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## WEATHER

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## Museum seeks volunteer chefs for food festival

Chefs are being sought for the March 24 "Around the World in 80 Bites" food festival at the Heritage Museum.

The event offers participants a bite-size taste of foods from different regions, countries and cultures. Chefs are asked to prepare about 300 tastes of their dish and serve it during the festival from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

About 50 cooks are needed for the event. All proceeds benefit the museum; its fund-raising goal is \$2,500.

For more information, call the museum at 267-8255.

## WHAT'S UP...

### TODAY

↳ Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxiliary, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 West Third.

### THURSDAY

↳ Gideons International, Big Spring Camp No. U42060, Herman's Restaurant, 7 a.m.

↳ Intermediate Line Dance class, 9 a.m., Senior Citizens Center.

↳ The Coffee Club will meet at Gale's Sweet Shoppe at 10 a.m.

↳ Kiwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room.

↳ Friends of the Library, noon, Howard County Library.

↳ Christmas in April board of directors meets at noon in the bingo building, 1607 E. Third.

↳ Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association, 5:30 p.m., RSVP offices, 501 Runnels.

↳ American Legion Post 506, 6 p.m.

↳ Rackley - Swords Chapter 379, Vietnam Veterans of America, 7 p.m., 124 Jonesboro Road.

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

### FRIDAY

↳ The Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room.

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## Big Spring population climbs past 25,000

By BILL McCLELLAN  
News Editor

Big Spring has seen a gain in population of 2,140 since the last census, a sign community leaders cite as a positive one.

"It's a sign that we are moving in the right direction," said Leigh Corson, assistant to the city manager. "Not only have we grown, but it shows we are retaining population as well, which has been very difficult for rural West Texas communities." Census figures released



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this week have Big Spring's population now at 25,233, up from 23,093 after the 1990 census.

That's in sharp contrast to some area communities such as Snyder, Sweetwater

and Colorado City, which all experienced a decline in population. Snyder, for instance, lost more than 1,400 residents over the 10-year period. Statistics indicate that the Scurry County seat dropped in population from 12,195 to 10,783. Sweetwater dropped from 11,967 to 11,415.

The increase in population locally could have some advantages, said Terri Davis, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce executive director.

"Retail stores and restaurants consider population

### CENSUS 2000: CITY POPULATION CHANGES

City	2000	1990	% Change
Big Spring	25,233	23,093	+ 9.27
Coahoma	932	1,133	-17.74
Colorado City	4,281	4,749	-9.85
Snyder	10,783	12,195	-11.58
Sweetwater	11,415	11,967	-4.61

when looking at moving into a city. There are different population levels, and 25,000 was the next big step for us, so we are hoping that will make a difference," Davis said.

"I think, too, that this

speaks well for us with some of the projects we are working on such as Ports-to-Plains and the truck reliever route. We can show that our population is, in fact,

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City of Big Spring employee Robert Olivias loads up rubble from the Howard House that will be taken to the landfill. The clean-up effort is going much more quickly than anyone expected and could be completed in a few more days.

## To the dogs

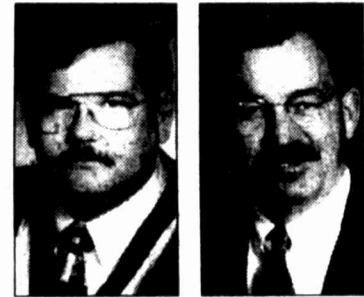
### Big Spring City Council assigns pooch population problem to advisory group

By BILL McCLELLAN  
News Editor

Big Spring City Council approved an ordinance amending the structure of the Animal Control Committee on Tuesday — then asked the group to look into a problem that has at least one resident hopping mad.

"I'd like to see something done about the number of dogs and cats one family can have inside the city limits," complained Larry Redding, a Calvin Street resident, who said his neighbors have 12 dogs — seven living in the backyard and five inside the residence that are let out daily.

"It destroys the property values and makes life at times almost unbearable with the odor. You also



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have the problem of barking, fleas, ticks and flies," he told the council.

Police Chief Lonnie Smith agreed, but said that other than issue citations, there is nothing he can do about the situation.

"The number of animals these people have is, I think, excessive, but there is no provision to limit the number of animals that may be at a residence," Smith

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## Nationwide interest grows in local man's DNA case

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN  
Features Editor

While Morgan Wise's attempt to reopen his 1996 divorce makes its way through the Texas court system, it has found another forum among newspapers and talk shows across the U.S. and internationally.

Since Sunday's *New York Times* featured a story on its front page about Wise's case involving DNA paternity testing, calls for other interviews have been coming in, attorney Robert Miller said. He represents Wise in a suit attempting to reopen the divorce since Wise learned in 1999 that three of his four children were not related to him biologically.

Wise wants to end his child support payments for the three boys, but District



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Judge Robert Moore III instead has required him to keep paying and taken away his visitation rights.

Since the *Times* article, Miller was a guest on a Dallas radio talk show Monday and one from Detroit Tuesday, while a show from Los Angeles plans to include him this week as well.

Television newsmagazines "60 Minutes II" and "20/20" have both expressed inter-

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— Attorney Robert Miller

est in airing a segment on the story, Miller said. A London newspaper has a story planned, while newspapers in Seattle and other cities have covered the story in various forms.

"I think the more that is known about this across the nation, things will change," said Miller. While DNA testing is being used increasingly in criminal cases, he advocates more use of it in civil cases, arguing that every divorce should include paternity testing. "It's affecting too many

men," he said. "You can't believe the number of men that are paying child support on children that are not theirs."

When Wise learned that he was not the biological father to sons Rauli, Marti and Rowdi, he sought to reduce the \$1,200 a month in support he paid their mother, Wanda Fryar, whom he divorced in 1996. But what he found was that state law presumes children born during a marriage are biologically related to, and therefore the responsibility

of, the married couple.

"That may be the way it was," Miller said. "But that's not the way it is. We can't stop science."

Wise said the case is not just about child support, but about the rights of men in family law.

"What Wanda has done, she has done," Wise said. "Let's look at the law and see what's wrong here. It's not that I'm doing this to bash my ex-wife."

"We need more public awareness. This has happened to other men."

Fryar and her Odessa attorney have refused repeated requests for interviews about the case.

One common argument against the Wise case is that ending his support pay

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## Early booth deadline for Heath Fair nears

By VALERIE AVERE  
Herald Correspondent

The deadline for securing a discounted fee for a booth at the April 21 "Health Fair 2001" is Thursday. Anyone requesting a booth after that date will be charged \$100.

The early deadline gives exhibitors a discount of \$75, said Debbye Valverde, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce secretary.

"Health Fair 2001" will be April 21 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Howard College's Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

"We know a lot of businesses have corporate offices that are not here locally, and it's difficult to get a check sent in on time," she said. "We will be glad to take their registration and have them get their \$75 check as soon as possible. If they will just send us the registration form and tell me that they have their request in for the check, we will register them and give them the \$75 fee."

Booth rental gives businesses and organizations a 10-by-10 booth space, skirted table, two chairs, a sign, access to one electric outlet and refreshments for exhibitors.

Less than 50 business and organizations have already signed on, she said. Last

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A line forms as 4-year-old Sarah Lopez gets ready to "pump gas" for her fellow Westside Community Day Care center playmates this morning on the infant/toddler playground. Money for the playground came as an award from the Permian Basin Workforce Board along with donations from private donors and the center's board.

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OBITUARIES

Clyde Angel

Clyde Angel, 90, of Waco, formerly of Big Spring, died Monday, March 12, 2001, in a Waco hospital. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, March 16, at the First Baptist Church of Big Spring, with Dr. Kenneth Patrick, chaplain with Baptist Memorial Center in San Angelo, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.



He was born on the family farm near Rising Star on Aug. 11, 1910. He was the oldest of three children of James Robert Angel and Mertis Bowers Angel. He married the former Annie Matt Tate on Aug. 5, 1932, in Big Spring.

Following graduation from high school, he moved to Abilene where he was employed by a wholesale grocery firm and attended Hardin Simmons University. He moved to Big Spring in 1929 and was employed at the First National Bank. He rose from teller to Senior Vice President, a position he held until his retirement in 1975. He served on the Board of First National Bank and subsequently Norwest Bank until moving to Waco in 2000. He served on the Board of the Malone Hogan Hospital for many years and served on the YMCA Board. He was active as a civilian liaison with Webb Air Force Base. He served on the Big Spring Independent School District Board for many years and was president in 1954.

Clyde served as mayor of Big Spring from 1980 to 1986. He was the former treasurer of the Texas State Bankers Association. He was a member of Staked Plains Lodge No. 598 A.F. and A.M. and the Shrine Club. He was an active member of First Baptist Church in Big Spring where he was a deacon and

for many years a Sunday School teacher.

Survivors include: his wife of 68 years, Annie Matt Angel of Waco; his son, Robert T. Angel and wife Sue Ellen of Waco; four grandchildren. James Robert Angel and wife Lisa of Waco; Robin Anne Younkers and husband Ryan of Long Beach, Calif.; Russell Steven Landon and wife Tammy of Waco and Douglas Landon of Dallas; seven great-grandchildren, Samantha, Callie and Miranda Angel and Ryan, Megan and Kaitlyn Landon, all of Waco, and Jackson Drew Younkers of Long Beach, Calif.; his sister, Wilma McGuffey of Lewisville; his brother-in-law and sister-in-law, George W. Tate Jr., and Katherine Tate and sister-in-law, Betty Tate all of Lubbock; numerous nieces and nephews; and a special friend, Olivia Rivera who provided so much help and support during the final year of his life.

The family suggests memorials to First Baptist Church Media Center, 705 West FM 700, Big Spring 79720.

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

Paid obituary

Majorie Pinkerton Tipton

Funeral service for Marjorie Pinkerton Tipton, 79, of Big Spring, will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, March 15, 2001, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Elder Troy Barrington of Midland Primitive Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be at Ackerly cemetery.

Mrs. Tipton died Monday, March 12, at her residence.

She was born on Sept. 11, 1921, in Jester, Okla. and had been a resident of Big Spring since 1972. She was a homemaker and a member of the Philadelphia Primitive Baptist Church.

Survivors include: one daughter, Janie Gail Allen of Willis; two sons, Daniel Craig Baker of The Woodlands and Kenneth Allen Baker of Murrieta, Calif.; and two grandchildren.

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

Edward Olean Graves

Memorial service for Edward Olean Graves, 75, Big Spring, will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 17, 2001, at the VFW Post 7208 in Midland. Burial will be in Roswell, N.M.

Mr. Graves died Saturday, March 10, at a local hospital.

He was born on May 2, 1926, in Dexter, N.M. He was a veteran of World War II and served in the U.S. Air Force. He had worked as a machinist in Midland before he retired.

Survivors include: his wife, Laura Belle Graves of Bangs; two daughters, Sherry Davidson and Shavaughn Greene, both of Lubbock; two sons, Fred Graves of El Paso, and Terry Graves of Houston; three step-children, Donna Elder of Bangs, Georgeann Bradner of Roanoke, Va., and Larry Keith Coleman of Fort Bragg, N.C.; one brother, Ronnie Graves of Roswell, N.M.; several grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

The family suggest memorial to Cancer Aid and Research, c/o VFW Post 7208, 1306 East Taylor, Midland.

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

Charles Sims

Funeral service for Charles Sims, 62, of Big Spring, will be 10 a.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith

Chapel with the Rev. Randy Gee, pastor of Crestview Baptist Church, officiating.

Mr. Sims died Tuesday, March 13, at his residence.

He was born March 18, 1938, in Jasper County, Miss. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy and had lived in Big Spring since 1967. He had been employed as a pipefitter.

Survivors include: three sons, Greg Sims of Big Spring, Bobby and Brandon Sims, both of Oklahoma; two daughters, Kerri Sims and Kirstina Sims both of Oklahoma; his mother, Myrtis Sims of Big Spring; one brother, Jimmy Sims of Big Spring; one sister, Bobbie Kennedy of Seattle, Wash.; and four grandchildren.

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

Mary Catherine Malone

Funeral service for Mary Catherine Malone, 29, of Big Spring will be 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 14, 2001, at Roselawn Memorial Park in Seagoville.

Mrs. Malone died Sunday, March 11, at her residence.

She was born Oct. 1, 1971, in Kaufman.

Survivors include: one daughter, Samantha Malone; her parents, Jodie and Marie Dobecka; four brothers, Jerry Anderson, David, Daniel and Jimmy Dobecka; two sisters, Sallie Dobecka and Melissa Chance; her grandparents, Mary Dobecka, Byron and Lois Leonhart; and her fiancée, Mark Velasquez.

Local arrangements are under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Elizabeth Elliott

Funeral service for Elizabeth Elliott, 101, Colorado City, was today at First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Kay Reed, officiating. Burial was at the Colorado City Cemetery.

Mrs. Elliott died Monday, March 12, 2001, in a Colorado City care center.

She was born Feb. 12, 1900, and had been a resident of Mitchell County since 1920. She married Lewis B. Elliott on June 22, 1919, in Loraine. He preceded her in death on Feb. 10, 2001. She was a longtime member of the First United Methodist Church, a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, holding local and state offices, past queen of the Daughters of the Nile and held local and district offices in the United Methodist Women.

Survivors include: three daughters, Frances Godwin and Ruth Cooper, both of Colorado City and Esther Brewer of Carrollton; 11 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and 17 great-great-grandchildren.

Arrangements are under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home in Colorado City.

Virgil Franklin

Funeral service for Virgil L. Franklin, 89, of Eunice, N.M., was Monday, March 12, 2001, at Calvary Funeral Home Chapel with Elio Barrios, Vista Care Family Hospice Chaplain, officiating. Burial was at Brunson Memorial Cemetery of Eunice, N.M.

Mr. Franklin died Friday, March 9, in Hobbs, N.M.

He was born Aug. 27, 1911, in Howard County and moved to Eunice in 1997 from Greenwood Acres. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include: his wife, Dovie Bettis Franklin of Eunice, N.M.; three sons, Russell Franklin of Memphis, Tenn., V.E. "Ben" Franklin of Daytona Beach, Fla. and Leslie Don Franklin of Odessa; one daughter, Martha Ann Pope of Campwood; one brother, Clyde J. Franklin of Big Spring; two sisters, Ruby Olds and Bernice Shrum

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both of Lamesa; four grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Arrangements are under the direction of Calvary Funeral Home in Eunice, N.M.

Andres E. Salgado

Funeral Service for Andres E. Salgado, 78, of Stanton, is pending with Stanton Memorial Funeral Home & Chapel.

Mr. Salgado died March 13, 2001, at his residence.

Helen Opal King

Funeral service for Helen Opal King, 80, of Coahoma, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Mrs. King died Wednesday, March 14, 2001, at her residence.

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growing, and therefore our needs are growing," Davis said.

One of the reasons for the upswing in population is the increase over the past 10 years in prison inmates, who are counted as Big Spring citizens during the census.

"Some people look at that as a negative, and it's not," said Davis. "We have a lot of families of inmates who come to Big Spring often and eat here, purchase gasoline here and stay in our motels. Some families even move here to be closer to a loved one that is incarcerated."

An agreement with Cornell Corrections approved by Big Spring City Council on Tuesday indicates that the city benefits well from its prison population. The city receives some 77 cents per day per inmate. The prison population at Cornell's four units is approximately 2,400.

Local officials say the population hike might not have much bearing on applications for grants and the like, at least from the city's standpoint.

"Texas Community Development grants, which are the types of grants the city seeks for things like water and sewer line replacement, have a higher threshold," explained Corson. "Cities over 50,000 become entitlement cities and don't have to compete like we do for those funds. There has been some discussion on the federal and state level of lowering those thresholds to 25,000. Certainly, if that were to happen, we would be sitting pretty now."

The next step, said Davis, is to see how the increase in population can be made to work for Big Spring.

"Now we have to put our heads together and see what the next level can bring us," she said. "This is a positive goal that we have surpassed. Now we need to continue to look for the future and see how we can use this to help us grow even more."

Census numbers for Forsan were unavailable today, but figures indicate Coahoma lost population — from 1,133 in 1990 to 932 in 2000.

On Tuesday, census numbers were announced that indicated Howard County had experienced a 4 percent growth in population from 32,343 in 1990 to 33,627 in 2000.

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said. "We need to strengthen the animal control ordinance."

TEXAS LOTTERY

Pick 3: 9,1,6

Cash 5: 10,13,17,19,26

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

Smith said pet owners might not be the only ones contributing to the problem.

"I have heard that sometimes when the humane society has no place to put animals, they place them with families in the community until they are able to take them themselves," he said.

Mayor Russ McEwen said where the animals come from wasn't important, but that the problem of too many animals at one residence needs to be addressed.

"I don't know what the magic number might be, but I think the Animal Control Committee should look at this," McEwen said.

Melanie Gambrell, chairman of the committee, was in attendance and told the council that her group is to convene on April 4.

"We can begin to look at the problem during that meeting," she told the council.

Later, Redding said he doesn't fault his neighbors.

"They're animal lovers. It's not their fault; it's the city's fault for not having an ordinance to protect people. The city should have a level set on that," he said. "I hate it every time I have to turn them (the neighbors) in. I don't want to do that. The city should do something."

Earlier in the meeting, council members had approved new provisions for the Animal Control Committee, making it a seven-member board to serve three-year terms. Members are also to be approved by city council vote. While current members who live outside the city limits will be allowed to serve out their terms, future members will be required to reside within the city limits.

The purpose of the committee will be to make the public aware of animal issues within the city and organize quarterly events to promote issues such as population control, animal tags, permit requirements and the like.

The committee is also charged with making recommendations regarding the adoption or revision or ordinances when requested to do so by the city council.

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ments would harm the children. In fact, Moore's ruling that removed Wise's visitation rights came after he told the children that he was not their biological father.

"These kids are old enough to know what's going on," Miller said. He said the situation as it stands now violates not only the right of his client, but of the the boys as well.

"With the cancer research, the preventative things that are happening right now, aren't they entitled to know their genetic history?" he asked.

Miller said the fact that Wise did not seek to terminate the parent-child relationship indicates that he still cares about the boys. His goal, Miller added, was only to end the child support payments to Fryar on their behalf. Support for his daughter, Carli, was not at issue.

"Morgan has said all along that while he was not

the father to these boys, he still wants to be their daddy," Miller said.

But Wise said since visitation has been terminated with the three boys, even his relationship with Carli has been damaged. And last month, when Rauli, whose diagnosis of cystic fibrosis led to the DNA testing, was hospitalized, Wise said he went to extraordinary means to see the 8-year-old.

While Wise's insurance plan through his job with the railroad covers the children, he said he was not given any information about Rauli's condition. Wise said he and his wife, Beverly, talk about the case but not often.

"We can't sit around having a pity party," he said. "We just try to go on with our lives. This is something that you can't think about daily."

Miller and Wise traveled to Eastland last month to present their case to the court of appeals there, and they are waiting for a ruling from the three-judge panel.

BOOTHS

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year's health fair featured 65 booths.

Organizations, including Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, West Texas Centers for MHMR, Big Spring State Hospital, Scenic Mountain Medical Center and Family Medical Center will present demonstrations and free screenings.

Depression, cholesterol and skin cancer screenings, as well as blood pressure monitoring and balance and grip testing are just a small sampling of what will be offered throughout the day. United Blood Services will take donations of blood on-site, ValVerde said.

"I think having this health fair gives people an opportunity to get many aspects of their health looked at," she said. "It's on a Saturday and a lot of people work during the week and can't get out to go to a doctor's appointment. I know that's not an excuse, and this isn't a substitute for a doctor's appointment. But they can come and get things looked at that interest them."

Corporate sponsors are Warren Chiropractic, Covenant Malone & Hogan Clinic, Express Medical, Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, Paradigm Physical Therapy and Sports Medicine, Community Care Hospital and KBST-FM.

Admission is free, and door prizes will be offered.

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WASHINGTON  
The United States has imposed a ban on imports of 15 members of the Union after a dairy product found on a farmland in the Netherlands and a mad cow disease were banned.

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Hidalgo County commissioners have a hearing exploring the protesting the count, which is not accurate. Hidalgo County and may result in millions of federal dollars. County Judge on Tuesday a commissioner his protest of numbers.

12-year charge attempt drown

FORT PIERCE  
Two 12-year-olds were charged to drown a classmate. The incident face attempted robbery charge. County police was arrested the other was previous event. Witnesses said Nicole Maine swimming in her home Monday noon when she asked her for the flippers. Who refused, they just water, grabbed gear and began her.

Maines told girls shoved underwater. Hosea Rivers, in, separated to pulled Maines water.

Rivers told at had to pull Maines the water a shot when the girls again.

A police man Maines had cut es all over her. David Capps of one of the allers, said his appeared for a ing Tuesday at hibited from a house for 21 days.

St. Lucie County refused to disclose the other girl held early Wednesday.

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# U.S. expands import ban after livestock disease spreads

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States expanded a ban on imports of livestock and fresh meat to all 15 members of the European Union after a case of foot-and-mouth disease was found on a farm in France. The ban, which also applies to unpasteurized dairy products, would have the biggest impact on imports of pork from the Netherlands and Denmark. Imports of beef from the European Union already were banned because of mad cow disease.

"We want to make sure we're taking the appropriate steps to make sure it doesn't cross the ocean by means of our ports or travelers," said USDA spokesman Kevin Herglotz, adding that "if foot-and-mouth disease were to enter the United States, the cost is in the billions." The United States suspended all meat and animal imports from Britain on Feb. 21 and ordered stepped-up checks of travelers arriving from the United Kingdom. Airline passengers who have visited the

British countryside are required to have their shoes disinfected if they appear soiled. Now, travelers from the European Union also may be subject to additional scrutiny, including disinfection of their footwear if they have been on a farm. The European Union expressed surprise that the U.S. import ban extended to all 15 member countries. "Thirteen EU states are disease-free. We have measures in place to keep it that way," spokeswoman Maeve

O'Beirne said. But Iowa Sen. Tom Harkin, the senior Democrat on the Senate Agriculture Committee, praised USDA's action. "Right now we just don't know how far this disease has spread," said Harkin, whose state is a top hog producer. "It is common sense to take protective measures." Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., last week urged the Bush administration to block imports of livestock from anywhere in

the world, including Canada, until the department assessed the adequacy of its controls for foot-and-mouth disease. Foot-and-mouth disease is not harmful to humans, but it spreads so quickly that entire herds and flocks must be destroyed to contain it. The virus can be transmitted by footwear and motor vehicles. French officials said Tuesday that the disease was found in cattle on a farm that had earlier imported sheep from

Britain. In addition to the ban on shipments from the European Union, USDA said it was sending a team of 40 federal, state and university experts to Europe to monitor and assist in the efforts to contain the disease. The department said it also will increase its public education efforts in the United States by installing more signs in airports, sponsoring public service announcements and providing a telephone hot line for information.

## Hidalgo County may challenge census count results

McALLEN (AP) — Hidalgo County commissioners have agreed to begin exploring their options in protesting the 2000 census count, which some say did not accurately count Hidalgo County residents and may result in the loss of millions of federal dollars. County Judge Eloy Pulido on Tuesday asked county commissioners to support his protest of 2000 census numbers. One option is to join nearly a dozen other cities and

counties in a lawsuit against the U.S. Department of Commerce. Other options commissioners agreed to look at include joining an existing suit against Commerce Secretary Donald Evans and the Commerce Department for not allowing the census headcount to be adjusted for people who did not receive or return census forms. The county also could file a separate lawsuit or accept the count. Pulido said he has the sup-

port of at least 11 cities that would join the county in a lawsuit against the census count. He said the numbers released Monday by the U.S. Census Bureau, are inaccurate and are too low. "There is no way that all residents are counted by an actual headcount," Pulido said in Wednesday's editions of *The McAllen Monitor*. "Just out of the five of us on Commissioners Court, two didn't receive census

forms." Critics of the census count have said that the use of statistical sampling corrects the errors and accounts for minorities, the poor and children, who have traditionally gone uncounted. A study conducted by the accounting firm Pricewaterhouse Coopers estimated that Hidalgo County is among the nation's top 25 counties with the highest projected undercounts.

## \$30 million deal keeps portrait at Smithsonian

WASHINGTON (AP) — A \$30 million gift will enable the National Portrait Gallery to buy a famous painting of George Washington from its British owner, who had said he was prepared to put it up for auction. Lawrence Small, secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, said Tuesday the portrait would be sent on a nationwide tour before the renovated gallery reopens in 2004. The "Lansdowne" portrait, often reproduced in school texts, is by Gilbert Stuart; another of his Washington paintings appears on the \$1 bill. The "Lansdowne" depicts the first president in civilian clothes with a sword at his side, his arm stretched out in an oratorical gesture. He was making his last appearance before Congress in Philadelphia, three years before his death in 1799. The grant to buy the por-

trait comes from the Donald W. Reynolds Foundation. Reynolds' Donrey Media Group owned 52 newspapers in Nevada, Oklahoma and Arkansas, plus other communications outlets from North Carolina to Hawaii, when he died in 1953 and left the bulk of his fortune to the foundation. Of the \$30 million, \$20 million will go to the picture's owner, Lord Harry Dalmeny, 33-year-old heir of a wealthy family. He was planning to sell it at auction unless the Smithsonian was able to pay \$20 million by April 1. The remainder of the grant will be divided with \$6 million to finance the tour and \$4 million to pay for a permanent installation at the portrait gallery. The "Lansdowne" portrait was commissioned in 1796 by one of America's richest men, William Bingham, as a gift to the Marquis of Lansdowne.

## 12-year-olds charged in attempted drowning

FORT PIERCE, Fla. (AP) — Two 12-year-old girls were charged with trying to drown a classmate who refused to lend her swim mask and flippers. The unidentified girls face attempted murder and robbery charges, St. Lucie County police said. One was arrested Tuesday and the other was arrested the previous evening. Witnesses said Rebecca Nicole Maines, 12, was swimming in a lake near her home Monday afternoon when the two girls asked her for the mask and flippers. When Maines refused, they jumped in the water, grabbed Maines' gear and began beating her. Maines told police the girls shoved her head underwater. A witness, Hosea Rivers, 16, jumped in, separated the girls and pulled Maines out of the water. Rivers told authorities he had to pull Maines out of the water a short time later when the girls attacked her again. A police report said Maines had cuts and bruises all over her body. David Capps, the father of one of the alleged attackers, said his daughter appeared for a court hearing Tuesday and was prohibited from leaving her house for 21 days. St. Lucie County officials refused to disclose whether the other girl was being held early Wednesday.

## Illegal immigrants found in refrigerated trailer

McALLEN (AP) — Officials at the border checkpoint in Falfurrias found 25 undocumented Mexican immigrants mixed in with a load of watermelons in an airtight refrigerated trailer. Friday's discovery marks the fourth time this month

that checkpoint border officials have found a large group of immigrants in an 18-wheeler. U.S. Border Patrol officials say they found the immigrants shivering in near freezing temperatures when contraband-sniffing dogs honed in on the truck.

Trailer distributors said that aside from the cold, the group risked suffocation. Officials also found a Houston-bound team of tractor-trailers carrying 41 immigrants early Friday in Sarita. Agents at the same checkpoint found 78 immigrants hiding behind a load of rotten grapefruits March 7, and 50 stuffed into another tractor-trailer March 1.

## Palestinians protest against Israeli blockade

RAMALLAH, West Bank (AP) — Hundreds of Palestinians protesting Israeli travel restrictions Wednesday briefly seized an Israeli army checkpoint, planted their national banner on it and opened the road to Palestinian traffic. Soldiers withdrew and fired rubber bullets and tear gas at the crowd from a nearby hill before retaking the position. At least three Palestinians were injured. In the Gaza Strip, an 18-year-old Palestinian was killed by Israeli troops near the army outpost of Netzarim. In what Palestinian police said was an unprovoked shooting, Police said the victim, Ahmed Banar, was walking with other people near Netzarim when the shots were fired. The army said it was checking the incident. To date, 426 people have been killed in nearly six months of fighting, including 350 Palestinians, 57 Israeli Jews and 19 others. Palestinian activists designated Wednesday as a "day of rage" against Israeli blockades that have restricted access to Palestinian towns across the West Bank and Gaza Strip since late September.

The only protest took place near Ramallah, which has been encircled by Israeli barriers. Hundreds of Palestinians approached an Israeli road-side checkpoint north of Ramallah from two directions. Israeli troops left the position and withdrew to a nearby hill, firing rubber bullets and tear gas as demonstrators planted Palestinian flags at the checkpoint. Two earthmovers driven by protesters filled in a trench dug across the main road by the army last week, and traffic began flowing freely. "We broke the Israeli siege with our hands, and this is a message to (Israeli Prime Minister Ariel) Sharon that the siege will not kill the uprising," said Marwan Barghouti, head of Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat's Fatah movement in the West Bank. Barghouti said more protests were planned for Friday. Israel has said it tightened a closure around Ramallah because of information that would-be car bombers were in the area and were trying to reach Jerusalem. On Sunday, the army blocked all roads to Ramallah.

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## OUR VIEWS

### Old-fashioned family fun at The Dorothy

Just a couple of weeks ago, basketball fans delighted as regional tournament action came to Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. This weekend, the balls and hoops will be exchanged for skirts and boots as Big Spring plays host to another great event — the Texas State Federation of Square and Round Dancers. Around 300 people are expected to participate in the 40th annual conclave, which begins Friday and continues through Sunday morning. It promises to be a tradition-filled and colorful experience, as well as a fun get-together for square and round dance enthusiasts. The group will take care of both business and pleasure, as the days are filled with election of officers for the Texas State Federation of Square and Round Dancers and the nights feature some lively stepping to the announcer's call.

Already, rooms at local motels as well as recreational vehicle spaces at Texas RV Park and the Whip-In Campground are filling up.

Request rounds will begin about 7 p.m. Friday, followed by the grand march 45 minutes later and squares and rounds until about 10:30. The timetable repeats itself on Saturday night, and everyone is invited to a devotional on Sunday morning at 8:30.

A true family activity, the Texas State Federation of Square and Round Dancers is nothing short of good old-fashioned fun. There is no cost to come out and watch the dancing.

If you are a participant, it's time to promenade, partner. If not, the event is something that is sure to be interesting to watch. Take the time to check out this entertaining activity, happening right here in Big Spring.

## YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

A special thanks to all who helped make my 90th birthday the best yet! To those who came or sent a card to share a memory, to those who worked to put it together, to Debbie Jensen and China Long and to all the friends and family who

have made these 90 years a pleasure.

This day will forever be a joy and lifted my spirits for many days to come. May God bless you all.

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# The blizzard of 2001 in New Hampshire

I am hearing complaints and mocking laughter from Washington and New York about the Blizzard That Never Happened last week. Well, they should come to northern New Hampshire, where we live in a tiny, former one-room schoolhouse.

The snow began to fall here before Thanks-giving. You could see it gently falling when you looked out of the sliding-glass doors at the rear of the house. If you climbed the small New Hampshire mountain to our west you could see across the Connecticut River to at least five snow-capped mountain ranges, "one behind the other far into Vermont," as Robert Frost wrote.

Winter came early and gently this year, first falling on the dark ribbon of Hewes Brook, a trout stream that marks our boundary. But up here the winters do not stay gentle. The brown bears on the small mountain behind us have long been dozing in their lairs. The raccoons are safe in their trees, and the chipmunks are in their tunnels. Most of the birds have long gone south. And before the Blizzard That Never Happened last week, we had plenty of snow.

Snow has its different moods, like the sea. Up here it can be fierce, as in Frost's poem "Storm Fear":  
... Those of us not asleep  
subdued to other folk  
How the cold creeps as the

fire dies at length —  
How drifts are piled,  
Dooryard and road ungraded,  
Till even the comforting  
barn grous far away,  
And my heart owns a doubt  
Whether 'tis in us to arise  
with day  
And save ourselves unaided.

Like the sea, the big snows remind the human being of his or her essential fragility. The snow is a message from the cosmos. Frost knew that his name was a kind of fate, that in poem after poem he would write about the snow.

Sometimes he writes with a sense of desolation, as in "Desert Places":  
Snow falling and night  
falling fast, oh, fast  
In a field I looked into  
going past.  
And the ground almost  
covered smooth in snow.  
But a few weeds and stub-  
ble showing last.

... They cannot scare me  
with their empty spaces  
Between stars — on stars  
where no human race is.  
I have it in me so much  
nearer home  
To scare myself with my  
own desert places.

There, the snow is not only implacable, but potentially — the word Blaise Pascal used about the spaces between the stars — "terrifying." But Frost, with an effort, refuses to "scare" himself. With the word "scare," he rebukes "terror."

Dartmouth College, of course, is nearby here in the north country, and after teaching there for a year or two I warned both students and newly appointed faculty that they should try to "do something" with the winter in order not to be confined by

it and merely suffer it. They should ski cross-country or downhill, or ice skate or chop firewood. Some marvelous modern snowshoes are in the stores. If you don't do something like that, winter is your enemy, and it is larger than you are. The highest rate of suicide in the United States occurs not in some slum but in the small towns of the so-called Northeast Kingdom in northern Vermont.

Still, like the sea, snow can have great aesthetic beauty. I think of a poem everyone knows, so I will not have to quote the whole thing: Frost's "Stopping By the Woods on a Snowy Evening." Here the man is out in a sleigh drawn by a small horse at dusk. Though on some sort of errand, he stops to watch snow falling into nearby woods. He is struck by the beauty of the scene and pauses. He takes in "the sweep/Of easy wind and downy flake." But then makes himself move on.  
The woods are lovely,  
dark and deep.  
But I have promises to  
keep.  
And miles to go before I  
sleep.  
And miles to go before I  
sleep.

When The Blizzard That Never Happened arrived here, even though it bypassed Washington and New York, I had just finished reading Thomas Mann's great novel of 1925, "The Magic Mountain." The setting is a tuberculosis sanitarium high up in the Swiss Alps in Davos.

Mann treats the sanitarium as representing Europe before World War I. Its patients come from all over Europe, and they are all ill. This is a comment on

Europe. Indeed, tuberculosis was almost fashionable in 19th-century Europe. Mann's hero, Hans Castorp will disappear into the murk of a World War I battlefield. Mann has some philosophical themes to explore about the sickness of Europe.

Anyway, in a central chapter called "Snow," Castorp gets lost while skiing in the Alps, overtaken by a blizzard, and I thought of it when we were hit by The Blizzard That Never Happened.

"And so he stopped, gave an angry shrug and turned his skis around. The head wind promptly took his breath away, so that he had to go through the awkward procedure once more just to get some air and gain enough composure to confront his indifferent foe. ... He was forced to halt every other moment, either to turn for a gulp of air or with his head still bent low to blink ahead — and see nothing but white darkness. ... Masses of flakes flew directly into his face, then melted, freezing his features. They flew into his mouth with a faint watery taste ... the veil of blinding white obstructed his view and made the act of seeing almost totally impossible."

Up here, an elderly woman, driving, got lost in the storm and froze in her car. Another woman was found frozen in the ice of the Connecticut River.

We are now expecting another storm. "It had begun to snow again," James Joyce wrote. "... It was falling on every part of the dark central plain, on the treeless hills, falling softly on the Bog of Allen ... softly falling into the dark mutinous Shannon waves."



JEFFREY HART



# Old Pete goes to Washington in style

The city of Muleshoe has a statue of a mule next to the chamber of commerce office. It is a fiber-glass replica of a mule named Pete.

Some Muleshoe residents got the idea that Pete should go to George W. Bush's inauguration.

After all, George W. had been a friend of Gil Lamb, a Muleshoe broadcaster who was instrumental in getting the mule monument erected in 1965. Gil was also one of just a handful of Republicans around Muleshoe back then. Although Gil is no longer with us, his spirit is always with Old Pete.

The statue was loaded

onto a truck that was picking up items for the inauguration and hauled to Washington. Big events were ahead for it.

At the Texas Society's Black Tie & Boots Ball, one of the banquet rooms was transformed into the Muleshoe Martini & Cigar Bar. Not surprising, really, since Rick Myers, a former Muleshoe resident, now a Washington lobbyist, was in charge of the ball. Rick said the ball had been in the planning stage for eighteen months and during the last month he had worked on it full-time.

About a dozen Muleshoe residents went to Washington for the festivities. The Mayor of Muleshoe, Victor Leal and his wife, Debbie were among them. On Thursday night prior to the festivities, Rick had the Muleshoe folks over to his house for a fancy party.

"It had all the good stuff," says Debbie.

"On Friday morning, Rick was interviewed on CNN," says Victor. "He talked mostly about Muleshoe and Old Pete."

Old Pete was fashionably late at the ball because his ears wouldn't fit through the door.

Some carpenter work and careful maneuvering had to be done so Pete could join the party.

He was introduced with a fanfare and spotlight and escorted to the stage with great pomp and circumstance.

Pete's next appearance was in the inaugural parade. Victor was one of the people responsible for getting Old Pete to the parade staging area.

Parade officials wanted everything ready by 4 a.m. Saturday.

That meant Old Pete had to be in place on the Texas float within a few hours after the ball.

"We changed from our tuxedos, put on jeans and

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# March build

March is Nutrition Month. The theme is "Food for Fitness; Build a Healthy America." This theme incorporates new Dietary Guidelines for Americans with the basic idea for fitness; BUILD a healthy base; CHOOSE smart choices.

Aim for fitness: aim for a healthy weight; be physically active each day. As you "aim for fitness" the following tips will make it easier to achieve your goal:

- Balance the diet with physical activity.
- Do 30 minutes of moderate physical activity most days or more make physical activity part of your routine.
- Eating sensible sizes is one key to maintaining a healthy weight.
- Set a good example for children, eat healthily and enjoy regular activity periods together.
- Children need minutes of physical activity daily.

Build a healthy diet with good food choices; choose whole grains; choose fruits and vegetables daily; keep food fresh.

As you work on your Healthy Base the tips will make building a simpler task.

- Build your diet on a variety of fruits and vegetables.
- Include several servings of whole grain foods such as whole wheat rice, oats and whole corn.
- Enjoy five a day: two servings of fruits and two servings of vegetables each day.

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## March is set aside to build better nutrition

March is National Nutrition Month and the theme is "Food & Fitness: Build a Healthy Lifestyle." This theme incorporates the new Dietary Guidelines for Americans which begin with the basic ABCs: AIM for fitness; BUILD a healthy base; CHOOSE sensibly.

Aim for fitness: aim for a healthy weight; be physically active each day. "As you 'aim for fitness' the following tips will make it easier to achieve your goal:



DANA TARTER

- Balance the calories you eat with physical activity;
  - Do 30 minutes or more of moderate physical activity most days or every day, make physical activity a part of your routine;
  - Eating sensible portion sizes is one key to maintaining a healthy weight;
  - Set a good example for children, eat healthy meals and enjoy regular physical activity periods together;
  - Children need at least 60 minutes of physical activity daily.
- Build a healthy base: let the Pyramid guide your food choices; choose a variety of grains, especially whole grains; choose a variety of fruits and vegetables daily; keep food safe to eat.
- As you work to Build a Healthy Base the following tips will make better nutrition a simpler task:
- Build your eating pattern on a variety of grains, fruits and vegetables;
  - Include several servings of whole grain foods daily, such as whole wheat, brown rice, oats and whole grain corn;
  - Enjoy five a day; at least two servings of fruit and at least three servings of vegetables each day, choose dark-green leafy vegetables, orange fruits and vegetables

and cooked dry peas and beans, often;

- Also choose foods from the milk and the meat and beans groups each day, make low-fat choices most often;

- It's fine to enjoy fats and sweets occasionally.

Choose sensibly. Choose a diet that is low in saturated fat and cholesterol and moderate in total fat; choose beverages and foods to moderate your intake of sugar; choose and prepare foods with less salt; if you drink alcoholic beverages, do so in moderation.

By making sensible choices you can assure that your daily diet includes foods that are nutritious and healthy:

- Limit your use of solid fats, use vegetable oils as a substitute;
- Choose fat-free or low-fat types of milk products and lean meats and poultry, eat cooked dry beans and peas and fish more often;
- Use the Nutrition Facts Label to help choose foods lower in total fat especially saturated fat - as well as cholesterol and sodium;
- Limit your intake of beverages and foods that are high in added sugars. Don't let soft drinks or sweets crowd out other foods you need, such as milk products or other calcium sources;
- To keep your sodium intake moderate, choose and prepare foods with less salt or salty flavorings;
- If you are an adult and choose to drink alcoholic beverages, do so sensibly - limit intake to one drink a day for women or two a day for men.

Eating is one of life's greatest pleasures. By following the Dietary Guidelines you can promote your health and reduce your risk for chronic disease.

Based on the Dietary Guidelines for American, 2000, jointly released by the United States Department of Agriculture and the United States Department of Health and Human Services.



Big Spring State Hospital CEO Ed Moughon (standing, center) presented baskets of fruit to, from left, Big Spring Independent School District special education teacher Dwayne Wheat, educational diagnostician and special education teacher Brenda Banks, and Sandra Martinez, teacher's aide. The gifts, during Public School Week, were in appreciation of the three educators' work at the hospital. The three work on the alternative campus at BSSH where adolescents attend classes.

Courtesy photo

## Tourist returns rock taken from Acropolis

ATHENS, Greece (AP) — A tourist who removed a small piece of marble from the ancient Acropolis has mailed back the rock along with an apology, the culture ministry said Tuesday.

The unidentified tourist sent the piece of marble to the Greek consulate in Houston with a note apologizing for having taken it. "I took this piece from the Acropolis a long time ago. I am very sorry. Please return it to where it belongs," the note said.

The ministry said the rock would be given to the archaeological service, which would return it to the site.

## Toddlers target of new generation of educational toys

NEW YORK (AP)— Forget the blocks that helped Jane count to ten or Johnny learn his ABC's.

In an age when parents want their preschoolers on a fast track to Harvard, toy makers are trumpeting a new generation of educational toys that can help toddlers learn foreign languages or recognize classical music scores.

The trend toward increased sophistication in

educational toys has been gaining momentum over the last three years while targeting ever-younger children. The market is there.

"I told my husband, 'Enough with the dinosaurs.' I want educational toys for my child," said Elizabeth Rubin, whose son, 3-year-old Alexander, recently was enrolled at a prestigious nursery school in Manhattan.

"I want my child to be

introduced to everything at home before his school teaches it," she said.

Among the toys Alexander has received: Mazes of the type Rubin has learned are used as tests for admission to private kindergartens.

Both fueling and paralleling the phenomenon are general advancements in toy electronics and interactivity.

LeapPad, a \$54.99 interactive book that teaches geog-

raphy and numbers, was last holiday season's hottest-selling toy. The manufacturer, LeapFrog Inc., now is coming out with a smaller, more portable \$39.99 LeapPad Traveler aimed at 3-year-olds.

Mattel Inc.'s Fisher-Price brand saw overwhelming success for its Intella-Table, a plastic table with interchangeable rings designed to help children's counting, music and logic skills.

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#### BSHS baseball team slide past Estacado

Big Spring's Steers managed to pull out a 14-12 district win over Estacado Tuesday.

Mike Solis was the winning pitching and Clint Bamert had the save for the Steers. Ryan Guinn finished the game with four RBIs and a home run to lift the Steers over Estacado.

The Steers face Friendship at 1 p.m. Saturday at Steer Field.

For the junior varsity team, Big Spring defeated Snyder Saturday in a double-header 15-0, 22-2. They grabbed a couple of wins against Brownfield, winning 12-2 and 17-2 in the Monday double-header.

#### Bulldogettes place at Stanton meet

Coahoma's Bulldogettes were able to place fourth out of 10 teams at the Stanton meet on Saturday.

Rachel Williams led the way with three first places in the long jump, 100m and 200m dash. She also finished second in the high jump.

She combined with Leanne Smith, Michelle Walker and Kristy Kinard for fourth place in the 4 x 400 meter relay.

Smith also managed a third place finish in the 800m run while Lauren Nichols placed third in the discus throw.

#### Chicano golfers to hold Sunday tourney

The Chicano golf association will hold its monthly golf tournament at the Comanche Trail golf course.

The tournament will be a full person selective drive and all players must register by 9:45 Sunday.

For more information call 264-2366.

#### Last chance to sign-up for softball

The last chance for the United Girls Softball Association sign-ups will be 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Saturday at the Big Spring Mall.

#### Little league baseball umpires needed

The Little League Umpires Association is looking for anyone interested in umpiring baseball games this season.

For more information, call Don Hogan at 267-7421 or 394-4938 after 6 p.m.

#### Little league softball umpires needed

Umpires are needed for girls fast pitch softball for girls ages 4 and up.

For more information contact Pat at 264-0634.

#### Youngs' Spring softball tournament

There will be a softball tournament March 23-25 at Comanche Trail Park.

The entry fee is \$110. The deadline to register will be 9 p.m. March 22.

There will be first through third team trophies and t-shirts, 10 all-tournament awards, one golden glove and one MVP.

For more information contact David at 697-5705 or Bryan at 264-6673.

#### Lifeguard certification course offered

There will be a lifeguard certification course instructed by Harlan Smith, March 30-31 and April 1 at the Big Spring Family YMCA.

The cost is \$100 per person and the fee includes first aid and CPR certifications. To register come by 801 Owens St. or send registration fee to the YMCA, P.O. Box 1428.

## Strong pitching, hitting lift Lady Steers over Snyder

By KAMILAH WARD  
Sports Writer

Do or die time isn't a phrase taken lightly by any member of the Lady Steers softball team.

When it comes time to rack up the runs, they're a sure thing.

The Lady Steers entered the contest tied at 2-0 in District 4-4A with their opponents, Snyder's Lady Tigers.

But after Christina Gwyn's 14 strikeouts and Amy Jackson's last second heroine-type antics, the Lady Steers walked away Tuesday with a 3-0 record, sending Snyder home with their first loss in district.

The defense seemed to get the game headed in the right direction as Gwyn began her mid-afternoon shift in usual form, striking out the second and third batters after Leina Braxton managed the first out of the

day on a fly ball.

Offensively, the Lady Steers started their run in the bottom of the second inning off of catcher Erica Stewart's hit to left field bringing in Braxton for the score. Braxton originally got in position when first baseman Laura Olague put up a double on a fly ball to center field.

The momentum continued on the defensive end as Gwyn returned to strike out three in a row in the next inning.

With two outs, a runner on first and second, Braxton popped one out to right field bringing Tracy Padilla around for the score to take the 2-0 lead.

Snyder regained its composure and managed a little offense of their own scoring two unearned runs by Cameron Mackey and Kira Diaz after a couple of errors by the Lady Steers during the fourth inning.

For the next couple of innings things seem to settle down.

Subsequently at the top of the sixth, Diaz found a hole in right field, which opened the gates for the Lady Tigers. She managed to score on Valerie Hernandez' single to right field and the game then favored Snyder 3-2.

Of course Gwyn would go on to strike out the next two batters to close the inning trailing by one run.

"We have to work together," said Jackson. "We have to come out with our regular routine and get after it."

With everything weighing on the seventh inning stretch, Gwyn ending her day with her fourteenth strikeout over Jennifer Newman, the Lady Steers fate hung on the next few plays at bat.

Stewart who finished 2-of-3 on the day, stepped up on a full count and popped the ball out to left field landing a single on the play.

The next batter, second baseman Bridget Cain was out on a pop fly to right field.

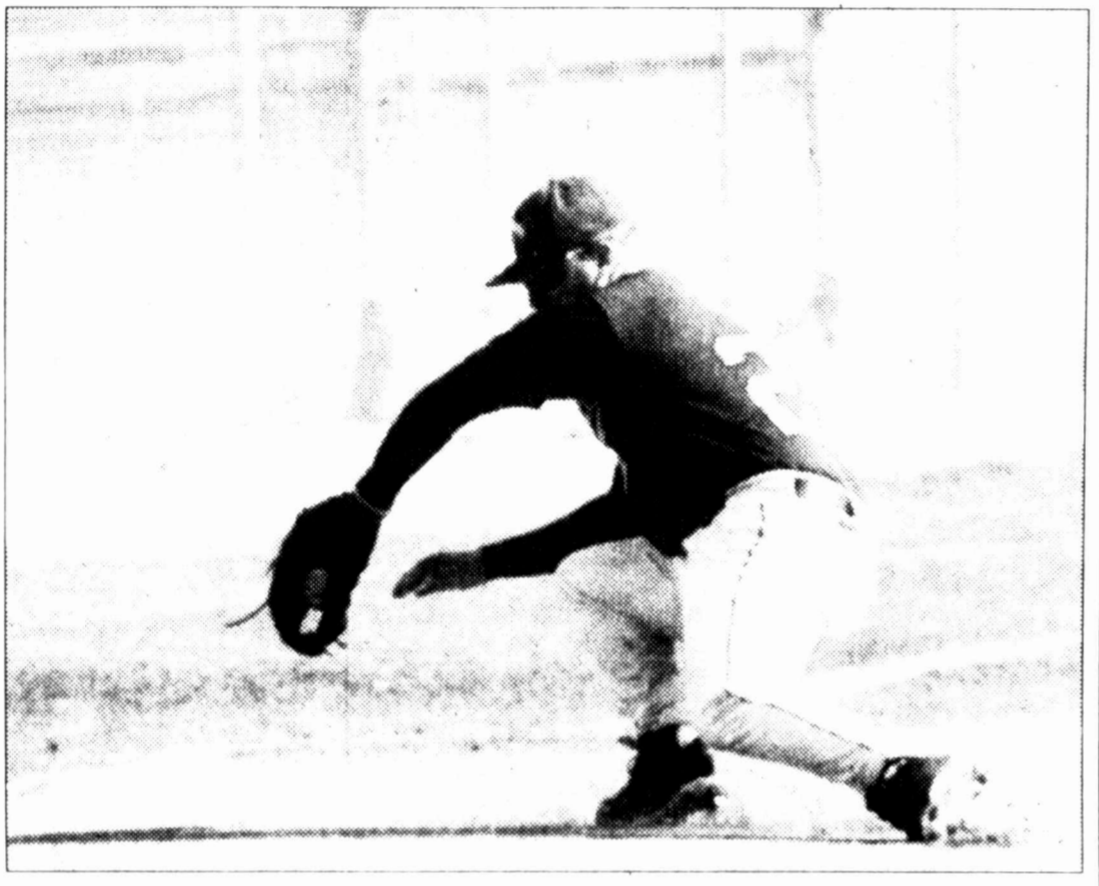
But Padilla stepped up and on Ashley Martinez' second pitch, she nailed a base hit to right field bringing Jackson up to bat.

Jackson who was 1-of-3 thus far was about to make her biggest mark of the day. She came in at the bottom of the seventh with two runners on base, never hesitating for a moment, she stepped up to plate and boom - smooth sailing to right field earning her a couple of RBIs and the Lady Steers' third win in district.

"We play well as a team," said Jackson after the win. "And we did that today."

To go along with her 14 strikeouts, Gwyn gave up three runs on four hits with Snyder leaving eight runners on base while the Lady Steers finished with four runs on nine hits.

The Lady Steers are still perfect in district and will travel to Andrews to face the Lady Mustangs Friday.



Howard College's Adrian Ballesteros (25) makes a backhand catch during the first inning of the Hawks first home game at Jack Barber field. The Hawks will play a four-game weekend conference series against New Mexico Military Institute.

## Hawks sweep twinbill

By KAMILAH WARD  
Sports Writer

It was one of those days for the Hawks.

You know the kind where they burn their opponents in the first game then turn around and steal one using a single inning to come from behind to take a one run win.

The Hawks did just that. After cruising to an 11-3 win in the first outing of the Tuesday's Western Junior College Athletic Conference double-header, Howard came from behind to take the 13-12 win over Garden City's Bronbusters.

The Hawks obliterated a 12-2 deficit in the bottom of the sixth and scored the next 11 runs to take their fourth win in conference. This puts them at 18-7 on the season and 4-4 in conference.

In the bottom of the eighth, with the bases loaded, Greg Lindsey put the game away with a single to bring home the win.

ning run. Casey Morton was the winning pitcher adding his second win under his belt and his first in conference.

In the first game, the Hawks started out with an error but quickly turned things around as Howard's defense sent the next three batters reaching for their gloves to take the field.

The Bronbusters staged their attack early in the second inning after Ruben Vioyra popped one over left field to take the 3-0 lead.

But the Hawks, who finished the game with 11 runs and 11 hits got their offense started in the bottom of the second scoring 7 of their 11 runs, four of which came from second baseman Zane Snook who hit a grand slam on his second at bat. He finished the game 3-of-4 at bat.

The Hawks never looked back using the third inning to score three more runs after Adrian Ballesteros sent one sailing over left field and added a couple of RBIs to his list of stats. Ballesteros seems to be

holding the big bat having knocked down a couple of home runs during his first meeting with the Midland Chaparrals at the Jack Barber field.

The winning pitcher on the day was Jamir Burke who finished the game with two strikeouts, giving up three runs off of eight hits.

Garden City never could get started after their three-run second inning. They managed to leave nine runners on base and finished the game with two errors. The losing pitcher for the Bronbusters was the relief pitcher Todd Maestas.

"We were worried about going into the weekend conference series after the bad start," said Hawks' head coach Justin Hays.

But the Hawks pulled out a late sweep Tuesday afternoon at the Jack Barber field.

The Hawks return to the field as they host a double-header against New Mexico Military Institute with the first game beginning at noon.

## Aggressive Ravens snare eager Searcy

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

OWINGS MILLS, Md. (AP) — Luring free agents has never been easier for the Baltimore Ravens, who have suddenly become very attractive to players looking for a new home.

Elvis Grbac took less money to join the Ravens than he would have received in Cincinnati, primarily because the quarterback wanted to be a part of the defending Super Bowl champions.

Like for Leon Searcy, who was eager to join the Ravens as soon as he learned Baltimore was interested in making him its starting right tackle.

"I was thankful, coming off a devastating injury, to have the world champions interested in me," said Searcy, who signed a \$31.5 million, six-year contract Tuesday. "They're already locked and loaded. I told my agent to just make it happen."

Not content to defend their Super Bowl title with a pat hand, the Ravens have been aggressive in free agency this winter. The additions of Grbac and Searcy should enhance an offense that last year ranked 16th among 31 teams.

"Clearly you can see what we're doing. We have to change the dynamic a little bit if we want to go back to the Super Bowl," Ravens coach Brian Billick said.

"I don't think there's any mistaking what our intentions are. We aren't sitting back. We feel these are huge steps in us getting back to the Super Bowl."

Baltimore signed Grbac last week to replace Trent Dilfer, who won his last 11 starts with the Ravens, but is considered a less efficient passer than his successor.

To give Grbac some protection, Baltimore signed Searcy. "I've got a big smile on my face. The offense has just gotten a lot better," Grbac said shortly after Searcy signed on.

Left tackle Jonathan Ogden is a four-time Pro

Bowl starter, and Searcy is a former Pro Bowler who will protect Grbac's other side.

Searcy, 31, is a significant improvement over last year's right tackle, 14-year veteran Harry Swayne. The addition of Searcy means the Ravens will probably release Swayne in the weeks ahead.

Although Searcy missed last season with a torn muscle in his right leg, the former Jacksonville Jaguar expects to be 100 percent by minicamp.

Shortly after the Ravens' 34-7 rout of the New York Giants in the Super Bowl, vice president of player personnel Ozzie Newsome said the team's priority in the offseason was to improve the offense.

Consider it done. The Ravens cleared salary cap room for Searcy by allowing starting center Jeff Mitchell to sign with Carolina, replacing him with the cheaper Mike Flynn, who moves from right guard. Kip Vickers and Orlando Bobo will compete for Flynn's vacated spot.

Either way, it beats the offensive line Baltimore used in the Super Bowl.

"I don't think there's any question this is a more dominant group," Billick said.

The Ravens are still hopeful they can keep the league's top defense intact as they negotiate with linebacker Jamie Sharper and safety Kim Herring, both free agents.

At this point, Baltimore is making all the right moves. That's why Grbac chose the Ravens despite receiving a more lucrative offer from the Cincinnati Bengals.

"I'm 30 now, I've got five or six years left and I want to get back to the Super Bowl," said Grbac, a backup on the 1994 world champion San Francisco 49ers.

"The direction of this organization is geared toward going back to the Super Bowl. Getting a player like (Searcy) says something to the players here and sends a message to everybody else in the NFL."

## Ankiel on target in spring debut; Brown and Jordan scuffle

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Atlanta Braves' trip to Vero Beach, Fla., turned into a violent afternoon.

Brian Jordan, upset at being hit by another spring-training pitch from Kevin Brown, grabbed the Los Angeles ace around the collar outside the Atlanta clubhouse Tuesday.

A policeman helped break up the tussle before it escalated into a full-scale brawl. There were no injuries, only bruised feelings.

The confrontation occurred before the fifth inning of the Dodgers' 7-3 win, far down the right-field corner. "I guess he was upset," Brown said. "He wanted to know if I'd hit him on purpose. I said, 'Good gracious, why would I hit you on purpose?'"

Atlanta catcher Javy Lopez broke his left ring finger blocking a pitch by Greg Maddux in the first inning

and will miss 3 to 4 weeks, making him doubtful for the season opener at Cincinnati on April 2.

Backup catcher Eddie Perez, who usually catches Maddux, had surgery after tearing his right rotator cuff early last season. He has yet to appear in an exhibition game and is not likely to be ready for the opener.

The Braves might rely on Paul Bako, acquired from the Florida Marlins last season.

In Jupiter, Fla., Rick Ankiel opened with seven straight strikes and pitched two scoreless innings in his first appearance in a spring game this year as the St. Louis Cardinals beat the New York Mets 12-5.

Ankiel, a 21-year-old left-hander, allowed one hit, struck out two and walked one. Last October, he threw nine wild pitches in four postseason innings.

At Mesa, Ariz., Sammy Sosa homered on the first pitch he saw as the Chicago Cubs beat the crosstown rival White Sox 10-1.

"I guess I felt great," Sosa said. "I made sure everything was in the right place, swung in the cage a bit and everything was fine. I guess I'm OK."

Sosa is close to signing a deal that will end trade speculation and could keep him with the Cubs for the rest of his career.

At Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Baltimore third baseman Cal Ripken tested his broken rib by hitting off a tee for the second consecutive day and said he expects to be ready for the start of the season.

Rangers (ss) 7, Red Sox (ss) 3  
At Port Charlotte, Fla., Chad Curtis and Andres Galarraga each hit solo home runs off Tim

Wakefield.

Twins (ss) 10, Red Sox 7  
At Fort Myers, Fla., David Cone left after the first inning because of pain in his right shoulder, but said he didn't think it was major. Manny Ramirez hit his first home run since joining Boston.

Twins (ss) 6, Expos 4  
At Fort Myers, Chad Allen hit a tiebreaking, two-run double off Matt Blank in the eighth.

Marlins 10, Orioles 3  
At Fort Lauderdale, Derrick Lee and B.J. Waszgis hit consecutive home runs off Pat Hentgen in the second inning. Cliff Floyd hit a two-run homer in the third, also off Hentgen.

The top 25 tea Associated Press' men's ketball poll, with first parentheses and rec Feb. 25:

1. Stanford (70)
2. Michigan St.
3. Duke
4. Illinois
5. Florida
6. North Carolina
7. Iowa St.
8. Arizona
9. Kansas
10. Boston College
11. Maryland
12. Virginia
13. UCLA
14. Mississippi
15. Kentucky
16. Oklahoma
17. Syracuse
18. Georgetown
19. Notre Dame
20. Texas
21. St. Joseph's
22. Wake Forest
23. Wisconsin
24. Ohio St.
25. Fresno St.

The top 25 team Associated Press' women's basketball poll, with first parentheses and rec. March 11:

1. Connecticut(32)
2. Notre Dame(5)
3. Tennessee(3)
4. Georgia
5. Duke
6. LouisianaTech
7. Oklahoma
8. IowaSt.
9. Purdue
10. Vanderbilt
11. Rutgers
12. Xavier
13. TexasTech
14. Florida
15. SWMissouriSt.
16. Iowa
17. Utah
18. LSU
19. N.C. State
20. Colorado
21. PennSt.
22. Clemson
23. Baylor
24. Wisconsin
25. ArizonaSt.
26. VirginiaTech

### TRANSACTION

#### BASEBALL

**American League**  
BALTIMORE ORIOLES: RHP Sean Douglass, Figueroa and RHP Mark Rochester of the 1 League.  
CLEVELAND INDIANS: RHP J.P. Brannan and Vargas to Buffalo of the League, and RHP Zack L. Roy Padilla to Akron of League. Assigned RHP LHP Scott Aldred, RHP J. INF Zack Sorensen and Santana to their minor le.  
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**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. 25:

- Stanford (70) 27.1
- Michigan St. 24.3
- Duke 26.4
- Illinois 23.6
- Florida 22.5
- North Carolina 23.5
- Iowa St. 25.4
- Arizona 21.7
- Kansas 23.5
- Boston College 23.4
- Maryland 20.9
- Virginia 20.7
- UCLA 20.7
- Mississippi 20.7
- Kentucky 19.9
- Oklahoma 23.6
- Syracuse 22.7
- Georgetown 19.8
- Notre Dame 23.7
- Texas 23.7
- Wake Forest 24.5
- St. Joseph's 19.9
- Wisconsin 18.9
- Ohio St. 20.9
- Fresno St. 24.5

**TOP 25 - WOMEN**

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- Connecticut (32) 28.2
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- Tennessee (3) 29.2
- Georgia 26.5
- Duke 28.3
- Louisiana Tech 28.4
- Oklahoma 26.5
- Iowa St. 25.5
- Purdue 26.6
- Vanderbilt 21.9
- Rutgers 22.7
- Xavier 28.2
- Texas Tech 23.6
- Florida 23.5
- SW Missouri St. 25.5
- UConn 20.9
- Utah 26.3
- LSU 19.10
- N.C. State 20.10
- Colorado 21.8
- Penn St. 19.9
- Clemson 20.9
- Baylor 21.8
- Wisconsin 18.9
- Arizona St. 20.10
- Virginia Tech 21.8

**TRANSACTIONS**

**BASEBALL**  
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SEATTLE MARINERS—Options RHP Jake Meyer and RHP Justin Kaves to Tacoma of the PCL, and RHP Rafael Soriano to San Bernardino of the California League.  
TAMPA BAY DEVIL RAYS—Reassigned LHP Bill Pulsipher, RHP Delvin James, RHP Derrin Ebert, RHP Victor Zambrano, OF Carl Crawford, OF Chris Hatcher, C Paul Hoover and INF Ron Wright to their minor league camp. Loaned RHP Santos Hernandez to Mexico City of the Mexican League.  
**National League**  
CHICAGO CUBS—Options RHP Chris Gissell, RHP Mike Meyers, RHP Ruben Quevedo, LHP Nate Teut, RHP Jay Yarnaco, INF Eric Merak, INF Jason Smith, OF Ross Gload and OF Jansen Randolph to Iowa of the PCL, and INF Nate Fries to West Tenn of the Southern League. Returned INF Bobby Hill and C YoonMin Kwon to their minor league camp.  
**NEW YORK GIANTS**—Named Fred von Appen special teams coach.  
**HOCKEY**  
**National Hockey League**  
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**NBA STANDINGS**

EASTERN CONFERENCE			
Atlantic Division			
Team	W	L	Pct
Philadelphia	47	16	.746
New York	38	26	.594
Miami	38	27	.585
Orlando	34	29	.540
Boston	27	37	.422
New Jersey	22	44	.333
Washington	15	48	.238
Central Division			
Team	W	L	Pct
Milwaukee	39	24	.619
Charlotte	37	27	.578
Toronto	35	30	.538
Indiana	27	35	.435
Detroit	24	39	.381
Cleveland	23	40	.365
Atlanta	20	45	.308
Chicago	11	51	.177
WESTERN CONFERENCE			
Midwest Division			
Team	W	L	Pct
San Antonio	44	19	.698
Utah	43	19	.694
Dallas	41	23	.641
Minnesota	38	26	.594
Houston	36	29	.554
Denver	31	34	.477
Vancouver	20	45	.308
Pacific Division			
Team	W	L	Pct
Sacramento	43	19	.694
L.A. Lakers	42	21	.612
Portland	42	22	.656
Phoenix	37	25	.597
Seattle	33	33	.500
L.A. Clippers	27	44	.383
Golden State	16	48	.250

x clinched playoff spot

**Tuesday's Games**  
Milwaukee 101, Toronto 97  
Atlanta 109, Vancouver 99  
New York 98, Cleveland 79  
Sacramento 114, Orlando 108, OT  
Houston 127, Indiana 118, 3OT  
Dallas 122, New Jersey 98  
Seattle 99, Portland 90  
L.A. Lakers 112, Boston 107

**Today's Games**  
Detroit at Washington, 6 p.m.  
Orlando at Cleveland, 6:30 p.m.  
Sacramento at Miami, 6:30 p.m.

terms with QB Gus Ferrette on a one-year contract.  
GREEN BAY PACKERS—Resigned G Marco Rivera to a four-year contract extension.  
KANSAS CITY CHIEFS—Waived P K Todd Sauerbrun.  
MINNESOTA VIKINGS—Signed TE Andrew Jordan.  
NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS—Signed LB Mike Vrabel. Terminated the contracts of NT Henry Thomas and S Larry Whigham. Waived WR Tony Hamler. Resigned NT Garrett Johnson.  
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EDMONTON OILERS—Acquired D Sven Butenschon from Pittsburgh for F Dan LaCour.  
FLORIDA PANTHERS—Acquired C Kevin Adams from Columbus for C Ray Whitney. Reassigned RW Paul Brousseau to Louisville of the AHL. Recalled LW Andrej Podkonicky from Louisville.  
MONTREAL CANADIENS—Traded C Trevor Linden, RW Dainius Zubrus and a 2001 second-round draft pick to Washington for F Jan Bulis, F Richard Zednik and a 2001 first-round draft pick.  
OTTAWA SENATORS—Acquired D Craig Millar from Tampa Bay for F John Emmons. Acquired C Mike Sillinger from Florida for a 2001 third-round draft pick and future considerations. Acquired D Curtis Leschyshyn from Minnesota for a 2001 third-round draft pick and future considerations.  
PHILADELPHIA FLYERS—Traded D Dean Melanson to Washington for C Matthew Herr.  
PITTSBURGH PENGUINS—Traded F Keith Kachuk to St. Louis for C Michael Handzus, RW Ladislav Nagy, F Jeff Taffe and a 2001 first-round draft pick. Acquired D Todd Simpson from Florida for a 2001 second-round draft pick. Assigned D David Cullen and G Patrick DesRochers to Springfield of the AHL.  
PENSACOLA FLAMES—Acquired D Fransek Kucera from Columbus for a 2001 sixth-round draft pick.  
ST. LOUIS BLUES—Claimed C Sebastien Bordeleau off waivers from Nashville.  
TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS—Acquired D Ben Berg from Los Angeles for C Adam Mair and a 2001 second-round draft pick.

**NCAA TOURNAMENT**

**NCAA Basketball Tournament**  
**OPENING ROUND**  
Tuesday, March 13  
At University of Dayton Arena  
Dayton, Ohio  
Northwestern State 71, Winthrop 67

**EAST REGIONAL**  
Thursday, March 15  
Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum  
Uniondale, N.Y.  
Kentucky (22-9) vs. Holy Cross (22-7), 11:20 p.m.  
Iowa (22-11) vs. Creighton (24-7), 30 minutes after previous game.  
Boston College (26-4) vs. Southern Utah (25-5), 6:40 p.m.  
Southern California (21-9) vs. Oklahoma State (20-9), 30 minutes after previous game.  
**Greenboro Coliseum**  
Greensboro, N.C.  
Ohio State (20-10) vs. Utah State (27-5), 11:25 p.m.  
UCLA (21-8) vs. Hofstra (26-4), 30 minutes after previous game.  
Duke (29-4) vs. Monmouth (N.J.) (21-9), 6:40 p.m.  
Georgia (16-14) vs. Missouri (19-12), 30 minutes after previous game.

**Second Round**  
Saturday, March 17  
Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum  
Uniondale, N.Y.  
Boston College Southern Utah winner vs. Southern California/Oklahoma State winner, 4:30 p.m.  
Kentucky/Holy Cross winner vs. Iowa/Creighton winner, 30 minutes after previous game.  
**Greenboro Coliseum**  
Greensboro, N.C.  
Duke/Monmouth, N.J. winner vs. Georgia/Missouri winner, 12:10 p.m.  
UCLA/Hofstra winner vs. Ohio State/Utah State winner, 30 minutes after previous game.  
**First Union Center**  
Philadelphia

**Regional Semifinals**  
Thursday, March 22  
Kentucky/Holy Cross—Iowa/Creighton winner vs. Boston College/Southern Utah—Southern California/Oklahoma State winner  
Duke/Monmouth, N.J.—Georgia/Missouri winner vs. UCLA/Hofstra—Ohio State/Utah State winner  
**Regional Championship**  
Saturday, March 24  
Semifinal winners

**SOUTH REGIONAL**  
**First Round**  
Friday, March 16  
**The Pyramid**  
Memphis, Tenn.  
Virginia (20-8) vs. Gonzaga (24-6), 11:25 p.m.  
Oklahoma (26-6) vs. Indiana State (21-11), 30 minutes after previous game.  
Michigan State (24-4) vs. Alabama State (22-8), 6:40 p.m.  
California (20-10) vs. Fresno State (25-6), 30 minutes after previous game.  
**Louisiana Superdome**  
New Orleans  
Texas (25-8) vs. Temple (21-12), 11:30 p.m.  
North Carolina (25-6) vs. Western Kentucky (24-6), 30 minutes after previous game.  
Penn State (19-11) vs. Providence (21-9), 6:50 p.m.  
North Carolina-Princeton winner vs. Princeton (16-10), 30 minutes after previous game.  
**Second Round**  
Sunday, March 18  
**The Pyramid**  
Memphis, Tenn.  
Oklahoma-Indiana State winner vs. Virginia-Gonzaga winner, 1:15 p.m.  
Michigan State-Alabama State winner vs. California-Fresno State winner, 30 minutes after previous game.  
**The Louisiana Superdome**  
New Orleans  
Texas-Western Kentucky winner vs. Texas-Temple winner, 1:30 p.m.  
North Carolina-Princeton winner vs. Penn State-Providence winner, 30 minutes after previous game.  
**The Georgia Dome**  
Atlanta  
**Regional Semifinals**  
Friday, March 23  
Michigan State-Alabama State—California-Fresno State winner vs. Oklahoma-Indiana State—Virginia-Gonzaga winner  
North Carolina-Princeton—Penn State-Providence winner vs. Florida-Western Kentucky—Texas-Temple winner  
**Regional Championship**  
Sunday, March 25  
Semifinal winners

**MIDWEST REGIONAL**  
**First Round**  
Friday, March 16  
University of Dayton Arena  
Dayton, Ohio  
Illinois (24-7) vs. Northwestern State (19-12), 11:15 p.m.  
Tennessee (22-10) vs. Charlotte (21-10), 30 minutes after previous game.  
Kansas (24-6) vs. Cal State Northridge (22-9), 6:40 p.m.  
Syracuse (24-8) vs. Hawaii (17-13), 30 minutes after previous game.  
**Kemper Arena**  
Kansas City, Mo.  
Wake Forest (19-10) vs. Butler (23-7), 11:30 p.m.  
Arizona (23-7) vs. Eastern Illinois (21-9), 30 minutes after previous game.  
North Dakota (25-7) vs. Iowa (22-10), 6:55 p.m.  
Notre Dame (19-9) vs. Xavier (21-7), 30 minutes after previous game.  
**Second Round**  
Sunday, March 18  
University of Dayton Arena  
Dayton, Ohio  
Kansas-Cal State Northridge winner vs. Syracuse-Hawaii winner, 11:10 p.m.  
Illinois-Northwestern State winner vs. Tennessee-Charlotte winner, 30 minutes after previous game.  
Arizona-Eastern Illinois winner vs. Wake Forest-Butler winner, 1:20 p.m.

**Lady Steers junior high track teams open season in style**

**HERALD Staff Reports** teams made strong appearances.

They claimed first place in all three relays beginning with the team of Arianne Brown, Stefani Scott, Cyneclye Tuit and Vanessa Bustamante who finished in a time of 53.1 in the 4 x 100 relay. In the 4 x 200, Shannon Higgins, Elida Rodriguez, April Salazar and Cindy Padron finished in a time of 2:02.6 while Brown combined with Scott, Tuit and Bustamante for the top spot in the 4 x 400 relay finishing in a time of 4:31.2.

In other running events, Bustamante won the 100 meter dash while Salazar placed third. Tuit led in the 200 meter dash placing first while relay teammate Scott placed close behind in third. Kendal Adams led the way in the 400 meter run while Kassey Forman finished fourth and Veronica Villareal placed fifth. Holli Mayfield placed fourth in the 800 meter run while Rodriguez finished sixth in the 300 meter hurdles.

Ashley Martinez led the way for the long distance runners, placing first in the 1600 meter run while Mayfield followed close behind placing third.

In the field events, Amisha Vanderbilt placed first in the shot put and the discuss throw while Heather Vassar threw for second place and Chelsea Abner placed fifth. In the triple jump Bustamante added a fourth place finish to her wins on Friday while Tuit placed fourth in the long jump and Scott finished fifth.

The Big Spring junior high Lady Steers opened their track season Friday at the Walker junior high relays in Monahans.

For the seventh grade team, the Lady Steers finished in second place with a total of 100 points.

Leading the way in the field events was Monica Fierro who placed first in the shot put, Moshae Hurrington followed close behind in second place while Roxie Hernandez pulled out a sixth place finish. Hurrington returned in the discuss throw to take second place. In the triple jump, Carmen Lewis placed third while teammate Reagan Ritchey finished sixth. Lewis took fourth place in the long jump.

In the relays, Ritchey and Lewis teamed up with Ingrid Pudliner and Lynsey Chalker for the first place finish in the 4 x 400 relay in a time of 2:02.

The 4 x 200 relay team of Ashton Evans, Kacy Smith, Heather Policky and Courtney Rodriguez placed sixth in a time of 2:10.

In other running events, Chalker also took first in the 200 meter dash while Lewis placed second in the 100 meter. Brenn Swinney placed second in the 400 meter run while Evans placed fourth. Pudliner also finished third in the 300 meter hurdles while Amy Grant placed fourth in the 800 meter run.

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, March 15, 2001:**

You easily zero in on what you want this year. You have unusual wit and charm, and you are more alluring than you know. Go for what your heart desires and what your head covets. Don't sit on the back burner. The world is your oyster. You can make anything possible. You could decide to change your field. Be willing to do whatever is ultimately necessary. If you are single, your love life gets new energy in late 2001. Within a year, you could meet someone special. If you are attached, your relationship becomes stronger because of your willingness to indulge that special person. Why make problems where there are none? SAGITTARIUS pushes your buttons.

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)**

\*\*\*\* Reach out for someone at a distance. Use your high energy and direction. Turn your thinking inside-out. Refuse to limit yourself with negative thinking. Others respond to your caring ways. Tonight: Plan your weekend.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)**

\*\*\*\* A partner means well and expresses himself meaningfully. Not everyone understands where you are coming from. Rather than being challenged by the questions, respond openly. Edge away from being over-

ly sensitive. Tonight: Share with a trusted partner.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)**

\*\*\*\* You don't have much to do other than sorting through proposals, phone calls and invitations. Popularity soars, bringing a multitude of options. Don't be worried if another changes his position. People change, situations change. Tonight: Just don't be alone.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)**

\*\*\*\* Join in on a project, and you'll clear it out before you know it. Others respect your advice and appreciate your help. Understand that you are a key player. Make what you want possible. Realize a long-term goal. Take the first step in making it happen. Tonight: Get some exercise!

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)**

\*\*\*\* Learn to understand another by giving him some space. Your sense about someone changes once you allow more detachment and make fewer demands. Experiment with different ideas. Your ingenuity meets challenges. Use your natural assets. Tonight: Play the night away.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)**

\*\*\*\* Deal with a partner. You can trust that this person only has the best intentions. Openly review a problem that could impact your investments or home life. Know that there are solutions. Simply seek them out. Don't start a problem where there is none. Tonight: Listen to a loved one.

**HOROSCOPE**

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)**  
\*\*\*\* Someone has a lot to communicate. Your view of what can happen here and what is possible could change radically. You might not be aware of how much another cares about you. Discussions revise your point of view. Accept an offer, smiling. Tonight: Be with a special friend.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)**

\*\*\*\* Your finances gain because of your natural talents and ways. Others respond to your energy and savoir-faire. You might opt to spend a little in the hopes that you could make more money. Weigh a risk carefully. Understand your limits and communicate them. Tonight: Treat yourself.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)**

\*\*\*\* You win others over. Understand what is going on with others before you make a decision. Another's offer could be so attractive that you can't say no. Don't turn yourself inside-out while trying to understand someone better. Be open. Tonight: Anything goes.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**

\*\*\*\* Do a better job of pulling back and listening. Answers come through the back door. Be sunny and expressive with loved ones and family. You get an unusual perspective and feedback. Revel in the possibilities. Understand how

you can sometimes block yourself. Tonight: Rest up. Surprises are on the way.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)**

\*\*\*\* Stay focused on your objectives. You understand a lot more about what is motivating you. Use your charm. Realize more of what you want through networking and friendship. Your appeal draws others. Ask for what you want. Tonight: Favorite spot, favorite people.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)**

\*\*\*\* Take charge, and use your sense of direction. Realize what is happening with someone close to you. Information that comes to you is key. You have a unique ability to make money. A boss or someone in charge changes his direction. Tonight: In the limelight.

**BORN TODAY**

**Musician Sly Stone (1943),** former president Andrew Jackson (1767), model/actor Fabio (1961)

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**Friends spoil a couple's anticipation of first baby**

Dear Ann Landers: Thank you for letting people know about National Alcohol Screening Day. I have seen firsthand the results of that column and want you to know how much you are helping people by printing this information.

Last year, a man in his 50s came to the screening. He was crying and upset because he had tried to stop drinking several times, without success. He had lost his home, job, friends and family. At the screening, the man met with a professional who was also able to pinpoint signs of depression and anxiety. Today, with treatment from a therapist and psychiatrist, this gentleman is no longer drinking. The screening day was the beginning of a new life for him.

He was not the only one helped. A teenage girl contacted us because she was worried about her stepfather and suspected he may be an alcoholic. We gave her educational information and referred her to treatment services that could help her stepfather. We also referred her to counseling and support services for family members of alcoholics.

Ann, please let people know if alcohol is disrupting their lives, or if they are concerned about a spouse, child or friend. National Alcohol Screening Day can be a first step. The screening is free and anonymous, and there will be an opportunity to talk to a professional who can offer additional help. Screening can be an important step toward getting better. - Jill Kartisek, Director of Education, Mental Health Association, Northern Kentucky

Dear Jill Kartisek: Thank you for giving me this opportunity to once again mention National Alcohol Screening Day. Approximately one-half of U.S. adults report a family history of alcoholism or problem drinking. Of those who require professional treatment, only one in 10 receives the help he or she needs.

Heavy drinking raises the risk for high blood pressure, heart disease, certain cancers, accidents, violence, suicides and birth defects. Alcohol is a factor in the three leading causes

of death (car accidents, homicides and suicides) among those aged 15 to 24.

This year, National Alcohol Screening Day is Thursday, April 5. Free, anonymous screening programs will be held at over 2,500 sites across the country. The screenings are designed for all ages, and there is also a college-oriented portion that targets students who are risky drinkers, with a focus on binge drinking.

Here are some questions to ask yourself if you think you may have an alcohol problem: Do you drink to calm your nerves, forget your worries or boost your mood? Do you feel guilty when you drink? Have you made previous attempts to stop drinking or cut down, without success? Do you lie about your drinking? Have you caused harm to yourself or someone else as a result of drinking? Do you need to drink in increasingly greater amounts in order to achieve the desired effect? Do you feel irritable, resentful or unreasonable when you aren't drinking?

As part of the screening program, participants will learn about alcohol problems and have the opportunity to complete a brief questionnaire to assess whether they have an alcohol problem. In addition, they will be able to talk privately with a health professional and be given the names and phone numbers of support services and treatment programs in their area.

If you or someone you care about has an alcohol problem, call 1-800-697-6700 to find out about screening sites in your area. Don't procrastinate. Call today.

An alcohol problem? How can you help yourself or someone you love? "Alcoholism: How to Recognize It, How to Deal With It, How to Conquer It" will give you the answers. Send a self-addressed, long, business-size envelope and a check or money order for \$3.75 (this includes postage and handling) to: Alcohol, c/o Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, Ill. 60611-0562. (In Canada, send \$4.55.) To find out more about Ann Landers and read her past columns, visit the Creators Syndicate web page at [www.creators.com](http://www.creators.com).

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7:30	Drew Carey Spin City (CC)	70s Show Grounded-Life	Charlotte Church	Movie: The Amati Girls (CC)	Survivor: Aust. Outback	Drew Carey Spin City (CC)	Ed (CC)	Ripley's Believe It or Not!	Abrazame Muy Fuerte	(CC) (40) Movie: Selma, Lord, Selma (CC)	Martial Law (CC)	The Outsiders (CC)	Movie: The Talented Mr. Ripley (CC)	Sex and-City Arliss (CC)	Biography (CC)	Riddle-Desert Mummies	NBA Basketball Timberwolves at Spurs	Secret World-Carners	
8:30	Drew Carey Spin City (CC)	Simpsons Simpsons	Irish Tenors Ellis Island	Big Apple (CC)	Drew Carey Spin City (CC)	West Wing (CC)	WCV Thunder	En las Mejores Familias	Learning Diff.	(9:50) Movie: Ms. Bear	Magnificent Seven (CC)	(35) Movie: Soul Food	On the Record (CC)	News Life in Word	Law & Order (CC)	Discovery Riddle-Desert Mummies	NBA Movie: Cover Up	Monster Trucks	
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12:30	AM Paid Program	Judge-Brown Cops (CC)	Spirit--A Journey in Dance	Guthy Renker Paid Program	Street Smarts	(12:06) Oprah Winfrey (CC)	Night (CC) Fraser	Marmar	Walt Disney Presents	Starky and Hutch	(35) Movie: Movie: The Exception to	Movie: The Exception to	Movie: The Exception to	Faith Pleases God	American Justice (CC)	Discovery Secrets of the Great Wall	Movie: Private Wars		

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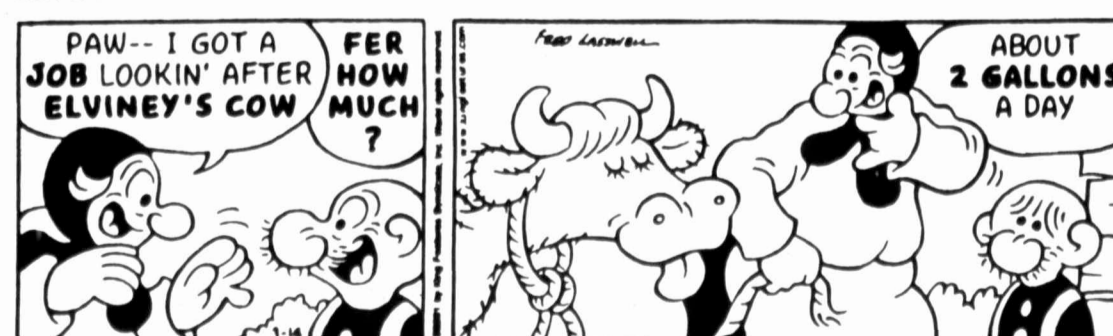
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

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Today is Wednesday, March 14, the 73rd day of 2001. There are 292 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 14, 1951, during the Korean War, forces from the United Nations recaptured Seoul.

On this date: In 1743, the first recorded town meeting in America was held, at Faneuil Hall in Boston.

In 1794, Eli Whitney received a patent for his cotton gin, an invention that revolutionized America's cotton industry.

In 1900, Congress ratified the Gold Standard Act.

In 1923, President Warren G. Harding became the first chief executive to file an income tax report.

In 1939, the republic of Czechoslovakia was dissolved, opening the way for Nazi occupation.

In 1943, Aaron Copland's orchestral work "Fanfare for the Common Man" premiered in New York, with George Szell conducting.

In 1964, a jury in Dallas found Jack Ruby guilty of murdering Lee Harvey Oswald, the accused assassin of President Kennedy.

In 1965, Israel's cabinet formally approved establishment of diplomatic relations with West Germany.

In 1967, the body of President John F. Kennedy was moved from a temporary grave to a permanent memorial site at Arlington National Cemetery.

In 1980, a Polish airliner crashed while making an emergency landing near Warsaw, killing all 87 people aboard, including 22 members of a U.S. amateur boxing team.

Today's Birthdays: Cartoonist Hank Ketcham ("Dennis the Menace") is 81. Former astronaut Frank Borman is 73. Singer Phil

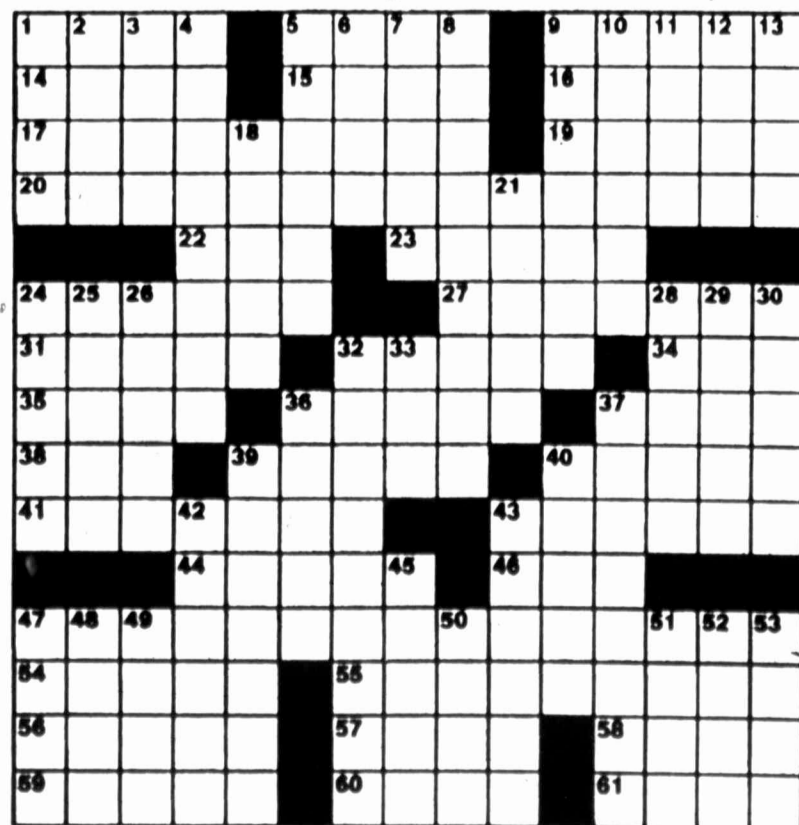
Phillips is 70. Actor Michael Caine is 68. Composer-conductor Quincy Jones is 68. Former astronaut Eugene Cernan is 67. Movie director Wolfgang Petersen is 60. Rock musician Walt Parazader (Chicago) is 56. Actor Steve Kanaly is 55. Comedian Billy Crystal is 53. Country singer Jann Browne is 47. Actor Adrian Zmed is 47. Prince Albert of Monaco is 43. Actress Megan Follows is 33. Actor Jake Fogelnet is 22. Actress Kate Maberly is 19. Singer-musician Taylor Hanson (Hanson) is 18.

Answer to previous puzzle

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Newsday Crossword ANOTHER BORING PUZZLE by R. Silvestri Edited by Stanley Newman

- ACROSS
- 1 Alan or Robert
- 5 Casual talk
- 9 Me, Myself and (Carrey film)
- 14 Delhi wrap
- 15 Alpine river
- 16 Diver's sighting
- 17 Repetitive procedure
- 19 Play to the last row
- 20 Boring animals
- 22 PC linkup
- 23 Keen
- 24 Capital of Eritrea
- 27 Hibernia
- 31 Lose a lap?
- 32 Deca-doubled
- 34 Pastoral setting
- 35 Give a hoot
- 36 Provide
- 37 Unlike this clue
- 38 Pitch in
- 39 Stuffs to the gills
- 40 Made pay
- 41 Ape or chimp
- 43 Company lover?
- 44 Mild smoke
- 46 Dada daddy
- 47 Boring tools
- 54 "Doe, ..."
- 55 Baranski of Welcome to New York
- 56 Boston airport
- 57 No-win situations?
- 11 Switch ending
- 12 Fed.
- 13 Part of an Appomattox signature
- 18 Tony or Edgar
- 21 Nightingale, for one
- 24 BMI rival
- 25 Stories connector
- 26 \_\_\_ Gras
- 28 Without support
- 29 Updated
- 30 Beau Brummell
- 32 Has synergy
- 33 B followers
- 36 Worry
- 37 Military message
- 39 Italian port
- 40 Puts into the kiln
- 42 "American Pie" singer
- 43 Poughkeepsie college
- 45 "\_\_\_ Blindness" (Milton sonnet)
- 47 Vex
- 48 Golden call
- 49 Metric prefix
- 50 Vestige
- 51 Oscar-winner Sorvino
- 52 Organic compound
- 53 Confiscated property, informally



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By BETTY DEBNAM

**Hello, Alexander Graham Bell**

Hello! What in the world would life be without our telephone to call friends and family? We celebrate the 125th anniversary of that first call with the story of the unusual inventor

who would have preferred to be remembered for his work with the deaf. Hello, Alexander Graham Bell.

**The first call**

It was on March 10, 1876, in Boston, that Bell called, "Mr. Watson, come here. I want you!"

About six months later, Bell made the first long-distance call over wires stretching for eight miles.

**His family background**

Bell got his lifelong interest in speech and hearing from his family. His grandfather, Alexander Bell, was an actor and a speech therapist who helped treat such problems as stammering.

His father, Alexander Melville Bell, was a teacher who wrote textbooks on speaking correctly.

His father also invented Visual Speech, a way of teaching the deaf how to speak by using pictures to show how to make certain sounds.

His mother, Eliza Symonds Bell, was a painter and a musician. She lost her hearing when Aleck was about 12.



Alexander Graham Bell with his wife, Mabel, and their daughters, Elsie (left) and Marian. They also had two sons who died soon after birth. Mabel Hubbard lost her hearing from scarlet fever when she was a young girl. She later became one of Alexander Graham Bell's students.

**As a young man**

Alexander Graham Bell was born March 3, 1847, in Edinburgh, Scotland. His family called him Aleck.

Even as a child, he showed a lively interest in teaching speech. He even tried to teach his dog to talk. He taught it to growl while he moved its mouth and vocal cords.

What came out sounded something like, "How are you, Grandma?"

When he was younger, Aleck planned on becoming a musician. From the time he was a toddler, he could play any music he heard.

When he was 16, he taught music and speech at a boy's school in Scotland. He later attended the University of Edinburgh. After college he taught full time.

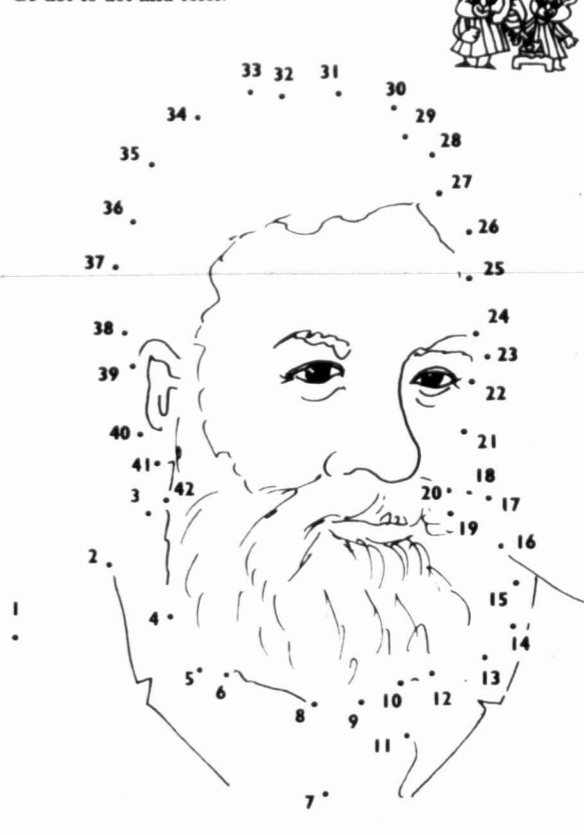
When he was 17, he and his two brothers made a talking machine out of a skull and other materials. When they made the skull cry "Mama," neighbors thought a baby was crying.

When his brothers died of tuberculosis, and Aleck also became ill, his father moved the family to a healthier climate in Canada. Aleck began teaching the deaf in America.



Aleck at age 11.

Go dot to dot and color.



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**Rookie Cookies Recipe Cinnamon Twists**

- You'll need:**
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
  - 1/4 cup sugar
  - 1 (12-ounce) package refrigerated biscuits
  - 2 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted
- What to do:**
1. In a bowl, combine cinnamon and sugar. Mix well.
  2. Separate biscuits. Using your hands, roll each one into a piece about 8 inches long. Pinch ends together to seal.
  3. Dip each piece in melted butter or margarine, then into cinnamon-sugar mixture.
  4. Twist each biscuit to form a figure 8.
  5. Place several inches apart on an ungreased baking sheet. Bake in a preheated 400-degree oven for 11-14 minutes.



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**Height: 6-0 Weight: 145 Birthdate: 3-25-71 College: Texas Tech**

The winner of last year's WNBA Most Valuable Player and Defensive Player of the Year was Sheryl Swoopes. She has spent her entire professional career playing forward for the Houston Comets. Last year she averaged 20.7 points per game. Her best game was 31 points against the Phoenix Mercury. She also played on the Olympic basketball team.

Sheryl, who has a 3-year-old son, would like to work in sports broadcasting when she retires from playing basketball. Her hobbies are playing volleyball and video games and shooting pool. Some of her favorite foods are Mexican food and pralines 'n' cream ice cream.

**Meet Kimberly J. Brown**

Kimberly J. Brown, 16, has been acting since she was 5. She got her start by acting in commercials and modeling. At age 7, she was acting on Broadway. She was also in the Disney TV movies "Halloweentown" and "Quints." She was one of the voices in the movie "A Bug's Life."

Kimberly grew up in Gaithersburg, Md., with three younger brothers. She lived for a while in New York City and now lives in California. Her hobbies are reading, in-line skating, drawing and swimming. Her favorite group is the Backstreet Boys, and "Grease" is one of her favorite movies. Some of her favorite foods are garlic pasta, pumpkin pie, kiwi and cherries.

**MIGHTY FUNNY'S Funny Phonics**

It's fun to learn phonics, or the way letters sound. This week's target sound is the one made by the letters ai, as in the word **pail**.

**Abby:** What did the angry trainer say to the elephant?  
**Jeanne:** "Pack up your trunk and get out!"

**Andy:** What did the giraffe say when it started raining?  
**Adam:** "That hits the spot!"

**Megan:** What is the best way to grow fat?  
**Brittany:** Raise pigs!

Go on an Ai word hunt. What other words can you find that use the Ai sound? What sound do you hear?

**Alexander Graham Bell TRY 'N FIND**

Words that remind us of Alexander Graham Bell are hidden in the blocks below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. See if you can find: ALEXANDER, GRAHAM, BELL, TELEPHONE, INVENT, WIRES, ELECTRICAL, DEAF, KITE, BOAT, AIRPLANE, PRONOUNCE, LECTURE, MUSICIAN, WIFE, VOCAL.

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**Mini Spy ...**

Mini Spy and Basset Brown are using the telephone, an invention of Alexander Graham Bell. See if you can find:

- carrot
- word MINI
- ruler
- sleeping moon
- number 8
- pencil
- arrow
- kite
- strawberry
- saw
- pumpkin
- sailboat
- bell

**Hello, Again, Alexander Graham Bell**

**Inventing the phone**

Bell was only 29 when he received the patent (or legal credit) for the telephone.

What he learned from music and while working with the deaf helped him make that invention. Also, when he needed money for the research, parents of deaf students helped him out.

With this money he was able to hire his famous assistant, Thomas Watson. After he married, he and his wife moved to Washington, D.C. They also kept a home in Canada. Bell later became a U.S. citizen.

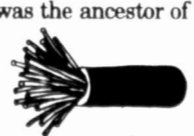
For 45 more years after he invented the phone, he led an active life as an inventor and teacher of the deaf. He died in 1922.

**Another phone**

Four years after he invented the telephone, Bell and another assistant, Charles Tainter, developed a way to send sound over a beam of light. This was the first time speech had been sent without wires.

Bell called the machine the "photophone." He was so proud of it he wanted to name his daughter Photophone. His wife did not go along with that idea.

The photophone was the ancestor of today's fiber optics, where information is sent over laser light beams.



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Look through your newspaper for ads or stories about the phone. Next week The Mini Page is about Florida.

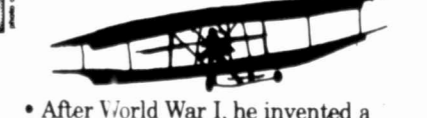


Alexander Graham Bell walks with three of his 10 grandchildren.



After President Garfield was shot in 1881, Bell invented a machine to find the bullet in the president's body. Unfortunately, the metal bedsprings confused the results. But Bell's invention did help doctors treat many soldiers in World War I.

- a machine to remove the salt from sea water to make it drinkable
- a medical jacket to help injured people breathe. This led to the iron lung, which was later used for polio victims. Bell invented it after his infant son died because of breathing problems.
- He led a group to build some of the first planes. They invented the three-wheel landing gear and wing flaps to help steer the plane.



After World War I, he invented a boat that could run over water where mines had been set.

This boat, the hydrofoil, was the fastest boat in the world at about 71 mph. Bell tested small models of this boat in his bathtub.



Alexander Graham Bell was the second president of National Geographic. He also wrote for the magazine under the name H.A. Largeham, which spells A. Graham Bell when you unmix the letters.

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