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WEATHER

Tonight:



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TONIGHT THURSDAY
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County library plans book sale all day Saturday

Friends of the Howard County Library plans a used book sale Saturday to benefit improvements and equipment for the library. They are taking donations of used books from now through Friday.

Donations of books should be taken to the circulation desk at the library. They will be categorized and priced by volunteers.

Prices at the sale, scheduled from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., are likely to range from 50 cents to \$1 for most of the books, and slightly higher for new, antique, or books in excellent condition.

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

↳ Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 West Third.

THURSDAY

↳ Gideons International, Big Spring Camp No. U42060, Hermans, 7 a.m.

↳ Big Spring Senior Citizens Center Art Classes, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. for 55 and older.

↳ Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.

↳ Genealogical Society of Big Spring 7:15 p.m., Howard College Library.

↳ Masonic Lodge No. 1340, 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster.

FRIDAY

↳ The Greater Big Spring Rotary Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.

↳ AMBUCS, noon, Brandin' Iron Restaurant.

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

SATURDAY

↳ Howard County Scottish Rite Club, 7:30 a.m., Masonic Lodge, 21 and Lancaster, breakfast served.

↳ Big Spring Evening Lions Club, 9 a.m. until 12 p.m., free used eye glasses for adults, Evening Lions Bingo Building, 1607 East Third.

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

MONDAY

↳ Texas Tech Exes meeting, 6 p.m., 309 South Main in the Sparenberg Building.

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Time growing near for Health Fair 2000 at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum

By CARL GRAHAM
Staff Writer

Mark your calendar now if you haven't already and plan on attending this year's Health Fair 2000 scheduled to kick off at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 15, at the Dorothy



RICH

Garrett Coliseum. According to Amber Rich, director of business development at Scenic Mountain Medical Center, things are falling in place rapidly. "There are several exciting things that go along with our cancer awareness theme this year," said Rich. "The new sensibility tool for self-breast exams will be on display, and the PSA test, a blood test to detect prostate cancer in men over 50, will be available at no charge." Rich said that in keeping with

this year's theme, "Taking Care of People," there will be free health screenings sponsored by Comanche Trail Nursing Home, Scenic Mountain Medical Center, Malone and Hogan Clinic, Mountain View Lodge, West Texas VA Health Care System and Warren Chiropractic, as well as the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce and KBST radio.

There will be three other events going on that day in conjunction with the health fair. A fun run/walk begins at 9 a.m. at Scenic Mountain State Park. It

is sponsored by the Big Spring State Park and Scenic Mountain Medical Center and it requires a \$10 entry fee. T-Shirts will be given to each entrant.

A bicycle rodeo will also take place that day from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the coliseum parking lot. The rodeo is open to boys and girls in ages six through 12. The youngsters must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Bicycles will not be provided. The event is sponsored by Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP), the Big Spring Police Department

and the Citizens Police Academy Alumni.

Walk Across Texas will also kick off on that day with eight-person teams walking the first mile at the Health Fair beginning at 1 p.m. at the east entrance to the coliseum. The teams have a goal of walking 800 miles in eight weeks. The event is sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"I urge everyone that can to come out and attend and participate," said Rich. "It doesn't cost anything but your time but it could save a life."

Body of kindergartner found at Mustang Draw

By CARL GRAHAM
Staff Writer

The body of a 6-year-old Elbow Elementary kindergartner, missing for the past 12 days, was recovered from Mustang Draw late Tuesday morning.

David Benton, a volunteer from Midland, located the body of Dalton Lee Harbour about 11:30 a.m. some 200 yards from FM 818 in two feet of water. Benton said he had been at that same location on Sunday when he and his wife Lydia were out searching.

"Well, I had one of those amphibious vehicles that could go where the horses and walkers couldn't so I came out here Sunday for about four hours and found nothing," said Benton. "I came back out this morning right back to where I was Sunday and found him within 20 minutes in about two feet of water just six feet from the shoreline."

The boy was officially pronounced dead by Justice of the Peace Quail Dobbs at around noon and taken to Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Harbour had been missing since March 23 when flood waters from the previous night's rain swept the car in which he, his 19-month old sister Peyton and their mother Cindy were riding. They were en route to Elbow Elementary where Dalton attended school. Cindy survived and was able to call for help. Peyton's body was recovered at about 7:45 that night by volunteers searching the area in a canoe.



David Benton, 49, of Midland, stands beside his all-terrain vehicle he used to find the body of Dalton Lee Harbour Tuesday around 11:30 a.m. Benton found the youth just a couple of hundred yards away from where the vehicle he was in was swept off the road 12 days ago.

Sheriff Bill Jennings described the events. "An individual from Midland by the name of David Benton found the body, and after tying a bright-colored life jacket around a tree, called 911 on his

cell phone," said Jennings. "We then dispatched units out and the Big Spring Police Department sent units out as well as several volunteers to help pull the body out. Chief (Deputy Kerry) Fritz and Mr.

Benton pulled the body out around noon. Judge Dobbs came out to pronounce the victim officially dead and Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home

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Reagan named to Texas Airport Manager's Association

By GINA GARZA
Staff Writer

Nelda Reagan, McMahon-Wrinkle Airport administrative assistant, was named to the board of directors of the Texas Airport Managers Association (TAMA) Thursday.



REAGAN

Reagan was nominated as Region 1 Board Member for the 2000-01 term and will attend regular board meetings.

"This will be beneficial to the city because it will allow us to have the networking ability with other airport management and to share ideas, especially with smaller airports like ours," said Emma Bogard, Big Spring assistant city manager.

"I think it's good for Big Spring and I really feel good about it and definitely want to do a good job," said Reagan.

"TAMA promotes and encourages the public's understanding

of the value of aviation and airports," she added. "It provides a unified voice for airports within the state to local, state and federal agencies and to the State Legislature and the Congress of the United States on all proposed or pending legislation relating to aviation.

"It helps to promote safety in the development of airport facilities as well as supporting academic endeavors of the membership and the aviation educational programs within Texas," she added.

Reagan joins Mike Shahan, Grayson County Airport man-

ager; Bill Looke, Brazoria County Airport manager; Cynthia Godfrey, Mesquite Metro Airport manager; and Phil Savko, Sugarland Municipal Aviation director.

Others are Mark Nelson, Denton Municipal Airport manager; George Garrett, Weslaco Mid Valley director of aviation and Jose Flores, Laredo International Airport director.

"Everyone on the board is pretty new and we will have to get together and decide what we are going to be doing," said Reagan. "I'm not real sure of my responsibilities just yet."

TAAS

BSISD rolls out key test on Tuesday

By GINA GARZA
Staff Writer

Students, get your thinking caps on, because the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) tests are coming up April 11-14.

"There will be about 1,700 students testing next week," said Murray Murphy, assistant superintendent for Big Spring Independent School District.

The TAAS tests will be conducted in grades 3-8.

"The high school students already did their TAAS testing in February," he said. "In fact, Mr. Bowermon has looked at the preliminary results and found them to be very good. We believe the high school is close to being recognized."

The TAAS will consist of the math and reading portions, and eighth graders will have to also take social studies and science testing.

"I feel they (the students) are well prepared and feel they will do a good job," added Murphy. "The teachers and students have studied very hard."

The state is in the process of changing TAAS testing.

"The kids that are in kindergarten right now, when they get to third grade, will have to pass the TAAS in order to be promoted to the next grade level," he said. "Basically that means that starting the 2002-03 school year, all students in grades 3 through 8 will have to pass the TAAS in order to be promoted. It's not just based on their grades in the classroom."

"The students have three chances to pass the TAAS in one year. They have a chance in the fall, the spring and in the

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Abusaab Teacher of Year at Big Spring High School

By GINA GARZA
Staff Writer

Big Spring High School Teacher of the Year Sheila Abusaab won't take the credit but in fact, gives it right back to her students.

"I have very good students. I think they are the reason I teach," the BSHS Spanish teacher said. "They revive me and make me enthusiastic and I'm inspired by them."

The Teacher of the Year program is conducted by the Texas Education Agency (TEA) and recognizes teachers across the state annually.

"The state sends us criteria to select from and asks evaluators and principals to select two teachers apiece," said Carla Collingsworth, BSHS English teacher. "Then there is a committee of five people selected and we screen the selections and vote and finally narrow it

down to one."

Some of the criteria the state required included:

- A concern for students and the capability to inspire them.
- The ability and willingness to work cooperatively with colleagues.
- A drive to initiate activities that improve instruction for students.
- An ability to work effectively with different groups in the community.
- The desire to stay informed of current educational theories and practices.
- An ability and willingness to make meaningful contributions to education.
- Examples of innovations started in the nominees' classrooms.

"I was shocked when they announced this to me at a faculty meeting last week," said Abusaab. "At first I thought it

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Sheila Abusaab, Spanish teacher at Big Spring High School, practices verb conjugations with her students. She was named Teacher of the Year for Big Spring High School.

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OBITUARIES

Margaret Langston

Cremation for Margaret Langston, 71, Brownfield, was April 5, 2000, at Resthaven Crematory in Lubbock. Mrs. Langston died on Monday, April 3, in Brownfield. She was born on Oct. 22, 1928, in Jarrell. She married Robert Milton Langston in 1947 and he preceded her in death in 1986. She graduated from high school in Belton. She had been a resident of Big Spring for 25 years and was employed with the Big Spring State Hospital. She is survived by: one daughter, Paula McMeans of Brownfield; one brother, Milton Lee Denham of Georgetown; two sisters, June Clark of Austin and Juanita Peterson of Jarrell; and two grandchildren. Arrangements are under the direction of Brownfield Funeral Home.

George H. Riddle

George H. Riddle, 65, of Big Spring, went to be with his Heavenly Father on Monday, April 3, 2000, in a local hospital. Funeral service will be 1:30 p.m. Thursday, April 6, 2000, at the St. Paul Lutheran Church with Pastor Carroll Kohl and Pastor Steve Stutz, officiating. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park. He was born on April 18, 1934, in Chesterfield, Ill., and married Joyce Howell on Nov. 10, 1984, in Big Spring. Mr. Riddle had lived in Big Spring for 30 years. He retired from the United States Air Force and had served during the Korean Conflict. He also retired as a repairman from Sears.

George had lived a full life. He had toured the lower 48 states on a motorcycle with his wife, Joyce. His church was his strength and support. He was a kind and gentle man, always helping others when he could. He was loved and will be missed by all who knew him. He was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church.

Survivors include: his wife, Joyce Riddle of Big Spring; one daughter and son-in-law, Sue and Joe Walker of Sodus, N.Y.; four sons and daughters-in-law, Bob and Betty Barnett of Big Spring, Jack and Debra Barnett of San Antonio, Craig and Maria Barnett of Clovis, N.M., and Steve and Shirley Barnett of LaGrange; one brother, Floyd Riddle of Slidell, La.; one sister-in-law, Regina Riddle of Topeka, Kan.; 18 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two sons, Rick and Don Riddle. The family suggests memorials be made to St. Paul Lutheran Church, 810 Scurry, Big Spring 79720. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home.

"When the sun sets and the

tide ebbs, Applaud the process of life, take your father's hand and let him lead you home." G.H.R. *Paid obituary*

Ronny Moser

Funeral service for Ronny "Chub" Moser, 59, Big Spring, will be 2 p.m. Thursday, April 6, 2000, at Myers and Smith Chapel with Lanny Hamby officiating. Interment will be in Trinity Memorial Park. Mr. Moser died on Tuesday, April 4, at his home.



He was born on March 12, 1941, in Big Spring. He was a lifetime resident of Big Spring and a member of the Church of Christ. He was employed at Cosden for 15 years, and then was self-employed in various other businesses in Big Spring. He was a member of the American Quarter Horse Association and various other horse racing associations.

He is survived by: his wife, Mickie Moser of Big Spring; three daughters, Shawn Moser of Arkansas, Kasi Miller of Killen and Krista Singleton of Midland; his mother, Allie Moser of Big Spring; one sister, Bobbi Hooper of Big Spring; four grandchildren, two nieces, one great-niece; and one great-niece.

The family suggests memorials to Vista Care Hospice, 3210 11th Place, Big Spring 79720. Arrangements are under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel.

Garland Green Sr.

Service for Garland Green Sr., 92, Big Spring, is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Mr. Green died on Tuesday, April 4, 2000, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

TAAS

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"Summer," he said. "If a student fails both the fall and spring, they must take a remedial course in the summer and then are allowed to retake the test at the end of the summer session." Murphy added that the third grade is an important area because this is where they begin their formal testing. It is estimated that 300,000 third grade students across the state will be taking the mathematics and reading components.

Another change being made is the student exemptions. "Special education, starting the 2000-01 school year, will have to take a TAAS test or an alternative assessment approved by the state," said Murphy. "This is a benchmark year."

"Our teachers work very hard to do the very best they can to educate our students. I believe we are back on track and will see good results," he said.

TEACHER

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was a joke, because they joke with me all the time, but Mr. Bowermon (high school principal Ron Bowermon) assured me it was not. "This is the first time since I've been here we have done this," said Collingsworth. "We decided it was time to recognize our teachers and I hope we will keep doing it." "I think this is an honor especially since my peers helped to nominate me for this recognition," said Abusaab. "I feel there are so many others so deserving of this award. I was the lucky one this time."

SEARCH

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was notified and came out to carry the body to the funeral home. Jennings said that Wayne Armstrong of the Department of

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Parks and Wildlife had just scoured the area around 7 a.m. as he had been doing every morning since the tragedy began almost two weeks ago.

"I just hope that this will now bring closure for the sake of the family," Jennings said. "I know it has been very hard on them."

The Texas Department of Public Safety, which had operated a command post at the site during the early days of the search, announced last Thursday they were discontinuing the search until water receded and the area was more accessible.

Autopsy ordered in man's death

An autopsy has been ordered in the death of 65-year-old George Riddle of Big Spring who died on Monday.

According to Howard County Justice of the Peace Quail Dobbs, Riddle came to pick up his grandson, who was a student at Coahoma Elementary. He was attempting to park in a handicapped parking spot and lost control of his car, hitting a wall of the building. A witness, Scott Lewis, said he saw Riddle slumped over behind the steering wheel.

Dobbs said that Lewis went to get school nurse Rose Griffin for help. She administered CPR and revived him and EMS units were dispatched. Riddle died en route to Scenic Mountain Medical Center in Big Spring, according to Dobbs. Dobbs pronounced him dead at approximately 3:40 p.m.

The Department of Public Safety investigated the accident and ordered the autopsy.

Funeral service will be 1:30 p.m. Thursday, April 6, 2000, at the St. Paul Lutheran Church. Arrangements are with Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home.

Diana Ross plans tour with new Supremes

NEW YORK (AP) — Thirty years after Diana Ross left the Supremes, the sexy diva of '60s pop is back with her girls.

In pink leather and lipstick to match, Ross strutted into a news conference Tuesday at Grand Central Terminal where she and two new backup singers announced plans for a U.S. tour featuring the group's timeless Motown hits.

They're all Supremes — Ross, Lynda Laurence and Scherrie Payne — but it's far from a reunion.

The trio has never performed on stage together. Laurence became a Supreme in 1971 — a year after Ross left to start a solo career — and Payne joined in 1973.

BRIEFS

THE BIG SPRING EAGLES Lodge No. 3188 will host a barbecue to benefit the Harbour family on Saturday, April 15. Barbecue dinners, served from noon to 4 p.m., will consist of brisket, sausage, coleslaw, potato salad, beans and bread. Dine in and carry-out will be available. The cost will be \$5 per plate.

THE BIG SPRING EVENING Lions Club will have free eyeglasses for all

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adults Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon at the Big Spring Evening Lions Club bingo building, 1607 East Third.

All adults needing eyeglasses who don't have the income to purchase the exam or glasses are welcome. The recycled eyeglasses are donated by the community as a service project of the Lions.

The Lions group offers the eyeglasses the second Saturday of each month. For more information call Donna Groenke at 393-5298.

SUPPORT GROUPS

WEDNESDAY

- Gamblers Anonymous, 7 p.m., St. Stephen's Catholic Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. Call 263-8920.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. 12 and 12 study.
- Narcotic Anonymous, 8 p.m. St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 268-4189 (pager no.) Step study.
- Nurse Hospice and Canterbury are sponsoring a new grief support group. It will meet the second Wednesday of each month at 3 p.m. in the community room at Canterbury South, 1700 Lancaster.

THURSDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.
- A.D.D.A.P.T. non-profit support and learning organization about attention deficit disorder learning disorders and dyslexia. Meets second Thursday of September, October, November, January, February, March, April and May, Cerebral Palsy building, 802 Ventura, Midland.
- Alzheimer's support group, noon, Scenic Mountain Medical Center, third Thursday of the month. Call Janice Wagner at 263-1211.
- Grief Support related to the death of a loved one. Call Nurses Unlimited, Inc., at 264-6523.
- Alzheimer's Association Support Group, last Thursday of the month, Comanche Trail

TEXAS LOTTERY

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

Nursing Center, 3200 Parkway, 7 p.m. Call 267-9459.
•Narcotic Anonymous, 8 p.m. St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 268-4189 (pager no.)
•Al-Anon support group, 8 p.m., 615 Settles.

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

CORRECTION

In Tuesday's Sheriff's Log, it was reported that Adolpho Segovia Lopez, 50, was arrested on a charge of violation of protective order. The Big Spring Police Department notified the Herald that he was brought in for an investigation but no charges will be filed.

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activities between 8 a.m. Tuesday through 8 a.m. today:

- CARL SMITH, 20, address unknown, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- LIVESAY WILLIAMS, 22, of Sasakna, Okla., was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- MANUEL CHAVARIA, 17, of 1202 Main, was arrested on a charge of driving while license invalid.
- CAROL MIEARS, 38, of 200 East 11th, was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana.
- ROBERT CARSON, 32, address not given, was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana.
- UNAUTHORIZED USE OF MOTOR VEHICLE was reported in the 2400 block of Gregg.
- ATTEMPTED BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 500 block of

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•THEFT was reported in the 1800 block of Gregg, in the 2300 block of Wasson, in the 300 block of Owens, in the 1100 block of North Lamesa.

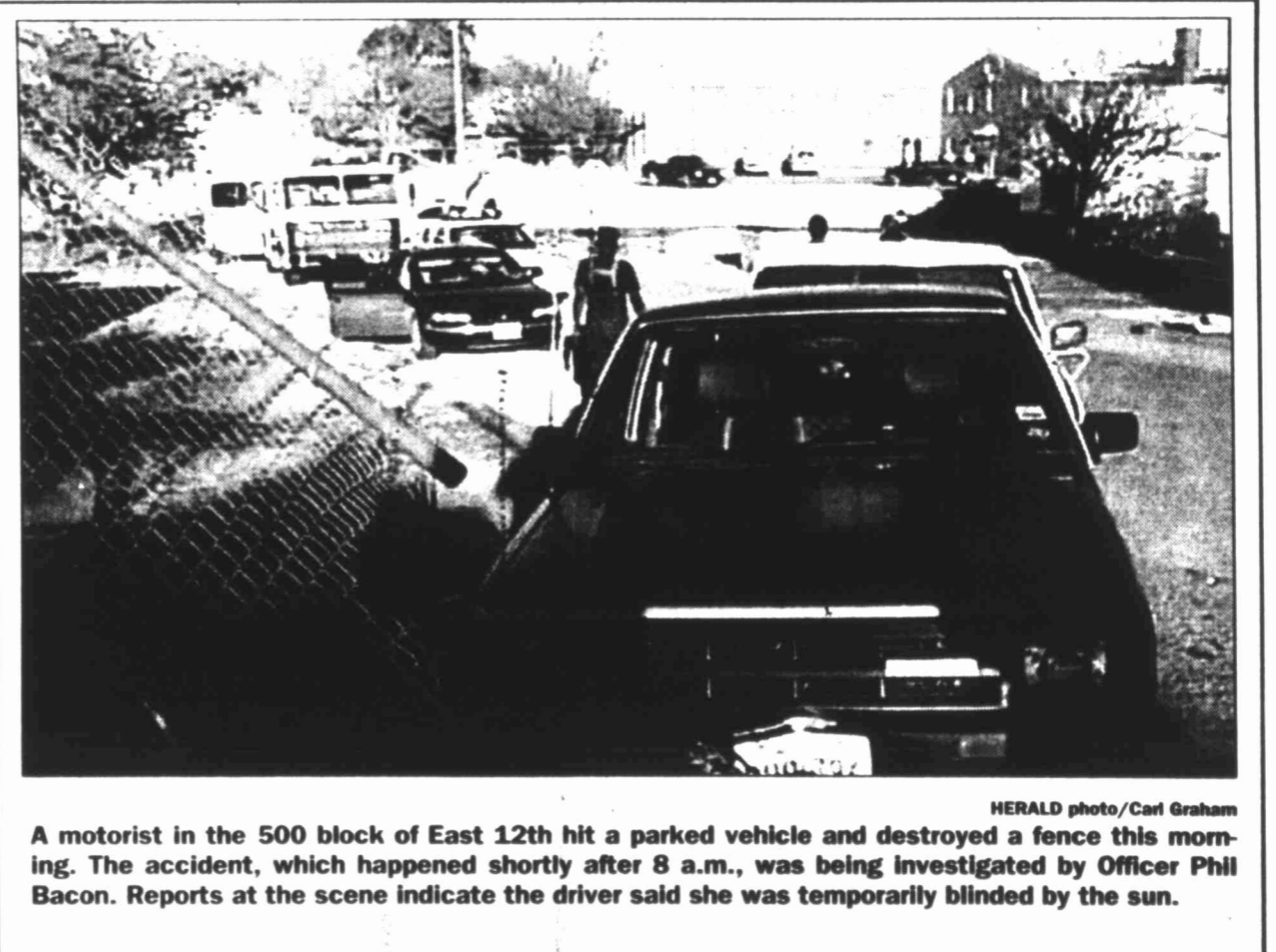
FIRE/EMS

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

- TUESDAY**
12:35 a.m. — 200 block Bell, grass fire, fire was extinguished by responding units.
- 10:09 a.m. — 800 block Rannels, structure fire, call was a smoke scare.
- 11:17 a.m. — 900 block Main, trauma call, patient refused service.
- 1:55 p.m. — 700 block East 17, medical call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- 4:00 p.m. — 900 block Goliad, trauma call, patient transported to SMMC.
- 7:16 p.m. — 1900 block North 87, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.
- 9:36 p.m. — 400 block Gregg, medical call, patient transported to Veterans' Administration Medical Center.
- 10:12 p.m. — VAMC, patient transferred to SMMC.

RECORDS

Tuesday's high 74
Tuesday's low 40
Average high 75
Average low 44
Record high 94 in 1954
Record low 25 in 1970
Precip. Tuesday 0.00
Month to date 0.49
Year to date 5.20
Normal for the year 2.96
Sunrise Thursday 7:27 a.m.
Sunset Thursday 8:09 p.m.



HERALD photo/Carl Graham

A motorist in the 500 block of East 12th hit a parked vehicle and destroyed a fence this morning. The accident, which happened shortly after 8 a.m., was being investigated by Officer Phil Bacon. Reports at the scene indicate the driver said she was temporarily blinded by the sun.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL
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Ronny "Chub" Moser, 59, died Tuesday. Services are 2:00 PM Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be in Trinity Memorial Park.
Garland Green, Sr., 92, died Tuesday. Services are pending.

NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH Funeral Home
Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory
906 Gregg St. (915) 267-6331
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NEW YORK (C) traders still reel. Street's most volatile history, analysts that the market sense of balance purge of technolo. The stock market stomach-churning as the Nasdaq co and Dow Jones in dropped more th before bargain-s returned in force. While most c ferred only mod

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Wall Street's wildest day — analysts finally see healthy adjustment

NEW YORK (AP) — With traders still reeling from Wall Street's most volatile session in history, analysts held out hope that the market had regained a sense of balance after a huge purge of technology stocks.

The stock market endured a stomach-churning ride Tuesday as the Nasdaq composite index and Dow Jones industrials each dropped more than 500 points before bargain-seeking buyers returned in force.

While most companies suffered only moderate losses,

many well-known technology stocks have dropped out of stratospheric territory. Smaller companies with little or no earnings have been knocked down to prices more justifiable to investors still eager to take chances.

What's more, when the market stopped swooning, the Nasdaq and the Dow had obliterated much of the divergence that had perplexed analysts since last year. At the end of the day, the Nasdaq was up just 2 percent for the year and the

Dow down less than 3 percent. "As hard as it is to believe, this is a good thing," said Pete Anderson, chief investment officer at American Express Financial Advisors in Minneapolis. "One sector of the market was insanely overvalued. The rest was deeply undervalued. Now we are reversing that."

Wall Street analysts are looking cautiously to a handful of factors that could halt the decline of technology stocks and lift the market again. Corporate

earnings reports, which will flood the market in the next few weeks, are expected to be strong.

The Nasdaq and the Dow each recorded their widest point swings in history Tuesday on record volume.

The Nasdaq was down 574.57 points at midday, then clawed back to finish down 74.79 at 4,148.89. From its high to its low, the Nasdaq moved more than 634 points.

The Dow swung more than 700 points, rising nearly 200 points

before dropping more than 500. It finished down 57.09 at 11,164.84.

"The simple, rational thing to say is that that the technology sector is coming back to Earth," said Hugh Johnson, chief investment officer at First Albany Corp. "We've gone through a period of dramatic speculation, and historically, every period of speculation has been followed by a period of distress."

Among the factors in Tuesday's selling were what's

known in the market as margin calls. When investors buy stock using borrowed money, known as margin, they are forced to sell if prices drop sharply.

On the floor of the New York Stock Exchange, sell orders stacked up and drove traders outside the building in search of a brief respite.

"I was so busy, honest to God, I didn't know how bad we were down," said Terrence O'Donnell, trading clerk with Salomon Smith Barney. "I was literally buried in paper."

Organ transplant fight shifts to Senate

WASHINGTON (AP) — A day after the House came down squarely against the Clinton administration's effort to assure that more donated organs go to the sickest transplant patients, the fight is shifting to the Senate, where a compromise is brewing.

But in another sign of how difficult it will be to change the current organ distribution system, a pair of senators who have been working for months to find a solution remained unable to reach agreement Tuesday.

Sen. Bill Frist, R-Tenn., who was a heart transplant surgeon before he entered politics, planned to introduce legislation today that tries to balance the interests of the private company that runs the transplant system under a government contract and the Department of Health and Human Services, which wants to make changes.

At issue is which side should have the power to write rules governing the distribution of scarce organs, and what those

rules should be.

HHS and its allies argue that this is an issue of public policy that should be decided by federal officials who are accountable to taxpayers, and it has proposed replacing the current geographically based distribution system with one that would get organs to the neediest patients first, no matter where they lived.

The United Network for Organ Sharing and its supporters argue that this is a medical question that should be decided by the transplant professionals who make up the network. The network's distribution system is designed so that local patients get first crack at donated organs.

On Tuesday the House backed the network in a 275-147 vote that would strip HHS of its authority to set policy and overturn its proposed new rules.

"The federal government is simply not equipped to make these decisions," said Rep. Tom Bliley, R-Va., the House Commerce Committee chair-

man. The Clinton administration promised a veto should his bill reach the president's desk. The House bill did not attract the 290 votes that would be needed to overturn a veto.

HHS Secretary Donna Shalala accused the House of ignoring the findings of a congressionally ordered study of the organ transplant system. But she predicted that a better bill would emerge eventually.

"In the months ahead, this vote will be seen for what it is — an unfortunate footnote to larger good-faith efforts that are under way to achieve the best organ transplant system possible," she said in a statement.

Shalala and others are now looking to the Senate. The Frist bill would allow the transplant network to write allocation policy.

But if HHS objected to the network's actions and the two sides could not find a compromise, the matter would be settled by an independent commis-

USDA covers 70 percent of farmers' claims

WASHINGTON (AP) — Farmers are getting 70 cents for every dollar in claims they made for losses from drought and other crop disasters last year because the Agriculture Department doesn't have enough money to go around.

USDA officials said Tuesday that they received \$1.85 billion in claims, and had \$1.3 billion appropriated by Congress to cover them.

The department covered 85 cents of every dollar in claims on 1998 crop disasters.

About 260,000 producers are receiving payments for last year's losses of as much as \$55,680 per farmer.

USDA decided to distribute the disaster aid in two installments, knowing that the claims

would have to be prorated. Payments totaling \$500 million were made earlier, while checks for the remaining \$800 million are going out this week.

"Despite a vibrant national economy, these are difficult times for America's farmers and ranchers," said Keith Kelly, administrator of USDA's Farm Service Agency. "This assistance should provide additional relief to farmers still reeling from recent costly natural disasters."

Texas received the most in total payments, \$196.8 million, followed by North Dakota, \$143.6 million; Georgia, \$73.5 million; California, \$68.7 million; and North Carolina, \$64.7 million.

Lawmakers from the

Northeast, hard hit by last summer's drought, have been working to get Congress to approve additional aid to farmers.

"Congress has been very generous in providing emergency aid to farmers in the Midwest and the South when their crops are devastated. We need to have some equal treatment for farmers in the Northeast," said Wendy Darwell, a spokeswoman for Rep. Maurice Hinchey, D-N.Y.

Hinchey has sought an additional \$150 million in aid. The House Rules Committee refused to allow him to offer an amendment to a supplemental appropriations bill, so he hopes to add the money to the Agriculture Department's 2001 budget, Darwell said.

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OUR VIEWS

Let's support county library used book sale

Are you a book lover? If so, Friends of the Howard County Library has a sale for you. The group plans a used book sale Saturday to benefit improvements and equipment for the library. If you already have more than your share of novels, biographies, romances and westerns, Friends members are taking donations of used books from now through Friday at the circulation desk.

In the past, money raised by the Friends of the Library has been used to buy furniture, equipment and pay for staff enrichment. The group is committed to supporting the library with the "little extras" that the regular budget can't provide.

Prices at Saturday's sale, scheduled from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., are likely to range from 50 cents to \$1 for most of the books, and slightly higher for new, antique, or books in excellent condition.

In other words, anyone can afford to pick up a new title or two. If you can't find something you like, pick up a book for your kids. Or better yet, let them choose one they want to read.

We urge you to patronize this sale and support the Friends of the Library in their efforts. It certainly won't hurt to encourage a love of reading in your family.

YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

Thank you citizens of Big Spring for attending our Art Show at the Big Spring Mall and making it a great success.

Also thank you KBST, the Big Spring Mall, the Big Spring Herald, the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce and patrons for you help and excellent advertising of the show.

Warren Taylor, judge for the art show, said, "It is a pleasure to see the wonderful quality and diversity of art in

this exhibition. My awards are based not only on the artist's technical skills, but also the sparkle of imagination that artist relish.

Freedom and encouragement are very important, on all levels of the arts. Because it is this vitality that helps make our country and our age, really wonderful. Hats off to the Big Spring Art Association for sponsoring this impressive and worthwhile event."

BIG SPRING ART ASSOCIATION

OTHER VIEWS

It is easy to understand that a man who speaks of safety in the streets, and about defending the right to property, gains sympathy in the chaotic Russia of today. (Vladimir) Putin is seen by many as a young and competent monitor, untainted by corruption and old power structures.

Putin is also the butcher of Chechnya. The ruthless warfare is closely associated with the outgoing prime minister. He has not shown any examples of democratic or liberal qualities. Instead, he has made very thought-

less comments saying a country may best be ruled by a king.

Russia today is a country suffering under runaway crime that permeates all of society. It is possible that Putin will manage to curb some of the open crime. But it appears unlikely that he is the leader who will take Russia further down the reform road. Orderliness and toughness are one thing, democracy and market economy something else.

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We must import the workers or export the jobs

Next time you're wondering whom to thank for this booming economy, thank an immigrant. That's right, any immigrant — from the fellow laying bricks in the new housing development down the street, to the guy flipping burgers at your local fast-food restaurant, to the woman who cleans your office building every night, to the software engineer who makes it possible for you to buy your food or pick a new wardrobe, all while sitting at home by your computer.

Sure, plenty of American-born workers perform these jobs, too, but the fact is, if it weren't for the large influx of foreign-born workers into the economy in the last several years, nearly everything we pay for would cost more. Mass legal immigration has been a critical component of economic

growth over the last two decades, but one we too often either ignore or wrongly assume causes more harm than good.

One man who does understand the importance of immigration to our current — and future — economic success is Federal Reserve Board chairman Alan Greenspan. A few weeks ago, Greenspan told a congressional committee that the most effective thing Congress could do to ensure the economy keeps humming along would be to let more immigrants into the country. Apparently, the members weren't listening very carefully, because they've refused to knuckle down and pass much-needed immigration reform.

So far this year, the only immigration bill Congress is likely to pass is one to increase the number of temporary work permits — known as H-1B visas — for high-tech and other highly skilled workers. And Congress may not even get around to passing this legislation, which will provide about 65,000 more workers per year, despite an estimated shortage of at least 250,000 workers in the high-tech industry alone.

The U.S. Labor Department predicts that the country will

produce 130,000 new information-technology jobs per year for the next decade. But who will take these jobs? American colleges are turning out 40 percent fewer graduates in computer science than in the 1980s, and one-third fewer electrical engineers than a decade ago. We either have to import workers with these skills — or export the jobs.

And it isn't just the technology industry that depends on foreign-born labor. Have you taken a good look at your local construction site lately, or the doctors and nurses at your HMO? Chances are, you'll see a lot more brown faces there than in the past. U.S. industries as disparate as meatpacking and tourism now rely heavily on immigrant labor. The agricultural industry, perhaps the most highly dependent on foreign labor, would virtually collapse without a constant stream of immigrant workers, many of whom work here illegally.

But no one, including the Immigration and Naturalization Service, intends to do much about these illegal workers. While the INS has increased border patrols, illegal aliens have little to fear from being apprehended or deported

once in the country. As one INS official recently told the New York Times, "It is just the market at work, drawing people to jobs, and the INS has chosen to concentrate its actions on aliens who are a danger to the community."

Wouldn't it be better to change the immigration laws to allow more people to reside here legally than simply to turn a blind eye to those who are violating the laws now on the books? A few years ago, anti-immigrant fervor was high, spurring efforts like California's Proposition 187 to deny welfare and education benefits to illegal aliens and their children. But today, with the economy purring along, most Americans are less concerned with immigrants in general. According to a recent Gallup poll, fewer than half of all Americans want to see lower immigration, the first time since 1977 that support for restricting immigration has dipped this low.

Congress should take this opportunity to reconsider our outdated immigration laws, and let the market dictate how many immigrants we can absorb.

Our continued prosperity depends on it.



LINDA CHAVEZ



The Ghost of John Wesley Hardin

Leon Metz of El Paso has written 16 books about the Southwest. Some of them are about notorious folks like Billy the Kid and John Wesley Hardin. He works extremely hard while writing his books and tries to get inside the minds of the people he writes about.

John Wesley Hardin gave him some trouble. "I was pretty well into the life of John Wesley Hardin and gradually it began dawning on me that this guy was communicating with me," says Leon. "I felt as though he didn't like what I was writing about him."

Leon got to the point he was having trouble traveling. "I would be lying in my hotel bed at night and get the feeling that Hardin was in the room with me. He never spoke to me, but I could sense his presence. I began to have nightmares in which some-

times I would shake so violently that my wife would lay across me to keep me from falling out of bed."

He went to see his doctor, who prescribed a tranquilizer. "That helped somewhat, but the feeling that Hardin was with me when I was working on the book stayed with me."

John Wesley Hardin's ghost would certainly be bothersome. He killed over 30 men, claiming he always shot in self defense and never killed anybody who didn't need killing.

Leon was in Austin one time doing some research on Hardin and after spending time in libraries he went back to his hotel. "It was about five in the afternoon and I'm surfing through the television channels and all of a sudden I had this cold feeling as if Hardin was in the room. It scared the daylight out of me. I didn't know what to do. I tried watching some television, reading, I tried looking out the window, I even prayed. Finally I just got out and walked the streets until about midnight at which time I was feeling a little better. I went back to the hotel, went to bed, slept pretty good, got up the next morning,

jumped in my car and drove 600 miles back to El Paso."

Hardin was killed in the Hacienda Cafe in El Paso by deputy John Selman on Aug. 19, 1895. He was 42 years old. On the 100th anniversary of Hardin's death, a historical group went to the Hacienda Cafe and created a re-enactment of Selman shooting Hardin in the back of the head. Leon narrated the story.

"We did it every hour on the hour for eight hours, then at 9 o'clock at night we took everybody who was there to Hardin's grave in Concordia cemetery, had a drink of wine and wished him well on his way. On this particular day, I wasn't troubled at all by the ghost of John Wesley Hardin."

Leon's book, John Wesley Hardin, Dark Angel of Texas, was published about five years ago. Hardin's spirit, or whatever it was, bothered Leon for over a year.

"Hardin did not begin to slack off until after the book was finished. Once the book was finished, he gradually began to recede into the background."

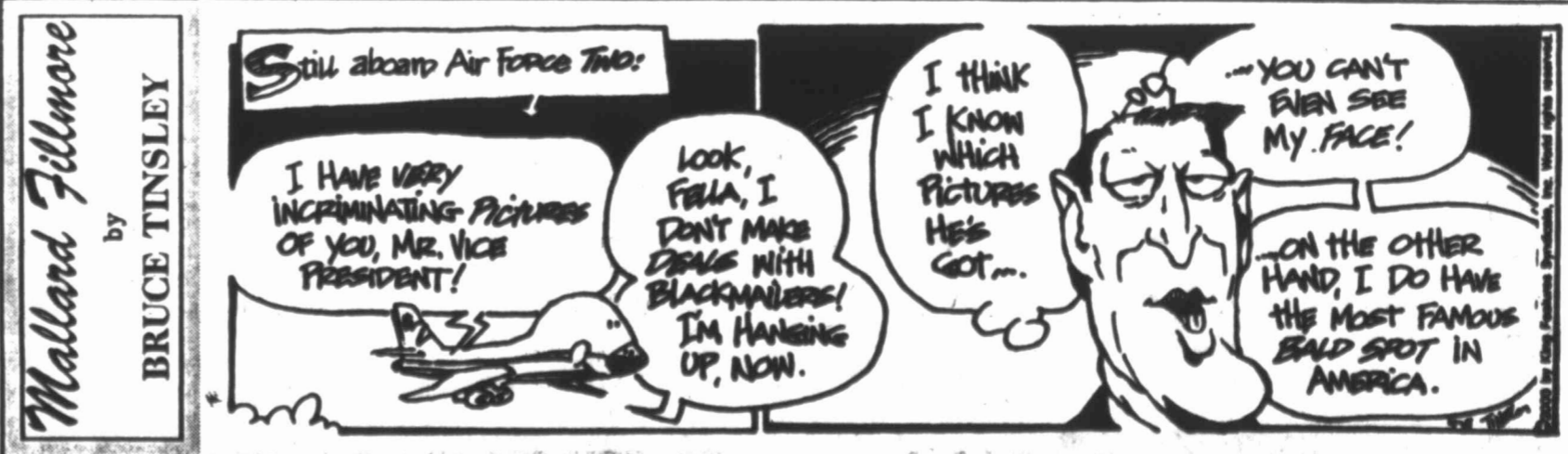
Leon is pretty well over the experience now, except he doesn't like to travel much.



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By DEBBIE L. ...
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Wanted: Talented people

Organizers adding show to July 3 celebration

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

Got a talent for singing, dancing, telling jokes or playing an instrument? Sign up to share it with the community during the patriotic July 3 celebration.

"We want to have a pre-fireworks talent show," explained Andrews-York, tourism director for the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce. Organizers of the July 3 event, which typically includes a performance by the Big Spring Symphony along with a giant fireworks display, wanted to add something new this year.



ANDREWS-YORK

JOIN THE FUN

Here's how you can be part of the talent show planned before the music and fireworks on July 3.

- Decide what talent you want to showcase, and make sure it is family-friendly.
- Call the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce to arrange a short interview. No audition is necessary.
- Practice, practice practice to be ready for the show, planned from about 4-7 p.m. on Monday, July 3.

"This is going to be something family-oriented that will be going on as people enter the amphitheater," Andrews-York said.

Organizers are seeking people of all ages to perform all

types of talent. They should call the chamber, 263-7641, to arrange a short interview to discuss what they plan to perform. No audition will be necessary, but the "talent" must be suitable for all ages.

"We would like for people to contact us by June 15, but it is not too early to start planning this now," Andrews-York said. Each "talent" should last 15-15 minutes.

This year, July 3 is on a Monday. While the patriotic music is not expected to start until about 7 p.m., the talent show might begin as early as 4 p.m., when people typically begin arriving at the park. In years past, thousands of people from all over West Texas have attended the event.

"We wanted to make this talent show something fun that will add to what is already a great evening of entertainment," Andrews-York said.

Magic bullet? Regular exercise

Everyone is looking for the magic bullet to help them live longer or better. Many search for clues on the Internet, magazines and television news.

Some think the key to a longer, better life lies in a particular dietary supplement or eating only organic food. None of these other strategies is supported by the amount of research showing regular, moderate physical activity like walking is what they really need.

A substantial amount of research shows regular, moderate physical activity like walking produces a significant impact on health. Everyone knows physical activity is good for their health, yet starting — and most of all continuing — physical activity is very difficult.

Walk Across Texas (WAT) was created in 1997 by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service to provide people with the necessary support to not only start walking, but also find a group that can keep

them walking even when they feel like quitting.

What are the benefits of joining WAT? A recent study found that the women participating in a walking group similar to WAT were still much more likely to be walking 10 years later even though no follow-up was provided. Women in the walking group had less heart disease, hospitalizations, surgeries and falls ten years later than women who did not walk.

Another study with 70,000 women, determined that those walking one hour a day or performing moderate activity such as house work reduced their risk of developing type 2 diabetes by half. Another study found that people at risk for

developing heart disease due to atherosclerosis experienced a significantly reduced risk by walking for six months.

Moderately to vigorously active women reduced their risk for hip and vertebral fractures due to osteoporosis by as much as 42 percent. Other studies found that moderate physical activity lead to lowered risk for other health problems including gall bladder surgery, breast cancer, depression and stroke. Additional benefits include lower blood pressure, lower "bad" cholesterol (LDL), higher "good" cholesterol (HDL), lower stress levels and improved immunity.

Finally, people with diabetes find they can control their blood sugar much better when they walk regularly.

Besides reporting feeling better, last year many participants reported an added benefit of spending more time with their family and friends when they walked together. Other teams

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DANA TARTER

Documentary urges active response to cancer diagnosis

NEW YORK (AP) — Joseph Lovett would have had enough personal incentive to make a documentary about cancer had he been thinking only about his father, dead at age 48 from colon cancer.

That's only where his family's sad saga begins. The same disease killed his brother Raul at 55. His sister, Tricia, died of ovarian cancer at 61. Lung cancer claimed his brother Bill at 63.

If Lovett didn't have regular screenings of his colon, one of which detected the beginning stages of cancer, "I would be dead today," he said.

In his 2-1/2-hour documentary, "Cancer: Evolution to Revolution," Lovett tries to erase the stigma of cancer and empower people who have been diagnosed with the disease. The show premiered on HBO Thursday at 8 p.m. and will also be shown today and on April 8, 11 and 17.

"Doing a film on cancer has allowed me to face my own fears," he said. "I've learned that there is a whole new way of thinking about and dealing with cancer."

Half of American men and one-third of American women are diagnosed with cancer at some point in their lives. There are 1.2 million new cancer diagnoses each year in this country, and 560,000 people die from the disease.

Yet it's still a word spoken only in whispers among many people, if at all.

"There's been such a denial about the disease," Lovett said. "We hear people all the time saying, 'I don't know anyone who has had cancer.' That's just not possible. It's like saying, 'I don't know anyone who is Jewish or gay.' Well, you just haven't asked that many people."

In terms so simple and expressive to be almost frightening, the documentary describes the latest theories about how cancer develops. Instead of being a foreign invader like a virus, cancer is a traitor — a good cell that misbehaves and then multiplies, explains Dr. Richard Klausner, director of the National Cancer Institute.

Cancer used to be considered a death sentence. Now, however, most patients diagnosed will not die because of that cancer.

He told him the doctor's name, a business man from Texas, R. I. who was diagnosed with hairy cell leukemia and told that he was going to die because there was no cure. Schine and his wife did their own research and located a clinical trial of a potential cure. He's been cancer-free for nine years.

Those kinds of stories convinced Lilly Tartikoff, widow of television executive Brandon Tartikoff, to get involved as one of the documentary's narrators.

Her husband's cancer was initially misdiag-

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Diabetes warning: Hispanics may be at higher risk

MIDLAND (AP) — Dinner at grandma's may be the highlight of the week, but the combination of fatty preparation and high-calorie foods can make the weekly feast a truck stop on the road to trouble. And new studies reveal that Hispanics are at a greater risk of falling victim to diabetes. Genetics and diet may be to blame.

Diabetes is a disease that the American Diabetes Association defines as one that, "affects the body's ability to produce or respond to insulin, a hormone that allows blood glucose (blood sugar) to enter the cells of the body and be used for energy."

Diabetes falls into two main categories: Type 1, which usually occurs during childhood or adolescence and, Type 2, which is the most common and generally occurs after age 45.

The ADA says all people should be aware of the warning signs, but ADA research has

shown that Hispanics seem to have the disease in larger numbers.

Midland physician John Worrell Jr. thinks that diet and genetic disposition are the two key factors in Hispanics having diabetes.

"It is true the diabetes is there, but with proper diet, exercise and weight control it can be controlled," Worrell said. "It's like asthma. There are Olympic gold medalists who have had asthma. But if you take care of yourself, you can control it."

Worrell recommends a diet low in fat and carbohydrates.

Dietitian Rhonda K. Carr agrees. Ms. Carr, dietitian for Westwood Medical Center, said that diet plays an important part in the treating and prevention of diabetes.

Ms. Carr said the common belief about diabetes is controlling sugar intake, but, she

added, there is more to the story. Fat, carbohydrates and protein are on the diet-control list, too.

"People with diabetes run a higher risk of heart disease, and that is why we really work on getting their fat down," Ms. Carr said. "With Type 2, our goal is to help a person have a normal glucose and lipid levels. It's not really a diet. The person has to see it as a change in lifestyle."

Foods normally associated with Hispanic cooking are generally higher in fat and cholesterol ... lard and cheeses, for example. Ms. Carr cautioned against a high-fat diet because cells become more resistant to insulin as weight increases.

She recommends an increase of fruits and vegetables. "They are high in fiber and vitamins and minerals, lower in calories.

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ODDS-N-ENDS

CHALMETTE, La. (AP) — Authorities say they've found the man who pilfered the donation box at Our Lady of Prompt Succor Catholic Church. One of the clues? Sticky stuff.

The Rev. Warren Cooper said donations were down recently, requiring the church to cut assistance to the poor "just about in half." He said a sticky substance had been noticed on the donation box.

On Monday, two church employees told St. Bernard Parish sheriff's deputies that a suspicious-looking man had been at the church. He was later arrested.

Police said the man was found with \$381 and three long, thin, flexible metal rods coated with a sticky substance, which authorities believe he used to remove the money from the donation box.

Dennis Ferrer, 56, was booked with theft and was held on \$10,000 bond. According to a police report, Ferrer said he was "not stealing the money, just removing it because the church was run by communists."

VANCOUVER, Wash. (AP) — The Southwest Washington Humane Society will continue to sell used copies of Playboy magazine at its thrift shop, despite a complaint from a female shopper.

The society's board of directors voted Tuesday to disregard a complaint filed by Deborah Elliott, a Vancouver mother of two.

"I had hoped they would be more courageous, to take a moral stand," Elliott said after the meeting, which she did not attend.

The store sells old adult magazines that are sealed in plastic, with the covers partially obscured by paper inserts and stored out of reach of small children.

"It's legal, it's tastefully displayed, we're not a religious organization and we're not a children's organization," board member Lynn Bohart said after the vote.

The Paws-n-Claws shop generates more than \$50,000 a year for the Humane Society, about 6 percent of the agency's annual \$800,000 budget. The money is used to buy supplies and fur-

nishings for the shelter and also covers property costs.

SANTA FE, N.M. (AP) — Those who don't clean up their doggie's doo-doo could be in deep trouble with the local judge.

About 70 Santa Fe residents face arrest for failing to appear for Municipal Judge Fran Gallegos' inaugural session of doggie court. Gallegos signed bench warrants this week for people who either didn't clean up after their dogs or broke leash laws.

She assigned community service to about 10 other people who did show up after ignoring earlier fines and court summonses.

Gallegos said people in canine court were touchy. She called it "a vicious environment."

Residents have pushed the judge to crack down on people who are allowing their animals to run loose.

Offenders who don't pay fines or have repeated citations could be assigned to city cleanup crews, the judge said.

"They will be provided with gloves and shovels and whatever they need" to pick up after other people's dogs, she said.

RENO, Nev. (AP) — A hamburger for 40 cents? A dime for french fries? Prime rib for \$2.95?

Those were the real prices Thursday at the Club Cal Neva as it celebrated its 38th anniversary by rolling back the cost of a meal to what the menu listed when it opened in 1962.

"We try to bring back the spirit of 1962 and the wonderful memories and the birthday to us represents a time when we can do that," Cal Neva chief executive Phil Bryan said Wednesday.

The opening a generation ago drew crowds that stretched for three blocks from the front door of Reno's newest casino, many drawn by the lure of prizes ranging from trinkets to \$100 bills.

This year's giveaway is a little more upscale — \$35,000 in prizes and a new sport utility vehicle. The entertainment also included the Bud Girls and an Elvis impersonator.

Typo time

E-mail writers ignore

grammar, spelling rules

CHICAGO (AP) — if you've received an e-mail that looks like this ... you'r NOT alone !!!!!!! :

Experts say people who communicate via computer are becoming increasingly informal — and sloppy. E-mail is routinely strewn with typos, grammatical errors and various shortcuts, such as no capital letters.

The trend really bugs some grammar purists.

"A student wouldn't walk into a professor's office asking a question using bad English. Why would they send me that kind of mistake in an e-mail?" gripes Kenneth Brown, an assistant professor at the University of Iowa business school.

An avid tracker of e-mail etiquette, Brown says he regularly chides students for sending sloppy e-mail to him and even prospective employers. Some faculty members have also gotten a talking to.

Shonquis Moreno, a 28-year-old writer from New York with a penchant for the lower-case, says she likes the "more intimate, casual, off-the-cuff tenor" her e-mails have. In many cases, she has even stopped fixing jumbled letters.

"Maybe it's because I know that typos are recognizable as typos and not spelling errors," says Moreno, who works for an Internet startup and finds herself scurrying to answer more than 30 e-mails a day.

By the end of last year, there were 335 million e-mailboxes in the United States, according to the trade publication Messaging Online. That represents a 73 percent leap in just one year.

On the Web, "you won't be judged by the color of your skin, eyes, or hair, your weight, your age, or your clothing," author Virginia Shea says in her rules of Netiquette, which are posted online. "You will, however, be judged by the quality of your writing."

The solution? Re-read your e-mail, not just for mistakes but for impetuous words, says Eric Arnum, Online Messaging's editor.

CONSUMER NEWS

TRENTON, N.J. (AP) — LifeSavers' basic Five Flavor roll will stay just the way it is after all — complete with pineapple.

The company, a division of Parsippany-based Nabisco Inc., had toyed with the idea of dropping it from the Five Flavor roll, which for 65 years has been the same: lime, lemon, cherry, orange and pineapple.

But a wave of telephone and Internet votes from customers indicated that most people thought the idea was, well, un-holey.

"There are a lot of pineapple aficionados out there," said Jim Goldman, LifeSavers' president. "That's what they want, so that's what we're going to give them."

He said company research indicated that pineapple was the least popular of the Five Flavor roll. Executives thought adding strawberry or watermelon would boost sales and please palates. So they set up special telephone lines and an Internet site to let people decide whether to deep-six pineapple.

More than a million votes were cast, and Goldman says there's no evidence they all came from just one die-hard pineapple disciple. Pineapple tallied 54 percent of the vote, whipping watermelon (25 percent) and strawberry (21 percent.)

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

THE BIG SPRING EVENING Lions Club will have free eyeglasses for all adults Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon at the Big Spring Evening Lions Club bingo building, 1607 East Third.

All adults needing eyeglasses who don't have the income to purchase the exam or glasses are welcome. The recycled eyeglasses are donated by the community as a service project of the Lions.

The Lions group offers the eyeglasses the second Saturday of each month. For more information call Donna Groenke at 393-5298.

THE LAST WORD

The worst curse in business is to fail and not know why. The second worst curse is to be successful and not know why.

William Bennet

No easy problems ever come to the President of the United States. If they are easy, somebody else has already solved them.

Dwight D. Eisenhower

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Lazarus Project

Program gets drug addicts, alcoholics back on track

PORT ARTHUR (AP) — Normally, a toolbox is a typical gift to give, but to 19-year-old Osborne Jackson, it means much more. It signals the rise of a new life and the death of an old one.

Jackson, a recent graduate of the Lazarus Project, a drug and alcohol rehabilitation program at the Port Cities Rescue Mission, will use the tools at his new job at the H.B. Zachary Construction site where he will work as a pipefitter's helper.

Jackson is using also using tools he learned in the program to overcome life's obstacles and stay clean. But, he remembers 10 months ago how he hit his bottom.

"I was doing drugs and staying with my family and I lost their trust," Jackson said. "Hanging out all night, acting stupid. I burned my bridges there so I had to leave."

"I called my probation one day and said I didn't have anywhere to go and was doing bad and stuff and she told me to go there."

"I got tired of living the way I lived. Forget all that dumb stuff, smoking weed. In the long run, you will hit bottom," he said. "Trust me, I know."

The program was put in place to help recovering addicts and alcoholics become gainfully employed while receiving in-house treatment. And, according to Port Cities Rescue Mission Director Ken Hill, it is working.

"We have found jobs for six people that exceed minimum standards," Hill said. "It is unique. It's the only recovery center in the area that puts people to work before they get out," he said.

Hill recently went before the Port Arthur Economic Development Corporation to request funding for a job coordinator position for the program. Hill is the job coordinator along with being the director of the mission but says he just doesn't have time to do it all because the 11-bed program is growing.

Jackson said he appreciates efforts from Hill and other Lazarus Project staff.

"I got real close to Ken, Mario and Mrs. Doreen, all of the staff. They are real good people," he said.

The program is strict. There is no room for failure. Participants must wake up at 5:30 a.m., attend AA or NA

meetings throughout the day and go to chapel services. Hill said he doesn't tolerate any drug use from participants and if they get a job through the program, they are regularly tested for drugs.

Jackson passed those drug tests as well as the tests he took at welding school while attending the program and the tests he will take when he goes to Prairie View A&M. But, most of all, he hopes he will pass the biggest test, the test of life.

"I am struggling right now, but I am climbing that ladder. I'll make it if I keep trying," he said. "I see a lot of young brothers and sisters doing the same stuff. They need to make a future for themselves. You gotta hustle and struggle the good way," he said. "Don't worry about nobody but you and God."

Osborne realizes the dividing path he is taking but doesn't want to live the life he did before. "Don't look back and don't forget the past and don't dwell on it either."

Lazarus will help Osborne and others like him continue to rise with the help of companies like Zachary who participate in the program.

DIABETES

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Stay away from high-calorie drinks like juice and soda and have more tea and water."

Ms. Carr also suggested that people look for hidden fat in foods like chips or processed foods.

The ADA's research reveals the following results of diabetes in the Hispanics community over the years:

Type 2 diabetes is twice as high in Hispanics that in non-Hispanic whites; 1.2 million, or 10.6 percent of all Mexican Americans have diabetes; about 24 percent of Mexican Americans and 26 percent of Puerto Ricans between the age of 45 and 74 have diabetes; and nearly 16 percent of Cuban Americans between the ages of 45 and 74 have diabetes.

"Diabetic retinopathy (one of the complications) is a term used for all abnormalities of the small blood vessels of the retina caused by diabetes such as weakening of the blood vessel walls or leakage from blood vessels," Martin said. "The prevalence of diabetic retinopathy in Mexican Americans is about 32 to 40 percent."

Martin said another complication is kidney disease, which is developed by 10 to 21 percent of all people with diabetes. He said in 1995, 27,900 people initiated treatment for the end-stage renal disease (or kidney failure) because of diabetes. Among people with diabetes, Mexican Americans are 4.5 to 6.6 times more likely to suffer from end-stage renal disease.

The ADA says that diabetics can control their disease and the risk of complications by being educated about diabetes, set a realistic goal for controlling blood glucose levels and receive regular checkups by health-care providers trained in the care of diabetes.

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CANCER

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nosed and — against his instincts — he sought second opinions and more aggressive treatment. Tartikoff is convinced this added 16 years to her husband's life.

It's the documentary's most insistent message: Take control of your own health. Seek second opinions, learn everything you can about your disease through the Internet, and be aggressive about treating it. Don't assume the first doctor you see knows everything about all forms of cancer, as things are changing all the time.

"It's easier and simpler to just believe in your doctor," Tartikoff said.

Lovett tells the stories of dif-

ferent cancers through patients who are living with them. There's Jessica Turri, an 11-year-old leukemia patient in Memphis, and Vanessa Colbert, a 11-year-old breast cancer patient in Houston, who uses support groups to help her cope.

HBO is launching a companion Web site, at HBO.com, together with leading cancer organizations and specialists to disseminate more information. In the documentary, phone numbers and Web addresses are constantly flashed on the screen. It makes the film drier, but the information might literally be life-saving.

"People are stunned at how much support is available to them for free," Lovett said.

NAMES IN THE NEWS

NEW YORK (AP) — Diamonds may be a girl's best friend. For Elton John, it's rhinestones.

The entertainer donned a tiara, dangling earrings and rhinestone slippers Monday night as he strolled onto stage accompanied by eight bare-chested chorus boys and sang, "Diamonds Are a Girl's Best Friend."

The occasion was "This is Your Song: Broadway Sings Elton John," a fund-raiser for Broadway Cares/Equity Fights AIDS. It featured such theater performers as Betty Buckley, Sam Harris, Andrea McArdle, Linda Eder, Deborah Gibson and Sandra Bernhard singing the pop idol's music.

"I'm a newcomer here," John told a cheering audience at Broadway's New Amsterdam Theater. "I am very happy to be on Broadway."

He closed the evening, which was emceed by Nathan Lane and Christine Baranski, with his "Circle of Life," from "The Lion King," now in its third sold-out year on Broadway.

NEW YORK (AP) — It's not easy being sexy — just ask Kim Basinger.

Despite her early modeling career and seductive roles in movies such as "9 Weeks" and "The Getaway," Basinger has

never thought of herself as incredibly desirable.

"I have to act to be sexy," she said in the May edition of Vanity Fair. "I'm not very good at being a 'girl,' for the type of man who loves that kind of thing. I'm a clean person; I'll put on a little makeup, but I'm basically not a very feminine girl."

Trying to be sexy is also complicated for Basinger because she suffers from agoraphobia the fear of being in open or public places.

Basinger says her agoraphobia has controlled much of her life. Her mother had to tell teachers not to call on her, and as an adult, Basinger was once housebound for six months.

Basinger, who won an Oscar for best supporting actress in 1997 for her part in "L.A. Confidential," next appears in "I Dreamed of Africa." The new film opens next month.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — John Travolta is playing daddy again.

Travolta's wife, actress Kelly Preston, gave birth to a baby girl on Monday.

Ella Bleu was born weighing 9 pounds. Both mother and child were doing fine, publicist Paul Bloch said. The actor was present during delivery.

The couple also has a son,

Jett, who turns 8 later this month.

Preston stars later this year in Billy Bob Thornton's "Daddy and Them" and Travolta's science fiction movie "Battlefield Earth" will be released May 12.

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — George Bush still needs to work on his delivery, but at least he's showing signs of improvement.

The former president threw out the ceremonial pitch Monday at the home opener for the Texas Rangers. After getting some pregame tips from Hall of Fame pitcher Nolan Ryan, Bush threw the pitch high and outside, much better than the one he bounced to the plate for the Rangers' 1991 opener.

Bush said opening day is special.

"It still captures the imagination of the American people. Everybody remembers the great heroes," Bush said. "It just taps into the imagination, whether they play ball or ever hit or whether they're real fans or not. It's hard to describe."

"It's so special to me. I used to be a relatively decent ballplayer way back in college, then we've had a history with the game a little bit," said Bush, who played first base at Yale.

TARTER

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reported bird watching as they walked. Perhaps the most unique benefit noted by a team in East Texas was treatment of over 10 acres for fire ants!

If you are interested in joining the Walk Across Texas program and starting to reap the benefits of regular exercise, here is your opportunity to get started. Call the Howard County Extension office at 264-2236 to find out about registration information. Then pick a team captain and plan to attend the Walk Across Texas Kick-off on April 15, in conjunction with the Big Spring Area Health Fair.

Dana Tarter is the Howard County Extension Agent, Family and Consumer Science.

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Now 20-5 on the Spring dropped district play going 4:30 p.m. game Angelo Lake Vie at the Big Spring Complex.

Varsity baseball slate meeting

The parents of High School varsity players will meet tonight at the BS Training Center.

For more information contact Barbara Morrison.

BSHS softball set to meet on

The Lady Steer Boosters will meet Thursday at the High School Athletic Center.

Parents of all softball players interested persons aged to attend.

Organizational set for women

An organization for women interested in softball league scheduled for 7 p.m. at the Roy Anderson.

Women 19 years are eligible to league. For more information contact Thelma Fannin at 263-0170.

Teen League baseball registration scheduled for

Registration for League baseball scheduled for April 7 at the American Legion field.

Fees are \$50 per birth certificate for registration. For more information contact Sheri Nichols at 263-2552, or Craig at 263-0170.

Softball tournament for April 7-9 at

The "Let's Do" softball tournament scheduled for April 7-9 at Cotton Mize Comanche Trail Park. Entry fees are \$15.

First through team trophies will be awarded to the selected and awarded to a Most Valuable Player and a Golden Glove Award will be given.

For more information contact Amador Rios at 263-0358.

Little League needed for new

Officials of the Little League Association say new members are needed for the season.

Prior experience is necessary, because new members will be trained. For more information contact Kevin Pirkle at 263-0241.

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IN BRIEF

Lady Steers stumble to loss in Ft. Stockton

Big Spring's Lady Steers continued to have trouble hitting Tuesday and the result was a 4-1 loss to Fort Stockton's Prowlers in District 5-4A softball action.

Lady Steers ace Christina Gwyn wound up taking the loss, despite an 11-strikeout performance and allowing just one earned run.

Big Spring's Lindsey Marino and Bridgett Cain each managed a couple of hits, matching the four hits Fort Stockton managed off Cain, but errors wound up costing the Lady Steers as much as their lack of hitting.

Now 20-5 on the season, Big Spring dropped to 5-2 in district play going into Friday's 4:30 p.m. game with San Angelo Lake View's Maidens at the Big Spring ISD Softball Complex.

Varsity baseball parents slate meeting for tonight

The parents of Big Spring High School varsity baseball players will meet at 5:30 tonight at the BSHS Athletic Training Center.

For more information, call Barbara Morrison at 264-3328.

BSHS softball boosters set to meet on Thursday

The Lady Steers Softball Boosters will meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at the Big Spring High School Athletic Training Center.

Parents of all Lady Steers softball players and other interested persons are encouraged to attend.

Organizational meeting set for women's softball

An organizational meeting for women interested in a fast-pitch softball league has been scheduled for 7 p.m. Thursday at the Roy Anderson Complex.

Women 19 years and older are eligible to play in the league.

For more information, call Thelma Fannin at 267-2396.

Teen League baseball registration scheduled

Registration for Teenage League baseball has been scheduled for April 10-14 at the American Little League field.

Fees are \$50 per player and a birth certificate is required for registration.

For more information, call Sheri Nichols at 263-2917 or 263-2552, or Craig Caudill at 263-0170.

Softball tournament set for April 7-9 at Mize Field

The "Let's Do It for Fun" softball tournament has been scheduled for April 7-9 at Cotton Mize Field in Comanche Trail Park.

Entry fees are \$110 per team.

First through third-place team trophies will be awarded, while individual trophies will be awarded to the tournament's top two finishers. An all-tournament team will be selected and awards will be presented to a Most Valuable Player and a Golden Glove Award will be given.

For more information, call Amador Rios at 263-5955 or 263-0358.

Little League umpires needed for new season

Officials of the Big Spring Little League Umpires Association say new umpires are needed for the upcoming season.

Prior experience is not necessary, because new umpires will be trained.

For more information, call Kevin Pirkle at 267-5053 or 264-0241.

ON THE AIR

Television MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

6 p.m. — Houston Astros at Pittsburgh Pirates, FOX, Ch. 29.
6 p.m. — Chicago Cubs at St. Louis Cardinals or Milwaukee Brewers at Cincinnati Reds, ESPN, Ch. 30

Rangers make most of new trio in taking 12-8 win over White Sox

ARLINGTON (AP) — Juan Gonzalez is proving to be more valuable for Texas in his departure.

The former two-time AL MVP is already sidelined for Detroit, while three of the six players acquired for him in the offseason deal have already paid big dividends in just two games.

Frank Catalanotto had a game-tying, two-run homer, Gabe Kapler had another three-hit game and Francisco Cordero got the victory in relief Tuesday night as the Rangers beat the Chicago White Sox 12-8.

"It's great that we can contribute and show that the trade is going to pay off," said Catalanotto, who is beginning the season platooning at second base with Luis Alicia.

"Whether we want (the post-trade com-

parisons) here or not, it seems like it's going to follow us around. That's fine. If we can get it out of the way early and prove to people that we can do the job, that we can take over just fine, then that's the way to do it."

While Gonzalez was pulling himself out of the Detroit lineup with a strained hamstring, the Rangers were following their 10-4 season-opening victory with a 12-run outburst. Texas has opened the season by scoring at least 10 runs in its first two games for the first time in team history.

The Rangers trailed 6-4 before Kapler led off the sixth inning with a double, and Catalanotto followed with his homer to right field. That was the start of a decisive seven-run outburst that included an RBI double from Rusty Greer and

an RBI single by Rafael Palmeiro.

Cordero (1-0) allowed Chicago's runs in the fifth and sixth innings, but got the win thanks to Texas' rally in the bottom of the sixth. He also gave up three hits in his 1 1/3 innings.

Chicago manager Jerry Manuel certainly doesn't see any reason to believe that the Rangers will miss Gonzalez, the team's record-holder in runs, homers and RBIs.

"It appears that way. We haven't exactly pitched well, but give them credit," Manuel said. "Every time we flinched, they took advantage of it. That's the sign of a good team."

And Texas still hasn't gotten the full benefit of the Gonzalez trade, with highly touted, left-handed starting pitcher Justin Thompson on the disabled list

still recovering from offseason shoulder surgery.

Thompson remains in Florida on extended spring training, where he will throw in another game next Monday before beginning a rehab assignment.

"I felt like I was coming over with some pretty good players," Kapler said. "If I had had a chance to pick and choose, I would have brought pretty much the same guys. I don't think anybody will forget Juan, but I think the fans will really enjoy the type of players we are."

Texas got a quick lead after Chicago starter Kip Wells walked two of the first three batters he faced. Palmeiro then hit a three-run homer into the upper deck in

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HERALD photo/Jim Fiero

Big Spring third baseman Jay Kuykendall fields a ground ball during the Steers' district-opening loss to Andrews last week. Kuykendall and his teammates seemed to get things turned around Tuesday, however, rolling to a 9-2 win over Snyder's Tigers.

Steers get Bamert back; roll to 9-2 win at Snyder

HERALD Staff Report

SNYDER — Big Spring's Steers chalked up their first win in District 5-4A baseball play Tuesday night, rolling to a 9-2 win over Snyder's Tigers.

There was good news all around for Steers faithful, as junior pitching ace Clint Bamert made his return to the mound after a week's absence and scattered five Snyder hits in going the distance for the win.

Bamert, who some had feared was lost for the season with a broken collar bone last week, returned in solid form. The right-hander allowed just one earned run, walking two batters and striking out two.

"This really helps... we needed this one," Steers head coach Pat Loter said following the win. "Believe me, I haven't smiled in a couple of weeks. It's really nice to have something to be happy about."

Technically, the Steers' win was a comeback, since Snyder

jumped on the scoreboard first with a run in the second inning.

The Tigers held onto that lead until the top of the fifth when the Steers mounted a two-out rally.

Bamert helped his cause by getting the rally started with a double and scored when center fielder Jason Choate singled. Choate promptly stole second base and shortstop James Clements, who had endured a two-game slump, ripped an RBI single to give the Steers a 2-1 lead.

It was a lead Big Spring would never relinquish.

The Steers added plenty of insurance in the top of the seventh.

This time it was second baseman Willis Morrison that got things started, reaching base on a Snyder error. Bamert followed with a bunt single and Choate stepped to the plate and scored Morrison with an RBI single.

Clements made sure his personal slump was only a mem-

ber when he cleared the bases with a double and scored on a balk a few moments later.

The Tigers managed to get Jose Carnero and Ricky Solis to ground out, but three consecutive errors allowed Bowe Butler, Jay Kuykendall and Daniel Beauchamp to reach base — the third of those miscues allowing Butler to score.

Morrison capped the seven-run rally with a single that drove in Kuykendall and Beauchamp.

Snyder did its best to mount a rally in the bottom of the seventh, but their last-gasp effort produced just a single run.

The win improved the Steers' record to 9-11-1 on the season and 1-2 in 5-4A play. It was Snyder's first district loss, leaving the Tigers tied with Andrews — a 3-1 loser to San Angelo Lake View — for second place in the league standings.

The Steers now prepare to play host to Fort Stockton's Panthers at 2 p.m. Saturday at Steer Park.

Secret to beating Woods just might be in the course

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — A small group of reporters crowded around Hal Sutton under the giant oak that spreads out in front of Augusta National's clubhouse.

What, they wondered once again, was the secret to beating Tiger Woods?

What they should have been asking, insisted Sutton, was the secret to beating Augusta National.

"I'm not playing him, I'm playing the golf course," said Sutton, the last man to beat Woods. "Nobody is teeing it up this week thinking about beating Tiger. They're thinking about the golf course."

There's a lot to think about this year at Augusta National, where the expanded rough is a topic of worry and consternation as are the winds expected to harden the slick greens even more.

Come the final round Sunday, though, Woods' shadow figures to loom large once again among the Georgia pines — and in the minds of those still on the leaderboard.

This is a guy, after all, who has won 10 times since the last Masters.

"People think any event he plays in is Tiger's event to win," David Duval said. "Not too long ago, that was the case with me."

Woods is a heavy favorite to win his second green jacket as the Masters begins Thursday on a course that has been tweaked the last few years to try and protect par.

This year, the rough introduced in the previous Masters was allowed to grow over even more of the former fairways. It isn't deep, but it is enough to place a premium on accuracy and make it difficult to judge what a shot will do to greens that demand a perfect approach.

"I don't see the need to have to change it every year," Woods said. "Every year that I've played, they've done that."

Ironically, Woods thinks the changes favor a player like himself who hits the ball high and long.

They don't favor defending champion Jose Maria Olazabal, who has struggled trying to hit his driver in the fairway and doesn't need a narrower target to shoot for.

"It's going to be a tough

week," Olazabal said.

While the course has again changed, there are also changes in the field.

Greg Norman has gone from tournament favorite to sentimental favorite in his 20th Masters. And Duval has gone from can't miss to can't win, quite a turnaround from last year when he had won four tournaments coming into Augusta.

"I don't know if I'm considered a favorite or not," Duval said. "My intentions are just to win the golf tournament." For the third consecutive year, there's another a teen-age amateur sensation trying to win the coveted green jacket. This time it's Australia's Aaron Baddeley, who won the Australian Open last year as an 18-year-old amateur.

Other things never seem to change on the stunningly green fairways of Augusta National.

Arnold Palmer will be teeing it up in his 46th Masters. His first was in 1955 when he first pulled into Augusta National towing a trailer that he and his late wife, Winnie, lived in while playing the tour.

Palmer will be paired with Jack Nicklaus and Gary Player in a reunion of golf's Big Three of the 1960s, though none have an expectations of winning.

"I don't know if it's unusual that we're playing together," Palmer said. "But it's certainly unusual at Augusta."

Norman still has the expectation he can win, despite his many close calls and spectacular failures in 19 previous Masters.

His eagle on 13 in the final round last year put him in position to win, but Olazabal sank his own birdie putt and pulled away for his second Masters win.

At the age of 45, Norman hasn't won in two years and admits he has only eight majors left in which he will have a realistic chance. Still, he believes this may be the one.

"When I come in here, I feel very good about my chances," he said. "Whether it's Jack Nicklaus, who's won six times, or myself, who has never won it, we all want it."

"I feel good here," he said. "It's heaven."

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Jones signs deal for Broadband to produce Cowboys' Web site

DALLAS (AP) — Bucking the NFL again, Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones has hired a company that he partly owns to operate the Cowboys' Web site.

Just a week ago, NFL owners approved putting all teams' Web sites under the banner of nfl.com — a move Dallas opposed. On Tuesday, Jones announced he will go his own way, hiring Broadband Sports to run dallascowboys.com starting in November.

Jones told The Associated Press on Tuesday that he has invested at least \$5 million in the Santa Monica, Calif.-based company.

"This is more aggressive than the NFL policy contemplates," Jones said. "The NFL policy is that the team sites and the common league site will all be on the same level of activity or attractiveness."

"Our position was one of being involved with more companies to promote our games and our site," Jones said.

Jones' go-it-alone move was reminiscent of his decision to name Pepsi the official drink of Texas Stadium, upsetting the NFL, which is paid to make Coca-Cola the official league soda.

The NFL also had a deal naming Pro Player the league's official outfitter, but Jones cut a deal with Nike. That dispute resulted in lawsuits and countersuits. It was settled, and Jones was allowed to keep his deal with Nike.

Broadband Sports operates athletedirect.com, which links Web surfers to 200 athletes' sites, including one for Dallas quarterback Troy Aikman. The deal, a year in the making, likely will be for five years, Jones said.

His investment, while not giving him a controlling interest in the company, was "a very meaningful capital contribution at this stage in Broadband's financial history," Jones said.

Officials for Broadband did not return phone calls for comment Tuesday. Jones' announcement comes a week

after meetings in Palm Beach, Fla. during which NFL owners approved an agreement to unify nfl.com with teams' Web sites. The agreement, which Dallas did not approve, will link nfl.com with teams' individual Web sites, rather than to in-house pages.

The deal will also allow individual teams to rebroadcast video highlights from games and use NFL Films footage on the Web sites.

But Jones said he wants to go one step further and "take the fans where they haven't been before, where the mainstream media can't take them," in the spirit of being the first team to allow television cameras into the draft room.

His plan for the Web site includes streaming video of team practices, documentaries, on-location shoots and an official online store.

Although Jones has a reputation for challenging the way the NFL does business, a league spokesman downplayed Jones' decision to hire his own Web-

hosting company.

"Under the club-approved Internet resolution, NFL clubs have the right to enter into local Web hosting and Internet agreements," said NFL spokesman Chris Widmaier. "The Internet will be a huge strategic opportunity. In a medium where content is king, the NFL is the king of content."

Broadband will assume control of the Cowboys' Web site after the team's one-year contract with Oklahoma City-based Catalog.com expires in November. Phone calls to Catalog.com officials were not immediately returned Tuesday.

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Broadband Sports: <http://www.athletes-direct.com>
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SPORTS EXTRA

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
BOSTON RED SOX—Agreed to terms with RHP Dennis Lowe on a four-year contract with a team option for a fifth year.
CHICAGO CUBS—Signed RHP Bobby Ayala to a minor league contract.
SAN DIEGO PADRES—Agreed to terms with Bruce Bochy, manager, on a four-year contract extension.
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
CHARLOTTE HORNETS—Activated C Brad Miller from the injured list. Placed G Michael Hawkins on the injured list.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
DALLAS COWBOYS—Released WR Ernie Mills.
DENVER BRONCOS—Traded RB Denver Loville to the St. Louis Rams for an undrafted draft pick.
NEW ORLEANS SAINTS—Signed P Toby Gowen to a three-year offer sheet.
PITTSBURGH STEELERS—Signed OT Larry Tharpe and S Nakia Code.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
ATLANTA THRASHERS—Agreed to terms with F Tomi Kallio.
NASHUA PREDATORS—Called up D Andrew Brunzweig and D John Namanstok from Milwaukee of the IHL.
NEW YORK RANGERS—Recalled G Jean-Francois Labbe and D Alexei Vasiliev from Hartford of the AHL. Reassigned G Milan Hritcak to Hartford.
PHILADELPHIA FLYERS—Extended their affiliation agreement with Trenton of the CHL for two more seasons.
ST. LOUIS BLUES—Extended the contract of Larry Pleau, general manager, through the 2003-04 season.
TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING—Signed LW Dmitry Afanasevich and C Martin Cibak to three-year contracts.

NBA STANDINGS

Table with columns for Conference, Division, Team, W, L, Pct, GB. Includes Eastern Conference Atlantic Division and Western Conference Midwest Division.

CHRISTMAS SERIES 2-1

Second Round (Best-of-5)
Saturday, April 1
Corpus Christi 7, New Mexico 6, OT
Austin 4, Lubbock 3
Monday, April 3
New Mexico 6, Corpus Christi 1, series tied 1-1
Tuesday, April 4
Austin 4, Lubbock 2, Austin leads series 2-0
Thursday, April 6
New Mexico at Corpus Christi
Friday, April 7
New Mexico at Corpus Christi
Saturday, April 8
Austin at Lubbock, if necessary
Sunday, April 9
Corpus Christi at New Mexico, if necessary
Monday, April 10
Lubbock at Austin, if necessary

NCAA BASEBALL

The Top 25 college baseball teams as determined by the staff of Baseball America magazine with records through April 2 and previous ranking; the games are not included in records:
Record
1. Florida State 15.5
2. South Carolina 28.4
3. Texas 29.6
4. Arizona State 28.8
5. Cal State Fullerton 22.9
6. Louisiana-Lafayette 28.2
7. Stanford 21.9
8. North Carolina 27.6
9. Clemson 24.6
10. Louisiana State 21.0
11. Auburn 28.8
12. Houston 22.9
13. Baylor 24.0
14. Southern California 22.0
15. Mississippi State 21.5
16. Georgia Tech 23.8
17. East Carolina 28.5
18. Wake Forest 24.9
19. Fresno State 25.8
20. Georgia Tech 23.8
21. Nevada 20.12
22. Long Beach State 20.10
23. Central Florida 20.11
24. UCLA 20.11
25. Georgia 19.10

NHL

Tuesday's Games
Ottawa 4, Washington 0
Philadelphia 5, Atlanta 3
Tampa Bay 5, Boston 4
Today's Games
Pittsburgh at Toronto, 6:30 p.m.
Montreal at N.Y. Rangers, 6:30 p.m.
Boston at Florida, 6:30 p.m.
Calgary at St. Louis, 7 p.m.
Anaheim at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
Colorado at Edmonton, 8 p.m.
Nashville at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Los Angeles at Vancouver, 9 p.m.
Dallas at San Jose, 9:30 p.m.
Thursday's Games
N.Y. Islanders at Ottawa, 6 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Montreal, 6:30 p.m.
Buffalo at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m.
Friday's Games
Pittsburgh at Buffalo, 6 p.m.
Toronto at N.Y. Islanders, 6:30 p.m.
Washington at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
Chicago at St. Louis, 6:30 p.m.
Anaheim at Nashville, 7 p.m.
Colorado at Calgary, 8 p.m.
San Jose at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Edmonton at Vancouver, 9 p.m.
Dallas at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Table with columns for Division, Team, W, L, Pct, GB. Includes American League East Division and National League East Division.

WPHL PLAYOFFS

Eastern Bracket
First Round (Best-of-3)
Tuesday, March 28
Tupelo 5, Lake Charles 4, 2OT
Arkansas 5, Monroe 4, OT
Thursday, March 30
Lake Charles 6, Tupelo 5
Arkansas 2, Monroe 0, Arkansas wins series 2-0
Friday, March 31
Lake Charles 5, Tupelo 3, Lake Charles wins series 2-1
Second Round (Best-of-5)
Saturday, April 1
Central Texas 6, Arkansas 3
Sunday, April 2
Arkansas 7, Central Texas 6, series tied 1-1
Shreveport 3, Lake Charles 2
Tuesday, April 4
Shreveport 3, Lake Charles 0, Shreveport leads series 2-0
Wednesday, April 5
Shreveport at Lake Charles
Thursday, April 6
Central Texas at Arkansas
Friday, April 7
Central Texas at Arkansas
Shreveport at Lake Charles
Saturday, April 8
Arkansas at Central Texas, if necessary
Lake Charles at Shreveport, if necessary
Western Bracket
First Round
Tuesday, March 28
Lubbock 4, Odessa 2, Lubbock wins series 2-0
Corpus Christi 6, El Paso 1

RANGERS

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right field.
The only other Texas run off Wells came in the fifth after he walked two more batters and allowed an RBI single to Ruben Mateo. He left with the White Sox ahead 5-4, but that lead was gone after 13 pitches thrown by Bill Simas (0-1) and Kelly Wunsch in the sixth inning.

MASTERS

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Whether in the locker room or outside the ropes lining the fairways, though, the talk always gets back to Woods, who became the first player in 55 years to win six straight tournaments.
Sutton managed to beat him at the Player's Championship, but on a course that seems ideally suited to his game, Woods may have to beat himself to avoid getting the green jacket.
"I'm out there just trying to win a tournament and I can't control what they think," Woods said. "The only thing I can control is how I'm going to hit my golf shot."

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Lakers win again despite ills, could 70 victories be possible?

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Lakers' 63rd victory of the season. "If we win 70 games, fine; if not, fine."

Kobe Bryant was suspended, Shaquille O'Neal was in foul trouble and still the Lakers won.
If they keep this up, they could become the second team in NBA history to reach 70 victories.
Robert Horry made four big plays in the final 1:30, sending Los Angeles to a 84-83 victory over Phoenix and into the history books with their 10th consecutive win.

"We got pretty lucky down the stretch there, because they had a couple of looks," Rick Fox said. "But when you think of a 70-win season there have to be some games where you're fortunate."

The Lakers became the third team in NBA history to have three winning streaks in a season of 10 games or more. Los Angeles had 16- and 19-game streaks earlier in the season. Milwaukee did it (20, 16, 10) in 1970-71, and Philadelphia had streaks of 12, 10 and 10 wins in 1980-81.

In other games, Seattle beat Denver 106-93, Dallas beat Sacramento 105-102, Orlando beat San Antonio 107-97, Milwaukee beat Chicago 92-73, Detroit beat Toronto 104-88, Miami beat Cleveland 111-85, Minnesota beat Atlanta 86-76 in overtime, Utah beat the Los Angeles Clippers 103-93, Charlotte beat Boston 112-105, Vancouver beat Houston 102-100 and Washington beat New Jersey 102-93.

The Suns had a chance to beat the Lakers, but Cliff Robinson missed a 3-pointer with 4.5 seconds left. The rebound was batted around, bounced high in the air and wound up in the hands of O'Neal as the buzzer sounded.
O'Neal had 32 points, but only one in the fourth quarter when he sat out 51/2 minutes with five fouls.
Horry had 11 points and 11 rebounds.
"We need to focus on the big picture," O'Neal said after the

game.
Mavericks 105, Kings 102
At Dallas, Michael Finley scored 38 points, including four second-half 3-pointers, and the Mavericks went 13-for-19 from the 3-point range to win for the ninth time in their last 13 games.
The Kings were without leading scorer and rebounder Chris Webber, held out as he rested a strained left hamstring.
Corliss Williamson's 20 points paced the Kings, who had won six of their previous nine.

Magic 107, Spurs 97
At Orlando, John Amaechi scored 24 points and Darrell Armstrong had 23 as the Magic won their season-high seventh straight.
Chucky Atkins, who had 16 points, led a fourth-quarter surge by the reserves that helped Orlando pull away for good. The rookie had five points and three assists in a 13-4 run that put the Magic up 93-78 with just under six minutes to go.
The Spurs got 30 points from David Robinson, who made his first 11 shots and finished 12-

for-14.
Bucks 92, Bulls 73
At Milwaukee, Tim Thomas scored 11 first-quarter points and Ervin Johnson added six to help pick up the slack as Robinson missed his first five shots and Allen his first four.
With the win, Milwaukee (36-38) remained two games behind Orlando for the eighth and final playoff spot in the Eastern Conference.
Pistons 104, Raptors 88
At Toronto, Grant Hill had 32 points and Jerry Stackhouse added 28 as Detroit extended the Raptors' slide and caused them to be booed in their own building.
Toronto, which held a three-hour team meeting Monday, lost its fourth in a row and eighth in nine games.

Heat 111, Cavaliers 85
At Miami, Tim Hardaway had 14 points and 10 assists as the Heat won their fourth in a row.
Jamal Mashburn scored 17 points and Alonzo Mourning added 15 points and 11 rebounds for the Heat, who used a 40-12 run in the second and third quarters to pull away.
Timberwolves 86, Hawks 76
At Minneapolis, William Avery, filling in for point guard Terrell Brandon (flu), had a season-high 13 points and seven assists.
The Wolves outscored the Hawks 13-3 in OT.

Jazz 103, Clippers 93
At Los Angeles, Karl Malone scored nine of his 34 points during a 3:24 span of the fourth quarter as Utah dealt the Clippers their 10th consecutive defeat.
Hornets 112, Celtics 105
At Charlotte, Anthony Mason scored 27 points as Charlotte shot a season-high 57 percent. Mason added 11 rebounds while Derrick Coleman had 25 points and 14 rebounds as the Hornets won their seventh straight.



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Martinez saps Mariners, Hudson scares Tigers

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Pedro Martinez was in mid-season form, right from the start.

He blew away Mike Cameron to start the game. Then he struck out Mark McLemore. And the unanimous AL Cy Young winner never let up.

Zippering fastballs, Martinez fanned 11 and permitted only two singles in seven innings, pitching the Boston Red Sox past the Seattle Mariners 2-0 in an opener Tuesday night.

Later, Martinez said he would not try to duplicate his 1999 season, when he went 23-4 with a 2.07 ERA and 313 strikeouts.

"Those are special seasons. They don't come every day. You have to take those, just like the bad ones, and forget about it," he said.

"You can't think about trying to do the same things. It's too hard. You'd go crazy before you pitch the first game. I mean, those things just happen," he said.

Tim Hudson also got off to a nifty start. A rookie sensation last year with Oakland, he held Detroit hitless for 6 1-3 innings in a 3-1 victory.

"I'm not worrying about any jinx," he said.

In other AL games, the two-time defending World Series champion New York Yankees won for the second straight day, downing Anaheim 5-3. Also, Texas beat Chicago 12-8, Toronto topped Kansas City 6-3 and Minnesota defeated Tampa Bay 6-5.

A record crowd of 45,552 watched the opener at Safeco Field, wanting to see how Seattle would do in its first season without Ken Griffey Jr. since 1989. Facing Martinez, the Mariners had no chance.

Cameron, one of the players acquired from Cincinnati for Griffey, was 0-for-4 and struck out three times.

"The guy is unbelievable. He is an all-world pitcher," Cameron said.

Martinez finished last year with 17 scoreless innings in

the postseason. He improved to 5-0 with an 0.75 ERA against Seattle.

"I didn't even realize at the end of last season through the playoffs what I had done and what I had achieved. But if it happens this year, great. I'll thank God. If it doesn't, it doesn't," he said.

Derek Lowe relieved to start the eighth and completed the combined two-hitter. Before the game, he agreed to a four-year contract worth about \$10 million.

Yankees 5, Angels 3

Bernie Williams, stuck at DH because of a sore right triceps muscle, hit a two-out, two-run homer in the top of the ninth inning off Anaheim relief ace Troy Percival.

Williams had three hits, drove in three runs and scored three times. The Gold Glove center fielder is 18-for-44 (.409) lifetime with five homers and 14 RBIs in limited DH appearances. He's not a perfect fit for the role, however — manager Joe Torre admitted Williams once lost track of the lineup and had to be retrieved from the batting cage.

New York is off to a 2-0 start while Angels rookie manager Mike Scioscia is still looking for his first win. But the Yankees lost third baseman Scott Brosius, who strained a muscle in his rib cage during batting practice and is headed to the disabled list.

Athletics 3, Tigers 1

Tim Hudson did not give up a hit until Tony Clark cleanly doubled to left-center with one out in the seventh inning at Oakland.

A's manager Art Howe said he planned to take out Hudson after 100 pitches, no matter what. Clark doubled on Hudson's 100th pitch, and he was pulled after the inning.

Clark singled for Detroit's other hit in the ninth and later scored. A day after a record 53,498 fans saw the opener, there were just 10,188 at the Oakland Coliseum.

Griffey still looking for first hit with Reds

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Ken Griffey Jr. is still looking for his first hit with the Reds, who are still looking for their first win of the season.

Griffey was 0-for-3 in Tuesday night's 5-1 loss to the Milwaukee Brewers and is hitless in his first six at-bats for Cincinnati.

"I've just got to go out there and do what I can," said Griffey, who hit into a forceout and struck out twice. "I'm not feeling any pressure."

Flashbulbs went off every time he came to bat as 16,761 chilled fans hoped to see his first hometown homer.

"Once he gets his first hit and gets it out of the way, it will be like getting your first win," Reds manager Jack McKeon said. "It seems like it's never going to come, then they come in batches. But I'd like to see them start coming in batches tomorrow."

In other games, Arizona beat Philadelphia 6-4, Houston beat Pittsburgh 5-2, Los Angeles beat Montreal 10-4, San Francisco beat Florida 3-0 and Colorado beat Atlanta 5-3.

At Cincinnati, Jeromy Burnitz did a pretty fair Junior imitation, hitting a pair of solo homers off left-handers Denny Neagle and Hector Mercado — helping Davey Lopes get his first win as Brewers manager.

Reliever Valerio De Los Santos got his first major league start in the makeup of Monday's opener, which was called as a 3-3 tie because of rain. The left-hander gave up only two hits, including Dmitri Young's solo homer, in five innings before leaving because of a blister.

Jim Bruske (1-0) pitched out of a threat in the sixth and started a trend. Four Brewers relievers pitched a scoreless inning apiece to preserve the win.

"I feel confident that we have a strong bullpen," Lopes said.

Milwaukee took the lead in the seventh, when Henry Blanco drew a walk from Scott Williamson (0-1), making his first appearance since winning the NL Rookie of the Year award. Marquis Grissom hit the ball sharply toward the right-field corner with two outs, and Dante Bichette tried to cut it off.

Bichette, who had a fielding error in the opener, had the ball deflect off his glove as he lost his balance and spun on the turf. He accidentally kicked it away, allowing Blanco to score and Grissom to make it to third.

Diamondbacks 6, Phillies 4

Randy Johnson (1-0) struck out 10 in 8 2-3 innings and gave up four hits — including homers by Scott Rolen and Desi Relaford — as Arizona opened

defense of its NL West title.

Johnson left with a 6-2 lead, Relaford had an RBI single off Russ Springer and pinch-hitter Bobby Abreu had a run-scoring single off Dan Plesac before Darren Holmes retired Doug Glanville on a line drive for a save.

Steve Finley, Luis Gonzalez and Damian Miller homered off Andy Ashby (0-1) at Phoenix.

Astros 5, Pirates 2

Richard Hidalgo, who missed the final two months of last season with a knee injury, hit a grand slam and drove in all of Houston's runs as the Astros won at Pittsburgh in an opener pushed back a day because of rain.

Moises Alou, who sat out last season with an even more serious knee injury, was one of three Astros walked by Jason Schmidt (0-1) ahead of Hidalgo's drive in the sixth — the first opening-day slam in Astros history.

Shane Reynolds (1-0) allowed two runs and six hits in seven innings, and Billy Wagner got three outs for the save.

Dodgers 10, Expos 4

Gary Sheffield's two-run homer off Hideki Irabu (0-1) highlighted a seven-run third inning, and visiting Los Angeles had 17 hits to win 10-4 for the second straight game.

Chan Ho Park (1-0) allowed four runs — three earned — and six hits in six innings. Irabu, making his NL debut, gave up six runs, eight and two walks in two-plus innings.

Devon White homered leading off a game for the 32nd time. The crowd at Olympic Stadium was just 12,143.

Giants 3, Marlins 0

Russ Ortiz (1-0) allowed just four hits in eight innings and struck out five.

Before a crowd of just 9,524 at Miami, Ryan Dempster (0-1) gave up three runs, five hits and five walks in five innings, walking four of his first nine hitters.

Jeff Kent's sacrifice fly in the first put San Francisco ahead.

Rockies 5, Braves 3

Jeff Cirillo hit three doubles, including a three-run drive in the seventh off John Burkett (0-1), as Colorado overcame a 3-2 deficit.

The crowd of 26,132 was the smallest ever at Turner Field, which opened in 1997. The previous low was 26,990 last April 27 against Pittsburgh.

Julian Tavarez (1-0) won and Jose Jimenez pitched three scoreless innings of one-hit ball for a save.

Bobby Bonilla, subbing for an ailing Brian Jordan, hit a two-run homer off Rolando Arrojo.

Tigers, Giants, Astros lead increases in ticket prices

NEW YORK (AP) — Just like fans, Dean Palmer sees the ticket prices go up each year.

"You don't want to leave anyone out, but I guess to help pay for a new stadium, sometimes you have to do that," the Detroit Tigers third baseman said.

In the annual study of ticket prices, the Tigers led the way as they prepared to move into Comerica Park.

Baseball's average ticket price went up 11.8 percent — the highest markup in a decade — to \$16.67 this year. But that's nothing compared with the increases in Detroit, San Francisco and Houston.

The average at Comerica Park is \$24.83, the fourth-highest in

baseball and a 103 percent jump from the \$12.23 average at Tiger Stadium last season, according to the Team Marketing Report.

Premium seats in the new ballpark, with waiter service, cost \$50-\$75 per game, while regular seats cost \$8-\$30, up from \$5-\$25 at Tiger Stadium.

"Our tickets are still very, very reasonably priced," Tigers general manager Randy Smith said. "The percentage is probably great because we really haven't had an increase since 1993."

At Pacific Bell Park in San Francisco, the average of \$21.24, baseball's sixth-highest, is up 75.2 percent from the \$12.12 average last year at 3Com Park,

formerly Candlestick.

The Giants' Barry Bonds remembered the fans in the bleachers at the old ballpark when he first joined the team.

"They can't afford these prices," he said with a smile. "I'm leaving them tickets, but I don't get as many as I used to."

Larry Baer, chief operating officer for the Giants, said that at Pacific Bell Park, as at Candlestick, 50 percent of seats are in the "affordable" price bracket.

Nevertheless, the definition of "affordable" has changed — at Candlestick, that meant upper deck seats at \$9.50 each. At Pacific Bell, the "affordable" upper deck seats run \$15 a pop.

"Our approach is not to calculate an average ticket price. We try to come up with ticketing that is appropriate for our fans and that is as inclusive as possible," he said. "We feel that the pricing was fair and we have not had complaints from our fans."

Houston's Enron Field is reasonable by these standards. The average there is \$20.01, No. 8 among the 30 major league teams. That's up 50.4 percent from last year's average of \$13.30 at the Astrodome.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)

**** You are invigorated but perhaps too possessive. You might not be as clearheaded as you would like to be, but your energy and enthusiasm come through. Be charming. Slow down and use your magnetism rather than your powers of persuasion. Tonight: Don't take life so seriously.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

**** You're personality plus. Others respond to your beat, thoughts and energy. You convince people to go along with you by your mere presence. An acquaintance made today could be different than you think. Be careful! Tonight: Whatever puts a smile on your face.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

**** Much goes on that you cannot discuss. Don't worry. You are in a position of expansion and good news. A friendship develops an unusually warm characteristic. Discuss what is on your mind. Ask for support. Tonight: Do something special with a loved one.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

**** You organize your office plans, thanks to your sense of direction. You have waited a long time for a project to come to fruition. Bring others in on your plans. Schedule a meeting. Others give you strong feedback. Express gratitude. Tonight: Be with your friends.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

**** Maintain control; assume responsibilities. Others actively share their opinions. Mobilize energy in a way that helps complete a project and makes everyone feel good. Call a favorite friend or make vacation plans. Tonight: Finish work, even if it means staying late.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

**** Assume that there is more to what you are hearing. Dig in and do your research. Carefully evaluate what is happening. Get a different perspective. Return calls; participate in a dialogue; brainstorm. Ideas flow. Don't limit yourself. Tonight: Special time for a spe-

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

**** Don't impose limits on anyone, including yourself. Though you might be taken aback by a partner's attitude, it's wise to listen. He occasionally makes a good point or two! A financial partnership is touch-and-go. Recognize your limitations. Tonight: Talk money.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

**** Others have clear and distinct views. Not everyone has to agree with you. Listen more, then think about what feels right to you. You could find discussions overly animated but strong. Review what has been. Consider a change. Tonight: A serious negotiation.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

**** You accomplish a lot as success flows. Unusual drive and energy, mixed with creativity and a very charming style, set you apart. Be careful not to go overboard. You might be easily tired. A new flirtation could become a lot more. Tonight: Easy does it.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

**** You are going like gangbusters as your imagination runs wild, and you bounce from one idea to another. Emotional flexibility increases. For you, today is a party! Accent greater self-expression. A flirtation easily develops into more. Tonight: Let the wildness continue.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

**** You have an unusually gracious style and way of communicating. You don't always have to be right, but the more flexible you are, the better the results. No one is more critical of you than you are of yourself. Lighten up, please! Tonight: Easy does it.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

**** Your generous spirit and style draw others toward you. Realize on a closer level what is happening with a neighbor or someone you see a lot. Express strong feelings in a manner that can be heard. Treat yourself well. Tonight: Do a little spring shopping.

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Prevalence of date-rape drugs makes every drink a gamble

DEAR ABBY: This afternoon I read your column in which "Christine in Middlethian, Va." described an incident involving her drink being spiked with GHB at a neighborhood bar. She acknowledged her gratitude to Andrew and Chris for rescuing her from what could have been a possible date-rape situation.

In a different section of the same newspaper, I read a frightening article.

Beside it was a photograph of a beautiful woman with a grief-stricken expression. She was the mother of a 15-year-old girl who died after her soft drink was spiked with GHB at a party. A soft drink, Abby!

The article stated that there have been at least 58 GHB-related deaths and 5,700 overdoses nationwide. While your answer seemed to focus more on not leaving a drink unattended at a bar, we also have to worry about soft drinks at private parties — parties our teen-agers attend almost every weekend.

Please warn parents to talk to their daughters about this terrible act that could be perpetrated on them — and how common it has become. It is also imperative for parents to talk to their SONS and let them know this kind of thing is serious and much more harmful than they realize. This is not a "boys will be boys" thing. This is rape; this is murder!

Andrew and Chris, the young men who saved Christine from possible rape, also saved her from possible death. Their parents obviously raised them to be men of character and taught them respect for others.

Thank you, Abby, for bringing this horrific matter to the attention of your readers. Too bad someone can't take these little ticks and throw them back on the many mutts they jumped off of. — DISGUSTED IN LAS VEGAS

DEAR DISGUSTED: You have written an excellent letter. Parents should, indeed, warn their children of both sexes about the danger of GHB and the other date-rape drug, Rohypnol. It is tragic that someone cannot attend a party without concern about the safety of a soft drink or the punch-bowl. It's sad to say, but unless a drink is offered in a sealed container and opened personally, it should not be consumed. And it should be kept with the person at all times.

A final thought: Anyone who sees someone attempting to doctor another person's drink should warn the potential victim immediately — and should warn the perpetrator that it's against the law. Do not remain silent; silence indicates approval, and could make the witness an accessory to the crime.

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LEGAL AUTHORITY Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12987, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512-463-6792).

2895 April 5, 2000

PUBLIC NOTICE

The County of Howard, Texas, will hold a Computer Accuracy Test as required by Sec. 12-7.091 to 12-7.100 of the Texas Election Code. This test is conducted to ascertain that the equipment will accurately count the votes cast on punch-card ballots for the Democrat and Republican Primary Election to be held April 11, 2000.

This computer accuracy test will be held at the County Clerk's Office of Howard County, City of Big Spring, on April 7th, 2000 at 3:00 PM.

Pat Underwood, Presiding Judge, Central Counting Station, 2705 April 5, 2000

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: DUSTIE DAWN TUCKER YOU (AND EACH OF YOU) ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the 118th Judicial District Court of Glasscock County at the Courthouse being located at 117 E. Currie, in the City of Garden City, Glasscock County, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of the two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, the date for answer being the 1 day of May, A.D. 2000, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 9 day of July, A.D. 1999, in this cause, numbered 1336 on the docket of said court and styled Brenda Sue Dixon, Plaintiff, vs. Dustie Dawn Tucker, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Personal injuries and damages (motor vehicle).

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Today's Birthdays: Actor Gregory Peck is 84. Novelist Arthur Hailey is 80. Actress Gale Storm is 78. Movie producer Roger Corman is 74.

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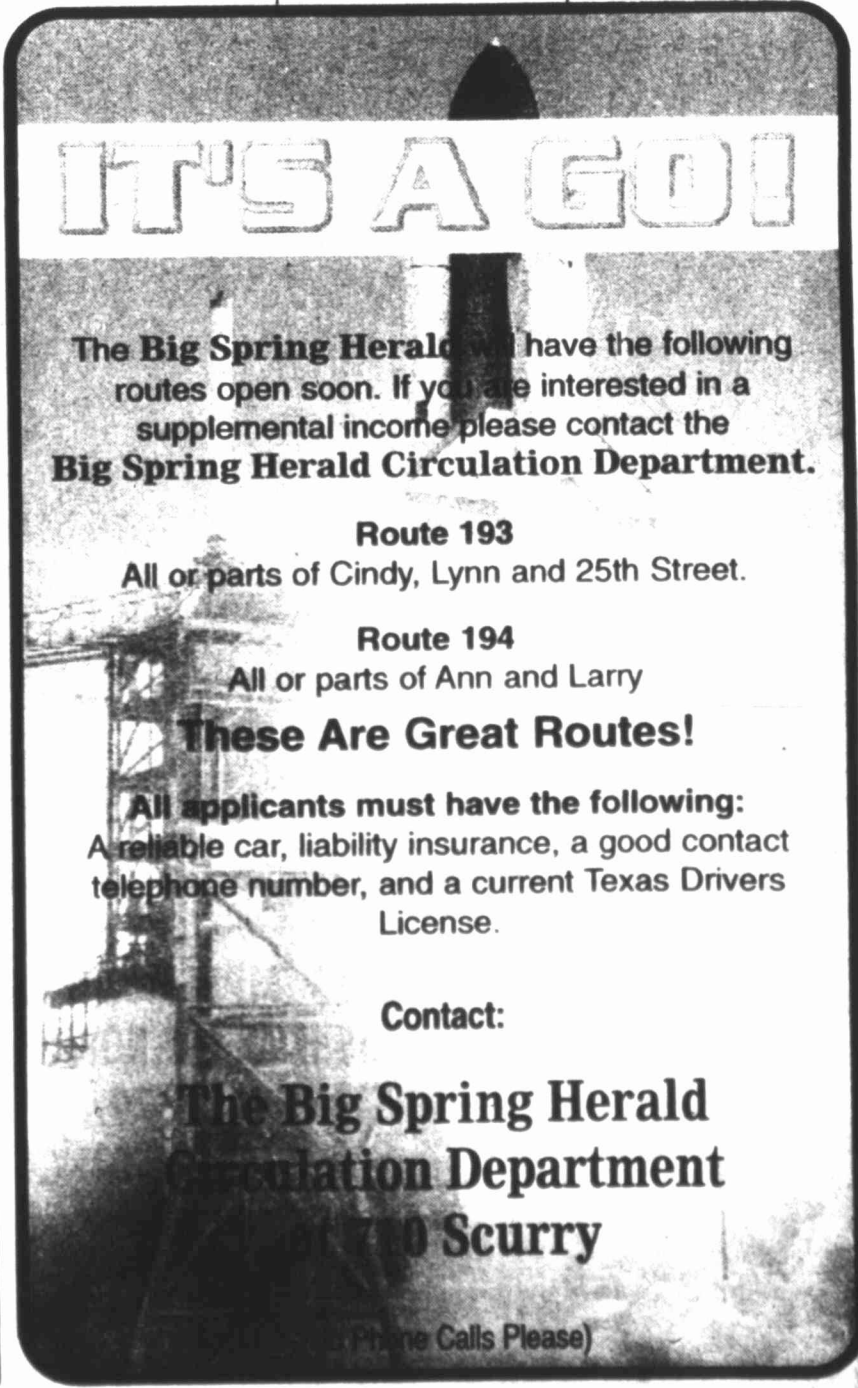
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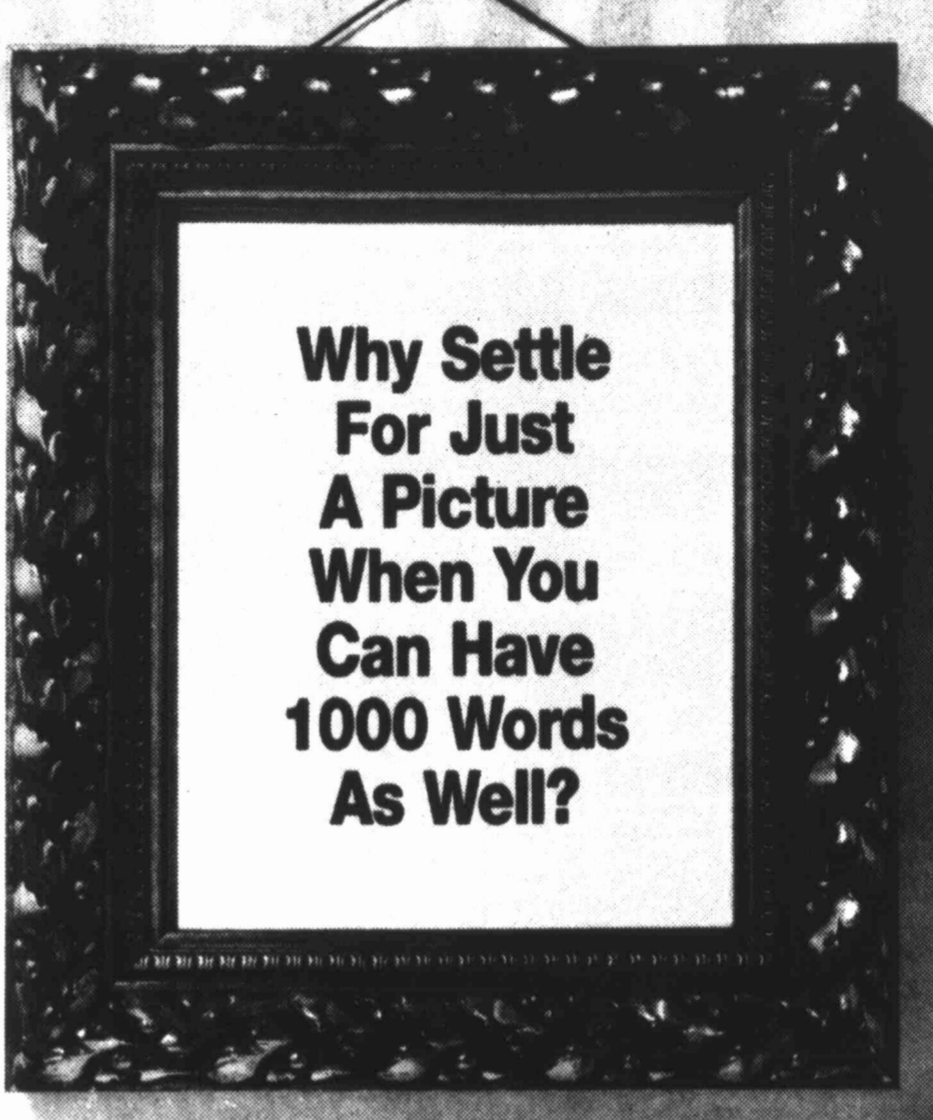
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