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April 19,1999
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Big Spring

Healthy Kids Corp. meeting set tonight Texas Healthy Kids Corp $\underset{\text { will hold a meeting at }}{\substack{\text { at } \\ \text { tonight } \\ \text { at } \\ \text { Kentwood }}}$ Elementary cafeteria. The non-profit corporation
helps families ensure that helps families ensure that their children are covered by
insurance. Local rates are $\$ 72$ a month per child; however, low-income families may be eligible to pay as lit-
the as $\$ 10$ per child per month. The statewide
Tovers children age covers children age 2
through 17. The child must through 17. The child must not have been nsured sas to
the past 90 days, and has
be enrolled in school, if old be enrolled in school, if old
enough. Also, the child cannot be covered by any other
health care plan or program, such as Medicare, and has to have been a resident of Texas for at least six months.
For questions about the program, call Wilbourn at (915) 570-6927, Bice at (915)
699-0344 or 1-877 WELL KjD.

## What's up...

TODAY
OAY Spring Evening
Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E . Third. D Disabled American Vet-
erans Chapter No. 47, 6:30 erans Chapter No. 47 ,
p.m., VAMC room 212 .
TUESDAY
$\square$ Intermediate line dance classes, 9 a.m., Senior citizens Center. Call 267 -
1628. Beginners. class will begin at 8:30 a.m. through the month of April. $\underset{\text { Association, } 7 \text { p.m., library }}{\text { Spring }}$ annex, 500 Main.
Big Spring Chapter No. 67, Order of the Eastern Star, 7 p.m., Masonic Lodge, 219

WEDNESDAY
a Optimist Club, 7 a.m.,
Howard College Cactus Room D Big Spring Downtown College Cactus Room. Line dancing, 1 p.m.,
Senior citizens
Center, Industrial Park.
$\square$ Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie, 7 p.m.,
704 W. Third.
THURSDAY
O Gideons International Big Spring Camp No. 4206, 7

## Tonight:

C$\begin{array}{cc}\text { TONICHT } & \text { TUESDAY } \\ 52^{\circ}-58^{\circ} & 88^{\circ}-95^{6}\end{array}$

## INSIDE TODAY.

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Alzheimer's advisory group to help identify needs in Big Spring
$\frac{\text { By Debbie L. Jensen }}{\text { Features Editor }}$ Features Editor

ry committee that will report to the ommendations on programs and services tion of people over 65 at about 5,000 ,
Alzheimer's Association Greater West to families and caregivers who live with there are just over 1,000 victims of Alzheimer's Association Greater West to families and caregivers who live with there are just over 1,000 victims of
Texas Chapter, based in Midland. She Alzheimer's in Howard County. The Alzheimer's Disease. Nationwide, about $\begin{array}{lll}\text { Texas Chapter, based in Midiand. She } & \text { Alzheimer's in Howard county. The } & \text { Alzheimer's Disease. Nationwide, about } \\ \text { has at } 10 \text { volunteers lined up th help her } \\ \text { identify local needs inttee's work will include surveying } \\ 4 \text { million people have tre disease } \\ \text { Wind }\end{array}$ identify local needs in treating the dis- community organizations, families, busi-
ease, offering services and education to
Wesses, health care agencies and other
estimated that population growth, it is
nillion Americans will ease, offering services and education to nesses, health care agencies and other
families.
caregimated that 14 million Americans will famines. Alzheimer's Association) does a $\begin{aligned} & \text { caregivers on the need for, and type of } \\ & \text { services that the association may be able }\end{aligned}$ lot of really wonderful things," said Cole,
"but we needed more of a local connec-
"but we needed more of a local connec- Members serve a two-year term.
tion. This will help a lot of people. "om- of people are here," said Cole. "I think a
The committee is hoped to be com-
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { posed of at least one-third family mem- } & \begin{array}{l}\text { of people are here, said Cole. "I think a } \\ \text { por people in our community need }\end{array} \\ \text { bers of those battling Alzheimer's. It will } & \text { more education where Alzheimers }\end{array}$ bers of those battling Alzheimer's. It will
meet once every other month, at 3 p.m., lot of people in our community need
more education where Alzheimer's is
concerned. meet once every other month, at 3 p.m., $\begin{aligned} & \text { concerned. } \\ & \text { The Alzheimer's Association estimates } \\ & \text { at location not yet determined. } \\ & \text { It will provide oversight and make rec- } \\ & \text { that in Howard County, with a popula- }\end{aligned}$ meet once every other month, at 3 p.m.,
at a location not yet determined.
It will provide oversight and make rec- $\begin{aligned} & \text { The Azheimer's Association estimates } \\ & \text { that in Howard County, with a popula- }\end{aligned}$ next century, unless a cure or prevention is found. "I really believe almost everyone will
be affected by it in some way over the be affected by it in some way over the
next few years," Cole said. The Alzheimer's Association is dedi-
cated to conquering the disease through cated to conquering the disease through
research, and to providing education See Committee, Page 2
Rotary

Facility provides offices, places for training as well as meeting rooms $\frac{\text { By Marsha }}{\text { Sturdivant }}$ Staff Writer
Remodeling on the new
Municipal Training Center has Municipal Training Center has
been completed, and police offibeen completed, and police offi-
cers and officials are eager to set up the new offices and use the classrooms.
"We're really excited to have
this project completed. We've
had this project completed. We've had in September or October,
and
the city manager said if we the city manager said if we
could find the funds he would let us do this," said Big Spring Police Chief Lonnie Smith.
directly above city council chambers, will provide a location for training classes, as well as offices for two Drug Abuse Resistance Education officers,
the Resotree Officer whoteaches criminal justice classes at Big Spring High School, and the Street Crimes Unit. "We need a place to conduct
our departmental training
me our departent classes," Smith
meetings and said.
And most of $\$ 14,000$ to $\$ 16,000$ cost of the work and materials was donated, or came from the police
said.
"We
"We used some of our seizure money, and we contacted individuals and organizations and
businesses, and they businesses, and they donated
funds to help us do this," he
said.
About $\$ 4,000$ of carpet graces the stairwell and center. New birch paneling covers the bottom portion of the walls, at a cost of about $\$ 1,500$, which
was donated by the Big Spring Police Association, the chief said.
Inma
Inmates from the Wilderness Caing provided most of the labor, as two non-supporting
walls and a closet were removed.
Other renovations called for covering about eight to 10 win-


Corp. Charles Calvert, left, Lt. Drew Bavin, Lt. Terry Chamness and Poilee Chlef Lonnio Smith stand comict
dows, eliminating two doors, and building additional parti-
tioned walls and another door. Smith said no architect was needed, as officers worked
together to determine the best together to determine the best
use of space. use of space.
"We wanted
as we could make them," he
as we
said.
One
sures about classroom mea- 18 by 26 feet. The larger classroom 26 feet. The about 26 by 27 feet, he estimat-
The central office location of the different community proAacts." Smith said.
Arams measures about 17 by 27 . Caist Painting donated his talent for the mural of Texas on the east wall of the large classroom. Lts. Drew Bavin and Terry
Chamness did much of the elecChamness did much of the electrical and plumbing work.
Bavin and Seargent
Bob Bavin and Seargent Bob
Fitzgibbons built the desk tables in the classrooms. Inmates made the frames for
the tables. the tables.
A replica of the Big Spring
Police Department shield is seen just at the top of the stair
Restrooms were completely remodeled, and another room
may serve may serve as a workout or
weight-lifting room. Smith said many individuals
and businesses contributed to and businesses contributed to
the effort, such as the Public Works Department with the City of Big Spring. That department, along with Tor the materials, as well as

well leading into the center. The shield was made in Llano
and painted by Pat Gray Body and painted by Pat Gray Body
Shop, as a donation, the chief
said.
said.
Now that the center is complete, plans are in the making for using the new space, Smith
said said.
A computer training seminar for national and state officers is scheduled in June, and other
classes will be conducted using classes will be conducted using
the classrooms, he said. the classrooms, he said.
"We have mandatory schools
and core classes that we must and core classes that we must
take each year," Smith said. take each year., Smith said.
Some of those classes are Crime Scene Investigating, Use
of Force, Child Abuse Cultural of Force, Child Abuse, Cultura
Diversity, Special Investigation Topics, Supervisors and Search and Seizures.
The center The center will be open to
other city departments for other city departments for
training an classes as well, he
said
said. "We will have our police academy classes here, as well as Crimestoppers meetings,"
Smith said.


## Organisation plans to help fight illiteracy By DEBBIEL LIENSEN <br> $\underset{\text { With help from a grant they }}{\text { from }}$ International, Big Sosirn Rotary Clua will soon be finht.  <br>  <br> that it will get sil.50 oto div- ide <br> ide among four schools and the $\underset{\substack{\text { Library. } \\ \text { Licer }}}{\text { Hownty }}$ Members decided to add to that $\$ 2,000$ of their

 their own money, and will usethe total to purchase books. There's a big need in Howard County to improve literacy,
said Ben Bancrof said Ben Bancroft, of the Rotary
club. He said when gathering club. He said when gathering
information for the grant application, he discovered that a high percentage of local resi-
dents had not finished hish dents had not finished high
sche want to do everything we can to improve that. any way ce can, iprovereft that, said Forsan's Elbow Elementary,
Coahoma
Junior Coahoma Junior High,
Anderson Kindergarten Center Anderson Kindergarten Center,
St. Mary's Episcopal School and the Howard County Library will benefit from the grant.
Each was asked ahead of time to submit a request.
Bancroft
Bancroft sald the club had
applied for a total of $\$ 22,678$, so applied for a total of $\$ 22,678$, so
they won't be able to meet all requests completely, but do
plan to give each institution plan to give each institution
most of what they wanted.
Elbow Elementary he said wil most of what they wanted.
Eet its Elementary he said, will
get request of si1,100. get its total request of $\$ 1,100$.
When the money arrive which should be very soon, probably assist with book purchases, or monitor them somehow, but that is yet to be deter See Rotary, Page 2

## Young Coahoma students show thier

 skills in recent academic competition By MARSHA STURDIVANT Staff WriterCoahoma elementary and
junior high school students earned several first place awards during a recent League competition in Post and Seagraves.

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"We're really proud of our students, and their accomplish-
ments," said elementary princiments, said ejementary
pal Brad Jones.
In District 3-AA junior high In District 3.AA junior high
school competition, Trevor Bibb school competition, Trevor Bion
took first place in spelling in
the seventh grade contest the seventh grade contest.
In eighth grade competition,
Austin Barton secured a first Austin Barton secured a first place honor in each division of
the science and math and calcuthe science and math and calcu-
lator contests. Trent DeHoyos received the first place award for maps, graphs and chiarts for eighth grade.
In element
In elementary grade competi-
tion, Heather Scoggins garnered the first place award for cre-
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { ative writing in the second } & \text { tening contest; and Clint } \\ \text { Wrade contest. } \\ \text { Walker and Zachary Phillips, }\end{array}$ grade contest.
Blabby Payne earned the first
place award for third grade place award for third grade
spelling, and Ami Martinez won
first spelling, and Ami Martinez won
first place for fourth grade oral reading. In music memory for fifth
grade competition, the team of grade competition, the team of Dunn, Elizabeth Conley, Ryan
Green, Emily Burgess and Green, Emily Burgess and
Sterling Gee placed first. Terrell Bibb won first place in the fifth grade maps, graphs
and charts contest, and Billy Crawford earned first place in fifth grade listening.
Other junior high
Other junior high school winners were Alex Toscano and
Chris Bustamante, fourth and fifth place winners in sixth grade math; Brandon Gressett
and Katie Bowling, second and and Katie Bowling, second and
third place winners in sixth third place winners in sixth
grade spelling, Shayla Walsia,
sixth place winners in oral grade spelling; Shayla Walsia,
sixth place winners in oral
reading; Chelsea Griffin and reading; Chelsea Griffin and
Garret Cline, fourth and fifth Garret Cline, fourth and fifth
place winners in sixth grade lis-

Waiker and Zachary Phillips,
third and fifth place winners in listening.
Other se
Other seventh grade winners were K.K. Kellar, third place
ready writing; Alexis Bollier, reaay writing, Alexis Bollier,
fourth place impromptu speaking; K.K. Kellar, fourth place
modern oratory; and Will modern oratory; and Will Kington, third place maps,
graphs and charts contest. Other eighth grade winners
were Austin Barton were Austin Barton, secord
place in number sense; Michael place in number sense; Michael Batterton, sixth place calculator
and Ricky Crawford, fourth place maps, graphs and charts contest.
Other
Other elementary winners
were Rachel Tucker, third place were Rachel Tucker, third place
storytelling for second grade;
Will William Reilly, fourth place storytelling in third grade; Rachael
Wheeler, sixth place spelling in Wheeler, sixth place spelling in
third grade and KaySea Spiller, fifth place ready writing.
In fourth grade competition,
See skıus, Page 2

OBITUARIES

Robert "Virgil" Hines
Graveside service for Robert
Virgi1 Hines, 79, Big Spring wirlil be 3 p.m. T. Tuesday. Apriil
20, A999, at Trinity Memorial
Park Park with Rev. Doung heriley,
pastor of East Side Baptist phurch, officiating. Mr. Hines died Sunday, April
18, at his home following a long iness.
He was born on Jan. 20, 1920 He was born on Jan. 20, 1920,
in Oklahoma. He grew up in
Forsan and attended Forsan and Garden City schools. He
was a veteran of the UU.S.
Army, and after being dis. charged from the Army, he
joined the US. Navy. He served
oined during World War II. Mr.
Hines had worked for many
years for the Hilton Hotels. years for the Hilton Hotels
Survers
Survivors include: one sister Johnnie Fay Ray and her hus
band, Charles, of Coahoma,
and several nieces and nephews.
Arrangements under the
direction of Myers $\&$ Smith

## SKILLS

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ROTARY

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mined.
Gena Franke, reading teacher
at Coahoma Junior High
School, said the money will be at Coahoma Junior High
School, said the money will be
extremely welcome there. extremely welcome there.
Our kids are reading so ciously, they've almost read
everything we have," Franke said.
Since most are $12-14$ years old,
Franke said they are "interested Franke said they are 'interested are interested in," including
adventure, romance, thrillers and non-fiction as well. She said the school aims to
encourage reading any way it

- Once you get (a student)
hooked on reading, they read


## COMMITTEE

and support to people with
Alzheimer's, their families and
NALLEY-PICKLE \& WELCH Funeral Home


MYERS \& SMITH FUNERAL HOME \& CHAPEL 244h \& Johneon 267-8288 Marie Wallace, 77, died
Thursday. Graveside services Thursday. Grave
were $9: 00 \mathrm{Am}$ to
Memorial Park.
 Glasscock, And
Midand and Ector
s. Some of its programs include
Safe Return, counseling for families, newsletters, caregive education and support groups.
Locally, the agency plans to offer quarterly caregiver education sessions, expanded support
group opportunities and is con-
sidering opening an informa sroup opportunities and is co
sidering opening an inform
tion center tion center.
For more information about
the advisory committee call Cole at 263-1271, Madeline
Boadle at 267-2203, or Nancy
Jones at $264-2397$. Air Force deeds Bergstrom to Austin as new airport site AUSTIN (AP) - Bergstrom
Air Force Base has been offi-
cially turned over to the priThe acting secretary of the
Air Force, F. Whitten Peters, signed over to the city on
Saturday the deed to the soon-to-open
International Airport.
"Whill "While that officially ends
the presence of the Air Force the presence of the Air Force
on this property, the influence
on the community will endure on the community will endure
for years and generations to come," said Mayor Kirk
Watson.
The ceremony was the first major event before the opening
of the new airport, delayed
from May 2 to May 23 . By using the former military base
as a starting point in building
the $\$ 690$ million airport city as a starting point in building
the $\$ 690$ million airport, city
officials saved $\$ 200$ million in runway re-use and land costs.
Also Saturday, the city
named one of the last remnants of the Air Force base, the
12,250-0.oot west runway, after President Lyndon B. Johnson,
who used to fly in to the base
on Air Force One. The east runway will bear
the name of former U.S the name of former U.S. congressman Jake Pickle, who
pushed for the new 9,000 -foot
runway to allow simultaneous landings and takeoffs at Austind opening fe continue Wednesday when President Clinton arrives with Rodney Slater and Federal
Aviation Administration Chief Jane Garvey. Gov. George W.
Bush will join Clinton on Wednesday morning at a small
event at the airport.

## Briefs

55 ALIVE/MATURE DRI-
VING CLASS will be April VING CLASS will be April 22
23, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m
at Berea Baptist Church, 4204 Wasson Road. The cost is $\$ 88$
and you must attend both ses sions. Call $263-1491$ to preregi
ter or to ask questions.
THE TEXAS DEPART MENT OF Health and WIC
will be closed for all services
on April 21. We will reopen on Thursday, April 22 at 8 a.m.
LOCAL FIREFIGHTERS ARE COLLECTING non-per ishable items and toiletries fo
the victim's of the tornado it
Midland. Items such as canne goods and basicic sucp lises canned be
dropped off at any fire station,
Wal dropped off at any fire station,
Wal-Mart or at the collection
box at the Big Spring Fire/EMS box at the Big Spring Fire/EMS
booth at the health fair
Saturday Saturday.
Monetary donations can b




## Allies: Airstrikes to the end,' but still no ground troops


#### Abstract

 the end" to degrade Yugosilav 'pare. So secretary General whatsoever" to change current ability to fightethnic Ailosevic's Nans Javier Solana agreed, saying, pontinued, and they have to be ule out using groy continue Yueut using' ground troops. Yuiaia's military "generally is being weakened, while our air campaign is strengthening," Secretary of State Madeleine Abright said Sunday "Our allies Manday. "Our allies, are all Sunday. "etermined to prevail", Albright, appearing on ABC's "This Wh, appearing san ABCsident Clinton still has "no intention" f ordering ground troops into ugoslavia to follow air attacks lat began March 24. She sald a ilied unity. "I think the impor-


 naintain NATO's airstrikes "to take two to three months to pre- Schroeder told CNN's "Late bad weather and a crowded air-
## Compaq chief executive Pfeiffer ousted

HOUSTON (AP) - Compaq computer Corp. chief executive assuring associates that the company would rebound this
year from first-quarter profits tations. How quickiy the world's maker recovers from its slump remains in question. What is
certain is that Pfeiffer won't be around to guide it. Compac ousted its CEO of almost nine years over the weekend. decisions, but with the world moving at Internet speed, we
have to be quicker than we Benjamin M. Rosen said. It was the second time in nine days Compaq delivered a piece
of stunning news from its
 traded as high as $\$ 51.25$ earlier
this year, dropped 22 percent
on April 12, the first day of
financial officer, also resigned Wells handling his duties on an interim basis. The company called Mason's move unrelated, saying he was taking a chief
executive's job with another unnamed company, the two
departures will mean broad departures will mean broad changes in Compaq's leader-
ship as it copes with the biggest ship as it copes with the biggest
challenge since its founding in 1982 as an upstart to then-dom1982 as an
inant IBM.
"This is a major, major
admission or realization admission or realization that cutting it," said Aaron Goldberg, chief analyst for ZiffDavis Inc. in New York.
Shares of Col Shares of Compaq, which
traded as high as $\$ 51.25$ earlier

## Military urges vets to sign up for medical evaluation

AUsTinN (AP) - The larges Army post in the rree worn is
the latest focus of of a culf $w a r i l l$ ness outreach proeram, with
the miltary uryncin Texas veter:
 up for a comprehensive medical
Lt Col Dian Lawton, U US.
 the 'departments' 'telisty ave undiagnosed illnesses with symptoms ranging from hat don't fit normal disease She told the Austin American tatesman that the military is nterested in finding out what is "We know these people are suffering," Ms. Lawhon said.
"We know they have medical problems. We don't know Sgt. 1st Class Jason Potter said that a few months after eturning from the Persian joint pains and short-term mem-

 tor the agencr's.
Wasticice in
in Washington, D.C., that is dedil
cated to the mysterio
seck

 north of Austin, to tell veterans
about treatment plans for the illness as well as measures now
being taken by the military to being taken by the military to
protect other yeterans from sufprotect other veterans from sur-
fering similar medical problems. of an effort to convince all Gulf War veterans to sign up for the War ceterans to sign up for the
freeluations. Potter, who recently participated in a six week medical
examination, said some - but not all - of his ailments have
been quelled. been quelled. evaluation) stopped any fears evaluation) stopped any fears
that there were any underlying Poll shows Texans favor campaign spending limits AUSTIN (AP)-A
ity of Texans favor spending imits for legislative campaigns should not be allowed to accept campaign contributions from
lawyers or law firms, according to a poll for the
Public Citizen.
Austin Trends surveyed 400 people across the state between
March 31 and April 6 . The poll's $\operatorname{margin}$ of error is plus
minus 5 percentage points. Ninety-two percent of those polled said they favored spenddates, and 86 percent said they believe campaign contributions have too much influence on public policy.
Last week, itizen reporther Public industrial report showes, their lobbyists and political action com$\$ 10$ millition to political campaigns from 1993 to 1998,
Of that money, more than $\$ 4$ million went to
rently in office. they hate the special influence favors that campaign contribu-
tions buy," said Tom Smith,
Texas director of Public Texas director of Public
Citizen. As for judicial elections, 71 percent said they opposed
allowing judicial candidates to receive contributions from
lawyers or law firms. lawyers or law firms. Instead,
68 percent said they favor using 68 percent said they favor using
attorney's fees to publicly attorney's fees to publicly
finance judicial elections.
Among other findings in the Among other findings in the
survey: survey
-76 willing to 76 percent said they are wiling to pay an extra \$1 a
month on their electric bills to replace polluting power plants
iwith cleaner energy sources. with cleaner energy sources. governor-appointed judges with
retention elections every six years.
A proposed rewrite of the
Constitution A proposed rewrite of the
state $\begin{aligned} & \text { Constitution would } \\ & \text { require appellate judges be }\end{aligned}$ require appellate judges be
appointed by the governor
instead of the current system of
elections.

More dry weather on tap for Everglades FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla.
$($ AP) - An Everglades fire that (AP) - An Everglades fire that
already has consumed 70,000 acres threatened to expand
today as erratic winds and dry
weather stayed in the forecast. $\begin{array}{ll}\text { darkened sky in the Fort } \\ \text { LWe expect identical weather. } & \text { Lauderdale } \\ \text { with }\end{array}$ in the next day or two," state. Everglades began on the年 spokesman Gene Madden Saturday, possibly Ignited by said. "We expect more fires." heat from a vehicle's catalytic
serious matalow conation
serious medical conditions The Defense Department
within me within me," he said. "It $\begin{aligned} & \text { started the program in } 1998 \text { in } \\ & \text { answered all those questions for } \\ & \text { response to complaints from }\end{aligned}$ me.
"It taught me ways to either Gul War veterans who
returned to the United States eliminate the wain or work with an array of unexplainable
around the pain." around the pain."
ment. In recent days, Compa has been flirting with its 52
week low of $\$ 22.930$ Resen says that there's
place to go but place to go but up for the sleep-
ing giant. ing giant.
"We ha
"We have re-energized this
company before and, workin company before and, workin
together, we will do it again, Rosen said.
In a statement, Pfeiffer stuck to the positive. "Compaq has the company in $1983, "$ he said.
"We are a world leade in per"We are a world leader in per-
sonal computing, enterprise sonal computing, enterprise
computing and Internet applications."
PC Wee
PC Week editor-in-chief Eric
Lundquist and Lundquist and his staff interon Wednesday for 30 minutes on Wednesday. Lundquist said
Pfeiffer appeared weary but
upbeat.
$\square$ our Way to Tee It Up,
Do Some Pro Shopping.

Researcher discovers way to budge TV-watching kids
WASHINGTON (AP) - Parents may have a way to budge their
chip-chomping, TV-watching kids from the family sofa: a bicycle hooked up electrically to the set. To see their favorite shows, couch potatoes have to pedal.
An obesity researcher who came up with the "TVcycle" say
early tryouts helped youngsters shed fat and discouraged TV view
David Allison of St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospital in New York sets and he cautions that says his small study of a few
But
dren is important because it suggests tinkering with the technolo gy that makes life more comfortable - but also more sedentar
and fattening - could help trim Americans' and fattening - could help trim Americans' expanding waistlines obesity problems with TVs hooked to bicycles," Allison said. "But there are other things we could do ... that are limited only by our imaginations."
The Nationa
The National Institutes of Health says about 55 percent of
American adults are overweight or obese, up from 43 percent in American adults are overweight or obese, up from 43 percent in
1960. Studies also suggest more than 13 percent 6 through 17 are overweight, and getting fatter each year.
Lack of exercise is a main cause Lack of exercise is a main cause.
Research shows television is a major culprit for kids, mesmeriz:
ing children who otherwise might bun calor ing children who otherwise might burn calories while playing.
Formal exercise programs do not help much because it is hard tormal exercise programs do not help much because it is hard children with busy parents, so scientists are hunting for homebased tricks to get kids moving, Allison said. For his experiment, an engineer rewired TV sets to work only puters measure how long the televisions bereycle. Built-in com which are back in Allison's office as he hunts money for a larger study, are not for sale.

$\qquad$ Army Gen. Wesley Clark, meanwhile, is awaiting Pentagon
approval for more than 300 addiapproval for more than 300 addi-
tional U S. tional U.S. aircraft to boost the
alliance total to about 1,000 warplanes.
The increased air power will require President Clinton to call up as many as 33,000 military
reserves, mostly for refueling and administration duties, with the order expected this week.
Clinton branded Milosevic a "belligerent tyrant" in a pubthe NATO airstrikes will continue until his forces are too weak to fight in Kosovo or until
he agrees to peace and autonoettnic Albanians. "Our campaign will continue, shing the balance of power Clinton wre uncceed," piece in wrote in an opinion plece in the Sumday Times of
London. "Ultimately, Mr Milosevic must either cut his mounting losses or lose his ability to maintain his grip on The administration has refused to arm the Kosovo Liberation Army fighting for independence since early last
year or support' their cause arguing they should get selfrule instead. Still, U.S. officials note that every NATO strike on
Serb tanks and artillery bolsters Serb tanks
the KLA.

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Health Fair, fun run made for great time

Don't you feel a little bit healthier this week? You might if you stopped by the Big Spring emonstrated, screened and gave away tips reats and healthy stuff by the bagful. It was another successful event, with good attenervices. This year's theme was "Walking Into the Millennium," to reflect the variety of services and technology available locally. Booths represented hos-
pitals, doctor's offices and clinics, health-related serpitals, doctor's offices and clinics, health-related ser-
vices and programs, both businesses and non-profit vices and
agencies.
There were also religious booths, public interest dis plays and plenty of old-fashioned "meeting and greet ing" with our friends and neighbors. Hundreds of peo ple passed through the doors at Dorothy
Are hats are off to all those who took the time to set up a booth and share their information with the community. A special salute to the corporate sponsors, Chiropractic, MalorieHórgat Clinic. Nurses Unlimited Leonard's Pharmacy Conanche Trail Nursing Center, Scenic Mountain Medical Center, Family Medica Center, Mountain View Lodge and the VA Medica enter.
Before the health fair even opened on Saturday morning, however, another group of "health nuts" were up on Scenic Mountain, preparing to take off in the "Second Annual Master the Mountain" fun run/walk, which included 5 K and 10 K races around
the bluff. Dozens.
Dozens of people took advantage of this event, either
for competition or just for fun, and it was a great suc cess. Once again, thanks to all thöse who gave their ime to make sure it came off that way
If you didn't make it to either the health fair or the fun run, you missed two interesting, family-oriented events that only happen once a year. That's too bad. If you did, don't forget to thank the sponsors and vol unteer organizers who worked hard so you and your family could enjoy a Saturday. These are just two more examples of the kind of quality activities Big Spring has to offer.
And remember them when you are tempted to com
plain, "There's nothing to do in Big Spring!" plain, "There's nothing to do in Big Spring!"


Straight, empty roads to learn to drive on

TSe cars of Georgia's
Sapelo Istand are rust
buckets: mottled buckets: mottled clun islanders from their homes to the ferry dock
and back.
Some hav
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| ed as we | $\begin{array}{c}\text { Grimstey } \\ \text { Johnson }\end{array}$ |
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bumped and rattled through
the palmetto forest on a road straight as a seam. Cornelia
was my island hostess a few was my island hostess a few
weeks back.
"This is a good Sapelo car," "This is a go
she laughed.
she laughed.
Sapelo's old cars are like its
old people. They ner old people. They never leave
the island. All around the Hog Hammock community in the
island's interior are abandoned
cars in various stáges of
decomposition decomposition. The cars get to
the island by the island by appointment, on
a work barge; they disappear a lot more slowly, sumpeupbing
bit by tito sand wind and bit by bitt to sand, wind and
salt air. salt air.
There for safety inspections, or car tags, or speed limits. There are
no traffic jams, no traffic. no traffic jams, no traffic.
There are 70 full-time reside There are 70 full-time reside
on a land mass bigger than Manhattan.
The day $\mathbf{I}$
The day I rode over on the
ferry the deck was loaded with a bouquet of collard greens and bags of dog food and big boxes
of mainland groceries. A dozen or so of Sapelo's children got off the mainland school bus,
scrambled aboard the ferry and rode it to another school bus
on the island side Excet on the island side Except that
a couple of the childrent two of a couple of the children, the smallest ones, jumped
behind the wheel of their ow island vehicles and coaxed them toward home.
Children learn to drive early Children learn to drive earl
on Sapelo. And why not?
Conditions are ideal. A 12-yea Conditions are ideal. A 12-year-
old, Monique Grovner, gave me
an island tour in her family's
big van. Once I got past the shock of being driven around
by a kid, I was amazed at her by a kid, I was amazed at he
expertise. She knew how to avoid gaping mudholes, and
where the sand was too soft to where the sand was too soft to
park. She knew the essentials park. She knew the essentials
of island driving. In an hour of exploring, I don't think we saw exploring,
another car.
I've though I've thought about those.
empty roads and ancient cars lot lately. The Atlanta-area news has been full of horrible stories involving traffic. A
year-old dies after being year-old dies after being
struck, along with his moth struck, along with his mother,
by a teen-age driver. A woman dies when the car in which she is riding rams a truck aban-
doned on the interstate. An 84 -year-old woman is hit and
killed killed as she tries to cross the
road while returning from he road while returning from her
mailbox. Less than a week's mairbox. Less than
worth of fatalities.
I feel awful for today's teen-
agers. Where do they learn to agers. Where do they learn to drive? The roads are so con-
gested that all trials are by gested that all trials are by
fire, all decisions life or death No longer is there the luxury of the deserted back road, an
empty Sunday afternoon inter-
state, the quiet neighborhood
street:
Ididn't learn to drive on a marvelously empty island, but
Atlanta makes my experience Atlanta makes my experience
look swell. There were places look swell. There were places
to get your feet wet before yo took the solo plunge. I can remember my father's vaice as he advised: "You don't have to stop to turn right." But back
then a beginner could stop without being rearended. Al Gore recently got grief for
suggesting that traffic control suggesting that traffic control
may be this nation's next big may be this nation's next big
challenge. Maybe his critics were faulting him for statics the obvious, but isn't that bet-
ter than ignoring it? How could ter than ignoring it? How could
anyone disagree that someanyone disagree that some
thing has got to give? You cannot drive any dis-
tance these days without see tance these days without see-
ing a wreck. Unless the wreck involves us, we selfishly put it out of her minds. File it away under "Delay" and "Detour.
We carry on. We carry on.
Would that
Woud that all children had Sapelo Island to learn to drive on, in cars that have advance
age as a governor of speed.

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U.S. shameful for attacking old ally

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Mediterranean, the German
war machine stod victorious.
It is no surprise then that
when it rolled into Yugoslavia, when it rolled into Yugoslavia,
the government surrendered. There was no chance to win a
fight. Croatia became an enthusiastic fascist state and set up its own concentration camps to slaughter Jews and Serbs.
Albania had joined the fascist Albania had joined the fascists
and sent a division into Kosovo where, at that time, Serbs were a huge majority. They killed The Bosnian Musli including its present leader,
enthusiastically forme enthusiastically formed a
Waffen ss division.
So what did the Serbs do?
Well, that's the magic. Within a few days after the
Yugoslavian government sur-

## the draft, is now wiling to put American troops into war against a former ally is really

up, overthrew that government
and told Hitler's legions in effect: "Hell, no! We don't sur-
This is one of the noblest examples of human courage in
history. Here was a porle history. Here was a people
hopelessly outhumbered who hopelessly youthumbered who than to surrender. More than a million did die, but they fought
the Germans so fiercely thet the Germans so fiercely that
the German invasion of the the German invasion of the
Soviet Union was delayed, Hitter later blamed his defeat
by the Russians on thi delay Hy the Russians on this delay.
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in Washington supposed theple the Serbs, who defled the that German war machine, would
collapse and tremble collapse and tremble at the feet
of a cowardly draft dodger
whose ill-ple whose ill-planned, poorly thought out campaign has already led to a human disaster
for the very people he clait it was designed to save.
And maked And make no mistake, this
president president - famous for his bad presgment - by rejecting any compromise is committing the
United States United States to ground war in The ideans. that this man, who spoke of loathing the U.S. who
tary tary and who cowardly avoided

Clinton is going to discover
like Hitler, that he can like Hitler, that he can occupy
Serbia, but he cannot subduy the Serbian people. The American people should
wake up and decide how man wake up and decide how many of their sons and daughters.
they wish to sacrifice for the sake of Albania - once a fascist state, once the most Stalinist of the communist states, and currently the most corrupt and
incompetent of the former communist states.
When Clinton sends troops
into Yugoslavia it will be into Yugoslavia, it will be pointless to talk about an exit
strategy. There won't be one. strategy. There won't be one.
There isn't even one for the American troops stuck in Bosnia. NATO officials have
said they will be there at least another five years. Americans should also remember that not one single
European leader in 1914 intend European leader in 1914 intend
ed to start a world war. They ed to start a world war. Th
simply found themselves trapped in a chain of actions and reactions and ended up in a situation not a single one of
them had intended or wanted. Clinton is a cheap, smallstate hustler and is clearly out of his depth. He is playing a dangerous game and isn't sane
enough to realize just how dangerous it is. Beware of God's ironic sense of humor. The
century started with a world war ignited in the Balkans. Let's pray it doesn't end the
same way. Let's pray
same way.
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dous highs and tremendous lows,", said
Day, whose 35-foot birdie putt Sunday
gave him the MCI Classic title in a play-
off with Payne Stewart and Jeff sluman.
"When that putt went in on 18, it was
a tremendous hig. And you know, the
way I am I want to win again just to
prove that it wasn't a fluke."
Only hours earlier, Day was packing
his things and making plans for a
friend's pro-am as he waited to see
Which PGA star would taike away his
dream.
Would it be second-round leader Payne
Stewart, twice a winner at Harbour



xtra clubs "because when somebody got old-under, I wanted to leave," he said.
Day told his friends, tour players Brad Dabel and Larry Rinker, that their ride
to a Monday proam - Day was driving o a Monday pro-am - Day was driving

- wouldn't be delayed.
Babel was urging Day to hurry up
in the interyiew room.




Why should it be? Stewart, Janzen and within striking distance. Sluman and
Bob Tway,
both with PGA Championship titles, were making runs. wrapped up
back nine. back nine.
But one by Stewart, twice a winner at Harbour in the interyiew room. That's what hap- But one by one, they fell away.










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## The Iceman Goeth: Gretzky's masterpiece closes

NEW YORK (AP) - He played the "When a gentlemen told me in 1977 to player that ever played, and he's been Madison Square Garden. The greatest
game with such style and grace, it wear this sweater, I didn'timagine one such a great ambassador for the game player ever made it easy for everyone to
brought tears to the eyes. When he left day nobody else would be allowed to for 20 years." game with such style and grace it hockey, it was Wayne. Wretzky who left
couldn't keep from crying.

 say goodbye.
He skated slowly enough for plenty of
souvenir photos to be taken Whenever souvenir photos to be taken. Whenever
he noticed a youngster's extended hand from the crowd, he touched it. He even played to the fans, donning a blue
Yankees hat, then a red Rangers beret Yankees hat, then a red Rangers beret.
Then, almost as suddenly as word had comen, last week that he was retiring, No. 99 was gone. "I'm devastated I will no longer be a hockey player," Gretzky, his eyes still
red, said more than an hour after his red, said more than an hour after his
final skate. "I will miss every part of the game, because I lover part of the
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Cowboys think they can contend the hibhiperformant wee veeteran players with the Euys whove
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backer," Nguyen said. "I'm just a small guy out ther
make some tackles."


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| DEAR ABBY: I was intrigued | The letter from "Sick of |
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| by your response column about | Scraps" must have touched a |
| "Sick of Scraps." I can't help | great many people, because |
| son who knows about Emily | Read on: |
| Dickinson, the great American | DEAR ABBY: As a mother |
| poet who lived in Amherst, | and grandmother, ${ }^{1}$ have |
| Mass., in the | enjoyed your column for |
|  | years, and I can relate to some |
| century. She and her sister | "Sick of Scraps" brought tears |
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| those papers, tied with ribbo | mail" envelope and was filled |
| among her effrects. So, one of our greatest geniuses utilized | the two of us, as I was going |
| scrap paper! - MARY LEE | home the next month to spend |
| ROLLOW, PORTLAND, ORE. | the summer with her |
| DEAR MARY LEE: What an | Abby, please tell "Sick of |
| enlightening tidbit! One never | Scraps" to enjoy the treasures |
| knows when a bolt of inspira- | her friend sends. They will be |
| DEAR ABBY: Enough of | hundred-dollar stationery could |
| "Sick of Scraps,", already. After | ever be. -JUNE BROWN FROM VIRGINA |
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| scrap piece of plain brown | of you to want to share your |
| envelope with a pencil, dimin- | last precious memory of your |
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## THIS DATE IN HISTORY

On April 19 in History: Douglas MacArthur, relieved of his command by President
Truman, bid farewell to Truman, bid farewell to
Congress, quoting a line from a ballad: "Old soldiers never die:
they just fade away.
In 1775, the American Revolutionary War began with the battles of Lexington and In 1897, the first Boston
Marathon was Marathon was run from Ashland, Mass., to Bositon.
In 1898, Congress passed a resolution recognizing Cuban that Spain relinquish its authority over Cuba In 1933, the United States In 1943, during World War II, tens of thousands of Jews living in the Warsaw Ghetto
began a valiant but futile battle began a valiant but futile battle
agnst Nazi forces.
In 945 , the Rodgers and Hammerstein Rodgers and "Carousel" opened on Broadway,
In 1982, astronauts Sally K
Ride and Guion S. Bluford Jr Recame the first woman and first African-American to be In 1993, the 51 -day siege at the Branch Davidian compound
near Waco, Texas, ended as fire destroyed the structure after heir way in; dozens of people, including David Koresh, were In 1995, a truck bomb devas tated the Alfred P. Murrah
Federal Building in Oklahoma City, killing 168 people. Timothy McVeigh and Terry
Nichols were later convicted of charges related to the bombing. Ten years ago: Forty-seven
Ten sailors were killed when a gun
turret exploded aboard the USS turret exploded aboard the USS
Iowa. A female jogger in New York's Central Park was brutal ly beaten and raped. Six teen agers were later charged in the ear-fatal attack; five were con
victed, one pleaded guilty to victed, one ple
lesser charge.
 The Supreme Court outlawed the practice of excluding people gender: leader of the 1989 Tiananmen Square prodemocracy protests,
arrived in the United States arrived in the United States
after being freed by China. It after being freed by China. It
was announced that Linda McCartney, the wife of Pau McCartney, had died two days earlier at age 56. Mexican poet
philosopher Octavio Paz died at age 84 .
Today's Birthdays: Actor Hugh O'Brian is 74. Actor Don Adams is 73. Actor-comedian
Dudley Moore is 64. Actress Elinor Donahue is 62 . Actor Tim Curry is $53 .$, Pop singer
Mark "Flo" Volman (The Turtles; Flo and Eddie) is 52
Tennis player Sue Barker is 43

