

**FRIDAY**  
April 30, 1999

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**Veterinarians join  
in Pet Week activity**

Some local veterinarians are observing National Pet Week next week by trying to prevent the spread of disease and overpopulation of cats. They are offering free neutering of male cats for a week beginning Monday.

"Feline leukemia and other deadly diseases are running rampant," explained Darla Wallisa, who works for Highland Animal Hospital. "Many of these are transmitted by un-neutered, male cats which fight more frequently."

A team effort was organized with Highland, Western Hills and Sierra animal clinics, which are all offering the service free. Cats must be current on their vaccinations, and appointments are requested. Call the individual clinic for more information, or to schedule an appointment.

**WEEKEND TICKET**

**TODAY**

- Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. All seniors invited.
- Cinco de Mayo celebration, La Vadera Club, 1100 W. IH-20, booths, music, food, 7 p.m.-midnight.
- Denim and Diamonds, fund-raiser for the Big Spring State Hospital, 9 p.m.-midnight, the Stampede. Music by Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys.

**SATURDAY**

- Cable School reunion will be Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Elbow School cafeteria.
- Dance 8:30 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third. Everyone welcome.
- Cinco de Mayo celebration, La Vadera Club, 1100 W. IH-20, booths, music, food, noon-midnight.
- Big Spring Squares, call 267-7043 or 263-6305 for more information.

**SUNDAY**

- Cinco de Mayo celebration, La Vadera Club, 1100 W. IH-20, booths, music, food, noon-11 p.m. Performance by traditional folklorico dancers at 6 p.m.

**Tonight:**



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**Food, music and dancing to highlight Cinco de Mayo celebration**

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN  
Features Editor

Some local groups will begin tonight celebrating Cinco de Mayo, a traditional Mexican holiday.

The third most important holiday in Mexico, Cinco de Mayo honors the victory of a band of citizens of the Mexican city of Puebla against the French army in 1862. On May 5, 2,000 military men and poorly armed citizens defeated the army of at least 6,000.

Since then, Mexico has observed the date as a national holiday. In the U.S., it is largely observed with social celebrations, like the ones planned in Big Spring.

Food, music, dancing and civic group displays will be part of the weekend festival at La Vadera Club, 1100 W. IH-20.

Libby Uribe, an organizer of the celebration, said preparations have gone extremely well.

"We've got more people involved than ever before," she said. "We think it's going to be the biggest ever."

On tap so far are live bands Friday and Saturday evenings, and folklorico dancers from Odessa performing Sunday at 6 p.m. Most events will take place at the pavilion outside next to the building.

Food booths will include traditional favorites like tripas, fajitas and gorditas, along with "festival food" like sausage on a stick, roasted corn and hamburgers.

"This is something you can bring your family to," Uribe said, "and everyone will have a good time."

For sale at the event will be such items as flower arrangements, T-shirts and toys for the kids. Three low-rider clubs will be conducting a show Saturday.

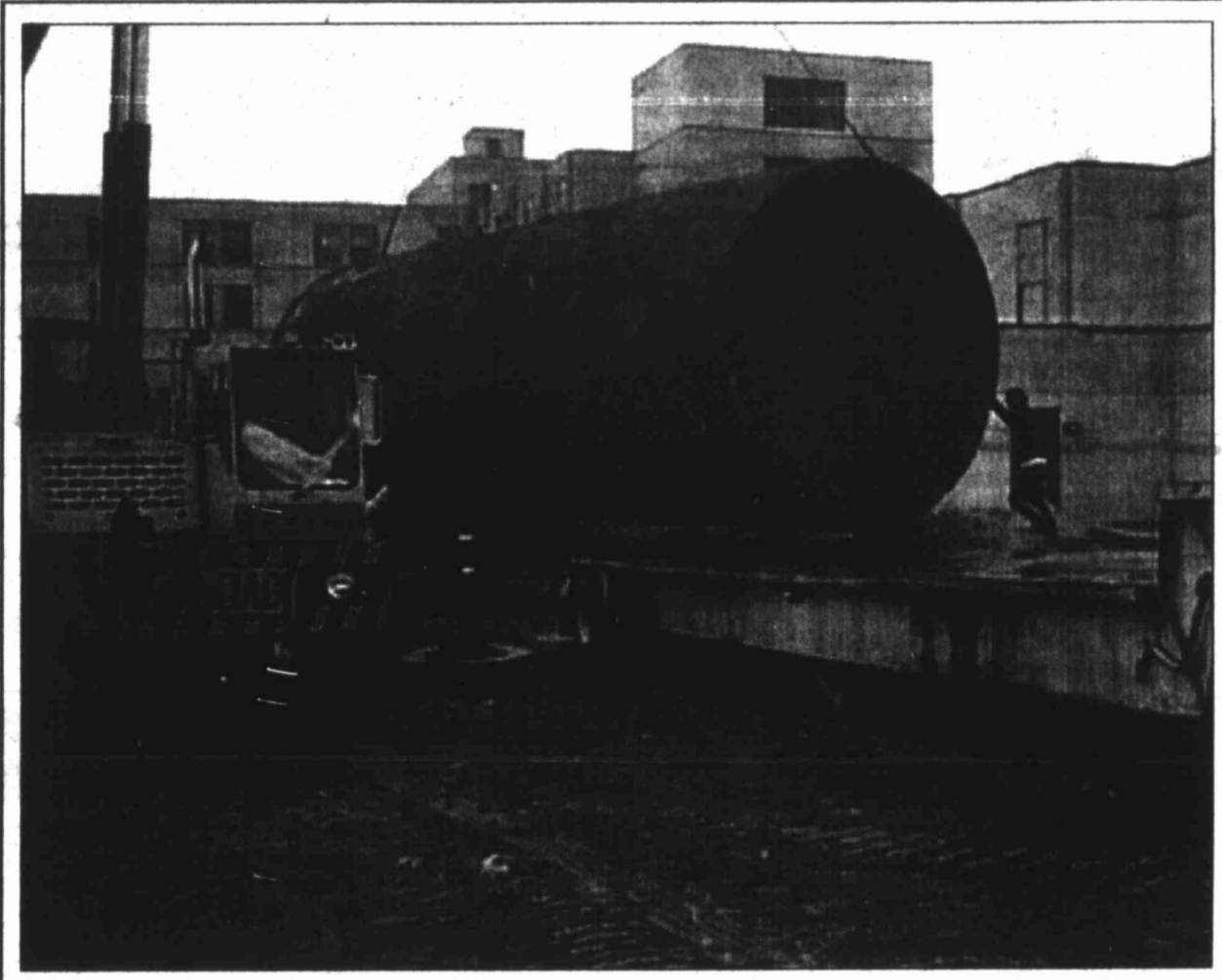
Clubs and organizations slated to participate include Hispanic Women for Progress, Knights of Columbus and ALSA, a low-rider and civic service group. ALSA, honoring its 20-year history, will conduct a membership drive during Cinco de Mayo.

Hours for La Vadera's Cinco de Mayo celebration will be 7 p.m.-midnight today, noon to

midnight Saturday, and noon to 11 p.m. Sunday. The folklorico dance group has a children's karaoke show that goes along with their traditional performance.

Another choice for culture and music is planned at El San Luis, 3300 Highway 80, where traditional food and two performances. Bands will include "Los Hermanos Guevera" and "Grupo Animo" on Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings.

Those groups play *nortena*, an old style of Spanish music, organizers said.



This 30,000 diesel storage tank, which once fueled emergency generators for Scenic Mountain Medical Center, Thursday was removed from the ground southwest of the hospital by Earthco. A second tank is expected to be removed today.

**Big Spring police come up with new strategy to combat increase in forgeries**

By MARSHA STURDIVANT  
Staff Writer

Due to an increase in forgeries within Big Spring, the police department is implementing a new forgery report packet to aid in apprehending suspects.

"We're changing procedure to try and do something about the increase in forgery we're seeing," said Sgt. Roger Sweatt with the BSPD.

"It is difficult to get prosecutions, and corporate policy may have merchants holding checks until several are accumulated and then they submit them all at once.

"This makes it difficult for us, as well as other businesses that may have taken the same



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checks," Sweatt said.

The new forgery packet, which must be completed for each check submitted, contains detailed information concerning the check and the person who wrote the check.

"Forgery is when a writing instrument of some value like a check, is written by an individual to be passed, possessed or signed by another name that a person tries to pass off as their own. Forgery can cover any written instrument, such as a will, or stocks and bonds. Basically, it is signing someone else's name," Sweatt said.

The new forms contain detailed descriptions of the alleged forger, including a written statement by the clerk who took the check, he said.

"The clerk needs to really pay attention. We've had checks where the date has been x'd out, or words were misspelled. We're asking the business people to make their clerks more

alert," he said.

Operation Thumbprint, where a person writing a check must mark the check with their inked thumb, has proven very successful in locating forgers, he said.

"We made two cases the other day using that identification method. By having the thumb prints we were able to confirm nine points on the print. 7-Elevens and some Texacos are using this, and I recommend this program," he said.

Many people find the thumb print identification or demonstrating a driver's license to a clerk an inconvenience, but Sweatt said the few seconds it takes will help every one.

"In the first six months of last year, we had \$20,000 in forgery, and that was not all of them. When this occurs, a business must pass these losses on and that's a cost to all of us. The

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**Vote**

**Polls open from 7 until 7 Saturday for area city and school board elections**

By BILL MCCLELLAN  
News Editor

Saturday is Election Day all across the Crossroads Area, with polls open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. voters casting ballots for city and school board representation.

Locally, there are two seats up for election on Big Spring City Council. There is no Big Spring ISD board of trustees election because there were no contested candidates.

In District 1 on the city council, incumbent Stephanie Horton is facing a challenge from Henry Villa. The District 3 race has incumbent Chuck Cawthon fighting to save his council seat against challenger Gary L. Bishop.

Only residents of Districts 1 and 3 are permitted to vote in the election, which will be held in the Big Spring High School cafeteria.

Coahoma is the only area community holding both city and school board elections. In a race for mayor, incumbent Bill Read is being challenged by Randy Overton and Richard Hicks. Also on the city ballot are two at-large seats on the Coahoma City Council. Incumbents Warren Wallace and Bruce Allen are being challenged by Ann Reid and Craig Ferguson. The top two vote-getters will take office.

Voting on Saturday will take place at Coahoma Community Center.

There are two at-large places up for election on the Coahoma ISD board. Brian Marlar is seeking another term. Seven others have lined up for the race. They are Larry Cordes, David Higgins, Cindy Neff, Eddy Corse, Joe Mansfield, John Wayne Metcalf and Ronnie Dodson.

Early voting in the Coahoma ISD election will be held at three locations: Vincent Baptist

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**SATURDAY'S ELECTIONS**

- The following is a list of Saturday's contested races and their polling locations in the Crossroads Area. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at each location: (I) denotes an incumbent.
- Big Spring City Council**
    - District 1: Stephanie Horton (I), Henry Villa
    - District 2: Chuck Cawthon (I), Gary L. Bishop
    - Polling location: Big Spring High School Cafeteria
  - Coahoma Mayor**
    - Bill Read (I), Richard Hicks, Randy Overton
    - Polling location: Coahoma Community Center
  - Coahoma City Council**
    - Two at-large: Bruce Allen (I), Warren Wallace (I), Craig Ferguson, Ann Reid.
    - Polling location: Coahoma Community Center
  - Coahoma ISD**
    - Two at-large: Brian Marlar (I), Larry Cordes, Eddy Corse, Ronnie Dodson, David Higgins, Joe Mansfield, John Wayne Metcalf, Cindy Neff.
    - Polling locations: Vincent Baptist Church, Coahoma Community Center, Sand Springs Lions Club.
  - Forsan ISD**
    - Three at-large: Donnie Andrews (I), Dale Humphreys (I), Domingo Rios Jr. (I), Robert Stapp Jr., Marty Whetsel.
    - Polling locations: Forsan, Elbow schools.

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**Commissioners name new Howard County treasurer**

By MARSHA STURDIVANT  
Staff Writer

Teresa Thomas, a 20-year veteran in the county auditor's office, Thursday received commissioner's approval for the county treasurer's post, effective immediately.

"We selected Teresa Thomas as the county treasurer. We're hung up on the justice of the peace position and we will come back (today) at 1 p.m. and try to decide on that one," said County Judge Ben Lockhart.

Thomas has been county auditor Jackie Olson's assistant for 20 years. She is married and has a 4-year-old son.

"We do some identical things



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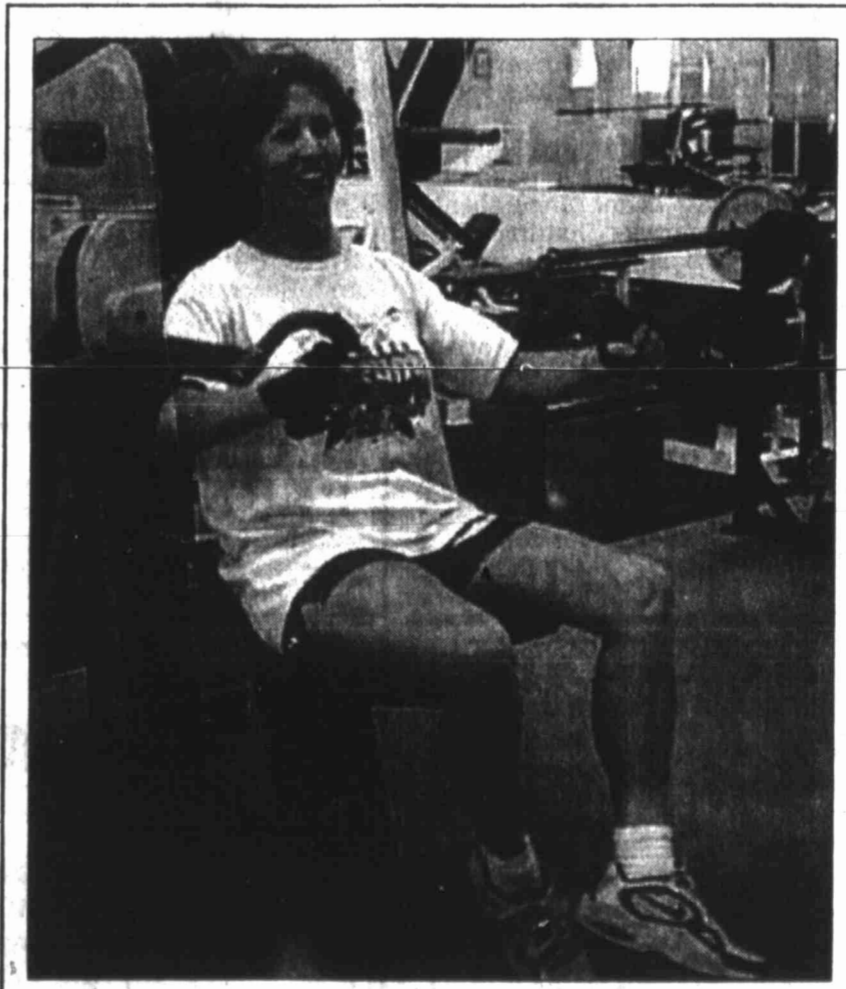
in both offices, and we do some of what that office does as well. But where the auditor's office audits payroll, the treasurer's office prepares payroll," Thomas said.

Long time County Treasurer Bonnie Franklin retires today, and her assistant Tammy Burgess, who also submitted an application for the treasurer position, resigned today as well.

"Bonnie is my boss and I work for Bonnie. I've worked for Bonnie for 16 years, and ran this office while she took vacations, and I know it inside and out. But today is Bonnie's last day, and my last day," said Burgess.

Thomas said with Burgess resigning and her new position, there will be two slots open within the two offices, and one full time person may fill both jobs.

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Sara Bavin, a YMCA member, tones her shoulders on a side lateral machine, part of the new equipment in the recently remodeled YMCA Fitness Center. Renovations of the lobby and entrance area have been nearly completed as well — the third phase in a seven-phase, \$835,000 project. The Fitness Center and the Day Care Center have been completed.

HERALD photo/Marsha Sturdivant



## Texas House approves CHIPs legislation

AUSTIN (AP) — Thousands of poor children who have fallen between the cracks of Medicaid and private health insurance would be covered by a state plan that was given preliminary House approval Thursday.

"I think we've created something that we can be proud of," said Rep. Garnet Coleman, D-Houston, one of the bill's sponsors.

"This is a real victory for the children of the state of Texas," he said.

The bill would provide health

insurance for children from birth to age 19 if their parents earn up to 200 percent — or twice — the federal poverty level. That's an estimated \$33,600 annual income for a family of four.

Of the estimated 1.4 million uninsured children — one-fourth of all Texas youngsters — about 400,000 could be covered by the state-run Children's Health Insurance Program or CHIPs in the next four years under the plan, according to a bill analysis.

The state also would work to identify youngsters who qualify for Medicaid but aren't covered, under the legislation.

"Today the Texas House took advantage of an opportunity to make a difference in the lives of hundreds of thousands of Texas children," said Rep. Patricia Gray, D-Galveston, also a bill sponsor. "The CHIP program is so important because one out of every ten uninsured children in the United States live in Texas."

The plan clashes with a Senate version of the program

that would provide insurance for children from birth through age 10 if their parents make up to 200 percent of the poverty level, but reduces the number of children between the ages of 11-18 that would be covered.

Children in the upper-age range would be covered if their parents made up to 150 percent of the poverty level, under the Senate plan. That's \$25,200 a year for a family of four.

The House legislation also includes coverage for legal immigrant children.

## Air campaign intensifies as House panel endorses \$12.9 billion to pay for it

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S.-led NATO bombing campaign against Yugoslavia intensified dramatically as a House committee approved nearly \$13 billion to fund Pentagon operations in the Balkans and elsewhere. President Clinton had asked for half as much money.

Gen. Henry Shelton, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said the bombing campaign has entered the "domination phase."

That means warplanes try to hit enemy troops on the ground, in addition to the supplies and infrastructure that support Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic's military machine.

In what was apparently the largest onslaught to date, NATO planned 670 air missions throughout the day and night Thursday to take advantage of clearing weather. Of those, 296 were listed as attack or combat flights and the others a mixture of support and reconnaissance.

"So today's a big one," Shelton said at a briefing for reporters.

Shelton was to begin visiting U.S. air crews in the region

today as part of a short trip to the Balkans.

"NATO is conducting air operations over Yugoslavia both day and night, virtually around the clock," Shelton said. "Our military strikes have taken a heavy toll on Milosevic's forces and his security infrastructure."

Shelton noted clear skies were predicted over Yugoslavia for the next several days, which should allow for more bombing runs.

Clouds hamper the lasers and other precision instruments that guide many missiles and bombs, and pilots have turned back or held off on dropping bombs when weather interfered.

The \$12.9 billion spending package approved by the House Appropriations Committee was double what President Clinton requested. It will cover the fighting and buttress Pentagon needs around the globe.

Defense Secretary William Cohen announced he was sending 10 additional B-52 bombers to Europe, more than doubling the number now flying long-range bombing missions from a base in England.

## Delay in farm funds leads to finger-pointing

WASHINGTON (AP) — A stalled emergency spending plan that includes \$152 million for farm loans has Democrats and Republicans blaming one another for a delay that could leave many farmers without the money needed to begin spring planting.

"Once again Republicans are about to cause another disastrous government shutdown," said House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt, D-Mo. "The only difference this time is Republicans have targeted this one to hurt farmers."

"From our point of view this appears to be more of a management problem," said Selma Sierra, spokeswoman for Rep. Joe Skeen, R-N.M., chairman of

the Appropriations subcommittee on agriculture.

The agriculture money is part of a \$1.3 billion supplemental spending bill that also includes hurricane aid for Central America. The funds were needed after low farm prices in the past year left many farmers struggling to make ends meet.

Demand for loan programs has increased 65 percent in the last year, Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman said.

USDA obligated \$2.5 billion in loan assistance in just the first half of fiscal 1999. That's more than the \$2.2 billion in loan assistance for all of 1998.

Glickman said Thursday there was little else he could do. He said \$30 million transferred

from another agency account last month runs out today. Plus, there is the added danger of shifting funds without knowing when they will be replenished, he said.

"That \$30 million was transferred from a salaries account," Glickman said. "It can be restored if the supplemental is passed. But if it's not, we will be looking at office closings and furloughs."

"Currently, we estimate that our Farm Service Agency may have to furlough nearly 20,000 employees for 10 days," Glickman said.

Democrats claim Republicans have stalled since President Clinton submitted the request on Feb. 26.

## Senate panel sends anti-flag burning amendment to floor for vote

WASHINGTON (AP) — A constitutional amendment to ban flag burning moved a step closer to a Senate vote Thursday in a political atmosphere that could provide its best chance of passage in years.

Changes in the make-up of the Senate — including replacement of one amendment opponent by a co-sponsor — the conflict in Kosovo and even the Colorado shootings have combined this year to make things look smoother in a chamber where the measure has failed in previous years.

**Proposal: "The Congress shall have power to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States."**

Passage by both houses — votes that would require two-thirds majorities — would send the amendment to the states,

where ratification by 38 states would be needed for it to become part of the Constitution. Forty-nine states have given indications that they would ratify it.

The House has easily attained the two-thirds majority in the past. But the last time the Senate considered the matter, the proposed amendment fell three votes short.

"We are experiencing a value malaise in this country, and the negative impact falls hardest on our children," Sen. Orrin Hatch, chairman of the Senate

Judiciary Committee, said Thursday after the panel's 11-7 approval of the measure. "Without a strong value system, our children cannot distinguish good from bad or right from wrong."

Senate GOP leaders expect a floor vote by Memorial Day, according to John Czwartacki, spokesman for Majority Leader Trent Lott. The House Judiciary Committee has yet to consider a similar measure.

Opponents of the 17-word amendment said it overreacts to a rare occurrence — physical

flag desecration — and threatens free speech rights. Sen. Russell Feingold, D-Wis., said those protesting the government by burning a flag are daring Congress to crack down on guaranteed rights.

"Let's show our strength by not rising to the bait, by not giving them what they want," Feingold told the panel.

The proposal reads: "The Congress shall have power to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States." Congress has proposed more than 10,000 amendments

since the Constitution went into effect in 1789. Only 27 have been ratified.

Among the factors boosting support in the Senate is the election last fall of former Ohio Gov. George Voinovich, a co-sponsor of the amendment, to the seat vacated by Sen. John Glenn, a Democrat and an opponent.

The debate crosses party lines. Sen. John Chafee, R-R.I., chided supporters by telling the Judiciary Committee, "We cannot mandate respect and pride in the flag."

## Mother of dead children charged with abandonment

AUSTIN (AP) — As relatives and friends left roses tied with gingham ribbons near the white caskets of her young son and daughter, Tina Marie Cornelius was being charged with abandoning the children in six inches of creek water.

Investigators, however, still weren't saying Thursday if they think Ms. Cornelius, 22, was responsible for the fatal wounds suffered by her children before they were dumped in Brushy Creek near Hutto last week.

Ms. Cornelius was held in the Williamson County jail on two

child abandonment charges as about 70 relatives, friends and day care teachers attended the children's funeral in Austin.

A choir sang "Jesus Loves Me" and "Blue Skies and Rainbows" — both favorites of the children — and the Rev. Phil Ware eulogized 3-year-old Amanda Lee Miller and her brother, 2-year-old Dominick Logan Cornelius.

"We must remember them as they were — alive and vibrant and full of joy," he said, glancing at the identical white coffins surrounding by floral

displays and sprigs of baby's breath.

It was late in the afternoon on April 19 when a couple taking a stroll found the children's bodies in along the eastern bank of Brushy Creek. Amanda had died of suffocation while her brother died of a cracked skull, an autopsy showed.

According to the arrest warrant, Ms. Cornelius told authorities she was present "and observed Amanda and Dominick when they were injured and lying in the creekbed or ditch."

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR SATURDAY, MAY 1:

Relating proves challenging and worthwhile this year. Allow partners to play greater roles in your life. Your sense of humor comes out, as do your interpersonal skills, especially with co-workers. You enjoy your work and become a major player there. A pay raise or promotion is likely. You succeed because of your resourcefulness and energy. If you are single, you are highly desired. However, think about your choice in suitors. This year could be a sizzler for you! If attached, sharing a project together bonds you on an even deeper level. Scorpio tests your limits.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) \*\*\*\*Good news comes toward you. Be spontaneous, move quickly and stay in contact with a key partner. Much happens very quickly. You are full of ideas; let events unfold. Get together with others and stay current with news, then focus on a close tie. Tonight: Having a ball!

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) \*\*\*\*Your mind is like a ticker tape as it goes through different scenarios and possibilities. Plans get tossed, but somehow you enjoy what comes up. You fall into quality time with much sharing. Laughter permeates. Make it OK to be vulnera-

ble. Tonight: Say "yes" to a partner.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) \*\*\*\*Socializing is right up your alley. You might want to pull back after you hear some news, but you generally feel versatile and upbeat. Listen to feedback, maintain your sense of humor. A project you might have been putting off turns into a fun occasion. Tonight: Let it all happen.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) \*\*\*\*Allow your sense of fun and your determination to emerge with someone you adore and put on a pedestal. If you get a brainy idea, share it with others. Let your imagination come out. A relationship becomes even more flirtatious and heated. Tonight: Get into the moment.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) \*\*\*\*Taking it easy works for you. Don't let an aggravating friend get under your skin. Why give him that power? Gather family members or friends and take off for an outing. You could be amazed by the different tone the day takes when you're in a new setting. Tonight: Try a new type of cuisine.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \*\*\*\*Allow others to give you feedback. Keep an open mind when receiving new information. Discuss trying a different approach financially or venturing in another direction. Keep communication flowing. You see how another thinks. Agreement happens naturally.

Tonight: At a favorite spot.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) \*\*\*\*Others are extremely verbal and are a veritable fountain of information. You might giggle when you hear the unusual amount of news that arrives. Be careful with your finances; avoid unnecessary risk. Another might have good intentions, but his sense of accountability is lacking. Tonight: Enjoy your friends.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) \*\*\*\*You are in fine shape as long as you ignore a testy relative or friend. Think through a domestic decision, although a solution isn't forthcoming just yet. Take time with a co-worker; get into a favorite hobby or pastime. Mixing the two proves to be successful. Tonight: Wave your magic wand.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) \*\*\*\*Allow your loving and caring nature to shine. Understand what is going on with a child or loved one. Share what is happening on a vulnerable level. Putting more of yourself into a relationship only makes it more exciting. Your good humor mixes with another's. Tonight: Let the kid in you out.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) \*\*\*\*Don't be shy; stay direct and go for what you want. Unexpected news comes from a friend; be careful with your funds as a result. Invite others over for a spontaneous get-together. Others will naturally

feel at home. You don't have much to worry about. Tonight: In the limelight.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) \*\*\*\*Handle work, authority figures and a relative. You could feel, on some level, that these people are raining on your parade. Communication flourishes; surprisingly enough, another really understands where you are coming from. Catch up on news, visit with friends. Tonight: Bring others together.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20) \*\*\*\*Understand what is happening with loved ones. You could be taken aback about what you hear. Make time to run errands, buy that important gift or do some shopping you have been putting off. You make excellent choices about money. Tonight: The indulgence continues.

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Boy bids millions online, but doesn't have the dough

HADDONFIELD, N.J. (AP) — Andrew Tyler had the winning bids on an antique bed, a 1971 red Corvette and an oak cradle. But the eighth-grader lost out on the 1955 Ford convertible, a Van Gogh painting and a rare Superman comic.

"I really didn't know what I was doing," Andrew said Thursday from his home in this Philadelphia suburb.

What he was doing was bidding money he didn't have via the Internet auction house eBay — \$3 million in bids from a boy with a weekly allowance of \$15.

In all, nearly half the offers the 13-year-old made during the bidding frenzy — for \$925,012 worth of merchandise — were accepted.

Then mom and dad found out. "Our kid is the nicest kid," said his mother, Ingrid, who found out last week. "I was horrified. I could not believe it —

until I actually talked to my son."

Mrs. Tyler said she confronted Andrew and he admitted placing the bids.

"To him it was like a game. He didn't know it was real money," she said. "He really didn't know this was for real."

eBay said Andrew's account has been suspended and the sellers who accepted his dead-beat bids have been notified.

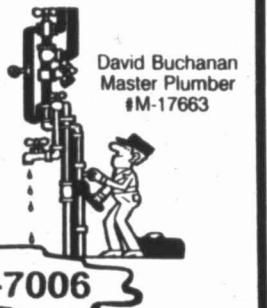
In a three-week period, Andrew bid on 13 items, including \$1.2 million for a medical office in Jacksonville, Fla., \$500,000 for the Van Gogh, \$120,000 for the first Superman comic book and \$35,000 for a replica of a Viking ship.

While eight of the bids failed, Andrew had the winning bid on five items, including the bed that belonged to Sir John A. Macdonald, Canada's first prime minister.

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Plate glass presents clear danger to unwary shoppers

DEAR ABBY: Last week I was in New York City for a conference. On my first evening in the hotel I noticed a large adjacent store had an entrance from the hotel lobby. As I walked quickly to the store entrance, I suddenly received a blow to my face that knocked me down, broke my glasses in half, cut my eyelid and made my nose bleed. I had walked full-stride into a plate-glass door!



ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

With bright lighting inside the door and soft lighting in the lobby, I had seen no reflection on the glass. When I returned home this week and related my story, nearly everyone I spoke to had a similar story or knew someone who did. The incidence of injuries from this kind of accident must be staggering.

Since regulations vary from place to place, please urge your readers to place decals, logos or lettering at eye level on any plate-glass window or door that could possibly be mistaken for an opening. I have seen this done in attractive ways that promote a store's name or image. Had such a visual cue been in place, I would not have been injured. As a side note, my compulsive habit of always packing an old pair of glasses as a backup finally paid off. — PANE-FUL EXPERIENCE, ATHENS, OHIO

DEAR PANE-FUL: I have heard about hapless individuals walking through plate-glass patio doors during swimming parties or summer barbecues.

but this is the first time I've heard about its happening in a business establishment. Your suggestions are valid. I hope the management of the hotel in which the accident occurred will institute some safeguards to prevent it from happening again: It could prevent injuries, as well as protect the hotel from a lawsuit.

DEAR ABBY: Please send a wake-up call to starry-eyed women who marry for "love" and never look past their beating hearts. As cold and unromantic as it may sound, financial security should also be a consideration when making a lifelong commitment. The moment your Prince Charming adds your name to his credit cards, bank accounts or other legal documents, he can begin weaving a web that connects you tighter than any marriage contract.

Abby, there is so much more to choosing a partner than just physical attraction or "love." Lust withers, and what's left behind needs to be a secure, capable partner — not a wimpy financial disaster. — BEEN THERE

DEAR BEEN THERE: Many people marry for love and have strong and lasting marriages, so I'm hesitant to cast aspersions on all love matches. However, if someone marries a financially irresponsible partner, one's first thought should be damage control. The marriage might be salvageable if the responsible partner is willing to set limits on the other's imprudent spending. It could mean closing joint accounts, putting the money in the name of the responsible spouse and canceling joint credit cards. If the marriage is really a love match, there should be no difficulty in getting the necessary signatures to remedy the prob-

lem. If the problems persist, however, and there's a refusal to cooperate, the problem may be less about finances than who's in control.

DEAR ABBY: I have never written to you, but for a number of decades I have frequently read and enjoyed your column. I have even quoted you to patients occasionally. I am now a retired psychiatrist.

I am sufficiently appalled by your answer to "Devastated in New York" — the woman with the cheating fiancé — to write to you. Heaven help her if she does "proceed with caution" as you advised. She is almost sure to become an abused wife, emotionally if no other way.

My answer would be much more along the lines of: "Trust? Are you serious? This man has lied to you not once but innumerable times over the last year and a half. (Since you say you 'recently discovered' his liaison, I assume he didn't come to you to present this as a problem.) People who habitually lie don't stop. Count yourself exceedingly lucky to have made this discovery now and not later. Any love you feel is left over from the romantic time during which you thought you had a relationship. You will get over it. He is a loser. Do not hesitate to lose him."

I hope you publish some "second thoughts" on your answer. — HERTA SILZER, M.D., BERKELEY, CALIF.

DEAR DR. SILZER: Not only have I had second thoughts about my answer, but I also realize it did not convey what the young woman needed to hear.

Your answer is better than mine, and I hope "Devastated in New York" sees it.

DEAR ABBY: I have read your column for years but have

never written. However, I felt compelled to do so after reading the letter from Donna R. Berryman, stating: "Bookstores are just what the name implies — stores."

Abby, my husband and I own a bookstore. We do research and place special orders for our customers as well as provide many other services. We have a terrific staff consisting of teachers, math and science majors, and other college students.

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I ask that Ms. Berryman not pass judgment on bookstores. I also invite her to visit ours — we welcome the opportunity to show her how we compare with a library. I think she would be impressed. — SUZANNE E. LAYFIELD, LITTLE PROFESSOR BOOK CENTER, MC KINNEY, TEXAS

DEAR SUZANNE: It sounds as though you have a wonderful bookstore. Many people find it helpful to use both bookstores and libraries for their needs. Over the last 10 years, bookstores have become increasingly diverse, dynamic and customer service-oriented.

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Under business, raffle tickets were passed out to members. This is for \$100 gift certificate from Walmart for a donation of \$1. Drawing to be June 7.

Jarrell Barbee and Maurice Wright will haul trash for the senior citizens this month.

A thank you letter from the Texas Lions Foundation was read and a 100 percent certificate was received from the District Eye Bank.

The club will also sponsor Michelle Mims to attend the Texas Lions Diabetic Camp at Kerrville.

Vote was taken for Lion of the Year to be revealed at the June meeting.

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

Texas Retired Teachers Association.

The 46th Annual State Convention of the Texas Retired Teachers Association (TRTA) was held in Dallas the Double Tree Hotel at Lincoln Center, April 10-13.

Those attending the convention from Big Spring were the following: Harold Bentley, president-elect for the 1999-2000 year, and Mr. and Mrs. Valcee Cox. Mrs. Cox is second vice president elect.

Over 700 TRTA members and friends from across the state of Texas register for the convention. In addition to taking care of association business, participants attended training sessions and interest sessions.

Founded in 1953, TRTA is the largest association in Texas for public school and higher education retirees, and is composed of over 37,000 members who continue to be involved in local public school education and the well-being of their communities.

Order of the Eastern Star

Big Spring Chapter No. 67, Order of the Eastern Star will have a memorial service at a stated meeting Tuesday, May 4, 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Temple.

Busy Bee's

Eleven members and one

guest met Wednesday at noon for a covered dish luncheon at the Presbyterian Church Annex in Coahoma. The door prize was won by Francis Mason. Flowerpot Santa Claus was the project for this meeting. Freida Griffin will host the next meeting in May.

City FCE Club

Members of the City FCE Club met in the home of Lois Johnston for their second meeting of the month. Irene Priebe read the devotional from Matt. 6:19-21. Roll call was answered with "How I solved a storage problem." The thought was "Closets are places where some people hang things when they run out of door knobs." Minutes were read and approved. Irene Priebe, Frances Zant and Jowill Etchison were elected delegates to the state meeting.

These three delegates attended by Spring District VI Conference in Monahan's with Dana Tarter, Extension Agent, Thursday April 22. The big issue discussed there was the state meeting in Sept. 2000 when District VI will be hostess in Odessa. There is a need for hand made articles for the Country Store to sell to help with convention expenses. Each club will need to furnish some door prizes. About 700 welcome packets, food for the Hospitality House as the delegates arrive, table decorations for the banquet and many other things are needed to complete the list of convention needs.

Gerry Zummer, state president, addressed the groups. Carolyn Cook, District VI Director, handed out awards from the State. Frances Zant received a "Making a Difference Award."

The club program was "Foods and Drugs that don't mix" by Jowill Etchison. Don't drink grapefruit juice if you are taking Sandimmune, Seldan or Hismanal. Broccoli and Coumadin are bad together, licorice and Lanoxin can cause heart disturbances, antidepressants known and MAO inhibitors and cheddar cheese are not healthy combinations.

Refreshments and visiting were enjoyed before we adjourned.

The next meeting will be at 802 Dallas with Rozelle Dohoney as hostess.

Church in Odessa meets technology

ODESSA, (AP) — As the 21st century approaches, computer skills will become increasingly more important, not only in the job market, but also on a personal level.

This is why the Rev. Johann Neethling, pastor of Mackey Chapel United Methodist Church and associate pastor of Highland Methodist, had the idea of initiating a computer education and training center for members of the Mackey congregation, the residents of the south side of Odessa and, in fact, anyone interested in gaining or improving computer literacy.

The effort to create the center, which he says is primarily designed to augment job skills that will lead to better-paying employment, has long been a dream of his.

"There are a lot of people who have too much money left at the end of their money," he said. "But we also want to give young people an alternative to get involved in something other than gangs, improve their education and give them some marketable skills. And this is even for seniors who want to learn to communicate by e-mail with their grandchildren."

The idea for the center is one Neethling has had since becoming pastor of Mackey Chapel in June 1997, but the space for it was found, literally, in his own back yard.

"We began a cleanup of the back section of the church building, which had nothing done to it for about 20 years," he said. "Some members said that they had not been back there for that amount of time."

Five rooms, which measure the width of the sanctuary, were refurbished as a family life center. One of those rooms was designated to house computers.

"About February of this year, I contacted Gary Barnes (chief information officer) at Medical Center Hospital and asked him if they had any used computers, and lo and behold we got three. Then I contacted Carolyn Tripp at Huntsman and told her of our plan. I was wondering if Huntsman was willing to make a grant," Neethling said.

Tripp, a public relations representative at Huntsman Polymers Corp., said that the request was forwarded to the company's community relations committee.

"They review donation requests on a monthly basis, and it looked like a perfect fit," she said. "Our (community relations committees) focus is education and health and human services."

Huntsman responded quickly, Neethling said.

"They have put in two data lines, fixed our power supply for additional current and have installed brand new heating and air conditioning. They're going to do some painting, and well be getting two Internet-capable computers from them. They're really gone the extra mile."

Mormon president oversees surge in temple-building

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Mormon church President Gordon B. Hinckley remembers his father's attempt 60 years ago to persuade church leaders to rebuild the Nauvoo Temple overlooking the Mississippi River.

"The church didn't have a lot of money in those days. That was just coming out of the Depression. ... They declined it," said Hinckley, overseer of a temple-building program unprecedented in the history of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

He never forgot his father's desire as a Chicago mission president to rebuild the temple amid the Illinois farmlands about 150 miles upriver from St. Louis.

The gleaming edifice was nearing completion in 1846, when Brigham Young led the Mormons on their exodus to the West. Their welcome in Illinois had worn out amid complaints about Mormons' theocratic views and about polygamy then practiced by some members. The temple was set afire after they left.

In his surprise announcement on Easter Sunday that Nauvoo would regain its temple, Hinckley was fulfilling his late father's wish. He also was striking a chord of longing within the Utah-based church to right a historical wrong.

"The rebuilding of the Nauvoo Temple will bring back a clear and vivid reminder of what Nauvoo was. Nauvoo was a prosperous and great city," Hinckley said in a recent interview, noting that the new temple will closely resemble the grand original.

As president of the 10.4 million-member church since 1995, Hinckley has worked to double the number of temples where Mormons in good standing perform sacred ordinances considered essential to the faith's concept of eternal progression.

Indeed, Hinckley's innovation to build smaller-scale temples in more places means most Mormons won't have to travel daunting distances to a temple.

So far, the church has 57 operating temples and 55 in some stage of planning or construction. Forty-seven are of the smaller type.

"Every temple that this church has built has, in effect, stood as a monument to our belief in the immortality of the human soul, that this phase of mortal life through which we pass is but one ... part of a continuous upward climb, so to speak. And that as certain as

there's life here, there will be life there," he said.

The temple, Hinckley said, serves as a bridge between mortality and immortality. As envisioned by church founder Joseph Smith in Nauvoo, temple rituals would embrace "the ancient order of things for the first time in these last days."

Springing nimbly from his chair, Hinckley, who will turn 89 in June, retrieved a small model of the Nauvoo Temple from atop a cabinet in his office and placed it before a visitor.

"This building was the finest in Illinois. It was the crowning phase of their belief, the crowning objective of their worship and there were many people who worked on it," he said. When the Mormons were driven from Nauvoo, their temple was soon vandalized and gutted by arson, its walls later buckled by tornado. Reduced to its foundation, it came to symbolize for Mormons what was best and most bitter about their sojourn in western Illinois from 1839 to 1846.

The faith's young founder and prophet was murdered by a mob in nearby Carthage less than four years after selecting the site of the Nauvoo Temple, the spiritual center of the bustling city of 12,000 that almost rivaled Chicago in population.

Nauvoo was where Smith's vision of a vibrant theocracy achieved its fullest flowering. But just as before in Missouri, political, economic and religious differences with non-Mormons — and with apostates unhappy with the then-secret practice of polygamy — degenerated into armed conflict.

Less than two years after Smith was slain in 1844, the "City of Joseph" stood a virtual shell.

Today, down a verdant, slop-

ing hill from the modern town of 1,227 lies the Nauvoo Historic District, a National Historic Landmark containing more than two dozen restored houses and shops, visitor centers and a 700-acre farm. The sites drew more than 200,000 visitors last year.

"Though only about 10 percent of Nauvoo's inhabitants now are Mormon, Hinckley's plan to rebuild the temple could have a profound effect on the farming town's pastoral serenity. That's because Mormon retirees tend to congregate near temples.

"We here at City Hall know nothing about it," says Carol McGhghy, the city clerk. "It's kind of a mixed emotion around here. Of course, if you're a member of the church you're ecstatic. A lot of people, though, want Nauvoo just the way it is."

In his announcement, Hinckley said an anonymous donor had made the rebuilding possible. In the interview he said the donation wasn't the catalyst for the project but "moved it along."

Hinckley said the temple would be built on the original site and be as close to a replica as possible. The original temple had a 165-foot tower and spire graced by a recumbent angel. Modern temples have the trumpet-blowing angel standing.

"I don't know what we'll do about that," Hinckley quipped. "I don't know. We'll face that."

While the structure will be built of reinforced concrete block and will meet modern seismic standards, the exterior will be faced in light-gray limestone from the same quarries — now owned by the church — that yielded the original stone.

"It will be a beautiful building," Hinckley said.

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RELIGION BRIEFS

**Baptists lose members**  
NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Membership in the Southern Baptist Convention, the nation's largest Protestant faith, slipped 1 percent in 1998, the first loss in 72 years.

Records show membership dropped to 15.7 million. Baptisms were down by about 4,800, but attendance at Sunday morning services and Sunday school were up by 174,052 and 7,832, respectively, and offerings and other gifts came to more than \$6.9 billion, up 4 percent.

Convention observers cite many factors that may be behind the drop in membership. Among them: some individuals' decision to drop their affiliation with any particular denomination, the growth of the megachurch and the advent of alternative churches as the convention's leadership became more conservative.

Nancy Ammerman, professor of sociology and religion at Hartford (Conn.) Seminary, said the most visible change was last year's amendment to convention beliefs that women should "submit graciously" to their husbands.

Joe Hough, dean of the Vanderbilt University Divinity School in Nashville, said the drop is very small considering

the Southern Baptists' membership and "considering the amount of turmoil in their denomination."

**Priest leaves \$1 million to diocese**

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — Forty years ago, Monsignor James E. McSweeney earned \$25 a month. But by the time he died at 74 in early April, he had amassed nearly \$1 million.

The James E. McSweeney Endowment Fund will be used by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Raleigh to help educate prospective priests and to allow ordained priests to earn advance degrees.

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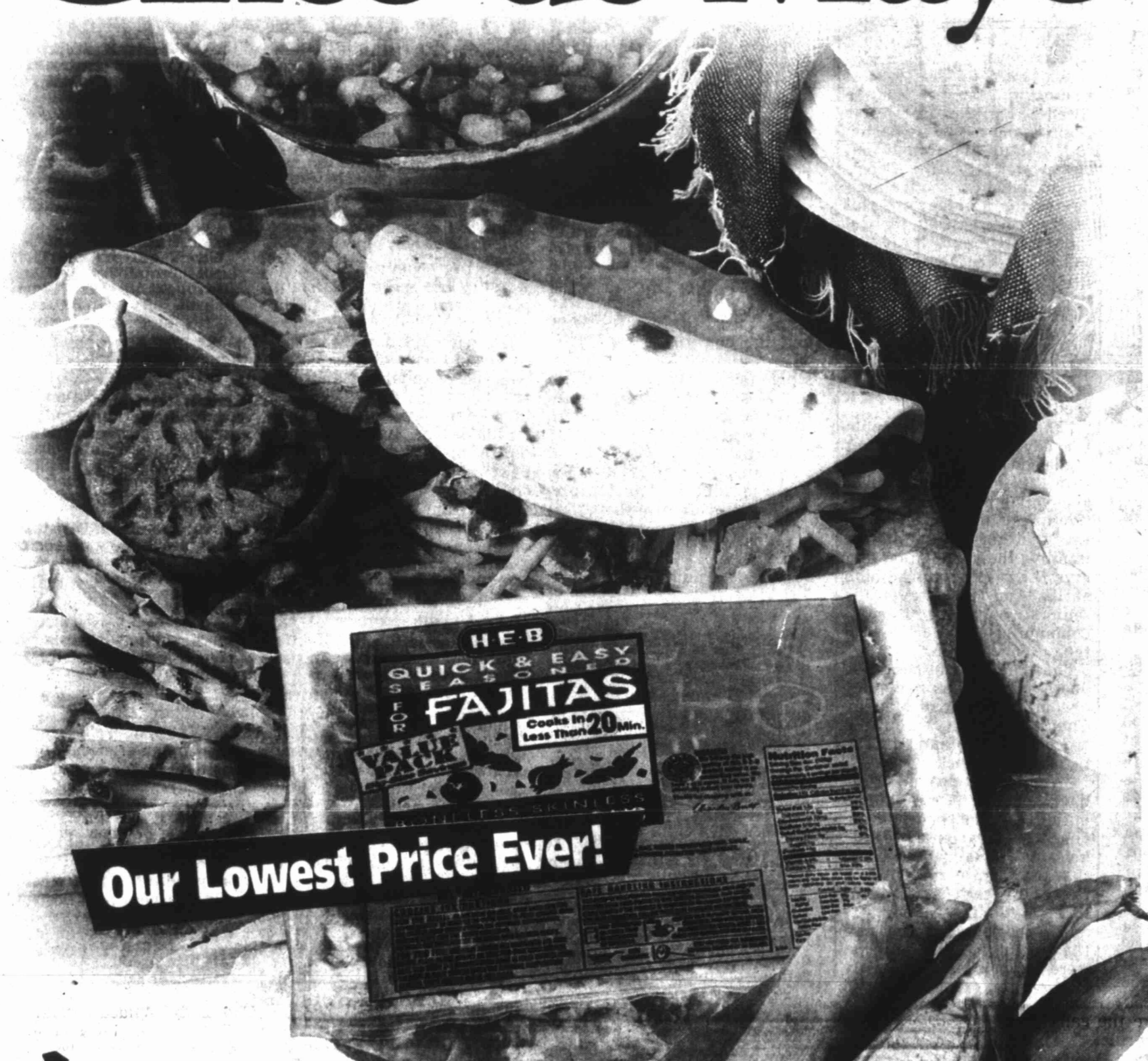
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### IN BRIEF

#### Howard rodeo team gets off to good start

Three members of the Howard College rodeo team opened the Tarleton State University Rodeo in impressive fashion Thursday, two taking event leads, while the other was third.

Jimmy Jack Chatfield earned 73 points on his first ride to take first place following the first go-round of the Stephenville rodeo, while Kim Green turned in the fastest time in the barrel racing competition.

Walker Wallace went into tonight's second performance third in the steer wrestling.

#### Yankees outlast Lions in National LL action

The National Little League Yankees took a 13-10 win over the Lions in majors division action Thursday evening.

Mark Lozano keyed the Yankees win with a three-run, inside-the-park home run and a two-run double, while Steve Chavez, Kyle Van Ness, Angelo Garcia and Jeremy Johnson provided additional offensive punch.

The Lions weren't without their offensive stars, however, as Ryan Slate hit a three-run homer of his own and added two more hits. Brandon Tant, Chance Cain and Justin Wilson provided clutch hits.

#### Grady Booster Club sets banquet for Monday

The Grady Booster Club has scheduled its annual athletic banquet for 7:30 p.m. Monday in the old Grady High School gymnasium.

Tickets for the event, priced at \$5 per person, will be available at the door.

#### Coahoma sports banquet scheduled for Monday

The Coahoma Athletic Booster Club has scheduled its annual banquet for 6:30 p.m. Monday in the Coahoma Elementary School cafeteria.

The public is invited to attend and help salute the Bulldogs and Bulldogettes teams.

Tickets, priced at \$7 each, will be available at the door.

#### Lifeguard certification class set for weekend

A lifeguard certification course has been scheduled for Friday, Saturday and Sunday at the Big Spring YMCA.

The class, which will be limited to 10 people, requires a fee of \$150 per person and includes instruction in first aid and CPR.

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

#### Bass club's open toumey set Saturday at O.H. Ivie

The ninth annual Big Spring Bass Club Open Tournament has been scheduled for Saturday at Lake O.H. Ivie.

Guaranteed prize money based on 150 entries will be \$4,400, with the first-place winner taking home \$1,500.

In addition, a grand prize of \$20,000 is available for anyone landing a new lake record largemouth. Entry fees are \$40.

For more information, call Jim Crenshaw at 267-6129.

### LOCAL GAMES

#### TODAY HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

5 p.m. — Big Spring Steers at Sweetwater Mustangs.  
7:30 p.m. — Morton Indians at Coahoma Bulldogs.

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**Radio**  
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NBA BASKETBALL  
7 p.m. — Utah Jazz at Houston Rockets, TNT, Ch. 28.

## Lady Hawks open Region V play with 3-1 win over Vernon

By JOHN H. WALKER  
Managing Editor



Howard College's Kristina DeVos (22) slides into second with a stolen base during the top of the seventh inning, as the ball gets away from a Vernon infielder during Thursday's Region V tournament opener. DeVos would provide an insurance run a few moments later capping the Lady Hawks' 3-1 win.

ABILENE — Howard College's Lady Hawks put together single runs in the second, fourth and seventh innings and got strong defense when they needed it to win the first post-season playoff game in school history, 3-1 over Vernon Regional Junior College Thursday.

The win came in the first round of the Region V tournament at Abilene Christian University and also marked the return of Lady Hawks coach Andy Mace to the diamond after being sidelined the entire month of April following heart surgery.

Howard now plays Collin County at 12:30 today. Collin took a 7-1 win over Cisco on Thursday.

"It wasn't one of our better efforts, but I'll take the win," Mace said after the game.

"We did a pretty good job of getting out of trouble (after Vernon loaded the bases in the second and sixth innings), though," he added.

After falling behind 1-0 in the first inning, Howard came back to tie the score in the top of the second when Ricka McKee scored from third after catcher Teresa Johnson hit a Texas Leaguer over short.

McKee had reached safely on a throwing error by the Vernon shortstop, took

second on a balk by pitcher Alicia Blake and advanced to third on a grounder to second by Kara Brand to set up the tying run.

Howard needed some defense in the bottom half of the inning when Vernon loaded the bases, only to leave them full when Blake flew out to right field.

Earlier in the inning, third baseman Diana Julian had thrown Mandy Adrian out at the plate for the second out.

The Lady Hawks scored what would turn out to be the winning run in the fourth when McKee opened the inning with a lead-off single, stole second, advanced to third on a grounder to short by Julian and scored when Brand doubled to the fence in left.

Despite the lead, there were tense moments ahead for the Lady Hawks and their fans in both the fifth and sixth innings — although it seemed as if the fans were more concerned about the situation than the players.

In the fifth, Vernon's Kristal Cannon lined a two-out double to right center, prompting Mace to issue instructions to pitcher Brandy Smith to walk Tamara Winstead.

On what would be ball four, Smith uncorked a wild pitch that allowed Cannon to advance to third. Winstead stole second before Smith got Alicia

See **LADY HAWKS**, page 2B

## Bulldogettes pound Petrolia, 16-0

By JOHN A. MOSELEY  
Sports Editor

MERKEL — Coahoma's Bulldogettes served notice that they're capable of returning to the Class 2A state softball tournament Thursday, taking a 16-0 area playoff win over Petrolia's Lady Pirates.

With a confidence born from being the state's defending champions, the Bulldogettes spotted Petrolia everything short of runs before the game started — agreeing to be the visiting team and to allow Wichita Falls umpires to call the game.

Even with that edge, the Lady Pirates lasted just four innings before the game was called on the 15-run mercy rule.

Having drawn a bye in the first round of the playoffs with their undefeated run through District 2-2A play, the Bulldogettes were clearly unhurt by a week's layoff, as the dominated every phase of the game.

Sophomore pitcher Amber Bingham did nothing to damage her 0.09 ERA in striking out 10 of the 13 Petrolia batters she faced — just one more than the minimum.

What's more, the Bulldogettes, paced by sophomore left fielder Brandie Hart, pounded Lady Pirates ace Brandy Biggs with an offensive attack that chalked up 16 hits and seemingly scored at will.

Having been unchallenged by the Lady Pirates, Bulldogettes coach Robert Royer said he expects more of a challenge next week when Coahoma takes on Archer City in the regional semifinals.

"Archer City is supposed to be pretty good," Royer said, admitting he knew little about the Bulldogettes' next opponent.

"I don't like scouting," he explained. "I don't even like asking other coaches about people we're about to play."

Instead, Royer prefers to focus his attentions on having his team ready to play its best, regardless of what the opponent brings to the party.

Oddly enough, Royer says his team isn't exactly where he'd like it to be.

"We're still more keyed up than I'd like," Royer said following Thursday's easy win. "We really haven't settled down yet. As a result, we really haven't played our best softball."

For all intents and purposes, Coahoma took the win in the top of the first inning when the Bulldogettes scored their first five runs.

Freshman third baseman Erin Stovall led off with a single up the middle and moved to second when Lady Pirates outfielder Carmen Ward misplayed the ball, the first of six Petrolia errors.

It appeared as if sophomore catcher Kortney Kemper had driven in the first run of the game with a single to left, but umpires ruled she stepped out of the batters box during her swing. She was called out on the play and Stovall was forced to



Coahoma's Amber Bingham cuts loose with a pitch in the third inning of the Bulldogettes' 16-0 area playoff win over Petrolia. Bingham finished the four-inning game with 10 strikeouts, facing just one batter over the minimum.

return to second.

That ruling simply served to delay the inevitable.

Hart, who would finish the game 4-for-4 at the plate, kept up the pressure with an infield single and promptly swiped second.

Senior right fielder Kelli Buchanan then lofted a Texas League single to right, plating Stovall to give the Bulldogettes the only run Bingham would need.

The Bulldogettes were anything but through, however.

Senior center fielder Caddie Tindol reached on a fielder's choice play, but the Lady Pirates weren't able to keep Hart from scoring.

The misery continued for Petrolia when senior shortstop Misty Baker hit a

grounder that got past third baseman Julie Gee and left fielder Jen Kaye that allowed Buchanan and Tindol to score and Baker to reach third.

Sophomore second baseman Kenni Kay Buchanan capped the Bulldogette scoring with an infield single that plated Baker.

Staked to the 5-0 lead, Bingham took control in the bottom of the inning, needing just 11 pitches to strike out the first three Lady Pirates batters.

"She (Bingham) didn't have any trouble today, did she?" Royer commented after seeing his ace record the no-hit shutout, the only blemish on her performance being a walk and a hit batter. "Amber hasn't had

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## Grady duo takes II-1A doubles title

HERALD Staff Reports

ABILENE — Rebecca Robles and Caroline Madison will lead a five-player contingent from Grady High School to the Class 1A state tennis tournament May 10-11 after taking the Region II, Class 1A girls' doubles championship Thursday afternoon at the Streich Tennis Center.

The Lady Wildcats tandem will be joined by boys' singles runner-up Clint Schuelke and the boys' doubles team of Greg Gibson and Jim Bob Haggerton, which finished Thursday's finals as runners-up to Menard's Williamson and Halamicek.

After dropping the 6-2, 1-6, 7-5 championship match, Gibson and Haggerton were forced to knock off teammates Jed Hinojosa and Cody Wells in a playback to assure themselves a trip to the state tournament.

Hinojosa and Wells lost to Williamson and Halamicek in the semifinals, but rebounded to take third place with a win over Eden's Agnew and Click to force the playback.

Gibson and Haggerton had opened Thursday's play with a 7-6, 6-4 win over the Eden duo.

But the day truly belonged to Robles and Madison, as they knocked off Menard's Kuykendall sisters 6-4, 6-2 for the championship after having dispatched Baird's Hughes and Haley 6-2, 6-2 in the semis.

Schuelke, a sophomore, dropped a 6-3, 6-2 decision in the finals to Cross Plains' Coby Richards after having knocked out Saint Jo's Mehrdad Mohabatt-Kar with his own 6-3, 6-2 win in the semifinals.

## Forsan's Park falls in I-2A playback bid

ABILENE — Forsan senior Cade Park saw his hopes of reaching the Class 2A state tennis tournament go by the wayside at the Abilene Christian University tennis courts when his bid for a playback against No. 1-seeded Caleb Ashley of Canadian resulted in a 6-0, 6-3 loss.

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## Yankees win; Zimmer ready to leave once Torre returns

ARLINGTON (AP) — After 51 years, today could be Don Zimmer's last in professional baseball. Or maybe it'll be tomorrow. Or Sunday.

Zimmer has decided to leave the New York Yankees whenever Joe Torre is healthy enough to return as manager. Torre, who is recovering from prostate cancer surgery, could decide to take over as soon as tonight in Kansas City, although general manager Brian Cashman said that's not likely.

"Joe is not coming to Kansas City to manage Friday night; Friday night is not an option," Cashman said Thursday. "I'd be surprised if it was in Kansas City, but I wouldn't rule it out."

Zimmer, who wants to leave to rest his aching right knee, was to talk things over with Torre this morning.

"If Joe says he's managing (tonight), I'll go home," Zimmer said. "If he says it'll be another week, I'll stay another week. ... I don't want him to come back before he's ready."

Cashman said Torre will watch the Royals series from a luxury box until he decides he's physically ready to return to the dugout. He's being cautioned not to try coming back too soon for fear of getting worn out.

"If he's down, tired and fatigued, he's not going to be at his best to take the reins," Cashman said. "No matter when

he comes back, we'll say, 'Wow, he came back fast.'"

Torre gathered his team in the clubhouse following Wednesday night's 8-6 loss to the Texas Rangers and announced: "After tomorrow's game, I'm going home."

He amended it Thursday to say he'd be around until Torre is back. Nonetheless, the Yankees went into last night's game knowing it could be their last with their beloved "Popeye" in the dugout.

Chuck Knoblauch led off with an inside-the-park homer and Tino Martinez added a three-run shot as New York beat Texas 5-3. It was the Yankees' fifth victory over the Rangers in six

games this season.

"Everybody wants to see him (Torre) here," said Bernie Williams, who went 2-for-4 with an RBI and a run. "Zim has done great, but it's been tough on him because of his knee. He's got to take care of that."

Ramiro Mendoza (3-1) cruised through eight innings, allowing an RBI double by Rusty Greer in the third and a two-run homer to Rafael Palmeiro in the eighth. Mariano Rivera pitched the ninth for his sixth save.

"Mendoza would probably be the ace on most staffs," Rangers manager

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Schieffer trades Rangers presidency for development job

ARLINGTON (AP) — After 11 years of helping turn the Texas Rangers into a winning team...

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any trouble all year. She's getting a little stronger, as a matter of fact.

Coahoma added two more runs in the second inning. Kemper getting things started with a lead-off double to left...

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Ortiz to pop out to Johnson in foul territory. The Lady Hawks again worked their way out of a jam...

However, Schieffer also left open the possibility of joining the likely presidential campaign of Gov. George W. Bush...

Ward managed to snag a line drive off Tindol's bat and double Kelli Buchanan off first.

Bingham lost her bid for a perfect game in the bottom of the third when she walked Lady Pirates second baseman Melissa Helm...

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Johnny Oates said. "He is a quality pitcher in my mind and he kept us off-balance most of the night."

Mike Morgan (4-1), who lost his bid to become baseball's first five-game winner, left after being hit on his right shin by a Derek Jeter line drive.

Zimmer, 68, was New York's bench coach the last three years.

TENNIS

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Park ran into trouble from the outset Thursday, dropping a 6-2, 6-2 decision to eventual regional champion Justin Smith of Jim Ned.

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# Warriors drop out; Hornets lose again

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Farewell, Cleveland. Please hold the door open for Golden State and Charlotte.

The injury-decimated Cleveland Cavaliers were officially eliminated from postseason contention Thursday night with a 97-86 loss at Washington.

And despite all the energy and heroics John Starks could summon, the Warriors all but bowed out of the playoff hunt in Utah with a 96-85 loss to the Jazz.

Now, the Hornets look like they'll be next.

Despite playing 46 minutes of stellar basketball, Charlotte had a letdown in the end and lost 115-110 in overtime on the road against the Indiana Pacers.

"We played about as well as we could," said Charlotte coach Paul Silas, whose team dropped 13 games behind the eighth-place Knicks. New York has the tiebreaker edge over the Hornets, which means they need to finish 4-0 and hope New York goes 1-2 against Indiana, Boston and Miami.

Golden State, 10th in the West, needs to finish 4-0 and hope both Minnesota and Seattle go 1-3 or worse.

In other games, New York beat Philadelphia 85-70, the Los Angeles Lakers beat Portland 108-89, Sacramento crushed the Los Angeles Clippers 103-89, San Antonio clobbered Vancouver 99-72, Boston surprised Miami 107-96, Dallas downed Houston 91-81 and Phoenix defeated Denver 98-87.

Center Ben Wallace and forward Otis Thorpe each scored 20 points as the Wizards beat an undermanned Cleveland team, which was missing star Shawn Kemp for the fourth game in a row.

Wallace went 9-for-9 from the field and set a career scoring high. Thorpe was 9-for-10 from the field.

"The stat sheet made it obvious that we could not match up inside," Cleveland coach Mike Fratello said. "Their two inside guys went 18-for-19 from the floor."

## Jazz 96, Warriors 85

Karl Malone left the game to a standing ovation late in the third quarter, and the Jazz were ahead 75-54 entering the fourth.

Starks then scored 15 quick points, keying a 12-0 run that cut Utah's lead to nine with 2:30 left.

A grim-faced Malone and John Stockton threw off their towels and re-entered the game. Each hit big baskets, and the Jazz finally put the game away when Starks, who scored 27 points, fouled out with 1:07 left.

The Jazz snapped a two-game losing streak and moved a half-game ahead of Portland for the NBA's best record and home-court advantage throughout the playoffs.

## Pacers 115, Hornets 110

The Pacers overcame a 10-point deficit in the fourth quarter as Reggie Miller had 27 points and matched his career high with 12 rebounds.

The Hornets were upset over a shot clock violation called with 2.7 seconds left in regulation.

## Knicks 85, 76ers 70

Latrell Sprewell scored 30 points and Allan Houston added 22 as the Knicks snapped the 76ers' five-game winning streak and won their fourth in five games.

Patrick Ewing, who missed the last three games with a sore Achilles' heel, had six points and three rebounds.

## Lakers 108, Trail Blazers 89

Shaquille O'Neal matched his season-high with 38 points and Robert Horry made six 3-point shots and scored a season-high 22 points.

The win was just the third in nine games for the host Lakers (28-19), who snapped a three-game losing streak, matching their longest in over four years.

## Kings 103, Clippers 89

Vernon Maxwell scored 16 points in the second quarter and Tariq Abdul-Wahad had 15 in the third for the Kings, who won despite missing Chris Webber for the third straight game.

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time is short; it remaineth,  
that both they that have  
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I Corinthians 7:29

And wisdom and knowledge  
shall be the stability of thy  
times, and strength of salva-  
tion: the fear of the Lord is  
his treasure  
Isalah 33:6

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Psalm 120:2,3

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No more bottled water. Stainless steel gravity water purifier currently being used in Big Spring - Yes, with local tap water! Removes odors and taste and gives you pure water. Can also be used in emergencies to purify pond or lake water for drinking. Please visit http://www.hischarcter.com/safe-drinking-water.htm for more information.

Rich Lee Band appearing live Friday 4/30 & Sat. 5/1 @ Lucky Clover Lounge.

Tired of looking in the mirror and not seeing the real you! All natural weight loss program with guaranteed remarkable results fast. Call 915-263-4679 to make your dream come true.

WEDDING CAKES!! Archies, silk bouquets, catering. Evening calls and appl. welcome. The Grishams 267-9191

PORTABLE BUILDINGS

12'x24' Red Barn - One Only! Delivery & Financing Available. 563-3108.

Morgan Buildings, Pools & Spas - Lowest Prices! Special Price Reduction - Come See the Buildings and Spas on the Aco parking lot, Hwy 18 & I-20 - Friday, Saturday & Sunday, April 30th, May 1st & May 2nd.

SIERRA MERCANTILE For all your building needs. Portable On sight - Carpets I-20 East • 263-4460

Special Factory Price Reduction - Last Chance for a 10'x12' Storage Building. \$31.00 a month. Delivery and Financing Available. 563-3108.

SPAS

Full size Spa. \$57.00 a month. Delivery & Financing Available. 563-3108.

SWIMMING POOLS

SUMMER'S ALMOST HERE!! 24' Round Aboveground Pool - Complete \$44.00 a month. Installation & Financing Available. 563-3108.

ACREAGE FOR SALE

27 acres on Todd Road w/ 2 water wells, deed restricted. \$65,000. 263-0845 leave message.

3/4 acre in Sand Springs area with 2 bedroom, 1 bath house for sale, as is. Call 267-3841 or 270-7309.

ACREAGE FOR SALE:

5-10 acre tracts, utilities available-South Moss Lake Road. Call Janell Davis, Coldwell Banker Realtors, 267-3613.

BUILDINGS FOR RENT

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

FARMS & RANCHES

FOR SALE: 320 acres farm land. Martin Co. 2 miles South of Flower Grove COOP Gin. 806-462-7479 ritas.

Classified Call

263-7331

BUSINESS FOR SALE

NINE UNIT APARTMENT COMPLEX - Recently updated. Two 2 bedroom units, 5b 1 bedroom units, plus 4 cottages. Covered parking. Just \$57,000, or less than \$6,334. per unit! REEDER REALTORS, 915-267-8266.

HOUSES FOR SALE

1203 COLLEGE: 2 bd., 1 bath Remodeled. \$27,000. 263-0845 leave message.

ABANDONED HOMES in Big Spring. Take up payments w/outdown. Local 264-0510

Beautiful Executive 2 story home. Country club rd. Pool, landscaping, acreage, 3-car garage, priced below owners cost. 263-0066 (business), 268-9696 (home).

COLLEGE PARK: 2/1, CHA. Newly remodeled. Possible Owner Finance, considerable discount or cash. 263-5926 or 254-559-9671.

Coronado Hills addition only 6 lots left. Call today KEY HOMES, INC. Harry Deter 915-352-02 or 915-520-9848/41698

For Sale By Owner: 4 bd., 3 bath Mobile Home on 6.3 acres. As is, asking \$19,500. Call 394-4051.

For Sale or Rent: 3 bd., 1 bath CH/A, new carpet & paint. \$450/mo. American Realty 915-520-7577.

HOME FOR SALE Financing available. Low monthly payments. Low down payment. 1405 Lincoln. Easy terms. Please call 915-520-3649 or digital pager 499-9361

House For Sale By Owner In Kentwood 2800 sq. ft. 4/2 large corner lot, terraced back yard, enclosed patio, 2 car garage. Call for apprt. 263-0960.

House for sale. Owner financing or cash! Call 806-296-2264 or 806-774-4590 or 267-1695.

Must See to Appreciate! 3 bd., 2 bath, living room, dining room, fp., New CH/A. Basement. Workshop. 2 blocks to Jr. High school. 263-8787 or 263-7744.

Near new Jr. High. Now is the time to buy. Call 915-523-2028 (8-5pm.) or 524-7055 (after 5pm.)

Owner Finance Investors Dream 1107 E. 15th Street. 3 bd., 1 bath. 2111 Runnels, 3 bd., 1 bath w/Upstairs & downstairs apt. 1017 E. 21st. St. 3 bd., 1 bath. Call 915-363-8243.

Will Owner Finance: 1408 Virginia / duplex 1 bd., 1 bath. Live in one side, rent out other. Down payment equals clean up. \$185/mo. 263-0845 leave message.

Very clean nice house, detached office or extra bedroom & bath, plus 2 bdr., bath, dining room, double carport, new carpet, seller. 108 Lincoln. \$45,000. Call 267-1543.

LOTS FOR SALE

\$700. 64.3'x125' Corner lot, across from college. 1100 Stanford. Call 360-452-5300.

MOBILE HOMES

Repo Doublewide! Bank 653-1152.

MOBILE HOMES

CLEARANCE SALE: \$1000 down on all Doublewides, \$500 down on all Singlewides. A-1 Homes Your Fleetwood Super Store. 653-1152 or 800-626-9978. 8.5% Apr W.A.C. 240 months.

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SI ESTA CANSADO de pagar Renta. Pero su credito esta mal, o no tiene credito. Venga a verme en A-1 HOMES, 7206 W. Hwy 80, Midland, TX. O hablemos al telefono 915-563-9000 o 1-800-755-9133 y pregunte por Caso Arellano, para ayudarle en su nueva casa, mobil.

"The Ideal Lake House" 1999 80 footer, 3 bed, 2 bath, kitchen app., A/C, set-up & delivered, w/skirting installed, storm windows, 5 yr. warranty. \$206.78 a month \$500 down 360 mo. 9.25% fixed rate W.A.C. Call "Big Red" 915-653-1152.

Used home 3 bedroom Redmen. May finance. Call Lynn 653-1152.

Doublewide Set-up with land, water, and septic. Ready to move in! Call Gary "The Land Man" 653-1152 or 800-626-9978.

GOOD CREDIT, BAD CREDIT, Bankruptcy, Divorces, Slow Pays. Call the Credit Doctor to own your new home. 80% Approvals. 915-563-9000 or 1-800-755-9133

\* Great selection of used and repossessed homes starting at \$995.00. Call Homes of America, 48th & Andrews Hwy. Odessa TX 1-800-725-0881. Se Habla Espanol

Investors pennies on the dollar. 9 used mobile homes. 653-1152.

\* No credit, bad credit bankruptcy, etc... Call the credit doctor for your free credit analysis. Homes of America, 4750 Andrews Hwy. Odessa TX 363-0881 or 1-800-725-0881.

Renters wanted. 653-1152.

LAKE PROPERTY

LAKE SPENCE: 2 bd. 2 bath. Living room, den w/irreplac, kitchen, dining room, screened in back porch. Ceiling fans in all rooms including porch. New brick, roof, CH/A. 363x30 Metal garage. Call 915-686-0405 or 915-453-2305.

FURNISHED APTS. 1408 DONLEY: Clean 1 bedroom, furnished. Water & gas paid. \$275./mo. \$150./dep. Sorry no pets! 263-4922.

408 1/2 W. 5th: \$250./mo. \$100./dep. Bills paid. Sorry no pets! 263-4922.

Apartments, unfurnished houses, Mobile Home. References required. Call 263-6944, 263-2341.

Barcelona Apartment Homes Special Summer Rates

1 Bdr's. starting at \$269

2 Bdr's. starting at \$329

538 Westover Road 263-1252

LOVELY NEIGHBORHOOD COMPLEX

Swimming Pool Carpets, Most Utilities Paid, Senior Citizen Discounts, 1 & 2 Bedrooms & 1 or 2 Baths Unfurnished

KENTWOOD APARTMENTS 1904 East 25th Street 267-5444 263-5000

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Swimming Pool Private Patios Carpets Appliances Most Utilities Paid Senior Citizens Discount

1 & 2 Bedroom Unfurnished PARKHILL TERRACE APARTMENTS 800 W. Marcy Drive 263-5555 263-5000

FURNISHED APTS.

Efficiency apt., furnished, bills pd. No Pets! 2409 E. 25th. Call 267-7225.

Fully furnished 1 bd. apt. All bills paid, including phone. \$450./mo., \$200./dep. Call 268-1202.

HOUSING WANTED

Financially responsible 30yr. old male seeks affordable housing. Call (915) 520-4563.

OFFICE SPACE

EXCELLENT LOCATION OFFICE SPACE available near Court House & B.S. Chamber. Rent Neg. 267-7853.

ROOMS

Inn at Big Spring Group, Tour, Seniors, Commercial Team or Student Rates \$140/weekly or \$26 Rate + tax Doc Holidays Cantina 263-7621.

ROOMMATE WANTED

Christian male to rent room in house. Non smoker furnished or unfurnished. \$280/mo. Bills paid. 264-0834

UNFURNISHED APTS.

1BR \$235..2BR \$275 Centra H/A Resident Mgr. & Maintenance \$99/Dep. 915-267-4217

2 Bdr, 2 bath apartment for rent. Close to Wal-Mart. Call 267-8310 ask for Roxanne, 9-5:30.

Extra Nice 1 bd. apt. Close to shopping & hospital. Clean. No pets! 267-7705 or 267-2079.

Free First Month's Rent! 2/1 Apartments. From \$275-\$400 plus electric. Furnished or unfurnished. 263-7621

FREE RENT-Mention this ad and rent a one, two or three bedroom apartment (furnished or unfurnished) with a six-month lease agreement that provides for the sixth month FREE. Coronado Hills Apartment, 801 W. Marcy, 267-6500. "Remember, you deserve the best."

Spacious 1 bedroom, plus studio room, \$225. Appliances / ceiling fans. Non smoking, no pets please. Reference required. McDonald Realty 611 Runnels 263-7615

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\*Furnished & Unfurnished \*All Utilities Paid \*Covered Parking \*Swimming Pools 1425 E. 6th St. 263-6319

UNFURNISHED HOUSES

110 E. 15th: 2 bd., 1 bath; 3615 Hamilton: 3 bd. Both have CH/A. Call 263-3350.

1610 STATE 2 bedroom, 1 bath w/detached 2 car garage. \$315. mo., \$150./dep. Call 263-1792 or 264-6006.

2 bedroom, 1 bath Small house. References & deposit required. Call 267-5952.

3 bd., 1 1/2 bath. 4219 Hamilton. Call 267-3841 or 270-7309.

3 bd., 1 1/2 bath storage bldg., CH/A, Extra Clean! 4215 Hamilton. \$550./mo. Call 263-5818.

3 bd., 2 bath, garage, fenced, Central air. No indoor Pets! 2210 Lynn. \$550./mo., 1 yr. lease. Owner/Broker. 263-6514.

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

3 bedroom, 1 bath. 501 Johnson. Call 267-3841 or 270-7309.

4 bedroom, 2 bath 1504 Lincoln. Call 267-3841 or 270-7309.

AVAILABLE MAY 1ST. 4 bd., 1 1/2 bath. Fenced, CH/A. No indoor pets! 4220 Hamilton. \$495./mo., 1 yr. lease. Owner/Broker. 263-6514.

Charming country home for rent on 4 acres. 2 bdr. 1 bath CH/A. \$350/mo & \$350/dep. FIRM! References required. 267-1131.

FOR LEASE OR SALE by owner. Brick home 3/2/2, 2- living areas, storage shed,

FRIDAY APR. 30

Table with 24 columns representing different TV channels (KMID, KPEJ, KERA, etc.) and rows listing various programs and their broadcast times.

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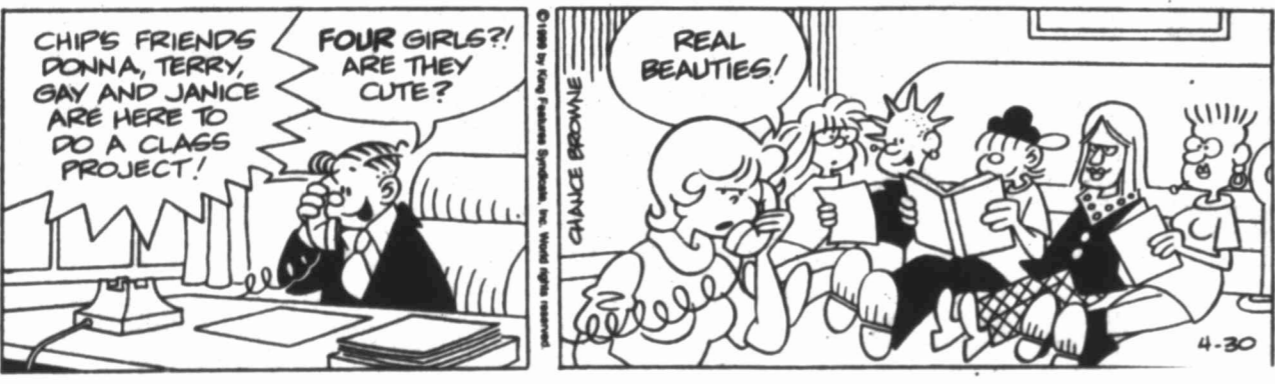
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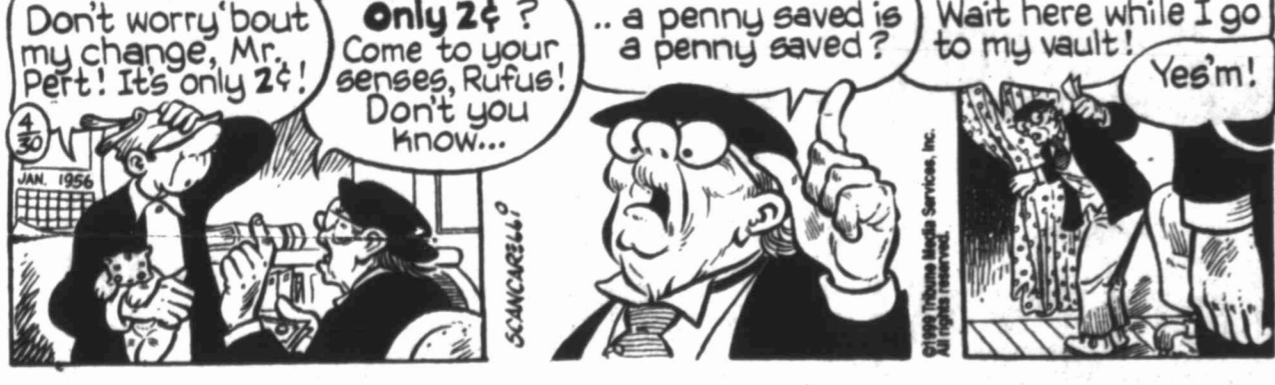
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

The ASSOCIATED PRESS Today is Friday, April 30, the 120th day of 1999. There are 245

days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On April 30, 1939, the New York World's Fair officially opened.

first president of the United States. In 1803, the United States purchased the Louisiana Territory from France.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down words.

Thursday's Puzzle Solved: A grid with words filled in, including LAZY MEATS HELD, OLEO EDDIE EVER, SITUATIONCOMEDY, STARLET STRANGE, AREA ENTER, PATHS DROOL, EUREKA TAX STOW, ANIMATEDFEATURE, STOP OLE NUANCE, EPICS SNEAK, SMALL OUST, POTOMAC ALIASES, ACTIONADVENTURE, CHAN TRIED OMIT, EARS SEERS MOES.

Big Spring Herald advertisement: Reflecting a Proud Texas Community. 915-263-7331 (Main Switchboard), 915-263-7335 (Circulation Calls Only). Office Hours are 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

In 1812, Louisiana became the 18th state of the Union. In 1900, Hawaii was organized as a U.S. territory. In 1900, engineer John Luther "Casey" Jones of the Illinois Central Railroad was killed in a wreck near Vaughan, Miss., after staying at the controls in an effort to save the passengers.