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Dental hygiene student to hold children's fair

Students in the dental hygiene department at Howard College will hold their annual children's dental health fair Saturday.

Children throughout the community are encouraged to attend the fair and receive free popcorn, balloons and toothbrushes.

The fair will begin at 10 a.m. in the Horace Garrett Building and conclude at noon.

Part of the education will be discussions on healthy snacks as well as proper brushing and flossing techniques. Games highlighting these important dental hygiene facts will also be available for the children to play.

Door prizes will be given away, and keeping with the "102 Smiles" theme, a parody of "102 Dalmations," puppy footprints will be planted on the sidewalks outside the Horace Garrett Building to lead the way to the clinic.

WEEKEND TICKET

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

SATURDAY
Howard County Scottish Rite Club, 8 a.m., Masonic Lodge, 21st & Lancaster. Breakfast served.

Adult eyeglass clinic. Eyeglasses for adults who can't afford to pay for exam or glasses.

Saturday, Feb. 17, 9 to noon. Lions Bingo building, 1607 East Third.

The Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Potton House, 200 Gregg, a restored historic home, is open from 1 to 5 p.m. A one-time admission fee of \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizens are encouraged.

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

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Citing conflicting interests, tourism director resigns

JOHN A. MOSELEY
Managing Editor

Citing conditions that prevented her from effectively doing her job, Andi Andrews-York has announced her decision to resign as tourism director for the Big Spring Visitors and Convention Bureau (CVB).

Andrews-York notified Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce officials of her decision to resign Wednesday, but as of this



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morning her official letter of resignation has not arrived at the chamber's office.

"There were conflicting

interests among personnel that prohibited me from doing my job as tourism director," Andrews-York said in explaining her decision, adding that she had not been allowed to meet with members of the CVB board when they met Wednesday.

"I wish I'd had an opportunity to meet with my board and explain why I made this decision," she added. "I just felt like I wasn't able to focus on tourism-related activities."

Andrews-York, who was not supposed to return from an eight-week maternity leave until Feb. 28, said chamber executive director Terri Newton-Davis had informed her that she needed to remove personal items from her office immediately.

She added that she hasn't made plans on what she will do now.

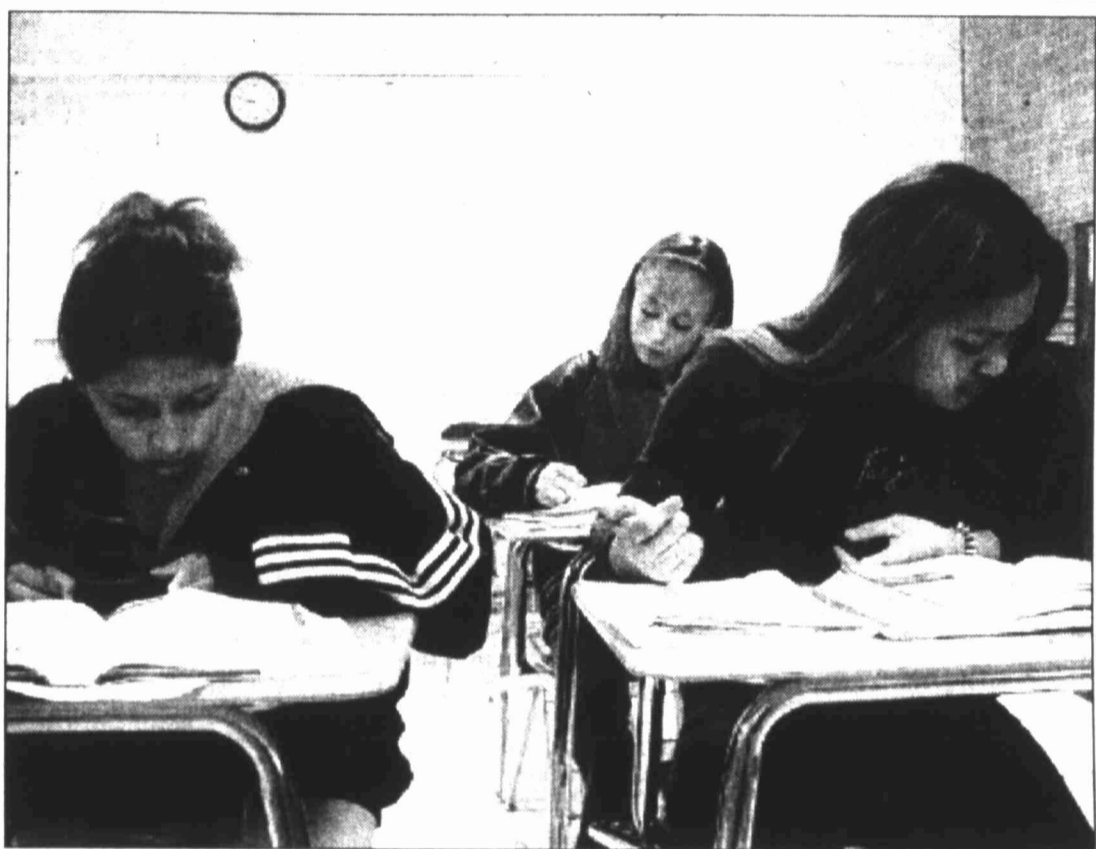
"This was a tough decision," Andrews-York explained. "I really don't have a game plan, yet, but

I'm going to explore some other opportunities."

Andrews-York is the second person to hold the tourism director's job since the full-time position was created by the Convention and Visitors Bureau in July of 1998.

Predecessor, Andrea Earle, resigned the post in August of 1999 and Andrews-York was hired in September of that year.

Both chamber president See **TOURISM**, Page 2A



Big Spring High School sophomores Lupe Aleman, from left, Amanda Chapman and Sunny Labanon study during math Texas Assessment of Academic Skills tutorials in Joyce Myers' class this morning. TAAS testing begins Tuesday at the high school.

Administrators to create calm atmosphere for TAAS testing

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

The Big Spring High School bell system will change temporarily next week to accommodate sophomores who will be taking the Texas



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Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) test.

"It is our objective to create the best testing atmosphere for our sophomores as possible," said principal Michael Ritchey. "Therefore we are rearranging our bell schedule. To create a quiet atmosphere, the bells will be turned off between 8:30 a.m. and 10:30."

Sophomores will begin taking their exit-level exams with writing skills

on Tuesday, followed by math on Wednesday. Students will finish with the reading test on Thursday.

Those juniors and seniors who have not passed the TAAS will take the test the same time as the sophomores.

"The test begins at 8:30 each morning will take two-to-two-and-a-half hours to complete," Ritchey said.

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Big Spring Main Street Inc. highlights accomplishments

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

Getting rid of downtown eyesores along with cleaning up the area are few of the accomplishments Big Spring Main Street Inc.



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has made over the previous year. Now the focus will turn toward getting more use out of some of the existing structures.

Drew Mouton, board president, reviewed some of the accomplishments made from the previous year during the corporation's annual meeting Thursday.

"We have stopped the deterioration in the Settles and Petroleum Building," said Mouton. "Now we need

to use them."

He said a goal that will soon be accomplished is the removal of asbestos in the Petroleum Building.

Main Street had a company complete a survey for asbestos abatement and the Texas Department Criminal Justice will provide trained inmates for the removal. The corporation will fund the necessary supplies.

Last year, Main Street made strides to revitalize

the Railroad Plaza by cleaning the area and fixing lights to make it more attractive.

Currently, the organization is seeking more tenants to move into the plaza area. Directors discussed ways to encourage the public to utilize the area.

A corporation goal from last year that will soon become a reality is the demolition of the Howard House. The old hotel was

deemed unsafe by the city soon after the corporation took over ownership of the building.

The property, which stands across the Runnels Street from the Settles Hotel, caught fire three times last year.

According to Mouton, the corporation has made an agreement with a company to tear down the building.

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Former Webb AFB pilot recalls flying career with sense of humor

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

A former Webb Air Force Base pilot will be returning to Big Spring to sign copies of his newly published book at Hangar 25 Air Museum on Saturday.

"We are very excited about Ron's visit," said Susan Lewis, Hangar 25 Air Museum coordinator. "He has visited the museum several times. He is a delightful man."

Ron George will be signing his book, "Airspeed, Altitude and a Sense of Humor," based on his experience as an Air Force pilot and squadron life during the Cold War with the Soviet Union and the "Hot

BOOK SIGNING

Former Webb AFB pilot Ron George will autograph copies of his book, "Airspeed, Altitude and a Sense of Humor" from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. Saturday at the Hangar 25 Air Museum.

War" in Southeast Asia during the 1960s.

"The title came from a quote by my flying instructor at Webb Air Force Base, Capt. James Reiden, who said 'flying is a piece of cake as long as you keep up your airspeed, altitude and a sense of humor,'" George said.

George first came to Webb

in the summer of 1964 in the Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) and returned to Howard County in the spring of 1965 for pilot training.

"It was a very tough time," he said. "I have told people that after that one year of pilot training, nothing has been as tough."

George said that his one year of Air Force pilot training can be comparable to four years of training.

During his training, George remembers the skies over Webb filled with airplanes during the day and many times at night.

"T-37s would be flying in a pattern on the east side," he said. "T-38s would fly on

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Ron George began pilot training in 1965 at Webb Air Force Base in Big Spring. He left the service in 1970 and is deputy director of Wildlife Division for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

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OBITUARIES

Carl McGlothlin

Carl McGlothlin, 83, of Big Spring, died on Thursday, Feb. 15, 2001, in a local nursing home. Memorial funeral service will be 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, at First Baptist Church with the Rev. Jeff Donnell and Mike Couch, both of First Baptist Church, officiating. Private graveside service will be at 9 a.m. Saturday at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born Jan. 6, 1918, in Bartlett, and married Iris Elizabeth Turner on Jan. 6, 1946, in Temple.

Mr. McGlothlin accepted Christ as his savior at an early age and joined the Baptist church. He had been a member of First Baptist Church in Big Spring since 1962. He was a 20-year veteran of the United States Navy, serving from 1939-1959. He was stationed at Pearl Harbor and witnessed the bombing by Japan and was present on the USS Missouri for the signing of the peace treaty. After retirement, he attended the University of Texas and received his BA degree. He came to Big Spring in 1962 and went to work for Social Security, retiring in 1983 after 20 years of service.

Survivors include: his wife, Iris Turner McGlothlin of Big Spring; one daughter and son-in-law, Kathryn Ayn and Dave Canning of Edmond, Okla.; three granddaughters, Kathryn Elizabeth Ivey and husband, John, of Coalgate, Okla.; Heather Ayn Dorris and husband, Jody, of Laredo; and Kimberly Canning of Edmond, Okla.; one sister and brother-in-law, Myrtice and Berkeley Barfield of Forrest Cove; two sisters-in-law, Adah McGlothlin of Uvalde and Opal Patrick Turner of San Angelo; nieces and nephews, Gayle Daniel of Taylor, Peggy McGlothlin of Granbury, Joe Turner and Peggy Shanon, both of Pearland, Mark Barfield of Forrest Cove, Patricia McGlothlin Palmer of London, England, and James McGlothlin of Houston; and his beloved puppy, Tybalt.

He was preceded in death

by his parents and one brother.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to your favorite charity or to the library at First Baptist Church where he was a volunteer for many years.

The family will receive friends from 6-7 p.m. today at the funeral home.

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

Paid obituary

Charles D. Vieregge

Charles D. Vieregge, 70, of Big Spring, passed away on Thursday, Feb. 15, 2001, at his home following a long illness.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 2-4 p.m. Sunday. Graveside service with military graveside rites will be 2 p.m. Monday at Trinity Memorial Park with the Rev. Jeff Janca, pastor of Forsan Baptist Church, officiating.

Charles was born on April 6, 1930, in Forth Worth. He came to Big Spring at the age of 12 and attended Big Spring schools. Charles grew up in the sign business, working with his father who started the business in Fort Worth in 1919. The company installed the flying red horse on the Mobil Building in Dallas. The company also installed the first neon sign in the United States. In 1942, the business was moved to Big Spring from Fort Worth, and changed to the current name, Flo-Lite Signs. Charles took ownership of the business in 1971 and remained active until his illness.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Army Air Corps, serving as a fighter pilot during the Korean War. After the war, he returned home and attended college in Abilene. He is survived by his wife, Doris Vieregge of Big Spring; one son, Jesse Crane III of Fort Jackson, S.C.; two daughters, Tina Martin of Midland and Daphne Crane of Big Spring; two grandsons, Chase Martin of Midland and Henry Franco of Big Spring; one brother, Harry Vieregge of North Highlands, Calif.; two step-brothers, Marshall Curry of Sweetwater and Chuck Curry of Granbury; a number of nieces and nephews, including Doreen Dolan of Abilene; and one sister-in-law, Ruby Bruns of Odessa.

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

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TOURISM

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John Freeman and Davis said they were surprised by Andrews-York's decision to resign.

Davis said she had not immediately announced Andrews-York's decision because she hadn't received an official letter of resignation and appeared surprised by Andrews-York's claims that she hadn't been able to focus her attentions on tourism matters.

When asked Thursday afternoon why Andrews-York had resigned, Davis said she wasn't certain.

"I think a lot of it has to do with having four children now ... two of them in diapers," Davis offered. "I haven't received her resignation yet. I hate to lose her and I wish her all the best."

Freeman said he wasn't aware of personnel problems at the chamber offices. He added that he hadn't talked with Andrews-York since she'd left on maternity leave, but understood that she had talked with former chamber president Jim Purcell.

"All I've ever seen when I've been up there is happy, smiling faces," Freeman

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said, indicating that he would investigate Andrews-York's complaints. "I didn't know she was having problems. If we've got personnel problems, I'd like to know what they are."

"I'm certainly going to look into it," Freeman added. "I just haven't seen any problems. Jim Purcell has done a good job and I thought we had a pretty effective, streamlined operation."

Freeman and Davis said the chamber would immediately begin seeking Andrews-York's replacement.

"We've got tremendous committees this year," Freeman noted. "We've got some good things coming up this year and are going to be working to bring visitors into our community."

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consistent with existing minority representation."

Bass also addressed issues dealing with polling places. He said polling places must be convenient to voters and be accessible to individuals with disabilities. He also said that there could be no charge for the use of any of the voting polls. He also said that there could be no more than 2000 voters or less than 100 in any paper ballot county.

The firm was approved last March by the Howard County Commissioner's Court to redistrict the county at a price of \$25,000. The first installment of \$15,000 was due on Jan. 1 of this year with the remainder due by Jan. 1, 2002.

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Demolition should begin within 30 to 60 days.

Three area organizations donated money to the project, including the corporation, Moore Development for Big Spring and Cornell Corrections.

The city of Big Spring agreed to be responsible for disposing of the material.

During the meeting, Mouton expressed the corporation's gratitude to the city of Big Spring and the Moore Development board along with the many other supporters who have help the corporation with its accomplishments.

Mouton informed the directors that both Rotary clubs of Big Spring had expressed interest in turning a vacant lot adjacent to Dahmer's Antiques into a park.

During Thursday's meeting, board members Greg Biddison, Tommy Churchwell and Delbert Donelson were each elected to three-year terms.

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the west side."

George first learned to fly in a T-37 "Twenty Bird" made by Cessna. The plane earned the name from its loud screaming engines.

"On my first or second solo I was coming back to the base when I noticed another airplane closing on me at a high rate of speed," he recalled.

George lost sight of the airplane but a little later it was back.

"I saw it again," he said. "I took evasive maneuvers and this time I kept my eye on the plane. I realized it was a horsefly flying

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AROUND THE TOWN

trapped in my cockpit."

George relates this among other humorous and adventurous stories about his time as a pilot, flying as a co-pilot for a jet tanker, refueling planes during the Vietnam era. His permanent duty station with the Strategic Air Command was at Dyess AFB. He and his crew logged more than 200 hours of combat air time. He left the military in 1970 and eventually earned a degree in range and wildlife science.

As deputy director of the Texas Wildlife Division of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, George has been published numerous times in articles about wildlife conservation, but his new book is the first written about his days as an Air Force pilot.

"This is his first book-signing for this book," Lewis added.

The signing will be held at the Hangar 25 briefing room from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. Copies will be available at the signing. George said the price for the book will be under \$20.

TAAS

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For the last five weeks, the high school has held mandatory tutorials for the sophomores and the students will report to the same classroom they had the tutorials in, Ritchey said.

"Our focus for those three days will be on sophomores to give them the best opportunity to achieve passing scores for the three tests," he said.

Texas high school students must pass all three tests in order to earn their high school diploma.

Freshmen will report to the high school cafeteria for those three days at the regular school time and will participate in a three-day program called Choices and Consequences, Ritchey said. "On the first day, we are going to highlight the justice system in Texas," he said.

Students will hear presentations about the consequences of theft, property crime, running away and truancy from area law enforcement agencies. Also Victim Services will give a presentation.

The second day, titled choices will include testimonials from two Federal Correctional Institute prisoners.

Students will also learn about career opportunities available with a high school degree along with speeches from community members.

Day three will include talks from law enforcement officers about alcohol and drug use and their consequences.

Juniors and seniors will not have to report to school until 10:45 when first period begins, Ritchey mentioned.

SUPPORT GROUPS

TODAY
•Turning Point A.A., 8-9:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad. Open to all substance abusers.
•AA, 8:15 Settles, 8 p.m. Big Book Study.

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•NA 8 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad. Call 268-4189 (pager no.).

SATURDAY

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon, 8 p.m., 10 p.m. open meetings, 615 Settles.
•NA 8 p.m., St. Mary's Church, 1001 Goliad. Call 268-4189 (pager no.).

carry of a weapon and on a federal warrant.

•EMMA GONZALES LEOS, 39, of 1805 Nolan, was arrested on a federal warrant.

•JESS MATHEW HILL, 36, of 1206 Wasson, was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana.
•JASON ROBERTS, 21, of 2106 Monticello, was arrested on charges of public intoxication, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of marijuana.

•WILLIAM BUNDRANT, 30, of Spurger, was arrested on a charge of driving while license invalid.

•DEADLY CONDUCT was reported in the 800 block of Owens.

•ASSAULT was reported in the 100 block of Whipkey.

•CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1900 block of Wasson.

•TERRORISTIC THREATS were reported in the 500 block of Westover.

•DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 1700 block of Purdue, in the 600 block of Abrams, in the 500 block of S. Bell and in the 1900 block of Wasson.

BRIEFS

CHILDREN'S PROTECTIVE SERVICES is looking for foster families in Big Spring and surrounding counties.

An informative meeting on foster parenting will be held in Midland at 7 p.m., Thursday at the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services, 901 West Wall, 2nd Floor, Midland.

For more information call 915-686-2273 or to the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services Foster Care and Adoption Inquiry Line at 1-800-233-3405.

AMERICAN LEGION POST 506 is having a fish fry Saturday from noon to 3 p.m., for \$6 per plate. Carry outs available. Will deliver. 3203 West Highway 80. Call 263-2084.

BIG SPRING ART ASSOCIATION will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Howard County Library. Guest artist will be Deanna Foresyth who will give a demonstration on egg shell painting.

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activities between 8 a.m. Thursday through 8 a.m. today:

•VERA RENEE TREADWAY, 21, of 1720 Purdue, was arrested on a charge of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle. (HCSO)

•JOHNNY RAY PAYNE, 43, of 109 E. 16th, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated, 3rd or more. (BSPD)

•CHARLIE WAYNE GAMEL, 42, of 904 Nolan, was arrested on a charge of theft. (HCSO)

•KIMBERLY JO PAYNE, 27, of 3312 Cornell, was arrested on charges of forgery and theft by check. (HCSO)

•JOSEPH ALTON MURLEY, 21, of 1105 Mulberry, was arrested on a charge of burglary of a habitation. (HCSO)

•JOHN MARK SANDERS, 45, of 17650 Highway 87, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication. (HCSO)

POLICE

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

•GILBERT JIMENEZ, 29, of 910 Nolan, was arrested on charges of unlawful

FIRE/EMS

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

9:25 a.m. — 2000 block Virginia, traffic accident, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

11:21 a.m. — 3200 block Parkway, medical call, patient transported to the VA Medical Center.

3:21 p.m. — 6600 block North Service Rd. 1-20, medical call, service refused.

5:54 p.m. — 3200 block U.S. 87, trauma call, patient transported to SMMC.

5:33 p.m. — 3200 block Parkway, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

7:34 p.m. — 3200 block Parkway, trauma call, patient transported to SMMC.

8:59 p.m. — 3200 block Parkway, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

11:36 p.m. — 700 block E. 16th, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

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Juanita M. Palomino, 82, died Wednesday. Services are 2:00 PM today at Myers & Smith Funeral Chapel. Burial will be in Trinity Memorial Park.
Charles Vieregge, 70, died Thursday. The family will receive friends and family from 2:00 to 4:00 PM Sunday at the funeral home. Graveside services are 2:00 PM Monday at Trinity Memorial Park.

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Carl McGlothlin, 83, died Thursday. Memorial services will be 10:00 AM Saturday at First Baptist Church.
Eltha B. Whisenhut, 82, died Wednesday. Memorial services will be 1:00 PM Saturday at the First Baptist Church Chapel. Committal services will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

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Bush

WASHINGTON Taking his first jaunt outside U.S. President Bush met a friend, Mexican Vicente Fox, in a better ties between nations of the Hemisphere. "I cannot be separated from the future of our country," he said.

The primary for today's sea farm town of Sacto about 210 miles north of Mexico City, is for Fox to discuss the state of the Americas in Canada in April.

But for Bush, the primary was an end to dialogue on a number of issues: immigration, trade and energy. The president said he would like to see the Mexican relationship become the hall mark of the Western Hemisphere.

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WASHINGTON President Bush ordered the Pentagon to review the military treatment of civilians in military operations. "We are committed to the highest standards of conduct in our military operations," he said. The review will focus on the treatment of prisoners of war and the humane treatment of civilians.

"I think what we need is a focus on the military's role in the world and the need for a policy regarding the use of force."

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AUSTIN (AP) Parolee releases and fewer inmate parole violators could mean up to 1,000 beds in the largest prison system in the state.

The three-month study, by comparison with other states, comes as Gov. Rick Warren is urging issuance

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Bush heads across the border to visit Fox

WASHINGTON (AP) — Taking his first presidential jaunt outside U.S. borders, President Bush is recruiting a friend, Mexican President Vicente Fox, in his bid for better ties between the nations of the Western Hemisphere. "Our future cannot be separated from the future of our neighbors," he said.

The primary reason given for today's meeting in the farm town of San Cristobal, about 210 miles northwest of Mexico City, is for Bush and Fox to discuss the Summit of the Americas scheduled in Canada in April.

But for Bush, the underlying purpose was to open a dialogue on a few tough issues: immigration, drugs, trade and energy. The president said he wants U.S.-Mexican relations to become the hallmark of "a Western Hemisphere of free-

dom and prosperity," and he takes Fox's input on those issues seriously.

"I look forward to discussing how we can build a century of the Americas," Bush told an audience of 700 State Department employees Thursday. "Mexico has seen a new birth of freedom, and trade is creating hope and economic progress. The doors are open to a closer partnership with the United States. But nothing about this new relationship is inevitable. Only through hard work will we get it right."

Outside of that, Bush and Fox are looking simply to enjoy each other's company. Bush was to visit Fox's mother and pick up a pair of black cowboy boots from the mayor of San Cristobal before meeting with Fox at the Mexican president's small ranch home, nestled

beside a vast field of broccoli.

"I look forward to renewing and deepening our friendship," Bush said of Fox. "But I look forward even more to forging a deeper partnership between our two great nations, a partnership characterized by cooperation, creativity and mutual respect."

Peter Hakin, president of the Inter-American Dialogue, a Western Hemisphere policy forum, said Bush is gently prodding Mexico toward a higher profile among other nations, especially since Fox's election brought the end of a 71-year, one-party hold on the Mexican government.

"Bush is bringing Fox and Mexico into, 'Let's think about the hemisphere,'" Hakin said. "Mexico has really not only emerged as

the second leading trade partner, but a real partner sort of on a broader level."

Mexico has evolved as an economic player since the North American Free Trade Agreement was signed in 1994. It recently eclipsed Japan to take the No. 2 slot among U.S. trading partners. Bush and Fox want to expand trade across the border, arguing that doing so will give Mexico the economic lift it needs to curb illegal immigration.

Bush and Fox also want to explore ways to change a 14-year-old law requiring the U.S. president to certify annually how nearly 30 countries are cooperating in the fight against drug trafficking.

Mexico has never failed certification. The next deadline for State Department certification decisions is March 1.

Timothy McVeigh allows clemency deadline to pass

DENVER (AP) — Oklahoma City bomber Timothy McVeigh moved a step closer to execution when he allowed a deadline to pass without filing a request for clemency.

Under federal rules, McVeigh had one month after his May 16 execution date was set to ask the president to spare his life. The U.S. Bureau of Prisons set the execution date Jan. 16, after McVeigh dropped all appeals.

"The office of pardon attorney did not receive a petition from McVeigh," Department of Justice spokeswoman Chris Watney said after the midnight EST deadline expired Thursday.

McVeigh's attorneys said they would discuss their

client's decision at news conferences Friday. Attorney Rob Nigh Jr. had drafted a clemency petition in case McVeigh wanted to submit it.

McVeigh, 32, is scheduled to die by lethal injection, in the first execution by the federal government in 37 years.

The Gulf War veteran was convicted of murder and other charges in the April 19, 1995, bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building. It was the deadliest act of terrorism on U.S. soil, killing 168 people and injuring more than 500.

The government has received 250 requests from victims and relatives who want to watch McVeigh die.

Sub: President calls for review of civilian roles in military exercises

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush called on the Pentagon to review the role of civilians in military exercises like the emergency ascent drill that a Navy submarine was performing with two civilians at the controls when it sank a Japanese fishing vessel.

"I think what's going to be necessary is for Secretary Rumsfeld and the Defense Department to review all policy regarding civilian activity during military

exercises," Bush told reporters at the White House on Thursday.

Sixteen civilians were aboard the attack submarine USS Greeneville when the accident happened. Two were at control stations under the supervision of qualified helmsmen, and Navy officials said this is done routinely. They insist the practice had nothing to do with the errors that caused the collision.

"I look forward to the

Defense Department review of the policies, the current policies, particularly in light of the recent tragedy that took place in Hawaii," Bush said. "I want to reiterate what I said to the prime minister of Japan — I'm deeply sorry about the accident that took place, our nation is sorry that the accident happened, and we will do everything we can to help recover the bodies."

Civilians are still being allowed to take trips on U.S.

submarines.

Navy spokesman Cmdr. Greg Smith said Thursday night. He declined, however, to comment on a New York Times report that the Navy had already ordered submarine commanders not to allow civilians to sit at the controls, at least until the investigation is over, or to come aboard subs conducting emergency training maneuvers.

Sen. Carl Levin, the ranking Democrat on the Senate

Armed Services Committee, said in an interview Thursday he believes the focus on civilians aboard the Greeneville has distracted attention from the real issue.

"The likely problem relates to the failure of the sensors — either the (periscope) or the sonars — to see the vessel, rather than whose finger was on the button that brought the sub up to the surface," Levin said. He added that it

was too early to rule out the possibility that the civilians somehow distracted the crew, but he believes the central question is why the Japanese vessel was not spotted.

Navy spokesman Rear Adm. Stephen Pietropaoli told reporters Thursday that both the Atlantic and Pacific submarine fleets are reviewing procedures in connection with the embarkation of civilian guests on sea maneuvers.

Slight drop reported in nation's largest prison population

AUSTIN (AP) — More parolee releases in Texas and fewer incarcerations of parole violators have freed up 1,000 beds in the nation's largest prison system, state criminal justice officials say.

The three-month decrease in population, while small by comparison in a system with more than 150,000 beds, comes as Gov. Rick Perry is urging issuance of bonds for

construction of more prisons.

Members of a Senate committee in March criticized the state's parole officials for releasing too few inmates and sending parole violators back to prison on technical violations, ranging from missing a meeting with a parole officer to testing positive for drug or alcohol use.

"They were sending

almost as many people (to prison) for parole violations as for new offenses," said Sen. John Whitmire, D-Houston.

Paralegal Chuck Hunt, who works with parolees, said the state criminal justice system began paroling more inmates almost immediately after the Senate criticism.

But Glen Castlebury, spokesman for the Texas

Department of Criminal Justice, said the process of paroling inmates takes about a year and the system would not have responded that fast.

He said that amid the dip in prison population, officials are temporarily closing dorms at the Coffield unit in East Texas and the Clements prison in Amarillo to perform maintenance.

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OUR VIEWS

We salute:

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

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

This week we salute:

• STUDENTS FROM HOWARD COLLEGE AND OTHER LOCAL SCHOOLS who honored hospitalized veterans in Big Spring Wednesday as part of the National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans.

• LOCAL RESIDENTS, CIVIC AND BUSINESS LEADERS who attended Tuesday's public hearing on the Ports-to-Plains trade corridor, creating the largest turnout among a series of such hearings in various locations.

• SOUTHWEST COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE FOR THE DEAF BAPTIST STUDENT UNION AND CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH, which teamed up to bring Christian magician Matthew "Magic" Morgan to Big Spring to entertain and inspire others.

• THE HOWARD COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, which received a clean report for the Howard County Jail from the standards commission.

• JIMMY SHANKS, RYAN TANT AND BRODIE WALSH, all state-ranked percussionists who performed in honor groups during the Texas Music Educators Association convention in Austin.

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

OTHER VIEWS

Bill Clinton set so many benchmarks of remarkable behavior in office that hardly anyone is surprised that his last days and departure from the White House set a new record for brazenness, and a record for course correction, too.

Most in the news just now... was his astonishing last-minute pardon of fugitive financier Marc Rich.

Just hours before, Clinton and wife Hillary had moving vans hauling more than \$190,000 worth of furniture, china, silverware and artwork from the White House, much of it gifts to the official residence, not to the occupants.

don and their move with the White House furnishings while still soliciting supporters for funds to cover legal expenses associated with earlier remarkable behavior combined to provoke a further backlash.

There is indeed a category of influential critics fairly called Clinton haters. They have to feel frustrated still for having nothing to do with these course corrections. Bill and Hillary Clinton heard from embarrassed people who support them, and responded with minor modifications to their outrageous behavior.

THE GREENVILLE (S.C.) NEWS

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Let's see how much your privacy is worth

Don't you just love it when they put out the 'For Sale' signs at the Capitol and the White House?

Just two weeks before new federal rules to protect the privacy of medical records are due to go into effect, the health-care industry is lobbying the Bush administration to delay, weaken or kill the regulations. Insurance companies, HMOs and employers all claim that the new regs will impose "costly burdens"; that means they will affect profits.

Congress, which asked the Department of Health and Human Services to draw up the regs in the first place, is threatening to get back into it because, really, the only people who want privacy are the people. And what do we matter?

These are the first comprehensive federal standards for medical records, and they were considered a rare victory for consumers. Except now the industry is out to gut them.

The new standards would

require that health-care providers obtain written consent from patients for the use or disclosure of information in their medical records.

Quite a concept: You should have full say over who gets to see information about everything from your hernia to your face lift to the time you had that embarrassing medical problem.

Now let's see how much your privacy is worth to this administration compared to the combined contributions of those lobbying to shelve or at least weaken the new rules.

An added festive note in the same old story is that both parties are going flat-out to collect soft money unusually early in the election cycle because they're afraid that Senators John McCain and Russ Feingold might actually succeed in outlawing it.

This strikes such terror in the hearts of party money people that they are out fund-raising frantically against the evil day. And here's a nice, big interest group that wants something now.

The new privacy regs would:

— Allow all Americans to review and copy their medical records, and change them if they find errors.

— Require health care providers to state their privacy policies in writing.

Patients will also have to consent to any disclosure of information related to treatment, payment and health-care operations.

— Allow patients to request that their health-care information not be disclosed. Doctors may choose to override the request if they have compelling reasons.

— Prevent employers from receiving medical information that could be used in employment decisions.

— Require law enforcement to follow legal process to access patient information.

U.S. News & World Report suggested one consequence of the current system, under which medical information is sold to telemarketers so they can make profits off your medical problems: You get a call from a telemarketer in the middle of dinner. It's a pitch for the latest morning sickness medication for pregnant women — but the call is for your 16-year-old daughter.

Meanwhile, how nice it is to see the new social tone in Washington. The American Enterprise Institute held a big do honoring Justice Clarence Thomas with an award given to those who improve government policy and social welfare.

No comment is needed. Thomas repeatedly told

the crowd he has been "subjected to intimidation" because of his conservative views: "Today, no one can honestly be surprised by the venomous attacks unleashed on anyone who disagrees with conventional views."

As a lifelong Texas liberal, I'd have to say he's exactly right, though Texas liberals try to be a little merrier about it. We find that it helps.

My favorite new group is the populist billionaires: Warren Buffett, George Soros and Bill Gates' daddy have all come out against repeal of the estate tax, joined by several Rockefeller and all manner of immensely rich white people. What a great country.

Buffett sensibly points out, "Without an estate tax, you in effect will have an aristocracy of wealth, which means you pass down the ability to command the resources of the nation based on heredity rather than merit."

Buffett said it would "be a terrible mistake, the equivalent of choosing the 2020 Olympic team by picking the eldest sons of the Gold Medal winners in the 2000 Olympics."

These are my kind of billionaires!

Think we should invite 'em over for burgers? Do they like Pearl beer and white-trash dip?



MOLLY IVINS



Republican isolationism could resurface

Prior to the Vietnam War, the Republican Party was known as the isolationist party, and it may be going there again.

Sen. Henry Cabot Lodge, Sr., R-Mass., led the coalition that defeated the Versailles Treaty and League of Nations that President Woodrow Wilson had so ardently supported at the conclusion of World War I. The Lodge isolationists harked back to President George Washington's warnings against foreign entanglements.

Those same isolationists found a friend in Col. Charles A. Lindbergh and his America Firsters, who capitalized on his fame as the first man to fly across the Atlantic. The America Firsters turned an eye and ear to Hitler, Mussolini and Tojo. They actually believed America could shut out the world.

Even President Dwight D. Eisenhower, although no avowed isolationist, campaigned in 1952 on a promise to bring the boys home from Korea. It was not until the Vietnam War and the resulting peace movement that the Democratic Party became pegged as the anti-war, anti-military party. Before his tragic death, Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, D-N.Y., ran for the party's presidential nomination in 1968 on a peace platform. And soon, people on the left were identified with the peace movement while those on the right were identified with the stay-the-course movement.

But euphemisms abound. No one was pro-war or anti-peace. Most people were in the middle. They said stay the course if we can win; pull out if we can't. The problem is that America's fighting men took the brunt of the scorn doled out by young anti-war protesters, and a schism developed in the Baby Boom generation that continues to this day. This split explains why the Pentagon is viewed as a branch of the Republican

Party and why military personnel vote overwhelmingly Republican.

Yet during the presidential election of 2000, it was Vice President Al Gore who advocated a continuation of peacekeeping missions throughout the world, and it was he who had supported America's involvement in Kosovo. Republican candidate George W. Bush, on the other hand, made clear his opposition to Kosovo, and he expressed a belief that America could cut back on its military missions. Even so, the military supported Bush. Now the military is shocked to find out that Bush is being true to his word.

They are stunned to find out that there are no plans for an immediate increase in the Pentagon's budget — quite the contrary. Bush has called for a top-to-bottom review of military spending and priorities. Only in the areas of military pay and a national missile defense has he said he would seek increases. Yet such proposals will not help those who find themselves in a downsizing military or in a defense industry geared to traditional weaponry.

What we may be seeing here is a resurgence of Republican isolationism.

Bush does not have a reputation for being cosmopolitan, and his military service was confined to sitting out the Vietnam War in the Texas Air National Guard. But then, former President Bill Clinton sat it out altogether.

In fact, Bush and Clinton seem to start out on the same side of the Baby Boom schism. When Clinton came into office, his staff was so anti-military that there is a story about one female staffer who told a general that she didn't talk to uniforms. But Clinton soon changed that bias as the realities of the office sank in.

Bush never did have a visceral dislike for the military. His bias is more traditional: He likes the military just fine, but he opposes foreign entanglements. So, unlike Clinton, Bush is going to bring many of the men and women home. He is going to reduce the size of the military. He is going to cut the Pentagon's budget.

He is about to become the personification of resurgent Republican isolationism.



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Ideas pop up every year and can be implemented with hard work. It seems more than long as you can wait. A major cause about seven months result in achievement year's end. Activities are beneficial to priority. If you look for a friend to become romantically spring. If attached expect a stronger commitment from your time. The opportunities for new subjects might enroll in further your cause also possible that be interested in something that unfamiliar with.

The Stars Show of Day You'll Dynamic; 4-Pop Average; 2-So-so;

ARIES (March 19)

Voice your Others appreciate ingenuity. Let the person know how Don't be afraid of first step. Schedule lunch or a romantic Follow your lead, and you'll gain You might learn from your dream

TAURUS (April 20)

If you push others might receive ideas. Your timing work if you relax workweek aside on socializing. You just want to have time. Be careful when You're in the play and indulg Party time.

GEMINI (May 21)

Plan and develop project. Put the mental energy to complex problem ably need to make changes before you a project. Trust overture. Tonight can be fun and clear

CANCER (June 22)

Relations smoothly as lo compromise. Express opinions to you want peace. Choose time for a hot Participate in activities, and let others lead. Be patient that little progress made. Tonight favorite video.

LEO (July 23-August 22)

Expect lots You can take your plans and landish. An older authority figure get in the way. Be convincing, please

Ex-National Islam officials gravely ill from hemorrhaging

NEW YORK — Khalid Abdul Muhammad, the one-time Islam official known for virulent on whites and suffered a brain aneurysm. The Times, Muhammad's associates, said a brain hemorrhage while in Georgia.

The publishing online Black Today News Reporter managing Houston Defense reported that Muhammad was hospitalized in Georgia to the Houston Chronicle. A source for America Today Martin described Muhammad's Panther Party online publications had said that nothing more for activist and mate life support

HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Saturday, Feb. 17, 2001:

Ideas pop up easily this year and can be implemented with hard work. You seem more than willing, as long as you can do it your way. A major change in about seven months could result in achievement by year's end. Activities that are beneficial to others take priority. If you are single, look for a friendship to become romantic in late spring. If attached, you can expect a stronger commitment from your partner at that time. There can be opportunities for success with new subjects. You might enroll in classes to further your career. It is also possible that you will be interested in studying something that you are unfamiliar with now.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

**** Voice your opinions. Others appreciate your ingenuity. Let that special person know how you feel. Don't be afraid to take the first step. Schedule a power lunch or a romantic interlude. Follow your impulses, and you'll gain. Tonight: You might learn something from your dreams.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

*** If you push too hard, others might resist your ideas. Your timing will work if you relax. Put the workweek aside and focus on socializing. Your friends just want to have a good time. Be careful with spending. You're in the mood to play and indulge. Tonight: Party time.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

*** Plan and develop a key project. Put that nervous mental energy to work on a complex problem. You probably need to make more changes before you present a project. Trust a friend's overture. Tonight: A game can be fun and challenging.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

**** Relationships run smoothly as long as you compromise. Keep your opinions to yourself if you want peace. Choose another time for a hot discussion. Participate in group activities, and let others take the lead. Be patient if it seems that little progress is being made. Tonight: Rent a favorite video.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

**** Expect lots of activity. You can take the lead if your plans are not outlandish. An older person or an authority figure might get in the way. If you can't be convincing, pull back for

a while and regroup. Success reigns if you are practical. Tonight: You done all you can. Relax.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

**** An opportunity for education might come as a surprise. Take advantage of it, even if you have to travel. If a family member asks for advice, be cautious with your response. Sometimes people just want to vent. What you say might come back to haunt you. Tonight: Work on a project.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

**** Go out of your way to be friendly. Someone welcomes your company. Outdoor or physical activity benefits your health. Think about including a relative in your plans. Three is not a crowd at this time. In fact, the more people who are around you, the happier you are. Tonight: Reorganize for tomorrow.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

**** You can be emotionally supportive of a partner or friend. Love and understanding come easily. Communication works well. News you have been expecting could reach you today. You can feel content, even if life is not perfect. Tonight: Find the money for restaurant dining.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

**** Grandiose plans require money. If it's in short supply, adjust your expectations. A new experience can open the door to a lifelong hobby or even a different career. Solutions come easily. Tonight: Call a far-off friend.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

*** Be patient. This is not

the time to move forward with your plans. Success requires perseverance, or you might need more information. A course of study could be offered at a later date. Find new ways to save money. Tonight: The best-laid plans often go astray.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

**** A sharp mind engenders great ideas. Take

advantage of technology. There is an opportunity to move forward if you can let go of old ideas. Find your friends. A heavy conversation ensues. Reveal more of yourself. Tonight: Surf the Internet.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

**** Even if you can't run wild, your imagination can. Escape into an artistic pro-

ject. Brush aside any frustration with financial matters. Why not earn money by marketing a natural talent? Tonight: Do something different.

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Ex-Nation of Islam official gravely ill after hemorrhage

NEW YORK (AP) — Khalid Abdul Muhammad, the one-time Nation of Islam official who became known for virulent attacks on whites and Jews, has suffered a brain hemorrhage and is seriously ill, according to media reports today.

Newsday, citing sources familiar with Muhammad's condition, reported the activist lay brain-dead in an Atlanta hospital late Thursday after an aneurysm. The New York Times, quoting Muhammad's friends and associates, said he suffered a brain hemorrhage this week while at home in Georgia.

The publisher of the online Black America Today News Report and former managing editor of the Houston Defender also reported Thursday that Muhammad was hospitalized in Georgia, according to the Houston Chronicle.

A source that Black America Today's Roland S. Martin described as "extremely close to Muhammad's New Black Panther Party" told the online publication that doctors had said they could do nothing more for the black activist and might terminate life support.

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Faithful member

Sneed's history with church goes back 60 years

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

To say Louise Sneed was a longtime member of North Birdwell United Methodist would be an understatement.

You might say Sneed, who will turn 90 years old on Feb. 25, was a member of the church before it even existed. Sneed, who taught during in the 1930s in a two-room schoolhouse north of Big Spring, was a member at Centerpoint Methodist Church. She had joined the Methodist denomination at age 14 while living in Coppell.

Centerpoint Church disbanded, however, and the congregation merged with Park Methodist in west Big Spring. In 1965, a fire destroyed Park's building, and Sneed moved again along with the rest of the congregation to their current location — North Birdwell United Methodist.

"I wouldn't think of going anywhere else," said Sneed. "It's my second home."

Church members will honor their eldest member with a party Saturday, Feb. 24, for her 90th birthday.

"At times I don't feel 90; other days I do," she said. Sneed can no longer attend church every Sunday, and doesn't drive anymore. Often her pastor, the Rev. Joel Miller, brings communion to her at her home north of Big Spring.

And Miller is not her only visitor from the small congregation that is North Birdwell United Methodist. Others call frequently and visit Sneed to help her with chores around the house or just to talk. Even a former member, Merle Haney, who was one of Sneed's students at the two-room schoolhouse, has become a close friend.

"I like the fellowship, the closeness," Sneed said. "Big churches are fine. I'm sure they can have closeness, too. But we are like a family."

During her 66 years in Big Spring, Sneed worked at First National Bank and the

Montgomery Ward credit department. She was active in the church, too, serving as treasurer, Sunday school superintendent, children's Sunday school teacher and pianist. She was also a long-time member of a quilting club that met at the church for many years.

Sneed remembers a time when the sanctuary was full on Sunday; now the church has about 30 members, with 18-20 who attend regularly.

"I hope to see it grow again," she said. "I remember when we had chairs in the aisles every week. We all have hopes for it to be that way again."

But Sneed and other members are confident that, even if their membership rolls do swell, the atmosphere at North Birdwell won't change.

"It's been a stronghold for me," said Sneed, who lost her husband in 1970 and has outlived eight other family members. "I don't know how to put into words what it has meant. I've never failed to put faith and trust



HERALD photo/Debbie L. Jensen

Louise Sneed holds a quilt that was created by a club that met at North Birdwell United Methodist Church for many years. Sneed, a charter member of the church, will be honored Feb. 24 in celebration of her 90th birthday.

in the Lord and I know his love never fails. That's a great feeling."

Those who want to celebrate with Sneed and the church can stop by 2702 N. Birdwell Lane between 2-5 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 24.

Connections Minister recalls many with ties to Big Spring

By Monty C. Clendenin
Guest columnist

It has been my joy for the last 24 years to be a Minister of the Word and Sacrament of the Presbyterian Church USA. During that time I have had the privilege of knowing some Presbyterians who have connections to Big Spring. Ironically, three of us have direct connections to the *Big Spring Herald*.

Of course, locals will know Marj Carpenter who has been living in Big Spring for many years now. Marj has been an outspoken lay-person whose passion for missions is well known. Marj served as Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in 1995 and continues to be a spokesperson and keynote speaker around the country.

Marj worked as a reporter and columnist at one time for the *Herald*.



The Rev. Monty Clendenin, left, with the Rev. Houston Hodges, both of whom live in Alabama but have connections to Big Spring.

Another *Herald* connection is Rev. Houston Hodges, whose father worked for the *Herald* many years ago. Houston Hodges has been most recently the editor of the *Presbyterian* magazine, "Monday Morning" and is now living in Huntsville, Ala. where he retired from being the Executive Presbyter of North Alabama Presbytery.

Houston is a "Pastor's Pastor" and one of the kindest and gentlest prophets of our day.

Shirley Guthrie, professor emerita of Columbia Theological Seminary and author of several books including his classic, "Christian Doctrines," was reared in Coahoma and has had an illustrious career as a Presbyterian minister. Dr. Guthrie continues on the speaking circuit and is retired, living in Decatur, Georgia.

In 1965 I did my stint at the *Herald* as a circulation manager while I was a student at Howard College. I am currently pastor of Covenant Presbyterian Church in Anniston, Ala. The photo of Rev. Houston Hodges and me was taken at a recent luncheon meeting where Houston discussed the upcoming and controversial "Amendment O" that will the hot topic of debate when the Presbyterians meet for their General Assembly this coming June in Louisville, Ky.

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CLUB NEWS

Retired Teachers Association

The Big Spring-Howard County Retired Teachers Association will meet Monday, Feb. 19, in the Cactus Room at Howard College. Lunch will be served at 11:30.

Dr. Jimmy Watson from the First Christian Church will speak on the subject, "Whose ethics is it?"

All retired school personnel are invited to attend the meeting.

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The Captain Elisha Mack Chapter, NSDAR, met Feb. 10 at the Big Spring Country Club.

Regent Lola Kelley welcomed members and our guest, Joy Fortenberry.

Our nomination of local veteran Elton "Buck" Turner (a former POW) has been selected "Outstanding Veteran Patient" at the state level. His nomination will be forwarded to regional competition on March 16 at the TSDAR State Convention in Houston.

Regent Lola Kelley and Sue Ann Damron will be voting representatives at the convention. Mary Schuelke and Carole Lawson are alternates and Anne Witherspoon will serve as a page.

Dorothy Truitt, the TSDAR State Librarian wrote thanking members for our donation of The Last 100 Years (1882-1982) of Howard County.

Members are submitting names of men and women who served in World War II, so they can be honored in the NSDAR World War II Book of Remembrance. For more information, please contact Regent Lola Kelley.

The next meeting will be

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CHURCH NEWS

St. Thomas Catholic Church

Youth group members at St. Thomas Catholic Church will be offering menuo for a donation this weekend. They will serve the traditional favorite Saturday from 6-8 p.m. at the church, and continue serving menuo and breakfast Sunday from 7 a.m.-1 p.m.

Cost of the meal will be \$3.25 for a small menuo and breakfast, \$4 for a large menuo and breakfast. Burritos and desserts will also be available.

First United Methodist Church

"They Took Their Ball and Went Home" (John 6:35-40) is the title for Dr. Ed Williamson's message on Sunday at the First United Methodist Church. Join us in church at 8:30 and 10:50 a.m.

Children also have a great time in our Sunday school at 9:40 a.m. every Sunday morning. Wednesday Noon Bible Study Luncheon meets in Garrett Hall.

The youth have a busy schedule at FUMC. March 11-16 a select few will be going on a missions trip to Juarez, Mexico. The cost to go on this trip is \$250 plus spending money, but don't let the cost keep you from going because we are going to have a fundraiser to help out. If you are interested in going, please bring a \$10 deposit to Courtney at the church office to hold your spot.

The Chancel Choir meets each Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. The youth handbell choir meets on Sunday at 4 p.m. in the choir room. Youth choir meets on Sunday at 6 p.m. in the choir room.

First United Methodist Church is located at 400

Scurry and all visitors and new residents of Big Spring are welcome. Please call the church office, 267-6394, for more information.

Trinity Baptist Church

Greater Vision will be singing at Trinity Baptist Church Sunday at both the 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. services.

Greater Vision was organized in 1990. Since the trio's formation, they have established a firm place at the top of the Christian music ladder. Greater Vision has enjoyed numerous individual and group honors and awards, including the Top Five nomination for Horizon Group of the Year by subscribers of the *The Singing News* Magazine, one of Southern Gospel Music's leading fan and trade publications. Additionally, at the 1999 Singing News Fan Awards Ceremony, Greater Vision took home the Trio of the Year honor, as well as Song of the Year honors for the Number One hit, "My Name is Lazarus."

Call the church at 267-6344 for more information.

Immaculate Heart of Mary

The weekend before Ash Wednesday we will distribute Lenten reflection calendars. There is one for adults and a second calendar for children and teens; please take one of each if you have children.

Mardi Gras (Fat Tuesday) On Tuesday, Feb. 27, the parish will host a covered dish supper. Every one bring favorite meat casserole and/or dessert (sign up in the entrance of the church) and we will "pork up" before we start Lenten fasting.

Also, bring in your dried palms for the liturgy of burning of the ashes for use on the following day.

The office will be closed

Feb. 19, for Presidents Day. Father Reagan will be out of town Feb. 19-21.

Training sessions for all Lectors will be Feb. 26, at 7:30 p.m. Attendance is necessary for updating of the experienced and training of the new folks. Pat Barrera is now scheduling Lectors. We are having a great turnout!

Church Women United

Come, join with God's people in over 170 countries for informed prayer and prayerful action on World Day of Prayer, Saturday, March 3 at 10 a.m., at Baker's Chapel AME, 911 N. Lancaster.

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew will have their monthly meeting and breakfast on Saturday, Feb. 17, starting at 8 a.m. in the Parish Hall.

Youth Supday is this Sunday, Feb. 18. All the young people of St. Mary's will be participating in special ways in both services.

The Vestry will hold their monthly meeting Monday, Feb. 19, 5:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

Pastoral Care Committee is meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 20, 5:30 p.m. on the church office.

East Side Baptist Church

February is "Prove Your Love for the Lord" month at the East Side Baptist Church. If you haven't been coming to church lately, now would be a great time to get started back. Sunday morning service is at 10:15 a.m., Sunday evening at 5:30

p.m. and Wednesday at 7 p.m. You are always welcome at the East Side Baptist Church.

Baptist Temple

The Singing Women of West Texas will be with us once again on Sunday Evening, Feb. 18, at 6 p.m. They are always a blessing to us.

Our Spring Revival will be Mar. 25-30. Jeff Payne will be the speaker. He is also a fifth degree black belt, youth communicator, musician and songwriter.

If you are looking for a good Bible study, come and join us on Sunday morning at 9. We offer classes for all ages as well as special interest groups. We began new classes last fall for college students and a class for single adults. A New Members class began in January. These are just a few of the good things that await you at Baptist Temple as we worship the risen Christ together.

For more information on the church, or any of these events, call 267-8287.

First Christian

First Christian, Disciples of Christ, will begin their "Week of Compassion" with a special offering for the purposes of disaster relief around the world. Dr. Jimmy Watson will preach the sermon, "Who's Your Daddy? Jesus' Teachings on Altruism."

The youth will meet at 4 p.m. for activities under the leadership of Ricky Simpson. The Elders will also meet at 4 p.m. to begin their study of Jan Linn's book, *Reclaiming Evangelism: A Practical Guide for Mainline Churches*.

The Board will meet at 5 p.m. On Wednesday night we will begin viewing a film series by Marcus Borg, the popular Jesus scholar, entitled, "The Death and Resurrection of Jesus." This series will continue

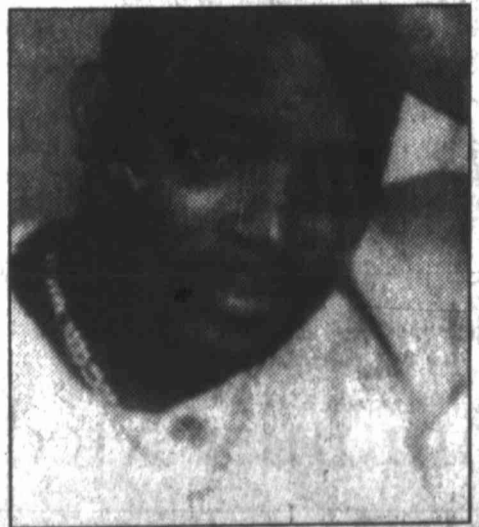
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MUSIC NEWS

Gospel recording artist David Dawson from Clovis, N.M., will appear Saturday at Big Spring Mall to promote his new album, "That's The Love." Dawson, who was featured on BET last month, had the album reviewed on the Web site Gospelflava.com.

His voice has been compared to Barry White and Peabo Bryson. Dawson will begin a 30-city concert tour soon. His appearance at the mall will be from 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m.



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE (VITA) volunteers will be preparing 2000 Income Tax Returns for individuals each Monday until April 9, from 9 a.m. to noon at the Senior Citizens Center, 1901 Simiér Drive.

This is for all citizens, and there is no charge. Please bring your tax booklet received from the IRS, all W-2s, 1099s and other documents received showing 2000 income as well as your 1999 Income Tax Return. If you cannot come at that time or need further assistance, please call: Dorothy Kennemur-398-5522, or Senior Citizens Center-267-1628.

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throughout Lent.

Everyone is invited to come see and hear these thought-provoking videos. A light meal is served at 5:30 p.m., followed by the video and youth activities at 6.

First Assembly of God

This Sunday Pastor R.T. Havener will begin a series of sermons on the The Seven Last Sayings of Jesus on the Cross in the Sunday morning service at 10:40.

In the evening service at 6 Pastor Havener is speaking on "Prophetic End-Time Events".

On Wednesday nights at 7 the Bible Study is on the "Gifts of the Spirit."

There is special music in all services and the public is invited to attend these services at Fourth and Lancaster.

St. Paul Lutheran Church

St. Paul invites you to learn more about the upcoming Lenten Season. Watch each week as we answer frequently-asked questions concerning Lent.

Lent is a 40-day journey in which God's people prepare with joy for Easter. One frequently asked question about Ash Wednesday is "what's up with the ashes on their foreheads?" The ashes are a symbol of our mortality 'dust to dust' and our need for cleansing, scrubbing and purifying. The ashes are from the burned palms from the previous Palm Sunday.

Usually the pastor takes ashes on the end of his thumb and makes the sign of the cross on the forehead of each worshiper, saying these words: "Remember, you are dust and dust you shall return."



The family of worship pastor Alan Wallace will be honored with a farewell-appreciation luncheon after the 10:45 a.m. service on Sunday at First Church of the Nazarene.

You are invited to join us for Ash Wednesday service, Feb. 28, 7:30 p.m. as the Lenten period begins.

Call 267-7163 for more information on what's going on at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 810 Scurry.

First Church of the Nazarene

First Church of the Nazarene plans an appreciation and farewell celebration for Alan, Tonda, Tamara and Allie Wallace as they prepare to officially take the position of Senior Pastor and family at the Lubbock Monterey Church of the Nazarene in Lubbock.

Alan and his family have been a part of First Church of the Nazarene in Big Spring since 1992. Alan and Tonda have each served in various ministries during their time with us and have been a tremendous blessing to us and the community of believers. Since 1996, Alan has been our Worship Pastor, and he has recently

completed the Minister's Course of Study which prepares him for Ordination as a Minister of the Gospel in the Church of the Nazarene. His ordination orders will be conferred on him in April at the West Texas District Assembly of The Church of the Nazarene.

We want to especially invite those of you who know Alan and his family to our service on Sunday at 10:45 AM and to a special "All Church Fellowship Lunch" immediately following the service.

Our service schedule is Sunday 9:30 a.m. Sunday school and Bible study, 10:45 a.m. Sunday celebration, 6 p.m. Celebration of Praise, and Wednesdays 5:30 p.m. family dinner, 7 p.m. Bible Study and Fellowship.

Pastor Roger Huff is currently preaching a series at the Sunday 10:45 a.m. service entitled, "Make Your Move" with this week's message, "Let the Laity Move Up."

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March 10, at the Big Spring Country Club at noon.

Morning Optimist Club

Pam Stephens, Senior Circle Advisor for Big Spring chapter, brought an informative program to Morning Optimist Club concerning one of Big Spring's best-kept secrets: a program for citizens over 50 to enjoy socializing at meals, attending informative programs, receive many local discounts, group travel with discounts, banquets and upgrades for healthcare. Stephens shared the Senior Circle Newsletter with Optimist members.

1941 Study Club

The 1941 Study Club met on Feb. 5, 2001, in the home of Kim Hancock. After a short business meeting, our guest speaker was introduced by member Virginia Allen.

She started off by telling

of all the accomplishments of DeDe Cauley. We asked DeDe to share her experiences working with the FBI. She told us that she spent two years at the Dallas Field Office. During the time she was employed there, former President Ronald Reagan had an attempt made on his life. She was also there when Judge John Wood was

killed in San Antonio. We were left with no doubts that her favorite role in life is being a mother and a wife. All of the group enjoyed her talk very much. Hostesses for the evening were Kim Hancock and Debbie Mullins.

Our next meeting will be March 5, 2001, at the home of Jean Wynn.

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Perhaps it's something in the water, maybe it's some thing in the air, but my guess is that its just providence that led all of us through Big Spring on our separate journeys. Or, if the recent reconections of the class of '64 is any indicator,

there is a sweet, sweet spirit that has lodged in our souls, that has kept us all as one, even to this hour.

The Rev. Monty C. Clendenin is a former Big Spring resident and Presbyterian pastor living in Anniston, Ala.

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10 a.m. — Craftsman Tru ESPN, Ch. 29.

IN BRIEF

Coahoma softball reschedules games
Coahoma's season opener against Coronado and the Brownwood Tournament will be rescheduled at a later date.
The Bulldogettes will not begin play until the girls' basketball team finishes the playoffs.

American LL slates coaches' meeting
The American Little League will meet at 6 p.m. Monday for anyone interested in coaching.
For more information, call 264-6066.

CGA membership touney is Sunday
The Chicano Golf Association of Big Spring will hold its annual membership tournament Sunday at the Comanche Trail Golf Course.
Membership fees are \$15 per person and do not include green fees.
Players must register for the tournament by 9:45 a.m. Sunday, and play will begin with a 10 a.m. shotgun start.
For more information, call Billy Pineda after 7 p.m. at 264-7116.

UGSA sets its first meeting for Sunday
Big Spring United Girls' Softball Association will hold a meeting at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Howard County Library.
Anyone interested in managing or coaching, as well as all returning staff are urged to attend.
For more information contact Ellen Canales at 264-7144.

International LL offers coed ragball touney
The International Little League will hold a coed ragball tournament today.
Teams will be made up of 12 players (six men and six women). Fees are \$10 per player. Play begins at 7 p.m.
For more information call Denise at 756-2841 or 263-1945.

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•Howard vs Labette at MUGS complex in Midland.
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•Howard vs. Temple at MUGS complex in Midland.

H.S. TENNIS
8:30 a.m.
•Big Spring Tournament, (Friday-Saturday), Comanche Trail tennis courts.

H.S. BASKETBALL
6 p.m.
•Wall Lady Hawks vs. Seagraves Lady Eagles, Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

8 p.m.
•Coahoma Bulldogettes vs. Mason Lady Punchers, San Angelo Central Gym.
•Ozona Lady Lions vs. Colorado City Lady Wolves at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

ON THE AIR

Radio

H.S. BASKETBALL
7 p.m. — Coahoma Bulldogettes vs. Mason Lady Punchers, KBST-AM 1490.

Television

GOLF
Noon — Senior PGA, Verizon Classic, first round, PAX.
2 p.m. — PGA, Bob Hope Classic, third round, ESPN, Ch. 30.
7 p.m. — St. Louis Blues at Chicago Blackhawks, ESPN, Ch. 30.
7:30 — Anaheim Mighty Ducks at Dallas Stars, FXS, Ch. 29.

AUTO RACING
10 a.m. — Nascar, Craftsman Truck Series, ESPN, Ch. 29.

Harlem Ambassadors make a stop in Big Spring

By KAMILAH WARD
Sports Writer

Harlem Ambassadors show basketball team's world tour is coming to Big Spring Saturday for a 7 p.m. exhibition game against a team of local players at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

The game is being sponsored by the Big Spring Rotary Club and First Church of the Nazarene and will be held at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum with ticket prices set at \$6 each.

The Ambassadors' show features ball-handling skills, slam dunks and

comedy routines.

Ketrick Copeland who hails from Rusk College in Mississippi is a supreme ball-handler who has recently added juggling to his talent stock. Slam dunk artist Wayne Clark and Tim Williams bring the high-flying acrobatics. Clark who has toured with the New York Nationals Team has an implausible 53-inch vertical leap.

The Ambassadors, having returned from a December tour of Korea and Japan, are set to take on the local Stuff 'Em team — a collection of Howard Country men and women basketball players and

notable personalities.

There are similarities in the Ambassadors and many of the other well-known show basketball teams, but the difference for the Harlem Ambassadors is the addition of challenging local teams.

"We play a new group of challengers each night," Ambassadors General manager Dale Moss explained. "This contributes to an improvisational spontaneity fans don't see with that other 'Harlem' team," Moss added.

The Ambassadors are led by Lade Majic, who acts as the coach and point guard for the team.

The New Jersey native has a list of past experience and talents that explain why she is considered the "Queen of show basketball."

The Stuff 'Em home team is headed by coach Russ "Shoot the ball" McEwen and Stan "Gladiator" Feaster. The roster lists a number of familiar faces and hometown favorites.

Saturday's game is part of the Ambassadors 2000-2001 world tour that will see them travel to 32 states and three continents.

For more information contact Carrol Jennings or to purchase a ticket call 267-5201 or 264-1800.

Howard teams roll to wins over FPC

Gantt, Mathiew lead five players in double digits for Lady Hawks

By KAMILAH WARD
Sports Writer

A game that begin with a slow start and very little intensity turned into a blowout Thursday night as Howard College's Lady Hawks listed five players in double figures claiming an 82-38 win over Frank Phillips' Lady Plainsmen.

For the first 12 minutes of the contest, the Lady Plainsmen were able to keep up with Howard, putting on a free throw clinic to put points to the scoreboard.

For a moment, it seemed as though the absence of Karmica Freaney and Koretha Johnson would prove tragic, as Frank Phillips was able to tie the game at 11-all after Vickie Williams drained a 3-pointer with 13 minutes to play.

But that would be the last any one would hear of the Lady Plainsmen for a while, as the Lady Hawks pieced together a 28-5 run and take a 43-15 lead.

"It took us a while to get warmed up but once we got into our sets, we just kept rolling," said Lady Hawks interim head coach Joey Wells.

The Lady Hawks instituted their full-court man press and it worked flawlessly, forcing Frank Phillips to turn the ball over 24 times during the first 20 minutes.

Grace Gantt and LaTasha Mathiew led Howard, both scoring 16 points and combining for six 3-pointers on the night.

Vanessa Lehrmann, who initiated the attack, followed close behind with 15 points, while Tashean Thomas added 11 and Shamioka Buckley chipped in 10.

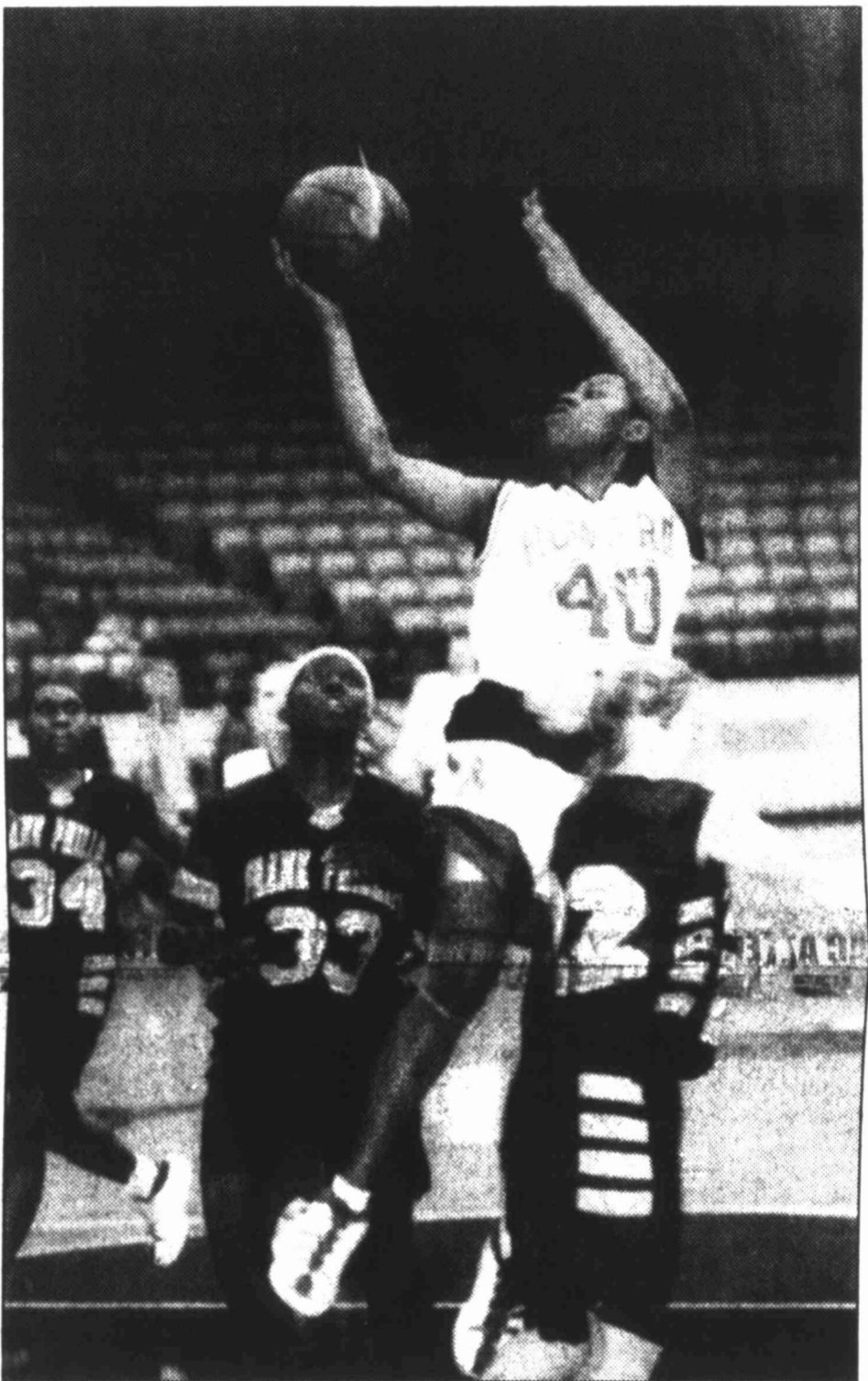
For the most part, the first half display was delivered in spurts as the Lady Hawks' scoring came infrequently before their late run.

The Lady Hawks came out of the locker room ready to roll and continued to do so throughout the second half, increasing their lead to 31 behind a 3-pointer and a couple of quick baskets by Thomas and Gantt.

The remainder of the game was a thrashing as the affair turned into a showcase for the Lady Hawks.

"This win is a step in the right direction for us," Wells noted as the Lady Hawks moved one step closer to locking up a Region V Tournament berth with a 6-2 record in Western Junior College Athletic Conference.

The Lady Hawks host New Mexico Junior College at 6 p.m. Monday.



Howard College's Grace Gantt (40) goes for a layup over Frank Phillips' Kasie Womble (22) and Jennifer Brewer (33) during the Lady Hawks' 82-38 win over the Lady Plainsmen Thursday night. Gantt was one of five Howard players that scored in double figures, finishing with 16 points.

WJCAC STANDINGS

WOMEN	Conf.	Season			MEN	Conf.	Season		
		W	L	T			W	L	T
x-Midland		9	0	26	x-Odessa		9	1	20
Howard		6	2	14	x-Midland		9	1	20
South Plains		5	4	18	South Plains		6	4	16
Odessa		4	4	10	New Mexico JC		5	5	9
New Mexico JC		3	6	9	Howard		4	6	10
Frank Phillips		2	7	10	N. Mexico Military		3	7	11
Clarendon		1	7	8	Frank Phillips		3	7	8
x-clinched berth in Region V Tournament				Clarendon 1 9 7 16					
				x-clinched berth in Region V Tournament					
Thursday's Results									
Howard 82, Frank Phillips 38; Midland 74, Odessa 58; South Plains 69, New Mexico JC 67; Clarendon was open.									
Monday's Games									
New Mexico JC at Howard, Clarendon at Midland, Odessa at Frank Phillips, South Plains is open.									
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Thursday's Results									
Howard 97, Frank Phillips 81; Midland 62, Odessa 59; South Plains 100, New Mexico JC 94; Clarendon 73, New Mexico Military 67.									
Monday's Games									
New Mexico JC at Howard, Clarendon at Midland, Odessa at Frank Phillips, South Plains at New Mexico Military.									
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Hawks' pressure proves too much for Plainsmen

Aggressive play is a key element to the triumph or failure of Howard College's Hawks basketball program.

If it's not there, the game is up in the air.

Thursday night the Hawks managed to pull down 42 rebounds, forced 24 turnovers and knocked down 34 free throws en route to a 97-81 win over Frank Phillips' Plainsmen.

The Plainsmen who led just once, managed to nip at the Hawks' heels in the first half behind the early contributions of Ronald Dosty, who finished the game with 21 points, and teammate Anthony Lewis, who led his team with 23 points.

The first few minutes was all about defense, as both teams were plagued by turnovers forcing each other to hand over the ball on almost every possession.

"We came out a little stiff but managed to pull ourselves together when we needed to," said Hawks interim head coach Jack Owens.

Howard finally found its comfort zone and managed to regain the lead at 15-10 after trailing by three points at the 14-minute mark.

The Hawks continued to widen their margin behind Derrick Tarver's quick basket and 9-of-10 free throw shooting, but only managed to close the half with a 38-34 edge.

Tarver, who has been impressive throughout the season, led all scorers with 39 points.

He was particularly impressive in the second half as he danced his way to the basket scoring on 3-point plays, perimeter shooting and the all-important trips to the charity stripe.

"The guys were given the opportunity to get to the line," Owens noted. "They simply stepped up and knocked the shots down."

At one point the Hawks owned a 21-point lead over the Plainsmen before Frank Phillips staged its comeback bid behind J.D. Dixon's sharp 3-point shooting.

The Hawks led 71-49 with eight minutes after Andre Wright sank a pair from the line. The Plainsmen attempted to make it a little interesting by going on a scoring frenzy, trailing by seven points with 1:36 on the clock.

Howard plays host to New Mexico Junior College at 8 p.m. Monday at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

HAWKS 97, FRANK PHILLIPS 81
FPC — Quinn Parker 1 0 0 2, Aron Graves 2 0 0 4, Anthony Lewis 9 5 7 23, Lee Wagner 1 0 0 2, Ronald Dosty 8 5 9 21, Kerryatta Dix 1 1 2 3, J.D. Dixon 6 0 2 15, Lawrence Duggert 1 2 6 4, Keith Gilbert 2 1 1 5, Vadym Matyukevich 1 0 0 2, Totals 32 14 27 81.
HOWARD — Derrick Tarver 10 18 21 39, Christopher Acker 4 5 6 13, Artavus Davis 0 1 4 1, Andre Wright 2 2 2 8, Doug Whittier 2 2 2 6, Zacherie Moss 4 0 0 8, Ander Pinedo 1 2 3 4, Darius Mattear 7 1 2 15, Anthony Knox 0 3 4 3. Totals 30 34 44 97.
Halftime score: HOWARD 38, FPC 34.
Three-point goals: FPC (Dixon 3), Howard (Tarver, Wright 2), Rebounds: FPC 36, Howard 42. Turnovers: FPC 24, Howard 20. Total fouls: FPC 31, Howard 24. Technical fouls: Lewis, Matyukevich. Fouled out: Parker. Records: FPC 10-13, 37; Howard 10-16, 46.

UCLA pulls off upset win over Arizona in overtime

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Dan Gadzuric was so focused on staying out of foul trouble against No. 8 Arizona that he forgot about his sprained left ankle.

The injury was supposed to keep him out of Thursday night's game, but instead, Gadzuric played 41 minutes and tied career highs with 22 points and 17 rebounds in 24th-ranked UCLA's 79-77 overtime victory.

"I worked real hard on the ankle this week," said Gadzuric, who was injured in a victory at DePaul on Saturday. "I felt good. I concentrated on good position and not fouling."

UCLA (16-6, 9-2 Pac-10) knocked Arizona (17-7, 9-3) out of second place in the conference and earned a season split with the Wildcats, who won the previous four meetings.

"It's a chance to control our own destiny, win a Pac-10 championship, get a good seed in the (NCAA) tournament," guard Earl Watson said.

Jason Kapono added 20 points and Matt Barnes had 16 points and 10 rebounds as the Bruins won their fourth straight, including road victories over then-No. 1 Stanford and then-No. 22 Southern California.

"We're a scary team," said Kapono, who was held to a career-

low four points in last month's 25-point loss at Arizona. "When we have all five guys clicking, we're pretty good."

In the only other game involving a Top 25 team, TCU defeated No. 20 Fresno 102-88.

Gadzuric spent most of the week on crutches and in a walking boot, and UCLA said he was doubtful to play. By not being able to practice, he was fresh enough to endure all but four minutes of the grueling game after doctors cleared him in the afternoon.

"When I saw his ankle after DePaul, I almost threw up. It was nasty," Watson said. "I'm glad he

finally had a breakout game. He's been working hard all year."

After Richard Jefferson missed for Arizona at the buzzer, students poured out of the bleachers and mobbed the Bruins at center court to celebrate UCLA's third consecutive victory over a ranked Pac-10 team.

"It says we're on the way, but we still have a lot to work on," Gadzuric said. "It shows we're one of the elite teams. We just don't get the respect we deserve."

Watson hit a 3-pointer and Gadzuric scored two big baskets in

SPORTS EXTRA

Top 25 - Men. The top 25 teams in The Associated Press' men's college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses and records through Feb. 11.

Top 25 - Women. The top 25 teams in The Associated Press' women's college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses and records through Feb. 11.

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NBA STANDINGS

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Thursday's Games, Saturday's Games, Today's Games.

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COLLEGE SCORES

Men's Games, Women's Games, NHL.

NCAA

Continued from page 1B regulation. The game was tied four times in the final 3:52.

UCLA led 79-77 when Jason Gardner fouled Gadzuric, whose first free throw was an airball.

"I saw them (UCLA) tip it before I got to it," Jefferson said. "I figured they tip it, ball gets to me, I tried to get it back up, but just missed it."

Gilbert Arenas scored 25 of his career-high 30 points in the second half and in overtime for Arizona.

"It's a real difficult loss," he said. "We had real good shots, but they just weren't falling for us."

UCLA appeared to have the game in hand with a 13-point lead midway through the second half.

But the Wildcats clawed back, thanks to Arenas, who had 13 points in a 24-8 run that put Arizona in front 59-56 with 4:20 remaining in

Matthew leads Hawaiian Ladies Open

The ASSOCIATED PRESS with," Matthew said. "You have to play a lot of punch shots. If you try any kind of normal shot, the wind just takes it away. I was out there just trying to hit fairways and greens.

"About every iron shot I hit was a punch shot. I think I only hit one normal shot. You just have to try to keep it a bit lower in the wind — in the gale."

She eagled the 459-yard 17th after hitting a 3-wood from 217 yards within 5 feet of the cup.

KAPOLEI, Hawaii (AP) — Scotland's Catriona Matthew made herself right at home in the windswept Hawaiian Ladies Open.

Relying on an array of low punch shots with the wind gusting to 35 mph, Matthew shot a 5-under-par 67 on Thursday to take a 2-stroke lead in the first round of the 54-hole tournament.

"I'm used to it. This is the kind of wind I grew up

Durant posts low in a tournament where low matters

LA QUINTA, Calif. (AP) — The only record that's safe in the desert this week is the one Mark Calcavecchia set in winning the Phoenix Open last month.

Nearly everything else is in play at the Hope, where birdies come in bunches and par is merely an abstract figure to match scores against.

Joe Durant came close to that Thursday, shooting an 11-under 61 that put him at 126 through two rounds, just a shot off the PGA Tour mark for 36 holes.

"Nothing surprises me out here anymore," Durant said. "But 35 under for five rounds is unbelievable."

The scores were so good that Duval shot a 68 and lost 5 shots to the leader. Billy Mayfair shot a 62 and was tied with Duval, 8 shots behind.

That wasn't a problem for Durant on Thursday as he offset a single bogey with 10 birdies and an eagle to take what in most tournaments would be the midway lead.

The courses are perfectly manicured, the greens roll gentle and true and, so far, the weather has cooperated as well.

"It's almost like playing in a dome," Durant said. "You got to remember, we're playing Indian Wells, not Southern Hills (U.S. Open site)," Calcavecchia said.

Calcavecchia, whose 256 total broke a 46-year-old record at Phoenix, shot a 66 and lost 3 strokes on the lead. He made a double bogey by 4-putting the fourth hole from the fringe, then came back to run off five birdies in a row to get right back in it.

That seems to be the pattern among many players, including Durant, who finished with six straight birdies at the end to break away from a crowded leaderboard.

Brad Faxon did one better, posting back-to-back eagles at the Bermuda Dunes Country Club for a 67 that left him at 133.

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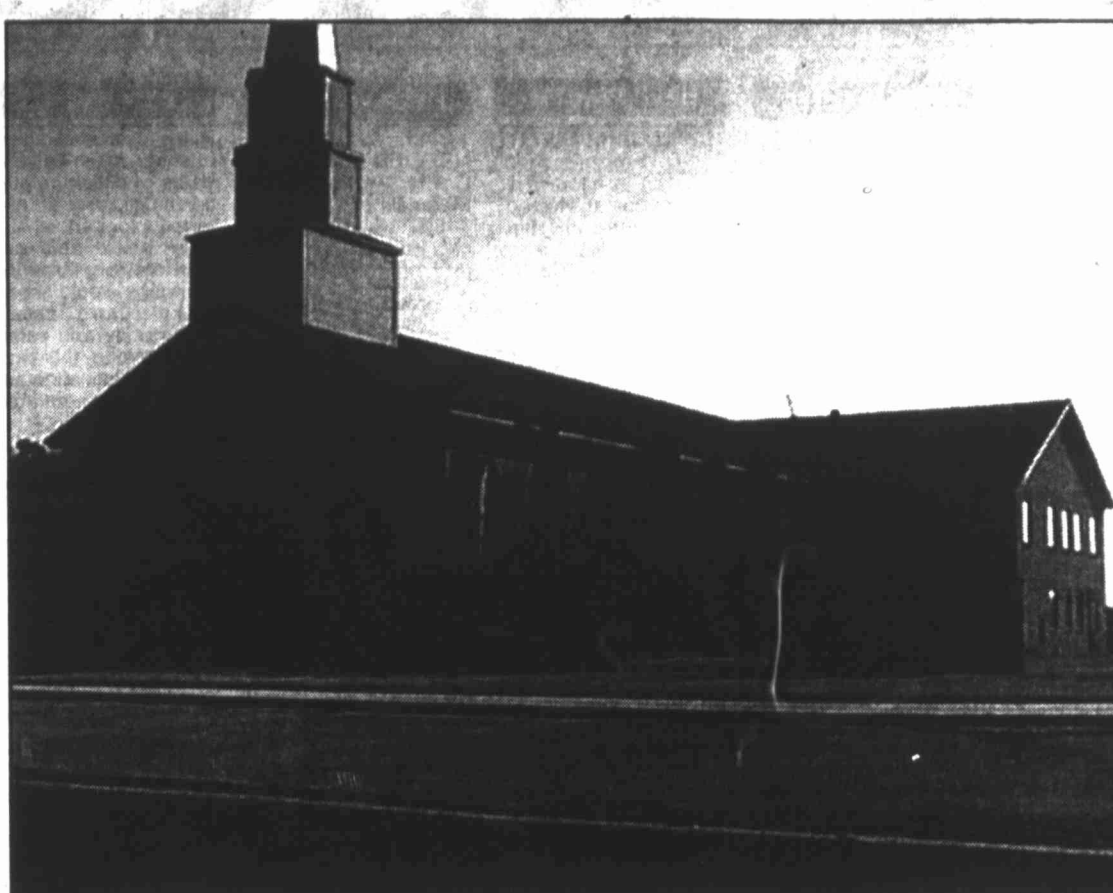
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DEAR ABBY: My 15-year-old son, "Mike," chose to move in with his father four months ago. He made this decision on his own. My lawyer advised me that he was old enough to make the decision, and that any judge would let him go. His father and I have been divorced for seven years. I am remarking, and besides Mike's 14-year-old sister, have a 5-year-old daughter with my new husband. Mike is extremely jealous of the 5-year-old.



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We could really use the space, Abby, but I don't want to push Mike further away. He says he is happy living at his dad's, but I am not so sure. I suspect that his insistence on keeping his room vacant is his way of making sure he has somewhere to go if things get bad at his dad's. If we move our daughter into the empty room, we will still have somewhere for Mike to sleep when he comes for the weekend, as we have a sofa bed.

Should I go ahead and move my daughter into the empty room, or let Mike keep his "security blanket"? I feel that it is MY home, and I should do as I please. However, he is my son, and I love him and don't want to put any more distance between us. — **NO VACANCY IN INDIANA**

DEAR NO VACANCY: If you give Mike's room to his sister, he truly will have no place to go if things don't work out at his father's. He will feel that you have slammed the door behind him, and it may affect the way he feels about you for years to come.

Your little girl is small, and she is used to the room in which she is now sleeping. Let the accommodations remain as they are for another six or seven months to be sure your son doesn't change his mind. After that, review the situation. If he is still living primarily at his father's, remind him that it has been a year since his departure and that you feel, in fairness, the child who is living with you should have the space. He may not like it, but unless he's entirely irrational, he will have to agree with the logic.

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"Dr. James, Dr. Robertson, Dr. Peay ... why do all doctors have the same first name?"

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SNUFFY SMITH



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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

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Today is Friday, Feb. 16, the 47th day of 2001. There are 318 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
On Feb. 16, 1862, during the Civil War, some 14,000 Confederate soldiers surrendered at Fort Donelson, Tenn. (Union Gen. Ulysses S. Grant's victory earned him the nickname "Unconditional Surrender Grant.")

On this date:
In 1804, Lt. Stephen Decatur led a successful raid into Tripoli Harbor to burn the U.S. Navy frigate "Philadelphia," which had fallen into the hands of pirates.

In 1868, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks was organized in New York.

In 1918, Lithuania proclaimed its independence.

In 1923, the burial chamber of King Tutankhamen's recently unearthed tomb was unsealed in Egypt.

In 1945, U.S. troops landed on the island of Corregidor in the Philippines during World War II.

In 1948, NBC TV began airing its first nightly newscast, "The Camel Newsreel Theater," which consisted of Fox Movietone newsreels.

In 1959, Fidel Castro became premier of Cuba after the overthrow of Fulgencio Batista.

In 1961, the United States launched the Explorer 9 satellite.

In 1968, the nation's first 911 emergency telephone system was inaugurated, in Haleyville, Ala.

In 1994, at least 217 people were killed when a powerful earthquake shook Indonesia's Sumatra island.

Today's Birthdays: Singer Patty Andrews is 81. Movie director John Schlesinger is 75. Actor Jeremy Bulloch is 55. Actor Pete Postlethwaite is 55. Actor William Katt is 50. Actor James Ingram is 45. Actor LeVar Burton is 44. Actor-rapper Ice-T is 43. Actress Lisa Loring ("The Addams Family") is 43. Tennis player John McEnroe is 42. Rock musician Andy Taylor (Duran Duran) is 40. Singer Sam Salter is 23.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

ACROSS

- Decline to bid
- Middle East sultanate
- Artist Picasso
- __ vera
- Heavy cord
- Walt Disney's middle name
- Filmflammer's assurance
- Org. of Jets
- Paulo
- Conductor Ormandy
- Dupe's dream of comfort
- Jason's galley
- Fujairah, Dubai et al.
- Mr. Arafat
- Run smoothly
- Slangy refusal
- Spherical vegetable
- Dupe's wife's warning
- Small viper
- Company Images
- Charles Lamb
- Change to fit
- That woman
- Rotary-phone feature
- Dupe's words of woe
- Unpigmented
- Ventilate
- Period
- Filmflammer's parting words
- Caper
- Observe
- Mr. Knievel
- Twangy
- Fling
- Gainsay

DOWN

- Gaffer Stewart
- Hilo hi
- Spiritual natures
- Slitch up
- Flowery
- Word before oil or pool
- 4 of dates
- French born
- Lima's country
- Sour mash
- Mosquito or flea, at times
- "Knots" author
- Start of a path?
- Greek mount
- influences adversely
- Mongol tent
- Blight on the landscape
- Works for
- Shakespearean contraction
- Sch. grp.
- Sounds of uncertainty
- GOP member
- Israeli desert
- D.C. old-timer
- Actor Wallach
- Nabokov book
- __ Saints' Day
- Medicated liquid
- Young adult
- Actress
- Silverstone
- Fishing nets
- Roll-call call
- Israeli hero Moshe
- Entertainer Massey
- Touches up against
- 52 Lures
- Lift and toss
- "Over the Rainbow" composer
- Waste time
- Salty letters?
- Explosive letters
- Court
- Eur. sea

By Roger Jurgovan
Potomac, MD

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Thursday's Puzzle Solved

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