gift will make room for Him," and 'Is my business any of God's business," which are selling world wide.

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. St. Mary's Inquirers' Class

meets on Monday, March 22, at 6:30 p.m., in the library.

will be a meatless pot luck supper at 6 p.m. The program will

God and rain for our land.

Would you like to stan worry. start around 6:45 p.m., and the Rev. Michael Jasper, from Odessa, will share about

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Sacred Heart Church, 508 N. Aylesford, will be having a Feast of the Annunciation on Thursday, March 25, starting with a 6:30 p.m. Rosary and then a 7 p.m. Holy Mass with Father Jeremiah McCarthy.

After the mass, there will be a talk and healing service with Alan Ames followed by refresh-

For more information call Mary R. Paradez at 263-7544 or the parish secretary at 263-7884.

Crestview Baptist

Crestview Baptist Church is back. There is one service on Sunday from 11 a.m.-noon and then on Wednesday nights at 7. We don't have a pastor yet, but we have good preaching each Sunday. Attendance is growing as we reorganize and plan to call a pastor and schedule more services soon.

Crestview Baptist Church is **located off the Snyder Highway** off Hilltop Road on Gatesville Street. Hope to see you.

March for Jesus Preparations are being made to organize the March For Jesus on May 22. 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 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 Baptist

Thanks to our community for St. Mary's Lenten Program is the great turnout at the rain Wednesday, March 24. There rallies. Let us continue to pray

Would you like to stop worry ing about your finances, eliminate your debt and experience freedom from financial bondage by enlisting God's supernatural involvement?

'Conquering Debt God's Way" by Bruce Ammons is a course which will be offered March 22-23. A light meal will be served in our Family Life Center from 5:15 to 6 p.m. Sessions will be held in the chapel from 6 to 9 p.m. Handbooks are \$12. The lectures are free. You are invited to come and learn God's solutions to eliminating the frustration of financial stress. Sunday is "Praise Day." Come

join us as we worship our Lord.

First Christian

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 in the Parlor and everyone else in fellowship hall; 9:45 a.m. Sunday School and 10:50 a.m. morning worship.

The official board will meet at 5 p.m. Sunday in the church

On Wednesday, March 24, Roy Don Beauchamp will be bringing the Lenten mediation for the Vesper Service from 6 to 6:30 p.m. The service will conclude with Holy Communion. Choir rehearsal will follow

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Going solar **HERALD Staff Report**

Students will compete Saturday against others from region

Coahoma eighth grade Earth Science students will test their skills against other youth from across the area Saturday at the 4th Solar Model Car Race, sponsored by TU Electric/Lone Star

The annual competition will be held in Midland, with the top four cars advancing to the championship finals at the company's EarthFair on April

"We're excited about the tremendous interest in the race," said TU electric manager Mike Hammock," because it provides a great outdoor laboratory learning opportunity and helps develop positive relationships among students from across the region.

Coahoma Junior High School students entering the competition are Adrian Brown, Tyler Bradley, Tim Spurgin, David Mault, James Watt and Christina Grove.

Students at participating



Coahoma eighth graders, from left, Adrian Brown, Tyler Bradley, Tim Spurgin and David Mault are among those racing Saturday.

schools were given kits to assemble a solar car. They had to design and create the body and frame themselves.

In Saturday's competition, winners receive trophies and cash prizes ranging from \$50 to \$300 benefiting their schools' science departments.

Ribbons are also awarded based on Best Use of Recycled Materials, Best Use of School

best evaluator was Dean

Tall Talkers-Toastmasters

Mascot and Overall Creativity. TU Electric/Lone Star Gas is

hosting the solar car races for the fourth consecutive year to help students learn about renewable energy and to interest them in possible and energy and technology careers, said Hammock.

About-20 schools from the area are expected at the 10 a.m. check-in time Saturday

CLUB NEWS

Tall Talkers **Toastmasters**

Tall Talkers Toastmasters' Club of Big Spring had its meeting on March 17, at 6:30 a.m. at 606 Johnson Street.

The word of the day was neo phyte which means beginner. novice. The sentence used was "The advanced manuals are not for neophytes." Toastmaster was Joelle Ford, and topic master was Bailey Anderson. Best table topic was Dean Sheppard on politics. Best speaker was Greg Parde, speaking on press conference, and

August to June at 6:30 a.m. For more information call Pam Welch at 264-6032.

Big Spring Prospectors Club

The Big Spring Prospectors Club annual gem and mineral show is now history. For the benefit of those who did not attend, and you DID miss a good show which was FREE admission, a bit of information may be welcome.

The winner of the Star in Big Spring genuine topaz was won by Johnny Boren of Big Spring. A granite sphere made by Russ Cable of Abilene, was won by

Doyle Phillips also of Big Spring. Our congratulations to these lucky winners. The topaz was cut by club member Mike meet weekly on Wednesdays, Pitkin of Andrews and the material was donated by club member Jimmy Wilson of Andrews. Russ Cable of Abilene donated the sphere which was won through chances purchased from the

For those so desiring, classes in wire wrap jewelry and silver smithing were offered before and the day after the show. These were held at the club building and a fee was charged for the classes. Some excellent pieces of jewelry were constructed. Warren Bigeagle of

See CLUB, Page 7A

SENIOR NEWS

More than 600 athletes will compete in San Angelo May 5-9 for the second annual Senior Games. The Olympic-style competition is open to anyone 50 years old or older. They will compete for gold, silver and bronze medals in basketball, bowling, cycling. golf, horseshoes, 5K road race, pistol and shotgun shooting, softball, swimming, tennis, track and field, and volleyball.

The games are operated by the Texas Senior Games Association and the National Senior Games Association. All winners at the San Angelo Senior Games will be eligible to compete in the state senior games in Temple in September.

Registration ends April 15. Call or fax to (915) 947-2444 or visit the website at www.wcc.net/~sgames.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF Health, 501 Birdwell, Suite 28-B, will have a Saturday Shot Clinic on Saturday from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and from 1 to 4 p.m. Please bring your child's shot record or a note from school. Call 263-9775 for more information.

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.

THE LAST WORD

By the year 2000, one out of three people with be Elvis impersonators. Michael Sweet

We live in reference to past experience, and not to future events — no matter how inevitable.

News is the first rough draft of history. Benjamin Bradlee

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Signs from God?

Company aims religious message at commuters

DALLAS (AP) — Here's a warning for drivers everywhere: "Keep using my name in vain and I'll make rush hour longer — God.'

The message is on a billboard in Texas, one in a series of giant road signs with pithy messages purporting to be divinely crafted. Another warns Texans: "You think it's hot here?"

The signs are part of a national campaign called "God Speaks," advertisements with black backgrounds and stark white lettering and 18 different

The non-denominational ads meant to pique the interest of people who don't attend church — began in Florida and have appeared in northern of the ads are signed "God."

'Don't make me come down there — God.' Billboard in Dallas

Texas since Friday.

Drivers in other cities soon will start seeing the billboards, which are also posted on the Internet and have won several national advertising awards.

"Let's meet at my house Sunday before the game," one billboard implores. "Loved the wedding, invite me to the marriage," another suggests. The Bible gets top billing in this one: "Have you read my 1 best seller? There will be a test." All

The Florida and Texas signs were financed by separate, anonymous groups.

But Rick Rendon, general manager of Outdoor Systems Advertising Inc., said members of the Dallas Outdoor Advertising Association were behind the Texas campaign, and that billboard owners have donated some of their space.

'We may take some heat over it," Rendon said in the "Dallas Morning News." But, "we think it's a great campaign.

The Smith Agency of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., created the ads on behalf of an anonymous

But the messages are boldly signed and to the point, as in: 'Don't make me come down

Continued from Page 6A Pagosa Spring, Colo., was the

instructor for these classes and was also one of the dealers for the show.

Dealers came from Wausaw, Wis., Colorado Springs, Colo., Pahrump, Nev., Keller, Dallas, Hico. Pagosa Spring, Colo., Tyler, Lubbock and Hobbs,

Peoples Choice award for favorite display case went to Russ Cable of Abilene with his display of butterflies.

Regular club meetings are the second Thursday of each month at 606 E. Third.

Visitors are always welcome. Interested parties may secure information by calling 263-3340. club secretary, or 267-6715, club president.

Country Club Womens' **Golf Association**

The B.S.C.C.W.G.A. met on Feb. 9. at 5:30 p.m. The following officers were installed: President Debi Pirkle, Vice President Lane Reynolds, Secretary Janell Davis, and Treasurer Carolyn Freeman. Our yearbooks were also presented to the members. The yearbook was done by Cynthia Scott, which was very outstanding. Our next meeting will be April 10.

Busy Bees

A covered dish luncheon at the Presbyterian Annex on Wednesday, March 10, was enjoyed by 10 Busy Bees. Easter theme with Willie Grant as hostess was enjoyed.

The craft was a glass snowman. The theme for all of the

for Christmas. Our next meeting will be April 14.

1999 year is to make something

Big Spring Art Association

Irma Dunckel and Julie McGettes were guests of Big Spring Art Association meeting in the community room of the library, 500 Main.

Judy Gibbs, show chairman, announced plans for the area wide show at the Dora Roberts Community Center in Comanche Park. Entries are scheduled April 29, 2 to 6:30

Reception and awards ceremony will be open to public May 7 from 7 to 9 p.m. Art work will be on display May 3, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. through

Estelle Howard completed an oil demonstration for the members and guests.

Linda Rupard won first in Tipping of the Brush contest and her painting will be displayed at Citizens Credit Union.

Howard's painting will be at First Bank of West Texas, Kay Smith's at courthouse annex. Dana Wilkinson's at Al's Barbecue, Betty Conley's watercolor can been seen at Chamber of Commerce and Gibbs' at Dells Cafe

April Artist of the Month is Judy Gibbs, and her paintings will be displayed at the Heritage Museum.

The club will have a booth April 10-11 at the arts and craft show in Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

Sand Spring Lions Club

The Sand Springs Lions Club met Monday, March 15, with Betty Franklin, president, pre-

Ben Boadle led the Pledge of Allegiance and Fred Franklin < worded the opening prayer.

Guy Teague, zone chairman shared a video from Lions International, showing the beginning of Lionism in 1917 up to the present 1.4 million members with 700 districts. Helen Keller in 1925 was the one who challenged the Lions to become involved with Sight Conservation.

Ms. Franklin reported on the zone meeting to be held at the **Sand Springs Lions Community** Center March 30.

This will be a hamburger supper also so a RSVP was requested. Nell Wright will call to remind our members about this meeting.

The second Tuesday workday will be held on March 16 with a meal to follow.

The Sand Springs Lions Club meets the first and third Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Sand Springs Lions Community Center. All interested persons are invited to attend.

Those in attendance were: Burnis Mason, Jerrell Barbee, Herschel Mathies, Mike Hurlburt, Fred Franklin, Betty Franklin, Maurice Wright, Nell Wright, Ben Boadle and Madeline Boadle.

Sainthood for Mother Teresa?

Work on canonization for humanitarian nun begins

CALCUTTA, India (AP) -Assembling the case for Mother Teresa's canonization will take time because she has done so much, the Roman Catholic priest charged with the job said recently as he flew in from

"All the documents concerning Mother Teresa's life and achievements have to be collected," the Rev. Brian Kolodiejchuk told reporters.

Kolodiejchuk has been appointed by Mother Teresa's order, the Missionaries of Charity, to prepare a report arguing for Mother Teresa's sainthood that will be forwarded to the Vatican.

Kolodiejchuk, the head of a Missionaries of Charity home in Rome, will spend the next process leading to her possible

CHICAGO (AP) - When two

women first asked him to bless

their "holy union" - in

essence, their wedding - the

Rev. Gregory Dell was hardly

"It was one beat and I said,

'Why not?"' said Dell, who was

a pastor at a United Methodist

church in Evanston when he

got the request more than 15 years ago. "There wasn't a

That has not been the case

since Karl Reinhardt and Keith

Eccarius stood before Dell and

exchanged vows at their

church on Chicago's North Side

last September, about a month

after Methodist leaders had out-

On Thursday, Dell is to go on

trial before a jury of 13 peers. If

he's found guilty, jurors may

his 30-year career) as a

"It is tragic," said the Rev. Stephen C. Williams, a

Methodist minister from the

Chicago suburb of Franklin

While he cares about Dell "as

Park who is serving as church

a friend and a human being,"

Williams said, "I feel that he's

broken a basic vow that all pas-

tors take. No pastor is larger

than the covenant we are part

the issue say this trial will be a defining — and possibly dividing — moment for the United Methodist Church and its 8.5

Indeed, those on both sides of

"Many are beginning to talk

about irreconcilable differences," said the Rev. James

Heidinger, president of Good

News, a conservative United Methodist group that wants a

church based more in "historic, scriptural Christianity."

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three weeks in Calcutta.

Sister Nirmala, Mother Teresa's successor, joined Kolodiejchuk at Thursday's news conference, saying she would like sainthood to be granted in the year 2000.

Mother Teresa died in 1997 at age 87 after a life spent nursing and comforting the poor and the outcast. Her Roman Catholic order spread from Calcutta, where it was founded in 1950, to a network of about 4,000 nuns and monks running some 600 schools, clinics, hospices, orphanages and other projects around the world.

The Vatican confirmed March 1 that Pope John Paul had waived the customary fiveyear waiting period to start the

Trial begins for Methodist minister

who performed same-sex wedding

'there's going to be people

Others see the issue very dif-

Even Chicago Bishop C.

Joseph Sprague, who filed the

charges against Dell, said he

did so only grudgingly. Before

the new law took effect, he had

performed same-sex unions as a

Earlier this month, an

Still others remain defiant,

including more than 90

Methodist ministers who gath-

ered at a Sacramento, Calif.,

church in January to bless the

union of a lesbian couple.

Charges have been filed against

an Iowa minister who partici-

pated, and other charges are

first to test the new church law

- a law he said he broke out of

"I don't see it as some spec-

tacular, courageous thing to

do," the 53-year-old minister

said. "If it's a faithful expres-

constructive, affirming love. ...

I was doing a service for two guys who love each other," said

"I was celebrating the gift of

sion, then you do it.

But Dell's trial will be the

Oklahoma pastor resigned amid

furor over a same-sex union

across the church who say,

'That's it. I can't stay.' "

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pastor in Ohio.

she blessed.

If Dell isn't punished, he said, Duke University's Divinity

declaration as a saint.

Beatification requires the confirmation of a miracle. After beatification, research on a second miracle, needed for canonization, can begin.

Two reported miracles attributed to Mother Teresa have been sent to the Vatican for verification

One reportedly happened in the United States, where a French woman who broke several ribs in a car accident miraculously healed when she wore a Mother Teresa medallion around her neck.

In the other case, a Palestinian girl suffering from cancer was reportedly cured after Mother Teresa appeared in her dreams and said, "Child, vou are cured.'

School of another controversial

Methodist minister, the Rev.

It was Creech's 1998 trial over

Nebraska church that prompted

Methodist leaders to codify a

"social principle" that had only

advised against blessing same-

sex unions. Creech, who was

not defrocked, is on leave from

A key to Dell's defense will be

the notion that church founder

John Wesley would have want-

ed issues such as homosexuali-

ty to be handled on a church-

by-church basis — the approach taken by the

Episcopal Church and United

For Dell, knowing the com-

munity around the church is

important. When he was posted

in the 1970s to a congregation

in Minooka, a small Illinois

farming town, he prayed for

the Lions Club and joined in

using the nickname for

Chicago's gay enclave and

home to Dell's Broadway

United Methodist Church,

where about a third of the 181

back to church," said

Reinhardt, whose union was

"He's the reason I've come

members are homosexual.

"This is Boys Town," he said,

the Methodist church.

Church of Christ.

the Harvest Festival.

Jimmy Creech.

Area Women's Retreat, April 9-10, at Lake Brownwood Retreat, Christian 'Spirituality: Awakening Our Hunger for God.* The keynote speaker will Rev. Alice Hupp of Park Place Christian Church in Wichita Falls. Cost is \$40 for the weekend and \$25 for Saturday only. Registration deadline is April 1. Contact the church office at 267-7851 to register and information.

CrossRoads Church

Let Jesus happen to you. You've given everything else a try, why not give Jesus a chance to help you.

ly would like to invite you to come and worship with us this Sunday. Bible study begins at 10 a.m. with the morning worship service following at 11.

have a study entitled Equipping the Saints, which is designed to help Christians in their daily walk. CrossRoads Church is located

at the corner of FM 700 and East 11th Place.

Jeff Janca at 264-0734.

Church and Club Wednesday at noon for friday publication.

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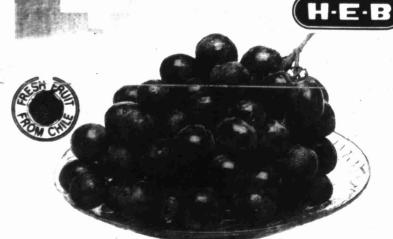


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IN BRIEF

Hawks roper, bull rider lead NMJC rodeo events

Howard College's Cody Owens and Chad Castillo took early leads Thursday night during the opening performance of the New Mexico Junior College Rodeo in Lovington, N.M.

Owens led the calf roping competition going into today's slack competition, while Castillo was the bull riding field's leader.

The Hawks dominated the opening night's bull riding event, as Jeremy Hughes stood third and Ryan Crutcher was sixth.

John Weeks to referee West women's semifinal

John Weeks, general manager of local radio station KBST, will be one of three referees assigned to call Saturday's NCAA West Region women's semifinal between LSU's Lady Tigers and Louisiana Tech's Lady Techsters in Los Angeles.

"This is the first Sweet 16 game I've ever been assigned to call," Weeks said prior to leaving for Los Angeles this afternoon. "It's a big honor for

A 28-year veteran official. Weeks has worked NCAA Division I women's games for the past eight years.

In addition to women's Division I games, Weeks also works NCAA Division II and NAIA men's games.

Saturday's LSU-Louisiana Tech game is scheduled for a 9:30 p.m. start.

Ward, Hillger among playday golf leaders

Annie Ward and JoAnn Hillger, members of the Comanche Trail Women's Golf Association, were among the winners during the Permian Basin LGA playday on March 17 at the Greentree Country

Hillger was first in the second flight's net scoring with a 69, while Ward was second in the gross scoring with a 93.

Big Spring UGSA's registration continues

Officials with the Big Spring United Girls Association have announced that registration will continue until April 9 at All-Star Sports.

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

Fundraiser tournament scheduled for April 3

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

Games will begin at 8 a.m. and continue until midnight. Entry fees for the 20-team softball field will be \$100, while a fee of \$80 is required to enter the 12-team ragball tournament field.

The deadline for registering teams will be April 1. For more information, call

Chris at 264-2100 or Andrea Earle at 800-734-7641.

LOCAL GAMES

HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL 4:30 p.m.

 Coahoma Bulldogettes at Miles Lady Bulldogs.

5 p.m. . Big Spring Lady Steers at Fort Stockton Prowlers

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HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL 5 p.m. - Big Spring Lady Steers at Fort Stockton Prowlers, KBST-AM 1490.

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6:30 p.m. — NCAA Tournament, regional semifinals doubleheader, CBS, Ch. 7.

High school basketball scuffle leads teens, parents to courts

it on the court.

A rumble between two high school basketball players at a club-league basketball game in Arlington last year is in court — a state district court.

Recriminations from a pair of sucker punches supposedly exchanged by highschoolers have kept the dispute going in dueling lawsuits.

Hurt worst was Brian Boddicker. whose nose was broken last April. The 17-year-old, a 6-foot-9 junior center. led his Duncanville team to the 5A state championship last weekend.

Lawyers were unaware of any previous Texas lawsuit triggered by player violence at a teen-age sporting event — let

DALLAS (AP) - So much for settling alone opposing suits involving two cial injuries are resolved. young men with bright athletic and academic prospects.

"This is kind of a sickening case," said Jeff Robnett, attorney for Derek Dunlop, 16, an honor student and Fort Worth Dunbar junior. "No parent in this case would condone what either kid did. But to take it to court is pretty ludicrous.

"If someone gets hurt ... does that mean the rules of sport ended and the rules of civil procedure began?" he said. Robnett's client was allegedly hit first, and his family sued last.

Brian's supporters contend that Derek's action was more criminal than sports-related and that a courtroom is where disputes over physical and finan-

"What happens on the court is taken care of by the referees," Marillis Brockles, Brian's mother, said. "This happened after the game. Derek Dunlop assaulted my son on his father's orders.'

This this month Brockles filed suit to recover medical expenses, which exceed \$6,000, as well as payment for Brian's pain and punitive damages.

The Dunlops deny that Derek was ordered to hit Brian. A countersuit last week seeks compensation for their son's medical bills. They cited emotional distress and negligence in asking for punitive damages — saying Brian provoked Derek's aggression.

Witnesses described what they called a

post-game attack by Derek as players in the spring tournament shook hands.

Derek's father, Brenton Dunlop, insists he'd never witnessed an on-the-court punch like the one he said he saw Brian deliver to Derek's stomach a few minutes earlier.

"Someone does something like that to you, you react and you're the one in trouble," said Dunlop, whose son was initially banned from two athletic organizations and received deferred prosecution and 90 days probation for Class A misdemeanor assault. "There has been no blemish to Brian Boddicker."

Brockles' attorney, Tony Wright, says a goal has been stopping violence that is unrelated to the game.

Unknown slugger?

Hero in Puerto Rico, Rangers' Gonzalez is a distant star here

PORT CHARLOTTE, Fla. (AP) - Johnny Oates went to Juan Gonzalez's hometown in Puerto Rico and saw the wretched conditions

and bleak poverty of Vega Baja. He and his wife, Gloria, walked the streets to get a full understanding of the obstacles Gonzalez had to surmount to become one of the best hitters in the major leagues.

Oates said the trip has given him a better appreciation for what Gonzalez has done. But he admits he does not fully know who Gonzalez is and what lies inside him.

"Of all the players I have played with and managed and been around, he's the one I'd like to get to know more," Oates said. "He is a very fascinating person, but because of the mystique surrounding him, you just don't know.'

When Joe DiMaggio died last week, much was written and said about a great ballplayer who lived a very private life, a shy, lonely, dignified man who carried an air of mystery about him.

Mystery also has shrouded Gonzalez as he has matured as a player and a person. A national icon in Puerto Rico and probably the best position player in Rangers history, he remains a distant hero in America. He is admired in many, but known intimately by few.

"My private life is my private life," Gonzalez said. "Everybody has to respect that. I don't mind talking about baseball or about my career. But the private life is outside. I don't like talk-

ing about that." Oates admits he might never fully know that

part of Gonzalez. "Probably not," Oates said. "Because I think he'll come and go before we have that chance. I don't think he'll ever be comfortable talking about it. Maybe at his Hall of Fame speech, he'll give us some insight to what he's really like.

"I just hope I'm alive to hear it." There have been some glimpses into Gonzalez's private life, more than enough to consume his Puerto Rican worshipers and intrigue the American audience.

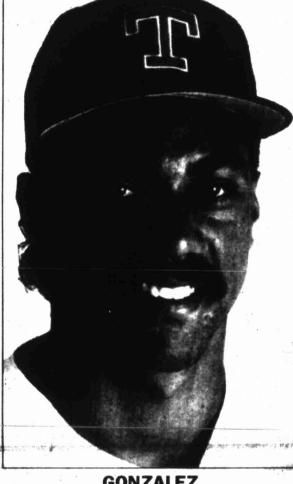
He is 29 and has been divorced three times. He was perceived as a moody player his first four years with the Rangers and often stunned his teammates with his explosive tantrums. But in the past our years he has experienced a spiritual retarth, put his personal life in order and discovered tranquility in his relationship with Puerto Rican singing star Olga Tanon (pronounced tan-yone).

That relationship and his extraordinary baseball success have elevated him and his wife to near-royalty status in his homeland. They are Puerto Rico's version of DiMaggio and Marilyn

But Gonzalez is uncomfortable with that role and admits preferring his American fans to the adoring public in Puerto Rico because they are

"The people in America never bother me." Gonzalez said. "I love the people in Puerto Rico, but they never stop bothering me. I don't have a private life in Puerto Rico. I do here."

Gonzalez says little, but friends say he is still upset about the public treatment several years ago when his third divorce — from the sister of Atlanta Braves catcher Javier Lopez — spurred outrage on the island. Gonzalez was dating Tanon at the time and was widely booed whenever he made public appearances in Puerto



GONZALEZ

"He's hurt by the way he was treated when he was a young guy and the mistakes he made with women," said Luis Mayoral, the Rangers Spanish broadcaster and one of Gonzalez's few close friends. "He doesn't like the hypocrisy because now those same people are coming back and trying to applaud him as a player.

"People may be tearing him up or trying to kill him, but he doesn't say anything. You never hear Juan talking about anybody. He won't bad mouth anybody. He's not going to give anybody an angle to say, 'Juan said this' or 'he said

The language barrier remains an impediment for Gonzalez in the United States. He has made strides in English but isn't proficient. Because of that, he remains guarded.

"He's a tough guy to get to know," Oates said "I've said for a long time, Juan is a very intelli gent person. But he's very private and very proud, and he doesn't want to say something that will be interpreted the wrong way.'

That happened this winter in the Dominican Republic when Gonzalez was asked by reporters about Kevin Brown's seven-year, \$105 million contract. Much to his dismay, Gonzalez was reported to have said he was demanding a \$100 million contract from the Rangers.

"Juan didn't say that," Mayoral said. "All he said was he was happy for Kevin Brown and 'I know I'm one of the best players around.' Juan has learned that even though people don't have bad intentions, he has to be careful.'

Sammy Sosa proved last year that a Latin American player can be as popular in this country as a Mark McGwire or Ken Griffey Jr. As he dueled with McGwire for the home run record Sosa won widespread admiration, not only for his slugging but for his charm and personality. "Juan is a different kind of person," Rangers

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Rivalry aside, Lady Hawks face big series what we can do in front of a

By JOHN A. MOSELEY

Sports Editor

Whether or not a rivalry between Howard College's Lady Hawks and Midland College's Chaparrals in women's fastpitch softball, there's no question both teams are pulling out all stops in their four-game series this weekend.

With just two of the three Western Junior College Athletic Conference (WJCAC) teams that compete in women's softball able to qualify for the Region V tournament at the close of the regular season, Lady Hawks coach Andy Mace makes it clear every conference game is of paramount impor-

"I think a lot of people want us to have a big 'rivalry because the two schools have been so competitive in basketball the last few years," Mace said as he prepared for the Lady Hawks' 1 doubleheader p.m.

Midland today. "But both of these programs are too new for us to really have a rivalry," he added. "What's important, though, is that this is a conference series. And we got off to kind of a rocky start at El Paso, so we need to get back on track this weekend."

The Lady Hawks will close out the four-game series with the Lady Chaps with a 1 p.m. doubleheader on Saturday. All four games are being played at the new Big Spring ISD Softball Complex.

Oddly enough, the Lady Hawks twinbill opener today was their home opener — just 32 games into the regular sea-

The Lady Hawks, 22-10 overall and fresh off a third-place finish at the Phoenix (Ariz.) College Invitational Tournament, have looked forward to finally playing in front of a home crowd.

"We got a taste of what it was like to play in front of a home crowd in Phoenix," Mace explained. "It sounds strange, but we've got several kids that are from California and Arizona, so all their families and boyfriends were there ... probably had close to 100 people out there backing us. That felt good, and I think we responded to having those fans there.

"We're looking forward to having a chance to show people

what we can do in front of a real home crowd," he added. "People have been reading about our games ... talking about them, now they'll get a chance to see us. I think that's important of every one of our

The first game of today's twinbill and both Saturday games, also slated for a 1 p.m. start, will be considered in the WJCAC standings.

And with the Lady Hawks currently owning a 1-2 conference record, Mace makes the series with the Lady Chaparrals is nothing short of crucial.

That, coupled with the fact that the Lady Chaparrals program is also in its first season; that Midland College coach Tommy Ramos' lineup includes two former Big Spring Lady Steers stars, Jessica Cobos and Melissa Martinez; and the close proximity of the two schools does breed an air of rivalry.

And Mace admits that the two programs are destined to be fierce rivals.

"There are 93 colleges in Texas playing fastpitch women's softball and only eight of them are within 150 miles. the Lady Hawks boss noted "Out of those eight, only one of them is a junior college and that's Midland.

"Obviously, we're going to be competing for talent when we recruit in this area ... as well as elsewhere," Mace added. "And of course, when you're as close was we and Midland are, you want to have bragging rights." Semifinals losses to the Lady

Chaps at tournaments in Fort Worth and El Paso earlier this semester must also be noted as a factor in creating a rivalry.

"I'm pretty sure it's become a big thing to them ... beating us," Mace acknowledged. "We beat them four of the five times we played them in the fall, but they're not the team they were in the fall. They've added a couple of kids and gotten a lot bet-

"They finished in the top eight at Phoenix last weekend," he added, "and that was a big tournament with several of the nation's best programs ... 10 of the 25 teams there were ranked in the preseason and six of them were at last year's national tournament. So, Midland's solid and so are we ... these out to be really good ball games."

Gonzaga, UConn move one step closer to first Final Four

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Gonzaga and Connecticut have never been to the Final Four. That will change for one of them when they meet in the West Regional final.

Casey Calvary's tip-in with 4.4 seconds left Thursday night gave 10th-seeded Gonzaga a 73-72 victory over Florida in the regional semifinals at Phoenix.

"This is unbelievable," Calvary said. "We've dreamed about this since we were little, and now that we're there, we have to take advantage of it." Richard Hamilton scored 24 points and

Khalid El-Amin 21 as top-seeded

Connecticut beat Iowa 78-68 to reach the final eight for the second straight year and fourth time since 1990 "When the game got real close, I felt I ha.' to really dig deep and really try to

step my game up," Hamilton said. It was Tom Davis' last game as lowa larly the defense," St. John's coach Mike

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coach after 13 seasons with the Hawkeyes.

"I don't know that I've ever put more into a team in the sense that they gave so much," said Davis, who was told last fall that his contract wouldn't be renewed after this season. "I am wiped out, emotionally as well as physically drained, and I'm sure the team is."

On Saturday, UConn plays Gonzaga for the West Regional title in Phoenix, and third-seeded St. John's meets No. 4 Ohio State for the South Regional championship in Knoxville, Tenn.

St. John's closed the first half with a 20-0 run and went on to beat second-seeded Maryland 76-62 Thursday night. "The first half was incredible, particuJarvis said: "Until I was told at halftime we had a 20-0 run, I didn't know how good a run it was.' Ohio State, which finished last in the

Big Ten a year ago, broke open a tie game with nine straight points down the stretch and beat top-seeded Auburn 72-"This just keeps hitting me right between the eyes," said Ohio State coach Jim O'Brien, whose Buckeyes went 8-22

'Can they do any more?' They surprise me and do more. The other regional semifinals will be played tonight. Duke plays Southwest Missouri State, Purdue faces Temple, Michigan State takes on Oklahoma and

last season. "Just when I ask myself

Miami of Ohio plays Kentucky.

St. John's 76, Maryland 62 Maryland finally came alive midway See TOURNEY, page 2B

through the second half, but it wasn't enough to avoid losing in the round of 16 for the fourth time in six years.

Erick Barkley led St. John's with 24 points. Steve Francis, with 13 points, was the only player in double figures for Maryland, which shot only 35 percent from the field.

Ohio St. 72, Auburn 64

Brian Brown's free throw broke a 61-61 tie with 2:41 left and Ohio State opened a 70-61 lead before Auburn's Doc Robinson banked in a 3-pointer with 6.5 seconds

Auburn, which hadn't been to the round of 16 since 1986, became the first No. 1 seed to fall in this year's tournament. The Southeastern Conference's highest-scoring team missed seven straight shots after Scott Pohlman's

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Game 24—Seward County, Kan (31-3) vs. Game 20 winner, 3 p.m. Third Place
Game 25—Game 21 loser vs. Game 22 loser, 5 p.m.

Regional Championship Monday, March 22 Championship
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NCAA-WOMEN Regional Semifinals Saturday, March 20 EAST REGIONAL

Regional Semifinals Saturday, March 20 Old Dominion (28-3) vs. Duke (26-6), 10:30-a.m.

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Regional Champions Sunday, March 21 WEST REGIONAL At America West Arena

At America West Arena Phoenix Regional Semifinals Thursday, March 18 Gonzaga 73, Florida 72 Connecticut 78, Iowa 68 Regional Championship Saturday, March 20 Connecticut (31-2) vs. Gonzaga (28-6), 2:40 p.m. THE FINAL FOUR

At Tropicana Field St. Petersburg, Fla. National Semifinals Saturday, March 27 on, 4:42 p.m... South champion vs. West champio 30 minutes after first game National Championship Monday, March 29 Semifinal winners, 8:18 p.m.

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Semifinal losers, 4 p.m. Championship Semifinal winners, 6:30 p.m.

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Detroit at Tampa Bay, 6:05 p.m.
Buffalo at N.Y. Rangers, 6:30 p.m.
Ottawa at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Vancouver, 9 p.m.
Saturday's Games
Sah-Jose at Boston, 12:30 p.m.
Nashville at Pittsburgh, 12:30 p.m.
Chcago at Colorado, 2 p.m.
New Jersey at Toronto, 6.p.m.
Washington at Montreal, 6 p.m.
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Clemson headed back to NIT semifinals

CLEMSON, S.C. (AP) - In ance in the National Invitation January, Clemson coach Larry Shvatt never figured he'd get a chance to nosh at the Carnegie

The Tigers dropped six games in the final minute and thought championship play would not play a part in their season. But with Harold Jamison's continued inside dominance and four seniors to lead them, the Tigers are heading to the NIT semifinals after an 89-69 victory over

Butler on Thursday night. "Some folks in basketball find the negative things in life, but these guys never did," Shyatt said Thursday night. "These guys never got down on themselves."

There was no reason the past six weeks. The Tigers (19-14) have won six straight at Littlejohn Coliseum and will make their first-ever appear-

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three-pointer tied it 61-61.

Gonzága 73, Florida 72

After Jeremy Eaton's layup

pulled Gonzaga within one.

Florida's Brent Wright traveled

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Tournament's marquee games at Madison Square Garden.

In Thursday's other quarterfidefeated California Colorado State 71-62. California will face Oregon in one semifinal and Clemson will meet Xavier.

Jamison scored a career high 26 points on 11-of-14 shooting, including seven dunk, for Clemson.

"This feels great with every thing that we went through this year," Jamison said. "We definitely wanted to be in that other Final Four, but we'll have to take advantage of this one."

Jamison, at 6-foot-8, 250 pounds, cleared out his own personal space near the baseline and converted a steady stream of bullet passes into easy baskets against the slender, smaller Bulldogs (22-10).

Quentin Hall drove to the bas-

ket and missed, but Calvary,

who had 10 points in the second

half, tipped it in. Florida had

one more chance, but Eddie

Shannon missed an off-balance

Richie Frahm led Gonzaga

with 17 points, while Greg Stolt

3-pointer at the buzzer.

paced Florida with 16.

Tigers big man hitting the

boards. Center Tom Wideman had career highs with 17 points and 17 rebounds. "It wasn't all (Butler's) fault," Jamison said. "Terrell

McIntyre and the guys did a good job faking the pass outside and then skipping the ball to me.' That's when Jamison would coil his legs, spring up and slam

the ball through with rim-rattling authority. Officials twice stopped play in the second half to fix rims Jamison bent. He surpassed his previous

career high of 25 points scored against North Carolina State in January.

"He takes a lot of the pressure off us." Clemson guard Will Solomon said. "He rebounds and beats the boards. I'm just glad he's on our side.

Connecticut 78, Iowa 68

Iowa used its depth and inside strength to stay close most of the night, but the Hawkeyes couldn't keep up with the versatile Huskies down the stretch.

UConn outscored Iowa 25-15 in the final 10 minutes. Only two Hawkeyes scored in double figures, J.R. Koch with 14 points and Jess Settles with 11.

GONZALEZ

ball back to the Bulldogs.

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president Tom Schieffer said. 'Sammy is more of an extrovert. It's more difficult for Juan to be that way, but that doesn't; one who has done things that mean he's a bad person.

"He's a very shy person at heart. Sometimes people can't understand that. They see someone in the public spotlight performing in front of 50,000 people and they can't imagine him being shy. But Juan is that kind of guy. He's very introverted."

Catcher Ivan Rodriguez, who has long been an Arlington favorite because of his flair for. the game, has been on the cover of 'Sports Illustrated.' He was chosen to film an ESPN commercial, and he still ares the biggest ovation of any Rangers player on Opening Day. him considerable embarrass-

"You hardly ever hear Juan's name," second baseman Mark McLemore said. "That's a mystery to me. He doesn't nearly get enough publicity as somevery few people have done.'

Gonzalez said: "That doesn't

bother me. Everybody knows

who Juan Gonzalez is. I don't have to have big publicity. I'm here for one reason, to play baseball. While DiMaggio carried a

quiet dignity throughout his career, Gonzalez has slowly gained it as he has matured.

Though he has been the American League MVP two of the past three years, he is a work in progress. Consider last year, when his tirade over an official scorer's decision caused

ment. But teammates say the days of clashing with his manager, throwing bats and helmets and sulking quietly in the clubhouse are in decline.

"He has done everything I've asked him to do," Oates said.

Schieffer said: "He's taken on more of a presence of a superstar. It's the sort of thing that when he walks into a room, he commands the respect of the entire room. As he gets older and achieves more, that's going

'If you look at what he's done in Puerto Rico, he can have a tremendous impact on the game and be regarded as a real icon of the game if he continues to do what he's done. The potential is there. He hasn't arrived yet, but the ability is there. Which I think is pretty exciting."



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR SATURDAY, MARCH 20:

You could be responding to mixed energy this year. Just when you feel you are on a roll, the unexpected occurs. Remember that surprises can be good! Be flexible and learn to let go gracefully. Partners are often testy. If you are single, you will have an opportunity to change that status. Be sure of what you want, because you can have just that. If attached, learn to deal with changes as a couple. Work on a key financial project together. Taurus helps you make and save money.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ***You pack quite a punch today, though it could ultimately backfire on you. Tame your temper; choose words with care. Tread lightly where others' feelings are concerned. Tonight: Be willing to adapt.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) *****Your ability to pinpoint and manifest your desires is highlighted. Use positive energy and work through problems. Capitalize on the moment, rush in and handle what blows up. Responsibilities call in a big way. You respond. Tonight: On top of your game.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) **Others are volatile, and you might opt to retreat. Take some time off; you have pushed very hard. Change plans, do what you need to make you feel comfortable. Others push, but you need to hold your ground. Touch base with a good friend that you can trust. Tonight: Keep plans low-key.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ****Join friends. A child or loved one might be unusually tired or cranky. Opt to give him space, as opposed to engaging in an uproar. You are happiest being where there are groups of people. Tonight: Why not have a spontaneous party?

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ****Maintain a high profile. Pressure is rather intense, and you have high-level energy. Partners do the unexpected. Read the writing on the wall. Pioneer your own causes and, for the moment, make your own plans. Tonight: The lead actor.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ****Misunderstandings happen at the drop of a hat. Seeing others as you would like them to be has little to do with reality. Go with the unpredictable, including your own whims. What you want right now could change by the end of the day. Stay in tune with what you want. Tonight: Rent a movie. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

****You might spend way too much to make a point. Others react strongly and might try to coerce you to do it their way. Don't let confusion or your need to please others affect your decisions. Only you can take care of your finances. Tonight: Let a partner air his views.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

*** You are volatile and intractable. Nevertheless, you make your point easily with others. Listen to a partner, but realize he has his own agenda. Sudden changes occur where you least expect it. Don't fall into rigidity; remain flexible. Tonight: Agree to another's request.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ***You could have good intentions, but communication is confused. Perhaps you are sending mixed messages. Rather than getting involved in the conflicts of others, do your own thing. Get into a favorite pastime or plug into a project. Expect the unexpected. Tonight: Make it easy.

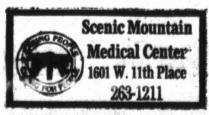
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ****Make time for others; you might not have a choice! A partner is difficult. Obviously, he doesn't see a situation as you do. Use care with your money; what another decides to do with his is his business. Plan on fun with a loved one. Tonight: Let the good times roll.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

***You might want to toss your hands up in the air. Gaining control over a heated situation involving family and career just might not be possible now. Use your sense of humor, lighten up about potential. Let yourself be whimsical, keep communication open. **Tonight: Consider vanishing!**

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ****Others at a distance might inadvertently create a conflict. Communication is tough. Look at long-term implications rather than trying to please others. You could be stunned by what you discover about yourself. Stop selling yourself short. Tonight: Join friends at

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Recently we saw a sign in front of a church that read, "What you love determines who you are." These few words are good food for thought for us to consider what we love, and what is really important in our lives. And, although each of us may have different responses to these questions, most of the great people in history were all lovers of God, country, and their fellow

Our valuable possessions, our businesses, or the various activities that we are involved in, can be here today and gone tomorrow. So, what we dearly love should be something that lasts forever. God is Love, and His love is everlasting, and it would be such a distinction to be known as someone who dearly loves the Lord.



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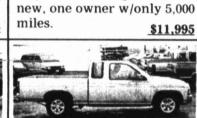


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Wife finds many bones to pick with husband in the dog house

DEAR ABBY: I owe you a debt of gratitude, and I'll tell you why: I'm the guy ("Tormented in Oregon") who suspected his wife of having an affair with another woman after finding a collection of love

letters and poems written by her best friend, a gay woman 1,11 call Grace.

When returned from work the day my letter was printed, I was confronted by my verv angry wife,

"Julie." I was shocked because I never dreamed you would print my letter. And just in case you did I had changed some details so that if it were published, she would not recognize that I

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wrote the letter. Boy, was I naive! The letters and poems were actually written by Grace to an ex-lover. Julie was just holding onto them for safekeeping. I was immediately placed in the doghouse, primarily for snooping and jumping to conclusions. I had to promise to con? mit myself to some very intensive marriage counseling. I also had to apologize to Grace. She

her permission. Some of the things I have learned, and would not have, had you not printed my letter: 1. Marriage is based on mutu-

also felt violated that I had read

something so personal without

private papers.

2. If there are problems at home, look no further than

al trust. This does not include snooping into your spouse's

yourself. Blaming some outside

influence will get you nowhere.

3. Honest communication is

essential, no matter how difficult or painful it may be.

4. Be grateful for your spouse's friends. True friendship gives everyone a fuller. happier life, and actually enriches the relationship between husband and wife.

5. Paranoia will destroy your marriage faster than anything else - and may, in fact, drive your spouse away from you.

6. Gay women do not go around seducing straight

Again, Abby, thank you. We are not out of the woods yet, but thanks to you, we're getting there. By printing my letter, you made me fess up to my actions and confront my own demons. - A GRATEFUL

FRIEND IN OREGON DEAR GRATEFUL FRIEND: Based upon the lessons you've learned in only one month, your personal growth has been phenomenal. For that I congratulate you. Letters like yours make my column rewarding. Thank you for the update and kind words.

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Big Spring City Code Sec. 16+133. Stop Intersections. Authorizes the Stop Intersections. Authorizes the City Manager to designate and streets as directed by the City

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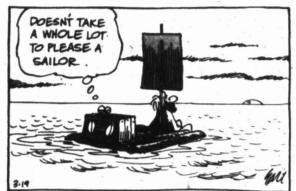


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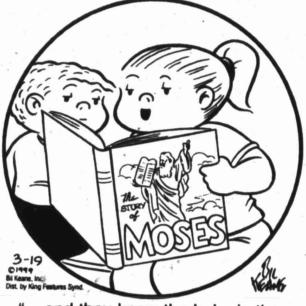
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I KNOW, BUT I'M HUNGRY AGAIN TODAY,

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THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

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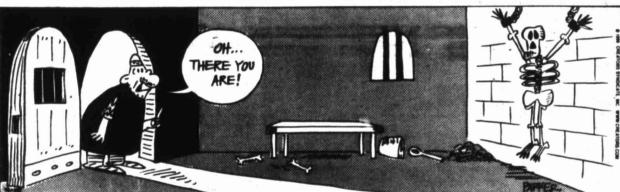
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Today is Friday, March 19, the 78st day of 1999. There are

287 days left in the year. This is the date the swallows traditionally return to the San Juan Capistrano Mission in California.

Today's Highlight in History: On March 19, 1979, the U.S. House of Representatives began

Thursday's Puzzle Solved

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On this date: In 1859, the opera "Faust" by Charles Gounod premiered in

In 1917, the Supreme Court upheld the eight-hour work day for railroads.

In 1918, Congress approved Daylight-Saving Time.

In 1931, Nevada legalized gambling.

In 1945, about 800 people were killed as kamikaze planes attacked the U.S. carrier Franklin off Japan; the ship,

however, was saved. In 1945, Adolf Hitler issued his so-called "Nero Decree," ordering the destruction of German facilities that could fall into Allied hands.

In 1953, the Academy Awards ceremony was televised for the first time: "The Greatest Show on Earth" was named best picture of 1952.

In 1976, Buckingham Palace announced the separation of Princess Margaret and her husband, the Earl of Snowdon,

after 16 years of marriage. In 1985, in a legislative victory for President Reagan, the Senate voted, 55-45, to authorize

production of the MX missile. In 1987, televangelist Jim Bakker resigned as chairman of his PTL ministry organization amid a sex and money scandal involving Jessica Hahn, a former church secretary from Oklahoma.

In 1993, Supreme Court Justice Byron R. White announced plans to retire. White's departure paved the way for Ruth Bader Ginsburg to become the court's second female justice.

Ten years ago: Alfredo Cristiani of the right-wing ARENA party was elected president of El Salvador, defeating Fidel Chavez Mena of the Christian Democratic Party.

Five years ago: Talks between North Korea and South Korea collapsed, imperiling a U.S.-brokered deal to resolve the North Korean nuclear dispute. In his weekly radio address, President Clinton promised to tell people "all across America about our health reform plan and what it really means."

One year ago: Completing baseball's transformation from family ownership to corporate control, Rupert Murdoch's Fox Group won approval to buy the Los Angeles Dodgers for a record \$350 million.

Today's Birthdays: Former White House national security adviser Brent Scowcroft is 74. Actor-director McGoohan is 71. Theologian Hans Kung is 71. Author Philip Roth is 66. Actress-singer Phyllis Newman is 64.

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