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Readers invited to help locate heroes, characters

The Herald is encouraging its readers to participate in this year's Progress Edition, "Heroes and Characters of the Crossroads."

Specifically, we are looking for people who have made some type of impact on others in the Crossroads Area, through their kindness, wit, talent, determination or other traits.

If there is someone you consider to be a hero or a character, submit that person's name to the Herald in writing. Be sure and explain why you think he or she should be included in this special, four-section edition. Also include information so that we may get in touch with you, as well as the person's name you submit. The person you submit may be living or deceased.

The Herald will select individuals from those submitted to feature in the special edition, which will be published in late March.

All names must be submitted in writing no later than Feb. 18 and either brought to the Herald office at 710 Scurry or mailed to P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79721.

Weather classes scheduled in near future for our area

SKYWARN 2000 Spotter Training Classes by the National Weather Service are scheduled in the area in February and March.

All classes are free, begin at 7 p.m. and will last about two hours, with a short break.

Big Spring's class of is set for Feb. 15 in Howard College's East Room of the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

On Feb. 29, Stanton's class will be in the community center. Gall has a class scheduled March 6 for the community room, and Garden City will have a class March 14 in the school cafeteria.

For more information contact George Mathews, warning coordination meteorologist at 915-563-5006, ext. 223.

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Boy Scouts to hold 'Good Turn Food Drive' Saturday in Big Spring

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

Howard County has an opportunity Saturday to feed those less fortunate while shaping young character when Boy Scouts of the Lone Star District seek donations for an annual food drive.

"We do this every year, in conjunction with Boy Scout Sunday. We're asking people to place nonperishable food items in sacks on their front porch, and Boy Scouts will come by

and collect the goods," said Clem Jones, project coordinator for the boy scouts.

More than 125 boys and 50 leaders from Big Spring, Coahoma and Forsan will spread out across the county to collect food items left on front porches. All the donated food will be given to the Salvation Army.

"We once did this in November, to help with the Christmas food baskets. But then so many other organizations began having food drives

HOW TO HELP

Take a plastic or paper bag, fill it with canned goods or other non-perishable foods, and set it outside in a place visible from the street Saturday morning by 9 a.m.

at that time, so decided to move ours to the first Saturday in February, which is Boy Scout Sunday," Jones said.

Boy Scout Sunday is an oppor-

tunity for scouts to recognize their 80-plus year history by wearing their uniforms to church and other special events on Sunday, he said.

"For those scouts whose troop is sponsored by a church, the boys will be wearing their uniform to church," Jones said.

The food drive helps stock the food pantry at the Salvation Army, and all food collected in the drive will be taken to the corps.

"The Salvation Army has a great demand on their

resources during Thanksgiving and Christmas, and this will help restock their pantry so they can continue helping people all year long," he said.

Equally important in the event is the opportunity for the boys to learn team effort and the importance of supporting their community, he said.

"This also provides the boys with an opportunity to learn the value of helping others. This is not for a badge, but the project

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Chuck Taylor, a medical technician with United Blood Services of San Angelo, draws blood from Pam Hultt of Forsan. The drive was successful, with some donors waiting up to an hour to give blood.

Thursday's blood drive said successful; another scheduled in Big Spring Monday

By BILL MCCLELLAN
News Editor

Thursday's blood drive was a success, according to United Blood Services representatives, who have scheduled another drive Monday.

"We saw 28 people and drew

26 units. Our goal was 23, so we did very well," said Gary Karschner, community relations representative for UBS.

"We appreciate the response." UBS will be at Best Home Care on Birdwell and FM 700 on Monday from 3 p.m. until 6 p.m., according to Karschner.

To schedule an appointment, call 1-800-750-3851.

Donors must be at least 17 years old, weigh more than 110 pounds and be in good health. Those who donate should bring proof of identification and know the names of any medication they have taken in the past 30 days.

Karschner said United Blood Services is constantly looking for donors, and in particular, groups of donors.

"We like to get businesses, churches, service organizations interested. Where there is an interest, we will be there," Karschner said. "It's a good Scouting project, too."

Karschner said he hopes to be able to bring the "Be A Hero" program to local schools.

"We go into the elementary schools and talk about the heart and blood, the elements of blood, so the kids have an understanding of what this is all about, other than the wives' tales and fears," he said. "The hope is that kids would say something to their parents. Normally, we would present this on a Tuesday, and on Friday have a blood drive at the school. We also stress to the kids that people who don't give blood are good people, too."

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Chuck Taylor was busy Thursday at the Wal-Mart parking lot drawing blood. Wanda Johnson was one of 26 who donated. United Blood Services had set a goal of 23 units.

Job rate

Unemployment on downward trend as rate hits 5.1 percent for Howard County, TEC says

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

Unemployment figures for December remain on the decline locally, as Howard County reports a 5.1 percent rate, according to the Texas Employment Commission.

"In the past few years we have seen a great improvement in our labor force and we have a lot of employer satisfaction with their employees," said Virginia Belew, area manager of the Texas Workforce center in Big Spring.

Belew said unemployment in Big Spring continues to decline, down from 5.3 in November and 5.2 in December of 1999. The additional 400 jobs created by StarTek USA in December helped offset the layoffs the country experienced with Signal Homes and Walls Industries closing, she said.

Belew projects further declines in January and February unemployment fig-



BELEW

ures for Howard County, as StarTek continues to hire. Solitaire Homes adds another 175 employees, and the VA home construction uses local labor.

"This should improve with all these projects, and I believe we will continue to see it improve," she said.

Statewide figures, which indicate that 247,100 jobs have been added to the Texas economy, reflect that December 1999 had the lowest unemployment rate for that month since December 1979.

In Howard County, 14,216 persons are employed, while 758 remain out of work, according to the data released by the commission.

In area counties, Andrews reports 5,232 people working, with 370 unemployed, for a 6.6 percent unemployment rate. Borden County has a 2.7 percent unemployment rate, with 401 persons working and 11 not working.

Crane County has a 6.1 percent unemployment rate, with 2,190 workers and 143 unemployed. Dawson County reports a 5.1 unemployment rate, with 5,713 workers and 309 unem-

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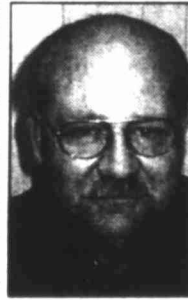
Valid license plates required on front and rear of vehicles

By CARL GRAHAM
Staff Writer

There's nothing wrong with a little spirit but did you realize that if you are driving with a Confederate flag, political message or university logo instead of a valid Texas license plate, you are committing a misdemeanor?

The offense of "operation of a motor vehicle without a valid license plate or registration" is punishable by a fine of up to \$200.

According to Department of Public Service Senior Trooper Jim Lasater of Big Spring, the law has not been enforced to a great extent on the local level.



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"For the most part we don't enforce the two-tag rule," said Lasater. "Now if we pull someone over and we give them a warning and they tell us flat out that they have no intention of replacing their 'trendy' tag for a valid one, then we may have a problem. Actually the best way to avoid getting a ticket is just to have both plates."

Testing the limits of that law recently in Austin was one Travis County clerk who reportedly gave a county resident correct information about the two-plate requirement, only to fall short of the requirement by offering another car registration applicant a one-plate-or-two option for his car. The second driver only took one and now faces the possibility of a traffic citation.

Another example, however,

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School districts trying to address substitute teacher shortage

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

While the job market in Big Spring has continued to grow, with more than 600 people employed through the combined efforts of Star-Tek USA and Solitaire Homes, an unexpected downside has occurred as well.

Big Spring Independent School District is in need of substitute teachers.

"I believe this is an economic indicator that our local economy is doing well. People are working, which is good for our community, but it has generated a lower substitute list as many of our subs are going from part time work to full time work," said Murray Murphy,



MURPHY KINGSTON

deputy superintendent for BSISD.

Murphy said that generally, the substitute teacher list averages about 135 people who may be selected to substitute daily in the classroom for any one of 350 professional teachers.

But this spring, the list has declined to 86 teachers.

"I'm taking people off the list every week. I pulled 15 names off the list just this month, and that's not usual," said Shirley Matthews, executive assistant to Murphy.

Matthews is responsible for maintaining the substitute list, which is distributed to all principals within BSISD. Those principals are then required to locate a substitute on their campus when the need arises.

"With 350 professional people on staff, we can easily expect to have 15 or 20 out every day due to illness. And as we head into the spring sports season, and UIL competitions, we'll have even greater need for substitutes when these teachers and students attend events,"

Murphy said.

Dr. Bill Kingston, Coahoma superintendent, said University Interscholastic League competition does create hardships in locating substitutes for the classroom when the sponsoring teachers are away.

"That is always a difficult time to find good, quality people to substitute in the classroom. And we have an additional problem in that we often hire those people on our substitute list whenever we have a job opening, because they have proven themselves and we are familiar with their quality of work," Kingston said.

While daily salaries for substitutes vary slightly between districts, all the requirements

for acceptance as a substitute teacher include a criminal background check.

Matthews said a fee of \$10 for the background check is charged each substitute each year.

Other requirements at Coahoma are that the person be a high school graduate with preferably some college. Big Spring requires all substitute teachers to have 45 college hours.

"But we are flexible. This is part of the educational process that the public doesn't hardly think about. In the spring we have a lot of professional leave absences, and can expect up to

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OBITUARIES

Eula Mae Hedges

Funeral service for Eula Mae "Gran" Hedges, 90, Midland, formerly of Big Spring, will be 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 5, 2000, at the Ellis Funeral Home, Midland, with the Rev. Matt Hedges officiating. Burial will follow in Resthaven Memorial Park.

Mrs. Hedges died Feb. 3. She was born on Feb. 1, 1910, in Maverick, and was brought up in Runnels County. She married Charles B. Hedges in Midland on Oct. 17, 1927. He preceded her in death in February of 1991. She assisted Mr. Hedges in his ministry at Trinity Baptist Church, which later became Cuthbert Baptist Church. In 1970, they moved to Big Spring. She was a member of the Birdwell Lane Baptist Church. She returned to Midland in 1998.

Survivors include: a son, Marvin Hedges of Midland; three brothers, Preston Stegall of Midland, J.D. Stegall of San Angelo, and E.M. Stegall Jr. of Miles; two sisters, Ruby Lee Duffie of Lubbock, and Alice Hedges of Big Spring; 16 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home, Midland.

Aubrey Wayne Walker

Funeral service for Aubrey Wayne Walker, 66, Big Spring, will be 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 5, 2000, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Eddie Tubbs, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.



Mr. Walker died Thursday, Feb. 3, in a local hospital. He was born on Oct. 5, 1933, in Clay County. He married Anna Marie Dalton on April 14, 1960, in Denton. Mr. Walker was formerly of Wichita Falls and had resided in Big Spring since 1968. He retired as an area supervisor for A-Tx Gas Company. He loved fishing and golfing. He was a member of First Baptist Church and a member of the Chapel Sunday School Class.

Survivors include: his wife, Anna Walker of Big Spring; three sisters, Melba Vincent, Murlene Mowery and Laverne Moore, all of Saginaw; and three brothers, Dwight Walker of Fort Worth, Weldon Walker of Euless and Doug Walker of Henrietta.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

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

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SCOUTS

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really helps the boys realize ways they can help those people less fortunate," Jones said.

The scouts will begin about 9 a.m., and Jones said he anticipates the event will conclude around 1 p.m. For those who are missed, or who wish to drop off their nonperishable food donation, Jones said a trailer will be available in the parking lot near the Boy Scout Center, near the intersection of Seventh and Scurry.

"I get maps from the chamber of commerce, and section areas of town off. Then I give those maps to the units, who cover the whole town in one swoop," Jones said.

JOBS

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Ector County has a 7.2 percent unemployment rate, with a workforce of 57,907 and 4,500 people unemployed. Glasscock County has 720 people in the work place, with an unemployment rate of 2.2 percent reflecting those 16 individuals not working.

Lubbock County has 123,413 people working, with a 2.3 percent unemployment rate of 2,930 individuals. Martin County has a 6.3 percent unemployment rate, with 1,559 workers and 105 unemployed.

Midland County has 59,939 employed persons, with a 5.2 percent unemployment rate for the 3,317 people who do not have jobs. Mitchell County has a 4.4 percent unemployment rate, with 6,888 workers and 155 unemployed.

Nolan County has 7,153 people working, with 343 not, for a 4.6 percent unemployment rate. Pecos County has 446 unemployed people, with 5,978 in the workforce, for an unemployment rate of 6.9 percent.

Reagan County has a 4.3 percent unemployment rate, with 1,878 workers and 85 unemployed. Reeves County has a 12.3 percent unemployment rate, with 5,360 workers and 751 unemployed.

Scurry County has a 4.5 percent unemployment rate, with 8,293 workers and 388 unemployed. Taylor County has 60,616 people in the workforce, with a 3.4 percent unemployment rate reflecting the 2,107 people unemployed.

Tom Green County has 51,201 people working, while 1,675 remain unemployed, giving the county a 3.2 percent unemployment rate.

Ward County has an 8 percent unemployment rate, with 4,479 workers and 388 unemployed. And Winkler County has a 7 percent unemployment rate, with 2,973 people working and 224 unemployed.

PLATES

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is an Austin curio shop that has started selling a dozen varieties of Texas-themed plates, all stamped "not for official use."

Among the choices of trendy placards around Texas are the Confederate flag theme, "Don't Mess With Texas" and "GWBUSH for President" proclamations. There are also plates touting the University of Texas, Texas Tech, and Texas A&M, to name only a few.

"Enforcing the two-tag law is not one of our main priorities," said Roger Sweatt, public information officer for the Big Spring Police Department. "We just have too many other things more important for us to concentrate on than concerning ourselves with enforcing the two-tag law."

Repeated efforts have been made to change the law. State legislation to end the two-plate requirement has been introduced, and shot down, in each session since 1995.

Among those who oppose any plate law changes are law officers themselves, who sometimes rely upon security cameras pointed at the front bumpers to help identify vehicles. One of the best reasons that law enforcement favors the two-plates is they are able to identify a vehicle either coming or going.

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TEACHERS

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40 a day some days," Murphy said.

BSISD offers \$83 per day for those people with college degrees who lack teacher certification, while Coahoma pays \$55.

For individuals employed by BSISD who meet the 45-hour college requirement but have not finished college, the salary is \$50 per day for the first five consecutive days, then \$55 thereafter. Coahoma pays \$40 for non-degree substitutes.

"This is a large budget item every year. We've got about \$180,000 budgeted for substitute salaries," Murphy said.

He has discussed with district employees the need to increase the salary of substitutes, and he anticipates that item to be on the agenda during the budget workshops this summer, he said.

A person who is accepted to the substitute list might expect to work every day for a district, he said.

"This is a great full-time, part-time job for those who enjoy the work. Substitutes set their own schedule and we accommodate that. They may elect to work just Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, for instance. But it is hard work and to never know where you may be going the next day could add stress," Murphy said.

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dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. All seniors invited.

SATURDAY

•Dance, 8:30 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third. Members and guests welcome.

•Big Spring Squares call 267-7043 or 263-6305 for more information.

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"The other reason for doing this is to get the students interested. They are our future, our donor base. It is imperative that when they grow up, they understand the importance of giving blood," Karschner said.

He wants to target the high school as well.

"We go to the high school and basically say 'you are adults now, and adults have responsibilities. You have to pay something back.' People in their late 30s to late 40s are the ones who predominately give blood right now. They are getting older. If we don't get some of the X and Y Generation interested, we are going to be in trouble in a few years," he said.

Karschner said the school programs have gone over well in some areas.

"We've had a tremendous response in some places. The kids have fun and get a science lesson in the process. And the parents have really gotten behind it," he said.

Businesses or groups interested in holding a blood drive are invited to call United Blood Services at 1-800-756-0024.

BRIEFS

THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED PERSONS (AARP) 55 Alive/Mature Driving Course will be offered Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 8-9 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Spring City Senior Center. The course includes a one-hour lunch break.

There are no tests or exams in this special course for senior citizens, which deals with safe driving techniques. Attendees will receive a certificate enti-

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Ladies... do you like to sing? Sweet Adelines is having a membership drive. Join us Monday evenings at 6:30 p.m. at Memorial Christian Church, 1001 Andrews Hwy. in Midland. 694-0857 or 362-0814

BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

ting them to a 10 percent discount in auto insurance rates for three years. The course is designed to improve the driving skills of anyone 50 and older, whether they belong to AARP or not.

Both sessions must be attended to receive credit. Tuition is \$10 which includes the cost of a workbook students can keep.

Reserve a spot in the class by calling 267-1628, the senior center.

SUPPORT GROUPS

FRIDAY

•Turning Point A.A., 8-9:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad. Open to all substance abusers.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. Big Book Study.

•Al-Anon support group, noon, 615 Settles.

SATURDAY

•Alzheimer's Association Support Group, second Saturday of the month, Carriage Inn Retirement Center, 501 W. 17th, 10 a.m.

•Family support group for current and former patients and their families, 1 p.m. weekly, Reflections Unit of Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Call Beverly Grant, 263-0074.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon, 8 p.m., 10 p.m. open meetings, 615 Settles.

•"So I Forget," Attention Deficit Disorder support group for individuals and couples, first Saturday of the month from 9 to 10:30 a.m., Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas, Inc., Midland. Call the center at (915) 563-4144 or 1-800-329-4144. Cost is \$15.

•West Texans Living with Chronic Fatigue & Immune Dysfunction Syndrome/Fibromyalgia, 1-3 p.m., on different Saturdays of the month, HealthSouth facility at Hwy. 191 and Loop 250, Midland. Call Joann Carney, (915) 686-7977, or Marsha Brunet, (915) 337-4829 to get the correct meeting date.

Pedestrian struck by car on Gregg Thursday

The Big Spring Police Department received a call at approximately 6:12 p.m. Thursday reporting a car/pedestrian accident.

According to Sgt. Roger Sweatt, public information officer, 55-year-old Rafael Lopez of Big Spring was crossing the street at Fourth and Gregg when he was struck by a 1996 Mercury, driven by 77-year-old Mary Saldavar also of Big Spring. Saldavar was headed east on Fourth Street when Lopez, crossing against traffic, stepped out in front of her car, reports said.

Lopez was transported by ambulance to Scenic Mountain Medical Center and was later taken by helicopter to University Medical Center in Lubbock.

According to Kim Davis, public information director for UMC, Lopez is listed in serious but stable condition this morning.

Scenic Mountain Medical Center 1601 W. 11th Place 263-1211

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MARKETS

March cotton 55.99, down 10 points; Feb. crude 28.02, down 1 point; cash hogs at 41 even; cash steers steady at 70 even; Feb. lean hog futures 57.75, up 22 points; Feb. live cattle futures 70.97, up 25 points.

courtesy: Delta Corporation.

Noon quotes provided by Edward Jones & Co.

Table of market prices for various stocks and commodities including ATT, Atlantic Richfield, BP Amoco, Chevron, Cifra, Compaq Computer, etc.

POLICE

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

•MICHAEL BOREL, 24, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

•MARVIN DIAGLE, 31, was arrested on a charge of Class C assault/family violence.

•URBY BRISTOW, 78, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

•BRENDA PEREZ, 25, was arrested on a local warrant.

•ASSAULT/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in the 1400 block of Park.

•FORGERY was reported in the 2600 block of Gregg.

•DISTURBANCE/FIGHT was reported in the 2500 block of Gunter.

•ASSAULT BY THREAT was reported in the 700 block of Ohio.

•THEFT was reported in the 500 block of E. 19th.

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriffs Office reported the following activities from 8 a.m. Wednesday through 8 a.m. today:

•REBA FURLONG, 68, was arrested on a charge of forgery/theft (over \$20,000/less than \$100,000).

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RECORDS

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Republican strategists rethinking Bush campaign

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republican strategists, elected officials, fund-raisers and other early backers of George W. Bush are nervously sifting through his stunning defeat in New Hampshire and demanding a change in tactics from their troubled front-runner.

The GOP establishment, heavily invested in the Texas governor's success, has a case of the jitters.

"You've got to believe it is hard to get through to the '20' exchange today because the lines are buzzing about this in Washington," said Nelson Warfield, former press secretary for 1996 nominee Bob Dole.

"I'm bleeding for the guy right now," said Rich Bond, who was an operative for the candidate's father, former President Bush. "Most professionals will tell you Bush will prevail," he said, but the shock of an 18-point loss "should give

one who cares about politics and, in my case, George W. Bush, great pause."

With McCain passing up Delaware's primary next week, South Carolina's Feb. 19 contest has become critical for both men. Bush's formidable lead in state polls evaporated overnight with the news of his New Hampshire finish, according to two sets of South Carolina surveys released Thursday.

"The prop-wash of defeat is going to be around for a while," Bush told reporters Thursday, adding a thought for the second-guessers: "Tell them to hold their breath because they've got somebody who's about to win the Republican nomination."

Interviews with more than a dozen GOP leaders across the country, most of whom support Bush, underscored the party establishment's strong belief

that the Texan eventually will win the nomination, given his formidable resources and lead in most national and state polls.

Yet several troubling themes kept cropping up:

— The sense of inevitability that cloaked Bush's candidacy is in tatters. "I think if his odds were 20 to 1 before New Hampshire, they're probably 10 to 1 now," said Bush fund-raiser Ted Welch.

"He needs to pull things together, and he will."

— He must be more critical of McCain. "Bush is going to have to get up and fight," said Rep. John Kasich of Ohio, who dropped out of the presidential race in July and endorsed the Texas governor.

— He must convince voters that he is prepared to be president.

"I think that Governor Bush has really got to bone up on a

tremendous number of issues," said Sen. Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania, who has not endorsed a candidate but said the Bush team suffers from "an inevitable sense of complacency." Exit polls show that one-third of New Hampshire Republican voters did not think Bush had the knowledge needed to serve effectively.

He needs to be more spontaneous, because McCain shines by comparison. "I think he was overhanded and overscripted," said New Hampshire GOP chairman Steve Duprey.

Endorsements don't always help, and maybe hurt. McCain's staff and some Bush advisers believe the father's backing of "this boy" diminished the candidate in the eyes of New Hampshire voters. "The endorsement strategy needs to be shelved," said Scott Reed, Dole's 1996 campaign manager who is not tied to a campaign.

Father plans to appeal sixth-grader's suspension

LOCKNEY (AP) — Larry Tannahill plans to meet with the superintendent of Lockney Independent School District this morning to appeal his 12-year-old son's punishment for refusing to take a mandatory drug test that the district required of all students as part of a new drug policy.

Brady Tannahill, a sixth-grader at Lockney Junior High School, was the only drug-testing holdout of the 400 students in grades 6 through 12 in this small farming community. Students in Lockney were required to return a parental consent form to the school by Monday. Urine tests were conducted on students and teachers throughout the week.

On Thursday, Lockney Superintendent Raymond Lusk informed the elder Tannahill that he would have 72 hours to appeal his son's punishment for refusing the test, which is the same as someone who had tested positive for drugs: a 21-day suspension from extracurricular activities, at least three days' in-school suspension and three sessions of substance-abuse counseling.

Brady will also be required to take a monthly drug test for a year.

Each time he refuses, it will be considered a repeat offense, and the punishment escalates.

"It will be done first thing in the morning," Tannahill said Thursday of the appeal. "Brady will go to classes as usual until the appeal process is over. ... His academics come first and if they are going to leave him alone, he needs to stay in there

and keep learning."

Lusk said the school had no choice but to enforce its rules.

"If the school determines this is what we think we need to do to provide an optimum education, then that is what we need to do," he said.

Tannahill says the policy might be what keeps his son from a public education.

"My son is an A and B student," Tannahill said, standing outside the rural Lutheran church he attends amid miles of farmland stretching as far as the eye can see.

"He's never been in trouble, and right now they are saying he's guilty."

Lusk said the community supports the policy, which had been discussed since 1997 when 13 people in the town of 2,234 were indicted on charges of distributing and using cocaine and marijuana. He said the school board decided after a series of community meetings to require tests of everyone, because it seemed unfair to single out students enrolled in extracurricular activities.

"I think it's an excellent policy," said Bobby Hall, a business professor at Wayland Baptist University in Plainview who has a daughter who attends school in Lockney. "I for one would like to know if my children were involved in drugs because it gives you a chance for intervention."

Lockney is the second school in the area to implement a mandatory drug testing policy. School officials in Sundown, about 75 miles to the southwest, say their policy is effective.

Councilman Lipscomb quits; supporters rally around

DALLAS (AP) — Supporters of longtime civil rights leader Al Lipscomb say they will stick by the convicted felon, who resigned Thursday from the Dallas City Council.

More than 100 of Lipscomb's supporters surrounded him, chanting "We Love Al," as he announced he would leave the public office he had held for all but two of the past 16 years.

An Amarillo jury convicted Lipscomb last week of 65 counts of conspiracy and bribery. Prosecutors said that over a period of several years he accepted monthly payments of

\$1,000 cash and other gifts from Yellow Cab Co. owner Floyd Richards in exchange for voting in the company's favor on tax-related issues.

Lipscomb, who maintains his innocence and vows to appeal the verdict to the U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeals, was hoping to remain on the council. He stepped down, his attorney said, because, otherwise, he risked being jailed pending his April 10 sentencing.

Lipscomb ally Roy Williams said he believes justice was not served by U.S. District Judge Joe Kendall moving Lipscomb's

trial to Amarillo.

"We cannot let a federal judge become God, prosecutor and jury," Williams said.

"I don't trust the 5th Circuit, but if it reaches the Supreme Court, we will see a reversal of the outcome we had up in Amarillo."

Kendall has said he changed the venue because of pretrial publicity and Lipscomb's prominence in the Dallas black community.

Lipscomb faces up to 645 years in prison and a maximum fine of \$16.2 million.

Assistant U.S. Attorney

Michael Uhl said Lipscomb's resignation was proper because public trust in the city would be tainted if a convicted felon remained on the council.

"I am pleased that Lipscomb has decided, apparently after strong urging from his attorneys, to finally put the interest of his constituents and the city before his personal interests," Uhl said.

Lipscomb's lawyers had urged the 74-year-old to resign, fearing Kendall would jail him before his April 10 sentencing. The judge has set a detention hearing for Tuesday.

Tarzan T-shirt nixed at elementary school

ABILENE (AP) — An Abilene fifth-grader was told by his mother that if he brought his grades up, she'd buy him a Tarzan T-shirt.

Saul Solis did improve his grades, and Amelia Solis lived up to her side of the bargain. But now, he can't wear it at school.

Alan Lockett, principal of Reagan Elementary School, banned the shirt, saying other students were making inappropriate comments about the character in a loin cloth.

"Each principal simply makes that judgment... as consistently and impartially as possible," Abilene superintendent Charles Hundley said.

Clinton administration wants black-tailed prairie dog protected

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration said the black-tailed prairie dog warrants protection as a threatened species but stopped short Thursday of imposing politically controversial restrictions on developers and ranchers while states work on ways to preserve the rodent.

A pest to many but a beloved critter to others, the prairie dog will be added to a list of candidates for threatened status under the Endangered Species Act and its status will be reviewed annually.

But the Fish and Wildlife Service said it is dealing with too many other plants and wildlife that are in more danger, such as the lynx and mountain plover, to take on protect-

ing the prairie dog.

"The black-tailed prairie dog is a very resilient species. It's handled a lot over the years," said Pete Gober, an agency biologist who led a yearlong study of the prairie dog. "Hopefully we'll be able to work with those states to avoid the necessity of listing the species."

Colonies of prairie dogs, so named because of the barking sound that they make, once were found on as many as 100 million acres from Canada to Mexico, but the animal has been decimated by disease, eradication programs and urban sprawl.

Biologists don't know how many prairie dogs there are but say their habitat has been reduced to about a million

acres.

Eight Western states — Arizona, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas and Wyoming — have agreed to come up with a plan by next year for monitoring and protecting the animal.

Colorado, where the prairie dog is particularly controversial, and North Dakota are considering their own plans.

The Fish and Wildlife Service's annual reviews will look at how the prairie dog is doing and whether it should be removed from the candidate list

or moved up in priority.

The agency has already proposed several species for listing as endangered or threatened in the region, including the lynx, mountain plover and Colorado butterfly plant. Endangered status means that a species is in danger of extinction; threatened status means it could become endangered.

The National Wildlife Federation, which had petitioned for listing of the black-tailed prairie dog, said it will work with the states on protection measures.

Among other things, the group wants states to classify the prairie dog as wildlife, not a pest.

"The decision sends an important signal from the federal government that the prairie dog's plight is dire and that serious changes must be made in the way we manage it," said Mark Van Patten, president of the organization.

The biggest threat to the prairie dog is a form of the bubonic plague that can wipe out entire colonies, the Fish and Wildlife Service study said.

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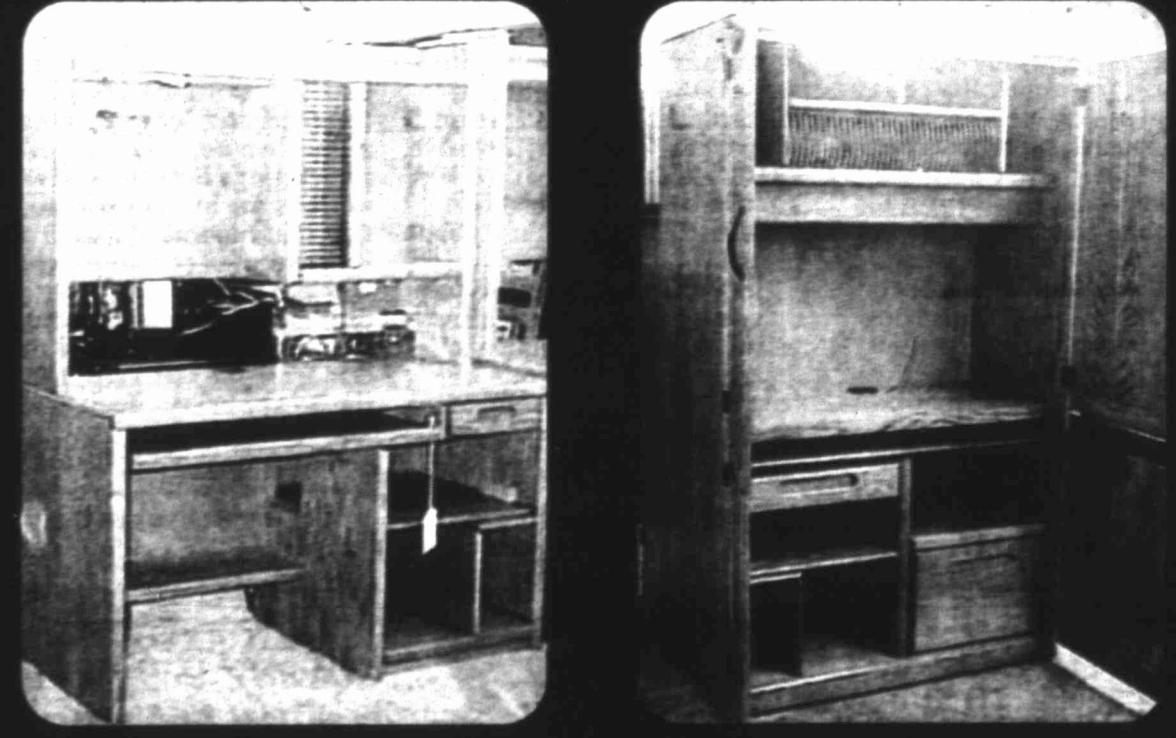
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OUR VIEWS

We salute:

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

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

This week we salute:

• **HOWARD COLLEGE**, which announced that preliminary spring enrollment figures are at 2,090 students, up 65 students from the spring of 1998.

• **CITIZENS** who took the time Thursday to donate blood at the United Blood Services bloodmobile.

• **BIG SPRING STATE HOSPITAL**, which will take over the patient load for Lubbock's Charter Plains Behavioral Health Systems Hospital, and in the process will add nine jobs locally.

• **LINDA CONWAY**, who was named to chair the Pops in the Park celebration this year.

• **TOMMY SULLIVAN**, named to head the Howard County 911 program.

• **MJR. RONALD AND JO ALEXANDER**, new commanding officers at the Salvation Army.

• **HANGAR 25 AIR MUSEUM COMMITTEE** and other volunteers, who continue to make the museum a showcase of West Texas, most recently by adding a Harrier jet to the collection.

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

OTHER VIEWS

Thursday evening's State of the Union address was the biggest political waste of time in modern history.

Our national embarrassment's 89-minute speech was an exercise in incredible excess, cheap politics, empty rhetoric, comic gestures, egomania, self-indulgence, hubris, nonsense and evasion.

The era of big government is back except for the fact the Clinton Democrats have to face Republican blockers in Congress, thank Providence.

Lame duck Bill Clinton

proposed 104 new or expanded government regulations or spending programs.

That's 1.17 initiatives per speech minute, according to the libertarian Cato Institute.

Thursday's speech was a perfect example of why the country is plagued with Clinton fatigue. What we saw was the shell of a president — who is not respected or trusted by at least two-thirds of the American people according to the latest polls — pretending to exercise leadership.

The Lima (Ohio) News

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Confederate flag: Is it really worth the bother?

You know, I wish this whole thing would just go away. But the acrimony over the Confederate flag flying over the South Carolina capitol has boiled up, and maybe it was inevitable.



JEFFREY HART

We are in a period when people become enraged over the designation "Washington Redskins." It is not impossible that their anger is genuine. Politically correct Stanford has abolished its Indian symbol. It is clear that we are living at a time when people want to quarrel over symbols. Curiously, politically correct opinion regards burning an American flag an act of "free speech."

And so I will try to make a few meditative points here about that flag flapping around in South Carolina. The Confederate stars-and-bars... has become a matter of controversy just now. After all, other southern states — most strikingly including Arkansas — still fly flags that include a representation of this flag. Then Gov. Bill Clinton's administration in Arkansas flew that kind of state flag, and nary a peep was heard. Nary a peep, except

when New York's Republican Mayor Rudolph Giuliani recently made a campaign visit to Little Rock — and then he was attacked for riding in a state vehicle that flew the flag. Isn't that strange?

Now we have the South Carolina tempest, which arose like a sudden tropical storm just when a Republican primary was approaching in that state, and just when Republicans control the state legislature. Isn't that strange? It would be cynical to suggest that the controversy has been stirred up to embarrass Republican candidates and Republican legislators. I am not cynical enough to suggest any such thing, but I admit it did cross my mind.

President Clinton, I notice, has denounced the Carolina flag. He never denounced the Arkansas flag. Isn't that strange? But let us think about what that naval ensign might symbolize to different people.

I can well imagine that it genuinely irritates many blacks.

I am aware that it is brandished by disreputable elements as a symbol of general rebellion and, in many cases, anti-black bigotry. I have seen skinheads and motorcycle gangs flaunting that flag and in their hands it is as unattractive to me as they themselves are....

I can also well imagine that the flag reminds many blacks of slavery. After all, there would have been no Civil War

had there not been slavery — though slavery was not the occasion for hostilities in the first place. And most of those who fought under that flag and the square army flag were not slaveholders, but small farmers and yeomen. Still, it is legitimate, it seems to me, to think of slavery and subsequent Jim Crow when viewing the flag.

But it is also possible to read that flag differently. William Faulkner has written very movingly about the young Southern boy who lives mentally in that moment before Gen. Pickett's disastrous charge at Gettysburg, almost insanely ordered by Gen. Robert E. Lee. In that still moment, the battle flags are furled, the bugles are still, the mile or so of the wheat field lies before the massive forces of Pickett. Up there, on Cemetery Ridge, the Federal artillery batteries are still. This Southern boy reveres the dash and heroism of Lee, of Stonewall Jackson in the Shenandoah Valley, of Bedford Forrest's wild cavalry charges. He despises "Yankees." He is not thinking about slavery, cotton or anything except the great Army of Northern Virginia. In that still moment before Pickett's charge, history had not yet closed down on the Confederacy.

Then the command rings out to charge, and the bugles blow, the battle flags are unfurled, Pickett's divisions advance in serried gray ranks, and the Federal artillery holds its fire — until the rebels are most of

the way across the wheat field. Then the artillery opens up. Pickett's entire army disappears before his eyes in fiery carnage. Faulkner's boy knows it is all over. Lee goes back to Virginia, on the defensive. The Confederacy is doomed. But the boy always thinks of that moment before the charge, the stillness of the waiting army. For Faulkner's Southern boy, the flag is not about slavery. I will add yet another interpretation.

To me, the Confederate flag symbolizes treason. The Southern states signed on to the Constitution in 1787, ratifying it. In the Preamble, one of the goals of the document is a "more perfect union." In ratifying the Constitution, the South agreed to "union." As Daniel Webster phrased, "Liberty and union, now and forever."

When the Confederate guns opened fire on Fort Sumter in Charleston Harbor in 1861, they were at war with the Constitution. Clear treason.

What is remarkable, in my opinion, is that Grant's terms at Appomattox and Lincoln's attitude toward the Southern leaders were in the end so forgiving. The noose was rare. Astonishing.

So, what is to be done with that flag, which is so various a symbol? I, for one, am weary of the arguments.

There are those who love that flag as a memory, and those who hate it.

Is it really worth the bother to fly it above the capitol?

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Communist Party awaits young boy's return

If the United States government sends Elian Gonzalez back to Cuba, and I suspect it will unless Congress finds the backbone to grant him citizenship, it will be sending the child back not to his father, but to the communist party.



CHARLEY REESE

Parental rights don't exist in Cuba. Here are few excerpts from Cuba's law of the child, as translated by Alberto Luzarraga:

Article 3: The communist formation of the young generation is a valued aspiration of the state, the family, the teachers, the political organizations and the mass organizations that act in order to foster in the youth the ideological values of communism.

Article 5: The society and the state watch to ascertain that all

persons that come in contact with the child during his educational process constitute an example for the development of his communist personality.

Article 8: The society and the state work for the efficient protection of youth against all influences contrary to their communist formation.

Article 9: Educators have a high mission in the development of the communist personality.

Article 23: Upon completion of primary schooling, young people may continue their education at pre-university centers, vocational schools or other specialized schools on the basis of their academic achievement, political attitude and social conduct.

Article 33: The state grants special attention to the teaching of Marxism-Leninism due to its importance in the ideological formation and political culture of young students.

Article 68: Children and young people prepare for the patriotic/military education by acquiring military knowledge, pre-inductee courses and active

military service making their own the principles of proletarian internationalism and combative solidarity.

And if that's not enough, the Cuban constitution states "no rights granted by this constitution can be exercised against the existence of and objectives of the Communist state. The infraction of this article is punishable."

I don't know why some Americans wish to pretend that Castro's Cuba is not the totalitarian state that it is. Elian, if he's returned, will not belong to the communist party. Instead of an education, he will receive totalitarian indoctrination. His life will be bleak indeed because Castro robs the Cuban people.

The Cuban people are so poor that one fresh tomato is a great prize but hardly available to the average Cuban. Yet Castro's personal wealth puts him on the list of world's richest men.

This should be evaluated in view of the fact that, prior to Castro, Cuba was the most

prosperous country in Latin America. The only equality Castro achieved was to make the Cuban people equally poor while he and his communist party cronies live the luxurious lives of aristocrats.

Of course, if in the above Cuban laws you substituted the word Christianity for communism and Marxist-Leninism, then I suspect the same secular leftists clamoring to the send boy back to Cuba would be screaming the opposite. In fact, in America, Elian Gonzalez will grow up free — free to choose his own beliefs, both religious and political; free to pursue whatever career his inclinations tell him; and free to think for himself without fear that his thoughts will get him executed or imprisoned.

I can't think of a greater example of child abuse than to send this child, delivered by God from the cruel sea, back to the dreary prison that Castro has made of Cuba.

His mother's voice, speaking from the deep, is louder than that of his communist-flunky father.



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Dealing with divorce

Baptist Temple offers course to help the newly single handle guilt and anger of broken relationship

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

When divorce happens, some people separate themselves from one of the places they need most — church, a local minister said.

Sometimes one or both partners suffer feelings of guilt or embarrassment, or just think the church no longer seems like "home" anymore. Don Snipes said on the contrary, at this difficult time is when people need the church most.

"The church is supposed to be a place of help, hope and healing," said Snipes, pastor of

Baptist Temple Church. He will lead an eight-week course called "Growing Through Divorce" each Monday beginning March 6. The deadline to register is Feb. 21.

"The goal is to help them get through some of the anger, bitterness, and move on," Snipes said. "It's like something Dr. James Dobson says ... 'You have to go on with life or life goes on without you.'"

If people don't leave behind some of the baggage of their broken relationship, Snipes said, they are in danger of repeating the same mistakes. A place to begin, he added, is with forgiveness.

WORKSHOP

• "Growing Through Divorce" will be offered for eight weeks on Monday nights beginning March 6.
• Deadline to register is Feb. 21.
• Cost, which includes materials, is \$35.

"We will discuss God's forgiveness, forgiving ourselves, and then forgiving others who have wronged us," he said. Divorced people should not dwell on their mistakes or situ-

ations they could not control, he said.

"God loves us far beyond anything we can imagine," he said. "There is always healing, always forgiveness in God."

Topics for the course include, "Facing the Reality of Being Single Again," "Self-Worth: I Am Somebody," "Getting in Touch With Me and God," and "Learning How to Trust as I Start Over."

Snipes, a minister for more than 25 years, has been through divorce himself and is now happily remarried. He has also done work toward a Ph.D. in counseling and said he has a strong interest in working with

people, especially those facing difficult times.

The fee for the course is \$35, which includes the book, "Growing Through Divorce" by Jim Smoke, other materials and refreshments.

Each session begins at 7 p.m. and child care can be arranged if it is needed.

Snipes said some aspects of the course would also fit widows and widowers, who face some of the same issues as the recently divorced.

Any divorced, separated or widowed person who is interested in the class should call the church at 267-8287 for more information.

CLUB NEWS

Big Spring Newcomers

Newcomers Club will meet Thursday, Feb. 10, at 11:30 a.m. at the Big Spring Country Club. Guest speaker will be Sue Haugh, who will talk about cooking with herbs. All interested people are invited to attend. For details, call Suzanne at 268-9335.



HAUGH

Retired Teachers Association

Fifty members of Big Spring-Howard County Retired Teachers Association participated in the community volunteer service program in 1999. The volunteer hours included all areas of service in Big Spring and Howard County.

The 50 retirees turned in a total of 14,135 hours of volunteer service to the community. Of this total, 1,741 hours were provided for our youth in response to Gov. George W. Bush's program, "Go For" — his reading initiative.

The goal for Texas retirees was set at 5,555,555 volunteer hours of service to the community in which they live. Teachers in Texas have exceeded this goal the past four years.

Six members turned in a total of 6,357 hours of service. These are as follows: Loma Jean Wynn - 2,387, Ruth Salisbury - 1,293, Eunice Thixton - 1,079, Erma Steward - 579, Ernie Boyd - 516, and Hazel Duggan - 503.

Green Thumb Garden Club

The Green Thumb Garden Club held its meeting Tuesday, Feb. 1, in the home of Joan Lanford. Sandra Houston was cohostess. Ten members were present.

The program was presented by Linda Conway of Howard College on the subject of history of Scenic Mountain State Park.

She described the role played by the mountain in the days of Indians, and described how mountain was transformed to its present beauty during the 1930s by government projects. She described the many plants and flowers along the roadways as well as stone buildings, playgrounds and picnic areas.

Next meeting will be Marcy 7 in the home of Myra Robinson.

Coahoma Masonic Lodge

Quail Dobbs will be honored by the Coahoma Masonic Lodge No. 992 A.F. & A.M. on Saturday, Feb. 12. The presentation ceremony will begin at 7 p.m. at the lodge.



DOBBS

The public is invited to attend and share food and fellowship honoring this worthy citizen as he receives the Community Builders Award.

CHURCH NEWS

St. Paul Lutheran

The Prayer Pal dinner will take place in the Cactus Room of Howard College at 6:30 p.m. on Feb. 10.

The Network classes for January are complete. Another Network class begins in March with dates to be announced. Guests are always welcome.

Members of the Lyedra Circle and Mary Martha Circle of LWML (Lutheran Women's Missionary League) of St. Paul will host the Spring Workshop, "Bringing Missions Home" on Saturday, Feb. 26, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. All women of the area are invited to attend.

Members of St. Paul have the opportunity of attending one or more Serendipity Small Group Bible Studies. The group meeting at 2204 Edgemere on Monday evenings begins study of First Corinthians on Feb. 7, at 7 p.m.

On Thursday evening at 7, another group, under the direction of Lucille Moore, will meet in the church library. This group is beginning the study of Romans.

Another group is being organized and will meet at Rosa's Cafe on Thursday at 7 p.m.

This group, directed by Sara Bóvin, will study the book of Revelation. Date of the first meeting will be announced at a later date.

First United Methodist Church

"How Everything Fits Together in Life" (Deut. 5:1) is Dr. Ed Williamson's message this Sunday at the First United Methodist Church, 400 Scurry. Worship is at 8:30 and 10:50 a.m. Our home page is <http://www.xroadstx.com/dove>.

Youth meet on Sunday afternoon with Mid-High youth meeting at 5 p.m. Youth Choir is meeting at 6 p.m. and Senior Highs meeting at 7 p.m.

There is also a Bible study for senior highs on Wednesday night at 101 Washington. Children also have a great time in our Sunday School at 9:40 a.m. every Sunday morning. We also have children's vocal and handbell choirs led by John and Denise Ross. Single Adults have a class all their own, taught by Jackie Henry, on Sunday mornings at 9:40, and if you are a single adult you are invited to come and visit us!

There is a Wednesday noon Bible study class and meal each week in Garrett Hall and everyone is invited to attend. For more information call the

church office at 267-6394.

Mt. Bethel Baptist

Garage sale bargain hunters should stop by 630 Sgt. Paredez St. on Saturday, Feb. 12, starting at 8 a.m. There will be plenty of items from which to choose such as furniture, sundry household goods, clothing, accessories and unique extras.

Shoppers should access the sale via the church parking lot. Wear comfortable shoes, bring small bills and enjoy this adventure. Garage sale sponsors are the Mt. Bethel Women's Missionary Society and the trustees who will be available throughout the day to assist shoppers with their final selections.

The Rev. Mister M.B. Willard is the minister.

First Assembly of God

"The Fruit of the Spirit, Longsuffering" Gal. 5:22-23, will be the subject of Pastor R.T. Havener's message this Sunday morning at 10:40 at the First Assembly of God, Fourth and Lancaster. "Longsuffering" sounds like being able to endure pain for a long time, but that is not the real meaning. Pastor Havener will be opening the Scripture and revealing the real Truth of how the Holy Spirit causes "Longsuffering" to be an expres-

sion of our lives.

In the evening service at 6, the Rev. Lance Hines, a missionary candidate to Africa, will be the guest speaker.

The congregation of First Assembly invites you to these special services this weekend.

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

On Sunday, the Rev. Don Brown, a retired Priest from Kentucky and a native of Fort Worth, will be our guest preacher at both morning services. The Rev. Brown is with a Christian relief agency known as "Food for the Poor."

The Grief Support Group has a meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 9, 5 p.m. at Canterbury South. Kids' Club will meet on Wednesday, Feb. 9, 5 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church.

First Baptist Church

Dr. Claude Cone, executive director for New Mexico Baptist Convention, will be preaching this Sunday at First Baptist Church. "Don't Smother the Fire" is the morning's sermon topic.

The Big Spring Association Evangelism Rally will meet at 6 p.m. if you would like to sing in the choir.

Please meet in the sanctuary at 5 p.m. to rehearse the evening's

music. Cone will speak.

Cone will also be leading the winter Bible study sponsored by the Big Spring Baptist Association from Monday until Wednesday in the sanctuary, 7 to 8:30 p.m. We will be studying I and II Thessalonians. Come be a part of this Bible study.

Join us on our web sight at www.fbcbigspring.org for additional information concerning our church.

First Christian Church

This Sunday, Dr. Jimmy Watson, pastor of First Christian Church of Big Spring, will present the sermon: "Monotheism for Dummies" at the 10:50 a.m. worship service. Watson will explore the main themes of monotheistic faith, utilizing the text from Isaiah 40:21-31.

Other activities at First Christian include Sunday School for all ages beginning at 9:45 a.m. On Tuesday afternoon we offer an after school Bible Club for elementary age children. On Wednesdays we offer a Bible study at 10:30 a.m. led by Paul Smith. Choir practice, led by Ronnie Moss, is held on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. The women meet on Thursday evenings for a video series at 6:30. Everyone is welcome to join us for any and all of these events. Please call our church office at 267-7851.

RELIGION NEWS

CINCINNATI (AP) — More than 17,000 women gathered this week at a sold-out Women of Faith conference, listening to Christian motivational speakers and reexamining their lives.

"I think as women, we wear many hats, juggle many priorities, and play superwoman. We take so little time for ourselves," said Kathy Lamb, who organized a group from her church to attend.

Although the conference is reminiscent of mass faith gatherings like Promise Keepers and the Million Man March, Women of Faith focuses less on making new commitments to families and communities and more on reminding women of God's love and grace, said Christie Barnes, executive director.

The conference has grown in popularity since its inception in 1996, when 30,000 women attended conferences throughout the country.

The speakers, all women, offer testimonies touching on such issues as parenting, divorce, childbirth and loss.

Jesus is the world's undisputed champion

Certainly it isn't frozen solid, but it might be safe to say that the inferno is running on its pilot light in the aftermath of Superbowl XXXIV.

As a native St. Louisian who grew up watching the football Cardinals, I think I can speak with some authority on this. In the 1970s we lived and died with the "Cardiac Cardinals" who always came up just short of glory. The team morphed into "Air Coryell" in the 1980s and still languished.

What Hall of Famers Dan Dierdorf, Jackie Smith, Jim Bakken, and Roger Wherli couldn't get done on the field, nor Gene Stallings, Jim Hanifan, Don Coryell, or Bud Wilkinson orchestrate from the sidelines, is now sports history by the most unlikely of teams, my new "hometown" St. Louis Rams.

Pro-football fans all over the country feel that their team is the best when the season begins, but at the end, the contest narrows down to two teams. It's the best of the NFC against the best of the AFC. The winner is the undisputed champion because he has beat-

en the best.

That's what Jesus did. The powers of darkness put their best up against him — death.

Mere man would have wilted facing that power. He would have been flushed out of the pocket, thrown for a huge loss, and been carried from the stadium on a gurney.

But Jesus was no mere man, and when he came face to face with death, death met its conqueror.

St. Luke tells us the sad story of the widow of Nain, who having already lost her husband, now grieved the death of her son.

Everyone was very sympathetic and wanted to help her, but what can anyone do in the face of death? Once a person is dead, all hope is gone. Right?

When Jesus and the disciples

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STEVE STUTZ

came along and realized what had happened, we learn that "his heart went out to her." He felt genuinely sorry for her and quickly took action that turned her sorrow into joy. He stopped the funeral procession, walked up to the corpse, and said, "Young man, get up!"

What a joke it would be for a mere man to try something like that! But Jesus is no mere man. He is our Lord and Savior, and even the dead have to obey Him. The young man got up! The great enemy, death, could not hold him.

Death couldn't hold Jesus either. It tried! The church and the state of that day crucified Jesus and He died and was buried. But on the third day the grave had to give Him up again.

Death could not hold the Lord Jesus Christ.

Neither will it be able to hold us. The day is coming when all of us will fall asleep in death, but we need not be afraid. There is no reason for us to be afraid, for we have a Savior who met death and conquered it for us!

Speaking of giving glory to God for His victory, wasn't it great to see Rams quarterback Kurt Warner's positive Christian witness?

Kneeling in prayer by Titans' safety Baline Bishop as he lay injured on the field, leaping into the stands to kiss his wife, and at the pinnacle of his MVP season, Superbowl-record-setting MVP performance, Kurt puts "first things first" and thanks our Lord Jesus Christ who made him, redeemed him, and gifted him with athletic talent. A good day in professional sports all around!

Oh, by the way, pitchers and catchers report in two weeks ... maybe Tony LaRussa will take a cue from Dick Vermeil. Watch out Astros!

Steve Stutz is pastor at St. Paul Lutheran Church.

RELIGION NEWS

DENVER (AP) — Promise Keepers, the Evangelical group that stages mass revival meetings for men, has closed all eight of its U.S. regional offices and consolidated field work at headquarters. Ed Barron, vice president for U.S. Ministries, said the new structure would "greatly enhance our communication and use of resources." Previously, the organization has had financial problems and staff cutbacks.

Promise Keepers has not set dates for its 2000 conference schedule but it plans first-time visits to: Albuquerque, N.M.; Baton Rouge, La.; Louisville, Ky.; Lynchburg, Va.; Oklahoma City; Orlando, Fla.; and Worcester, Mass. Return visits are set for: Atlanta; Denver; Los Angeles; Milwaukee; Minneapolis; Pittsburgh; Portland, Ore.; and Sacramento, Calif.

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) — The head of the Mormon church visited the world's most populous Muslim nation as it grappled with rising interreligious violence.

Spokesmen for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints said church President Gordon B. Hinckley visited last week at the personal invitation of President Abdurrahman Wahid, and rejected suggestions that Mormonism plans to expand in Indonesia.

Mormon missionaries, along with workers from other religions, were expelled in 1981. Only a few thousand Indonesians are Mormons. There has been speculation that Wahid, who stresses tolerance and has promised greater democratic freedom, might ease religious restrictions.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

SKYWARN 2000 SPOTTER TRAINING Classes by the National Weather Service are scheduled in the area in February and March.

All classes are free, begin at 7 p.m. and will last about two hours, with a short break.

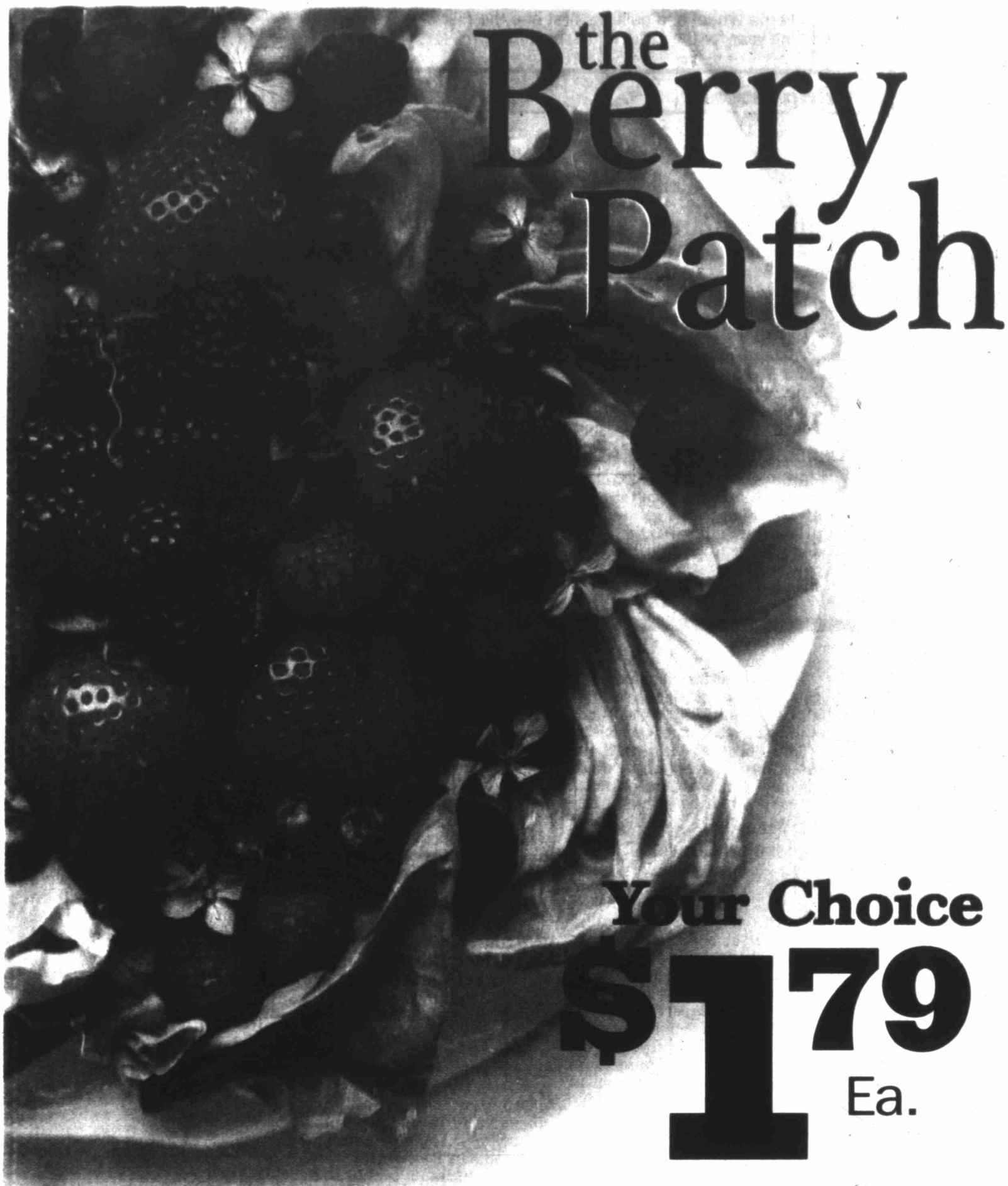
This year's classes will include video of the Midland tornado in 1999 and the Oklahoma City tornadoes of May 3, 1999. Also, thunderstorm types and strategies for locating tornado formations are just some of the topics that will be covered in the class.

For more information contact George Mathews, warning coordination meteorologist at 915-563-5006, ext. 223.

A BENEFIT FUND HAS been set up at Norwest Bank for Isidro Gonzalez, 9, who has been diagnosed with leukemia. Donations to the fund will help his family with medical and travel expenses while he undergoes treatment in Lubbock.

Donations can be made to "the Isidro Gonzalez Benefit Fund" at Norwest, or you can call Niki Broman, 268-9858, for information.

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- 1 Cup Confectioners' Sugar
- 1 8 Ounce Container Late Whipped Topping
- 1 9 Inch Keebler Ready Crust Prepared Graham Cracker Crust

Cooking Steps

1. In a small saucepan, sprinkle gelatin over cold water; let stand 1 minute.
2. Stir over heat until gelatin is completely dissolved (about 1 minute).
3. Stir in lemon juice; set aside to cool.
4. In a large bowl, add blueberries, strawberries and confectioners' sugar; toss to coat.
5. Stir in dissolved gelatin.
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- 9:30 p.m. — Pho Seattle SuperSonic 28.

IN BRIEF

Hawks post 74-60 win over New Mexico Military

Howard College's Hawks took a crucial 74-60 win Thursday over New Mexico Military Institute's Broncos in Roswell, N.M.

The win improved the Hawks' season record to 14-8, while they improved to 6-1 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference play.

Sophomores Donald "Yogi" Cesar and Darryl Martin led the way for Howard, Cesar scoring a game-high 25 points, while Martin had 17.

Freshman Steve Bonner added another 12 points for the Hawks, who now look ahead to Saturday's showdown with Midland College's league-leading Chaparrals.

BSJHS girls manage split in Andrews tournament

Big Spring Junior High School's Lady Steers teams met with different results Thursday in the opening round of the Andrews Junior High Invitational Basketball Tournament.

In seventh-grade action, the Lady Steers dropped a 38-26 decision to Midland Christian, despite a 14-point showing by Carissa Mattson.

Big Spring's eighth-graders were more successful, though, rolling to a 52-25 win over Midland Christian.

Leina Braxton paced the Lady Steers eighth with 16 points, while Kim Green had 11 and Lindsey Phillips had eight.

Big Spring's seventh-graders face Lamesa at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, while the eighth-grade squad plays Lamesa at 1:30 p.m.

Junior high netters split with Andrews

Big Spring Junior High School's eighth- and ninth-grade girls teams managed a split in dual match action against Andrews' young Mustangs on Thursday.

The Steers netters took 10 of 16 matches in eighth-grade action, while Andrews took 11 of 18 seventh-grade matches.

Big Spring got eighth-grade singles wins from Jake Smiley, Vishal Shroff, Justin Ferrell, Will Liggett, Cole Fuqueron and Ame Blacketer in eighth-grade play, as well as sweeping the boys' doubles and splitting a pair of girls' doubles matches.

The Big Spring seventh got singles wins from Nicholas Paredes, Nick Rivera, Veronica Villarreal, Jessica Ybarra and Alex Garipey.

Hawks' baseball season opens with pair of losses

Howard College's Hawks opened the 2000 baseball season with a 2-0 loss to Blinn College and a 6-5 setback to Seminole (Okla.) State at the Blinn College tournament on Thursday.

The Hawks will now face Tyler Junior College and Northeast Texas Community College in today's games.

AREA GAMES

TODAY HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

6 p.m.

• Big Spring at San Angelo

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• Plains at Coahoma (G-B)

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HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

5:45 p.m. — Big Spring Steers and Steers at San Angelo Lake View Maidens and Chiefs, KBST-AM 1490.

Television

EXTREME SPORTS

8 p.m. — Winter X-Games, ESPN, Ch. 30.

NBA

7 p.m. — Houston Rockets at Minnesota Timberwolves, TNT, Ch. 28.

9:30 p.m. — Phoenix Suns at Seattle SuperSonics, TNT, Ch. 28.

BSHS linksters open season at Snyder, San Angelo tournaments

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

Promising. That's the way first-year Big Spring High School golf coach Steve Ward sees his Steers and Lady Steers golf teams as they open the 2000 season today in San Angelo and Snyder.

"We're looking forward to getting started," Ward said as he prepared to take the Steers to the Snyder Invitational which opens today on the Western Texas College course and concludes Saturday on the Snyder Country Club layout.

"I really feel like both our boys' and girls' teams have the potential to be very competitive this year," added Ward, who has taken over head coaching duties for both golf programs at the high school,

having come to Big Spring from Bullard High School in East Texas. "We still have some questions to answer and this has always been an extremely competitive district, but these kids played well enough in the fall to make me believe we're capable of being in the mix."

While the Steers open the Snyder Invitational today, the Lady Steers will begin play in the San Angelo Invitational today at the Bentwood Country Club before finishing the 36-hole event Saturday at the Riverside Golf Course.

A couple of seniors will provide leadership for a Lady Steers team that is otherwise somewhat young and untested.

The big gun for the Big Spring girls' contingent, of course, is two-time defending district champion Ashlie Simmons, who recently signed a letter of intent to

play junior college golf at McLennan Community College in Waco next season.

Simmons' decision to sign prior to the start of her final high school season was a good one, Ward believes.

"I think that takes a lot of pressure off her... she can concentrate on her game," Ward explained. "Ashlie felt like she didn't play as well as she might have last year, because here was a lot of pressure on her after being the district medalist as a sophomore."

Ward also noted that senior Heather Gibbs has recently joined the team and should provide added leadership.

"Heather hits the ball pretty well, and just her being a senior ought to give us a little stability we might not otherwise have," he added, noting that the remainder of the team is made up of juniors

Heather Harris and Sarah Anthony and two sophomores, Amanda Sheedy and Leslie Hicks.

"With Ashlie putting up the kind of numbers she does," Ward explained, "if we can get a couple of others to break 100 consistently, we're going to scare some people."

Asked to pick the district's top girls' teams, Ward quickly mentioned traditional powerhouses Andrews and Snyder, but also noted that Fort Stockton's Prowlers are expected to be much improved this season.

Snyder and Andrews were also Ward's pick as District 5-4A boys' favorites, but he's convinced his Steers are capable of contending for the team championship, as well. So, too, are Sweetwater's

See GOLF, page 2B

Lady Hawks roll past WTC

Focus now moves to Monday battle with Lady Chaps

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

SNYDER — Bad teams can make good teams look bad.

Such was the case several times Thursday night when Howard College's Lady Hawks all but blew Western Texas College's Lady Dusters out of their own gym, posting an 85-46 win in Western Junior College Athletic Conference basketball action.

As a result, Lady Hawks head coach Ron Mayberry was certainly satisfied with this team's play that improved Howard's record to 18-5 overall and 6-1 in WJACAC play.

The win left the Lady Hawks half a game out of first place in the WJACAC women's basketball standings behind Midland College's league-leading Lady Chaparrals.

More importantly, it sets up the season's second showdown with Midland on Monday when the Lady Hawks play host to the Lady Chaps at 6 p.m. in Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

That showdown was foremost on Mayberry's mind the minute the final horn sounded on Thursday's blowout.

"They're (Lady Chaps) going to have blood in their eyes," Mayberry acknowledged. "We came from behind to knock them off at their place and you can bet they want to do the same thing to us. As a matter of fact, I'm sure they want to beat us as badly as they can."

"That's why it was important for us to come over here and play well tonight," he added. "There were times when they (Lady Dusters) made us look a little ragged, but we were focused and stayed in control."

The Lady Hawks asserted themselves almost from the outset, jumping out on top when sophomore post Yolanda Grant stepped outside the three-point arch and ripped mesh.

While the Lady Dusters managed to battle back momentarily for a 6-6 deadlock, back-to-back three-point bombs from sophomore guard Ashanti Nix and freshman swingman Koretha Johnson gave Howard a lead it would never relinquish.

From that point forward, the closest Western Texas would come as 14-11 when Erica Johnson hit the Lady Dusters' only trey of the night with 12:36 remaining in the first half.

The Lady Hawks answered with a string of 12 unanswered points to take control with a 26-11 margin at the 8:28 mark.

Three minutes later the Lady Hawks embarked on another run, rattling off 15 unanswered points in a two-minute span — freshman post Grace Gantt starting and ending the run that included three straight three-point bombs from Grant.

By the time Nix hit the last of Howard's three-pointers on the evening with 50 sec-



Howard College's Koretha Johnson (50) makes a strong move to the basket en route to scoring two of her game-high 17 points against Western Texas College in Snyder Thursday night. The Lady Hawks took an 85-46 win over the Lady Dusters, setting up a second conference showdown with Midland College's Lady Chaparrals on Monday.

onds remaining in the half, the Lady Hawks owned an insurmountable lead, carrying a 49-25 margin into the halftime intermission.

Howard increased its lead to 30 points early in the second half with a 7-1 opening run, and midway down the closing stretch the lead was 33.

Western Texas was able to chip away at that lead during a five-minute span late in the second half when Howard managed just one field goal and failed to convert on the front of a couple of one-and-one trips to the free throw line.

As a result, the Lady Dusters rallied by just 28, at 73-45, when Veronica Howard hit a pair of free throws with 4:03 remaining.

Seeing their lead drop below 30 seemed to come as a slap in the face for the Lady Hawks, however, and they responded with a 12-point explosion to end the game with

an exclamation point. Statistically the Lady Hawks were as dominant as the final score indicated.

Johnson finished the night with a game-high 17 points for the Lady Hawks, while Gantt added 15 and Grant finished with 13.

But each of the 10 players on the Lady Hawks roster contributed to the 39-point win, while throwing up a defensive effort that refused to allow any of the Lady Dusters to reach double figures.

Sophomore guard Danielle Brown led the way for Western Texas, finishing the night with nine points. Post Lakeisha Ross added eight more.

The loss dropped Western Texas' record to 3-24 on the season and 1-7 in WJACAC play.

Howard College officials are pulling out

See LADY HAWKS, page 2B

N. Carolina, Duke don't disappoint

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

It's about time to drop words like arguably or one of the best in college basketball when describing the Duke-North Carolina rivalry.

The schools eight miles apart met for the 250th time Thursday night and came up with another beauty as No. 3 Duke beat the Tar Heels 90-86 in overtime.

"The hype really didn't measure up to the performance of all the youngsters in that ball game," Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski said. "I thought there was sensational basketball out on the court by both teams."

Duke (17-2, 8-0 Atlantic Coast Conference) had a 19-point lead in the second half, but the Tar Heels (13-9, 4-4) scored on 19 of their final 22 possession of regulation — the last a 3-pointer by Joseph Forte with 5.2 seconds left — to tie it 73-73 and set off the crowd of 22,570 at the Smith Center.

The Blue Devils scored on their first six possessions of overtime to win the 17th straight overall and extend their own record with their 30th consecutive ACC regular season victory.

It was their 16th straight ACC road victory and fourth overtime game of the season.

"Our guys have done well in overtime, but I don't want them to take me there anymore," Krzyzewski said.

In other games involving ranked teams, it was No. 1 Cincinnati 70, North Carolina Charlotte 62, No. 2 Stanford 78, UCLA 63, No. 9 Arizona 77, No. 23 Oregon 71, Iowa 77, No. 15 Kansas 69, and No. 17 Tulsa 70, Southern Methodist 59.

Shane Battier had 25 points for Duke. Chris Carrawell had 23 and Carlos Boozer had seven of his 15 in the overtime.

"We could have easily put our heads down when it went into overtime," Carrawell said. "I know I was saying, 'Oh God, not here, not now.' But we stuck in there and we fought."

Ed Cota had 21 points for North Carolina, which was not ranked in this matchup for the first time since 1990, while Forte had 20.

"Duke is a great team. I thought so before and I even think more so now," North

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Strange night: Rodman finds a home, Ford fired, Drexler honored

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On a brisk day of coming and going in the NBA, Patrick Ewing showed he intends to stick around for awhile.

Ewing, the target of criticism and trade rumors this week, matched his season high with 20 points to lead the New York Knicks over the Portland Trail Blazers 98-88 Thursday night.

"When my number is called, I do the best I can," Ewing said. "I knew I'd be a significant contributor. I don't need other people to motivate me. I motivate myself."

Earlier in the day, Dennis Rodman signed a one-year contract with the Dallas Mavericks. Also, Chris Ford was fired as coach of the Los Angeles Clippers, with assistant Jim Todd taking over.

In other games, San Antonio stopped Toronto 112-95, Milwaukee downed Utah 102-99, Houston beat Philadelphia 109-106 and Dallas defeated Charlotte 106-96.

Hampered by injuries the past three years, Ewing missed the first 20 games

this season with tendinitis in his Achilles. His relationship with coach Jeff Van Gundy has deteriorated, and so has his playing time.

"I'm not going to complain about minutes," Ewing said.

Benched for the final 17 minutes in Tuesday night's loss to Orlando, he woke up Wednesday to a story in the newspaper that said the Knicks discussed a deal that would've sent him to Washington.

"Whatever happens, happens," Ewing said. "Greater players than me have been traded. It's a business."

The 37-year-old Ewing blunted Portland's rally in the fourth quarter at Madison Square Garden. He finished with nine rebounds and three blocks in 36 minutes as the Knicks ended the Trail Blazers' six-game winning streak.

Mavericks 106, Hornets 96

Rodman was not at Reunion Arena to see his new team beat Charlotte. Michael Finley scored 32 points, including seven in a row to start the fourth quarter.

Rodman, 38, has been out of the league since the Los Angeles Lakers cut him after 23 games last April. He's expected to make his debut for Dallas on Wednesday at home against Seattle.

Erick Strickland had 23 points for the Mavericks.

Rockets 109, Sixers 106

The Rockets retired Clyde Drexler's No. 22 jersey, then saw Shandon Anderson score a career-high 32 points as Houston beat Philadelphia.

Allen Iverson had 40 points for the Sixers. Anderson had nine during a 15-0 run that began late in the third quarter and sent Houston to its third straight victory.

Drexler, who won an NBA championship ring while with the Rockets, now is a college coach at Houston. His number was retired during a 36-minute halftime ceremony that included his college teammate, Rockets star Hakeem Olajuwon, along with Julius Erving, Jack Ramsey, Buck Williams and Kiki

Vandeweghe.

Spurs 112, Raptors 95

Tim Duncan had 32 points, 17 rebounds and seven assists as San Antonio slowed down Vince Carter and visiting Toronto.

Earlier this season, the high-flying Carter scored 39 points against the Spurs. In the rematch, they double-teamed him most of the game and held him to 19 points.

Bucks 102, Jazz 99

Glenn Robinson hit a 3-pointer at the buzzer and Milwaukee won at Utah. The Jazz have lost five in a row for the first time in almost six years.

Robinson took an inbound pass from Vinny Del Negro and stepped back and sank the shot over the outstretched arm of Adam Keefe. Robinson was 4-for-4 on 3-pointers.

Ray Allen scored a season-high 36 points for Milwaukee.

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SPORTS EXTRA

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
ANAHEIM ANGELS—Promoted Kevin Lynch to vice president of sales, marketing and operations.
KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Signed RHP Edwin Montano to a minor league contract.
NEW YORK YANKEES—Agreed to terms with 35 Derek Jeter on a one-year contract.
CHICAGO WHITE SOX—Agreed to terms with LHP Eric Dubose, RHP Leo Valaque, RHP Kevin Gregg, RHP Brett Tomko, RHP Scott Williamson, RHP Luis Vizcaino, RHP Jose Ortiz, OF Bo Porter and OF Tommie Lee on one-year contracts.
National League
CHICAGO CUBS—Agreed to terms with RHP Chris Heston on a one-year contract.
ST. LOUIS BRUINS—Agreed to terms with RHP Mike Skaletz, OF Brian M. Roe, 1B Eduardo Perez and C Raul W. Valdes on one-year contracts.
SAN DIEGO PADRES—Agreed to terms with 1B J. P. Rodriguez on a minor league contract.
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
NBA—Name Ron DeVane senior vice president of new league development, effective March 1.
ATLANTA THUNDER—Signed F Jeff Van Dyke to a one-year contract.
NEW YORK KNICKS—Named Frank Johnson executive vice president.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
ARIZONA CARDINALS—Signed OL Greg Bickett to a one-year contract.
ATLANTA BRUINS—Agreed to terms with QB Matt Ryan on a four-year contract.
CHICAGO BEARS—Agreed to terms with WR Mike Anderson on a four-year contract.
DETROIT LIONS—Named Jay Shipley assistant coach.
NEW ORLEANS SAINTS—Named Jim Haslam assistant coach.
TAMPA BAY BUCCINERS—Fired Mike Smith as offensive coordinator.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
ST. LOUIS BLUES—Agreed to terms with GM Steve Yzerman on a one-year contract.
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NBA STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE			
Atlantic Division			
Team	W	L	Pct
Miami	28	16	.636
New York	27	17	.614
Philadelphia	25	21	.543
Orlando	25	26	.487
Boston	25	26	.487
New Jersey	17	28	.378
Washington	15	31	.326
Central Division			
Indiana	29	15	.659
Milwaukee	26	21	.553
Charlotte	24	20	.545
Toronto	24	20	.545
Detroit	22	23	.489
Cleveland	19	26	.422
Atlanta	17	26	.395
Chicago	9	34	.209
WESTERN CONFERENCE			
Midwest Division			
San Antonio	30	16	.652
Utah	27	17	.614
Minnesota	25	18	.581
Denver	21	22	.488
Phoenix	19	27	.413
Dallas	18	27	.400
Portland	12	32	.273
Pacific Division			
Los Angeles	34	11	.756
Portland	34	11	.756
Sacramento	28	16	.636
Seattle	29	18	.617
Phoenix	26	18	.591
Golden State	11	34	.244
L.A. Clippers	11	34	.244

Today's Games

San Antonio at Portland, 8 p.m.	Atlanta at Cleveland, 6:30 p.m.
Houston at Minnesota, 6:30 p.m.	Indiana at Orlando, 6:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Toronto, 9 p.m.	Toronto at Milwaukee, 7:30 p.m.
Dallas at Denver, 8 p.m.	Minnesota at Denver, 8 p.m.
Dallas at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.	

Saturday's Games

Charlotte at Washington, 6 p.m.	Atlanta at Cleveland, 6:30 p.m.
Indiana at Orlando, 6:30 p.m.	Toronto at Milwaukee, 7:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Denver, 8 p.m.	Dallas at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.

Sunday's Games

New York at New Jersey, Noon	Golden State at New Jersey, Noon
Sacramento at Philadelphia, 2 p.m.	San Antonio at Utah, 2:30 p.m.
Houston at Detroit, 6 p.m.	Portland at Boston, 6 p.m.
Phoenix at Vancouver, 9 p.m.	Seattle at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Utah at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.	Detroit at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.

WOMEN'S SCORES

East

Beaver 75, Rutgers-Camden 69	Utah State 75, Oregon 71
Arizona 77, Oregon 71	Arizona 75, Oregon 71
BYU 72, San Diego 50	CS Northridge 79, Idaho 57
California 66, Southern Cal 62	Colorado St. 71, Air Force 52
Fresno St. 82, San Jose 76, UT	Gonzaga 62, Pepperdine 57
Hawaii 85, UTEP 76	Idaho 73, Boise St. 71
Long Beach St. 69, UC Irvine 60	Montana 59, Sacramento St. 47
New Mexico St. 72, Nevada 66	Pacific 59, Cal St. Fullerton 50
Portland 86, Loyola Marymount 70	San Diego St. 75, New England 51
UC Santa Barbara 87, Cal Poly-SLO 79	Utah St. 83, North Texas 70
Weber St. 92, Portland St. 79	

South

Alabama 62, South Carolina 62	Austin Peay 68, E. Illinois 65
Averett 75, Randolph-Macon 63	Belknap 95, Missouri St. Louis 80
Belmont 71, UT Pan American 62	Carroll 64, Mercer 53
Delta St. 91, Cent. Arkansas 58	Florida Atlantic 82, Arkansas St. 72
Florida St. 76, Wake Forest 47	Furman 81, Ga. College of Charleston 49
Georgia 81, Florida 76, OT	Kentucky St. 55, Le Moyne-Owen 51
Northwestern Wesleyan 74, Quincy 57	Lee 72, Williams Baptist 61
Liberty 73, High Point 37	Lipscomb 85, Blue Mountain 62
Louisiana Tech 72, Cent. Arkansas 58	Louisiana Tech 77, South Alabama 37
Louisiana-Monroe 59, Lamar 50	Loyola 80, TSU 58
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Weather again only real winner in first round at Pebble Beach

PEBBLE BEACH, Calif. (AP) — Lee Janzen had stayed away since 1996, when the tournament was canceled after 36 soggy holes. After two sunny days of practice earlier this week, he wondered why it had taken him so long to return. On Thursday, in the first round of the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, he remembered why. Heavy rain and wind strong enough to snap tree branches washed out the first day of this year's tournament after a few holes, forcing organizers to extend the tournament to Monday and continuing the event's tradition of weather woes. "This morning I woke up and heard the wind whistling through my window at the hotel room, so I knew we would be in for a fun day," said Janzen, who got through only five holes Thursday. "It's tough to really look at it as a legitimate golf tournament when the conditions are like this." Balls were blown around the greens by wind up to 40 mph as players prepared to putt. Puddles formed on the course. No player got in more than 12 holes, and tournament officials once again were forced to scramble.

"This doesn't really do anything to convince me to keep coming back," Janzen said. "If anything, it solidifies why I haven't come back, just because the rain makes it so tough — you can't get any rounds in, you can't get a tournament in." Lousy weather has cut short or wiped out this tournament three times in the past four years. Officials planned to complete the first round today and then hoped to get in the full 72 holes by playing through Monday. But more rain was in the forecast. "There's a large storm out there," acknowledged PGA Tour tournament director Mark Russell, "but they've missed on forecasts before." The storm stopped Tiger Woods, who is seeking his sixth straight PGA Tour victory, after 10 holes on Poppy Hills on Thursday. Woods was even par through 10 holes and four strokes off the lead when the weather prevailed. He is trying to become the first player since Ben Hogan in 1948 to win six in a row. David Duval was the leader at 4-under, and Vijay Singh was 3-under through just five holes at Poppy Hills. Jack Nicklaus, playing for the last time in the tournament he was won three times, got through only one hole with a foursome that included two of his sons. "We reached a point where everybody had problems keeping the ball on the green," Russell said. "You had problems standing up, let alone playing golf. You just can't play golf like that, it's not golf." For Nicklaus, this weekend's tournament is a sentimental journey and a family affair. But he's also here to compete and to work on his game, looking ahead to the U.S. Open to be held at Pebble Beach in mid-June. Nicklaus won the 1972 U.S. Open at Pebble Beach. Nicklaus is fully recovered from hip-replacement surgery that sidelined him for much of 1999. But he has nagging aches and pains like most his age. After playing just one hole Thursday, Nicklaus moaned softly and stretched out on a wood bench alongside the 11th tee. His lower back was aching, and other parts of his 60-year-old body were feeling pretty sore as well. "You're not going to get back up, Jack," chided a white-haired spectator. "Maybe I'll just take a nap," Nicklaus shot back.

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JUCO - WOMEN

The top 25 teams in the National Junior College Athletic Association women's basketball poll and records through Jan. 29.

Rank	Team	Record
1	Bradley County, Kan.	22-0
2	Grayson County, Texas	22-0
3	N. Texas State, TX	22-0
4	Central Arizona	22-0
5	Tyler, Texas	21-1
6	State Fair, Mo.	20-2
7	Clark County, Kan.	20-2
8	Daytona Beach, Fla.	20-2
9	Wheatfield, Texas	18-2
10	Capitol, Miss.	18-2
11	Lincoln, Okla.	18-2
12	Barber County, Kan.	18-2
13	Trinity Valley, Texas	16-4
14	Waco, La. Tech	16-4
15	Utah Valley, Utah	16-4
16	Seminole, Fla.	23-3
17	Central Florida	23-4
18	Owens Community, Ohio	20-1
19	Fort Collins, Colo.	17-3
20	Buckeye, Ohio	15-3
21	Morgan, Miss.	14-4
22	Arkansas, Ark.	14-4
23	Jefferson, Mo.	19-2
24	Central State, Ohio	19-3
25	Walters, Tenn.	15-3

TABC POLL

The weekly high school basketball poll as compiled by the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches through Jan. 29.

Rank	Team	Record
1	Copperton Cove (23-1)	23-1
2	Arling (30-1)	30-1
3	Manist 27-2	27-2
4	Corpus Christi Carroll (27-0)	27-0
5	Lincoln (26-2)	26-2
6	Georgetown (25-0)	25-0
7	Fort Bend (22-4)	22-4
8	Blaine (25-1)	25-1
9	San Antonio (25-3)	25-3
10	Manist 27-2	27-2
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22	Blaine (25-1)	25-1
23	San Antonio (25-3)	25-3
24	Manist 27-2	27-2
25	Corpus Christi Carroll (27-0)	27-0

GIRLS

The top 25 teams in the Associated Press girls' college basketball poll and records through Jan. 30.

Rank	Team	Record
1	Stanford	20-1
2	Duquesne	16-2
3	Marquette	17-0
4	Ohio St.	14-1
5	North Carolina	14-1
6	Michigan	13-1
7	Arizona	17-4
8	Auburn	17-4
9	Indiana	15-1
10	Florida	15-4
11	Duke	16-2
12	Kentucky	15-4
13	Kansas	15-4
14	Connecticut	14-1
15	Texas	20-2
16	North Carolina	16-3
17	Ohio St.	18-3
18	Texas	14-4
19	North Carolina	16-3
20	Oregon	15-3
21	Vanderbilt	13-4
22	Manlyard	14-6

JUCO - MEN

The top 20 teams in the National Junior College Athletic Association Division I men's basketball poll and records through Feb. 1.

Rank	Team	Record
1	Barber County, Kan.	14-1

NCAA

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Carolina coach Bill Guthridge said, "We just got ourselves in too big of a hole. "I think they're the best team in the country. Mike has done a tremendous job of molding those freshmen in with Battier and Carrwall and (Nate) James." Duke led 41-24 at halftime as the Tar Heels committed 14 turnovers. "The first half was maybe the worst half we've played," Guthridge said. The rematch is March 4, at Cameron Indoor Stadium.

No. 1 Cincinnati 70, N.C. Charlotte 62
 Kenyon Martin had 20 points, eight rebounds and three blocked shots to lead the Bearcats (21-1, 9-0 Conference USA) to their 13th consecutive victory and avoid their third straight loss at Halton Arena. Jobey Thomas had 19 points for the 49ers (12-9, 4-4), who lost for the first time in eight home games this season.

No. 2 Stanford 78, UCLA 63
 Freshman Casey Jacobsen scored 12 of his 17 points over the final 13 minutes as the Cardinal (18-1, 7-1 Pac-10) won their sixth straight over the Bruins and their third in a row at Pauley Pavilion. Freshman Jason Kapono led UCLA (12-7, 3-5) with 21 points.

No. 9 Arizona 77, No. 23 Oregon 71
 Loren Woods had 16 points, 10 rebounds and an NCAA record-tying 14 blocked shots for the Wildcats (18-4, 7-1 Pac-10), who trailed most of the game, and didn't lead by more than two points until they were 23 seconds left. It was Arizona's first triple double since Damon Stoudamire had one against Oregon in 1995. Alex Scales had 18 points for the Ducks (15-4, 6-2), who lost for the 15th consecutive time at McKale Center. Woods equaled the NCAA mark set by David Robinson of

LADY HAWKS

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all the stops in an effort to pack Dorothy Garrett Coliseum for the men's and women's show-downs with Midland College on Monday. Labeled as "Pack The Dorothy Night," all fans wearing red will be admitted free for the double-header. It will also be "Big Spring Night" meaning all residents of Big Spring are offered free admission. Plans call for the Lady Hawks softball team to introduced at halftime of the women's game, while the Hawks baseball team will be in the spotlight at half-time of the men's game. In addition, the Big Spring Color Guard, Big Spring High School cheerleaders and

GOLF

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Mustangs. Going into today's opening round at Snyder, sophomore Jarrod Simmons will play in the No. 1 spot on the five-man Big Spring team. He'll be joined by seniors Zac Hall and Richard Gaitan, junior Isaac Willborn and freshman Nick Reed

"We've got four or five other guys that are going to be battling for those five spots every week," the Steers coach noted. "That kind of competitiveness has to be good for the season continuation." "Every one of our guys are capable of breaking 80," Ward explained. "That's the kind of golf we need to play."

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WWF unveils latest game: pro football?

NEW YORK (AP) — Peyton Manning, Marshall Faulk, Stone Cold Steve Austin?

Yes, says World Wrestling Federation mastermind Vince McMahon, who unveiled plans Thursday for his latest (and most unlikely) creation — the XFL, a new pro football league set to open in February 2001.

No scripts. No sideshows. No, really. Expect the usual WWF marketing blitz to accompany the league's launching. But don't expect the same outrageous, rehearsed antics that have propelled McMahon's WWF to the top of the cable television ratings.

"The WWF is 100 percent entertainment," McMahon said. "But the XFL is 100 percent sports."

So the outcomes will not be scripted? "Nooo," said McMahon, his eyes rolling skyward in the WWF's midtown Manhattan restaurant. "Nooo."

The league will run from February-April, commencing right after the Super Bowl. Though they won't compete head to head, McMahon still lobbed several verbal grenades at the old guard of the NFL.

"Why football?" asked McMahon, echoing a question no doubt pondered from coast to coast. "Some have suggested the NFL is the 'No Fun League.' The XFL will be the extremely fun league. This will be a blast."

Why football? McMahon offered another answer: "I personally think that figure skating sucks."

It's a new world for McMahon, the "sports entertainment" impresario who converted professional wrestling from a low-brow, oft-mocked pursuit into a low-brow, oft-mocked multi-million dollar business.

But that was done with script writers, and bigger-than-life characters such as Hulk Hogan and Mankind, and phony feuds and bogus friendships.

Here's the reality of the XFL: McMahon said the start-up costs for the eight-team league will run him "somewhere south of \$100 million." There will be teams in New York, Miami, Orlando, Washington, Los Angeles and San Francisco, with two more teams to be announced.

Ex-Dallas Cowboys star Drew Pearson is on the league's football advisory committee, and 15-time Emmy-winning broadcast executive Michael Weisman is working on its television team.

There's no immediate word on a television contract, although negotiations are continuing, league executives said. McMahon boldly predicted the league could turn a profit within three years.

History doesn't support that view. Investors in the USFL, and the WFL, and assorted other 'FLs have long since taken their balls and gone home.

McMahon said his league will succeed by attracting the young viewers already tuned into the WWF, along with the football fans suffering post-Super Bowl withdrawal.

He also promised innovative television coverage, from helmet cameras to sideline and locker room access.

But don't expect to see wrestlers like Triple H and the Undertaker in pads and cleats: "Their interest in the XFL will be as fans," McMahon promised.

A reverse cross-over, with football players climbing into the ring, could happen, McMahon said. That's old hat for McMahon, who paid Hall of Fame linebacker Lawrence Taylor a reported \$500,000 to appear at Wrestlemania XI — a spectacle unseen since Wrestlemania X.

McMahon said his league would feature smashmouth football: "This will not be a league for pantywaists or sissies." Toward that goal, players on winning teams will receive bigger paychecks than the losers.

"That's really the American way," said McMahon, sounding dangerously like Don King.

Despite McMahon's confidence, there are many XFL skeptics, from Wall Street experts who questioned its affect on WWF stock to people

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1 br. 1 bath, 1102 Sycamore. No Pets!! Call 267-3841 or 270-7309.

1 Br, range & refrigerator, shower, East 12th, HUD OK. 3 Br home, HUD OK, Robin St. 267-7380

1 extra large bedr, 1 bath apt., stove & frig, w/d conn., carpet, cable pd. No Pets. \$250/mn. + \$150/dep. 267-2177.

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2 br. mobile 1410 rear Harding. \$265/mn. \$150/dep. water paid. Call 267-6667.

2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, 304 E. 5th. No pets. Call 267-3841 or 270-7309.

2507 Albrook 3/1 \$450 1115 Loyd 3/1 \$395 1804 B St. 1/1 \$175 American Realty (915) 520-7577

3 br. 2 bth. Stove & refrigerator. Will accept HUD. Call 263-3846 for more information.

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LOST ON FEB. 2-3 Womens black wallet. If found please call 268-9417.

HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR SATURDAY, FEB. 5:

Make the most of events that occur this year. You could view the unexpected as either a friend or an enemy, depending upon your flexibility. Opportunities appear, though sometimes you'll need to close one door in order to open another. Learning to trust remains key to your success and well-being. If you are single, romance flourishes, but don't assume anything is carved in stone until there has been a substantial amount of time and history. Summer sizes. If attached, keep the lines of communication open. You both may tend to go into a tizzy sometimes and take each other for granted. AQUARIUS can surprise you.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19) What you thought you wanted could radically change in the near future. A friend might be unusually quirky, but you could find this behavior interesting for now. Get together with others. The more people, the merrier. Tonight, Where the gang is.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) An issue surrounds work and someone in charge. Though you believe you have resolved it, at least in your head, you will discover otherwise. Visit with a friend; get together with others; take responsibility. Greet the unexpected. Tonight: In the lime light.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Reach out for others. Be willing to take a trip to connect with a special friend. Your efforts are appreciated. The unexpected marks plans. Take a deep breath and relax. You need a break. Gaining a new point of view helps. Tonight: Be open to what might differ.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Togetherness marks many of your decisions. Being with others is paramount. Listen to a partner, as startling as his insight could be. Refuse to push as hard to have your way. If another isn't on the same track as you, so be it. Tonight: Unexpected developments can add excitement.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Others have strong reactions, but your eyes are wide-open. Though you have seen similar behavior manifest before, you could be surprised. Stay nice and even, whether others know how or not. Relationships will be undergoing adjustments in the near future. Tonight: The ever-happy

social butterfly. VIRGO (Aug 23-Sept. 22) Events of late have stretched your nerves and energy. Be willing to say "enough" and stop pushing. Letting go brings unusual events. If you don't relax, your health will suffer. Do what is good for you, recharge and relax. Tonight: Do something different.

LIBRA (Sept 23-Oct. 22) Allow more fun and liveliness into a key relationship. A partner or amour can be quite playful. Incorporate freedom into your friendships. Give up the need to control. Your imagination sometimes causes you a problem, exaggerating what you think others are up to. Tonight: Laughter happens.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Changes on the homefront are inevitable. You'll gain if you are less controlling. Let go, and don't fight trends. You build a better domestic environment as a result. Consider an investment most carefully. Revitalize your home life. Tonight: Invite friends over.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Let others come to you and share news. What you hear could easily have you shaking your head. Be aware that with some people, another communication style is necessary. Flirting with a new purchase is quite different from actually making it. Tonight: Be spontaneous.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Indulge yourself. Be clear about what you expect from business associates and trusted partners. Sometimes you give way too much when it comes to your finances. Be willing to put a halt to spending. You pull the financial wild card. Tonight: Not everything has to be expensive!

AQUARIUS (Jan 20-Feb 18) The spotlight shines on you. You easily assume the role of lead player. How you view your friends and interactions could be a lot different in the next few weeks. You might opt for something very different. Tonight: Others respond to your energy - just ask.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) You could be out of sorts because of what you hear. Stay centered if possible. Check into different means of handling stress and problems. Take a walk or a break from your normal pace. Another finds you irresistible and will let you know it! Tonight: Take a break from your hectic social life.

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Man having second thoughts

DEAR ABBY: I am a 27-year-old man and not very close to my extended family. Out of the blue, my teen-age cousin called and asked if he could come and stay at my house for a week while he looks at colleges in Los Angeles. Of course, I agreed, but now I realize that entertaining and feeding a 17-year-old for a week will be somewhat costly... and I am by no means wealthy.

Should I call and ask his parents to provide expense money, or, by initially accepting my cousin's request, is the responsibility now mine? JOHN IN SANTA MONICA

DEAR "JOHN": It was kind of you to agree to host your young cousin, and it will provide a wonderful opportunity for you to become better acquainted with your extended family.

Call ahead and ask what he would like to do while visiting you, and you'll have a better idea of what he "expects." Most teen-agers like hot dogs and hamburgers, and watching videos - none of which should break your budget. If what he wants is expensive, tell him honestly that you can't afford it, and let his parents come up with the extra cash.

Enjoy your time together. It could be the beginning of a rewarding relationship for both of you.

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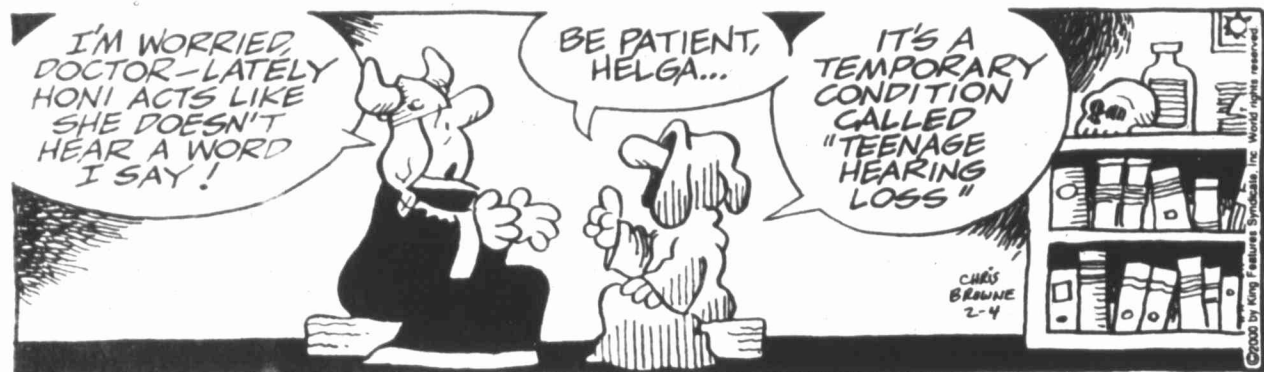
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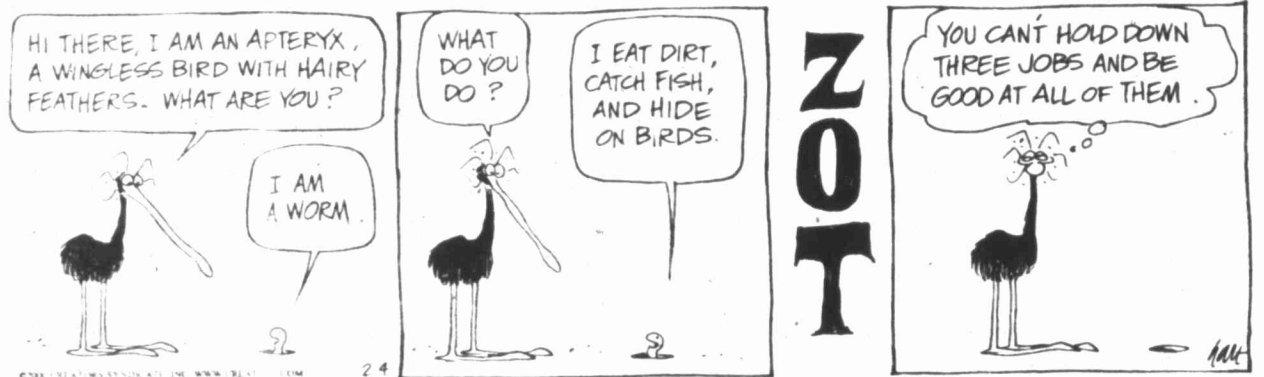
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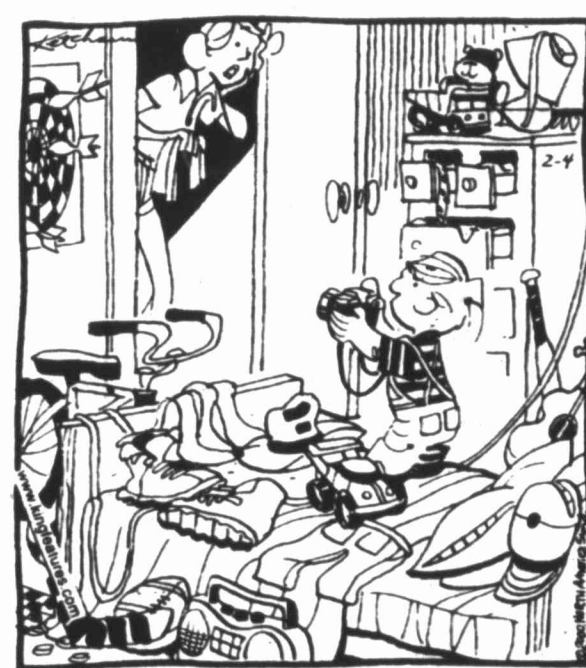
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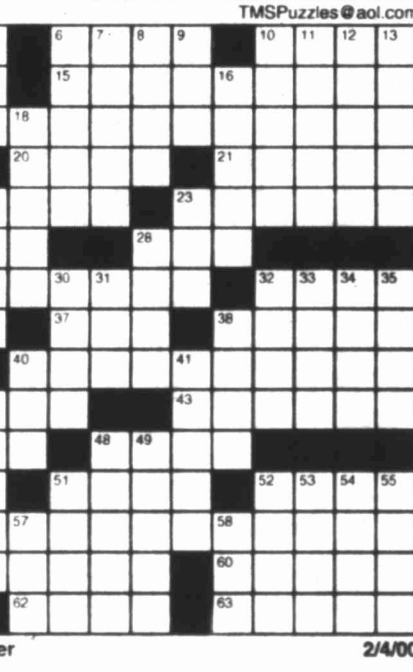
The ASSOCIATED PRESS Today is Friday, Feb. 4, the 35th day of 2000. There are 331 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Feb. 4, 1789, electors unanimously chose George Washington to be the first president of the United States.

formal cessation of hostilities with its former colonies, the United States of America. In 1861, delegates from six southern states met in Montgomery, Ala., to form the Confederate States of America.

THE Daily Crossword

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In 1945, President Roosevelt, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Soviet leader Josef Stalin began a wartime conference at Yalta. In 1974, newspaper heiress Patricia Hearst was kidnapped in Berkeley, Calif. by the Symbionese Liberation Army. In 1975, more than 22,000 died when a severe earthquake struck Guatemala and Honduras. In 1980, Abolhassan Bani-Sadr was installed as president of Iran by Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini. In 1983, singer Karen Carpenter died in Downey, Calif. at age 32. In 1987, pianist Liberace died at his Palm Springs, Calif. home at age 67. In 1997, a civil jury in Santa Monica, Calif., found O.J. Simpson liable for the deaths of his ex-wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend, Ronald Goldman. Ten years ago: Cheering protesters thronged Moscow streets to demand that the Communists surrender their stranglehold on power. Nine people were killed as guerrillas attacked a bus carrying Israeli tourists near Cairo, Egypt. Five years ago: A standoff between the United States and China escalated into a trade war, with each country ordering stiff tariffs against the other. One year ago: Gravely ill with lymphatic cancer, Jordan's King Hussein left the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn., and was flown home. Senators at President Clinton's impeachment trial voted to permit the showing of portions of Monica Lewinsky's videotaped deposition. In a case which has drawn much controversy, Amadou Diallo, an unarmed West African immigrant, was shot and killed in front of his Bronx home by four plainclothes New York City police officers during a nighttime search for a rape suspect. Today's Birthdays: Civil rights pioneer Rosa Parks is 87. Feminist author Betty Friedan is 79. Actor Conrad Bain is 77. Actor Gary Conway is 64. Movie director George Romero ("Night of the Living Dead") is 60. Singer Florence LaRue (The Fifth Dimension) is 56. Comedian David Brenner is 55. Former Vice President Dan Quayle is 53.