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Cauble reunion planned Saturday
The Cauble School
reunion will be saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Elbow School cafeteria. This
date was chosen to avoid damily reunion dates.
ficen Please come for a day of
remembering remembering with old
friends and friends and bring your
favorite
casserole dessert for the cove
luncheon at noon.

Stenholm staffer to be in Big Spring
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Charles
Stenhomessman
Stent
Sto Stamford), office will be
available for Howard County residents in the commissioners courtroom on the second fioor of the courthouse Friday from $9: 30-11$ a.m.
Warren Wills will individually with any citizen who might want to discuss problems with a government agency such as the Social
Security Administration, Housing and Urban Development, Departme
Also, Wills will list any opinions expressed concerning current governmen-
tal issues. An appointment is tal issues. An appointment is
nof necessary

What's UP.
$\underset{\square}{\text { FRIDAY }}$ AMBUCS (American
Business Club), noon,
Brandin' Iron Restaurant. O Spring City Senior dance, $7: 30$ to 10:30 p.m. All deniors invited.
SATURDAY
Dance 8:30 p.m., Eagles Everyone welcome. $\square$ The Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
The Potton House
200 The Potton House, 200
Gregg, a restored historic home, is open from 1 to 5 p.m. ${ }_{\text {Big }}$ Spring Squares, call $267-7043$ or 28.
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Senior Circle about health, fitness, fun By debbie L. Jensen Features Editor
Scenic Mountain Medical Center's new Senior Circle is
about health, fitness and fun. Coordinator Pam Stephens said the non-profit social and
activity group is aimed those activity group is aimed those

50 meet other seniors and participaete in parties, trips and infor-
mational seminars mational seminars. "It's about fun," said Stephens. Our goal is to improve the
lifestyle of seniors in the com-


## waxing and buffing for a custome

Commissioners interviewing applicants for vacated peace justice, treasurer posts By MARSHA STURDIVANT.
 tomorrow, interviewing nine people for two positions th
become available Saturday become available Saturday.
Justice of the Peace Precinct Place 1 China Long and County Treasurer Bonniie Franklin both
submitted letters of resignation submitted letters of resignation
and retirement to commissionand retirement to commission
ers earlier this month. Commissioners accepted let-
ters of interest and resumes ters of interest and resumes
from the general population through Wednesday noon, and
are checking residency requirements.
The interviews will be in
ctosed session, followed by a

## selection process. For county treasurer $\quad$ with a yearly salary of $\$ 31,900$, For county treasurer, three poople have indicat six persons have indicated an

 est in the job. Franklin's newterm of office began in January and whomever is selected to fill the position will be required to
run for election in November Tammy
county $\underset{\begin{array}{c}\text { Burgess, } \\ \text { treasure }\end{array}}{\text { assistant }}$ $\begin{array}{ll}\text { county } & \text { treasurer under } \\ \text { Franklín has indicated she }\end{array}$ Franklin has indicated she
wants the position. Also Teresa Thomas, first assistant to the county auditor, ring.
Homer Wilkerson, a local
businessmank businessman, has also indicated
an interest in the an interest in the position,
which has a yearly salary of $\$ 38,954$.
For the position of Justice of
interest in the position.
Hebrew Jones, who operates a Catcracker at the Fina
Refinery, has indicated he Refinery, has indicated he
wants the position. wants the position.
Also, Roxie McDaniel, a Children's Protective Services investigator, has applied for the Bennie Green, a deputy sher-
iff for Howard C iff for Howard County, has also
indicated an interest in the
Detective Detective an interest in the job.
Big Spring Pohn with the Big Spring Police Department John Walker, managing editor for the Big Spring Herald, has applied for the position.
And Tom Guess, a former city councilman and, local business-
man has apptied

Census 2000 to focus on participation at community level

## By JOHN H. WALL

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 MODLAND - While Census away, groundwork is being laid to ensure the most accuratecount ever, according to Census Bureau officials
On Tuesday, representatives
from Big Sprimg, Fort Steckton Hiom Big Sprimg, Fort Steckton, with Census Bureau officials at the UTPB Center for Energy
and Economic Development to and Economic Development to
participate in the West Texas 2000 Census Conference. Census officials told Complete Count Committee members
about various ways in which about various ways in which
the census would be conducted to ensure an accurate count. The Complete Coun
Committee structure was Committee structure was estab-
lished for Census 2000 to allow interaction between bureau and local officials.

- "Who better knows the local community than the people who Mirabal, an E1 Paso native, currently serves as the Dallas
Regional Director for the Regional Dire
Census Bureau.

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people
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working with 39.000 local goveverone ouit here", he todd a. ernments on ensire an accuruate ber when 1 started and was out count throunh the Complete
there on those intle roads
Count Commite program.
We want to mate around Pecos and Fort Stockton "We want to make sure we and Big Spring, trying to find a have the most complete adassess
yellow house at the end of the and block canvassing
materials available," Mirabal yellow house at the end of the
road just past the barn that fell down.".
Miraba
Mirabal said what the Census
Bureau is seeking to do this Census is seeking to do this
mucorporate as much local information and input as possible in preparation
for the count, which the bureau is calling "the first fully com-
is count whing puterized census from beginputerized cend."
nirabal
Mira Mirabal said several things
had happened since the had happened since the 1990
Census that will allow interagency cooperation for the first
time in regards to the count time in regards to the cqunt.


Senior Circle advisor Pam Stephens, center,

## SWCID

New certificate program, Graphic Arts Technology, to be introduced in the fall By MARSHA STURDIVANT ments," Brasel said. A Gallaudet graduate with a bachelor's degree in graphic art
technology consulted with technology consurted with
Brasel and other officials as
they outlined the coursework they outlined the coursework for the new program Thus far, about eight to 10
students have expressed an interest in enrolling, he said. "These potential students are
in-house, and they have in-house, and they have
expressed an interest in pursu-
ing this as a different program ing this as a different program
or an additional programs," or an addit
Brasel said.
Brasel said.
Once the course has been
offered a semester or two, Brasel said he feels sure more
students will be interester students will be interested in
taking the classes.
Oraphie arts, the ability to Graphie arts, the ability te
create on a coputer hard copies of advertising ideas, graphs,
charts, and other desk top pubcharts, and other desk top pub-
lishing materials, may be a lishing materials, may be a
skill in great demand in the coming millennium, he said.
The courses offered The courses offered will
include Introduction to Graphic Arts and Printing, Electronic Publishing I and II; Digital Imaging, Objective Oriented
Computer Graphics and Computer Graphics and Word Publishing, among others, he said. There will be a couple of art
courses as well tion of the program, which is designed for two semesters," Brasel said.
Any stude
Any student lacking basic
skills in English and math may have an extended program of study, he said.
A computer laboratory dedi-
cated to the program is expectcated to the program is expect
ed to offer state-of-the-at ed to offer state-of-the-art
Macintosh software designed to teach the technology, he said.
The only component still to The only component still to be
added to the program is the added to the program is the
instructor, Brasel said. The job instructor, Brasel said. The job
description will be posted, and applications will be accepted, d, he said.

## Obituaries

## Simon Joe

 Alcantar Simon Joe Alcantar, 33, BigSpring,
Wedinestay, April 28, away
Senat at Scenic Mountain Medical
Center following a long illness Center following a ang illness.
Thosary will be at $7.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$
Thursay, April 29,1999 at Myers $\&$ Smith Chapel
 Cornelius Scanlan, pastor of St Thomas, officiatitng. Burial will
follow in Mt. Olive Memorial
Park Simon was born Oct. 20, 1965,
in Big Spring. He was a life St. Tho mas Catholicicmberch.
He had worked as a roofer for Raymond Montez. As s a hobby
he enjoyed wood crafting He is survived by his mother
Ofelia Alcantar of Big Spring our daughters, Adrianne salgado, Samantha Alcantar
and Danielle Alcantar all of Big Spring, and Laura Ramirez rs, Jesse Alcantar, Richar of Big Spring; two sisters Linda Alcantar of Big Spring
and Teresa Cuellar of nieces and nephenew.
He was preceded in death by his father, Guillermo Alcanta Alcanar, Jr.
Partlibearers will be Joey
Martinez, Gary Montez, Jessie Aguilar, John Garcia, Rick
Alcantar, Joe Cuellar Rober Garcia and Jesse Martinez.
Arrangements are under direction of Myers \& Smit
Funeral Home

Albert L. Paredez Rosary tor Albert L. Pareceez,
46, Birs ppring, will be p.m.
oday at Nalley-Pickle \& Welch Rosewood Chapel. Funeral ser


Mr. Paredez was born Oct. 26 ifelong resident and attended Big Spring.
at H-E.B.
He was a member of Sacred
Heart Catholic Church and had served in the U.S. Army for
four years.

MYERS \& SMITH FUNERAL HOME \& CHAPEL 24th \& Johnoon 267-8288 Simon Joe Alcantar, 33 , died
Wednestay. Rosary will be tonight at 7:30 PM, at Myers \&
Smith Chapel. Funeral service Smith Chapel. Funeral service
will be be:000 AM Friday, at St.
Thomas catholic. Church. Burial will follow at Mt. Olive
Cemetery.

NALLEY-PICKLE \& WELCH Funeral Home

## and Crematory 906 Grega St ${ }_{(906} \mathbf{9 0 6}$ Gregg St.

Tuesday. Rosary will be at
:00 PM tonight at Nalles Pickle \& Welch Rosewood Chaper. Services will be 2:00
PM Friday, April 30, 1999 at
Stal Interment will follow at ML Qho Momal Park.
ter, Stephanie Padilla o
Duncanville; his parents,
Guadalupe, Sr. and Santiaga
Paredez of Big Spring; one sis-
ter, Rosie Abundez of Midland; seven brothers, Guadalupe
Pareden, Jr., Larry Paredez,
Augustine Paredez and Michael Augustine Paredez and Michael
Paredez all of Big Spring
Orlando Paredez Orlando Paredez of San
Antonio, Bob Paredez and Jimmy Paredez both o Antolina Pare dez of Big Spring direction of Nalley-Pickle \&
Welch Funeral Home

## CENSUS


said. "I. think it has something
to offer everyone who wants to keep active, have a good tim
and laugh.:
Members will also keep in touch with each other through
the Tell-A-Friend program keeping in touch with othe
members when they are sick. Programs to be offered
throughout the year include scrapbooking, line dancing
nutrition and inform nutrition and information abou
prescription medicines. Th
group will work with Retire group will work with Retired
Senior Volunteer Program and
and other local senior-oriented agen
cies, and Senior Circle wilfols cies, and senior circle wits wh
have a council of memhers wh
make activity decisions for th
group.
Senior Circle is a new pro-
gram to Big Spring. It comes
from the parent company of
Scenic Mountain Medical
Center, Community Health
Center, Mountain Medica
Community Menter Health
Which is starting enior Circles in all of its ho
pitals throughout the country.
Stephens, who Stephens, who is married t
Dr. Micheal Stephens of th hospital, came to Big Sprin knew they were coming to
small town, but was pleasantly surprised.
tic here," she sere just fantas
what really surprised me, how Stephens said she especially
enjoys working with senior citi
zens.
II love them," she said, adding ing home in Canada and had
the past. T'm really looking forward t getting Senior Circle going," sh
said. "We're going to have a lo
of fun." more information, cal
For

## Briefs

A SCHOLASTIC BOOK AIR is planned at Anderso This event encourages young readers by bringing them titles Classrooms at the schoo have also posted "wish lists
with books they believe would be helpful in their classrooms so that families who want to can make dona

Admission to the fair is free and family night is planned THE CAUBLE SCHOOL

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

## ALL RETIRED VA NURS- ING Service employees are ALL RETIRED VA NURS- ING Service employees are invited to attend an awards ceremony and reception May 7

 Refreshments will be served.This event is in honor of
Nurses Week.



## Markets

 Wars" prequel. us, but the theaters haveinvested a lot of equipment and money into providing the advance ticket service to the
customers." Fox spokesman Tom Sherak, Faid. "They really wa
Fox and LucasFilm Ltd. originally banned advance ticke
sales to stave off scalpers who sales to stave off scalpers who
they feared would horde the
seats, Sherak said. seats, Sherak said.
They lifted the ban on Theaters are restricted from selling more than 12 advance tickets for each person, bu
there are now no formal ways to stop scalpers from shagging tickets. theater owners
"The
promised sellers would watch promised sellers would watch
so that some guy doesn't buy so that some guy doesn't buy in line," Sherak said. "But if somebody wants
The tickets will become avail able on May 12 at $\mathbf{3 : 0 0} \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ EDT at theater and ticket out
lets in North America that lets in North America that
offer the advance sales service.
"Star Wars: Episode I - The "hantom Menace" opens on

## Dallas

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| Settles, noon open meeting. | that irked a city council |
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| ber, October, Nov |  |
| ua | initiated the measure |
| Aprii and May, Cerebral Pals | approved 1-4 Wednesda |
| building, 802 Ventura, Midland |  |
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| noon, Scenic Mountain Medical |  |
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AAzheimer's Associatio
Support Group, last Thursda Support Group, last Thursda
of the month C Comanche Trail of the month, Comanche Trail
Nursing Center, 3200 Parkway,
7 p.m. Call $267-9459$.
-Narcotic Anonymous, 8 p.m.
St. Mary's Episcopal Church.
St. Mary's Episcopal Church.
Call 268-4189 (pager no.).
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TEXAS
Texas
House panel endorses bill targeting Eight－iners
AUSTIN（AP）－Almost any handles or pushing buttons on
game that offers money as a a game automatically makes it game that offers money as a
reward and requires no skill on
the part of the player would be illegal under a bill that won a
House panel＇s support this
The bill would tighten the definition of what qualifies as a
gambling machine－closing ers who have tried to＂quibble＂ over which games are out－
lawed，said Rep．Terry Keel，R－ Austin，who
in the House．
＂This is an attempt to clarify the position of the state and reflect that there will be no
misunderstandings about what a slot machine is，＂said Keel． He argues the skill clause protects children＇s games like
those found in arcades，while those found in arcades，while
discrediting
attempts that say＇Eight－liab

Mother of dead children found in Corpus Christi

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R－Arlington，the bill＇s sponsor．
Doctor groups have lobbied hard for the bill as a check on o power of large health plans terms．
Healh plans have criticized the bill as opening the door for Texas and nationwide． roups of ind would prohibit roups of independent doctors hem from but would shelter
aim at eight－liners，which aim at eight－liners，which offer players eight ways of win－
ning certificates that can be ning certificates that can be
redeemed for prizes Keel said the industry group is trying to protect slot
machines and hurt chances of the bill＇s passage．
＂They don＇t want any clarifi cation of the law because they know they are outside the law on this issue，＂he said．
The House Committee Criminal Jurisprudence passed the bill Tuesday night．It＇s on its way to the House now fo
consideration． consideration．
for Gov．George W．Bush，first said the governor supported the measure．Later，McClellan said Bush supports＂the effort．＂
＂He believes this will help
crack down on illegal gambling
machines that proliferating and polluting our communities，＂ McClellan said．＂He strongly supports the effort to stop back－ door attempts to bring casino－ of Texas．＂
The bill avoids tackling the issue of whether gambling hines are legal on Indian
eservations，stating the reser－ reservations，stating the reser－
vations are governed by the
laws that were in effect laws that were in effect before
Jan．1． Jan．1．
Keel said that will leave it up to federal authorities to decide whether the reservations must get rid of their machines． ＂As we interpret it，the law
before Jan．1， 1999 makes it ille－ gal for reservations to own
own
tambling machines．＂Keel saic ambling machines，＂Keel sain． ＂They are disputing that．
Nothing in this bill affects that
situation．＂

Ms．Cornelius that began on
Saturday，April 17，at an Austin Saturday，April 17，at an Austin
musical festival and continued through the morning of April 19，about half a day before the ＂The location of Corneliu bring the investigation to a very sensitive point，＂Cox said． Cox added that police were
still investigating tips into the case． Ms．Cornelius＇parents had
made emotional pleas for her made emotional pleas for her reached for comment late Wednesday． Her mother，Jean Slater，had
said she held off on the chil－ aid she held off on the chil－
dren＇s funeral until Thursday afternoon in hopes that her
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Littleton asks Waco＇s help on dealing with notoriety

## Wranch Davidian standoff ulti－

 mately gave Waco a chance toshow off its positive show off its positive features，
officials have told their col officials have told their
leagues in Littleton，Colo． Kevin Burke，administrative services director for Littleton，
asked for help from Wac asked for help from Waco
because their situations were similar and his city wanted to avoid lingering national notori
＂The school is in an unincor－ porated area of Jefferson
County，＂Burke said．＂We＇re in Arapahoe County．I knew That＇s what made me think of calling Waco．
＂I was just looking for ideas on how Waco dealt with the
issue of being associated with issue of being associated with
an incident not within its juris－ diction．＂ Waco officials sent Littleton a
copy of the city＇s Crisis copy of the city＇s Crisis
Communications Notebook compiled after enduring a media siege sparked by the failed 1993 government raid on outside the city limits． ＂You can＇t change what hap－ pened，＂said former Mayor Bob ＂All you can do is offer help and information，＂he said． ＂Some of the media are going to write ugly things about you course，they＇ll probably say some nice things about you before they leave．
Former Waco city manager officials have little chance of derailing their association with the shootout that killed 12 stu－
dents，one teacher and the
＂Anytime you have people watching you， whether you＇re an indi－ vidual or community it tends to bring out the best in you．＂
$\qquad$
assailants．
＂We tried asserting that Mount Carmel waid
said Holgersson．
＂We got over that when we o be able to change that assumption．You have to focus control over．
＂It＇s interesting．Anytime you have people watching you community，it tends to bring out the best in you．To the brought that Mount Carme reinvigorated all of us．＂he said Holgersson also said he＇s seen covering＂itself．
＂Listeninger．＂ ＂Listening to the news，you their community means to them，＂Holgersson said． of hou＇re starting to see stories in the wake of what happened That speaks positively of the Kelli Nare． Kittleton city manager，said let ters and e－mail have praised the
lents, one teacher and the two courageous way the communit

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## Our Views <br> Cinco de Mayo

## a celebration to

 be enjoyed by allThis weekend, area residents will celebrat inco de Mayo. The traditional Mexican holizens of Puebla against the French, is named In this country, Cinco de Mayo In this country, Cinco de Mayo is largely a social culture of Mexico and what it has added to the melting pot that is the United States. Local celebrations are no exception.
La Vedera Club, 1100 W . I-20, plans a large outdoor
event with music, food, traditional dancers and game event with music, food, traditional dancers and game
booths. It all takes place at the outdoor pavilion nex door to the club.
Some of the club and organizations slated to participate include Hispanic Women for Progress, Knights of Columbus and the ALSA Club. The ALSA Club will have a display of their 20-year history and conduct There are more booths than ever planned this year There are mores of chance, T-shirts, flower arrange ments and gamer of chan on the meru will be ments and other items forsale. On the menu will be fajitas, gorditas and wipas,
Sunday at 6 p.m., folklorico dancers from Odessa will perform, with a children's karaoke event as well Three low-rider clubs will have a show from $2-4$ p.m. El San Luis, at 3300 Highway 80, also plans to honor the holiday with food and music provided by "Los Hermanos Guevara" and Grupo Animo on Friday, Cinco de Mayo may.
Cinco de Mayo may be a Mexican holiday, but Americans have made it our own, with our own style of celebration. This weekend, few people may be
thinking about what was a great battle waged by 2,000 poorly armed citizens against a highly trained army of 6,000.
But chances are, they will be enjoying the sights sound
about.
Vamos a celebrâte Cinco de Mayo!
Other Views

## After a month-long air

 trikes escalation, observers on the campaignclusion on theSerbia.
respect, a disaster fo
(Yugoslav President Slobo
Milosevic and his regime
The Serbs used all their mil tary potential against Kosovo's civil population, but against the NATO's missiles.
At this point Milosevic is
arty at the negotiating table.
After a month, it makes sense anymore to wonder whether or not the bombings
were necessary, or effective. were necessary, or effective. ther weakening the Serbian strategic armament. The military and paramilitary bands in Kosovo have n
fuel and in a short time they fuel and in a short time they
will run out of ammunitions. If NATO, as it is possible, will decide to send ground roops, they will just have to disarm, not even fight, the tof an army in disarray

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## Who ordered Pan Am bombing? Still a mystery

Even if the chief sus. $\begin{array}{ll}\text { and America a irininer } & \text { Formally bound over for an } \\ \text { are convicted this sear, } \\ \text { upcoming trial before three }\end{array}$ upcoming trial before three
Scottish judges in The Hague Scottish judges in The Hague.
The case is strong, and the two Libyans may be convicted
But that won't answer the But that won't answer the
question of who ordered the question of who ordered the
bombing: Qaddafi? The Syrians? Iran?
Our extensive intelligence
sources on this case, intersources on this case, inter-
viewed by our associate Dale Van Atta over several years, still point the finger at Iran. The consistency of the intelli
gence reporting from CIA gence reporting from CIA
sources, plus Russian and Ar intelligence officials, is com pelling.
The contract went to Ahmed the Popular Front for the the Popular Front for the Command (PFLP-GC), which
generally specializes in vicious generally specializes in vicious
attacks on innocents in Israel. He was kicked out of the Palestine Liberation Organization decades ago, and has more than once tried to
assassinate his enemy Yasser assassina
Arafat.
Arafat Arafat.
Arafat himself once showed
us a PLO intelligence us a PLO intelligence report ment in the bombing. Certainly Arafat has reasons to discredit
Jibril, whose PFLP-GC is one Jibril, whose PFLP-GC is one of the most important rejec
tionist Palestinian groups doing everything it can to quash Arafat's deals for peace But independent U.S. intelli-
gence sources have alleged for
years that the Iranians paid
Jibril to blow up the airliner. The two Libyans currently charged with the crime were
likely involved, they add, but the directors and paymasters were Iranian government offi cials, and the overseers were
Jibril and the PFLP-GC. Jibri maintains headquarters both Tripoli, Libya, and Damascus,
These sources also believed the PLO had more access to details about this operation than did the CIA or İrrael's Mossad spy service. For that
reason, we once successfully pressed Yasser Arafat person pressed a asser Aracat perso translation, classified PLO doc ument on the Pan Am bomb-
ing.
ing. secret PLO report reveals Iran paid $\$ 8$ million to Jibril and his henchmen to
carry out the bloody deed carry out the bloody deed,
which was to be a retaliation for the accidental 1987 American shootdown of a Iranian passenger liner.
Arafat's intelligence officer claim in the report that Jibril personally met with Iranian cabinet ministers and Revolutionary Guard leaders twice in July 1988 to seal the despicable dea. The final
ahead was given in Beirut
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weeks later. Several key U. intelligence Several key U.S. intelligence
sources agree that the PLO's sources agree that the PLO's
version makes a lot of sense. Iran was viscerally angry at the United States, but didn't feel it could afford an overt -
traceable - terrorist act while
it was bus
hostilities Jibril was hurting for cash at the same time. Though he had
been no great friend of Iran, his normal patrons, Libya's Qaddafí and Syria's Hafez Assad, were coming up short.
Jibril was never a mercenary before or since, but such an operation could fit into his
twisted anti-lsrait twisted anti-Israel pattern.
Besides, Jibril's PFLP-GC was the lone terrorist group with the expertise and previous experience in blowing up
airplanes. They perfected the airplanes. They perfected the
plastique-explosive bomb which could be planted aboard a plane and attached to an altimeter designed to trigger reached a certain altitude. Two months before the explo
sion, in fact, a PFLP-GC cell sion, in fact, a PFLP-GC cell was raided in Germany and
one of these devices was foun in the terrorists' apartment. In a bizarre, clandestine meeting in Damascus once, we
confronted Jibril with some of confronted Jibril with some of
these facts. He had no part of that operation, he protested. And he suggested we shouldn run the "inspired" Iranian leadership down because they
were trying to do some wonder ful things.
And the dewice discovered in
Germany? It was curious Germany? It was curious, Jibril admitted, but he maintained the altimeter was to be
used for mountain-climbing. Why was it attached to a plas
tique-filled Toshiba radio? He tique-filled Toshiba radio? He
laughed, but provided no expla

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Best seats in the house, or make

Iwas enjoying a breakfas,
of lemon meringue pie,
my mothers recipe, and reading the newspaper the ironic news jumped out at me.
Americans are getting fatter,
 rule has been
a national standard in comfort-
able seating for generations. able seating for generations.
Only lately those standard 18 inches arent enough for the rumps of many hefty patrons.
I shifted in my seat, which, I shifted in my seat, which,
for the record, was quite comfortable, and thought about that, about fat.
How can it be
How can it be? The grocery
helves are lined now with

| stime. <br> If our food is healthier, our ercise more public and elabote, our ideal skinnier, the fatning of America has to have mething to do with what we when nobodys looking. And all know what that is. We atch TV, we sit in front of a mputer, we roll by a fast-food ndow and supersize it. <br> Todays kids, especially, seem prefer indoors to outdoors, mething unthinkable during childhood. On frigid winter ys my sister and I would eat by holding a thermome- next to our warm bodies in pathetic effort to convince $r$ mother to let us play oute. <br> Maybe the weight situation rallels the economic one. st as the middle class is dispearing, the rich growing cher and the poor poorer, owing fatter and its thin peothinner. Maybe the mid- |
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'em bigger
good. Half of us have gone
whole hog for exercise and diet, the other half whole hog. Another story I recently read
said New Orleans is the fattest city in the country, which, unlike the other report, makes perfect sense
No irony th No irony there. If I lived in
Louisiana Id weigh 200 pound People who live in such close proximity to fried oyster poboys and real gumbo dont need rowing machines and diet
shakes. They need a napkin tucked in their collar. By the time I finished my pie and that 18 -inch rule story, was depressed. Even elastic
waistbands are making a co wack, it said.
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We dont want someone sit
ting in one of our ting in one of our cars or day that theyre getting bigger an.industry analyst was quoted as saying.
So theres
So theres the solution. Make elastic in all waistbands and pretend low-fat calories dont
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House withholds support for airstrikes； wants Congress only to OK ground troops
Whasp repudiation（AP） sharp repudiation of President
Clinton＇s policies，the House is withholding support from the paign and demanding air cam－ sional approval for any ground offensive
The House＇s rejection，on a night of a measure to support the air campaign，surp
leaders of both parties．
But the White House vo
press on with the military cam paign against Yugoslavia．
The tie vote rejected The tie vote rejected a mea－ leaders that had been intended largely as a symbolic gesture， one that even had the support of
R－II． Passed with Porssed with bipartisan sup－
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President Slobodan Milosevic． But 26 Democrats joined with against the measure． ＂This is a gratuitous autho－
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peace is wrong and it＇s peace is wrong and it＇s not
working．＂ The air－campaign vote was
the second of a one－two punch the second of a one－two punch delivered by the House to the
administration on Wednesday Earlier in the day it voted 249． 180 to make Clinton obtain con－

## Prosecutor：Man to be arrested in gun mand

LITTLETON，Colo．（AP） arresting a man who allegedly sold the semiautomatic hand－ gun used in the Columbine High School massacre，the ＂There will be an arrest in this case，＂Jefferson County District Attorney David
Thomas told NBC＇s show．He saids rantioneritiosiare discussing the man＇s surrender with his attorney and t＇wofld two days． He said the man would be
charged with violating law against selling handguns to minors．The sale of the gun，a
semiautomatic TEC DC－9 hand－ gun，，was a＂private transac－ tion，＂he said．
Eric Harris，18，and Dylan under black trench coats，killed 13 people and wounded 23 oth－ ers at the school April 20 before killing themselves．They had
four guns and also left more than 50 bombs at the school and in their homes．A diary indi－ cates the plot had been planned for a year
Thomas did not indicate
which teen was believed to have bought the gan or how he or they knew the suspect． The Denver Post reported
today that agents of the federal Bureau of Alcohol，Tobacco and Firearms on Tuesday visited the Blackjack Pizza shop where Harris and Klebold worked．It
quoted unidentified sources as saying a pizza delivery driver may have introduced Harris and Klebold to the seller． The owner of the Blackjack
Pizza shop，Christopher Lau wouldn＇t comment except to say，＂We are cooperating with investigators in every possible
way and will continue to do so．＂ way and will continue to do so． three guns－two shotguns and a rifle－used in the massacre were bought by Robyn shortly after she turned 18 last fall．They describe her as a wit－ ness rather than a suspect in the rampage，because it is not
illegal to provide a shotgun or rifle to a minor
die did buy the long guns，＂

## SEARS

in our April 25th Sears Insert，we advertised the Toshiba laptop \＃80919 on page 14．We apologize that we will not have this item available for－purchase at this time．Also，on this page，
we advertised the Phillips We TV 480148 and did not list the keyboard as sold separately．We apologize for any inconvenience these errors may cause our cus－ tomers．
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cond sale linked to Columbine school shootings
＂This is a gratuitous authorisation． Bombing for peace is worong and it＇s not working．＂
Rep．Doug Berouter，RNobraska ing＂ground elements＂to Kosovo or other parts of That action provoked a quick veto threat from Democrats． Clinton told lawmakers he still considers a ground cam－ paign unnecessary－but pro－
mised to seek congressional approval if he changes his $\underset{\text { Even }}{\text { mind }}$ Even as Congress debated lim－ iting the war，the Pentagon announced the Air Force had alerted B－52 crews in the United States to be prepared for the possible deployment of 10 addi－
tional bombers to Europe to join the NATO air campaign． They would be among nearly 300 additional aircraft－mostly
fighters，refuelers and other fighters，refuelers and other
support planes－that NATO commanders have requested in order to accelerate the bombing
of Yugoslavia of Yugoslavia． The House did reject $290-139$ a move by some Republicans to a move by some Republicans to
force Clinton to bring home the
tion to formally declare war on Yugoslavia．Voting for war were Reps．Joe Barton，
and Gene Taylor，D－Miss． Both measures were sp sored by Rep．Tom Campbell，R－ Calif．，in what he said was a test of the War Powers Act． by presidents of both parties， requires congressional approval
for any overseas combat for any overseas combat m
sion lasting over 60 days． sion lasting over 60 days．
＂The House today voted going forward，no on going back gond they tied on standing still，＂
said White Hous spoke said White House spokesman Jake Siewert．
cute the air campaign and to stop the violence being perpe－ trated by Milosevic．＂
The votes came despite appeals by clinton for the nation to speak＂with a single voice＂on the escalating conflict
over Kosovo and a warning by over Kosovo and a warning by
Democrats that Congress was Democrats that Congress was
sending a mixed message to Milosevic．
Rep．Da
Rep．David Obey，D－Wis．，
called the House votes an called the House votes an
＂appalling lack of judgment and an appalling abandonment of the troops in the field．It is a
day which this House will pro－ foundly regret．＂
But Hastert said，＂I would
hope that the president would take this diverse debate as a sig－ nal that he should better
explain the goals the costs and explain the goals，the costs and
the long－term strategy of why
sheriff＇s spokesman Steve Davis Anderson at home and by phone weapons to them with some cessful．Investigators say．she weapons to them what they were planning has retained an attorney and to do with them？That＇s still one has been cooperative． of the major things we want to find out．＂ $\qquad$ d．Ms．
shotguns Anderson bought the shotguns and rifle after her 18th birthday in November．Investigatorgend the prom with Kho attended the pre the shootings，is just one of 600 －plus leads being pursued at least one was bought at aninal probe． 600 could throw show．Federal law apw anybody back into the focus of
sons 18 years of age sons 18 years of age T0BUY rines the investigation，＂Davis said．
and shotguns，but not hand－＂We＇re conducting this invest． and shotguns，but not hand－ guns．
Repeated efforts to reach Ms． ＂We＇re conducting this investi－ $\underset{\text { pects．＂}}{\text { gation }}$

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## SCHOOL NEWS

BSHS Foreign Language Department


Recitations, Sight Reading, and
Extemporaneous Speaking, as

## well as a written exam for

 second year students.
## judges, who use a numerical

 grading system. Only firstPlace (superior rating) and sec-
ond Place (excellent rating) ond Place (excellent rating) rib-
bons are awarded in each area The 33 Big Spring High School
participants recived
29 participants
Superior Rating Ribbons and
Excellent Rating Ribbons Excellent Rating Ribbons.
The students pictured $\mathbf{w}$ all categories/areas in which
they competed: Justin Richter and Heidi Robinson, French III-
Prose, Sight-Reading and
Extemporand Vanessa Yanez, Cheryl
Platte, and Andrea Moreno-
Spanish II and Veronica Spanish II and Veronic
Zavala, Spanish I-Prose, Poetry
Sight Reading and Writte

The Language Festival
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Blair, Delia Castillo, Ian
Coccoza, Martha Contereras, Melissa Cortez, Laura Davis,
Priscilla Flores, Raul Garza Priscilla Flores, Raul Garza,
Josh Hadley, Corrina Lara,
Jennifer Jennifer Ledesma, T. Z. Marsch, Christine Medellin,
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Leticia, Reyes, Justin Richter,
Heid . . .

## This Texas ship is history at sea

yard.
"As the 19th century ended,
sailing ships began to disappear," said Kurt Voss, director
of the Texas Saport where Elissa's history along
with the history of the port city with the history of the port city
is housed "Henry Watt, the owner of the ship then, was suffering
financially. He couldn't afford to pay a full crew, so there were problems during Elissa's final voyage," Voss added
"The whole voyage was horre The whole voyage was horrenshooting one of his chief mates during a North Atlantic storm
in Ireland." in Ireland." While wast acquitted the charges, he could no longer patched and changed owner several times before ending up
in a Greek scrapyard where she was discovered by the
Galveston
Historical Foundation in 1974. Historica The eight years and $\$ 5$ milnot easy. The foundation acquired the ship in 1975 after discovering
Galveston. Gaveston. ical community was that we would compromise Elissa's high standards and that didn'
built to such high standards
and sea-keeping ability. It's more than looks and age with
her.", In 1979, the foundation began earnest construction on the ves
sel which was originally buil by Alexander Hall \& Company a British ship building compa ny with a reputation for build
ing high-quality ships. Worker nirrored what was left of it original attributes. More than 70 percent of the hull was still in tact including one panel of a
sand-blasted glass design which wraps around Elissa's sky lights.
The
The 100 -foot Douglas Fir masts, the most dramatically
handsome components of Elissa since they can be seen from miles away when the sails are
set, were also restored set, were also restored.
"I don't know if we could fir like this. It was purchased in Oregon and is difficult to find at any price," said Voss. At the end of a voyage, it
takes at least 10 adults to furl the largest sail on the ship Furling is a death-defying tightrope act that requires a anyard and a lineman's bel and a whole lot of balance. Th on the buntline as they slowly
See SHIP, Page 8A


Members of the Big Spring High School Key Club stopped for a picture in this field of bluebonnets after their district convention for supporting the club on their
trip. $\begin{aligned} & \text { with Michelle Stokes, Lt. } \\ & \text { Governor of the } 7 / 22 \text { divisions, }\end{aligned}$ Forthe 1999-2000 school year, leading the way. They plan on
district convention will be in Tulsa, Okla. Big Spring High for the Texas/Oklahoma

## Baby beepers

Engineering students invent device aiming to stop child abductions
JOHNSON CITY, Tenn. (AP)
You're never too young or according to some East

## students.

Babies and the elderly may
soon be sporting the Safe
invented by an ETSU. profes.
sor and a group of undergrad-
uate engineering majors
uct,", said Marl: Rajai, an
ETSU associate professor and
director of manufacturing engineering technology. "It can be used when people wan-
der off, and we hope it will stop child abductions."
The device can help care givers keep track of patients
with Alzheimer's disease and with Alzheimer's disease and
the mentally disabled, Rajai said. Parents, day-care work ers and hospital nursery per-
sonnel can use it to monitor sonnel can
youngsters.

## youngsters. The device

ter of a quice, about the diame to clothes or worn like a watch. It also has a "panic
button" that can be pressed in
button" that can
an emergency.
The receiver. which resem-

Parents can set it to emit a loud beeping sound when their child is out of a certain range, from 2 feet to 400 feet away.
bles a baby monitor, is a hand lights. Parents can set it to emit child beeping sound when their from 2 feet to 400 feet away 50 children.
The most recent national study, published in 1990 , showed that 163,200 children
are abducted by relatives each are abducted by relatives each
year, according to the Center year, according to the Center
for Missing \& Exploited Children.
Rajai and the students have a one-year copyright protec-
tion on the device and hope to have a patent within a year. Rajai said he will then begin marketing the device, which
could be sold for about $\$ 40$.

Thursday, April 29, 1999 School choice
would restore
parents' rights parents rights being made about something
called "school choice" these days. Could you explain this concept and tell me whether o not you are in favor of it?
DR. DOBSON: School ${ }^{\prime}$.choice Bhin
 gious institu-
tion, and Dr. James
DOBSON $\underset{\text { school to }}{\mathrm{a}} \mathrm{specific}$ which they would be sent. I favor this idea for several
reasons. First, giving parents a choice would improve the quality of education because it
would force school personnel to compete for students. That would make them more respon-
sive to parents. Competition sive to parents. Competition
always improves the perforalways improves the perfor-
mance of human beings, whether one is selling hamburgers or automobiles. It
encourages people to serve encourages people to serve
more willingly, to operate more more willingly, to operate more That is the heart of the freeenterprise system. It provides
incentives to those who work incentives to those who wo
hard and think creatively. Monopolies, by contrast,
become unresponsive and stiltbecome unresponsive and stilt-
ed. We've seen that lethargy in the U.S. Postal Service, in the various departments of motor
vehicles, in AMTRAK -- and in the present educational system.
I believe test scores will rise I believe test scores will rise
and parents will be more satis
fie and parents wil be more satis. Theat job are allowed to grow. Their budgets will expand and their teachers will be proud,
while disorganized and unresponsive schools with poor teachers and half-hearted administrators will wither on
the vine. That prospect of comthe vine. That prospect of com-
petition makes educators nervous -- but it makes many of us The second reason I favor
school choice is related to the first: It would put power in the hands of parents. If Dad or Mom became dissatisfied with a particular school, he or she
could take a child to a nearby school that better serves that child's needs. With that young. ster would go the voucher and the money it represents. As a
bad school began to dwindle under this system, you can bet there would be a new motivation among administrators to
listen to parents and accommodate their concerns.
As it stands today, parents are virtually powerless unless they organize and storm a has to be a better way to encourage cooperation between the home and professional educators.
The third benefit of school
choice is that it would grant poor people the same options
now held by the now held by the affluent.
Today, if an upper-class family Today, if an upper-class family
is dissatisfied with their local public schools -- or if they prefer Christian education or a first-class prep school -. they
have the resources to send have the resources to sen
their children where they their children where they
wish. An underprivileged fami-
Seé DOBSON, Page 8A

Big Sp Thursd

GARDEN CITY HEAD START registration will be May 3-7. Bring proof of income, birth certificate, immunization records and Social
Security for all members of the household. Applications will be Security for all members of he househoid. Applications wiin be
taken in the Garden City Head Start classroom from 10 a.m. 3 p.m. Call Delia Pierson, $354-2413$ for more information.

COAHOMA IS PLANNING ITS Third annual Citywide Garage Sale, sponsored by the Coahoma Lions Club, for May 8. Those who would like to partici
The Lions Club will be having a sale this year as a fundraiser. To 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 $\$ 15$.

## Kindergarten preview Tuesday evening

The stafr at Anderson Kindergarten Center is preparing for the annual "Spring
Kindergarten Preview." It will be Tuesday, May 4, at the Center, 229 Airbase Road, Kindergarten Preview." It will be Tuesday, May 4, at the Center, 229 Airbase Road,
p.m. The preview is for parents and children who will be attending the Big Spring p.m. The preview is for parents and children who will be attending the Big Spring
Independent School District program in the fall of 1999, for the $1999-2000$ school year. Children who are eligible to attend kindergarten must be 5 years old on or before Sept. 1, 1999.

Families will have an opportunity to tour the facilities and meet the instructional staff. Preview also provides a chance for parents to meet and network with other parents who will .have children at Anderson in the fall.
If you will be unable to attend the event, please call Anderson Kindergarten Center for
information about the program, information about the program, at 2644151.

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| Story of Elissa" and "Elissa: | Height: Elissa is 100 feet of solid Douglas Fir, Teak and Bird's |
| The Longest Voyage," inside, | Eye Maple woods and iron |
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| Elissa sailed earlier this | Seaport Museum. |
| month and will sail again May | Tours: When she is not sailing, Elissa's |
| 3-6. When she is not in sail, she | tourists from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day. |



## Artist paints from 'inner vision'

HOUSTON (AP) - It was
Hind for the rest of his life. mind's eye. Eventuall, after


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IN BRIEF Lady Hawks advance with Region V victory Howard College's Lady

Hawks rode the arm of freshman right-hander Brandy | $\begin{array}{l}\text { Smith to a nail-biting 3-1 win } \\ \text { over } \\ \text { Vernon } \\ \text { Regional }\end{array}$ |
| :--- | Community College's Lad round of the NJCAA Re ion V

Softball Tournament this Softball
morning.
Sophomore Ricka McKee
scored the Lady Hawks first two runs, and freshman Kristina Devos added an
insurance run in the top of the seventh.
Smith, after having, escaped
a bases-loaded jam with nobody out in the sixth
retired the Lady Chaps in order in the seventh. The Lady Hawks will now
play an as yet undetermined

## Comets, Asteroids play

 closest game of season In the closest game of theseason in YMCA roller hockey league play, the Comets took
$4-3$ win over the The win, however, was wrister by Chris Franklin midway through the first peri
od gave the Asteroids a od gave the Asteroids a
lead.
And midway through the second period, Brandon Gross
beat Ryan King to make it a 2 0 edge. lifted a shot over the shoulder
of Andrew Brown to put the of Andrew Brown to put the
Comets on the board and 32 Comets on the board and 3 ripped a slap shot that went
the length of the rink and knotted the score at 2 -all.
David Brooks broke the with seven minutes left to put
the Asteroids up 3-2, but Brown got his second goal
with just over a minute left. Then, with just two seconds quick backhander to give the
Comets a win.

## Coahoma sports banquet

 scheduled for May 3 The Coahoma AthleticBooster Club has scheduled its annual banquet for 6:30 p.m
Monday in the Coahoma Elementary School cafeteria. attend and help salute the
Bulldogs and Bulldogettes Bulldog
teams. Tickets, priced at $\$ 7$ each
will be available at the door

## Lifeguard certification

 class set for weekend A lifeguard certificationcourse has been scheduled for Friday, Saturday and Sunday
at the Big Spring YMCA The class, which will be lim ited to 10 people, requires a
fee of $\$ 150$ per person and includes ins
aid and CPR. Harlan Smith
course's instructor For more information, cal

Bass club's open tourney set Saturday at O.H. Ivie The ninth annual Big Spring has been scheduled fòr Saturday at Lake O.H.
Entry fees are $\$ 40$. Entry fees are \$44.
For more informatio cerning the tournament, cal
Jim Crenshaw art $267-6129$.

## Local Games

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Rangers return favor for Yankees, taking 8-6 comeback win

## ARLINGTON (AP) - Although Texas cruising and a

 one game isn't enough to start a trend, he couldn't help but take a little extrasatisfaction from the Rangers' latest vicsatisfa
tory.
It wa the wasn't.just the fact the Rangers beat night to stop a six-game losing streak to
the defending champions Oates. It was the way they did it - fighting back from a three-run deficit one night after blowing a five-run lead. Texas' biggest inning was a five-run
seventh that featured a two-run single by Juan Gonzalez and a two-run double by Todd Zeile.
Yet Oates said the two-run fifth might Yet Oates said the two
have been more crucial.
New York, which had won six straight, scored three runs in the top of the fifth
to go ahead 4-1. Orlando Hernandez was But Ivan Rodriguez led off with his
first double of the year and Lee Stevens first double of the year and Lee Stevens
drove him in with another double. Two batters later, Tom Good win shook off a 2 -
for-25 skid with an RBI double that made it "After a tough game like last night,
and to fall behind a guy like Hernande and to fall behind a guy like Hernande 41 could've been a good time to go flat,"
Oates said. "It was a critical time for us
to score two Oates sare. "It was a critical time for us
to score two runs then. I can't say
enough about it." enough about it. During the fifth, Hernandez told
Yankees coaches that an old left thigh Yankees coaches that an old left thigh
injury had flared up. Manager Don Zimmer pulled him after the sixth.
Hernandez Hernandez later insisted that wit
treatment he'll be fine by his next sta treatment he ll be fine by his next start.
That's especially important for New
York because Roger Clemens is

## All eyes on Tory ... almost

Lady Steers head to I-4A meet with big dreams, too $\frac{\text { an join a moseler }}{\text { Sors }}$
There's no question as to who is
grabbing the most attention going grabbing the most attention going
into Friday's preliminary heats at the
Region I Class 4A track and field into Friday's preliminary heats at the
Region I, Class 4A track and field
championships at Angelo State University.
It's Big Spring's Tory Mitchell. And rightly so.
The reigning District $5-4 \mathrm{~A}$ and
defending region, state and national
junior champion in both the 100 meters and 200 meters, Mitchell has
been so dominant in the last two seaieens, that virtually everyone has con-
sonceded both regional championships to
the Steers' speedster What's more, his times have been
absolutely phenomenal. His best in the 100 meters this season is a 9.89 , which, will be rounded to 9.9 for the
purposes of inclusion in the National
Federation of State High School Association's record book as tying the
mark set by Greenville's Henry Neal in 1990.
without question the 200 meters where his best this season is 20.5 sec -
onds. The only questions now are not
about whether Mitchell will win the 100 and 200, but who will advance to
the state meet May 14-15 with him in be able to win the regional long jump title and anchor the Steers' 400 -meter relay team to a state meet berth. Oh, yes, there's also the question as
to whether he'll erase the regional meet's records he established at last year's I-4A meet.
It just depends on what kind of day
we have and what the track's like track coach Randy Britton explained If it's still a fast as it was last year, he's capable of running faster than he
did last year." rished the 100 meters record with a 10.23 FAT (fully automatic time)
clocking, then came back and erased 20.72 FAT old mark in the 200 with "I do know this," Britton said when
asked about the possibility of even asked about the possibility of even
faster times for his star senior, "whatfaster times for his star senior, what
ever he leaves the regional records at long time, just like that 200 record did before he broke it
-Sprinters like Sprinters like Tory only 'come think I'll live to see anyone break this records."
With
With it almost assured Mitchell will
take the 100 and 200 titles concentrate most of his worries on his 400 -meter relay team. With Doug White having returned
from a hamstring pull, Britton from a hamstring pull, Britton hopes
they Steers' foursome of Jason Woodruff, White, Colby Ford and
Mitchell and finish in one of the top


Big Spring's Tory Mitchell, shown here winning the $\mathbf{1 0 0}$ meters at the District 5-4A meet two weeks ago, will set his sights on a return to the state track
and field champlonships when he defends his Region I, Class 4A champl and field champlonships when he defends his
onships in San Angelo on Friday and Saturday.

## two spots track meet.

track meet. There are good relay teams there," Britton said. 'Lake View's going to be tough, Wichita Falls Hirschi, El Paso
Parkland and (Lubbock) Estacad all have good relay teams. It's going to be
tight.
If our kids run their best and we
don't have any major mistakes in our baton exchanges, there's always a chance for us to get out simply
because Tory's going to be the anchor leg," he added. "We just have to make sure we're close enough so that Tory
can chase them down."
The Steers only other entry at the regional meet will be pole vaulter Kyland Wegner, who finished second ago. District $5-4 \mathrm{~A}$ meet two weeks
Big Spring will havè a sizable entry in the Region I, Class 4 A girls' divi-

## agravated Tuesday night. "When I kick it doesn't hurt, but it hurts during my follow-through," said Hernandez, who allowed three runs Hernandez, who allowed three runs on seven hits. "It used to go away (quickly) but not this time." <br> Mike Stanton replaced Hernandez start the seventh, and three batters later the game was tied on an RBI single by the game was tied on an RBI single by pinch-hitter Roberto Kelly One out later, New York One out later, New York opted to inten- tionally walk Rusty Greer to load the bases in bases in hopes of getting J to hit into a double play. <br> Gonzalez foiled the strategy by lining a single through the left side of the infield single through the left side of the infield. "Nelson is one of the toughest pitchers in the league for me,", Goungalez said. "He threw me a good pitch right in there and I hit it hard." Todd Zeile,

## Grady netters, Forsan's Park reach semis

HERALD Staff Reports
ABILENE - Grady's Wildcats and Lady Wildcats netters seemed poised to dominate the
Region II, Class 1A tennis tournament as easily Region II, Class 1A tennis tournament as easily
as they handled the District $18-1 \mathrm{~A}$ tennis tournament.
Grady, which sent 11 of the 12 players District
18 could send to the regional tournament, had 18 could send to the regional tournament, had
seven of them advancing into the region semiseven of them advancing into the region sem
finals today at the Streich Tennis Center.
Sophomore Clint Schuel Sophomore Clint Schuelke opened the boys
singles division with a $6-2$,-2 win over
Gordon's Scott Cochran and finished Wednesday's schedule with a 6-2, 6-1 quarterfi-
nals win over Crowell's Dirkie Van Reeman. He was scheruled to play Saint Jo's Merhdad
Mohabatt-Kar in today's semifinals that began at 9 a.m.
Lady Wildcats singles entries Christy Rivas Rivas lost in the opening round, after taking
the first set from Chillicothe's Elizabeth the first set from Chillicothe's Elizabeth
Milligan by a $6-3$ store. Milligan, however, advance........................ little more success, taking a 6-1
Mims had round before dropping a $6-2,7-6$ decision to
Blackwell's Crystal Gunn in the quarterfinals. District 18's other boys' singles entry, Borden
County's Trent Pepper lost $6-1,6-0$ in the firs Grady went into today's semifinals with an
opportunity to dominate doubles play, as both boys' teams and the girls' tandem of Rebecca
Robles and Caroline Madison advanced out of Robe first two rounds.
Defending regional champions Greg Gibson and Jim Bob Haggerton had no trouble taking a
$6-0,6-0$ win in the first round over Meridian's 6-0, $6-0$ win in the first round over Meridian's
Matthews and Rodriguez and followed that with Guynes.
Jed Hinojosa and Cody Wells, the Wildcats' other boys' tandem, took a $6-4,6-2$ win in the
first round over Muenster and followed that with a 6-3, 6-2 win over Cozart and Glass of
Prairie Valley.
Madison opened with a 6-2, 6-1 win over
Menard's Hooten and Cordes and advanced to the semis with a 6-1, 6-1 win over Byers The Lady Wildcats tandem of Samantha Yates
and Haley Madison took a first-round win over Trent's Brown and Gibson, although they were forced to three sets before taking the $6-4,5-7,6$ The second round ended their hopes, howev-
er, as they dropped a $6-1,6-1$ decision of
Menard's top-seeded team of Kuykendall and

Cade Park heads into semifinal at Region I, Class 2A tournament ABILENE - Forsan's Cade Park let his sights
on a trip to the Class 2A state tennis tourna-
ment this morning as he headed into ment this morning as he headed into the semifinals of the Region 1, Class 2A tournament at
Abilene Christian University's tennis courts.
Park was scheduled to take on Jim Ned's Justin Smith when semifinals play started at 10
a.m., the lone survivor from District $2 \cdot 2 \mathrm{~A}$ 's contingent to make it to the semis.
"It's going to to be a tough nne today," Forsan coach Steve Park said as he son prepared to
head for the ACU courts. "He had a big day yesterday, so he's going to go into this one as con-
fidently as he can and see what happens."
 the opening round and then took care o
Tornillo's Randy Gardea $6-2,6-3$ in Wednesday' quarterfinal round.
Forsan teammate Jerrod Fishback was a fir round loser, dropping a tough match to
Wellington's Chris Sanders. Fishback opened the match with a $6-2$ win, only to drop the second set $5-7$ and see his chances of advancing evaporate in a 6-7 tie-breaker.
Stanton's Maurice Martinez joined Park as a irst-round winner in the boys' singles competion, taking a $6-0,6-2$ decision over Sundown' Clay Edwards.

Sanders undergoes big toe surgery; status uncertain

IRVING (AP) - Even surgery has
managed to further cloud the mystery of Deion Sanders' left big toe. Sanders underwent surgery to
repair the troublesome toe in New York City Wednesday, but it remained unclear when the Pro Bowl cornerback and punt returner will be ready
to take the field again. to take the field again
Cowboys owner and
Cowboys owner and general manager Jerry Jones said because the case of
Deion's damaged digit is so "very unique,", it would inappropriate to
esivblish a projected return date. esioblish a projected return date.
Saneers'
recuperation reportedly Sanders recuperation reportedily
could take between four and six

next game against Seattle, and then
was out until the Cowboys' playoff
loss at the hands of Arizona on explore and repair what Dr. (William) loss at the hands of Arizona on Jan. 2 Hamilton described as a 'rare and
unusual variation of turf toe,"' Jones $\begin{aligned} & \text { unusual } \\ & \text { said. } \\ & \text { "The }\end{aligned}$
is very doctor has informed us that it is very difficult to compare Deion's
condition to that of any other athlete, condition
he added.
Hamilton is the specialist who per Hamilton is the specialist $w$,
formed the surgery on Sanders.
Sanders injured the ton in Sanders injured the toe in the first
period of the Cowboy's $35-28$ victory over the Arizona Cardinals last N 15 in Tempe. He played briefly in the

Dallas went $2-3$ during the five full
games he sat out.
Team doctors said at the time that Team doctors said at the time that
there was nothing that could be done to help the toe excepp to wait. Wait
they did, and Sanders said he was they did, and Sanders said he was
ready to play just in time for the Pro Bowl on Feb. . .
The big question, of course, is whether Sanders and his tourse, is start of training camp of J
season opener on Sept. 12 .

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