TUESDAY

May 2, 2000

WEATHER

Tonight:

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PARTLY CLOUDY **TONIGHT** WEDNESDAY

Edwards fund set up at bank

An account has been established for the family of former Big Spring High School star athlete Antwoyne Edwards at Wells Fargo

Edwards drowned on April 21, when the flat bottom boat he and three friends were in became flooded in a southwest Arkansas lake. Edwards was 20 years old.

A friend of the family, Dee established account for Edwards' family. She set up the account because of the numerous people who wanted to make contributions to the family, she

"He was a wonderful kid," Sevey said.

Anyone wishing to make a contribution should go to Wells Fargo Bank at 400 Main and ask to make a donation to the Antwoyne Edwards

VFW Post No. 2031 VFW Hall, 7 p.m.

☐ Big Spring Chapter No. 67, Orders of the Eastern Star, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Lodge, 219 Main St.

WEDNESDAY

Optimist Club, 7 a.m., **Howard College Cactus** Room.

☐ Senior Circle Big Spring Mall walkers meet 9:15 a.m. in front of movie theater box office.

☐ Big Spring Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.

☐ Line dancing, 1 p.m., Senior Citizens Center, Industrial Park

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

THURSDAY

☐ Gideons International, Big Spring Camp No. U4206O, Hermans, 7 a.m. ☐ Big Spring Senior

Citizens Center Art Classes, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. for 55 and

☐ Kiwanis Club, noon, **Howard College Cactus** Room.

☐ The National Day of Prayer, noon, East lawn of the Municipal Auditorium. Live music will begin at 12:15 with the 30 minute program beginning at 12:30. The entire community is invited ☐ Genealogical Society of

Big Spring, 7:15 p.m., Howard County Library. ☐ Masonic Lodge No. 1340 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster.

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"Reflecting a Proud Community"

Denim and Diamonds reception moved to La Posada Restaurant

yard.

By VALERIE AVERY

Herald Correspondent

The location for Big Spring State Hospital's "14th Annual Denim and Diamonds" reception fund-raiser Friday has been changed to the courtyard at La Posada Restaurant.

The pre-dance reception to benefit patients at the Big Spring State Hospital was to be held at the home of longtime supporter Don Newsom and the offices of local attorney Troyce G. Wolf.

Because of an overwhelming dance will last until 12 a.m. response to invitations — nearly 400 people — the Volunteer Service's Council moved the reception to La Posada court-

"This is the largest response we've ever had," said Kathy Johnson, Big Spring State Hospital director of community development. "It has been won-

The reception begins at 7 p.m. and will precede a 9 p.m. dance by Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys at The Stampede. The

Honorary project chairper-

sons Stan and Sue Partee, Newsom and Wolf will host the festivities.

Moving this year's reception to La Posada courtyard will coincide with the theme of Old Mexico and the celebration of Mexican Independence Day — Cinco de Mayo. "Familia Ramirez Mariachi Band" of Odessa will add to the flavor of the evening as they stroll among the donors in the courtyard, Johnson said.

Those attending can mingle through the courtyard area that is anchored with splashes of Saltillo tile. Another area off of the bar will allow party-goers to visit while being served classic Mexican dishes, including guacamole, tacos and sopapillas at various stations throughout the reception area.

Chips and salsa, taquitos and chocolate-covered strawberries also will be served by many of the 236 volunteers who comprise the Volunteer Services Council.

Dress for the reception and dance is casual, Johnson said. "It's kind of a country glitz," she said. "Some will wear Levi's; others will dress country. Some wear their high heels. It's not a cocktail dress party. It's casual chic."

The Volunteer Services Council expects to generate more than \$15,000 for the patients at Big Spring State Hospital. Money raised during helps purchase special items for

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The porch of a double-wide mobile home owned by R.H. Carter of 1202 Jeffrey Road now lies in his backyard after high winds blew it up and over the residence sometime after 7 p.m. Sunday night. The home's roof also reportedly received considerable damage

Bauer fifth grader a published author

By GINA GARZA Staff Writer

Bryan Juan, fifth grader at Bauer, was given the honor of having his work, "Emergency Landing: Flight 291," published in

the 2000 edi-

tion of the

Rising . Star,

JUAN Young Texan Tales.

"I was surprised," said Juan. "Mrs. Clark grabbed me by the arm and told me I was pub-

Juan is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Mel Juan.

Children's author Marvin Turbin was the keynote speaker for a ceremony honoring the young participants. "Each child was able to have

their picture taken with him and was able to shake his hand as each child was recognized," said Andre Clark, Bauer princi-

The Rising Star Project was started by former Texas Gov.

Ann Richards to promote chil-

dren's writing and art work. "The children work on this project all year long and we display them," Clark said. "The state has a deadline and we turn them in to be judged and that's how we get our finalists." Bauer has entered the contest

for the last seven years. "The only requirement is that the work be original," added Clark. "They cannot copy it from a published author or artist or a teacher can't give them a sheet to fill in the

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Fraud

Senior forum to address schemes, scams directed toward senior citizens

By CARL GRAHAM

Staff Writer

A senior fraud forum on schemes and scams will be presented on Thursday at 8:30 a.m. at the Dora Roberts

Community Center. According to Nancy Jones, RSVP Project Director, this will be a forum

that all senior **JONES** citizens should

attend. "This will be a collaborative effort between the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) and Seniors and Law Enforcement Together (SALT), said Jones. "We contacted the Attorney General's Office and asked if they would be willing to present a program of this

type and they consented." Among the presenters will be Bill Vanderland, an agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Nancy Gresham of Austin, with the Attorney *General's office, and Terry Hudson-Gray, from the Big Spring Police Department's DARE unit. Each one will have ample time to make their presentation and then answer any questions the audience may have, Jones said.

Jones said senior citizens make prime targets for con men and scam artists because they are vulnerable.

We have heard of numerous events and accounts from people right here in Big Spring that have been scammed out of their money and that is exactly why we wanted to do this forum,' Jones said. "The forum will cover several topics, including telephone and mail scams, home safety as well as other things seniors should be aware

The forum is free and is specifically designed for senior Texans, law enforcement personnel, service providers who work with older adults, and other individuals committed to combating fraud and educating older consumers.

"The forum is not intended for just Big Spring," said Jones. "We have sent out fivers to all our neighboring communities that have a lot of senior citizens such as Stanton, Garden City, Coahoma, Colorado City, Loraine, Westbrook and oth-

Jones asks those who plan on attending to register so that they will have enough handouts and refreshments for everyone. There will be door prizes and lots of fun she added.

"I would ideally like to see two or three hundred people come to this forum," said Jones. "I encourage all those seniors that are able to come." Seniors are encouraged to reg-

ister in advance by calling the RSVP office at 264-2397.

Scenic Mountain Medical Center recognizes its volunteers

By CARL GRAHAM

Staff Writer

Scenic Mountain Medical Center honored Betty Addy with the Kate **Irons** Award during its annual volunteer awards b anque t Monday. Addy has

been a volunteer since 1995. She

has volunteered more than 1,250 hours of her time. According to Amber Rich,

director of volunteer services, Loma Jean Wynn, presidentthe award recognizes volunteers who go over and beyond the normal scope of their duty.

"The Kate Irons Award is a special, very special award given to one special volunteer who puts their best foot forward during the year and gives us outstanding service," said Rich. "Betty Addy is very deserving of this award. She overcame any and all obstacles that came her way and we are very proud of her accomplishments.

Rich introduced the new officers for 2000-2001. They are Virginia Davidson, president; Betty Addy, vice president; elect; Ruth Manuel, treasurer; and Ima Dell Williams, secretary.

New volunteers include Elmira Foreman, Cunningham, Gaylen Beevers and Mary Rosson. Rich also introduced four

first-year radiology students on scholarship at SMMC. Those are Lisa Boyd, Bobby Capps, Friddie Olivares and Jan Voight. The volunteer of the month

for the month of April was announced as Bee Kelly. Kelly

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Scenic Mountain Medical Center CEO Loren Chandler thanks Virginia Davidson for her hard work and dedication and another successful year as the head of the volunteer services organization. HERALD photo/Carl Grah:

Christmas in April completes eight extensive home projects, hopes to expand effort in 2001

By CARL GRAHAM

Staff Writer

Eight homes around Big Spring now sport an improved look, thanks to 120 volunteers who participated in the Christmas in April projects, which were completed over the weekend.

The eight projects included three where the work was completed by the immediate family. First Presbyterian, First Methodist and the Lutheran Church worked on three, and Fina and Bob's Custom Woodwork completed two oth-

ers. Youth from the Big Spring High School Key Club worked with Fina.

The Sacred Heart Catholic Church again provided support and the location for the noon

Projects ranged from minor plumbing and trim repair, scaling against water infiltration and damage, scraping and painting to full roofing replacement. Each group selected its own project to best fit its size and skills from the CIA approved projects list. There



Fred C. Martinez Jr.

A wake vigil service for Fred C. Martinez Jr., 51, will be 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 3, 2000, at Myers and Smith Chapel. Funeral service will be 10 a.m.

Thursday, May 4, at Myers and Smith Chapel. Burial will be in Mount Olive Memorial Park. Mr.

Martinez died on Monday, May 1, at his residence following a long ill-

He was born on Nov. 8, 1948, in Idalou. He married Irma Rosa and had been a lifetime resident of Big Spring. He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church. He had owned and operated Fred's Body Shop.

He is survived by: his wife, Irma Martinez of Big Spring. one son, Israel Martinez of Austin: one daughter. Amy Rositas of Oceanside, Calif.; four stepsons, Rafael Ortiz Jr. of Big Spring, Jesse Ortiz and David Ortiz, both of Florida, and Gavino Ortiz of Odessa; one step-daughter. Yolanda Gonzales of Florida; his mother, Lupe Martinez of Big Spring; three brothers, Jody Martinez, Larry Martinez and Andy Martinez, all of Big Spring; five sisters, Yolanda Calvio of Ft. Worth, Janie Rodriguez of Big Spring, Lillie Martinez of Forth Worth, Christina Torres of New Mexico and Lucia Gonzales of Banquete; 18 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Arrangements are under the direction of Myers and Smith Funeral Home.

Carolyn Sue Agee Funeral service for Carolyn

Sue Agee, 53, Crane, will be 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 3, 2000, at the Tabernacle Baptist Church with the Rev. Lyndel Lee officiating. Burial will follow in the Crane County Cemetery.

Mrs. Agee died on Sunday, April 30, at her residence.

She was born on Jan. 26, 1947, in Randolph County, Ark. She had been a resident of Crane County since 1989. She married Michael Paul Agee on Nov. 19, 1990, in Odessa.

She is survived by: her husband, Michael Paul Agee of Crane: her mother, Cora Mae Jackson of Pecos; a son, Tracy Worster of Denton; five daughters. Tina Patterson of Odessa, Karen Quiroz of Milton, Fla., Jennifer Melugin of Pilot Point, Reneé Agee of Van Nuys, Calif., and Elizabeth Agee of San Antonio; a brother, Tommy Jackson of Pecos; four sisters, Charlene Shaw of Pheonix, Ariz., Margie Windham of

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Carl Hollingsworth, 77, died Monday. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

Fred C. Martinez, 51, died Monday. Rosary will be 7:30 PM. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be 10:00 AM, Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel, with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

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Pecos, Maxine Garrett of Beaumont and Elaine Gray of Big Spring, and seven grandchildren.

Arrangements are under the direction of Shaffer-Nichols Funeral Home, Crane.

Carl Hollingsworth

Funeral service for Carl Hollingsworth, 77, Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. He died on Monday, May 1, 2000, at his

Anna Orene **Thompson**

Funeral service for Anna Orene Thompson, 82, Dublin, Texas, formerly of Big Spring, will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 3, 2000, at Harrell Memorial Chapel.

Mrs. Thompson died on April 29, at her residence in Dublin.

She was born on May 24, 1917, in Bunyan. She married Gerald Dunlap Thompson on Jan. 21, 1938, in Comanche. Her husband preceded her in death on Jan. 8, 1971. She was a

She is survived by: three daughters. Sandra Smith of Renton, Wash. Patsy Evans of Oak Harbor, Wash., and Rhonda Pherigo of Kaufman; three sons, Jerry Thompson of Woodville, Charles Thompson of Houston and Don Thompson of Humble; one sister, Ione Pierson of Rising Star; 17 grandchildren; and five greatgrandchildren.

DENIM

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hospital patients.

"This gives the volunteers the resources to provide extras in addition to the good care that the employees give," said Doris Huibregtse, chairman of the Volunteer Services Council.

"We can add a personal touch to the good care already given by the employees.

Dance tickets are still available and can be obtained by calling the community relations office at 268-7533. Tickets are \$15 a person or \$25 per couple.!

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blanks; only original work is allowed in this contest."

Eleven Bauer students attended the program in Austin on Saturday.

Those attending the conference were second graders Melissa Colwell and Kate Brumley; third graders Ashley Estes and Oscar Cruz; Shelby Petersen, Bilal Muzafar, Garrett Colwell and Allison, all fourth graders; and Bryan Juan, Alyssa Rains and Bernadette Flores, fifth graders.

Also attending the conference were Clark; Linda Long, Rising Star chairperson; first grade teachers Sheila Ward and Lori Morgan; and Susan Lowery, second grade teacher. One child from every campus

in attendance was chosen to have their work published in the Rising Star magazine.

"These are excellent students and we are very pleased with them because they work very diligently to get to this point," said Clark.

The Big Spring Herald is a sponsor for the project.

VOLUNTEERS

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has been a volunteer since 1998 and has chalked up more than 300 hours of volunteer time.

Lou Hill was recognized as the volunteer with the most

DUNLAPS **Your Fashion** Headquarters 111 E. Marcy 267-8283



"It's been a hard year for some

hours served — more than

14,500. She was unable to attend

of our volunteers," said Rich.
"It's volunteers like her that keeps our program running." Loren Chandler, SMMC CEO, gave some final comments.

"As I was listening to the volunteers names read and how many hours they have given, I begin to figure in my head how many hours they had accumulated," said Chandler. "I believe it was almost 100,000 hours which at \$10 an hour, we would owe this group over one million dollars. We can only say thank you for your continued giving of your time. Your reward will come - maybe not while here on earth - but when our life here on earth is through."

Volunteers were recognized for donating between 150 and 14,500 hours of their time and for 10 and 20 years of service.

HOMES

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are 17 additional projects that still need to be done.

The eight projects in 2000 are an increase from the five in 1999 and continues the rebuilding of the CIA effort under the leadership of project chairman Don

According to Riley, the program has received several individual donations lately as well as corporate or group sponsorships.

"The Rod and Custom and Early Car Club had their car show this past week-end and they raised almost \$500 from the show and the concession stands, according to their club president, Shelia Burcham," said Riley. "We really appreciate this group and their hard work in helping the CIA program.'

Many local businesses and organizations continue to support the CIA effort. They include Harris ACE Hardware, Higginbotham-Bartlett Do-It-Center, HEB, Wal-Mart, Bargain Mart, Martha's Diner, Gale's Sweet Shop, Culligan Water, Coke, Pepsi/Dr. Pepper, TXU, Fina and Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

CIA will continue to focus recruitment efforts to get even more local groups involved and enlist more families to work on the homes of their own elderly elatives, Riley said.

Christmas in April is currently in need of a building to use as a storage facility for donated materials and would be glad to visit with anyone that might have a building to donate or make available for their use.

This year the CIA program completed its 13th year of service to the elderly and needy in Howard County, which included one project home in Coahoma this year. They continue to look for more volunteers and new board members. Anyone who is interested is invited to contact to CIA at Box 2326, Big Spring, or call 2630-

SUPPORT GROUPS

TUESDAY Support for MS and Related

Diseases, 6:30 p.m. second Tuesday of each month, Canterbury South. Public invited. Call Leslie, 267-1069

Al-Anon, 8 p.m., 615 Settles. Seniors' diabetic support group, 2 p.m., Canterbury South. Call 263-1265.

 Compassionate Friends support group for parents who have experienced death of a child, 7:30 p.m. first Tuesday in



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Around the Town

February, April, June, August, October and December in the Family Life Center Building, First Baptist Church, 705 West Marcy. Enter by southeast door. Call 267-2769.

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•"Most Excellent Way," an addiction support group, 3610 Dixon, call 264-9900.

 Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting at 8 p.m. closed meeting.

·Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas will have Dr. Ronald Meyer, D.Min., LCDC, LMFT, specializing in individual and marriage counseling, Attention Deficit Disorder and chemical dependency, available for clients in Midland. Appointments for counseling services are made by calling 1-800-329-4144.

 Narcotics Anonymous, 6 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 268-4189 (pager

 Big Spring Christian Home Educators meet on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 1:30 p.m. at the Family Life Center at First Baptist Church. Recreation is available for the kids and networking for the parents. For more information, contact Suzanne Haney at 263-7147.

 Innovators in glyconutritionals are an independent group focusing on sickness prevention and management utilizing non-toxic simple saccharides to help our body heal itself. Training sessions are the second and fourth Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. at 1909 S. Gregg. For more information call 267-3013 or 267-

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. Mary's Episcopal Church.Call 268-4189 (pager no.) Step study.

· Nurse Hospice and Canterbury are sponsoring a Betty Hamrick and Janice 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.

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

BRIEFS

CAUBLE SCHOOL REUNION WILL be in the Elbow School Cafeteria on May 13, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Anyone who ever attended Cauble School, and friends of the school, are encouraged to attend

A pot luck luncheon is planned for noon, so bring your favorite casserole or dessert and join in the fellowship. You might like to bring comfortable folding chairs. There will be a time for sharing memories.

COAHOMA ISD WILL a Kindergarten Registration, by appointment, on May 9, starting at 8:30 a.m. Children must be 5 years old on



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or before Sept. 1, 2000, and Department reported the followreside in the Coahoma School ing activities between 8 a.m. District to attend Kindergarten. Monday through 8 a.m. today: Please call 394-4323 to set up an appointment or if you have any questions.

Incoming Kindergarten students need to attend the registration with their parents. Please bring the following with you on the day of registration: verification of residence, birth certificate, social security card and shot records.

THE COAHOMA LIONS **CLUB** is planning its Annual City-Wide Garage Sale. If you would like to participate and have a garage sale on Saturday, May 6, in Coahoma, register by calling Irene at 394-4424 or stop by the Little Sooper Market. Deadline to register is Wednesday. The fee will be the same as always, \$15.

SENIOR FORUM ON FRAUD "Schemes and Scams" will be 8:30-11:30 a.m. Thursday at Dora Roberts Community Center in Comanche Trail Park. The forum will be presented by the Texas Attorney General's Office, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Big Spring Police Department.

All senior adults, their families, friends and those who work with senior adults are encouraged to attend. Please call 264-2397 to register.

Free refreshments and door prizes will be available.

BIG SPRING HIGH **SCHOOL** Class Reunion of 1950 is looking for the following graduates: Norman Brown, Gray Nichols, Wayne Brown, Bill Cook, Larry Dillon, Joe Miller, Vernon Smith, Mary Jane Couch, Delores Franklin, Margaret Hurt, Lou Ann Miller, Doris Ann Stevens, Mozelle Day, Betty Jo Ledlow, Pat Miller, Maudean Pinkerton, Montgomery.

If you know about these people, please call, Joyce Kilpatrick Choate, 393-5722.

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activities for the weekend ending 8 a.m. Monday:

ASSAULT, 2 FAMILY VIOLENCE, 3 **BURGLARY OF A HABITA-**TION, 1 **BURGLARY OF BUILDING**, 3 **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF**, 2 DRIVING WHILE

INTOXICATED, 2 DRIVING WHILE LICENSE INVALID, 2 **EVADING ARREST**, 2 RUNAWAY, 1 THEFT, 17

CONVENIENCE STORE, 16 UNAUTHORIZED USE OF **MOTOR VEHICLE**, 1

ARRESTS, 30

ACCIDENTS, 13 MINOR, 8 MAJOR, 5



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

·ANTHONY ROBLES, a transient, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

Benton, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

The Big Spring Police

•JOE SANCHEZ, 41, of 1207

•DANIEL RAMIREZ, 42, of 817 W. 6th, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication. •JERRY CLEVELAND, 41, of 1002 N. Main, was arrested on a

of · disorderly charge conduct/language. • JOANN PUENTE, 28, of 4118 Main, was arrested on a charge

of criminal mischief. **•CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 2000 block of

·BURGLARY OF A HABI-TATION was reported in the 2400 block of Cindy.

·CLASS A THEFT (OVER **\$500)** was reported in the 1001 block of Birdwell Lane.

•THEFT was reported in the 1600 block of Martin Luther King, in the 1811 block of Nolan, in the 1101 block of Lamesa, in the 300 block of Owens, in the 1200 block of llth, in the 900 block of Willa, and in the 400 block of East 4th.

FIRE/EMS

Following is a summary of Spring Department/EMS reports: MONDAY

4:38 a.m. - 300 block West

Fifth, trauma call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center. 10:50 a.m. - SMMC, patient

transferred to Abilene. 3:05 p.m. - 3200 block Parkway, medical call, patient transported to SMMC

3:15 p.m. - SMMC, patient -

5:04 p.m. — SMMC, patient transferred to Odessa. 10:01 p.m. - 600 block Caylor,medical call, patient transport-

RECORDS

ed to SMMC.

Monday's high 75 Monday's low 49 Average high 81 Average low 53 Record high 101 in 1927 Record low 36 in 1929 Precip. Monday 0.00 Month to date 0.00 Month's normal 1.46 Year to date 5.20 Normal for the year 4.48 Sunrise Wednesday 6:57 a.m. Sunset Wednesday 8:29 p.m.

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> If you have any questions, please call Anderson Kindergarten at 264-4151

BIG SPRING HER

Tuesday, May 2

WASHINGTON G positioning device steer cars, fly pl missing skiers and be given pinpoint viously available military under President Clint Monday.

Until now, civil U.S.-built network for navigation got rate reading than out of fear that p mies could use th target missiles.

Under the order effect at 8 p.m. I (midnight GMT), States no longer signal for civilia can still selective improved Global System over any g will, administrat said.

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the National Sho Foundation. "There is son threatens our safe carelessness," Mayor Kirk Wats conference on Mo

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U.S. offers more accurate satellite navigation to public

positioning devices used to steer cars, fly planes or find missing skiers and hikers will be given pinpoint accuracy previously available only to the military under an order President Clinton signed

Until now, civilians using a U.S.-built network of satellites for navigation got a less accurate reading than the military out of fear that potential enemies could use the system to target missiles.

Under the order, which took effect at 8 p.m. EDT Monday (midnight GMT), the United States no longer will jam the signal for civilian users, but can still selectively block the improved Global Positioning System over any given region at will, administration officials

said. The military will still use an encrypted, highly accurate ver-

WASHINGTON (AP) - Global sion of the system for guiding exact location. With the less precision weaponry such as the accurate system, a reading for missiles used in the Persian the motorist might include both Gulf War and last year's Balkan air strikes.

> "Police, firemen, emergency crews will now be able to respond more accurately to exactly where help is needed," said Neal Lane, the White House science adviser.

The change will make satellite navigation devices people already own 10 times more accurate, Lane said, and will not require the purchase of new machines.

The difference will mean satellite navigation can be used to track a missing person to an area about the size of a tennis court. Until now, the area of intense search would have been more like a football field.

That level of imprecision was problematic in emergencies and when trying to pinpoint such things as a stranded motorist's sides of a busy highway or even several different roads.

The system, known as GPS, is used by more than 4 million people worldwide for everything from navigating in traffic to oil exploration. Boaters and hikers use handheld GPS devices, and similar equipment is now installed in wristwatches and in the dashboards of some

The market for GPS users is expected to double in the next three years to more than \$16 billion annually, the White House

The system of two dozen U.S. satellites is free, but all kinds of businesses profit from it. Commercial interests have long asked the government to loosen its hold on the most accurate GPS information, but officials said outside pressure was not a

factor in the decision. The decision follows four years of discussion among the White House, Pentagon, CIA and other agencies, and the development of technology that allows the U.S. to block certain regions while offering the

improved service elsewhere. **Assistant Secretary of Defense** Arthur Money said the new service will be available universally at first, and would only be denied in response to a perceived threat.

John Pike, space policy analyst at the Federation of American Scientists, Washington think tank, said the United States will benefit from the continued global use of its system and the control that accrues to the U.S. military as a result. Offering the better U.S. system for free takes away some incentive for another country or consortium to build a competing system, Pike said.

access to a readily discharge-

able firearm. The Class A mis-

demeanor is punishable by a

\$4,000 fine and up to a year in

"Every single day in the state

of Texas we hear about children

dying or being seriously

harmed because they got out of

sight for a moment," said

Sandra Martin, executive direc-

tor of the Children's Advocacy

Center of Austin. "No matter

how much a parent is warned,

just because of the developmen-

tal nature of young children,

White House may invoke its privilege in e-mail case

White House is suggesting it may invoke executive privilege to prevent Congress from seeing some documents in the controversy over missing emails that are being sought by investigators looking into a range of matters from Whitewater to campaign fundraising.

The White House has sent the House Government Reform Committee a list of documents it is not immediately turning over to investigators because they are considered covered by executive privilege and attorney-client confidentiality.

Among the documents on the list, which was obtained Monday by The Associated Press, are handwritten notes by White House lawyers involving discussions they had with computer experts about the e-mails.

The list says the notes 'reflect mental impressions" of the lawyers for the White House Office of Administration, which oversaw the computer system that, because of a technical glitch, was not properly archiving e-mails so they could be searched for possible turnover to various investiga-

Independent Counsel Robert Ray, the Justice Department and Congress are all investigating whether the White House's failure to promptly recover e-mails and check them for compliance with a number of subpoenas after the glitch was discovered in 1998

WASHINGTON (AP) - The was part of an effort to obstruct the investigations that have dogged the Clinton White House.

The privilege list is the first step in the executive privilege process. In past investigations ranging from impeachment to Puerto Rican terrorists, the White House has sometimes relented and turned over documents and in other cases invoked the privileges to shield memos.

Executive privilege, which became famous a quarter century ago during the battle for Richard Nixon's audio tapes in the Watergate scandal, refers to the right of a president to keep confidential the advice he receives from aides on official matters.

The White House's latest maneuver prompted an angry reply from the chairman of the House Government Reform Committee

"The White House obstructing the investigation." Rep. Dan Burton, R-Ind., said in a letter to the White House counsel's office. "This meaningless legal mumbo-jumbo is obviously a transparent ploy to provoke wasteful and time-consuming squabbles over documents.

White House spokesman Jim Kennedy said presidential lawyers "would like to reach an accommodation with the committee to provide them with what they legitimately need in a way that doesn't interfere with our ability to do our job.'

Austin becomes first Texas city to offer free gun locks

first Texas city to take advantage of a private program to distribute free gun locks.

The Austin Police Department will distribute 2,500 free cable gun locks on Saturday. The locks and administrative costs of the program are provided by Project HomeSafe, a firearmawareness program funded by the National Shooting Sports Foundation.

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"There is something that threatens our safety, and that is carelessness," said Austin Mayor Kirk Watson at a news conference on Monday. Watson, person, or a child, finds a children under 17 from gaining as teenagers, they're curious."

that residents will take advantage of the free program.

In Texas, 20 people under the age of 18 were accidentally killed by guns in 1998, according to the Texas Department of Health. In 1994, that total was

Austin is the only city in Texas that has shown interest in the free locks since the NSSF sent out offers in January, said Dee Sarff, a spokeswoman for the program.

"Accidents often occur in the home when an unauthorized

AUSTIN— (AP) Austin is the a gun owner, said he expects loaded handgun," Sarff said. "It's not worth taking the risk that someone could be harmed. Gun owners need to be respon-

> The cable locks, which retail for about \$10 each, work similarly to a bicycle lock. To use the device, gun owners must unload the weapon and thread the cable through the empty cylinder or barrel and lock it.

Sarff said the locks fit all rifles and handguns. However, they may not work on some antiques.

By law, gun owners must keep they move very quickly. Even

A Regis-free zone: Millions of viewers without ABC for a second day

corporate dispute has accomplished what none of ABC's rivals could do: force millions of viewers to watch someone other than Regis Philbin.

Warner cable customers were in their second day without ABC programming today after missing the first celebrity edition of "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire!" win prime-time Monday night.9L

Warner customers found a message saying, "Disney has taken ABC away from you" on the channel that normally carries WABC-TV in New York.

The Walt Disney Co., ABC's corporate parent, is fighting over how much money Time Warner must compensate panies — this isn't about New

NEW YORK (AP) — A nasty Disney for the right to carry York or this year. This is about its conclusion Monday. some of its cable channels. The blackout comes during a key ratings period.

The affected customers are in seven markets served by ABC-An estimated 3.5 million Time owned television stations. About 1.5 million were in the New York City area, 665,000 in Houston and 440,000 in Raleigh-Durham, N.C.

Smaller numbers of customers in the Los Angeles; Philadelphia; Toledo, Ohio; and Instead of Philbin, Time Fresno, Calif., markets also lost service.

This could last for six months," said Jon Mandel, an analyst for Grey Advertising in New York, "because both of them are right and both of them are wrong.

"These are huge media com-

the future of this business. They both need each other and neither of them want to be the one admitting it."

Political and economic pressure makes a long wait doubtful. But both companies are trading unusually bitter rhetoric, and Time Warner has offered to reimburse customers for the cost of switching to an antenna for ABC shows: Disney is considering giving a nebate to customers who get a satellite dish.

The blackout was particularly ill-timed for ABC, America's top-rated broadcaster. In addition to the "Millionaire" celebrity week, many viewers who saw the opening night of the miniseries "Arabian Nights" on Sunday couldn't see

In the coming weeks, ABC is airing the Kentucky Derby, the Daytime Emmy Awards and virtually all of the season finales of its regular series.

In Raleigh, N.C., Dave and Connie Westfall went to a Radio Shack on Monday to buy a rabbit-ear antenna set.

"I'm furious." Connie Westfall said. "I can't believe it: But now that Thave this, we can watch Regis."

Disney appealed for help from the Federal Communications the commission offered no immediate relief.

Each side said FCC law was on its side: Time Warner said it was against the law to carry a station without a transmission fair market price. deal while ABC said a cable

operator cannot stop airing a body who understands the real broadcast station during a sweeps period.

The sweeps, a period when ratings are used to set local advertising rates, began Thursday and run until May 24. Disney had offered a series of

deadline extensions after the original national transmission deal expired Dec. 31. The most recent deadline, offered in March, expired at 12:01 a.m. Monday.

Time Warner said Disney's demands to carry the Disney Commission on Monday, but Channel and separate cartoon and soap opera networks on its system would have added \$300 million in costs to its customers.

Disney said it had offered a

"It's abundantly clear to any-

situation — this is about extorting money from cable customers," said Michael Luftman, Time Warner spokesman.

Preston Padden, executive vice president of governmental relations at Disney, said it was a "damnable lie" to blame Disney for pulling the plug.

"These people are arrogant manipulators," Padden said. "Some deranged individual has deprived all of these people of

Since the blackout affects less than 4 percent of the nation's 100 million TV homes, the dispute isn't likely to shake ABC's hold on the top spot in the season's ratings, Mandel said. But advertisers are expected to demand ABC compensate them for the lost customers

Five Andrews residents sue city over surplus funds

LUBBOCK (AP) — Five residents of the West Texas city of Andrews say their hometown has abused its authority by establishing a \$20 million surplus.

That much in reserve money actually amounts to a "slush fund," according to lawsuit they filed against the city last week.

The plaintiffs contend that the surplus allows Andrews to spend money without voter approval. They say residents were overtaxed to build the fund, and they want it returned.

"The city has the right to tax and have a reasonable surplus," plaintiff Wayne Findley said Monday. "Twenty-million dollars on a \$2.2 million budget does not seem to be a reasonable surplus. They should reduce taxes until the surplus is reduced to a more reasonable amount."

City Attorney Kevin Jackson said the lawsuit is frivolous. The surplus is a result of years of pinching pennies, he said.

This is the first time in the history of the world that a political subdivision has been sued because it manages its money so well that it has reserves," he said. "This town is debt-free. It's just well managed."

It might be good management of fir.ances, but the surplus has stripped voters in Andrews of their voice, Findley said. The city no longer needs bond issues that require voter approval, he

"When the city has accumulated \$20 million, that is a lot of power for the City Council, and they no longer have to go to the voters for approval," Findley said.

"We were taxed in advance, and it bypasses the rights of the voters.

Jackson said most towns would like to be in Andrews' position.

He said the reserve has allowed the city to roll back its tax rate each of the last eight years and has kept the city from having to take out bonds for improvements, while at the same time working to attract new industry to town.

Grand jury clears two Levelland officers in shooting

Hockley County grand jury on Monday cleared two Levelland police officers in a fatal April 16 shooting that followed a four-

minute car chase. The panel met most of the day before no-billing the officers in the death of 19-year-old David Rodriguez, the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal reported on its Web site.

Avalanche-Journal The dropped a lawsuit against the

LEVELLAND (AP) - A city of Levelland last week after newspaper no report of the inciits police department released an incident report regarding the chase.

The newspaper made numerous requests for information, including names of the officers involved and a brief description of the events related to the chase. Opinions from the Texas attorney general's office have said such information is public

record. City officials initially told the dent could be released because none had been made. Later, an attorney representing the city released the report and said it the report. was completed within hours of the chase, in which Rodriguez died from a gunshot wound to the head.

The report said two officers fired at least eight shots at Rodriguez. He died the next

Officer Rick Wooton fired

seven shots at Rodriguez's tires after Rodriguez intentionally collided with the police cruiser during the chase, according to

The impact forced the police car against a curb.

Rodriguez continued evading police, according to the report, and rammed the police car three more times before Officer Fred Gonzales, who was riding Rodriguez's car.

Confederate flag debate looms S.C. gets King holiday as (COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) tant step for South Carolina,

South Carolina has become the last state in the nation to fully recognize the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday, but its racially charged legislative battles are far from over.

Over the NAACP's objections, Gov. Jim Hodges signed a bill Monday that officially institutes a King holiday in January for state workers and also creates a Confederate Memorial Day. State lawmakers must still decide if they can accept another compromise bill that would remove the Confederate flag from atop the Statehouse dome. "In my judgment, passing a

King holiday is a very impor-

and that if I did not sign it, chances are that we might not get one next year," Hodges said. 'In fact, we might not get one five years from now." As early as next week, the

House could begin debate on legislation that would remove the flag and fly a similar banner at a monument on Statehouse grounds that honors Confederate soldiers. The bill, also opposed by the NAACP, has passed the Senate. The National Association for

the Advancement of Colored People had urged Hodges to veto the King bill because it also makes the Confederate holiday, on May 10, a day off for state workers.

Neighboring North Carolina already observes the Confederate holiday. For the past two decades, it has marked the occasion by flying a less recognizable Confederate national flag, which includes a circle of seven stars, atop its Capitol dome.

A South Carolina lawmaker who supported the King bill said a veto would have jeopardized the flag legislation. 'The governor could have

line-item vetoed the Confederacy out of it, but again, would that have been politically expedient at this point?" asked state Rep. John Scott, a Democrat.

Wooton, fired at "The answer would be no. The

governor recognizes he's still

got the flag issue to deal with. If

you alienate one group and cre-

ate obstacles that you don't

need down the road, it doesn't

make good political sense.' The NAACP is urging tourists to boycott South Carolina until the Confederate flag is removed from the Statehouse dome. The group opposes proposals to fly the banner in front of the Statehouse.

House Minority Leader Gilda Cobb-Hunter, a Democrat, said she will continue to discuss flag proposals with the NAACP, but the flag's fate ultimately rests with lawmakers.

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OUR VIEWS

Putting property back on tax rolls is good business

rive around Howard County and you'll see a number of construction projects in the works. We're always glad to see those because it means jobs, and jobs mean growth and growth means a healthy economy.

That drive will also take you past far too many vacant properties. It's with that in mind that we want to say a special word or two about Cosden Federal Credit Union's plan to renovate the former Bluebonnet Savings and Big Spring Savings building along FM

Located behind Dunlap's, the building has been vacant for 15 to 20 years. In fact, ask Cosden FCU President Cary Anderson who the latest occupant was and he'll pan, "About a million pigeons."

Anderson said the credit union considered other options, including buying land and constructing a new facility. He said, however, that he likes the idea of taking a vacant building, sprucing it up and making it usable again.

We like the way he thinks.

By taking that building and renovating it, Cosden FCU has a new home, the area will be enhanced and property will be put back on the tax rolls.

That's certainly an improvement for everyone, and an idea we'd like to see a whole lot more of.

We believe Cosden FCU and Cary Anderson are to be commended for opening a Big Spring office, and for taking the approach they are taking.

Your Views

TO THE EDITOR:

I have a business and live in the building right next door to the old Howard House. This is the building that has caught on fire twice now in the last two weeks.

On the night of April 14, when the building first caught fire, my family and I were evacuated from our home next door. While I was outside, I spoke with Kenny Davidson who works for the city. He told me that Danny Heckler had just signed the building over to the city the day before and that since it had caught on fire, it would have to be torn down.

This was a relief to me because for the last six years there have been several homeless people living in the building. Heckler was also there that night and verified that he had signed the building over to the city.

I know that if for some reason I had a window broken out in my building, the city would want it replaced or boarded up the next day for safety reasons. That is what I thought the city would do, but that did not happen. I could understand them not taking any action over the weekend because of overtime costs.

However, after I had to run kids out of the building the following Monday and Tuesday, I called Kenny and asked when they were going to board it up. I was told they were taking bids on it.

Sometime later in the week I was told that Main Street Inc.

was going to be given the building. I called Drew Mouton and asked if anything could be done to board up the building. He told me that they did not have control of the building yet, and they could do nothing.

I read in the paper that afternoon that commissioner's court had voted to give them the building. Then on Thursday, April 27, the building caught fire again. Some of the firefighters said this would probably happen again and again until something was done to secure the building.

I am very worried about the safety of the children that are attracted to the building by curiosity and the homeless people who still go in there from time to time to see if any of their things are salvageable. I have had to run people out of the building on a daily

I am also worried about my property catching on fire because of its proximity. I don't know if the building belongs to Heckler, the city of Big Spring, Howard County or Main Street Inc., but someone needs to do something to secure the building before someone is injured or killed, or someone else's property is damaged.

It seems that it would be cheaper to secure the building than have to have the firefighters come out time and time again.

> ROBERT SMITH **BIG SPRING**

Show of government force not necessary

had thought that there was nothing Bill Clinton could do that would make me think less of him than I already do. That was a mistake on my part.

The comicbook raid on Gonzalez's Miami family is a new low. even for the federal government. **Pointing** machine guns and screaming obscenities seem to

be standard

CHARLEY

operating procedure for federal law-enforcement officers - even when the only people to scream at and point guns at are unarmed Christian men and women and small children.

The truth is that two unarmed female officers could have gone to that home during any normal hour and removed Elian Gonzalez without any danger to the child, to themselves or to bystanders. That

Miami family has never once said it would resist. It has always tried to follow the law, which, I should point out, is not the same as Attorney General Janet Reno's whim. Instead, the feds chose to act as if they were raiding the hideout of Colombian drug dealers.

The U.S. action was disgraceful. You don't transfer children at gunpoint. And I, for one American, am getting tired of federal cops screaming profanity, pointing guns and shoving around people who have not been convicted of any crime. That is not how a free society operates. It's how dictatorships and authoritarian governments

The real message of this raid is how estranged the federal government is from the American people. The government apparently fears the people, and people who are feared are soon hated. The federal government has increasingly acted as if it has merely to speak and all of us must lock heels and shout "Sieg Heil." Horse manure.

Sovereignty in this country resides with the people. The

government is our servant, not our master. The American people had better pull their heads out of that place where they can't see and reassert their sovereignty before it's too late. There aren't any trends in Washington moving toward respect for the law and liberty. The trends are moving toward arbitrary and authoritarian government.

Reno's poor decision-making notwithstanding, the issue of custody is not as clear-cut as she makes it out to be. One of the points to be settled by the appeals court is: Can someone else speak for a child when the child's interest and that of the parent is in conflict?

The heel-clickers are now pointing to pictures of Elian with his father as if that proves their point. It doesn't. Nobody in Miami has tried to estrange Elian from his father. Their concern all along has been to keep Elian from being forcibly returned to Cuba without having his day in court, which Reno tried to deny him.

It's the boy's father who has refused to go to Miami, refused to meet with the boy and the

family at any neutral site. Whether that's his decision, or his instructions from the Cuban or American or both governments, I don't know. But I do know that nobody in Miami ever suggested that Elian wouldn't be happy to see his father. They had talked several times on the telephone while Elian was in Miami

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Once more the Clinton administration has shown its contempt for the law and contempt for the American people especially conservative

Americans. It has, from day one, taken exactly the same position as the communist dictator Fidel Castro. Those who think that Castro really cares about Elian should ask the old greybeard why he ordered his goons to drown more than a dozen children and their parents when they tried to escape Cuba in 1994.

This administration has slapped in the face and insulted one of the finest group of Americans within the United States, the Cuban exile community. I expect that a lot of Florida Democrats will regret that in November.

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Wrangling a visit with the pandas

obody attempts to list the Wonders of the World anymore. much less limit them to seven. The world has gotten far too wondrous all the way around.

How can a Hanging Gardens

of Babylon stand out, for instance, when every hotel lobby has an elaborate atrium, every lousy theme park a staff of landscape archi-

tects? If I were

GRIMSLEY forced to

JOHNSON make a Wonders list, however, the panda bears would be on it. Atlanta's giant pandas and that rare albino gorilla, Snowflake, in Barcelona, and maybe Louisiana's Atchafalaya Swamp. I'd list living things

RHETA

I finally saw the panda bears this week. (I whined in print about a long zoo line and wrangled myself an invitation.)

Rain hung over the city like a bore at a refreshment table. I went early, hoping to get my personal panda peek before the skies emptied.

Zoo Atlanta's Gail Eaton was my guide, and a good one. She talked to the animals as we walked, assuring Chantek, the orangutan, "You're the prettiest, not those old pandas.

I liked her style. She came here from Boston six years ago, but already has adopted that Southern belle duplicity. A quick study, Gail.

'Since the arrival of the pandas," she said, "I've noticed a lot more zoo visitors speaking foreign languages — and more senior citizens.'

I think I understand the increase in older visitors. When you've lived a long time, you've seen almost everything at least once. But chances are you have not seen a panda, since they are among the rarest mammals in the world, with fewer than 1,000 in the

wild and 200 in captivity. Gail didn't torture me for long with flamingos or elephants. They are plenty nice, but I had panda bears on the brain. (Save your stamps. Scientists debated for a century about whether giant pandas belong to the bear family, the raccoon family or a family all their own. Last summer, Gail said, armed with DNA analysis, experts decided giant pandas belong with the bears, red

Soon enough Gail marched me straight through the moon gates of the beautiful, redtrimmed faux Chengdu temple to see Lun Lun and Yang

pandas the raccoons.)

They were eating. Yang Yang was on his back, covered in stripped shoots, working hard to get his daily 40-pound bamboo requirement. To do so, he must eat for about 16 hours a

Lun Lun seemed to be debating whether to nap or eat; appetite won. It takes energy to sleep. I saw my weekend self in these slothful creatures.

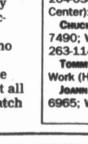
Atlanta's pandas aren't fullgrown, of course. They will get bigger, if the bamboo holds out and all goes according to nature. (If you think you have cane to contribute, call the zoo's Bamboo Hotline at (404) 624-5884.)

When the pair reaches sexual maturity, all the zoo folk, all Atlanta, will be pulling for a baby. Giant pandas don't breed 4 well in captivity. Most of the males are not interested in estrous females. And the females don't exhibit much estrous behavior. Zoo pandas act like an old married couple that had rather go through the all-you-can-eat buffet line at Shoney's than cuddle in bed on a Sunday morning.

It sure would be great, though, if the light got right one Saturday night, and Lun Lun and Yang Yang forgot statistics and made whoopee. **Atlanta History Center's**

newest journal issue reinforces how much Zoo Atlanta deserves such a gift. The zoo history laid out there is fascinating - beginning with the 1889 circus that couldn't pay its bills and was sold at auction to start it all. On a weekday there was no

panda line. But they would have been worth a wait. The real wonder is that we don't all line up every day just to watch those beauties sleep.



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IN BRIEF

Lady Hawks will open Region V with McLennan

Howard College's Lady Hawks will open NJCAA Region V tournament play at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, taking on McLennan Community Highlassies at College's Christian Abilene

University's Wells Field. The Lady Hawks advanced to the regional tournament by finishing as runner-up in the Western Junior College Athletic Conference (WJCAC) with a 33-25 record overall and a 6-10 league mark.

McLennan, in its first year of softball competition, enters the regional opener with a 33-31 record overall, having finished third in the Northern Texas Junior College Athletic Conference with 24-12 mark.

Jackson posts first ace on Comanche Trail course

John Jackson chalked up the first hole-in-one of his golfing career on April 25, acing the No. 15 hole at the Comanche Trail Golf Course.

Jackson used a 5-iron for the big shot which was witnessed by Robert Rodriguez and Ron Booth..

Baseball boosters slate meeting for Thursday

The Big Spring Baseball Booster Club will hold a meeting for all players parents and booster club members at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at the BSHS Athletic Training Center.

Members of the group will be planning their annual baseball banquet and the meeting should last about an hour.

For more information, call Jim Clements at 267-1069 after

BSHS swimming team sets banquet for Friday

The Big Spring High School swim team will hold its armual banquet at 7 p.m. Friday at the KC Steakhouse.

No tickets are being sold to the event, but the public is invited to attend.

Softball tournament set to benefit Cancer Society

The first ever Relay for Life Softball Tournament sponsored by the Sid Richardson Carbon Co. has been scheduled for Friday and Saturday at Cotton Mize Field in Comanche Trail Park.

All proceeds from the tournament will benefit the American Cancer Society. Fees are \$110 per team and

the deadline to enter is 6 p.m. Wednesday. For more information, call

Keith Lance at 399-4255 or Tony Modisette at 263-1379.

Men's slowpitch softball league now being formed Plans are currently under

way to create a 12-team men's slowpitch softball league in Big Spring this summer.

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NBA PLAYOFFS 7 p.m. - Portland Trail Blazers at Minnesota Timberwolves, TNT. Ch. 28.

8 p.m. - San Antonio Spurs at Phoenix Suns, TBS, Ch. 11. 9:30 p.m. - Los Angeles,

Lakers at Sacramento Kings, TNT, Ch. 28. **NHL PLAYOFFS**

6 p.m. - Philadelphia Flyers at Pittsburgh Penguins, ESPN, Ch. Tonight, Portland is at Minnesota,

Major League hitters set new record for home runs in

Just pity the poor pitchers: For them. it was the cruelest April ever.

Batters hit 931 homers, a record for the month and 195 more than last April, according to the Elias Sports Bureau, baseball's official statistician.

"I don't like it. I think it's taken away a lot from the game," Atlanta pitcher Tom Glavine said. "I feel like what Mac and Sammy did two years ago should be a once-in-a-lifetime kind of thing. I'm not so sure it's going to be. I think it's definitely tarnished the image or the excitement associated with the home run."

Hitters didn't quite reach the record for any month -980 last May.

Not including the four hit in March during the Mets-Cubs series in Japan, per game, up 15 percent from the average of 2.22 last April. The previous record for April was 826 in 1996.

By comparison, there was an average of 1.38 homers in April 1968, the year offense dropped so low that owners lowered the mound from 15 inches to 10 after the season.

"It's not a good time for pitchers, there's no doubt," the Dodgers' Kevin Brown said. "There are a lot of ways to get hurt out there, the way the ball's fly-

The biggest change has been in Houston. In 1999, homers at the Astrodome averaged 1.54 per game. In the first 12 games at new Enron Field, there have been 46 home runs, an average of 3.83. That's even higher than April's 3.10 average in 10 games at Coors

there's been an average of 2.56 homers Field, until now baseball's most prominent bandbox.

Houston's Jose Lima gave up eight homers in three starts covering 17 innings. Chris Holt allowed four in two

Jermaine Dye of the Kansas City Royals led the majors in April with 11 homers, while San Francisco's Barry Bonds, Atlanta's Andres Galarraga and the Dodgers' Gary Sheffield shared the NL lead with 10. Mark McGwire and Sammy Sosa each hit eight.

"The poor pitchers go home at night and turn on ESPN and there's 28 minutes of balls reaching the seats," Kansas City manager Tony Muser said. "The mindset of the game today is try to pound the other team into oblivion and win 12-11, and say, 'Man, what a ballgame!"

averaged 2.5 homers per game, identical to last year's April average at 3Com Park, the Giants' old field.

Only Comerica Park in Detroit has been a pitcher's friend among the new sites. This year's average was 1.36, down 36 percent from last year's average of 2.11 at Tiger Stadium.

"It's one thing for the legitimate homerun hitters to be going out there and doing it," Glavine said, "but it's everybody else that makes you kind of wonder what the heck's going on.'

Some say it's due to stronger batters or the lowered quality of pitching due to expansion.

New York Mets manager Bobby Valentine says that hitting has improved so much that pitchers sometimes are afraid to throw strikes.



Howard College De'Shaun Drake shown here following through on her delivery to a Midland College batter on March 25, will the the Lady Hawks' starting pricher Thursday afternoon when the open Region V tournament play against McLennan Community College's Highlassies. The Lady Hawks will take a 33-25 record into the tournament after finishing second in the Western Junio College Athletic Conference, while McLennan owns a 33-31 mark.

Indians help Yankees take 2-1 win

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

The New York Yankees got plenty of help at Jacobs Field. Not that the world champions needed any.

Shane Spencer hit a two-run double off third base, and a base-running blunder in the ninth inning finished off a 2-1 victory for the Yankees over the Cleveland Indians on Monday night.

"We were lucky, and I'm glad we were lucky," manager Joe Torre said. "I don't want to

relive that ninth." The Indians put runners on second and third with no outs in the final inning against closer Mariano Rivera. After Richie Sexson struck out, Travis Fryman hit a sinking liner to left that looked like it would at

least tie the score. Spencer grabbed it on the run, and when he looked up, Alex Ramirez and David Justice were standing on third. Spencer tossed the ball to shortstop Derek Jeter, who stepped on second for the game's final out.

"Derek was jumping up and down yelling for the ball," Spencer said. "I was going to throw it over the backstop."

In other American League action, it was Boston 10, Detroit 6: Oakland 7, Kansas City 5; and Toronto 5, the Chicago White Daubach also homered

In National League games, it was San Francisco 10, New York 3; Atlanta 2, Los Angeles 1; Colorado 15, Montreal 8; Houston 5, Milwaukee 0; and Florida 5, San Diego 2. The Cincinnati-Pittsburgh game was rained out.

Jeter was surprised and relieved to get out of the jam. The Yankees were conceding the tying run, and the clock was ticking past a possible 1 a.m. curfew following a 2-hour, 44-

minute rain delay, "Weird," said Jeter, who pumped his fist after the double play. "When he first hit it, I thought it was going to drop. It's a tough read.'

Ramiro Mendoza (3-2) worked six solid innings for the victory, and Rivera got out of trouble in the eighth and ninth to get his eighth save.

Red Sox 10, Tigers 6

Detroit broke its 25-inning scoreless streak against Boston, but the Red Sox scored in six of the first seven innings and beat the Tigers.

Mike Stanley's third homer in three games, a two-run shot in the first, and Carl Everett's eighth homer of the season gave Boston a 3-0 lead after two innings at Fenway Park. Brian straight outs for his fifth save.

Jeff Fassero (3-1) allowed four runs and six hits in five innings, sending Detroit to its 12th loss in 14 games. C.J. Nitkowski (1-5) gave up five runs — four earned — and six hits in three-plus innings.

Blue Jays 5, White Sox 3 Brad Fullmer broke a tie in the sixth with a two-run homer. and Chris Carpenter (3-3) stayed perfect in six career decisions against Chicago, allowing two

runs and five hits. Visiting Toronto led the AL with 43 homers in April, and kept it up on the first day of May. Raul Mondesi, Jose Cruz Jr. and Alex Gonzalez also homered off Kip Wells (2-3).

Athletics 7, Royals 5

Terrence Long drove in four runs - including a a basesloaded triple - and Omar Olivares (2-3) won for the first time since April 5 as Oakland extended its winning streak to four with a road victory

The A's, who trailed 5-4 in the eighth, loaded the bases with one out against Dan Reichert (1-1) and tied the score on Eric Chavez's infield grounder. Pinch-hitter Olmedo Saenz singled in the go-ahead run.

Jason Isringhausen got three

BSHS' Gwyn is 5-4A's MVP; Arista honored JOHN A. MOSELEY

Managing Editor

Freshman pitcher Christina Gwyn was named the most valuable player when District 5-4A coaches met to select their all-district softball team Monday, but the rest of Big Spring's Lady Steers were relegated to second-team or honorable mention status.

Big Spring also copped another individual honor when Dan Arista was tabbed by his peers as the league's coach of the year after having guided the Lady Steers to the 5-4A championship.

Six of the Lady Steers were named to the all-district second team and one was selected for honorable mention, while league runner-up Snyder dominated the first team with six selections.

The Lady Tigers grabbed the remainder of the team's individual honors - junior left fielder Whitney Webb was named the district's defensive player of the year; senior designated hitter Kristen Martinez was picked as the offensive player of the year; and freshman shortstop Shelley Fisk was chosen as the league's newcomer of the year.

The first team's pitching staff included Snyder senior Courtney Rinehart and Fort Stockton freshman Lilly Alcala.

Snyder's other first-teamers were junior first baseman Jennifer Newman and junior outfielder Cameron Mackey.

Sweetwater's Lady Mustangs and San Anglo Lake View's Maidens earned three spots apiece on the first team. The Lady Mustangs first-team picks were junior first baseman Audrey Solis, junior outfielder Bonnie Hanna and junior utility player Sharon Ballenger. The Maidens' first-teamers were junior catcher Traci Harp, sophomore third baseman Jennifer Hill and senior outfielder Crista Crisp.

Fort Stockton also put three players on the first team, Alcala being joined by teammates Jessica Carrillo, a senior shortstop, and Lindsey Andrews, a senior outfielder.

The Andrews duo of senior second baseman Rosie Ruiz and senior designated hitter Sandy Acosta rounded out the firstteam selections.

The all-district second team was dominated by the Lady Steers' six selections — senior



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catcher Lindsey Marino, senior baseman first Letica Hernandez, junior third baseman Amy Jackson, senior shortstop Monica Rubio, sophomore outfielder Trista Casey and senior designated hitter Nicci Vizcaino.

Big Spring's lone honorable mention pick was second baseman Bridgett Cain, a sopho-

Rounding out the second team were sophomore pitcher Haley Clemons and junior utility player Robin Mena of Sweetwater: sophomore pitcher Josie Jungman, junior second baseman Courtney Burns and senior outfielder Michelle McMillan of Lake View; junior pitcher Courtney Pool, sophomore third baseman Emily Rampone and sophomore Sonya Figueroa of Andrews; and sophomore utility player Mindy Duran of Fort Stockton.

ALL-DISTRICT SOFTBALL TEAM SUPERLATIVES

ensive Player of Year: Whitney Webb, Jr., Snyder

Newcomer of Year: Shelley Fisk, Fresh., Snyde Coach of the Year: Dan Arista, Big Spring

FIRST TEAM

Pitchers — Lilly Alcala, Fresh., Fort Stockton Courtney Rinehart, Sr., Snyder. Catcher - Traci Harp, Jr., Lake View

Plast base — Jennifer Newman, Jr., Snyder; Audrey olis, Jr., Sweetwater.

Second base — Rosie Ruiz, Sr., Andrews.
Shortstop — Jessica Carrillo, Sr., Fort Stockton.
Third base — Jennifer Hill, Soph., Lake View.
Designated hitter — Sandy Acosta, Sr., Andrews. Utility — Sharon Ballenger, Jr., Sweetwater.

Dutflelders — Lindsey Andrews, Sr., Fort Stockton;
Crista Crisp, Sr., Lake View; Cameron Mackey, Jr., Snyder; Bonnie Hanna, Jr., Sweetwater

SECOND TEAM
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indrews.

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Iverson, McKie lead the way in 76ers' elimination of Charlotte

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Allen Iverson didn't want to play the Charlotte Hornets in the playoffs. Neither did Philadelphia 76ers coach

Larry Brown. Now, they're both glad they did. The Sixers, led by Iverson's 26 points and clutch shooting from Aaron McKie,

beat Charlotte 105-99 Monday night to win their first round series 3-1. Philadelphia plays the winner of the Milwaukee-Indiana series in the Eastern Conference semifinals. Game 1 is sched-

uled for Saturday. Milwaukee routed Indiana 100-87 Monday night to force a fifth game of that series on Thursday night.

to one; San Antonio visits Phoenix with the Suns on top 2-1, and the Los Angeles Lakers are at Sacramento, with the visitors leading 2-1.

"Aaron told me he wanted to play these guys," Iverson said. "I kept telling him to root for somebody else. I never wanted to play this team from Day 1. They're a great team, a big team. They played us hard, even in our house."

Said Brown: "It was almost my worst nightmare when we drew Charlotte." McKie, though, wanted the Hornets instead of Toronto, which could have been Philadelphia's first-round oppo-

nent. "Toronto reminded me of us last year." said McKie, who started his second straight game for the injured Eric Snow.

with the Trail Blazers ahead two games out with a chip fracture in his right inflamed right elbow. Substitute Matt ankle. McKie was comparing the 1999 upstart 76ers to the current Raptors.

> McKie must have known something Iverson and Brown didn't. He made four consecutive 3-pointers and scored 13 straight points midway through the fourth quarter as the Sixers rallied from an 8-point deficit.

> "They were giving me looks throughout the game and I had it in my mind that I was going to take the shots if they were there," McKie said, downplaying his performance. "I just got in a groove. I just wanted my team to win.'

> McKie had career playoff highs with 25 points and 11 assists. The four 3-pointers tied McKie's career high in any game. Iverson scored 26 despite playing with a chip fracture in his right ankle and an

Geiger scored 17 points and grabbed 10 rebounds.

After Charlotte took its biggest lead, 85-77, in the first minute of the fourth period, McKie took over. He nailed consecutive 3-pointers to make it 85-83.

Bucks 100, Pacers 87

Milwaukee won a playoff game at home for the first time in exactly 10

They still have the opportunity because they got off to a big lead and never faltered. Ray Allen scored 20 points before taking a blow to the head, and reserve Scott Williams added a sea-

son-high 20. Milwaukee could become the third No. 8 seed to upset a top-seeded team.

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***** Ideas seem to funnel

right through you. Use your

ingenuity to add to the moment

and to a key relationship.

Injecting some of this high-volt-

age energy into your work

proves to be unusually success-

ful. Once you get started on a

project, you might not want to

stop. Tonight: Let your libido

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

of an anchor than you'd like

him to be. You don't know

exactly what you want, which

makes it difficult for you to

free yourself from a problem.

Brainstorm and test ideas.

Heated words could ensue, but

you can deal with it. Tonight:

Think through recent events

**** Reach out for another,

even if you feel a bit hesitant.

How you view another could

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relevant to you. Recognize the

need to find your own truth.

viously might not have. You Don't worry, if you are conhave a strong urge to make money — and spend it as well . fused or unsure. Information You will be very successful comes forward that helps you after June. 2001 could become a make a decision. Another peak year financially. If you appreciates your clarity. are single, romance blossoms. Spending can become extreme Be open to dating and meeting if you aren't careful. Tonight: It different people. Someone very is your call. positive shows up on the scene. **GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)

**** Take a deep breath. Listen to your sixth sense. A together. letter could be lost, or a phone message might be missed. Don't stand on ceremony. The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Understand your limits. Your high energy and vitality will Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1carry you through a difficult situation. Tonight: Do some

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LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

**** Take charge, knowing what you want. Others expect feedback, but you might not be clear about exactly what kind. Be direct; let others know where you are coming from. Concentration and focus remain primary. Tonight: Join friends after work. **VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

***** Getting an overview is

the best solution when you aren't sure which way to turn. Imagine what you want, and work on making that a reality. Bosses will pressure you more in the next several weeks. You can meet their demands. Tonight: Movie time.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

***** You might not be sure which way to turn with a child. One-on-one relating reveals another set of concerns as well. There are no problems, only solutions. Seek information. Do your own research. Tonight: A

serious talk with a partner. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ***** You might not be sure

what to do with another's strong opinions. Discussions take an animated turn, but refuse to hit below the belt. Simply get down to basics. what you feel. A positive approach brings a strong response. Tonight: Don't be alone.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec.

21) *** Work needs to be your primary concern. Don't let anyone color your thinking with his strong views. Emphasis is on making what you want happen. Working with those who

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DEAR ABBY: This letter is in response to the one written by "Determined in Dallas," who prides herself on courtesy and who is attempting to pass on similar traits to her 4-year-old son. When her son kindly holds the door open for a stranger, and that stranger neglects to say thank you, "Determined" feels it necessary to announce ("loud enough for the offender to hear"), "She should've

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son is that

it's OK to

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Read on:

your beliefs. This, in my opin-

ion, is far more rude than not

saying thank you. If

"Determined" wants to rein-

force the idea of thanking oth-

ers, she'd do better to speak to

her son privately and quietly.

She could also teach him (and

remind herself) that a truly

kind person performs acts of

kindness without expecting

NOT THANKED YET STILL

DEAR NOT THANKED: You

are not the only reader who

took pen in hand to point out

that the zealous mother might

be sending her son the wrong

message — and displaying

rudeness in the bargain. While

it would have been more tactful

of her to direct her comments

quietly to her son, I still

believe that small children

need positive reinforcement.

DEAR ABBY: The letter from

"Determined in Dallas," the

mother of the 4-year-old boy,

brought back memories of my

dear grandmother, Alice. While

reading that letter, I thought

you might scold her a bit about

her reply to thoughtless

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been quite a woman. Read on: DEAR ABBY! The recent letters about courtesy miss the point, which is that human beings should be courteous to one another regardless of gen-

As my husband says, what works for one gender should work for the other as well. Good manners should mean being thoughtful and considerate of others and open to giving or receiving an act of courtesy depending on the situation not the gender. - \$ALLY ROSLOFF, NORTHRIDGE, CALIF.

DEAR SALLY: Your husband is absolutely right. And his philosophy is similar to that of manners maven Tish Baldrige, who sagely points out: "Manners embrace socially acceptable behavior ... but also much more than that. They are an expression of how you treat others when you care about them, their self-esteem, and their feelings. ... In a chaotic world, they can make order out of disorder and give you the power to bring pleasure into

other people's lives." It's worth thinking about.

DEAR ABBY: April 30 is a "memorial day" for many Vietnamese people, because we lost our loving home country, Vietnam, due to the fall of Saigon on April 30, 1975.

I would like to express my appreciation to American individuals and the families of those who supported and sacrificed for my country during the Vietnam War, and to those who opened their hearts to welcome us, the refugees, to resettle in this country. Your sacrifice and generosity

deserve blessings. - PETER TRAN, GARLAND, TEXAS

DEAR PETER: Thank you for a beautiful letter. It will be particularly meaningful to Vietnam veterans, as well as the families of soldiers who died in the conflict.

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'You had lotsa fun when you were little, Grandma. I wish I could've knowed you sooner."

DENNIS THE MENACE



"I HOPE I GET A BIG DESSERT FOR EATIN' ALL THIS STUFF!"

died at Cloux, France.

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Today is Tuesday, May 2, the

123rd day of 2000. There are 243 days left in the year.

THIS DATE

Today's Highlight in History: On May 2, 1863, Confederate Gen. Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson was accidentally wounded by his own men at

eight days later. On this date:

In 1519; Leonardo da Vinci

Chancellorsville, Va.; he died

In 1670, the Hudson Bay Company was chartered by England's King Charles II. In 1890, the Oklahoma

Territory was organized. In 1936, "Peter and the Wolf," a symphonic tale for children by Sergei Prokofiev, had its

world premiere in Moscow. In 1945, the Soviet Union announced the fall of Berlin, and the Allies announced the surrender of Nazi troops in Italy and parts of Austria.

In 1957, Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy, the communisthunting Republican senator from Wisconsin, died at Bethesda Naval Hospital in Maryland.

In 1960, convicted sex offender and best-selling author Caryl Chessman was executed at San

Quentin Prison in California. In 1965, the "Early Bird" satellite was used to transmit TV pictures across the Atlantic. In 1972, after 48 years as head of the FBI, J. Edgar Hoover died in Washington at age 77.

In 1994, Nelson Mandela claimed victory in the wake of South Africa's first democratic elections; President F.W. de Klerk acknowledged defeat.

Ten years ago: The government of South Africa and the African National Congress opened their first formal talks aimed at paving the way for more substantive negotiations on dismantling apartheid.

Five years ago: President Clinton agreed to allow some 20,000 Cubans into the United States after months of detention at Guantanamo Bay, but said any more Cubans who fled their country would be forcibly repatriated.

One year ago: Yugoslav authorities handed over to the Rev. Jesse Jackson three American prisoners of war who had been held for a month. Actor Oliver Reed died in Malta at age 61.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Theodore Bikel is 76. Actor Roscoe Lee Browne is 75. Rock musician Link Wray is 65. Comedy writer-voice actor Lorenzo Music is 63. Bianca Jagger is 55. Country singer R.C. Bannon is 55, Singer Lesley Gore is 54. Singer-songwriter Larry Gatlin is 52. Rock singer Lou Gramm (Foreigner) is 50. Actress Christine Baranski is 48. Actress Elizabeth Berridge is 38. Country singer Ty Herndon is 38. Actress Jenna Von Oy is 23.

Thought for Today: "What experience and history teach is this: that people and governments have never learned anything from history." - Georg Wilhelm Friedrich Hegel, German philosopher (1770-1831).

HI AND LOIS

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FOR MY

ME SOMETHING

BIRTHDAY ?



I ASKED MYSELF, "WHAT

DO YOU GET THE MAN

WHO HAS EVERYTHING?

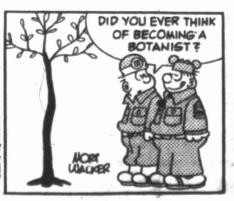
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