## HERALD

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MONDAY
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Weather
Tonlght:

$\begin{array}{cc}\text { TONIGHT } & \text { TUESDAY } \\ 42^{\circ}-48^{\circ} & 75^{\circ}-80^{\circ}\end{array}$
Jury being selected for child assault case in 118th court Jury selection for the trial of Airred
begins today in in 18 thth District Court, with William Dupree, prosecuting the case Covarrubias is charged with two counts of aggravated sexual assault of a child
and three counts of indecency with a child, a five-part indictment.
The Howard County
Sheriff's piled the evidence and investigated the charges which involve a 7 -year-old victim. The trial is expected with 118th District Judge Robert H. Moore III presiding.
WHAT'S UP. TODAY

- Disabled American Veterans Chapter No. 47 6:30 p.m., VAMC room 212.

Big Spring Evening Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607
E. Third.

TUESDAY
$\square$ Intermediate line dance classes, 9 a.m. Senior Citizens Center Club, noon, Howard Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room Q Quarterback Club, 7 p.m., Big Spring High Center.

- Big Spring Art

Association, 7 p.m., Al's Barbecue. - Big Spring Chapter No. 67, Order of the Eastern Star, 7 p.m. Masonic Lodge, 219 Main.
WEDNESDAY
OOptimist Club, 7 a.m. Howard College Cactus Room
$\square$ Senior Circle mall walkers meet $9: 15 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. in front of movie theater box

- Big Spring Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room. $\square$ Line dancing, 1 p.m Senior Citizens Center Industrial Park $\square$ Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie, 7 p.m.,
Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Eagies
Third.
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## Local couple on fixed income wins trip

 $\frac{\text { By DEbBIE L. JENS }}{\text { Features Editor }}$
## Knight don't

 Arlie and Donna Knight don'tget to spend a lot of time visitget to spend a lot of time visit-
ing their families. They lived on ing their families. They lived on
a fixed income, heavily depen-
dent on Social Security, and dent on Social Security, and
most of their relatives are in most of their relatives are in
other states. That's why the couple was
thrilled to find out they had won the "Seniors" Flying Home for the Holidays" contest spon-
sored by Southwest Airlines sored by Southwest Airlines
and the Permian Basin Area

## Red Cross always there after disaster strikes

 EDITOR's NOTE: This is thefinal story of a series on the
member agencies of the Uniter member agencies of the United
Way of Big Spring and Howard
County By JOHN A. MOSELEY Sports Editor

## More than a year after indi- vidual chapters merged to vidual chapters merged to form the American Red Cross of Southwest Texas, the agency's officials and volunteers work- er's are hard at work trying to form disaster response teams, as well as health and safety instruc- tors in its 26-county service area <br> ar w m <br> | m |
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able to
have people on the ground .... have people on the ground ...
people who are local residents who are able to respond to
what ever need a community has," explained Donna
Reusaville, who assumed the Rousavile, who assumed the
duties as executive director of
the agency nine months the agency nine months ago. ing to any disaster anywhere in our service area and we're
going to do that whether we have a local team or not," Rousaville added, "but these 26
counties have an area of just under 60,000 square miles. That makes us the largest geographi-
cal American Red Cross chapcal American Red Cross cha
ter in the United States "Ideally you have p hand in the event of a disaster rather than having to wait on
us to get there Midland or us to get there Midland or
Odessa," she explained. "We'll be there, but having people
immediately available would be a tremendous help in meeting victims' needs."
ducted a schedule of five clas es in Howard County, provid ing disaster response education to more than 45 volunteers in As a United Way agency, the American Red Cross of Southwest Texas is one of 1 funding from the Big Spring. Howard County United Way, which is currently nearing the close of its annual campaign. however, are not used for educating volunteers or providing health and safety program instruction.


Big Spring residents view the huge halistones that fell in the Friday, May 10, 1996 hallstorm that did more than $\mathbf{\$ 3 0}$ million damage in Big Spring. The American Red Cross responded to help those whose homes were most severely damaged.
Instead, that money goes have donated to help out in a tance for food costs.
directly to the chapter's disas- disaster somewhere else." When all was said and done
ter relief fund ter relief fund.
"The United Way is tremen- While the Southwest Texas
chapter has not been forced to Cross had spent more "The United Way is tremen-"
chapter has not been forced to than $\$ 200,000$ in Big Spring -
dously important to us," respond to a \# \#pajor disaster in more than the entire amoun dously important to
Rousaville explained. "The
Howard County recently, per- the local United Way drive had money we get from the five haps its most visible presence
United Way drives in our ser-
came during the the previous year.
Similar situations have pre United Way drives in our serof our total budget.
"But we want people to real - Within hours, Red Cross staff ze that donated dollars stay at workers and voluriteers were in home," she added, noting that ing Spring with plastic sheetthe Red Cross has requested materials. They set up a base of $\$ 9,000$ from this year's local operations and began case manfrom the United Way get agement for local residents who Howard County stays in our lost property in the storm. fund for Howard County disas- dences had to be found Other ter relief. We're not going to
use money people in Big Spring

Agency on Aging. The Knights hey want the chance to why works part-time as a crossing trip for the holidays, and won
free airline tickets for the effort. $\begin{aligned} & \text { Elementary. } \\ & \text { While there, they can }\end{aligned}$ "Our family is all over," said visit their grandson and his two
 wanted to see my mother. It has Without the free plane tickets,
been so long since I have seen been." so the Knights asked for ${ }^{\text {net be able to make such a long }}$
her.
tickets to fly to Iowa, where tickets to fly to lowa, where
Donna's mother, aunts. and "I arip
brother live and Arlie has two it one time," said
Arlie ""That's 's 1,600 miles. It will "I don't have any other family See TRIP, Page 2


## Howard

 CollegeAccreditation team expected this week
By MARSHA STURDIVANT Staff Writer

Howard College administrators have been in a flurry of
activity preparing for 16 visitors from the Texas Higher
Education Coordinating Board Ef a an accreditation visit.
for $\begin{array}{ll}\text { "We do this } & \\ \text { every } \text { four } \\ \text { years, and they } & \\ \text { y will be coming } & \\ \text { in to look at our } & \\ \text { vocational and } & \\ \text { technical pro- } & \\ \text { grams, to make } & \\ \text { sure that our } & \\ \text { programs are } & \\ \text { meeting } & \\ \text { dards," } & \text { san- } \\ \text { daid } & \text { CONWAY }\end{array}$
dards," said
Linda Conway, acting vice president of curriculum and instruction. 16 individuals will perform routine monitoring of
Howard College programs, such as cosmetology, dental hygiene, nursing and criminal justice,
she said. she said.
Other pro
Other programs that will be
monitored include monitored include business and
computers, as well as the SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf's interpreter train ing and graphic arts, she said.
"Our institution is so comple with so many different programs. We are involved in so
many areas. They will be here many areas. They will be here
one day, at SWCID one day and then travel to the San Angelo campus to monitor their programs," Conway said.
The team is expected to arrive visit Friday in San Angelo. In Big Spring, a special work room has been established for the team, complete with all the data, reports and information
needed to perform the monitorneng, she said.
"We have been inundated with notebook paper and reports, and er to give to them when they visit to show what we do," she said.
Numerous department chair men and administrative assis See Howard, Page 1

## Comanche Trail Park

lights fest on schedule
By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Simmons, coordinator of the Beatures Editor
The Comanche Trail Festival of Lights is on track for its
opening night in three weeks organizers


## Butch Ingram

## died at $5: 15 \mathrm{p} \cdot \mathrm{m}$. 55 . Friday, Nov, 12, 1999, at, the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Big Spring following a long in Big Spring following a long 

 Army, servingAug. 2, 1961, to July 18, 1964. e married Carolyn Frost on July 4, 1986, in Abilene and
came to Big Spring in July 1989 rom Abilene. Mr. Ingram was
mployed at the VAMC from employed at the VAMC from
1989 to 1994 and then from 1996 1998. He had been a sober member of Alcoholics
Anonymous since July 18, 1975. He is survived by: his wife sons, Robert Vaughn Ingram of eGrand, Ore., Kelsey Vaughn ngram of Portland, Ore., and a.; four daughters, Candace eador of Boise, Idaho,
Jennifer Ingram of Portland, Ore., Dianne Baugheum of
Atlanta, Ga., and Becky Frost of Atlanta, Ga.; two sisters, Rita Parker of Tulare, Calif., and alif.; nine of Porterville ierra Ingram, Drew, Dylan
nd Garrett Meador, Stephanie nd Zachary Briody; two aunts, etty Seaton and Honey Ayres, oth of Pixley, Calif.; and a nephews.
He was preceded in death by
his parents. Billy Jack Ingram is parents, Billy Jack Ingram
nd Lynda Vaughn Johnson Memorials may be made Are donor's favorite charity. Arrangements under the
direction of Myers \& Smith
Funeral Home. R.C. Schafer R.C. Schafer, 74, Garden City,
died on Saturday, Nov. 13, 1999,
in a Midland hospital. Funeral in a Midland hospital. Funeral
service will be ${ }_{2}$ p.m.
Wednesday. Nov. 17,1999 at edley-Pickle
osewood Chapel osewood Chapel with Pastor
arroll Kohl, of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, officiating. ity Cemetery.
He was born on June 28, 1925, ied Emma Cline on Jan. 29,
MYERS \& SMITH UNERAL HOME \& CHAPEL
24th \& Johnson 267-8288 Butch Ingram, 55, died
day. Mengorial services will be 2:00 PM Tuesday at
Settles. Wolr, 72, died Sunday.
John Whal services will be 3:00
Funeral ser Funeral services will be 3:00
PM, Tuesday at Myers \& Smith
Chapel, with burial at Mount

NALEEY-PICKLE \& WELCH
Funeral Home
 R.C. Shafer, 74, died
Saturday. Services will be 2:00 PM Wednesday at
Nalley-Pickle \& Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment
will follow at Garden City Cemetery.
Modene Ralliff, 79, died
Saturday. Services will he Saturday. Services will he
11:00 AM Wednesday at Nalley-Pickle \& Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment
will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

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Mr. Schater was a veteran of emplojed trucker for a number of years, before entering into
the ranching business. His favorite hobbies were playing
dominoes and being at the dominoes and being at the
ranch tending to his sheep and ranch tending to his sheep and
cattle.
Survivors include: his wife, Survivors include: his wife,
Emma'Schafer of the home; two Emma Schafer of the home; two
sons and daughters-in-law, Johnny and Linda Schafer and of Big Spring; a granddaughter, Jennifer Schafer of Lubbock; a
step-gandson, Chris Laney and his wife, Shonda, of Houston;
and one sister, Rosie Roberts of Hobbs, N.M. He was preceded in death by Mae Schafer. Pallbearers will be Marck Schafer, J.C. Newell, Charlie Schafer, Bob Garrett, Bo
Bokelman and Marion Wilkerson
The family suggests memori-
Is to: The American als to: The American Heart
Association; 3525 Andrews Association; 3525 Andrews
Hwy. Suite 111; Midland; 79703. Arrangements under the
direction of Nalley-Pickle \& direction of Nalley-Pickle \&
Welch Funeral Home. John Wolf John Wolf, 72, Big Spring,
died Sunday, Nov. 14, 1999, at his residence after a long ill hess. Service will be 3 p.m.
Tuesday, Nov. 16, 1999, at Myers \& Smith Chapel with Dr

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Green, A.N. Standard, Robert
Puente, Juan Palacios, Ed Dee Ratiliff, Keith musical performances can take Puente, Juan Palacios, Ed
Covington and Jimmy Parkhill. $\begin{aligned} & \text { Middleton, Stacy Middleton and } \\ & \text { Ryan Johnson. }\end{aligned}$ The family requests dona- The family will receive include a giant nativity will tions to Nurses Unlimited friends at the funeral home on made by Big Spring High (Hospice); P.O. Box 13483; 700 N. Grant, Suite 100; Odessa; Arrangements under the
direction of Myers \& Simith direction of Myers \& S
Funeral Home \& Chapel.

## Modene Ratiff

Spring, died on Saturday, Nov.
13, 1999, in a local nursing
home. Services will be at 11
a.m. Wenesday, Nov. 17, 1999,
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23, 1920, in Mills County, and
married Joe H. Ratliff on Aug.
She came to Big Spring in Sh1 from Mills County. Mrs.
Ratliff was a homemaker and a Rathint w
Baptist.
Survivors include: her hus-
band, Joe H. Ratliff of Big band, ooe H. Ratliff of Big ter-in-law, John Weldon and Mary Beth Ratliff of Fort
Worth, Edell Ratliff of Abilene,, and Dee Arvin Rathiff of Big
Spring; two daughters and Spring; two daughters and
sons-in-law, Omega and Charles
Middleton of Moultrie Ga Middleton of Moultrie, Ga., and
Blanche and Ralph Miller of Bradford, Ark.; 11 grandchil dren; and 12 great-grandchil-
dren. was preceded in death by three brothers and one sister.
Pallbearers will be grandsons David Ratliff, Weldon Ratliff, BiGBPRING MOK
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|  | The family requests dona-tions to Nurses Unlimited (Hospice); P.O. Box 13483; 700 |  |  |
|  |  | Tuesday evening from 5 to 7 | metal trades students. |
| rri | N. Grant, Suite 100; Odessa; 79768-3842. |  |  |
| ring |  |  | seven to 10 feet tall, and will be |
|  | 79768-3842. <br> Arrangements under the |  |  |
|  | direction of Myers \& Smith Funeral Home \& Chapel. <br> Paid obituary |  | ular drive at the |
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|  |  | the only times the Red Cross | the Permian Basin honored at a |
|  | D | comes to the aid of people in its | ceremony. To be considered forthe contest, the applicants had |
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| ars, Edna Ray of Lake | Baptis | ceived our services following |  |
| Wanda Wilson of Lamesa |  |  | Seagraves, Fort Stockton, |
| Wilma Walker and Hele | Interment wi | charter to respond to every fam- <br> ily home fire the fire deparf- | well as Big Spring. |
| Davis, both of Big Spring; tw | follow | ment notifies us about," | The Knights will take their |
| ers | Trinity | Rousaville added.HOWARD | trip in December, while Arlie stay through Christmas. |
| grandaug | Park. |  |  |
| Wolf; and seven grandson |  |  |  |
| Timothy, Matthew and | born on Aug. <br> 23, 1920, in Mills County, and | Continued from Page 1 | NHATS UP |
| Rigdon, James and Powers, Tanner |  |  |  |
| wers, | married Joe H. Ratliff on Aug. | tants and personnel have worked to have all forms and data prepared for the visit, she said. | Continued from |
| lbearers will be B | 17, 1935, in Goldthwaite. <br> She came to Big Spring in 1941 from Mills County. Mrs. |  | THURSDAY <br> - Gideon's International <br> Big Spring Camp No. 4206, 7 |
| SCOPE | Ratliff was a homemaker and a Baptist. | "Some of the things they will be checking are things like is |  |
| Know what works for you. Work occupies your thoughts; schedule meetings for the afternoon, if possispecial friend <br> LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) | Survivors include: her husband, Joe H. Ratliff of Big | there a need for the program, and do we have so many gradu- | a.m., Hermans. <br> $\square$ American Legion Post |
|  | band, Joe H. Ratiff o <br> Spring; three sons and daugh- <br> ter-in-law, John Weldon and <br> and do we have so many gradu- 506,7 p.m. <br> ating and placement of those $\qquad$ $\qquad$ |  |  |
|  | Mary Beth Ratliff of For Worth, Edell Ratliff of Abilene, |  | graduates, that type thing," she said. | CORRECTION |
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|  | and Dee Arvin Ratliff of Big Spring; two daughters and sons-in-law, Omega and Charles | FESTIVAL $\qquad$ | day |  |
| somtay fo |  | Continued from Page 1 | Wanted Section, the City of Hobbs' Ad had incorrect information. |  |
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| tner better, while he is mor | Blanche and Ralph Minler of |  |  |  |
| tner better, while he is mor |  | beautifully. Lights can be wrapped over the wire to create a dazzling effect, she said. <br> "It will really be something to see," she said. In addition, the volunteers plan to have lighting on the observation deck so live | The Firefighter/EMT position salary should have read $\$ 8.30 \mathrm{p} / \mathrm{hr}$. to $\$ 12.51$ p/hr. DOE. <br> We apologize for this error. |  |
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| but another could take yo | ree brothers and one sister. Pallbearers will be grandsons: |  |  |  |
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Final dragging death defendant may take stand as defense begins

JASPER (AP) - Defense attor- Two avowed white suprema- refute the state's claims. Berry
neys for the third and final cists, John William King, 25, was expected to take the stand

defendant charged in the drag. and Lawrence Russell Brewer, in his own defense: ging death of a blaćk man hope and wawrence cuspelictel earlier this in his own defense. Before dismissing jurors for their arguments in front of a year in separate trials and sen- the weekend Friday, State jury can keep their client off tenced to death for the crime. $\begin{array}{ll}\text { the } & \text { weekend Fristrict Judge Joe Bob, Golden }\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{cc}\text { death row. } & \text { Berry, 24, could join them on told them Hawthorn would try }\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{clll}\text { Prosecutors rested their case } & \text { death row if the Jasper County } & \begin{array}{l}\text { to complete his case in one day, }\end{array} \\ \text { against Shawn Allen Berry on }\end{array}$ jury hearing his case decides he $\begin{gathered}\text { meaning Berry could be in the }\end{gathered}$ Friday after three days of testi- was more than the frightened witness box today. $\begin{aligned} & \text { mony from } 27 \text { witnesses. The } \\ & \text { defense was scheduled to begin }\end{aligned}$ been. | $\begin{array}{l}\text { defense was scheduled to begin } \\ \text { presenting its case today. }\end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l}\text { been. } \\ \text { Berry's attorney, Joseph C. }\end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l}\text { to the bumper of Berry's pickup } \\ \text { with a } 24 \text {-foot logging chain and }\end{array}$ |
| :--- | Berry is the last of three white Hawthorn, promised to intro- dragged to his death over three men charged with the June 7,

mace physical evidence and
1998, slaying of James Byrd Jr.

## EgyptAir Flight 990 cockpit data

 flight recorder data inconclusiveNEWPORT, R.I. (AP) - The the tape revealed. "There is recorder was found Saturday
pilot and co-pilot of EgyptAir some kind of problem that night by a remote-operated
 $\begin{array}{lll}\text { thing moments before alarms. gressively worse. And the tape } \\ \text { sounded in the cockpit, a source } & \begin{array}{l}\text { National } \\ \text { Board }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { Transportation Safety } \\ \text { headquarters in }\end{array} \\ \text { in }\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lll}\begin{array}{l}\text { solunded in the cockpit, a source } \\ \text { close to the investigation of the }\end{array} & \text { stops." } \\ \text { Hall said a Cockpit }\end{array}$ $\begin{aligned} & \text { close to the investigation of the } \\ & \text { downed jet told AP. }\end{aligned} \begin{gathered}\text { Hall said a Cockpit Voice } \\ \text { Recorder Group, directed by the }\end{gathered} \begin{gathered}\text { Washington, D.C., on Sunday } \\ \text { Preliminary data from the }\end{gathered}$ During the first 28 minutes of NTSB and including representa- plane's flight data recorder tape from the cockpit voice tives from Egypt, the Federal
recorder, the pilot and co-pilot
Aviation that the Boeing 767 's recorder, the pilot and co-pilot Aviation Administration, autopilot was switched off and
engage in what appears to be Boeing Aircraft and Pratt \& the plane was put into a dive so routine exchanges, at times Whitney Engines, would meet steep and fast that passengers talking "like pals," the source today to begin a thorough said Sunday. A preliminary review of the
tape provides no apparent evidence of an intruder in the cockpit or of any fighting among the crew, the source
said. The New York-to-Cairo jet liner crashed off Massachusetts Nantucket Island on Oct. 31 ,
killing killing all 217 people aboard. ${ }_{\text {Federal }}$ officials say Federal officials say it's
unclear if a mechanical problem or criminal act caused EgyptAir Flight 990 to crash. In a statement Sunday,
National Transportation Safety National Transportation Safety
Board chairman James Hall said no conclusions could be drawn from the initial review of the taple. The recorder was found to be in good condition
and it provided about $311 / 2$ minutes of data, he said. The NTSB plans to further
analyze the tape for answers analyze the tape for answers about what caused the Boeing
767 jetliner to plunge into the Atlantic. The source said the
pilots never seem to pilots never seem to indicate on the baperwhat probten they'te
dealike with
uso "Something happens. Alarms
go off. Both work to try to fix
it," the source said a review of among the last to testify Friday,
saying he matched blood found started, indicating Berry
was behind the wheel of the crive saying he matched blood found was behind the wheel of the crime." participant in the n Berry's boots, jeans and shirt truck during the dragging. In a tearful interview with obyrd. Berry has claimed the "It's his truck, he's there and CBS anchor Dan Rather aired in lood got on him when Byrd I believe there's substantial evi- September, Berry said he tried beating beating.
Other investigators testified Attorney Guy James Gray said. earlier that King's and Brewer's "He's got blood on him, and I threatened to do the same to footprints appeared along the believe we've established under him. logging road where the drag- the law of parties that he was an threa

## "How Good Is The Water You Drink ${ }^{1 "}$

Water quality affects more than just the taste you do have it, how serious the problem and of your drinking water. For example, did you is - by definition - hard) actually costs you more money than water that's treated? Here's how it can all add up very quickly to be very expensive:
Gas water heaters heating hard water use $29.75 \%$ more BTUs to operate, electric water annual utility bills BTUs increasing you Clothes laundered in soft (treated) water last $15 \%$ longer increasing the amount you spend unnecessarily replacing clothing Hard water requires more detergent more laundry and dish soap.

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tion the Government for a redress of grievances．＂

Opinions expressed on this page are those of the Editorial Board of the Big Spring Hera
charles $\mathbf{c}$ ．
Publisher willams


## Our Views

## Hoops in order while some play on in football <br> W <br> hile the schoolboy football season hasn nded for Stanton，Sands and Borden Area＇s high schools are，turning thei

attention to another sport．
The 1999－2000 high school basketball season official ly gets under way this week；as most of the area＇ teams play，the first games on their schedules． Among the first of those games will be Tuesday＇s play host to Monahans＇Lady Loboes at 7：30 p．m．in Steer Gym
Steer $\mathrm{Gym}_{8}$ ． helm，Kathy Loter says this team will be much more competitive than that Big Spring put on the court las
year．
The Lady Steers will be playing at home all week since they＇ll spent the upcoming weekend taking part in the Pizza Innvitational at Howard College
Big Spring＇s Steers will start their season on sched ule，as well．But don＇t expect Jimmy Avery＇s Steers to
 host toreminole at＇s p．m．on Saturday
At least three of the players that figure to fill key Brock and Jason Woodruff－haver＇t been in the gym Instead，they saw their football season come to an end in Saturdày＇s bi－district playoff loss to Brownwood． Although＂Stanton＇s Buffs won＇t be beginning their Lady Buffs iwill be getting their season started．The same is trie in Ackerly and Gail where Sands＇Lady Mustangs＇and Borden County＇s Lady Coyotes are ready to begin play
Elsewhere，both girls＇and boys＇teams in Forsan hardwood．
While we at the Herald wish continued success for playoff runs，we look forward to a successful basket ball season for all Crossroads teams：
In addition，we encourage our readers to get out and show your support for
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## Don＇t expect peace in the Holy Land soon

ness．
Well，Arafat is about to find
out he lost firis bet． out he lost misential primaries looming in the Unitted States，
normally spineless politicians when it comes to facing up to the Israell
positively watery positively watery and shove in
They will push ahd sho lick a contest to see who can lick
the lobby＇s boots the quickest the lobby＇s boots the quickest
and cleanest． Europeans have never been
interested in much of anything except their own well－being，
and there＇s hardly any money and there＇s hardly any money
to be made supporting the Palestinians，who have the Palestinians，who have the
misfortune of being right but
broke and broke and oil－free，In their
case，having truth，justice and
international law on their side case，having truth，justice and
international law on their side
will get them a 75 －cent cup of will get them a 75 －cent cup of
coffee－if they have the six coffee－if they have the six
bits．
It isn＇t just American politi cians who ignore the
Palestinians．It＇s most American liberals，especially those who love to yack about
how important treaties，inter－ how important treaties，inter Nations are to world peace．Bu they grow silent when someone points out that Israel has tol
the United Nations to stuff
some 60－odd resolutions in its
ear．
The fact of the matter is that
the peace process should be
under United Nations supervt
sion and auspices．
The United States，which
loves to use the United Nations
as a cover to kill Iraqi chil－
dren，has always told，per its
instructions，I presume，the Un
ited Nations to butt out of the
Israeli－Palestinian conflict．
The U．S．position is that the
Indonesians and the Timorese
cannot settle their own affairs，
the Serbs and Albanians can－
not settle their own affairs，the
Iraqis and the Kuwaitis cannot
settle their own affairs，but the
Irraelis and Palestinians can，
and the United States will not
have any interference by the
United Nations．
In fact，though，Israel was
created by the United Nations，
and the Palestinian refugees
have been a U．N．responsibility
for 50 years．
In case you haven＇t figured it
out，the reason the United
States and israel insist on no
U．N．participation is because
Palestinians have nolleverage
whatsoever without the United
Nations and so end up agreeing
to whatever the Israelis dictate． That way，the United States，
like Pontius Pilate，can wash
it＇hands and disela itt hahids and disclaim añy
blamé for the crucifix Palestinian dreams and hopes for independence． It＇s really hard to respect a
government in Washing government in Washington
that is so blatantly hypocriti－ cal．
Most of the world doesn respect the United States． People respect it It is fas becoming＇like the 19th－centur British，a pompous，sanctimo－ That isn＇t good for us ord nary Americans who would like to see everybody get a square deal．
It＇s not in
It＇s not in our self－interest t
allow corruipt politicians and internationalists to alienate th rest of the world while pursu－ ing their
It is not in our self－interest to have any foreign country dic－ tate or purch
foreign policy foreign policy．
In the meanti In the meantime，don＇t expe the Holy Land any time soon．
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A season of thanks to remember

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vously outside at a gigantic pine that could be the oldest in
Georgia．（Ill call it Georgia．（I＇ll call it The Oldest，
if ever I decide to sell this place．）Should that tree ever place．）Should that tree ever
fall，they＇d eventually find me curled in a squirrel＇s nest with pinè cones up to my ears．
The ill wind blew some good This morning，for the first time in months，there is water in the little river that runs by my house．It covers the ugly nubs of trees that lay exposed summer，and the grass that was actually growing on the
mucky river bottom． mucky river bottom．The wate
name fall．Tlove its apt
tion it． tion it．I like its cool rains，lik
the one today which the one today，which hasten their trees
And the best thing about fall，
for my money is season of thanksgiving，the time of year when we actually
remember to be grateful for the remember to be grateful for the
roof above our head，the trees roof above our head，the trees
above the roof，and storm win－ above the roof，and storm win
dows between us and the cold Thanksgiving should be an
entire season，not a day not entire season，not a day，not
just a turkey feast with dozing just a turkey feast with dozing
uncles and congealed salads． the fast－passing year has． been one of the best of my life due to health and hearth and
hundreds of other gifts．I slept hundreds of other gifts．I slept
in William Faulkner＇s bed one moonlit night，and saw at leas three states from Rock City I I sat for a few still moments in
pew in＇the abandoned church pew in the abandoned church where Alice Walker grew up
and I＇walked the beach at Sapeld Island for the first
ever． How good can life get？
I＇m thankful for catching th first horse race of the season in Hot Springs，Ark．，and Louisiana＇s first bacchanalia
the year，the Cameron Fur Festival．
I managed to spend，a memo rable night in the swell
Jefferson Hotel in Richmond and another in a funky run－ down cabin at Holly Beach，L

At the Jefferson they loan you
a robe thicksand white as a Montana snowdrift，and at Holly Beach they suggest you
turn on one burner of the gas stove for heat． I＇m not really sure which night was better
I ate shrimp hors d＇oeuvres where that＂Midnight＂book＇s Danny，Hansford once rented a room，had half a can of Vienna sausage on Sapelo and a meal
to die for at Social Circle＇s Blue Willow Inn．
I was fortunate to talk to a former front－line medic from said giving up smoking at age 65 got him to 103 ． There＇s been loss to deal with this year．A newspaper giant， column．Birder Anselm Atkins heard his last thrush．I am thankful to have learned from both of them．
I＇m indebted
Hutcheson，who leaves ho canned turnip greens on my－ kitchen table，and Dave Haffly， who deposits kind e－mail in $m$ I＇m glad to have found，final－ ly，a copy of the Pointer Sisters
singing＂Fairytale＂， singing＂Fairytale，＂and a new
paperback version of＂Crossing Blood．＂ I＇m thankful Ken Starr has made a career move．
And that Newt，busy And that Newt，busy with his own love life，has stopped ask－ ing f
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field goal．
Troy and I＇ve seen how he deals with adversity，＂said Garrett， who was 13 －ot－23 for 199 yards
and two touchdowns with no interceptions．＂You have to keep going out there and doing
your job，just keep playing．＂ your job，just keep playing． Nov． 5,1989 ，that Dallas played
without its Bi without its Big Three．The
Cowboys beat Washington 13－3 Cowboys beat Washington 13－3
for their only victory that sea－ son．So，even though it took 10
years．Dallas has a two－game years，Dallas has a two－game
winning streak without winning streak wit
Aikman，Smith and Irvin． ＂It＇s really a special day to win when three of the best play－
ers to ever play their positions in the NFL are standing on the sidelines in T－shirt
caps，＂Garrett said．
caps，＂Garrett said．
Elsewhere，it was Arizona 23，
Detroit 19；St．Louis 35，
Elsewhere，it was Arizona 23，
Detroit 19；St．Louis 35，
Carolina 10；Philadelphis 35； Cerolina 10；Philadelphia 35，
Washington 28；Indianapolis 27， The New York Giants 19；Buffalo
23，Miami 3 ；Minnesota 27． 23，Miami 3；Minnesota 27， Chicago 24 in overtime；Tampa
Bay 17，Kansas City 10；Seattle 20，Denver 17；Oakliand 28，Sa
Diego 9；Jacksonvilie $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Diego } \\ \text { Baltimore } & 3 ; \text { Tennessee } \\ \text { Cincinati } & \text { 24；} \\ \text { 2 }\end{array}$ Cincinnati 14；Cleveland 16， 24，Nan Francisco 6．
New England hosts the New York Jets tonight．
The Packers
dropped three straight and four
of five to fall below• of five to fall below： 500 in the
second half of a season for the first time since 1994.

A big reason is an offense
that＇s scored just three touch－ downs in 12 quarters．Brett Favre again made things inter－
esting in the final minutes，but Cowboys safety George Teague intercepted a pass on the side－
line and coasted 95 yards for a line and coa
touchdown．
＂If we＇re not mad，there＇s
something wrong with this If we＇re not mad，there＇s
something wrong with this
locker room，＂Green locker room，＂＇Green Bay
receiver Antonio Freeman said receiver Antonio Freeman said．
＂We＇ve got to find out among ourselves，man to man，what＇s going wrong and fix it．＂ Fair or not，first－year coach
Ray Rhodes and offensive coor－ dinator Sherm Lewis，who is calling plays for the first time，
have taken much of the heat． have taken much of the heat． ＂Fannie＇s profootball，not Aunt Fannie＇s playground league，
general manager Ron Wolf said． Certainly ff＇s easy to pofint fin－ gers．But at sonne ppotht you
have to be accountable for your－ self in your profession． ＂This is the same team we＇ve had for eight years．To say peo－ ple haven＇t bought into the sys－
tem is asinine．It＇s the same damn system．The problem is
with our depth and that＇s my fault．But with the cap，there＇s no way to get depth．I＇m expect－
ing somebody to come forward ing somebody to come fore
and make some plays．＂
Eagles 35，Redskins 28
Washington stumbled be Washington stumbled because
 Johnson lost two fumbles and was intercepted three times，off－
setting Stephen Davis＇ 128 yards rushing and two scores． Eric Bienemy got the decisive
touchdown on an with $3: 17$ left．Duce 11 yard run with $3: 17$ left．Duce Staley
rushed for 122 yards and a
touchdown，and Allen Rossum had an 89，yard TD on a punt
return and an 86 yard kickoff had an 89．
return an
return．
Colts 27，Giants 19
The league＇s top passing duo
showed of at Giants showed of at Giants Stadium．
Peyton Manning hit Marvin Harrison on touchdown passes of 19 and 57 yards and Terrence Wilkins scored on a 39 yard punt return as the Colts won es their longest streak since moving from Baltimore in 1984.
The Colts also forced four Turnovers．
Bills 23，Dolphins 3
Buffalo rarely has been so
stingy and Miami rarely stingy and Miami rarely has
been so unproductive．The Bills been so unproductive．The Bills
allowed the Dolphins only 101 allowed the Dolphins only 101
yards－Buffalo＇s third－best defensive performance in histo－ ry，and Miami＇s second－worst
offensive output ever． Steve Christie kicked field
Ster goals of 31,48 and 47 yards into the wind，and Antowain Smith rushed for a season－high 126
yards，the first back to rush for mards，than 100 yards against the Dolphins this season．
Rams 35，Panthers 10
Atter a two－game road slide After a two－game road slide，
the Rams（7－2）got back on track as Kurt Warner threw for two
TDs，giving him a league－high TDs，giving him a league－hig
26．The defense also made bi plays，with Todd Lyght going
yards for a TD with an inter－
ception and Mike Jones return ception and Mike Jones return－
ing a fumble 37 yards to score．

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Cincinnati moves to No． 1 in hoops poll

The Bearcats，who open the ：Stanford，which won the
season Saturday against
Coacher vs．Cancer Classic whith $\begin{aligned} & \text { Seasongstown State，received } 25 \\ & \text { Yound－place votes and } 1,605 \\ & \text { firstories over Duke and }\end{aligned}$
moved up four spots to No． 9 a， from the national media panels．
Michigan State had one less Mirst－place vote and had one less
22 more than points， 22 more than Auburn，which
was No． 1 on eight ballots． Ohio State had seven first－
place votes and was followed by North Carolina，Temple，
Florida，Connecticut，Stanfor Florida，Connecticut，Stanford
and Arizona． Temple had t Temple had two No． 1 votes，
while North Carolina；Florida and Stanford had one，each．Of votes，only Stanford has played
a game． a game． Cincinnati was No． 1 in the
1996－97 preseason poll and for the first two regular－season
polls，That was the first the Bearcats had been No． 1 since
the 1962.63 season when they the 1962.63 season when they
were coming off consecutive
national championshis Duke，which lost to
Connecticut in the third－place gane and started a season $0-2$ game and started a season 0－2
for the first time since 1958－59， dropped from No． 10 to No．18， ending the longest current run
of consecutive polls in the Top Ten at 43 ．
first－place votes and 1,719 points broadcasters on the AP panel． Saturday． The Associated press An early tournament of upsets
moved Cincinnati to No． 1 today in the first Associated Press
poll of the regular season the poll of the regular season，the
Bearcats＇second time on top in
four seasons four seasons．
The Coach The Caches vs．Cancer Classic，saw preseason No． 1
Connecticut lose once and No． Connecticut lose once and No．
10 Duke fall twice and caused a bit of a shakeup despite just two other ranked teams playing last
week． Cincinnati，No． 2 in the pre－
season pol，led seven teams
that moved up one place in the voting as Connecticut dropped voting as Connecticut dropped votes，
to No． 8 a game
lege football teams lose on the same day，figure on a bunch of
changes in The Associated
Press＇ A bunch？
Other than Florida State and
Virginia Tech remaining $1-2$ for the second week in a row，every
other other team in this week＇s poll
either has a different ranking
or is back after an absence． or is back after an absence．
Let＇s start near the top：
Tennessee（7－2）tumbled four ．

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 Woman's cool confidence trumps man's crassness

## DEAR ABBY: I reeently who would remind someone attended an Indian Head Start that she (or he) is fat, thin,

 $\begin{array}{lll}\text { attended an Indian Head Start } & \text { that she (or he) is fat, thin, } \\ \text { Directors. conference in } & \text { short or tall are either woefully } \\ \text { Dashington, D.C., where I met } & \text { ignorant or brutally insensi- }\end{array}$ $\begin{aligned} & \text { Na amazing woman. } \\ & \text { This lady and I wereiriding a } \\ & \text { tive, and possibly both. And } \\ & \text { after reading your letter, I'm }\end{aligned}$city bus taking in the sights
sure there will be more people $\begin{array}{ll}\begin{array}{ll}\text { city bus, taking in the sights, } \\ \text { as neither of us was able to } \\ \text { walk for long }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { sure there will be more people } \\ \text { applauding Brenda's stance } \\ \text { than her fellow passengers on }\end{array}\end{array}$ walk for long
periods of


DEAR ABBY: You remi-
nisced in a recent column that nisced in a recent column that
we used to be more tolerant of each other. A reader, Irma
Barragan, pointed out that we
really were not all that tolerant - and the "good old days" were not all that good for everyone. I feel you co
her point far too easily.
What has changed What has changed, regret ways, we certainly were not as
tolerant then as we are now After all, we have made some
important progress since, say important progress since, say
1964.) But we were headed
deliberately in the direction deliberately in the direction of
tolerance of integration into "good old days," when we believed that it would - and
SHOULD - disappear with No more. As a country, we no
onger aspire to be a melting longer aspire to be a melting a patchwork of separate cu tions with everyone else: a I once heard a politician
define himself as a "paleo-liberdefine himself as a "paleo-liber-
al" because he still believes in
integration, not multicultural integration, not multicultural ism. That's me: one of the melt
ing pot liberals. Remember us MacAuSLAN, NASHUA,
warmly, too. As the daughter of immigrant parents whose fer
vent wish was to learn English and wish was to learn English those are the val
which I was raised.
 we may never meet again, ${ }^{\prime} 1$
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"Chances are they will as long as they're allowed to pray on that
old school bus.
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Broadcasting Co. debuted with Broadcasting Co. debuted with
a radio network of 24 stations. In 1939, President Roosevelt Jaid the cornerstone of the
Jefferson Memorial in In 1940 , the first 75,000 men were under peacetime conscripduty under peacetime conscrip
tion.
In 1966, the flight of Gemini 12 ended successfully as astronauts James A. Lovell and
Edw in "Buzz", Aldrin Jr.
splashed down, safely in the Atlantic.
In 1969, 250,000 protesters
. In 1969, 250,000 protesters
staged a peaceful demonstra-
tion in Washington against the Vietnam War.
In 1979, the British govern In 1979, the British govern-
ment publicly identified Sir man'" of a Soviet spy ring that included Guy Burgess, Donald
Maclean and Kim Philby. In 1982, funeral services were
held in Moscow's Red Square for Soviet President Leonid I. Brezhnev.
In 1985,
In 1985, Britain and Ireland
signed an accord giving Dublin an official consultative role in governing Northern Ireland.
leader Lech Walesa was cheered by American lawmak-
ers as he told a joint meeting of Congress that U.S. aid to Poland "will not be wasted, and
will never be forgotten." will never be forgotten."
Five years ago: The Federa
Reserve increased key interest rates by 0.75 percent, the largest hike in 13 years. The 18 -
member Asia-Pa ific Economic Cooperation group concluded a two-day summit in Indonesia by adopting a sweeping resolu-
tion to remove trade and investment barriers in the
region by 2020. One year ago: Kwame Ture,
the civil rights activist formerthe civil rights activist former-
ly known as Stokely
Carmichael, died in Guinea at age 57.
Today's Birthdays: Judge Joseph Wapner is 80. Former
White House Chief of Staff Howard H. Baker Jr. is 74.
Actor Ed Asner is 70 . Actor Whitman Mayo is 69 . Singer Petula Clark is 67. Comedian
Jack Burns is 66 . Actress Joanna Barnes is 65. Actor Sam Waterston is 59. Pop singer
Frida (ABBA) is 54 Singer Frida (ABBA) is 54. Singer
Janet Lennon (The Lennon Janet Lennon (The Lennon
Sisters) is 53 . Singer Alexander O'Neal is 46. Rock singer-producer Mitch Easter is 45 . Actress Beverly D'Angelo is 45 .
"Tonight Show" bandleader Kevin Eubanks is 42. Rapper E40 is 32. Rapper ODB (Wu Tang
Clan) is 31 . Country Clan) is 31 . Country singer Jack Ingram is 29 . Today: "T
Thought for oppose something is to main-
tain it." - Ursula K. LeGuin, American writer.


