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Moore community reunion set Saturday

The 36th annual Moore community and school reunion will be Saturday from 2 to 4 p.m. in the 14th & Main Church of Christ fellowship hall.

All current and former residents, teachers, ex-students and their descendants are usually part of the Moore reunion.

The Moore community is still thriving. The school district itself began in 1906 and ended in 1949 when the school building burned. The district was then divided into Knott, Center Point and Big Spring school districts, therefore, actual students, teachers and trustees are few and far between. Organizers expect a large group of current and former residents at the reunion.

WEEKEND TICKET

TODAY

□ Signal Mountain Quilting Guild, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281. Bring a lunch.

□ AMBUCS (American Business Club), noon, Brandin' Iron Restaurant.

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

SATURDAY

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

□ The Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

□ The Pottin House, 200 Gregg, a restored historic home, is open from 1-5 p.m. A one-time admission fee of \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizen is encouraged.

□ Big Spring Car Show will be held from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$3 for children age 7-12. A donation of two canned goods will reduce the cost by \$1.

SUNDAY

□ Big Spring Car Show will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$3 for children age 7-12.

Tonight:



TONIGHT 55°-61° SATURDAY 82°-96°

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Roberto Martinez pushed the button on Cloud Catcher under the watchful eye of York Research vice president Vito Elefante.

Giant turbines cranked up Thursday

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

The four newest additions to the cooperative effort or renewable energy between York Research and TU Electric propelled Bauer fourth-grader Roberto Martinez into the limelight Thursday.

"The wind turbine looks like it can catch clouds, so I named it Cloud Catcher," said Martinez, who won \$250 for his winning entry.

Bauer Magnet School fourth grade was contacted by TU Electric to participate in a Name the Wind Turbine contest. Martinez' entry was select-

ed from 49 others.

His class submitted Dear Sir or Madam letters with their entry as part of a classroom assignment, said his teacher Kathleen Liggett.

"We're very proud of him, and he is the envy of all his classmates," Liggett said.

As part of his VIP treatment, Martinez was allowed to turn on the largest wind turbine in America, once it had been dubbed "Cloud Catcher."

Following the initial start up, three other large wind turbines were started, as part of an Earth Day ceremony that gathered about 50 local residents, York Research officials, TU Electric employees and other interested

persons.

R.G. Click, who owns the land where the latest wind turbines stand, said he was contacted by the companies when the project began.

"And I thought this sounded like a really good project, and it is a really good project. These wind turbines generate energy, and they don't pollute and don't cost anything to run because they run off the wind. And here, in West Texas, we have plenty of wind," Click said.

The newest turbines, Vestas-66 (V-66) stand 370 feet tall, larger than the Statue of Liberty and the United States Capitol

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Kids get to see what mom, dad do at work

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

Some Big Spring kids played hooky from school Thursday and went to work instead.

They went to work with their parents as part of "Take Your Child to Work Day." Locally, several businesses and the city of Big Spring participated by offering special activities, lunch and supervision for the children.

"It's like a holiday, except we have to make up the work we missed," said Krista Odle, daughter of Norwest Bank Managing Officer Mark Odle. She and her sister, Kayla, were among eight children who visited the bank as part of the program Thursday.

Those kids enjoyed a tour around the bank, a close look at each department and a session wrapping coins and shredding paper.

"They were going to shred me," joked Nick Strada, who was visiting his mom, Sue, on the job.

Organizer Carl Smoot said the day was educational as well as fun for the children, and even their parents.

"It might be a little distracting," he said, "but it is very worth it."

His stepdaughter, Kady Knox, interviewed Smoot about his job during the day and planned



Sue Strada, employee at Norwest Bank, allowed her son, Nick, and Krista Odle to try out the microphone at the drive-in bank. The kids were taking part in "Take Your Child to Work Day."

to give a report to her class at school.

Nick's mother said she was glad to give her son the chance

to do something different.

"He's enjoying it," Strada said.

"He's having a lot of fun."

Odle said he was glad to see

his daughters get an idea about what he really does for a living.

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Student safety survey timely, officials say

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

Trustees approved a student safety survey Thursday, to fulfill a requirement with Region 18 Service Center, that may prove to be timely considering the recent events in Littleton, Colo.

"We will send home permission slips with the students, to get parental permission before any student takes this survey," said Murray Murphy, deputy superintendent.

"This must be okayed by parents, and it is anonymous. The idea is to know how the kids feel, and I guess this is apropos at this time, considering what happened in Colorado," Murphy said.

A similar survey was distributed to students during the 1998-99 school year, he said. Compliance with the survey satisfies federal regulations of grants funds, as administered by Region 18, he said.

The survey will be distributed to selected classes of students in grades five, seven, eight and nine, he said.

These are the grades suggested by Region 18 as the ones to seek responses, he said.

"As you can see, some of these questions are of a sensitive nature, and we will not survey any kids if it has not been approved by a parent. The permission slips have to be on file before a student may take a survey," said Bill McQueary, superintendent.

The survey will not be sent home, however. If a parent wishes to see the survey, a copy will be available at the administration building before the day of the survey, McQueary said.

However, the Big Spring Herald received a copy at the school board as standard public information. Some of the questions on the survey concern the feelings of threat or violence at school, and student's perception of the safety of their campus.

As Sgt. Roger Sweatt of the Big Spring Police Department said, students are the one who may fill in the gaps to diffuse and prevent incidents such as the one as a Colorado High School, where 16 students were shot and killed by fellow class-

mates.

He said preventing these type of occurrences relies heavily on the students who observe illegal or suspicious behavior.

"If the students will bring this to our attention, that will help," he said.

By hiding the suspicious activity of their friends from teachers and parents, students may be allowing deviant behavior an opportunity to move into criminal activity, he said.

This safety survey may be one method where a student might tell what actions they have observed, without fear of being named.

Some of the questions on the survey include asking a student

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Sterling named Howard SWCD '99 Conservation Rancher of the Year

HERALD Staff Report

Rancher Jimmy Sterling and the Sterling Ranch were awarded the 1999 Conservation Rancher of the Year at the Howard Soil and Water Conservation District annual dinner Thursday.

Sterling and his father, J.M. Sterling, own and operate the 9,500-acre ranch, located in Howard and Mitchell counties. The ranch runs a cow-calf operation and participates in the Environmental Quality Incentives Program and the Conservation Reserve Program with the Natural Resource Conservation Service and the Farm Service Agency.

Much of the brush on the ranch has been managed in strips to leave adequate food and cover for wildlife. The range seeing mixtures consist of Sideoats Grama, Blue Grama, Alkali Sacaton, Green Sprangletop, Kleingrass, 4-Wing Saltbush and Illinois Bundleflower.

Other practices completed on planned on the rangeland consist of a cross fence for

better grazing distribution, prescribed burning to control prickly pear and improve the quality of the native tobosa grass and rotational grazing to improve the vigor of the plants.

The ranch also contains about 690 acres of cropland which is planted to high-residue crops each year to provide added grazing for livestock, food for wildlife and soil protection from wind and water erosion.

Howard SWCD director Larry Adkins presented the award.

Also named Thursday were poster contest winners. They included Taylor Parks, Bauer Elementary; Josh Bales, Coahoma Elementary; Keri Silen, College Heights Elementary; and Victoria McDowell, Elbow School.

Others were Kayla Odle, Kentwood Elementary; Nick Sosa, Marcy Elementary; Tanner Churchwell, Moss Elementary; and Hayley Adams, St. Mary's Episcopal.

The poster theme was "Earth's Bright Future."



Howard SWCD director Larry Adkins, left, presented the 1999 Conservation Rancher of the Year Award to Jimmy Sterling and the Sterling Ranch during the district's annual dinner Thursday. Stribling and his father own the ranch, located on 9,500 acres in Howard and Mitchell counties.

HERALD photo/Bill McClellan

BSISD

Theater arts program set for expansion; familiar face

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

There will be a new, yet familiar, face at Big Spring High School for the 1999-2000 school year, following board approval Thursday.

Tim Haynes, former theater arts instructor, will return from Abilene private business after a three-year absence.

"We're excited to have Tim back. He said he missed teaching, and we are very happy to have him back with us," said Murray Murphy, deputy superintendent.

Haynes will head the theater department at the high school, while current theater arts teacher Pat Barrera will focus her talent and energies toward University Interscholastic League speech competition as head of the speech program, Murphy said.

"We are hoping to expand our theater arts program into the new junior high school with an eighth grade drama class, and Mrs. Barrera will head that up. She does an excellent job, and speech is her forte," he said.

Also, trustees approved the retirement of Don Swinney, high school math teacher. Swinney has been with the district 21 years, and is retiring after 35 years as an educator, Murphy said.

In other business, trustees approved \$681,686 worth of furniture for the new Big Spring Junior High School.

"We're happy with this. When we budgeted for these items, we only estimated the value two years ago, and we've come in

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OBITUARIES

La Verne (Sims)
Lewis Phares

Former Big Spring resident La Verne (Sims) Lewis Phares died on March 27, 1999, in Albuquerque, N.M. She was 82. A 1934 graduate of Big Spring High School, she was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. B.F. Sims, who lived on Gregg Street for more than 50 years.



PHARES

LaVerne was born March 16, 1917 in Childress. With her late husband, Bill Lewis, she owned and operated Lewis Shoe Store in downtown Pecos for 25 years.

Survivors include her sister, Alie V. Sessions of Dallas; her son and daughter-in-law, Lee and Valerie Lewis of Austin; her daughter and son-in-law, Karin and Wallace Lee, of Sandia Park, N.M.; her step-daughter, Cornelia "Sam" Arhelger of Austin; two grandchildren, one great-grandchild and 10 nieces and nephews.

Paid obituary

Elsie Cravens

Memorial service for Elsie Cravens, 86, Fort Worth, formerly of Big Spring, was 3 p.m., Friday, April 9, 1999, at Wedgewood Nursing Home in Fort Worth. Graveside service was 11 a.m. Saturday, April 10, at Bear Creek Cemetery with Fred Griffith and Rev. Doug Hood officiating.

Mrs. Cravens died Wednesday, April 7, at Huguley Hospital in Fort Worth.

She was born on March 3, 1913, in Wood County. She married Dennis Clyde Cravens on April 28, 1933, in Brownfield. She was a member of Hillcrest Baptist Church in San Angelo.

Survivors include: her husband, Clyde Cravens of Fort Worth; two daughters, Towana Donald of Big Spring, and Ladeane Murphy of Irving; three sisters, Gladys Flournoy of Odessa, Ona, Bynum of Clovis, N.M., and LaVelle Hamilton of Dickinson; one brother, Melvin Ray of Temple; five grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

Arrangements under the direction of Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home, Irving.

Madge Rogers

Service for Madge Rogers, 77, Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

She died Thursday, April 22, 1999, at her residence.

TURBINES

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Building, or a 747 jetliner, according to Rand LaVonn, public information officer with TU Electric.

The Big Spring WindPower project has generated 16 million kilowatts-hours since the first

turbines went on-line in December, 1998, LaVonn said.

With the addition of the newest, larger turbines, the project is expected to generate 117 million kilowatt-hours of electricity each year, enough to serve 7,300 homes.

York Research vice president Vito Elefante said naming more wind turbines is one idea being considered.

And construction is ongoing for four more large wind turbines that will be southwest of the recent four.

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really close," said superintendent William McQueary.

James McFarland, business office manager, said the bids came in just \$21,000 over what was budgeted in the 1998-99 budget workshop.

Board president Larry McClellan said "I think this is excellent. According to my math, we're only 3 percent over what was budgeted two years ago."

Of the bids approved, \$116,345 will furnish the library with needed cabinets, desks and book shelves, as well as chairs, tables, circulation desk, and student private study carrels.

This will furnish the library, the library work room, library offices and the library classroom, McFarland said.

The Industrial Technology Laboratory will be equipped with a 17-station computer network, joined to a teacher/management station. The cost for this laboratory, including the software modules for the new courses, came in bid of \$169,246.

The Family and Consumer Science laboratory bid of \$123,217 was awarded to the same vendor, Technical Laboratory Systems Inc. out of Houston. Along with the furniture and computers, this bid specifications called for the software and support service, McFarland said.

Also approved was a bid of \$272,878 for a media delivery system. This will include 64 television sets that are placed in all classrooms, as well as the media/video delivery system to the classrooms from a central computer system, he said.

"This includes eight VCRs, a DVD (digital video disc) player, two laser discs, and a camera system to do live broadcasts in the building," he said.

Following bid approval, trustees discussed the employee appreciation banquet, where retiring faculty and staff will be honored, on May 3. And a walk through of the new junior high school has been set for trustees for May 13, after the regular board meeting.

Ron Logback, assistant business manager for the district, said this walk through will cover the three first levels of the building, primarily the classrooms and offices.

"I'm proposing a second walk through May 24 of the upper two levels," Logback said.

Final punch lists of the interior of the building for the upper two levels are being completed, he said. Once those have been satisfied, trustees will walk through and may accept the building for the district, he said.

SURVEY

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how safe they feel at school, and have they had anything stolen while at school.

Also, physical altercations are part of the survey, allowing students to express their view points about school violence.

Students are also asked to rate how serious problems are at school, from a "don't know" to a "serious problem" concerning vandalism, tobacco and alcohol

use, carrying weapons and racial conflicts, among others.

The survey results will be available to trustees during a board meeting this summer, Murphy said.

KIDS

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"Their concept of what I do was interesting," he said. "I asked them about it, and they said, 'You talk on the phone, you sign your name and you play on the Internet.'"

Odle gave a talk to the children about what a bank does, in simple terms.

"A bank's function is really very simple if you think about it," he said. "But it can get complicated."

His daughter Kayla said she was enjoying the day so much, she might make a career out of banking. After seeing up close various jobs, she decided which one looked the most interesting. "I think I'll be a teller," she said. "They get to do the fun stuff."

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

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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.

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

BRIEFS

THERE WILL BE A Car Show on Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Admission is \$5 with two cans of food.

THE CAUBLE SCHOOL REUNION will be on May 1 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Elbow School cafeteria. This date was chosen to avoid family reunion dates.

Please come for a day of remembering with old friends and bring your favorite casserole and dessert for the covered dish luncheon at noon.

If you know of someone who lives out of town who is a Cauble School ex, please spread the word to them.

COAHOMA IS PLANNING ITS Third annual Citywide Garage Sale, sponsored by the Coahoma Lions Club, for May 8. Those who would like to par-

TEXAS LOTTERY

PICK 3: 2,3,7

CASH 5: 1,8,14,26,32

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

ticipate should call Irene at 394-4424 or call the Li'l Sooper Market.

The Lions Club will be having a sale this year as a fundraiser. To donate items to the club, call Irene and she will arrange pickup. Deadline to register is May 4.

The fee to be part of the giant garage sale is \$15.

SENIOR CITIZENS WHO HAVE witnessed the effects of childhood diseases are needed to staff a new volunteer program that will promote immunizations.

Volunteers 55 and older are sought for the effort, to be known as the Seniors for Childhood Immunization Program. RSVP volunteers will visit new mothers at Scenic Mountain Medical Center and remind them of the importance of the immunizations.

To find out more about the program or to volunteer, call 264-2397.

MARKETS

May cotton 56.75 cents, up 5 points; June crude 17.90, down 28 points; cash hogs steady at 50 cents lower at 30; cash steers steady at 65 even; June lean hog futures 56.30, up 70 points; June live cattle futures 62.70, up 2 points.

courtesy: Delta Corporation. Noon quotes provided by Edward D. Jones & Co.

Table with market data including Index 10655.88, Volume 244,363,140, and various stock prices like ATT, Asarco Inc, Atmos Energy, etc.

POLICE

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

• **DISTURBANCE/FIGHT** was reported in the 800 block of West Eighth and 900 block of East 12th.

• **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 1200 block of East Third.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 700 block of West Fourth and 1800 block of Marcy.

• **EVERETT AUSBIE**, 29, was arrested for local warrants.

• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 1700 block of Wasson.

• **CRUELTY TO ANIMALS** was reported in the 800 block of South Johnson.

• **CRIMINAL TRESPASS WARNING** was issued in the intersection of 18th and Benton.

• **THEFT LESS THAN \$50** was reported in the 1700 block of Marcy.

• **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 500 block of Aylesford.

• **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported at the intersection of 12th and Bell.

• **MARCUS GARZA**, 38, was arrested for class C assault/family violence.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 800 block of West Seventh.

• **CODY OWENS**, 20, was arrested for public intoxication.

• **CHARLES HUITT**, 23, was arrested for warrants.

• **RAFAEL LOPEZ**, 54, was arrested for public intoxication.

• **DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE** was reported in the 500 block of Birdwell.

• **THEFT OF SERVICE** was reported in the 500 block of Tulane.

• **DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED** was reported at the police station.

• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 1600 block of Martin Luther King Boulevard. Damage to a tire was estimated at \$150.

RECORDS

Thursday's high 97
Thursday's low 65
Average high 81
Average low 52
Record high 100 in 1989
Record low 32 in 1928
Precip. Thursday 0.00
Month to date 0.58
Month's normal 0.89
Year to date 2.44
Normal for the year 2.94

FIRE/EMS

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

THURSDAY
1:43 a.m. — 300 block Nolan, medical call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

12:39 a.m. — Third and Main, trauma call, patient transported to SMMC.

7:35 p.m. — 1900 block Simler, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

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IRVING (AP) — A girl missing since the County medical authorities said.

But Cristy Ryno's not be determined authorities said.

Irving Police Officer few other details about n't discuss the phy body or whether it

"We had a really positive identification else from the aut released at this time

Cristy's family was Thursday. Charlen friend, said the girl by a scar on her high ago by a curling iron

"The police brought arm," Ms. Stuber down and look at the we don't want to se dition."

Police also wanted

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GEORGETOWN Authorities invest slayings of two tod lying in a creek

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"They recognized and called us," Ms. Police identified t

as Dominick Logan 2, and Amanda Le Their mother is Cornelius, 22.

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AUSTIN (AP) — allow cities to phot cles that run red roadblock in t Thursday.

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IRVING (AP) — members early tod an explosive acid f at the University

investigators detain found with master pus buildings.

An Environment Agency hazardous team was summon evening after the picnic acid that reports said was

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the chemical prom sity officials to ev 200 students from tory buildings.

"Picric acid is a material that, if y becomes very sh and could expl Kenneth Clark, spokesman.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL
24th & Johnson 267-8288

NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH Funeral Home
Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory
906 Gregg St. (915) 267-6331

Madge Rogers, 77, died Thursday. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

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Vestas-66 (V-66) wind turbines, heralded as the largest wind turbines in America, were activated Thursday to commemorate Earth Day 1999. These turbines, which stand 370 feet tall, have a rotor blade diameter of 216 feet, larger than the Goodyear Blimp.

Lucky Clover Lounge
OPEN! UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT
Shuffle Board Monday Nights
Tournaments beginning at 8 p.m.
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Body identified as that of missing Irving girl

IRVING (AP) — A corpse found in the Trinity River is that of a 3-year-old Irving girl missing since last weekend, the Dallas County medical examiner's office confirmed Thursday.

But Cristy Ryno's cause of death might not be determined for several weeks, authorities said.

Irving Police Officer David Tull released few other details about the case and wouldn't discuss the physical condition of the body or whether it was clothed.

"We had a really difficult time making a positive identification," he said. "Nothing else from the autopsy report is being released at this time."

Cristy's family was notified of her death Thursday. Charlene Stuber, a family friend, said the girl was identified in part by a scar on her right forearm caused years ago by a curling iron burn.

"The police brought back a picture of the arm," Ms. Stuber said. "We wanted to go down and look at the arm but they said no, we don't want to see the body in that condition."

Police also wanted to know if Cristy had

eaten green beans the day before, Stuber said. The family confirmed she had.

"And with the hair being real short, it was almost 95 percent," said Ms. Stuber, who met Cristy's mother, Leticia, while the two waited tables at a Waffle House.

She said police did not tell family members a cause of death, but "she wasn't traumatized and she wasn't beaten up. That's all we know."

Karen Ramos, Cristy's maternal grandmother, said the family was pleased at least to have a resolution to the girl's disappearance.

"This is better than wondering for years, or whatever, where she is or how she's doing," Ramos said. "We do know that the Lord has his arms around her and we're just thankful to the community for their prayers and support at this time."

"We're just waiting I guess for the police to find who did this to her. We know that the Lord will give them their just rewards."

Tull said officers are no closer to solving the death.

"At this time, the case is still ongoing," he said. "We have no particular suspect or

suspects in mind."

Cristy had been missing since Saturday, when her mother reported her missing from her Irving apartment.

Ms. Ryno, 22, told police she last saw Cristy as she slept with her twin sister, Tiffany, in the living room of the apartment.

The body was found by two fishermen Wednesday morning in the Elm Fork of the Trinity River, within five miles of the Irving apartment.

Police have interviewed Cristy's mother and her live-in boyfriend, Larry Bartlett, extensively. Ms. Ryno's friend, Samantha Frederick, and her boyfriend, Steven Silversmith, also lived in the apartment.

"I don't believe anyone living in this apartment had anything to do with Cristy's disappearance," the mother said Thursday.

She said it was "one sick individual, who probably was waiting to do something to my baby."

Dallas-Fort Worth TV station KTVT reported that Child Protective Services has opened an investigation into the Ryno family.

House gives tentative OK to TASP replacement

AUSTIN (AP) — The House gave tentative approval Thursday to a bill that would allow universities to replace the Texas Academic Skills Program test, which is currently required for entering undergraduate students, with their own exams.

The TASP exam, which was implemented in 1989, tests students' proficiency in basic math, writing and reading skills. With some exceptions, students who don't pass the test must take remedial development courses before moving to upper-division college courses.

While TASP was developed with good intentions, it has become more of an obstacle than an educational tool, said

Rep. Irma Rangel, D-Kingsville.

The amount the state spends on developmental education has risen from \$39 million when TASP first began to \$170 million, Ms. Rangel said.

With this bill "we've changed the process so it's more beneficial to the students and it gives more discretion to the universities," she said.

The bill says that universities could use a variety of exams, including the TASP test, to test student development. "We didn't kill TASP," said Ms. Rangel.

The new tests would have to be approved by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, according to the bill.

Authorities identify two dead toddlers, begin search for their mother

GEORGETOWN (AP) — Authorities investigating the slayings of two toddlers found lying in a creek earlier this week entered Thursday armed with an important break in the case: the identities of the children and their missing mother.

Capt. Linda Bunte, the lead investigator for the Williamson County Sheriff's Office, said the critical information came late Wednesday afternoon from workers at an Austin day care center.

"They recognized the sketches and called us," Ms. Bunte said.

Police identified the children as Dominick Logan Cornelius, 2, and Amanda Lee Miller, 3. Their mother is Tina Marie Cornelius, 22.

Dominick and Amanda had last stayed at the center, which she refused to name, on April

14, Ms. Bunte said. "We have not been able to find her and speak to her in regard to her children," she said.

Ms. Cornelius' relatives told detectives they had not seen the woman or her children since a week ago — roughly four days before the toddlers were found dead along a quiet creek near Hutto, 20 miles north of Austin.

Investigators Thursday said they were not considering Ms. Cornelius a suspect, and said she might be in harm's way.

"She may be in danger, but we don't know," Bunte said. "Anything's possible."

The family had lived in the greater Austin area for about two years, but Ms. Bunte said she was uncertain where they lived before then. Her current address was unknown, and her last known address — more

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than a year old — was an apartment in north Austin, Ms. Bunte said.

The Associated Press has learned that Ms. Cornelius recently stayed on occasion at an apartment complex on Interstate 35 in Round Rock, just north of the capital city.

A neighbor, when shown a photograph of Ms. Cornelius, said she recognized the woman

in the picture as the same person who stayed in a neighboring apartment.

"She was there sometimes with her children, a little boy and a little girl," said the woman, who asked not to be identified. She saw Ms. Cornelius last week, she said.

However, a man who answered the door at the apartment said he did not know anyone named Tina and did not recognize the woman in the photo. A police source later confirmed that they had been told Ms. Cornelius had been staying at the apartment.

Police divulged few other details about Ms. Cornelius, but the AP has also learned she worked as a dancer at a south Austin strip club called Exposé.

A dancer, who requested anonymity, and several other

employees of the club said that Ms. Cornelius had worked there for about three weeks.

"She said she was going away and was going to leave her kids with some friends for the weekend," the dancer said.

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The children have different fathers, and investigators said they had identified them but were unable to locate them.

"We think they may be out of state, but we don't know," Texas Department of Public Safety spokeswoman Tela Mange said.

Meanwhile, police continue to search for acquaintances of Ms. Cornelius, Ms. Bunte said.

"We have numerous other people we want to interview to

try and determine what may have happened in the last few days of their lives," Ms. Bunte said. None were considered suspects yet, she said.

Williamson County Sheriff Ed Richards has said the children were dead only a short time — less than a day — before their bodies were found. That leaves a three-day window that investigators cannot account for yet.

The team of detectives also got some major findings Wednesday, when the Tarrant County Medical Examiner ruled that Dominick died from a skull fracture and that his older sister was suffocated.

Anyone with information regarding the whereabouts of Ms. Cornelius is asked to call the Williamson County Sheriff's Office at 512-943-1313.

Red light runners bill hits roadblock in House

AUSTIN (AP) — A bill to allow cities to photograph vehicles that run red lights hit a roadblock in the House Thursday.

Rep. Joe Driver, tabled his bill Thursday after another lawmaker was able to tack on language requiring that "BIG BROTHER IS WATCHING YOU!" be posted wherever the cameras were used.

The phrase would have had to be in bold letters under the bill amendment by Rep. Craig Eiland, D-Galveston. The amendment also called for the phrase — described as "a warning sign" — to be posted on the face of the citations sent to the offenders' homes, this time in

"conspicuous, bold type, in red ink."

The bill has faced opposition from lawmakers who say it would allow police to arbitrarily monitor drivers and would be an invasion of privacy.

Driver, R-Garland, said the bill would deter drivers from running red lights, which he said is the leading cause of urban crashes and fatalities.

"The fact that people tend to speed up when they're running a red light makes the collision even worse," Driver said.

We "owe it to the people of Texas to allow cities to implement a system that has been proven to reduce the incidence of red-light running in other

states," he said.

Under Driver's bill, which can be taken up again later, municipalities could install traffic monitoring systems that automatically photograph the rear license plates of vehicles entering intersections on a steady red light.

Cities could then issue tickets by mail to the registered owners of the vehicles, and the bill would establish a hearing process for contested tickets, the bill says.

The bill originally called for a \$75 fine for offenders. That was changed to \$10 under another amendment.

"I certainly am in agreement with the ultimate purpose of the

bill — increasing public safety," said Rep. Sylvester Turner, D-Houston.

But, he said, "Where does the government stop if we adopt this bill? ... This is not where you want government to be."

Driver said the bill was about safety.

"If you're worried about someone taking a photo of the rear of your car after you've run a red light, how do you feel about two tons of steel plowing into your car at a high rate of speed?" he said.

"Now that's what I call an intrusion into my private life and a major inconvenience."

A similar bill failed to gain approval in the House in 1995.

Dorm evacuated after explosive acid found, classes delayed

IRVING (AP) — Bomb squad members early today removed an explosive acid from a dorm at the University of Dallas as investigators detained a student found with master keys to campus buildings.

An Environmental Protection Agency hazardous materials team was summoned Thursday evening after the discovery of picric acid that broadcast reports said was capable of destroying or severely damaging a campus building.

The discovery was made after law officers, suspicious of a student's activities, searched his dorm room. About a half-quart of the explosive acid, used for making dyes and in chemical analysis, was found.

Potential explosive force of the chemical prompted university officials to evacuate about 200 students from three dormitory buildings.

"Picric acid is a crystalline material that, if you move it, becomes very shock-sensitive and could explode," said Kenneth Clark, an EPA spokesman.

He said that crews added water to stabilize the explosive chemical and render it safe to transport.

The student's reason for pos-

sessing the chemical was not known. But the student was found inside a computer lab with master keys for campus locations that are off-limits.

The student has been questioned but not yet charged.

Classes today were to begin an hour late because of the investigation.

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OUR VIEWS

We salute:

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

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

This week we salute:

• **THE HUGE DELEGATION OF BIG SPRING RESIDENTS** who traveled to Austin Monday so the city could "have its day" in our state capitol.

• **ALL SECRETARIES IN THE COMMUNITY**, as Secretaries Week comes to a close.

• **BIG SPRING ROTARY CLUB**, which will help fight illiteracy by giving grant funds to local schools and the Howard County Library.

• **JIMMY STERLING AND THE STERLING RANCH**, named Conservation Rancher of the Year by the Howard Soil and Water Conservation District.

• **ROBERTO MARTINEZ**, the Bauer Elementary student who won the "name that turbine" contest for one of the largest wind turbines in America which was started up Thursday, Earth Day.

• **THE LOCAL BUSINESS MEN AND WOMEN** who participated in a "mock job fair" Thursday at the federal prison that was designed to help inmates be better prepared to find employment when they are released.

• **PARENTS WHO CARE**, a group of parents of Big Spring High School students who organized an alcohol-free after prom party.

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

OTHER VIEWS

Once again, Americans have been reminded that evil often comes in the most innocent-looking guises.

We don't yet know what prompted yesterday's horrific attack at Columbine High School in Littleton, Colo. But if past incidents are any predictor, there will be an outcry against the supposed "youth gun culture." Some will search for other, psychological factors to divert responsibility away from those who committed the actual crime. ...

But evil can't always be explained away. ...

It's comforting to believe that this kind of evil can be avoided with the proper care and foresight. But such logical simply flies in the face of reality.

Evil exists — and sometimes it can't be understood.

NEW YORK POST

"We should be safe at school," the girl sobbed. School "should be a safe place."

The violence that swept through a high school in Littleton, Colo., Tuesday

was far worse in sheer numbers than any of the lethal rampages that have struck campuses throughout the nation since 1996. But many of the same frightening ingredients were present. Again, the killers carried out the mayhem with firearms. Again, they were described by their student peers with comments like "social outcasts ... people to stay away from." Again, they were young males filled with alienation and seething, irrational rage. ...

Who knows what went on in the minds of the young killers? Did they think they were avenging some adolescent slight? In a culture where real and fantasy violence is broadcast 24 hours a day, did they fully realize the permanence of their actions? Why is it that other kids seem to recognize a volatility in troubled youths that adults seem to miss? To these questions, there are no answers yet.

There's only the ongoing fatal mix of hormones, hurt feelings and high-powered firearms.

Parties could unite to reform forfeiture

After a year of sordid partisan warfare, both Rep. Henry Hyde and President Bill Clinton have serious image problems. What follows is a modest proposal for how these two political enemies can start to mend fences — and perhaps do some image-polishing in the process. It might also do a lot of good.



JACK ANDERSON

Hyde, the Illinois Republican who chairs the House Judiciary Committee, spent a quarter-century on Capitol Hill forging an impeccable reputation for judicious sobriety — and a brief six months' indelibly staining it as the leader of a partisan crew of House managers clamoring for impeachment.

Still, Clinton, who frets endlessly about his place in history, can only dream of a reputation like Hyde's. Often left unsaid in the critiques about the president's character is his administration's cynical approach to civil liberties. From the tragedy at Waco, Texas, which Clinton used as an excuse to expand the government's right to pry into our lives, to the more recent "know your customer" regulations

that would've forced banks to develop detailed profiles of their depositors, the administration has shown, at best, a cavalier attitude toward the right of Americans to be considered innocent until proven guilty.

But there exists a golden opportunity to amend this sorry record by correcting a serious sin of omission: the administration's seeming indifference to reforming the asset forfeiture program.

For those unfamiliar with asset forfeiture, it is a system as old as law itself, but one that's also ripe for abuse. Essentially, it gives governments — federal, state and local — the right to seize property they think may have been used in a crime or bought with criminal proceeds, even if the owner is not convicted.

Recent Supreme Court cases have added a semblance of sanity to this system — no longer can the Coast Guard seize a million-dollar yacht if a single marijuana cigarette is found on board. But abuses still exist. Former Atlantic City, N.J., resident Diane Antonelli can testify to that.

Antonelli and her common-law husband were, admittedly, dealing marijuana from their home when the law came crashing down in the early 1990s. When the police showed up, they found no drugs on the premises but had enough evidence to convict them both nonetheless. Since it was Antonelli's first offense, howev-

er, she managed to avoid imprisonment. But the government wasn't done. Officials also decided to seize her \$130,000 home, in which she was raising 10 children, most of whom were under the age of 18.

Giovanni LoPresti, a paralegal who volunteers as a child-placement specialist, heard about the case from a co-worker and decided to get involved. He helped Antonelli file a series of appeals starting in 1995. Ultimately, the appeals were unsuccessful, though they did stave off the inevitable for almost four years.

"Bottom line, it was the kids who caught my heart," LoPresti says. "I can't see our own government booting kids out in the street.... In the worst-case scenario, let the youngest sibling stay until 18 and then take the house."

This is where Clinton and Hyde can step forward. For the last decade or so, Hyde has waged a lonely battle on Capitol Hill to reform this system. He wants more due process; wants to shift the burden of proof to the government rather than the person whose property is being seized. And he wants to allow the release of property when keeping it would bring special hardship to families. This year he's once again introduced a bill to reform asset forfeiture; once again it stands little chance of becoming law.

Mind you, there's not much to be gained politically by sup-

porting Hyde's plan. And it might not have done much of anything to help Antonelli, whose house was seized through criminal forfeiture (most of the controversial cases involve civil forfeiture). Police departments aren't eager to reform the system, since they're allowed to keep part of the assets they seize. Most politicians are loath to support any measure that might get them painted as "soft" on drugs — even if maintaining a hard-line stance means a few innocent people get their homes and businesses taken away by Uncle Sam.

But now might be just the right time to make long-overdue changes to asset forfeiture. The killing of an unarmed immigrant by New York City police officers has focused attention on overreaching by law enforcement like no political speech ever could. The public outcry over the "know your customer" bank regulations proved that Americans still care deeply about being secure in their privacy and property.

By offering public support to Hyde's efforts, the administration would lend political cover to Democrats who might otherwise not dare support such a measure.

This might show the country that two political enemies can work together for the common good. Most importantly, it would reaffirm the bedrock American principle that we are all innocent until proven guilty.



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Trying to keep track of my hometown

When I was little, I wanted to change my name to "Georgia Grimsley," to show pride in my birthplace and kin. Mama wouldn't let me.

Growing up in Montgomery, I insistently told anyone who would listen that my hometown was in Georgia, in Colquitt, the place I was born. Georgia was the subject of poetry and song. Nobody ever took a midnight train to Alabama.

A careful reader, worried about facts, recently wrote a mild protest when I described Montgomery as Hank Williams' "hometown." Hank, of course, was born in tiny Mount Olive, a community south of Montgomery near the town of Georgiana.

But Hank grew up in Montgomery, and he himself referred to it as his "home-

town." His mother continued to live there after Hank got famous and bought a house in Nashville. Hank licked a lot of wounds in Montgomery, and he's buried there.

But I thought the reader had a point, especially since I'd once been such a stickler for claiming Colquitt, Ga., as my hometown.

Technically, Webster's was on my side, but I think I secretly took the side of the dubious reader. First definition of "hometown": the city or town where one was born or grew up. Second definition: the place of one's principal residence.

(Poor old Hank was on the road so much he didn't have a "principal residence.")

Hometowns, then, can change as often as hairdos, if you allow the expanded definition. Your hometown can be Duluth one day, Detroit the next. Hahira today, Nome tomorrow. Some of us even think it's wise policy to change hometowns a lot; no moss grows on a rolling hometown.

Gertrude Stein once insisted she was born in America, but Paris was her hometown. And Elvis, a Tupelo, Miss., native,

always claimed Memphis as his hometown, a fact for which that city is eternally grateful. (And Memphis really is the capital of Mississippi.)

I polled my sister, who has lived in Denver for the past 25 years: What do you answer when people ask your hometown?

She said nobody asked. Which shows the difference between the West and the South. You don't just arrive and claim squatter's rights in a Southern town. Neighbors want to know your birthplace, your lineage, your denomination. They'd check your voting record and bankbook if they could. You must live a decade in most small towns before you can join the Newcomer's Club.

Years ago I lost track of my "correct" answer to the question, "What's your hometown?" I answered with whatever seemed most appropriate at the time. When I took this column job, various newspapers had me "growing up on a farm in Mississippi," an "Alabama native" and "reared in Georgia."

In truth, my hometown has been all over the Southern landscape, in every Deep South

state but Louisiana and I ain't dead yet.

Few of us have the luxury anymore of being born, growing up and dying in the same town. You could, for instance, put all Atlanta natives in four Miatas.

"Hometown," then, is the "town" you call "home," or, in Hank's case, the place you go where they have to take you in.

Elvis didn't really need a hometown because he created his own kingdom in a house called Graceland.

Hemingway wrote so convincingly of his various adopted hometowns that he's rarely associated with his unexotic birthplace, Oak Park, Ill.

Bill Clinton had the good sense to use his birthplace, Hope, Ark., for its evocative name, though by all accounts Hot Springs was his "hometown" before the first presidential campaign.

Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings recognized Cross Creek, Fla., as her home the first time she laid eyes on it.

And I treasure the clipping that erroneously said I grew up on a farm in Mississippi. It's my story; I'm sticking to it.



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Police still checking whether school gunmen had help

LITTLETON, Colo. (AP) — Police obtained videotapes from security cameras mounted throughout Columbine High School and said today they could provide crucial evidence about whether the two gunmen had help in carrying out their plot.

The time-lapse cameras do not run continuously, though they record about a week at a time, said sheriff's Lt. John Kiekbusch. He said authorities had not yet reviewed the tapes and did not know if the cameras were running during the shooting.

"Ideally they would show the movement and also the actual placement perhaps of some of the explosive devices, prior to

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— John Stone, Jefferson County Sheriff

the incident," Kiekbusch said. "If that's the case we have got just very important evidence."

Officials returned to campus today to continue scouring for hidden explosives a day after the discovery of a powerful bomb made from a 20-pound propane tank heightened suspi-

cions that Eric Harris, 18, and Dylan Klebold, 17, intended to destroy the school, and could have had help in assembling their arsenal.

"They may have had confederates," said sheriff's Sgt. Jim Parr.

Also today, President Clinton announced \$1.5 million in federal aid to help victims pay for funerals, medical expenses, lost wages and counseling. In Littleton, students stayed away, frightened and mourning.

A total of 15 people, including gunmen Harris and Klebold, died in the Tuesday attack. Fourteen students remained hospitalized, including eight in critical or serious condition.

Explosives expert Sid

Woodcock said propane explosives of the type found are "fairly sophisticated." Just one bomb "probably would have destroyed a good part of the school," he said.

"These subjects were not only on a killing rampage," said Jefferson County Sheriff John Stone. "They were going to burn the school up."

Aside from the large bomb, searches have turned up more than 30 homemade explosives, including pipe bombs, crude hand grenades. More may still remain hidden, authorities said.

Two sawed-off shotguns, one 9mm semi-automatic rifle and one semi-automatic handgun also have been found.

Documents said court-ordered

evaluations of the suspects, compiled earlier this year, called Harris "a bright young man who is likely to succeed in life" and found Klebold had "a great deal of potential."

Columbine will be closed indefinitely. Other schools in the district reopened Thursday to tight security.

At rival Chatfield High School, jittery staff and students walked past armed guards to enter as classes reconvened. At one point, two bomb squad trucks sped to the school after an unattended backpack was found. Students needed parental permission to leave.

"You can't even go to the bathroom without permission, and then they time you," lamented

Holly Bernside, 15.

Jefferson County school administrators began trying to return normalcy to Columbine students' lives by scouting for alternative class sites and planning events like graduation.

"The students are saying, 'We want to be back together. We want to be in school. We want to be with our teachers,'" said Superintendent Jane Hammond.

Hammond said students will return to the same school building next fall.

Two fellow members of the Trenchcoat Mafia apologized to mourners. "There was no sign they would do this," sobbed Nicole Makham.

"We would just like to say that we're sorry for what they did."

NATO leaders reject overture from Milosevic

WASHINGTON (AP) — As they celebrated NATO's 50th anniversary, Western leaders today rejected a diplomatic overture from Yugoslavia's leader and pledged to press on with the alliance's first military action. "I think that our conditions are clear," President Clinton said.

NATO leaders have insisted Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic call off his crack-down on ethnic Albanians in Kosovo and accept a settlement that would include an armed international peacekeeping force in the province.

Clinton's brief remarks to reporters came at the White House as he left for the opening session of the alliance's three-day summit, which brought together presidents and prime ministers of the 19 NATO countries and 23 partner states.

Both Clinton and British Prime Minister Tony Blair rejected Milosevic's offer to accept some form of international force in the Serbian province of Kosovo because it fell short of NATO's demand for a military presence.

"It is important that damage continues," Blair said. The British leader, however, sounded some guarded optimism.

"It is not enough because it doesn't meet the demands that NATO has set out," Blair said. "But if it is an indication that Milosevic now realizes that we will carry on until those demands are met, then to that extent it is something we should note."

Clinton also rejected Milosevic's offer as falling "well short of the conditions to end the bombing," White House spokesman David Levy said.

The president reacted cautiously to the offer Thursday. "If there is an offer for a genuine security force, that's the first time Mr. Milosevic has ever done that, and that represents, I suppose, some step forward," Clinton said at a joint Rose Garden appearance with NATO Secretary-General Javier Solana.

The summit-eve overture was relayed from Belgrade by former Russian Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin, who said Milosevic would accept the idea of a U.N.-controlled "international presence" in Kosovo if the bombing stops and NATO withdraws troops from Yugoslavia's borders.

Even as the leaders gathered here under extraordinary security precautions, the air campaign against Yugoslavia, now in its fifth week, continued. The headquarters of Belgrade's main television network was hit, and NATO destroyed one of Milosevic's homes.

Asked if the alliance was now targeting Milosevic, Clinton said, "No, but we are targeting his command and control facilities."

NATO leaders planned a morning session on Kosovo with the issue of ground troops now sitting unsteadily on the table.

The subject is "not formally on the agenda" but could be discussed by individual members, said a NATO official briefing reporters on condition of anonymity.

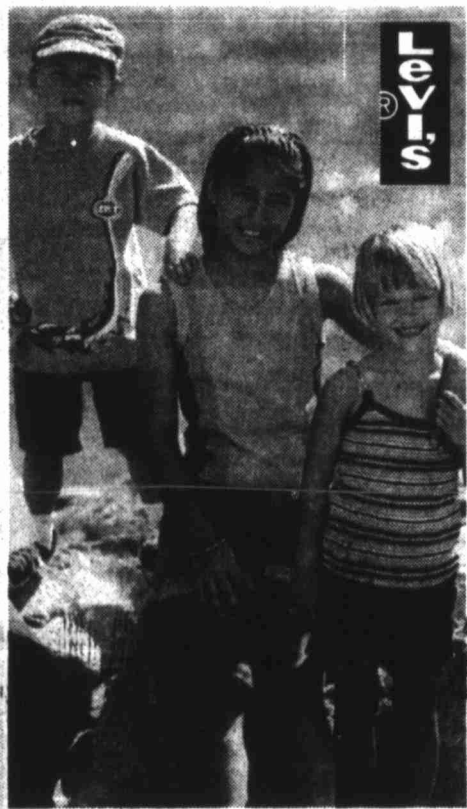
"Do not expect any decision on ground troops at this summit," the official said.

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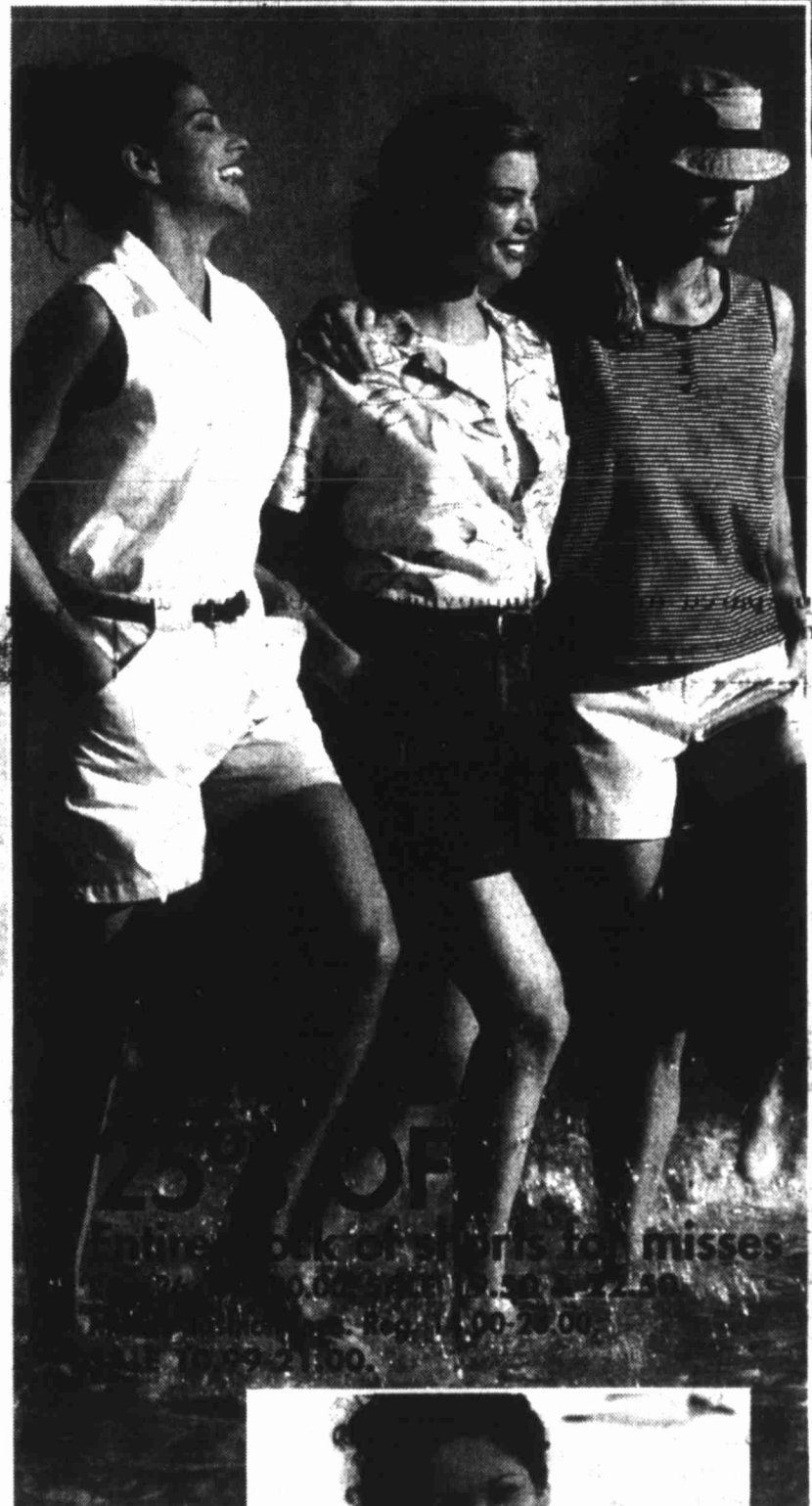
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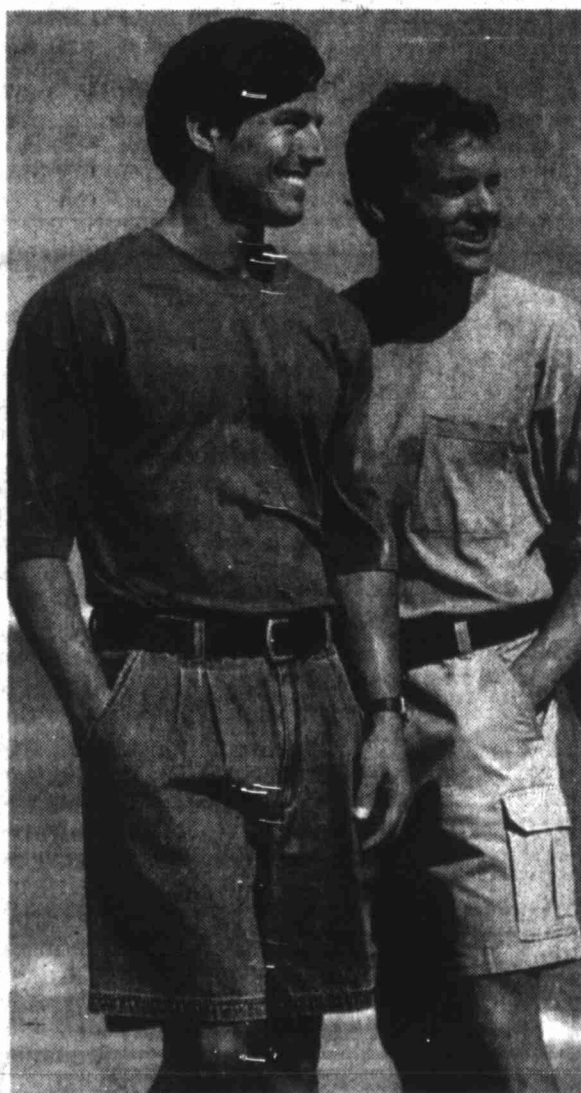
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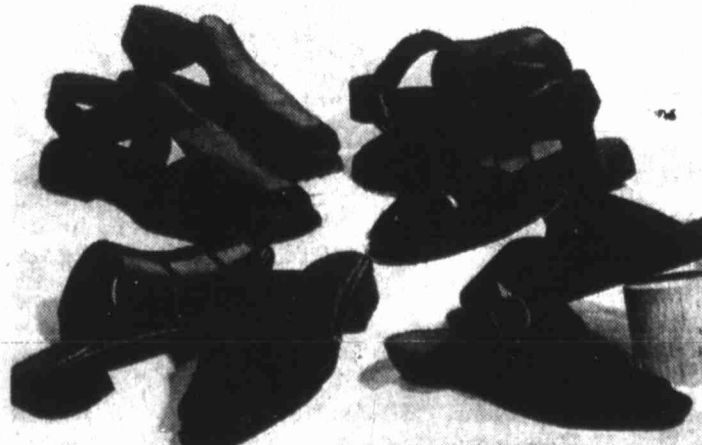
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Do you have a story idea for the *life!* section? Call 263-7331, Ext. 236.

CHURCH NEWS

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

The Contemplative Prayer meeting is today at 5:30 p.m. There will be an All-Parish pizza luncheon Sunday, after the 10:30 a.m. service. The inquirer's Class continues on Monday at 6:30 p.m. in the church library.

First Baptist Church

This evening in our sanctuary at 7 p.m., we will meet with Ken Freeman for a time of prayer for the upcoming crusade, May 9-12. Though the emphasis of this crusade is the youth of our community, everyone is invited to participate as we all seek a renewal in our commitment to Christ. Come join this time of prayer.

Youth, our kick-off for the musical, "What Would Jesus Do," is this Sunday in the choir room at 5 p.m.

Sunday is Praise Day at First Baptist. Our Sunday morning service begins at 10:45 a.m. Pastor Eddie Tubbs' sermon is "Been To the Mountain Lately?"

If you are unable to attend church, you are invited to join us on cable channel 6. We are aware of some transmission problems, and we want to thank the local cable personnel for working diligently with us to repair and update equipment so that you receive the best quality picture and sound that is possible.

First United Methodist Church

"Take a Load Off, Friend" (Matthew 11:28-30) is Dr. Ed Williamson's message this Sunday at the First United Methodist Church, 400 Scurry. The message is about God's power to renew us and restore us when we are weary and burdened down with the cares of life. Worship is at 8:30 and 10:50 a.m.

There are the children's vocal and handbell choirs led by John and Denise Ross and a single adults class on Sunday mornings.

The First United Methodist Church has several Sunday School classes for adults, youth and children. There is a Wednesday noon Bible study class and meal each week in Garrett Hall and everyone is invited to attend.

The FUMC Youth and the UMM will participate in the "Christmas in April" project on April 24. Call 267-6394 for more information.

First Presbyterian

There will be spring cleaning and repair at the church Saturday beginning at 8 a.m. Bring tools and supplies. Call the office for more information, 263-4211.

Christian Ministries

The purpose of the Christian Ministries program will be to evangelize people who have life-controlling problems and initiate the discipleship process. We will reach out to those who need help and have a sincere desire to change. Christian Ministries is in need of a building so we can house 15 men who will be part of the program. Anyone that is interested in sponsoring us can call 268-1204 or contact us at P.O. Box 1201, Big Spring.

Being a non-profit organization, we are supported by and dependent on the gifts and contributions from churches, businesses and individuals. We receive no funding from the state or federal government.

First Christian

Sunday morning, Oneal Westbrook, a licensed lay minister from San Angelo, will bring the message at First Christian Church. Elementary youth will meet at 4:30 p.m. Sunday as well.

Tuesday, April 27, the "All Stars for Jesus" Bible Club will meet at 3:30 p.m. for snacks, games and Bible study. If you have elementary children who would be interested in learning more about the Tuesday after-school program, call Judy Reed at 267-7851.

It is not too late to attend the Counselor Training scheduled for April 30-May 1 at Lake Brownwood Christian Retreat. Transportation is available.

The central area assembly will be at First Christian on May 1 from 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Cost of \$10 per person for the day includes noon luncheon. Child care (with lunch) is also available.

Pick up a registration form at the church office or call Lisa at 267-7851.

New officers of the Christian Women's Fellowship will be installed Saturday, May 1, at 11:30 a.m. at Big Spring Country Club. Carol Stephens will conduct the installation service.

Reservations need to be made by Friday, April 30 by calling Undine Kernodle, 263-7525 or Lisa Rose, 267-7851.

Does your relationship with God need work?

I don't know what has happened, but the fire and excitement has gone out of our relationship.

I mean, when I first met him and got to know him, it was really exciting. I felt like my life had just started all over, you know like they say, it was the first day of the rest of my life.

We were so close back then, I just thought about him all the time. But I don't know what has happened.

Like I said, it seems that the fire has just gone out and I just don't care for him that much anymore. We just sort of drifted away. I talked to a friend about our relationship the other day and the friend said that it was really my fault.

He has been faithful to me, but I, little by little, have let

the fire of love grow cold. I guess I could do something about getting back together, but I really just

don't want to make the effort and pay the price. I have gotten used to being separated from him and am enjoying life living by myself and for myself. I don't think I want or need anyone in my life any longer.

My friend said that the fire which was once there could be kindled again ... that the love I had for him could be brought

back to life ... that I was the one who walked away from him, and that if I would only go back to him, he would welcome me with open arms. But quite frankly, I am not willing to make the effort.

So, I think I will just go on alone and by myself. Besides, it's cheaper for me to live alone, because I don't have to share my income with him any longer and my time is mine and I don't have to share that, either.

The preacher also came to see me the other day and I explained to him how I felt. He just shook his head and sadly said, "I just don't know how, after all that Jesus has done for you, that you can just turn your back on him like you have."

"Well," I said, "I don't know

what happened, but the fire and excitement has gone out of our relationship, so I guess you won't see me in church much any longer. I just don't feel like I need the church or God or Jesus any longer.

"Oh, I still believe in Him, I guess, but the love just isn't there anymore. I would rather do other things with my time and spend my weekends having fun and doing exciting things. You understand don't you Pastor?"

To which the Pastor slowly responded, "Well, no I guess I really don't, but if you ever want to rekindle the love which once was there, remember God will be waiting. He never gives up. He loves you even if you don't love Him."

Carroll Kohl is pastor at St. Paul Lutheran Church.



CARROLL KOHL

'This is all like a dream'

Local siblings add two to family after finding sister, brother they never knew

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN

Features Editor

All his life, Big Spring resident Stan Feaster knew he had six brothers and sisters. Now he knows he really has eight.

Feaster, sports information director for Howard College, got a call Saturday night from Emily Wood, a woman he had never met.

"I asked him, 'Are you sitting down?'" Wood said. "I finally got him to sit down."

Then she started with her story, the story of a baby adopted just after birth in the late 1940s, and a mother still in high school.

"The minute she said that, I just knew," said Feaster. Although he never knew his mother had given birth to two children and placed them for adoption before she married his father, Feaster said he had a sense that Wood's story was true.

But still, he quizzed the caller carefully and did some quick math. He realized it was possible — Wood and her half-brother, Hal Gore, could have been children of Feaster's mother, Ruth.

Wood also gave him her birth name. She was called "Baby Girl Boen," sharing his mother's maiden name.

"I just kept thinking how she must feel," Feaster said Wednesday, after spending several hours with his new-found sister. "I knew this must be so difficult for her."

It was, Wood admitted — so difficult she almost didn't make contact. But after talking to Feaster Saturday, Wood made arrangements to fly to Midland Tuesday. When they picked her up at the airport,



RUTH FEASTER



Stan Feaster poses with his sister Blenda Shaw, right, and their new-found sister, Emily Wood, who was visiting earlier this week from Azle.

Feaster and his sister, Blenda Shaw, said they were shocked.

"I saw her and said, 'That's her,'" Shaw said. "She was not a stranger. She was

never a stranger to me."

Then they began talking, and talking

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CLUB NEWS

1905 Hyperion Club

1905 Hyperion Club met in the home of Linda McDaniel on Thursday, April 15. Cecile McDonald was cohostess. Fourteen members were present.

John Scott, Executive Vice-President of First Bank of West Texas presented the program "Computer Problems in the Year 2000." He said he felt that disruptions caused by Y2K would be minimal but would suggest making provisions similar to a five day snow storm. Severe problems are more likely to occur in foreign countries than in the United States as computer compliance with new

century is being studied and problems are being solved.

The club will meet Thursday, May 20, at the Big Spring Country Club for a "Farewell Luncheon" at 11:30 a.m.

1948 Hyperion Club

The Spring City Stompers, led by Dorothy Kennemur, entertained the 1948 Hyperion Club with an introduction to line dancing. The 16 member group, introduced by Kate Irons, performed a number of dances and included members in several of the steps including the unicorn and the chicken.

Zula McCrary presided at the business meeting following the program at that time a new slate of officers was elected. Those taking office in the fall include: Joyce Choate, president; Shirley Shroyer, vice president; Mary Ann Phillips,

treasurer; Mary Frances Malone, corresponding secretary; Jan Foresyth, recording secretary; Zula McCrary, parliamentarian; and Joanne Forrest, reporter.

Refreshments were served to 18 members by hostess Ms. Malone. The final meeting of the year will be a luncheon at the Big Spring Country Club on Thursday, May 20.

Mary Jane Club

Lee Milliken's Home in Coahoma was the scene of the Mary Jane Club's April meeting.

President Eula Bell Fowler presided at the business meeting at which time a new slate of officers was chosen for the upcoming club year.

Those elected to serve were: Marie Ethridge, president; Bobbie Nix, vice president; Sue

Tindol, secretary; Lee Milliken, treasurer; Nan McKinney, scrapbook chairman; and Joanne Forrest, reporter.

The club also voted to donate \$100 for luminaries to be lit at the Relay for Life on Friday May 14.

Following the business meeting, Joanne Forrest gave a talk on the personal and community involvement aspects of the local Relay for Life relating the history from the rocky beginning to the record breaking event in 1998.

Eight members in attendance enjoyed a delicious salad luncheon served from a beautifully decorated table featuring spring flowers and country blue appointments.

The final meeting of the year will be a luncheon with date and location to be announced later.

Tall Talkers Toastmasters

Tall Talkers Toastmasters' Club of Big Spring had its meeting on April 21, at 6:30 a.m. at 606 Johnson Street.

Toastmaster was Joelle Ford, and topic master was Joelle Ford. Best table topic was Greg Parde on "School Violence." Best speaker was Bailey Anderson, speaking on Names by Association, and best evaluator was Greg Parde.

Toastmaster will have their District 44 Spring Conference at the Odessa Radisson Hotel. This is an all day affair. The registration fee is \$42. The public is welcome to join us.

Tall Talkers Toastmasters meet weekly on Wednesdays, August to June at 6:30 a.m.

Art Association

Kay Smith presided at the Big Spring Art Association meeting April 20 at the county library.

Judy Gibbs and Smith discussed plans for the club's area show on May 3-22, at the Dora Roberts Community Center. The reception and awards will be May 7 from 7 to 9 p.m. The public is invited.

Sue Bagwell spoke on her trip to Bali where she attended an art school. She learned much about the people of Bali, their customs and history.

Guests were sisters who originally came from Georgia, Russia. Khatuna R. Buzzell now lives in Stanton. She displayed many of her beautiful paintings at the club meeting. Khatuna's sister Marine Loose is a nurse

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Big Spring's Jaime Sotelo will be starring in an upcoming production of Midland Community Theater. In "Heaving Bosoms and Hairy Chests," Sotelo plays the role of a crazed fan coming to see his favorite romance novelist, who doesn't really exist. The play runs May 7-22, and the playwright, Sarah Bewley, will attend the May 7 performance. Call (915) 682-4111 for more information.

Sotelo, who works at the Big Spring State Hospital, said the play is a change for him. He usually does musicals, and recently performed in "Carousel" at MCT.

"It's different, and I'm really enjoying it," Sotelo said. This play will be performed in the Mabae Theatre II, 2000 W. Wadley.



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

THE 36TH MOORE COMMUNITY and school reunion will be Saturday from 2 to 4 p.m. in the 14th & Main Church of Christ fellowship hall.

All current and former residents, teachers, ex-students and their descendants are part of the Moore reunion.

The Moore community is still thriving. The school district itself began in 1906 and ended in 1949 when the school building burned. The district was then divided into Knott, Center Point and Big Spring-school districts, therefore, actual students, teachers and trustees are few and far between. Hopefully we will have a great group of current and former residents at our reunion.

THE LAST WORD

Eve left Adam, to meet the Devil in private.
Alexander Pope

We love women in proportion to their degree of stangeness to us.
Charles Baudelaire

A weak mind does not accumulate force enough to hurt itself; stupidity often saves a man from going mad.
Oliver Wendell Holmes

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Jail inmates follow native worship rituals in sweat lodge

COMANCHE (AP) — The Native Americans have returned. The rhythm of their drums and the smoke from their fire can be seen and heard the last Saturday of each month right behind the Comanche County jail.

That is where the jail's Native American inmates have built a sweat lodge, or Inipi, a place to pray and be cleansed with heat and steam. To some eyes, the willow branches bound together and curved to shape a small domed structure over a pit are not impressive, but to the Native American inmates at the Comanche County Jail, the primitive structure is sacred.

"This land is blessed. This land is sacred," said Randy Denny as he looked last week at the newly seeded area where the willow structure sits. His voice conveyed spiritual conviction.

It did not matter that the Inipi is enclosed by a high chain link fence and topped with concertina wire because

now there was spiritual freedom, Denny said. "We, the brotherhood, have come a long, long way together," he said with satisfaction.

Denny, a member of the Oneida Nation, is the chairman of the jail's newly formed 8-member Intertribal Organization of Traditional Americans. The men mostly come from Plains tribes. All come from the Wisconsin penal system, which contracts with Comanche County to house inmates in the county's recently expanded 145-bed facility. Sixty of the jail's total current population of 88 are from Wisconsin. All the Native Americans, including a man whose tribe is Aztec, have earned the status of trusty.

Work on the Inipi and the area enclosing it began last fall, shortly after the Native Americans arrived. They had been invited to transfer from other Texas jails to Comanche by Sheriff Billy Works and Vernon Reid, jail administrator, who offered to allow the

men to perform their ceremonies with complete religious freedom.

"We thought we should do it because our forefathers named the city and the county Comanche, and we thought we should keep the tradition going," Reid said.

The first sweat ceremony was held in February. Each sweat ritual is performed on the last Saturday of each month. On that day the Inipi frame is covered with blankets, making the interior absolutely dark.

The fenced-in area of the Inipi is about 20 yards by 20 yards. In one corner of the square is a circular fire pit where hot stones are heated. In the opposite corner is the Inipi. Connecting the two is a straight line called the "life line" that bisects the square diagonally.

Along the line are sacred points. At one point is a ceremonial staff, which is a slim wooden pole stuck vertically in the ground. Attached to the rod are four small cloth flags that

represent the four directions of the compass. Topping the rod are hawk and eagle feathers, a deer skull and antlers. "The feathers represent the winged people. The skull and antlers represent all the four-legged people," said Denny, who wears a bison tattoo on one forearm.

At the entrance to the Inipi is an 8-inch high mound of earth, an altar. On ritual Saturdays, beginning at 8 a.m., rocks the size of cantaloupes are heated in the fire pit. It takes five hours for the rocks to reach the required high temperatures. In the meantime, the men beat drums and quietly talk. When the rocks are ready, the men enter the Inipi and sit in a circle about its central pit.

The hot stones are placed in the pit and water is poured over the stones. Heat and steam fill the 10-foot wide, dark interior. The men inside are naked.

In the moist heat, the men begin praying. A man may pray silently or aloud. As he

prays, he shakes a rattle. When his prayer ends, it becomes the turn of the next man to pray until all have prayed. Then, the rocks are removed and more hot rocks are carried in, marking the beginning of a new cycle of prayer.

The entire ceremony can take up to three hours.

Temperatures in the Inipi can exceed 200 degrees, Denny said. "We try to stay inside during the entire time, but sometimes people can't stand the heat for that long, and it is permissible for them to leave and cool off. Then they can come back in," he said.

Denny said the presence of the sweat lodge was a huge morale booster for the Native Americans.

"We sweat out our physical impurities, and it heals us mentally and spiritually. Before we were getting into fights with each other over little things.

"Now there is harmony. And this is our way of life and the way we try to live every day."

CLUB

Continued from Page 6A and now resides in Midland.

Sue Bagwell won Tipping of the Brush contest and her painting will be displayed at Citizens Credit Union. Other winners and placement follows: Khatuna R. Buzzell, First Bank of West Texas; Betty Conley, courthouse annex; Smith, Al's Barbecue; Linda Rupard, Chamber of Commerce; and Gibbs, Dells Cafe.

Officers installed were President Judy Gibbs, Vice-President Bonita Lyght, Secretary-Reporter, Elnora Hart and Treasurer, Dana Wilkinson.

Friends of the Library

The Annual meeting was called to order by President JoAnn Staulcup, with invocation and blessing given by Rev. Lee Emerson. Treasurer Ruth Ann McKay reported a bank balance of \$2,699.

Librarian Loraine Redman gave an update on activities at the library. Computer problems have consumed all her time and she reported that she had not had a chance to try to locate wigs for the mannequin. Bill Cox reported he had found a goose for the Mother Goose display.

New Friends were introduced: Jacquie Thomas, Evelyn Simpson, Nancy Jones, Kay Mitchell and Patsy Kane. The winner of the contest to bring in new members will be announced at the next meeting.

Officers for the upcoming year are: JoAnn Staulcup, president; Nancy Koger, vice president; Ruth Ann McKay, treasurer; and Gloria Hopkins, secretary.

Marching down the aisle? Announce it in the Big Spring Herald. Call 263-7331 for details.

BRIEFS

COLUMBIA, Mo. (AP) — There have always been a lot of born-again Christians in the nation's prisons. Now, inmates are converting to more diverse faiths, including Islam, which adherents say is the world's fastest-growing religion.

So those who work with prisoners in Missouri are attending an Islamic Center to learn what it means to be a follower of Islam. The latest enrollees were 24 jail administrators, staff, guards and other corrections employees at prisons and jails in Moberly, Fulton, St. Louis and Jefferson City.

Islamic Center director Mohammed Eldeib told the group that the key to eliminating stereotypical attitudes is to understand the basics, the foundations and the principles of the religions.

And, he said it is important for those who deal with Muslim prisoners to know their customs so they can help them meet religious tenets. Muslims, for example, are required to pray five times a day and with a congregation on Friday, their holy day.

Billboard ads are 'words of God'

PEORIA, Ill. (AP) — It's not every day you see a message from God. Especially on a billboard. There it is, overlooking the strip mall parking lots: "Come on over, and bring the kids. — God."

Nondenominational messages began appearing on billboards in the Fort Lauderdale, Fla., area last year, funded by an anonymous donor.

They now appear in 200 cities in 40 states, on more than \$13 million worth of donated ad space, said Sheila Hays, spokeswoman for the Outdoor Advertising Association of America, which has adopted the campaign.

Among billboard messages attributed to God:

"What part of 'Thou shalt not ... didn't you understand?'"
"Let's meet at my house Sunday before the game."
"I can think of 10 things that ARE carved in stone."

Catholic weekly ends 'pray and publish' ads

CINCINNATI (AP) — The Catholic Telegraph, the official newspaper of the Cincinnati archdiocese, has ended its long-standing practice of printing "thank you" ads to saints.

The weekly newspaper, in its 168th year, said the ads, which cost \$30 apiece, were dropped as of April 1 because they appear to make promises that cannot be guaranteed.

The so-called "pray and publish" ads typically give thanks to a particular saint for answering a prayer. The prayer is published in the ad and others are encouraged to use it. But after the prayer is said, the ad maintains it must be published for it to work.

Law school for God

Pizza magnate spends \$50 million to establish Catholic facility

DETROIT (AP) — Domino's Pizza founder Thomas S. Monaghan spent nearly four decades making a lot of dough. Then he gave it up to work for someone else: God.

Now, after several years of Roman Catholic philanthropy and support of conservative causes, he is spending \$50 million to establish a law school that will he says will combine legal advocacy and Catholic morality.

"This is one of the most exciting things I've been involved in in my life," said Monaghan, 61. "Certainly, one of the most important. Certainly, a lot more important than selling pizzas, except, of course, that pizza made something like this possible."

Monaghan's planned Ave Maria School of Law has already attracted some legal stars.

One-time Supreme Court nominee Robert Bork signed on as its first faculty member. Rep. Henry Hyde is a member of the board of governors, as is Cardinal John O'Connor, archbishop of New York. Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia has offered advice.

The school plans to open in 2000 with about 40 students and seven or eight teachers. It will rent space in or around Ann Arbor, where Monaghan lives and Domino's is based.

The law school is part of Monaghan's larger effort to promote Catholic education. His foundation runs two ele-

mentary schools and two preschools, with another elementary school under construction. He is also building the Ave Maria College, a private liberal arts school.

"I've been very disappointed in general with Catholic education in the United States, particularly how it teaches the faith," said Monaghan, who went to 10 high schools and five colleges and never made it past his freshman year. "I'm afraid that much of it has become secularized."

He also cites other reasons for promoting religious education: "The lack of God in our society, the breakup of families, the low legitimacy rate, abortion — the list goes on."

There are already 24 Catholic law schools among the 181 law

schools in the country — and no shortage of lawyers, according to Ave Maria dean Bernard Dobranski. Even so, Dobranski said there is a need for high-quality lawyers with high morals.

"The rule of law, we believe, must be grounded in the belief that there is an objective moral order," he said.

Some critics, such as the Rev. Robert Dirnan, a law professor at Georgetown University, say existing Catholic law schools do a good job of mixing the legal with the spiritual.

"We have three full-time Jesuit lawyers.

"We say Mass at noon. What more can we do to make it Catholic?" Dirnan said.

Dirnan said Monaghan's real aims appear to be political.

SIBLINGS

Continued from Page 6A and talking, sharing stories about Ruth Feaster with her first-born daughter.

"I wish I had gotten to know her," said Wood, tears welling up in her eyes. "But I'm getting to know her now through my brothers and sisters."

Feaster said the whole experience has been overwhelming.

"When you lose a parent," he said, "there's a kind of closure. Well, with Mom it had been closed. Now it's opened up again."

Feaster said he and his siblings were not surprised this secret had endured so long — after all, unwed mothers and adoption had much more of a stigma half a century ago than today.

Shaw had even heard hints over the years that she had another sister. Feaster said his father, Lonnie, knew his wife's secret, and he too had kept it all those years.

"We all agreed this had to be the most difficult thing for her to do," Feaster said.

Wood said she sees a purpose in Ruth Feaster's actions.

"I think she was an angel God sent so I could be the child of someone who couldn't have children," she said.

Wood, raised as an only child, had five children. Although she never knew she was adopted, much less the identity of her birth mother, she used the name "Ruth" as a

middle name for her youngest daughter.

Now she's eagerly awaiting the arrival of her first grandchild — due on the same date in July that had been her due date so many years ago.

"This is all like a dream," said Wood, who has visited Big Spring two times before to see an aunt, Clara Lewis. At first, she didn't want to contact her brothers and sisters because she didn't want to cause family strife.

On the contrary, Feaster said, Wood has been welcomed with

open arms.

When he told his brothers and sisters, and his father, of her identity, three siblings called Wood the same day. She said they talked for hours at a time.

And this Saturday, the family is planning a huge gathering, including both their new-found sister and brother, so they can meet the extended family.

"This is like you've just turned to a new chapter in the book of life," Feaster said. "It's a new beginning for all of us."

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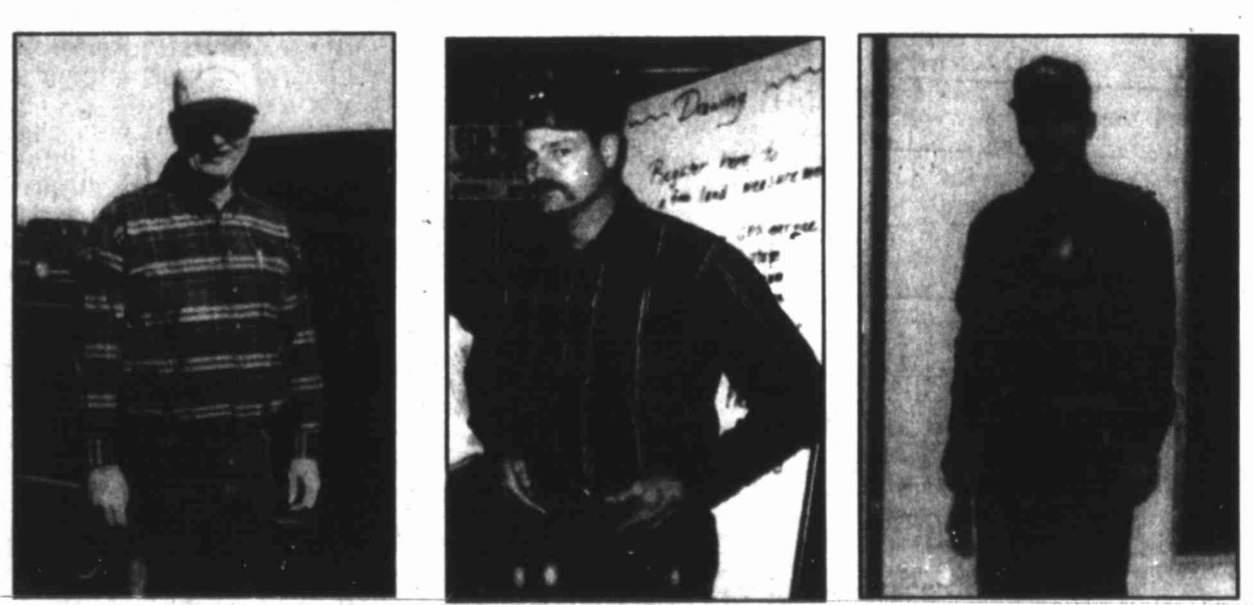
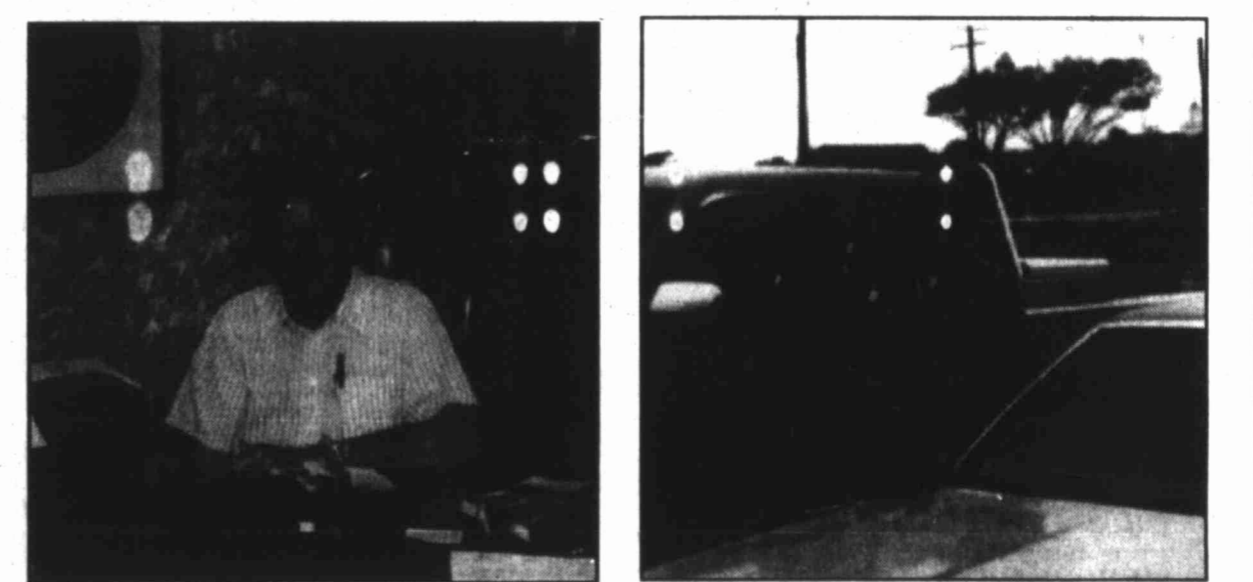
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His pulpit is a factory floor

Baptist chaplain is one of few assigned to a company

BRISTOL, Va. (AP) — Over the rumble of machinery and shrill horns of forklifts, workers call out to him.

"Hey, preacher!"
"Hi, Brother Carl!"
Some of them leave the assembly line as Carl Young makes his way through the Bristol Compressors plant.

Young, an ordained Southern Baptist minister, is one of the few chaplains in the country working full time at a secular company. The factory floor is his pulpit. The workers are his congregation.

Young greets each by name with a handshake, high-five or pat on the back. He asks one employee about her ailing back, another about her daughter's spelling test and a third about his mother, who is in the hospital.

Sometimes he stops for a few moments, leaning in to hear a worker say he's upset about his divorce or feeling overwhelmed as bills pile up.

Young listens, nods and offers advice.

"The thing people ask the most is how to have peace when they have other problems in their lives," he said. "I listen to them, and then we try to find solutions. It's whatever they want to talk about, and everything that's said to me is confidential."

Though a Southern Baptist, Young, 59, calls himself a "generic" chaplain who helps people of all faiths.

There are about 40,000 workplace chaplains across the country, but most work part time, according to Marketplace Ministries, a nonprofit organi-

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Carl Young
chaplain

zation that contracts with companies to provide chaplain services. The Dallas-based company has 600 chaplains at 169 companies in 34 states.

"Employee well-being is what it's all about," said David Crockett, human resources vice president for Bristol Compressors, a manufacturer of components for air conditioning and refrigeration equipment.

Young has been working there full time since he was hired in January 1993 as part of the company's employee assistance program.

"We don't have any measurable criteria to judge his performance," Crockett said. "But he has been well-received by employees, and the number of visits continues to increase, which tells us he is definitely filling a need for us."

Mary Lou Thompson, who has worked at the plant 16 years, said her co-workers seem more genial and at ease since Young arrived.

Bristol Compressors' 2,500 workers can go to Young's office for counseling on company time, with no time limits. On their own time, they can attend weekday Bible studies and Sunday worship services

at the plant.

The company does not know who sees Young or what they talk about but believes he has made a difference. "There have been a number of times that he comforts our people under stressful situations," Crockett said.

Douglas Moore, an assembly line worker at the plant since 1988, tries to see Young every day, if only to shake his hand and hear an encouraging word.

Moore has had a hard time coping since his oldest son, who also worked at the plant, was killed in a boating accident a few years ago. Moore still thinks he sees his son across the room sometimes but then remembers that he's gone. That's when he seeks comfort from Young.

"It's really an uplifting thing to know we have somebody to turn to," Moore said.

Young has been a pastor since 1969, leading churches in Abingdon, Va.; Clyde, Ohio; and LaFollette and Sunbright, Tenn. He was between churches in 1997 when he got the call from Bristol Compressors.

Company officials received information from Marketplace Ministries but decided to hire their own chaplain after interviewing several people who had been referred by employees. Young quickly accepted the job.

"When the CEO of a large corporation tells you that you go and you take care of the people, he cares about his employees," Young said.

"That's how it's been, and that's the way it has to be to make this work."

Church brings Hope to bowling alley

FORT WORTH (AP) — Jerry Wohl, a graduate of Yale University Law School, took a strong dose of skepticism with him when he first walked into worship services at Hope Community Church in Fort Worth.

"Most of my life, I looked askance at theological reasoning," said Wohl.

But he says he saw something different — people living their faith. He is one of many former agnostics and nonchurchgoers who have joined the 500-member church founded in 1978 by the Rev. Harold Bullock and his wife, Deborah.

Now the congregation hopes to bring even more doubting people to a strong faith with its recent move to its first permanent church home — a converted bowling alley near downtown Fort Worth.

The church, which for 20 years met in rented spaces including the Southside Lions Club, the downtown YWCA and hotels, has bought the old Don Carter All Star Lanes at Beach and Interstate 30. And members have spent \$3 million remodeling the building, which was devastated by hailstorms and flooding in the mid-1990s.

The congregation doesn't emphasize its Baptist ties, but it is a member of the Tarrant Baptist Association, the county organization for Southern Baptist churches.

More than 900 turned out for the grand opening of the bowling alley-turned-church last month.

"This doesn't look like a church" is the frequent response from newcomers,

'We told the architect we wanted to be more like Disneyland than the Cathedral of Notre Dame.'

the Rev. Harold Bullock

Bullock said.

Visitors enter a long passage-way flanked by antique-looking lampposts. Storefront-style meeting rooms are painted to resemble historic Fort Worth landmarks, including arches based on the Livestock Exchange building in the Stockyards district.

"We told the architect we wanted to be more like Disneyland than the Cathedral of Notre Dame," said Bullock.

David Schwarz, the designer of the Bass Performance Hall and The Ballpark in Arlington, suggested the streetscape design during a meeting with church officials, said Bullock. Petrelli and Associates of Arlington was the architectural firm.

The 300-seat worship area looks like a theater.

Bullock preaches from a stage without a pulpit, and behind him a band plays religious music with the flavor of light rock or upbeat country-and-western.

Music videos, words to songs used in services, and Scriptures used in sermons are projected on two giant screens.

All the hardwood bowling lanes had to be ripped out because they were irreparably damaged by water. Only the west side of the 64,000-square-foot facility has been remodeled, leaving 31,000 square feet for expansion.

But more unusual than the new church building itself is the congregation and its leader. Since it was founded two decades ago, the church's main purpose has been to reach people who have rejected the church.

A second goal is to train leaders to form similar congregations across the nation, Bullock said.

One of his secrets is that he was a skeptical Christian, too.

"I know where they are coming from," said Bullock. "I grew up in a Christian background in Tennessee, but in college I began rejecting the supernatural as illogical and anti-intellectual. I had a lot of unanswered questions."

While studying to be a chemistry professor at the University of California-Los Angeles, Bullock said, he discovered there were credible answers to his doubts. He learned from scholars who helped him answer some of his doubts about the Bible.

At about the same time he met his future wife, Deborah, a Southern Baptist mission volunteer who had moved to California to

help reach the nonchurchgoing public there. They joined the First Southern Baptist Church of Los Angeles and helped reshape it to reach baby boomers and those turned off by traditional churches.

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Class 3A softball slated for BSIS

Two Class 3A baseball playoff games slated at the Big Spring Softball Complex. Monahan's Lady take on Clyde's Lady in the first playoff staged at the new 5:30 p.m. today. And on Monday Lady Yellowjackets take on Abilene Bulldogs (21-10) in a game slated for 7 p.m. start.

Two Big Spring among PBLGA

Lane Reynolds, Jenkins were among finishers Thursday Permian Basin Association's play Hogan Park Golf Midland.

Reynolds, a member of Big Spring Country Club, posted a net to finish second in the tournament.

Jenkins, a member of Comanche Trail, finished second in the tournament with a gross scoring with

Free tennis lessons Monday at Figo

Jim Blacketer, director of the Figo Center, will offer free tennis lessons from 7 p.m. to 7 p.m. Monday at the center.

Adults and children are available for lessons. Door prizes will be available during the event. For more information call Blacketer at 264-68

Little League to big victories

The National Little League team had too much for the Cardinals in a game that ended in a 10-0 victory for the Cardinals.

Brandon Tant, a pair of triples, La added a pair of singles and a double and Ch added a double to the Lions' attack.

Jonathan McCain split the pitcher for the Lions, but out five in three work, while Ryan added big plays at the plate.

Mitchell Hooper, a pitcher for the Cardinals, pitched a shutout for the Cardinals.

Blaine Kerby pitched a shutout for the Cobras, getting two shutout relief help from LaRue.

Kerby and LaRue pitched a shutout for the Cobras in a 2-for-3 at the plate. Cassey Richter pitched a 2-for-3 show for the Braves.

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TODAY HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL
6:30 p.m. — Big Spring Bulldogs.
7:30 p.m. — Big Spring Steers.

SATURDAY JUCO SOFTBALL
Noon — Odessa College.
Howard College vs. Big Spring Steers.

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Radio HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL
7:30 p.m. — Big Spring Bulldogs.
at Snyder Tigers, KBYG.

Television MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
6 p.m. — Atlanta Florida Marlins, TBS.
NBA BASKETBALL
7 p.m. — Toronto Orlando Magic, TNT.
9:30 p.m. — Portland TrailBlazers at Utah Ch. 28.
HOCKEY
6:30 p.m. — Anaheim Ducks at Detroit Red Wings, ESPN, Ch. 30.

IN BRIEF

Class 3A softball playoffs slated for BSISD Complex

Two Class 3A bi-district softball playoff games have been slated at the Big Spring ISD Softball Complex.

Monahans' Lady Lobos will take on Clyde's Lady Bulldogs in the first playoff game ever staged at the new facility at 5:30 p.m. today.

And on Monday, Kermit's Lady Yellowjackets (7-13) will take on Abilene Wylie's Lady Bulldogs (21-10) in their bi-district game slated for a 5:30 p.m. start.

Two Big Spring players among PBLGA leaders

Lane Reynolds and Dee Jenkins were among the top finishers Thursday during the Permian Basin Ladies Golf Association's playday at the Hogan Park Golf Course in Midland.

Reynolds, a member of the Big Spring Country Club LGA, posted a net score of 70 to finish second in the first flight.

Jenkins, a member of the Comanche Trail LGA, finished second in second flight gross scoring with a 92.

Free tennis lesson slated Monday at Figure 7

Jimi Blacketer, the professional at the Figure 7 Tennis Center, will offer a free session of tennis lessons from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Monday at the center.

Adults and children are welcome to attend and racquets are available for those needing them.

Door prizes will be awarded and face painting will also be available during the event.

For more information, call Blacketer at 264-6834.

Little League teams post big victories around area

The National Little League Lions had too much power for the Cardinals in majors division play, posting a 13-4 win.

Brandon Tant pounded a pair of triples, Lance Murphy added a pair of singles and a double and Chance Cain added a double in powering the Lions' attack.

Jonathon McGregor and Cain split the pitching duties for the Lions, both striking out five in three innings of work, while Ryan Slate provided big plays at shortstop.

Mitchell Hooper had a double for the Cards, while Jeremy Furniss and Daniel Castillo both went 2-for-4 at the plate in the losing effort.

In Coahoma Little League minors action, the Cobras took a 9-4 win over the Braves.

Blaine Kerby chalked up his third pitching win for the Cobras, getting two innings of shutout relief help from David LaRue.

Kerby and LaRue also led the Cobras in hitting, both going 2-for-3 at the plate.

Cassey Richter also turned in a 2-for-3 showing for the Braves.

LOCAL GAMES

TODAY HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

6:30 p.m. — Tahoka Bulldogs at Coahoma Bulldogs.

7:30 p.m. — Big Spring Steers at Snyder Tigers.

SATURDAY JUCO SOFTBALL

Noon — Odessa College Wranglers at Howard College Hawks (DH).

ON THE AIR

Radio HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

7:30 p.m. — Big Spring Steers at Snyder Tigers, KBST-AM 1490.

Television MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

6 p.m. — Atlanta Braves at Florida Marlins, TBS, Ch. 11.

NBA BASKETBALL

7 p.m. — Toronto Raptors at Orlando Magic, TNT, Ch. 28.

9:30 p.m. — Portland TrailBlazers at Utah Jazz, TNT, Ch. 28.

HOCKEY

6:30 p.m. — Anaheim Mighty Ducks at Detroit Red Wings, ESPN, Ch. 30.

Pudge dealt KO during Rangers' 6-4 win over Twins

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — When Matt Lawton's right shoulder slammed into the left side of Ivan Rodriguez's face, a rough stretch seemed about to get a lot worse for the Texas Rangers.

The Rangers had lost four of five heading into Thursday night's game at Minnesota. Their starting pitching had been dismal, and their imposing lineup mostly punchless.

Then it looked like they might lose their seven-time All-Star catcher for a significant amount of time.

But instead of a serious facial injury, Rodriguez was diagnosed with a slight concussion, and instead of another loss the Rangers regrouped for a 6-4 victory over the Twins.

Aaron Sele turned in 5 2-3 solid innings, rookie reliever Jeff Zimmerman

extended his career-starting scoreless streak to 10 innings and four players supplied the power as Texas avoided a three-game losing streak.

"As long as we keep it at two all year we'll be fine," manager Johnny Oates said. "Aaron threw really well early in the ball game, the bullpen did the job and we had that one big inning (eighth), which has been the case for us a lot this year. That's the type of offense we have. We get going and we can put a crooked number up there pretty quickly."

That's the key for the Rangers: If they get going. Their 8-8 record still is good enough for first place in the AL West, and they have done it with one of the AL's worst pitching staffs and 1998 MVP Juan Gonzalez stuck in a deep slump.

Gonzalez, who set a major league

record with 36 RBIs last April, hasn't driven in a run in seven games and hasn't hit a homer all season after hitting at least 42 each of the last three years.

It appeared Thursday that they might have lost Rodriguez, too. But X-rays showed no serious injury. He was diagnosed with a slight concussion and a bruised left cheekbone and is listed as day-to-day.

Oates refused to speculate on when Rodriguez might return.

"It was one of those things you hate to see happen, but that's the way to play the game of baseball," said Lawton, who also left the game with a right shoulder injury.

The Rangers responded quickly to Rodriguez's departure. Rafael Palmeiro made it 1-0 in the second inning with his

third homer, and Lee Stevens hit his team-leading fifth leading off the third for a 2-0 lead.

Sele (3-1) allowed only one runner past first through five innings, then left after allowing one run in the third. Zimmerman wiggled out of a bases-loaded jam after relieving Sele with two outs in the sixth, and then the Rangers added four runs in the eighth on consecutive two-run doubles by Roberto Kelly and Rusty Greer.

The Twins rallied with three runs in the ninth, including Torii Hunter's RBI triple, but John Wetteland got the final out for his fifth save. It wasn't the kind of dominating performance the Rangers expect, but it was a win and, as far as Rodriguez was concerned, it came without a significant long-term loss.

Lady Hawks sweep Sul Ross

Pitching offers hope going into Region V play

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

Howard College's Lady Hawks lived up to their No. 18 ranking in the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) women's softball poll Thursday, closing out the regular season with a 16-2, 8-0 sweep of Sul Ross State University's Lady Lobos.

Sul Ross was simply no match for the Lady Hawks who will enter the April 30-May 1 NJCAA Region V tournament in Abilene with a 43-17 record.

Howard's lineup literally pounded Lady Lobos pitching, finishing the day with 34 hits.

But the most important factor for the Lady Hawks was the quality of pitching provided by freshmen Becky Holland and Brandy Smith.

Holland, one of several players pressed into service earlier this month when sophomore All-American Maria Lopez was sidelined with a foot injury, went the distance in the 16-2 opener, allowing Sul Ross just four hits, while striking out five and walking four.

And Smith, who has struggled with tendonitis pain in her right shoulder for several weeks, returned to the pitching circle in impressive fashion — tossing a one-hit shutout in the nightcap, striking out nine batters and allowing just two bases on balls.

Smith's showing clearly left Howard coach Andy Mace more optimistic about the Lady Hawks' chances at the regional tournament.

"There just might be a way we could get hot and survive until Maria can come back," said Mace, himself sidelined after having undergone double heart bypass surgery three weeks ago, but still on hand to shout directions to his players from the BSISD Softball Complex's press box.

Mace made it clear he believes that the Lady Hawks might have been one of the favorites to advance to the NJCAA national tournament had Lopez — still ranked third nationally in strikeouts with 259 — not suffered a stress fracture to the fifth metatarsal in her right foot.

"Not having Maria leaves us with a lot of questions going into the regional tournament," Mace said. "But who knows, we just might be able to get hot and still be playing when she can come back and play. We'll just have to see."

Facing Sul Ross, however, the Lady Hawks really didn't need their star sophomore.

In fact, Howard scored all the runs it needed in the first inning of both games.

The opener saw Holland get plenty of backing in the bottom of the first inning, as the Lady Hawks scored four runs — helped in no small part by a three-base error charged to Sul Ross pitcher Jennifer Cieslik.

Andrea Padias got the Lady Hawks rally started with a one-out single and scored moments later when Cieslik fielded a bunt off the bat of Carlee Ledford and made a wild throw to first, the ball rolling to the right field fence.

Teresa Johnson followed with a single to plate Ledford and scored when Ricka McKee doubled down the line in left.



Howard College's Andrea Padias moves in to scoop up a slow roller before firing a strike to teammate Kara Brand before Sul Ross' Erica Luna could reach first in the top of the second inning during the first game of the Lady Hawks' 16-2, 8-0 sweep of the Lady Lobos. Padias had a busy day Thursday, playing third in the first game and second base in the nightcap.

McKee made it 4-0 when first baseman Kara Brand singled to left with two out.

While Cieslik managed to avoid additional damage in the second inning, and entered the third inning trailing just 4-1, the Lady Hawks put things out of reach in the bottom of the inning — sending 13 batters to the plate, scoring nine runs on nine hits and a pair of Sul Ross errors.

And while the Lady Lobos managed to score a run in the top of the fourth, Howard iced away the win with three runs of their own in the bottom of the inning.

All told, the Lady Hawks pounded out 21 hits against Cieslik, as McKee and Johnson led the way, both finishing the game 4-for-4 at the plate.

Shortstop Josie Rosovich and Padias both finished the opener 3-for-4 offensively, while Diana Julian and Kristina DeVos were both 2-for-3.

Howard was also as productive offensively in the second game, managing 13 hits — more than enough backing for Smith, who was only threatened once by Sul Ross.

The Lady Lobos best chance of getting on the board came in the top of the first inning when Smith issued a two-out walk to catcher Christina Wilcox and was then touched for a double by Cristy Haynes, her Sul Ross counterpart.

She cut the rally short, however, by striking out left fielder Laura Alferrez, ending the inning.

Sul Ross' Natali Whitewood would man-

age a walk and reach second in the second inning, but from that point forward, Smith managed to retire the Lady Lobos in order.

Although Haynes managed to avoid the wholesale slaughter Cieslik endured, she eventually fell prey to the Lady Hawks powerful lineup.

Again it was Padias that got the Lady Hawks scoring started in the second game, reaching base on a fielder's choice in the bottom of the first and scoring on a two-out double to right by Johnson.

The Lady Hawks made it 3-0 in the third when Rosovich led off with a double to left and scored on a Padias single that Alferrez misplayed, allowing the Lady Hawks second baseman to reach third.

Johnson followed with her second RBI of the game with a sacrifice fly to left.

Howard made it 4-0 in the fourth inning when Honey Belew ripped a one-out double to left and scored on a DeVos triple.

But the dam burst in the bottom of the fifth when Ledford led off with a double to left and Johnson followed with a two-run homer to left, allowing her to finish the game 2-for-2 with 4 RBIs.

McKee kept things going with a double up the middle and scored on a single by Julian. A double by Brand and a walk by Belew loaded the bases, setting the stage for Holland, who ripped a shot to the fence in left, allowing Julian to score and end the game on the 8-run mercy rule.

Parnevik's 65 gives him lead at Greensboro

GREENSBORO, N.C. (AP) — Jesper Parnevik had numerous excuses for not playing well during the first round of the Greater Greensboro Chrysler Classic.

Parnevik was disqualified last week at the MCI Classic and subsequently fired his longtime caddie, Lorne Duncan. Not only was he breaking in a new caddy this week, he was also using a new set of irons and a new putter.

Not to mention that his wife, Mia, is due to give birth to their third child in three weeks.

Somehow, Parnevik kept his focus and fired a 7-under-par 65 on Thursday to take a 1-shot lead after the first round at Forest Oaks Country Club.

"I haven't played as well as I wanted to for the last three or four weeks," Parnevik said. "I'm going to take a few weeks off, and this was a good opportunity to end on a high note."

Parnevik said his new caddie, part-time touring pro and close friend Lance Ten Broeck, contributed to his round on Thursday. But he said said rumors that he and Duncan had a bitter disagreement in the aftermath of the disqualification are untrue.

"This was a long run for us. Sometimes, even though you're very good friends with someone, it's better to just part," Parnevik said. "You're always looking for a change."

Parnevik missed a short birdie putt on the first hole, but rolled in a 30-foot eagle putt on the par-5 second. He sank another long birdie putt at the seventh hole and shorter ones at Nos. 8-9 to make the turn one shot off the lead.

"Five under on the front nine was not really something I expected," Parnevik said.

"With the wind kicking up and the rough as high as it was and the greens as firm as they are, I thought all the scores would be high in the afternoon. But it seems like everybody played well."

Parnevik missed a short par putt at No. 11, but regrouped with birdies at 14 and 15. He capped his round with a 13-foot birdie putt from the back fringe on the 18th hole with a putter he's been using for less than two weeks.

"It's hard to accept when you miss a putt, so you're looking for a magic wand that might turn your career around and work every time," Parnevik said.

Dudley Hart and Steve Lowery were one shot back after first-round 66s.

Hart teed off in the morning and said the key to his round was staying clear of Forest Oaks' notoriously snarly rough. He drove into the rough on Nos. 2 and 5, but avoided it the rest of the day, notching five birdies in the final 13 holes.

Rockets' Pippen arrested on DWI charge

HOUSTON (AP) — Scottie Pippen denies being drunk when police pulled him over for running a red light.

"I was not intoxicated when arrested after the game last night and I'm confident the evidence will support me in the end," Pippen said in a statement issued by his agent after his arrest early Thursday.

The officer who stopped Pippen around 1:30 a.m. said the NBA star ran a red light. A member of the department's DWI task force was called after suspecting Pippen was intoxicated, police spokesman Fred King said.

Pippen, 33, did poorly on the field sobriety test

and was taken into custody, where he was videotaped and given the opportunity to take a Breathalyzer test, King said.

After he refused the Breathalyzer, Pippen was booked on suspicion of DWI and released on \$500 bond just before 7 a.m. His arraignment is set for next Thursday before Harris County Court-at-Law Judge Sherman Ross.

Pippen has not formally hired a lawyer, but Houston lawyer Rusty Hardin said he is set to meet with Pippen next week.

Teammates supported Pippen during a brief

See PIPPEN, page 2B

Little League instruction camp set Sunday at Howard College

HERALD Staff Report

Howard College's Little League Instruction Camp for players of all ages has been scheduled for Sunday at Jack Barber Field.

The camp will provide instruction in baseball fundamentals under the supervision of Howard coaches Brian Roper and Justin Hays, as well as members of Hawks baseball team.

Registration is set for 1:45 p.m. with camp instruction for 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. The fee will be \$10 per youngster, and participants should bring a baseball glove and bat.

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SPORTS EXTRA

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL American League ANAHEIM ANGELS—Activated 19 Mo Vaughn from the 15-day disabled list. Optioned INF Chris Pritchett to Edmonton of the PCL.

BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Recalled RHP Rocky Coppinger from Rochester of the International League. Sent SS Angel Botva to the Tampa Bay Devil Rays to complete a March 29 trade.

DETROIT TIGERS—Agreed to terms with 2B Damon Easley on a four-year contract extension, through the 2004 season.

ONLAND ATHLETICS—Placed RHP Kevin Jarvis on the 15-day disabled list, retroactive to April 19. Recalled RHP Brad Rigby from Vancouver of the PCL.

TEXAS RANGERS—Placed RHP John Burkett on the 15-day disabled list, retroactive to April 21. Recalled LHP Mike Venuto from Oklahoma of the PCL.

NATIONAL LEAGUE CHICAGO CUBS—Placed RHP Kevin Tapan on the 15-day disabled list, retroactive to April 13. Recalled RHP Richard Barker from Iowa of the PCL.

SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS—Acquired RHP Jerry Spradlin from the Cleveland Indians for OF Dan McKinley and a player to be named.

BASKETBALL National Basketball Association MIAMI HEAT—Placed G Rex Walters on the injured list. Activated C Marty Connor from the injured list.

FOOTBALL National Football League CINCINNATI BENGALS—Signed LB Billy Granville, WR Jason Shelley, CB Anthony Cleary, G Ben Hanley, CB Marcus Parks, LB Ben Peterson, K Derek Schones and C Brian Uhl.

CLEVELAND BROWNS—Acquired RB Sedrick Shaw from the New England Patriots for past considerations. Released DT Anderson.

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS—Waived DT Jose White.

KANSAS CITY CHIEFS—Signed DT Artie Smith to a two-year contract.

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS—Signed QB John Friesz.

TENNESSEE TITANS—Agreed to terms with P Jason Bloom.

HOCKEY National Hockey League BOSTON BRUINS—Recalled F Randy Robitaille from Providence of the AHL.

UIL SOFTBALL CLASS 5A Region I Bi-District Pairings El Paso Andress (15-10) vs. El Paso Eastwood (15-1), 12:30 p.m. Friday at El Paso Community College.

Midland Lee (26-5) bye. Lubbock Monterey (13-16) vs. Odessa Permian (16-7), 5 p.m. Friday at Odessa Permian.

El Paso Harke (20-7) bye. Lewisville (16-10) vs. Irving Nimetz (20-11), 7:30 p.m. Friday at TBA.

Leander bye. Arlington Martin (27-6) vs. Killean (11-11), 6 p.m. Friday at Abilene.

Richard (25-8) bye. El Paso Coronado (20-8) vs. El Paso Bel Air (19-7), 3:30 p.m. Friday at Bel Air.

Lubbock Comrado (23-8) bye. Lubbock (19-12) vs. Abilene (19-6), 6:30 p.m. Friday at Snyder.

El Paso Franklin (23-4) bye. South Grand Prairie vs. Haltom (24-11-2).

Game 1: 7 p.m. Friday at Grand Prairie's Kennedy Park.

Game 2: 2 p.m. Saturday at Haltom's Buffalo Ridge Park.

Game 3: If necessary, 30 minutes after.

Manchester (22-8) bye. DeSoto (14-10) vs. Temple (14-9), 8 p.m. Friday at Abilene.

Lewisville Marcus (33-4-3) bye.

CLASS 4A Region I Bi-District Pairings El Paso Parkland (16-10) vs. San Elizario (12-7), 3:30 p.m. Friday at El

MAJOR LEAGUE STANDINGS

Table with columns: American League East Division, Central Division, West Division. Rows include Toronto, New York, Tampa Bay, Boston, Baltimore, Cleveland, Chicago, Detroit, Minnesota, Kansas City, Texas, Oakland, Anaheim.

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Saunders nearly no-hits Orioles; loss further hurts Miller's cause

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Just when Baltimore thought it couldn't get any worse, Tony Saunders nearly pitched a no-hitter against the Orioles. Saunders came within four outs of a no-hitter as the Tampa Bay Devil Rays beat Baltimore 1-0 Thursday night, sending the Orioles to their sixth straight loss.

"To be honest, I really didn't know I didn't give up any hits because I had so many guys on base," said Saunders, who walked seven. "It's a big thrill because I went out there early and struggled and was able to push through it."

Saunders (2-2) didn't allow a hit until Mike Bordick's soft liner to center with two outs in the eighth. Jim Mecir relieved and struck out pinch-hitter Harold Baines, and Roberto Hernandez pitched a perfect ninth for his sixth save in six chances, completing Tampa Bay's first-ever one-hitter.

"I think it broke my bat and it just blooped out there into center field," Bordick said. At 3-12, the Orioles have the worst record in the major leagues and are off to their worst start since going 0-21 in 1988. Baltimore is last in the AL East, already 81/2 games out of first.

Baltimore headed home after the game for a 12-game homestand with the future of manager Ray Miller in doubt. Among the names being rumored as possible replacements are former Colorado manager Don Baylor and Baltimore coaches Eddie Murray and Sam Perlozzo. Miller was brief after the game, even when asked if returning to Camden Yards would help the team.

"I would certainly hope so," he said. In other American League games, Toronto edged Anaheim 8-7, Detroit blanked Boston 1-0, Oakland beat Cleveland 4-1 and Texas defeated Minnesota 6-4. Seattle's game at Chicago was rained out. In the only National League games Thursday, Todd Pratt homered for the second straight

game and led the New York Mets to a 4-1 win at Cincinnati and Colorado took an 8-5 win over San Francisco.

The game between the Houston Astros and Cubs in Chicago was rained out and will be made up as part of a double-header Aug. 6. Wade Boggs hit a fourth-inning sacrifice fly off Sidney Ponson (0-2) to score Tampa Bay's only run. The Devil Rays (10-7) have won five straight, tying a franchise record set last July.

"All wins are great, but this was exciting," Devil Rays manager Larry Rothschild said. "There weren't too many dull moments in that game." The game drew just 17,334, the smallest crowd for a home game in the two-season history of the Devil Rays.

Blue Jays 8, Angels 7

Pat Kelly homered twice as Toronto overcame a 7-2 deficit to win its eighth straight and send visiting Anaheim to its fifth consecutive loss despite two-run homers by Mo Vaughn, Darrin Erstad and Garret Anderson.

Vaughn, who sprained his left ankle in the season opener, was activated before the game and sent his first pitch from Pat Hentgen an estimated 451 feet off the roof of the SkyDome restaurant in the first.

Kelly's homer off Alan Levine tied it at 7 in the sixth. Toronto scored the go-ahead run in the

eighth when Troy Percival walked Tony Fernandez with the bases loaded.

Tom Davey (1-0) got two outs for the win, and Graeme Lloyd pitched a perfect ninth for his second save. Mark Petkovsek (0-1) was the loser.

Tigers 1, Red Sox 0

Justin Thompson (2-2) and Todd Jones combined on a two-hitter at Tiger Stadium, Brad Ausmus' eighth-inning homer off Mark Portugal (2-1) powered Detroit to its fifth win in six games. Thompson allowed one hit in eight-plus innings, and Jones finished for his second save of the season, 100th of his career.

The game drew just four of five, scored just three runs in the three-game series. Portugal pitched a three-hitter for his first complete game of the season. He retired 19 straight before the homer.

Athletics 4, Indians 1

Tom Candiotti (2-2) allowed one unearned run and three hits in seven innings at Jacobs Field, sending Cleveland to just its second loss in its last 14 games. T.J.-Mathews and Billy Taylor each pitched one scoreless inning, with Taylor getting his third save.

Scott Spiezio hit a two-run double in the first off Charles Nagy (2-1), who allowed all four runs and seven hits in 6 2-3 innings.

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PIPPEN

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practice Thursday before flying to Los Angeles for a game with the Clippers tonight. Pippen didn't attend the workout, but coach Rudy Tomjanovich said he would accompany the team.

"I'm hoping it won't be a distraction," Tomjanovich said. "We are trying not to make any assumptions. It would be unfair to comment when nothing has been established. I'm sort of used to unexpected things happening. You just try not to lose your composure."

Houston, currently fourth in the Western Conference playoff race, was upset by the Dallas Mavericks 109-95 Wednesday night, keeping the Rockets from clinching a spot in the playoffs and snapping Dallas' 11-game losing streak against the Rockets.

Pippen had four points and three rebounds and was repeatedly beaten defensively.

"Scottie is my teammate and I'm behind him 100 percent," Charles Barkley said. "This is

not Armageddon. It happened. Scottie Pippen probably wasn't the only player stopped last night.

"Scottie Pippen is a role model. If all the kids grew up to be like Scottie, the world would be a better place."

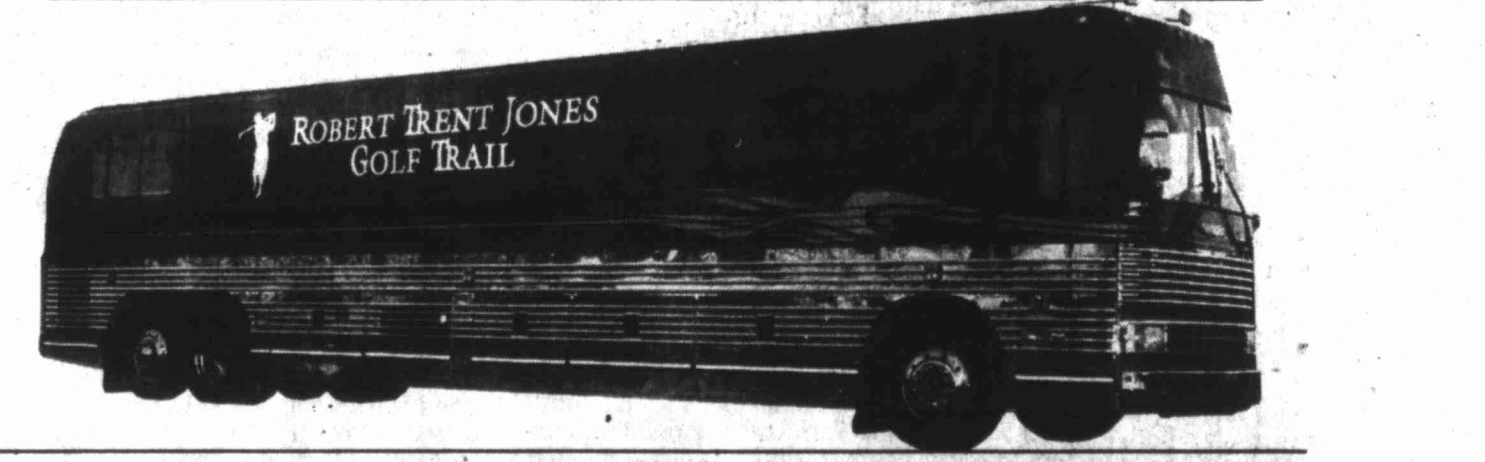
Pippen has struggled to fit into the Rockets' alignment after earning seven NBA All-Star appearances and helping the Chicago Bulls win six NBA championships. He broke out with a season-high 31 points on April 15 against Portland and had 22 points and 11 rebounds in a victory over Seattle on Monday night.

In January, Pippen was traded from the Bulls, with whom he had spent his 11-year pro career, and signed a five-year, \$67.2 million contract with the Rockets.

Pippen, slowed by back and hand injuries, still hasn't missed a game. He is averaging 14 points and six rebounds, both below his career norms, and his six assists per game is slightly better.

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Riley's rant helps Miami top Orlando

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — After scoring only 23 points and shooting a franchise-low 22.9 percent in the first half of a critical game against Orlando, the Miami Heat got a tongue-lashing from coach Pat Riley.

"You don't want to know what was said at halftime," Miami center Alonzo Mourning said. "Believe me, what was said was very beneficial. Sometimes it takes some of the things he said to get guys focused."

With first place in the East at stake, the Heat focused on hitting their shots in the second half and rallied to beat the Magic 75-70 Thursday night.

Miami, which went 8-for-35 from the field in the first half and fell behind 36-23, made its first seven shots after the break and went on to hand Orlando only its third home loss in 22 games.

The Heat (29-13) opened a one-game lead over the Magic (29-15) in the East, where the team with the best record gets home-court advantage throughout the conference playoffs.

"I think it gives us that edge, that's all," Riley said. "We have too many games left to think we accomplished anything."

In other NBA games, Atlanta beat Boston 106-94, Philadelphia downed Detroit 104-96 and San Antonio topped Dallas 103-76.

Miami's 23 points in the first half were only three more than the NBA-record low for a half, set by New Orleans at Seattle in 1975.

"I don't think I've ever been in a game like that," Riley said. "We couldn't make layups, free throws. We were fortunate to be down only 13. I don't know who that team was in the first half. I asked my players after the game and they had no idea who that team was."

Mourning, who finished with 18 points and 17 rebounds, hit a jumper to put Miami ahead 73-67 late in the game. But Darrell Armstrong hit a 3-pointer with 46.5 seconds remaining to pull Orlando within three, and the Magic got the ball back following a turnover by Miami's Terry Porter.

Armstrong then took another 3-point shot, but the ball got stuck between the rim and backboard, resulting in a jump ball. The Heat controlled the tip, Jamal Mashburn was fouled and made two free throws for the final margin.

"I've seen it, but not on a big shot late in the game," Orlando coach Chuck Daly said of Armstrong's wedge shot. "Usually it hits the rim or something, but to give them a jump ball with Mourning puts us in a huge disadvantage."

Nick Anderson scored 14 points for the Magic, who shot only 33 percent from the field.

Hawks 106, Celtics 94
Steve Smith scored 26 points and the Hawks held Boston without a field goal for nearly seven minutes in the third quarter.

The Hawks, fourth in the Eastern Conference, closed within two games of Indiana for the Central Division lead as they try to secure homecourt advantage in the first round of the playoffs.

76ers 104, Pistons 96
Allen Iverson scored 28 points and Theo Ratliff added 19 points and 13 rebounds as Philadelphia won at the Palace at Auburn Hills.

The win moved the 76ers into fifth place in the Eastern Conference playoff race, a half-game ahead of Milwaukee and one game ahead of Detroit. The Sixers have won three straight, while the Pistons lost their third in a row and sixth in seven games.

Joe Dumars led Detroit with 19 points.

Spurs 103, Mavericks 76
David Robinson scored 18 points and Tim Duncan added 14 points and 10 rebounds as streaking San Antonio beat Dallas.

The Spurs won their fifth straight overall and 10th in a row at home. They have won 24 of 28 games since March 1 to move within two games of first-place Utah.

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HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR SATURDAY, APRIL 24:

Your ingenuity and creativity continue to shine, even when you feel down. Trust this endless stream of imagination to help you find answers. Honor your feelings. Your professional aspirations are great; stay on that path. If you are single, relationships are exciting, though not necessarily peaceful. Learn to discuss emotions and to work through controversy. If attached, the two of you may be confronting some old problems this year. Address them, and you'll both gain. Virgo adores you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

***Though you definitely have a frisky side, slowing down and taking it easy is a good decision. Others are clearly out of sorts; your appeal won't get past their issues. You could be confused by what a friend is thinking. Get into baseball or another favorite hobby. Tonight: In search of action.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

***Creativity comes out with children and with loved ones. Another clearly has a "bone to pick" with you. Instead of squabbling over this and that, hone in on the issue. You can resolve it. Problems at work or with an authority figure emerge again. Tonight: Give your imagination free reign.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

*** Make calls in the morning. You might opt for a lazy day at home with friends or a loved one. Plans change; confusion easily sets in. Use your energy constructively. Don't get into a fight. You might need time to think right now. Loosen up and relax. Tonight: Order in.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

***Make an effort to deal with another in a more effective manner. Communication is important, but misunderstandings and a tense significant other could make it difficult to get past barriers. You can do it! Use humor and creativity. Stay open, despite a few unpleasant words. Tonight: Out for dinner.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

***Use the morning for important projects. How you view an authority figure could change considerably. You could feel as if another is challenging you. Losing your temper at home won't help. Be careful just how much you spend to kiss and make up. A partner is really confused. Tonight: Indulge - you need it!

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A co-worker referred to my husband as "your husband, your boyfriend - whatever." I said, "Husband! We're married." He said, "Well, where's your wedding ring?"

Abby, women are the worst. Once I mention I am married, I see their eyes glance to see what kind of "rock" I have, and a mixed expression of revulsion, pity and disbelief washes over their faces. It makes me

LIBRA (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

***You could be out of kilter. Listen to news, though you might not be understanding its implications on your day-to-day life. You have extremely high ideals and often don't easily take being let down. Take an overview. Think about what you want. Tonight: As you like it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

***Take in information. Understand what is going on with a partner, who may be uptight and difficult. Your ability to blend with others could make a big difference in how you feel. Remain careful with spending. Don't worry about a loved one. Tonight: Take some thinking time.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

***Join friends. Make the most of a special invitation. You might feel bogged down by a friend or loved one's negativity. You can get past it if you choose to. Instead of focusing on your anger, relax, go off and do what you love. Tonight: Where the party is.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

***You're front and center, whether you want to be or not! You might be unusually tense with others and regarding work. Consider taking off for the day and relaxing at a favorite spot. Do whatever you need to do in order to feel better. Tonight: Confirm any plans.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

***Your phone might ring more than usual. How you view a friendship could be the crux of a difficulty. Establish and/or verbalize limits; others have no other way of knowing what you are thinking. Use caution with spending. Tonight: Off to the theater.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

***You want to relate to another, but somehow your style gets cramped. Others seek you out and want you now. You could find this confusing and difficult. Honor priorities that make you feel secure. Domestic and personal lives need to take the highest priorities. Tonight: Where your friends are.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

***Don't rely on your intuition right now. You could be overly sensitive and/or be overreacting. Tempers flare around you. Someone at a distance wants your attention. You might be surprised by what this person will do. Join friends. Tonight: Spontaneous partying.

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The substitute cartoonist works with a handicap: Big Daddy is watching.

"BUT MY SHOES AREN'T ON THE WRONG FEET. MY FEET ARE IN THE WRONG SHOES."

WIZARD OF ID



THIS DATE IN HISTORY

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THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down words.

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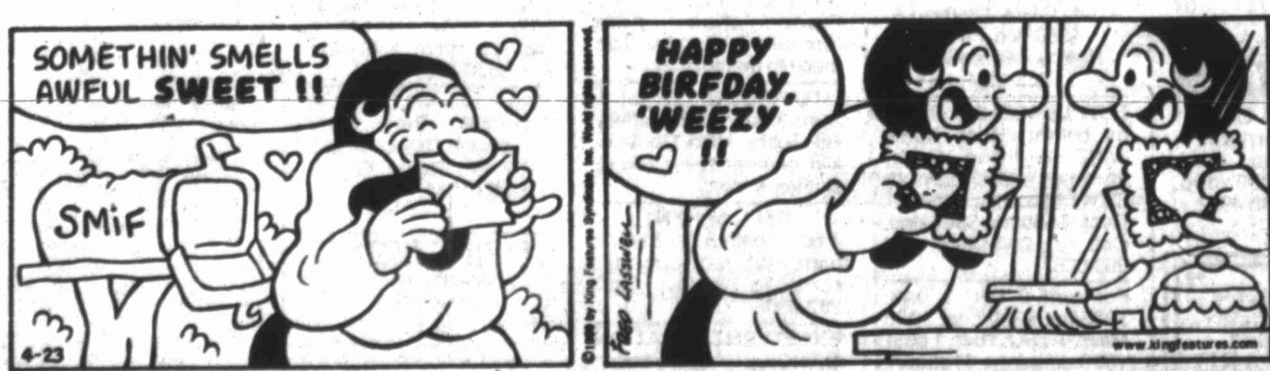


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Thursday's Puzzle Solved section with a grid and solutions for various words.

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