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WEATHER

Tonight:



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TONIGHT 43°-46° SATURDAY 65°-70°

Daylight savings takes place on Sunday at 2 a.m.

It will be time to "spring forward" Sunday morning as we make the shift back to daylight-saving time.

The official time of the change is 2 a.m. Sunday, when all clocks should be moved ahead one hour. However, most people prefer to make the change before going to sleep on Saturday night. Those who don't will be an hour late for church or other activities on Sunday.

Daylight-saving time lasts until Oct. 28.

Local fire officials also urge people to use this occasion to change the batteries in all home smoke detectors, to make sure they will work if needed.

'What I Did' goes on stage Monday at high school

The Big Spring High School one-act play student will perform "What I Did Last Summer," for the public on Monday.

The performance will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the high school auditorium. Tickets will be available at the door for \$2.

The ensemble cast will be performing the play at the University Interscholastic League area contest in Snyder on April 6 against six other schools.

WEEKEND TICKET

TODAY

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

SATURDAY

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

The Potton House, 200 Gregg, a restored historic home, is open from 1 to 5 p.m.

Fund-raiser at the VFW Post on Driver Road to benefit the Big Spring Vietnam Memorial. Chili supper, 4:30-7:30 p.m., \$5 adults, \$3 children; dance at 8 p.m., tickets \$7 each.

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Crestar customers are back on line after dial-up number was reassigned

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Managing Editor

Several thousand Crestar Communications customers found themselves without access to the Internet for much of the day Thursday when the company's dial-up number was inadvertently re-assigned by the telephone

company. According to Bob Wilson, executive vice president of both Crestar Communications and Westex Telecom, the outage lasted approximately



WILSON

15 hours. He said full service was re-established by 3 p.m. Thursday.

"It's one of those situations where one bad key stroke in a computer can take quite a while to correct," Wilson explained.

"Southwestern Bell inadvertently assigned our dial-

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2001: The Crossroads' Odyssey

A week-long series that takes an in-depth look at our community's past, present and future.

Sunday — Education

Monday — Living

Tuesday — Agricultural, Industry and Oil

Wednesday — Government

Thursday — Hospitals and Health

Today — Religion

Combs: Future of agriculture bright

By BILL McCLELLAN
News Editor

Promoting the Lone Star State, its agricultural products and its people was the message Texas Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs delivered Thursday in Big Spring.

"The opportunity for us to sell our products worldwide is tremendous," Combs told a large group of farmers and ranchers during the 10th Ag Appreciation Luncheon at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. "The future for Texas agriculture... I don't think has ever been better."

The luncheon, attended by an estimated 500 people, was held to express appreciation to farm and ranch families for their contribution to the local economy, and to bestow some annual awards. This year, area farmer and rancher Maxwell Barr was named Ag Producer of the Year. Feagins Implement was selected Agribusiness of the Year — the first time the award has been presented.

Combs said problems such as mad cow disease and foot and mouth disease in Europe have made state and federal lawmakers place a greater emphasis on agricultural issues.

"When the folks in the cities see what is happen-



HERALD photo/Carl Graham
Texas Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs addresses a question by Coahoma ag producer Donnie Reid, right as Howard County Extension Agent David Kight looks on. Combs was guest speaker at the 10th annual West Texas Ag Expo appreciation luncheon Thursday.

ing in Europe, they realize we can't ever rely on other countries to put food on our table," said Combs. "I think that whether the farm bill gets written in 2001 or in 2002, it will be very favorable to us."

Combs said promoting Texas agriculture products is impor-

tant. "The legislature gave us \$1 million in matching funds last year for our "Go Texan" promotion. You've probably seen that slogan. It's on everything," she said. "It's been calculated that there has been a 723 percent return on the state's money through that program. I've asked the leg-

islature for another million dollars this year.

"If you go to the grocery store and have an opportunity to buy Texas products, do it. We must help ourselves by buying from our friends and neighbors," Combs added.

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SMMC

Interim CEO selected for local hospital

By JOHN H. WALKER
Publisher

Jim Sato, a 28-year healthcare veteran, has been named Interim CEO at Scenic Mountain Medical Center (SMMC). The announcement was made Thursday by Michael Portacci, senior vice president-group operations for Community Health Systems (CHS), parent company of SMMC.

Sato, who has the reputation as a troubleshooter, will work with departing CEO Loren Chandler until Chandler leaves on April 6. He comes to SMMC from Bullhead City, Ariz. Chandler has accepted a position with in Pennsylvania.

While in Arizona, Sato was named facility CEO of 90-bed Western Regional Medical Center, which had been decertified. During his tenure, Western Regional successfully passed three HCFA re-validation surveys, a full JCAHO accreditation survey and full

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T-38 and crew arrive at Hangar 25 Air Museum

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

Volunteers brought home a new addition to the Hangar 25 Air Museum on Thursday. The T-38 aircraft will be on permanent display at the hangar, which was renovated and transformed into a museum within the past couple of years.

"We had a great trip," said ret. Col. Jim Little, Hangar 25 board member. "We had very good weather."



Students excited about UIL meet

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

More than 400 high school students are competing in a battle of the minds today at the District 4-4A University Interscholastic League academic meet.

Big Spring High school senior Kevin Walker is competing in science, a competition that tests high school equivalent knowledge of biology, physics and chemistry. This is his first year to compete. Walker, who is consider-

er. An alternator problem with a vehicle did not stop the group of volunteers from bringing back the plane from Tucson, Ariz., and the AMARC facility at Davis Monthan Air Force Base.

The crew, consisting of city of Big Spring employees Johnny Bedell, Steve Gray, Gary Osburn, Eddie Castillo and Gene Wilson, was joined by Hangar 25 board members Little and Jay James.

Little mentioned that

with the encouragement of AMARC employees, the volunteers were able to find almost of the needed replacement parts for the

aircraft. "It is neat addition," Little said. "Of the airplanes that were flown out of Webb Air Force Base,

this is the one most Big Spring residents would recognize."

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HERALD Photos/Andrea Medlin
Hangar 25 and city volunteers who escorted the museum's newest addition to Big Spring were, from left, Jim Little, Eddie Castillo, Johnnie Bedell, Steve Gray, Gene Wilson, Gary Osburn and Jay James. The T-38 was acquired from Davis Monthan Air Force Base in Tucson, Ariz.

Howell's suit against county dismissed by federal judge

By CARL GRAHAM
Staff Writer

A lawsuit filed against Howard County by Woodie Howell has been dismissed by U.S. District Judge Sam R. Cummings, who presides over the Northern District of Texas, Abilene Division.

Howell filed the suit following his arrest by a Howard County deputy sheriff on Oct. 16, 1999, after he and his girlfriend were involved in a dispute at the

Big Spring Wal-Mart store.

In the petition, Howell claimed his arrest violated his Fourth Amendment constitutional rights. He also claimed that the arrest was made without probable cause.

Howell was detained in the Howard County Jail for approximately three hours before his release, the petition stated.

The summary judgment

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OBITUARIES

Mrs. M.O. "Elsie" Hamby

Mrs. M.O. "Elsie" Hamby, 97, of Big Spring, went to be with her Lord on Friday, March 30, 2001, in a local nursing home. Graveside funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 31, 2001, at Trinity Memorial Park with family members officiating.

She was born on May 3, 1903, in Independence County, Ark., and married Mel O. Hamby on Dec. 10, 1921, in Independence County, Ark. He preceded her in death on April 19, 1978.

She had been a resident of Big Spring since 1923. Mrs. Hamby was a member of Wesley United Methodist Church and was a member of the Mary Martha Sunday School Class. She was also a member of the Rebekah Lodge.

Survivors include a daughter-in-law, Margaret Ann Hull of Big Spring; six grandchildren, Arlen Bryant of Mt. Vernon, Leahon Bryant of Greenville, Denise Bryant White of St. Louis, Mo., Ron Hamby of Fredericksburg, Ken Hamby of The Woodlands and Regina Hamby Riemondis of Granbury; and numerous great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, Raymond Hamby, in 1975; and by one daughter, Valena Hamby Bryant, in 1993.

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

Paid obituary

Leonard L. Koenig

Graveside funeral service for Leonard L. Koenig, 83, of Big Spring, formerly of Snyder, will be at 3 p.m. today at Mount Olive Memorial Park.



Koenig died Wednesday, March 28, 2001, in a local nursing home. He was born on Feb. 8, 1918, in Taylor and married Betty Lebkowsky on March 30, 1981, in Big Spring. He farmed in Scurry County for many years. He retired from farming and ranching in 1980 and came to Big Spring in 1981. Mr. Koenig was a Lutheran and was a member of the American Legion.

Survivors include his wife, Betty Koenig of Big Spring; a son Troy Koenig of Big Spring; a daughter, Carolyn Rains of Lake

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Leonard L. Koenig, 83, died Wednesday. Graveside services will be 3:00 PM today at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.
Bita (Crickett) Bamey, 78, died Friday. Graveside services will be 10:00 AM Monday, at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

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Buchanan; two step-sons, Doug Rountree and Michael Lebkowsky, both of Webster; a step-daughter, Karen Chrane of Big Spring; six grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the Alzheimer's Association, Greater West Texas Chapter, 4400 North Big Spring, Suite C-32, Midland 79705.

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

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

LUNCHEON

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The commissioner spoke briefly on other matters. She noted that it has been "wonderful" to see the recent rains after so many years of drought, but added that Texans must always be concerned about water.

"The legislature in Austin is looking at water and we need to be aware of agriculture and its place at the water table. Without water... you won't have much of anything. I urge you to pay attention to Senate Bill 2 because it is very important."

She also said her department has requested \$50 million for boll weevil eradication across the state, and is confident the House and Senate will approve it.

"Eradicating the boll weevil means greater cotton production at less expense. Texas leads the nation in cotton production," Combs said. "We lead the nation in mohair, cattle and farmed-raised shrimp."

"Have you noticed? We have the niftiest-shaped state in the country. Others are one boring rectangular shape after another," she said, drawing laughter from the crowd. "We have a better shape, more interesting people, we have better stuff."

Terry McDaniel was master of ceremonies for the event, sponsored by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce and the Ag Expo committee.

UIL

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Frank," "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" and several poems. Yanez said he is considering going into an engineering or business field.

BSHS junior April Ward headed into her third UIL academic meet, competing in all four journalism events. Ward placed sixth in state competition last year in journalism.

Ward is considering a field in news broadcasting and is a former Big Spring Herald columnist.

Competing in computer science, BSHS sophomore Guan Ausbie will be attending his first UIL academic meet. Ausbie said for a couple of months now, he had been practicing once a week after school for close to an hour and a half.

"My teacher asked me to do it," Ausbie said. "It sounded like fun."

According to UIL coordinator Teresa Sanders, this year marks the largest number of students the high school has entered into UIL academic competition in several years. More than 40 local students are competing.

Most of the preparatory work and practice for the competition is done after or before school by both the students and the coaches, Sanders said.

Students compete in traditional academic contests including accounting, calculator, computer applications, number sense, computer science, current

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events, informative speaking and persuasive speaking.

Journalism contests are divided into headline writing, feature writing, editorial writing and new writing. Other contests are Lincoln-Douglas Debate, literary criticism, mathematics, poetry, prose, ready writing, science and spelling.

The meet is being held all day on the Howard College campus. Top students and teams will advance to regional competition.

High school students representing Andrews, Big Spring, Estacado, Frenship, San Angelo Lake View, Levelland, Plainview and Snyder are competing.

SUIT

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issued by Cummings orders that Howell will receive no compensation and, further, that he will pay all court costs.

The county was represented in the case by attorney Paul Palmer, an associate of Allyson, Bass & Associates of Austin.

County Judge Ben Lockhart said today he was glad the long ordeal was over.

"We are glad the motion for summary judgment was granted on our behalf," said Lockhart. "We hope that this is the end of it."

Howell was represented by attorney Cindy Weir of Odessa.

T-38

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The newest addition to the trainer collection will have nostalgic memories for the pilots and support personnel who were stationed at Webb Air Force Base. It will join the AT-11, the T-33 and the T-37 as examples of the types of aircraft used at the former Air Force Air Training Command facility.

Little mentioned the T-38 was the first supersonic aircraft trainer built.

"It is still flying today and is still being used for pilot training," he added.

Little said the museum hopes to add one more training plane to the Hangar collection, a T-28 propeller trainer also used at Webb Air Force Base. The T-28 would complete the museum's efforts to display each the trainers at flow out of Webb, he mentioned.

SMMC

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HCFA validation survey in an 11-month period.

Sato said he looked forward to coming to Big Spring and accepting the challenges ahead.

Portacci and Sato were part of a Thursday night discussion group that included members of the hospital's board and medical staff as well as a group of community leaders.

"We are committed to providing quality health care," Portacci said, asking for feedback from the group, which included a concern over poor customer service in a number of areas.

"When someone comes to the hospital or the emergency room, the first concern should be providing them with healthcare first and how they're going to pay later," Portacci was told.

Portacci provided an overview of CHS, which

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owns 52 hospitals in mainly rural settings, and showed a graph that indicated the company was consistently increasing capital expenditures on both facilities and equipment.

"We're constantly working to improve facilities and provide the most up-to-date equipment possible," he told the group.

Prior to Thursday night's meeting, tours were provided of the hospital to point out recent improvements and additions — including a permanent MRI unit that cost in excess of \$1 million.

"We had a mobile MRI coming in here one day a week prior to this," Portacci said.

Members of the community group expressed concern that physicians and staff at the hospital and clinic work together for the good of the community.

"When the clinic talks bad about the hospital or the hospital talks bad about the clinic, it is bad for Big Spring," one person said. "People think of this building as one place, even if it is two separate organizations."

Portacci also acknowledged the hospital might not have done as good a job as it could have in making the community aware of changes and improvements.

The hospital is in the process of beginning work on an emergency room upgrade and expansion, which will have four rooms to the area.

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up number to a residence and that work was processed about midnight, knocking out dial-up service off line," Wilson said. "When we discovered the situation and reported it to Southwestern Bell, they immediately began the process of correcting the situation."

"We apologize to our Internet service subscribers for the downtime and want to commend Southwestern Bell's employees for their efforts in getting us back on line as rapidly as possible."

Wilson noted that Crestar and Westex Telecom plan to give their customers an opportunity to avoid such situations this summer when they begin offering true DSL service for the Internet in July or August.

With DSL service, Wilson explained, customers will not be required to use telephone modems to connect to Crestar's Internet service.

BRIEFS

ELBOW ELEMENTARY WILL HAVE

a pre-registration Kindergarten Easter Egg Hunt. This will be for those children who plan to attend Kindergarten at Elbow Elementary for the school semester of 2001-2002. To qualify for Kindergarten the child must be 5 years old before Sept. 1, 2001. The parent attending this Easter Egg Hunt will need to bring the child's shot records, birth certificate and social security card. The parent will also be asked to fill out registration papers and a home language survey.

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TEXAS LOTTERY Pick 3: 2,9,9

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

FORSAN ISD WILL BEGIN accepting applications for new transfers on April 2 at 9:30 a.m. in the Superintendent's office.

Unocal Corp	34.31 + 63
Wal-Mart	49.93 - 69
Wal-Mart/Mexico	22-22 1/2
AMCAP	16.3 + 06
Europacific	28.77 - 43
Prime Rate	8 %
Gold	255.70-258.70
Silver	4.28-4.34

THE HANGAR 25 AIR MUSEUM, located at the McMahon Wrinkle Airpark, will be open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Sunday 1:30 to 4 p.m. The museum will be closed on all city holidays.

TO ORGANIZE A TEAM for Relay for Life, the community-wide campout that is a fund-raising event for the American Cancer Society, call Linda Billington at 399-4408, or Gloria McDonald at 263-1234. Relay is planned May 11-12 at Blankenship Field and 65 teams are expected to participate.

VICTIM SERVICES IS PLANNING a program, "Empowering the Community: Everyone Has a Role," for April 4 on the Howard County Courthouse lawn. They are asking people who have been victims of violent crime to contact the office if they would be interested in taking part in the event. Among observations planned are a parade with law enforcement.

Call the Victim Services office at 263-3312 for information.

CORRECTION

The list of clubs and organizations printed in Monday's special section, "2001: The Crossroads' Odyssey," incorrectly listed the president of the Howard County Sheriff's Posse. The current president is Cecil Allred.

In Wednesday's special section "2001: The Crossroads' Odyssey," the list of Coahoma City Council members was incorrect. Following is the current list: Bruce Allen, Warren Wallace, Eleanor Garrett, Paulette Lindsey, and Dan Shelburne. Bill Read is currently serving as mayor of Coahoma.

MARKETS

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AT&T	21.83 - 52
Archer-Daniels	12.82 - 59
Atmos Energy	22.88 + 38
BP AMOCO	49.31 + 68
Chevron Corp	87.14 + 72
Compaq	18.67 + 4
Cornell	7.75 nc
Dell	25 1/8 - 9 1/2
Du Pont	40.15 - 1.56
Exxon Mobil	80.01 + 1.72
Halliburton	36.5 + 1.37
IFCO Systems	2 1/2 + 1/2
IBM	96.68 + 1.64
Intel Corp	25 1/2 - 1 1/4
NUV	9.23 + 0.2
Patterson Ener	31 1/2 + 1 1/2
Pepsico Inc	43.24 - 0.1
Phillips Petro	54.25 + 86
SBC Comms	43.49 + 0.1
Sears Roebuck	34.15 - 54
Texaco Inc	65.65 + 95
Texas Instrument	30.7 - 72
TXU	40.9 - 2
Total Fina	67.84 + 55

SHERIFF

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

- **ROD LEE PUGA**, 38, of 3222 Auburn, was arrested on a charge of theft (BSPD)
- **ALLISON REDDING**, 29, of 1210 Mulberry, was arrested on a charge of theft. (BSPD)

POLICE

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

- **CHERYL PEARSON**, 37, of 3207 Auburn, was arrested on a charge of theft.
- **MELISSA PEARSON**, 18, of 3207 Auburn, was arrested on a charge of theft.
- **JOE CORREA**, 42, of 4200 W. Highway 80, was arrested on local and county warrant.
- **CLASS C ASSAULT** was reported in the 900 block of Scurry.
- **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 300 block of Jones.
- **DISTURBANCE/FIGHT** was reported in the 1100 block of E. 11th Place.

RECORDS

Thursday's high 62
Thursday's low 45
Precip. Thursday 0.09
Record high 94 in 1946
Record low 22 in 1975
Average high 73
Average low 43
Month to date 0.58
Year to date 2.84
Sunrise Saturday 6:35 a.m.
Sunset Saturday 7:05 p.m.
Sunrise Sunday 6:34 a.m.
Sunset Sunday 7:06 p.m.

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Exit Wounds (R)
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*Spy Kids (PG)
Daily: 7:20 & 9:30 Sat. & Sun. 2:10 & 4:20
Down To Earth (PG-13)
Daily: 7:20 & 9:30 Sat. & Sun. 2:20 & 4:30

CINEMA 4
The Mexican (R)
Daily: 7:00 Fri. & Sat. 9:30
*Tomcats (R)
Daily: 5:00 & 7:30 Fri. & Sat. 10:00 Sat. & Sun. 2:30
See Spot Run (PG)
Daily: 4:50 Sat. & Sun. 2:20
*Heartbreakers (PG-13)
Daily: 4:30 & 7:10 Fri. & Sat. 9:40 Sat. & Sun. 2:00
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BSHS

By LYNDEL MOOD
Staff Writer

After months of cutting, fertilizing, watering, the Big Spring High School specimen students unveiled a new grass Tuesday.

"I like to clean hard," said specimen student Jennifer Hernandez said, happy about the new house and enjoy care of plants.

The students started a bare building and went to work were responsible for seeding, keeping, watering and the plants.

The hard work with flourishing pepper and flower visitors viewed at opening of the \$56,000 on the high school.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Saturday, March 30. Keep expressing your true side, rather than the negative side. Irritation be commonplace. You might say that regret later. Curb it, if possible, focused on the love. You will find it a lot stay calm and see the future. If you are romance could ease from a friendship. attached, stay away petty and focus of picture. Do more to a couple. Your don't needs to take prior CER makes you feel. The Stars Show the Day You'll Have: 5-4-Positive; 3-Average; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21 - 31) Sarcasm will you're not careful. tive to a family member you could spend the der of the day making and apologizing. you make about g. delights all w. involved. Touch ba. parent. Tonight's home.

TAURUS (April 20 - 30) **** Keep the peace. friends and a lot become touchy. S. it is best to stay o. bulent waters. appearance delight. a loved one. Expt. feelings later in when another is se. you. Tonight: En. around you.

GEMINI (May 21 - 31) **** Expenditures out of whack. F. what motivates your child or loved one. temper could be ov. ing. Pressure bui. you least expect calls and schedule

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BSHS students bloom through work of creating greenhouse

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
Staff Writer

After months of planting, cutting, fertilizing and watering, the Big Spring High School special education students and faculty unveiled a new greenhouse Tuesday.

"I like to clean and work hard," said special needs student Jennifer Hernandez. Hernandez said she was happy about the new greenhouse and enjoys taking care of plants.

The students started with a bare building in October and went to work. They were responsible for selecting seeds, keeping inventory, watering and caring for the plants.

The hard work culminated with flourishing tomato, pepper and flower plants visitors viewed at the grand opening of the \$56,000 building on the high school cam-

pus. Richard Light, director of special education for the Big Spring Independent School District, said the greenhouse will teach functional skills such as management and responsibility.

"This teaches them to stay on task," said Kris Larson, special education teacher. "We have gone to Wal-Mart to buy the shelves. They have been involved with the process of ordering seeds from a catalog. They even help haul stuff in from the delivery truck."

Students develop a sense of success and "grow" self-esteem, while working with the plants, Light said.

"The students come out here and they feel good about themselves," he said. "Sometimes the teachers have a hard time getting them to leave."

Light said the students, along with their teachers Larson, Inez Salazar and

Cruz Cruz, learned as they went along.

"We are learning things through trial and error," Light said, adding that one of the things they have learned is plants grow much faster in a greenhouse.

The vegetables and flowers from the plants grown will eventually be for sale and Light hopes that down the road, the students will learn to be responsible for sections of the greenhouse.

The project came about after the small greenhouse, located on the roof of the building, was destroyed in a hail storm four years ago.

The Dora Roberts Foundation funded \$34,000 of the construction cost, and the rest came from the school district, said Light.

"I have to express appreciation to Ron Logback, who is no longer with the school, and his crew," said Light. "They are skilled craftsmen."



Seth Kim, Big Spring High School special needs student, cares for a plant in the new greenhouse. Officials held a grand opening on Tuesday for the building.



Workers with the Big Spring Fire Department look over the car that was involved in an accident that impeded traffic at mile marker 174 on I-20 this morning.

HERALD Photo/Andrela Medlin



Big Spring High School seniors Ricky Yanez and Amber Dunlap visit on Thursday at a pizza party for the students participating in the UIL academic meet today. The meet continues until 5 p.m.

HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Saturday, March 31:

Keep expressing your positive side, rather than getting caught up in problems or negativity. Irritation might be commonplace this year. You might say things you regret later. Curb impulsiveness, if possible. Stay focused on the long term. You will find it a lot easier to stay calm and see the big picture. If you are single, a romance could easily come from a friendship. If you are attached, stay away from the petty and focus on the big picture. Do more together as a couple. Your domestic life needs to take priority. CANCER makes you feel at home.

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) *** Sarcasm will reign, if you're not careful. Be sensitive to a family member, or you could spend the remainder of the day making peace and apologizing. An offer you make about going out delights all who are involved. Touch base with a parent. Tonight: Happy at home.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) **** Keep the peace, even if friends and a loved one become touchy. Sometimes it is best to stay out of turbulent waters. A must appearance delights you and a loved one. Express your feelings later in the day, when another is sensitive to you. Tonight: Enjoy those around you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) **** Expenditures could get out of whack. Recognize what motivates you with a child or loved one. Another's temper could be overwhelming. Pressure builds when you least expect it. Make calls and schedule plans for

later in the day. Curb a tendency to go overboard, especially with spending. Tonight: Someplace new.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) **** Your smile helps make peace and helps end another's agitation. Do your best to make a partner or friend happy, even if it means rolling up your sleeves and getting into a work project. Later on, someone expresses his appreciation in a nice way. Tonight: You will like this one!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) *** The unexpected occurs with a partner or associate. It appears as if this person could be easily annoyed or pressured in the morning. By the afternoon, a white flag goes up. Express your reservations and share your feelings. Make low-key plans, or go along with another's desires. Tonight: Vanish happily.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) **** Aim for what you want, but adapt to a change in plans or a last minute emergency. Your ability to go

with the flow earmarks your success. Someone makes a special overture. Relate on a one-on-one level. Tonight: You are the party.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) *** You are in the limelight. You might be unusually testy about work and a project that needs to be completed. A child or loved one goes out of his way to help you relax. Do something special for this person. Tonight: Smile, and you'll get what you want.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) **** Reach out to another. Examine what you want from someone at a distance. You could be unusually tense or touchy. Listen to your feelings involving a child or loved one. Nurture another and be sensitive to a family member or a roommate. Tonight: Go to a place with music and romance.

First, before a problem begins, do something to help alleviate your stress. You will enjoy yourself for the remainder of the day. Tonight: Togetherness works.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) **** Let others make the first move. Screen your calls until you deal with a personal problem. As excited as you are, balance your budget before making a financial commitment. Invite others over if you don't want to go out. Tonight: Let go.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) **** Pace yourself carefully, as you might have only so much energy. A friend might complicate a money matter. Schedule more relaxation and peace in your life. Get together with a dear friend for a late lunch and maybe a mutual favorite pastime. Tonight: Just go with the flow.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) **** Do not get agitated by an older parent and what

you wish could happen. Allow more open exchanges in your discussions. If single, a new love relationship could be blooming. Get in on

some fun. Indulge yourself as well as another. Tonight: Put on your dancing shoes. © 2001 by King Features Syndicate Inc.

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OUR VIEWS

Let's pitch in to maintain the memorial

It's time to kick up your heels a little and in the process, help provide funds for maintenance of the Big Spring Vietnam Memorial.

A chili supper and dance have been scheduled for Saturday at the VFW Post on Driver Road by members of the Vietnam Memorial Committee, who stress they need help in maintaining the memorial that draws visitors from all over the nation each year.

Tickets for the chili supper, scheduled for 4:30 to 7:30 p.m., will be \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under the age of 12; while tickets for the dance, which will be held from 8 p.m. to midnight, will be \$7 per person.

It costs us a minimum of \$3,000 per year just to pay utility bills for the memorial, and that doesn't include materials and equipment needed to keep the grounds and do essential maintenance.

Obviously, members of the committee can't meet those costs alone. They need help from the community.

Big Spring residents have always responded when called upon to support the memorial, and we encourage them to again answer the call.

Make plans to have some fun Saturday night. Enjoy a bowl of chili and then work off those calories on the dance floor. Helping out a good cause makes it a win-win situation.

We salute:

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

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

This week we salute:

• **KENTWOOD ELEMENTARY STUDENTS** who participated in Jump Rope for Heart to benefit the American Heart Association.

• **BIG SPRING AND FORSAN HIGH SCHOOL ONE-ACT PLAY CASTS AND CREWS**, which advanced in competition.

• **PAIGE STALLINGS**, a Howard College student from Lake Jackson who found an envelope containing \$200 and made sure it was returned to its owner.

• **HANGAR 25 COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND CITY EMPLOYEES**, who made the trip to Arizona this week to escort a T-38 trainer aircraft to Big Spring for the air museum.

• **BIG SPRING SYMPHONY AND THE HERITAGE MUSEUM** on providing such successful entertainment as "Always... Patsy Cline" and Around the World in 80 Bites.

• **BIG SPRING JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT KYLE CONLEY** on receiving second place for math and physics at the Permian Basin Regional Science Fair.

• **BIG SPRING AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND THE AG EXPO COMMITTEE** for putting on another great appreciation luncheon and expo at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

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

Strange session for Texas Legislature

What a strange session the Texas Legislature is having. Other states are in budget freefall, with revenues dropping so sharply services have to be cut. In Texas, we publicly admit to being in a budget crunch, but not a crisis.



MOLLY IVINS

We're not actually running a deficit unless you count the \$700 million emergency spending bill, and I don't know why you wouldn't. What we are facing is a crisis in state government services.

Everybody at the capitol, and you can take this for high universal, blames George W. Bush for this in private, but almost no one does so in public, it being bad form to knock "our president."

The problem is the state, which notoriously underfunds services to begin with, did not make wise use of the fat years when money was rolling into the treasury. Gov. Bush got not one but two large tax cuts while the pressure on state services grew and grew, and he left no cushion.

Meanwhile, the new census reaffirms what we already knew, that Texas is one of the fastest growing states in the country and we now face some horrid choices.

It's so bad that even our highways, which used to be the only subject we ever got an A in, are going to pot. Harris, Dallas and Bexar counties can't get roads. Of course, neglecting infrastructure comes under the heading "Truly Dumb": It always costs more in the long run.

Meanwhile, if something isn't done for the prison guards, they're going to walk; the teachers need health insurance; and Medicaid continues to be a disgrace. One of the capitol's most cynical lobbyists, putting odds on what would get attention in the end, said, "Those Mexican kids die real quiet; you just pull a sheet over their faces and you don't hear from them any more."

The Republicans are now in a painfully awkward position: They have to govern, but Rick (Goodhair) Perry is not the son of a former president who is being touted for national office.

All hands are aware that Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander is sitting on some extra money: Texas comptrollers always do this so they won't have to certify a budget shortfall.

The problem is no one thinks she's sitting on enough to pay for the prison guards, and teachers' health insurance, and a raise for state employees, and getting Medicaid to the point where it actually functions for most of the people it's supposed to be there for.

It looks as though the ambitious plans to help the Rio Grande Valley will

once again be shelved despite Perry's promise to make the poverty in that area a priority. We can't fund them. Not to mention everything else on the perennial wish list, like parks. Parks (she wrote for a change, just to get the word at the beginning of a sentence, since by custom all sentences involving state spending end with "and parks").

Oddly enough, despite the budget mess, this turns out to be a pretty good session for getting good things done — as long as it doesn't cost money. We haven't figured out how to pay for the big-ticket items yet, but cleaning up around the edges is going well.

We owe this to former-Gov. Bush, whose presidential campaign brought unpleasant publicity to the state's less civilized habits. So we will probably stop executing the profoundly retarded — there's a step — and we could get a hate crimes bill and may even do something about providing competent legal counsel for poor people so they don't get the death sentence while their lawyers are asleep. We're even getting a new law so that people in prison who can prove they are innocent will have access to DNA testing.

The indigent defense bill was vetoed by Bush last session, but its author, State Sen. Rodney Ellis, is chair of Finance Committee this year, which gives him beau coup de clout.

Ellis and acting Lite Gov. Bill Ratliff pulled off a dandy funding coup for

higher ed, which has been getting shorted for years, with the help of one of those constitutional amendments you can never figure out while you're voting.

This one gives state colleges access to earnings on the investments in the Permanent University Funds that had been limited to capital needs, i.e., more buildings. The money can now be spent for teaching and research at UT Arlington, Dallas, San Antonio, El Paso, Tyler and Odessa.

But it wouldn't be a session without a stink, so we are all grateful to the liquor lobbyists. The PR firm for liquor wholesalers is fighting Internet sale of wine, and to that end mailed out a postcard about a cute white kid named Billy.

"Billy has always been an entrepreneur," says the title, and we see happy Billy selling lemonade and then delivering newspapers. But then Billy takes a dive toward the dark side and is shown at 14 "selling booze he bought on the Internet to his friends." And of course, his new friend is of the black persuasion, just to show you how far he's fallen.

Unfortunately, the chairman of the committee that will decide the fate of the Internet wine-sales bill is Rep. Ron Wilson of Houston, who is himself unmistakably African-American. Several citizens at the capitol noted that after Wilson announced he was affronted by the blatant racism, the liquor lobbyists all needed a drink.



Finance reform shows people are not equal

This is going to sound snobby, but bear with me. We have to get ourselves grounded in reality before



CHARLEY REESE

Congress messes up campaign financing even more than it already has. People are not equal.

The wealthier individuals run every country in the world, including this one. When I say people are not equal, I mean that they are not equal in influence or in the means to influence decisions and events. We all have an equal right to free speech, but if we do not own a newspaper, a radio station, a TV station, a network, a TV production company, a cable TV channel or an advertising agency, our voice will be unequal to those who do.

We don't get equal justice. No dream team of high-

priced lawyers is going to defend us if we get in trouble with the law. And high-priced lawyers make a difference. I could cite other examples.

But the point I'm leading up to is that it is silly to say that if wealthy people finance political campaigns, then they will have more influence. They do finance political campaigns, and they already have more influence than you or I anyway. So why try to limit how much they can contribute?

The big flows of so-called soft money to political parties are a result of the last campaign finance reform, which limited direct donations to candidates to \$1,000 per election. That's nonsense.

In the first place, an overwhelming majority of people never contribute to any political campaigns. The wealthy finance them one way or another, so why not be completely open and transparent?

Let people give as much as they want to any candidate so long as it is made public prior to Election Day.

Some of America's most popular presidents were elected with campaigns financed by a relatively small number of people. If people who happen to believe in a person want to help him get elected, why shouldn't they be able to do so — directly, openly and honestly?

Another thing to keep in mind is that candidates have no control over the cost of campaigning. As the population has grown, candidates are forced to use paid advertising to get their messages out to the people.

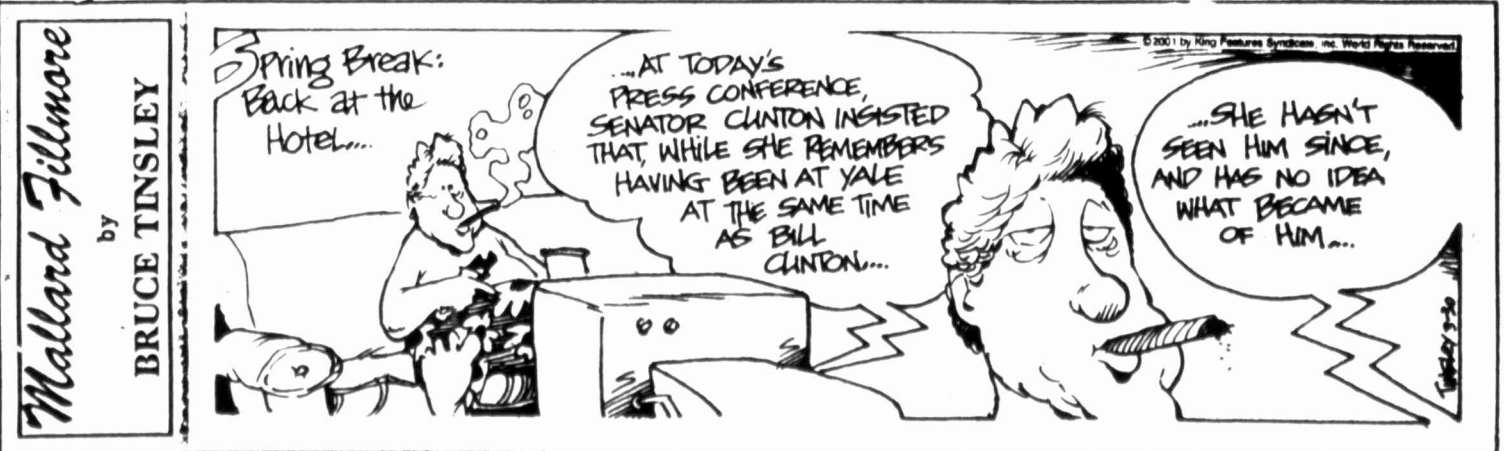
The candidates don't set ad rates.

The Senate is fast becoming a millionaires club because there is no limit on how much a candidate can spend out of his own personal funds. Do you want a Senate composed of millionaires? Thousand-buck limits make it even harder for ordinary candidates to compete with these deep-pocket guys.

In politics, free speech equals money. One of the worst features of the McCain-Feingold bill is that it attempts to muzzle politi-

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CHURCH NEWS

Kingdom Church
The Kingdom class for the mentally retarded adults who work at the United Methodist youth kitchen every 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. refreshments the Bible and business. All are welcome.

Birdwell Baptist Church

The Birdwell Church will have Annual Fellowship 2001. Everyone is invited to attend this special sharing and music. We are expecting a number of past members and others from all over the state to meet. Our participation in the event on Tuesday, the meetings, 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday mini-concert music.

Services on begin at 9 a.m. 6:30 p.m. The fellowship meals are provided information call.

Immaculate of Mary Church

So many people much going on necessary to plan. That is why we particular attention ceremonies of now, so that you them on your calendar.

The holiest Christian year Thursday, Good Holy Saturday call this the Triduum three days rest institution of the Holy and Holy Ordination and death triumphant resurrection. On Holy Thursday everyone who participate in the ceremony remember not to or panty hose may participate remember to bring your children to the Gloria and procession.

On Good Friday we will have the of the cross. This will approach without shoes.

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CHURCH NEWS

Kingdom Class

The Kingdom Class is a class for the mentally ill and mentally retarded or any adults who wish to attend. The class meets at First United Methodist Church off the youth hall near the kitchen every Sunday from 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. We have refreshments and read from the Bible and vote on class business. All adults are welcome.

Birdwell Lane Baptist Church

The Birdwell Lane Baptist Church will host its 36th Annual Fellowship April 3-5, 2001. Everyone is invited to attend this special time of sharing and refreshment. We are expecting a large number of pastors, missionaries and other ministers from all over Texas and other states to attend this meeting. Our guests will participate in a golf tournament on Tuesday morning. The meetings will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday with a mini-concert of gospel music.

Services on Wednesday begin at 9 a.m. and again at 6:30 p.m. The fellowship will end at noon Thursday. Meals are provided. For information call 267-7157.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

So many people have so much going on that it is necessary to plan in advance. That is why we are paying particular attention to the ceremonies of Holy Week, now, so that you can note them on your calendar.

The holiest days of the Christian year are Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday. Catholics call this the Triduum. These three days recall Christ's institution of the sacraments of the Holy Eucharist and Holy Orders, his passion and death and his triumphant resurrection. On Holy Thursday at 7 p.m. everyone will be able to participate in the foot washing ceremony. Please remember not to wear boots or panty hose so that you may participate. Please remember to bring a bell for your children to ring during the Gloria and during the procession.

On Good Friday at 7 p.m. we will have the veneration of the cross. The faithful will approach the cross without shoes, the Jewish

custom in approaching holy places.

The Holy Saturday Vigil at 8 p.m. will begin in the cafeteria with Old Testament readings. We will proceed to the church for the celebration of the baptisms and the Eucharist with a short excursion outside to the Easter Bonfire. This concludes the Easter Triduum (three days).

On Easter Sunday there will be a 10:30 a.m. Mass for those who were not able to go to the Holy Saturday Vigil. Don't forget Stations of the Cross tonight at 7 p.m. at IHMC and at 6 p.m. at St. Joseph in Coahoma. Join us as we trace Jesus' journey from the trial to Calvary.

First Assembly of God

"It is Finished" is the title of Pastor R.T. Havener's sermon this Sunday morning in the 10:40 a.m. service. This message is the sixth in a series of sermons on the seven last utterances of Christ on the Cross. This utterance meant the completion of perfect salvation. The text for this message is John 19:30.

Sunday evening services begin with a Youth Service at 5 p.m. each Sunday followed by a great Evangelistic Service at 6 p.m. in the main auditorium. There will be special music in each service.

The congregations of First Assembly invite you to join them.

SWCID Baptist Student Ministries

SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf Baptist Student Ministry would like to express their sincerest appreciation to the many churches and individuals who have supported us this year! Many have served us meals, provided speakers and travel funds for our students and programs.

We owe a big "thank you" to Central Baptist Church (Elbow Community), College Baptist Church, Big Spring Herald, KBYG and KBST for their help and support of the Magic Morgan Program and Fund-raiser on Feb. 11. A special note of appreciation goes to all those in the community who chose to spend their Sunday afternoon with us and support these medical funds. We would also like to acknowledge Big Spring ISO Administration Office and Mr. Tarlton and his staff at BSJH.

There were 150-175 in attendance and we raised \$260 for the medical expenses of Yvette Gayton who is

undergoing cancer treatment in Houston and also \$211.46 for Andy Williams of Abingdon, Va., who was seriously burned in February 2001. Andy is the son of former Dean of Student Services at SWCID, Gene Williams. Both Andy and Yvette have expressed their gratitude.

Contact Kelli Ballard, director, at 398-5551 or swcidbsm@crcom.net for information.

First Christian Church

Dr. Jimmy Watson will preach the sermon, "Acting a Fool" at the 10:50 a.m. worship service. The youth will meet at 4 p.m. for activities under the leadership of Ricky Simpson.

On Wednesday night we will continue our video series on the death resurrection of Jesus. This week's theme is "Jesus, God's Love Revealed." The Stepping Stones shepherding group is responsible for sandwiches and snacks. The entire program begins at 5:30 p.m. Everyone is invited.

The CWF will meet on Thursday, April 5. There will be a business meeting at 11 to be followed by the luncheon and program at 12. Janice Bond will be bringing the Easter program on the "Cross in our Roads." It relates to Mary as she journeys to Good Friday through Jesus' last days. All working ladies (and men) are invited to share the lunch, program and fellowship.

St. Paul Lutheran Church

Here is the question of the week: "Why are acts of repentance especially appropriate at this time of year?" Because Lent is the time leading up to the commemoration of our Lord's death for our sins and the commemoration of his resurrection for our salvation. It is thus especially appropriate to mourn the sins for which He died.

We are still accepting donations for our Lenten Food Gathering project. The public is invited to participate. Non-perishable items will be collected through Palm Sunday and then distributed by Meals on Wheels.

This mission of St. Paul Lutheran Church is "to serve Jesus Christ in word and deed, through the power of the Holy Spirit, proclaiming the love of God so that everyone may have eternal life." Call 267-7163 for more information on what's going on at St. Paul, 810 Scurry.

Hillcrest Baptist Church

Hillcrest will host the Associational Senior Adult Birthday party on April 6 at 6 p.m. Bring a vegetable or a dessert. Our Bible Study begins at 9:30 on Sunday morning with classes for all ages. The Bible Study is on how people respond to the gospel of Jesus. The morning message "Growing Pains in the Church" will begin at 11 a.m.

Mid-week prayer meeting is at 6:30 p.m. and at 7 the Discipleship classes are Jesus, The One and Only, written by Beth Moore and an adult General Bible Study class.

The Easter musical Experiencing God will be performed during Easter morning starting at 10:45 a.m., 15 minutes earlier than the regular time. The nursery is available for all of our programs.

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

Lent's "Stations of the Cross" service will be today beginning at 12:05 p.m. in the church. "Stations of the Cross" will be held every Friday until Palm Sunday.

St. Mary's 2001 Lenten Program's theme is "How Lent is Observed in My Tradition." Area clergy from a variety of Christian traditions will discuss the meaning and observation of Lent in their churches. On Wednesday, April 4, our guest speaker will be the Rev. Dianne Brown, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church. The program begins at 6 p.m. with an All-Parish Pot Luck Supper. The presentation will begin at 6:30 p.m. Child care will be provided. All are welcome.



First Baptist Church of Coahoma, shown above in a historic photo, will observe its 110th anniversary beginning Sunday, April 8, with meals, worship and music.

First Baptist, Coahoma celebrating 110 years

HERALD Staff Report

On April 8, 2001, First Baptist Church of Coahoma will celebrate its 110th anniversary. The celebration is slated to begin at 10 a.m. in the sanctuary with a catered meal to follow the morning worship service. The day's activities will conclude that afternoon with a singing and testimony time taking place in the sanctuary.

Several former and current members are scheduled to sing and give testimonies. Three former pastors, H. B. Graves, Guy White, Sr. and Monroe Teeters, will be featured on the program as well.

The church had humble beginnings 100 years ago when 16 Baptists met in the home of C. J. Robinson for the purpose of organizing into a church. Not long after that, they began meeting in the school until they were able to construct their

own building in south Coahoma.

They relocated several times until a sanctuary was built in 1938 at the church's current location. That sanctuary now serves as the fellowship hall, having been remodeled in 1991, in time for the church's 100th anniversary. The modern sanctuary was dedicated in 1988.

Last year a new church sign was built using the bell from the old sanctuary as part of the design. Plans are to have children and youth ring the bell 110 times as an inaugural to the day's events.

Current pastor Elwin Colom is hoping for a turnout similar to the one they had for the 100th anniversary celebration in 1991 when over 300 people attended. He also said the church wants it to be a day where God and his work through his church are cel-

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Jesus talks about little children

ART MCKAY
Guest columnist

Not only did Jesus say we have to become as little children to enter into the kingdom of heaven, but emphasized each child's importance and value.

I realize some scholars believe that Jesus was probably talking about people newly converted. That is also a good application of these verses. However, I want to adhere to a more literal reading for this article. Jesus said in verse six, "But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea."

Little children are keen observers of their parents and adults in their lives.

Some people think their children do not detect it when they commit adultery. As a 30-year-plus social worker, I have known of many cases where the children did detect it (unknown to the parents). Often it is a very damaging experience for the children, especially when they grow up and begin to think about love and family. Usually the damage is centered around trust issues.

Another less drastic but still damaging behavior of parents is to go to church but speak hatefully or harshly about people at the church. Many congregations have very good pastors but some members demand alabaster saints who do not even perspire in hot weather and are clairvoyant about each member's needs. That is a recipe for heartbreak and pain. Moreover, the children listening to such adult conversation learn cynicism and that what adults say in church about love and mercy can't be believed.

Most of us humans have had at least a few days in our lives where we were living in a way that made our parents cringe, let alone our Heavenly Father. We all stand as debtors in God's eyes.

This need for forgiveness and reconciliation is addressed by every major religion in the world. We need forgiveness and we need to forgive.

Jesus said in Matthew 18:22 that we should forgive our brother (and I add, our sister) 70 times seven. We should be exercising maximum effort, kneeling in prayer and seeking God's guidance in rearing our children as God would have us do.

Art McKay is second counselor in the bishopric of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. Big Spring

CLUB NEWS

Rotary Clubs

Members of the Howard College Rotaract, Greater Big Spring Rotary and Sweetwater Rotary Clubs traveled to Creel, Mexico, March 14-18 to deliver supplies to an orphanage and a primary school in the area.

While in Mexico, the group visited the Casa Amor Orphanage in Cuauhtemoc. The orphanage, ran by Sister Aelinda Enives Estrada, received \$250 from the Greater Big Spring Rotary and Sweetwater Rotary Clubs. This money will buy about one month's supply of food for the estimated 35 children of the Orphanage.

After buying \$600 of food the group took the supplies 1/4 mile up Arroyo Rochivo, outside of Creel, to the Emiliano Zapata School. The Texans helped prepare the noon meal of one bean burrito and an instant strawberry milk mix for each of the 75 children. The kindergarten class sang songs for their visitors. Both the visitors and the residents asked numerous questions of each other through the two interpreters, Leatrice Brown and

Alicia Rivera.

Big Spring Woman's Club

Big Spring Woman's Club met on Monday, March 19, in the home of Donna Wennik. The program was given by Helen Martin from Places and Pleasures Travel Agency. She presented travel tips that were great for family vacations. Refreshments were served and the slate of officers for 2001-2002 was presented. The April meeting will be in the home of Susan McLellan.

Morning Optimist Club

The Optimist Relays Track Meet, involving five area schools this year, are scheduled to begin at 4 p.m. at Blankenship Field today. Goliad Cavaliers will be asked to volunteer help for this event.

Roger Goertz, President and Optimist Club members thanks Jim Cunningham for bringing a program last Wednesday morning.

Members absent were duly discussed and volunteered by present members as next year's officers and honorary program chairmen. Contact Roger Goertz to reserve dates for your program.

Mighty Oaks Club

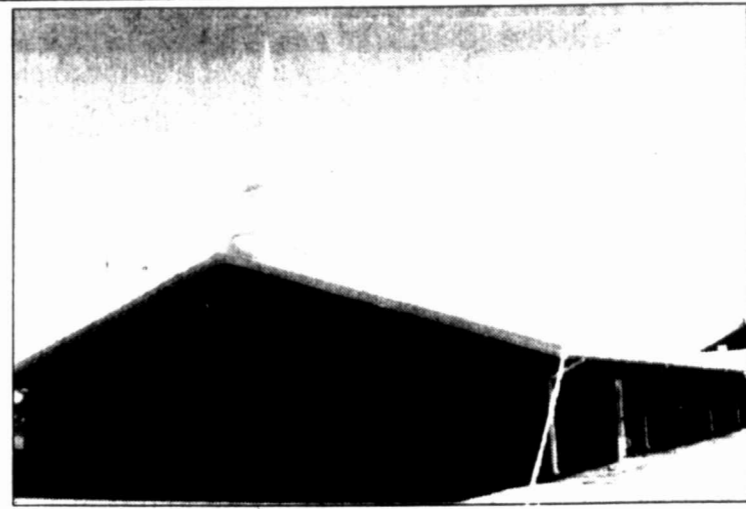
The Mighty Oaks Club met on March 20, in the fellowship hall of East Fourth Baptist Church. Fifteen members attended with three honorary members joining them for lunch and for the program.

The meeting was called to order by president Pat Wyrick. The opening prayer was led by Latrice Davis, club secretary and treasure.

After several suggestions for the April club meeting were given, all agreed to invite Bonnie Wheat to give a book review, April 17 at 6 p.m. at the East Fourth Baptist Church. Light refreshments will be served.

Wyrick appointed a kitchen committee to serve for the month of April. Beautiful table decorations for the meeting were provided by Cletha Clayton and a nice frame plaque depicting the club's purposes was displayed by our president.

Following lunch, Mary Napper presented a wonderful program giving highlights of her April 2000 trip to Israel and Jordan. She showed many interesting pictures and a brief video. Numerous scripture passages were used in conjunction with the various places Mrs. Napper spoke about.



Coahoma Baptist Church is shown above in a 10-year-old photo from the directory produced for its 100th anniversary. The church will celebrate its 110th anniversary beginning on April 8.

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ebated.

"This church holds many special memories for many people," the pastor said. "This is where people came to know the Lord personally. They were married in this church. Their children grew up in this church. This is where the funeral services were held for their loved ones. But through it all, it was God who was touching the lives of people through the ministry of this church."

The church has changed through the years. Even

now the church is developing plans and raising money so the old sanctuary can be torn down in order to make room for a new fellowship hall and education building. But its purpose remains the same, "Ministering to All People by Sharing Jesus."

The celebration will continue with a revival each evening Monday through Wednesday at 7 p.m. with Darrell Robinson, a descendant of C. J. Robinson, preaching. Former music minister Dwayne Clawson will lead the music.

Quaker worship: Equal parts silence, stillness and spirit

FORT WORTH (AP) — Silent. Still. Eyes closed. Waiting.

This is how Quakers praise the Lord.

During their meetings, they neither sing nor read Scripture. No clergy leads them through prayer or sermon.

Instead, Quakers exercise their faith by gathering for quiet meditation and seeking inspiration from "the inner light," which is described as "a divine illumination" that informs the conscience.

The Fort Worth Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends, as the local Quaker group is formally known, gathers on Sunday mornings at 11 at Texas Wesleyan University's Christian Foundation, at 2750 W. Louden St. A group of 10 to 20 members on average settles into the well-worn couches in a meeting room of the Methodist student center, which the Quakers rent from the foundation.

The low-ceilinged room bears the marks of frequent use and familiarity — nicked furniture, spotty carpet and notices of past events taped to the walls. But the surroundings seem inconsequential as most of the worshippers are seated with their eyes closed, hands folded on their laps. One woman reads to herself from a book of Quaker devotions. The air is rife with silence.

Minutes pass. Car engines

roar and fade on the street outside. The sound of the Sunday school teacher's voice, leading the Quaker children through their lesson down the hall, is barely audible.

For those unfamiliar with Quaker worship, their practice is at once more rewarding and less forbidding than

it might seem. While sitting in a room full of people without talking is somewhat unusual, the silence becomes a comfort, not a strain.

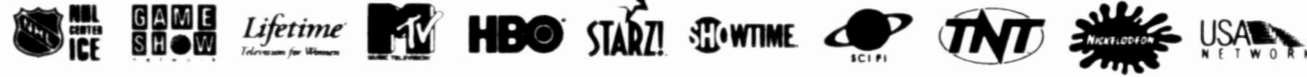
One member explains that the tradition of query arose during the early days of Quakerism in the mid-17th century. Founder George

Fox would ask his followers two questions. One concerned whether their hearts were open to the inner light, and the other asked how many Quakers were in jail.

Fox encouraged his followers to express their faith through deeds, a practice Quakers still embrace.

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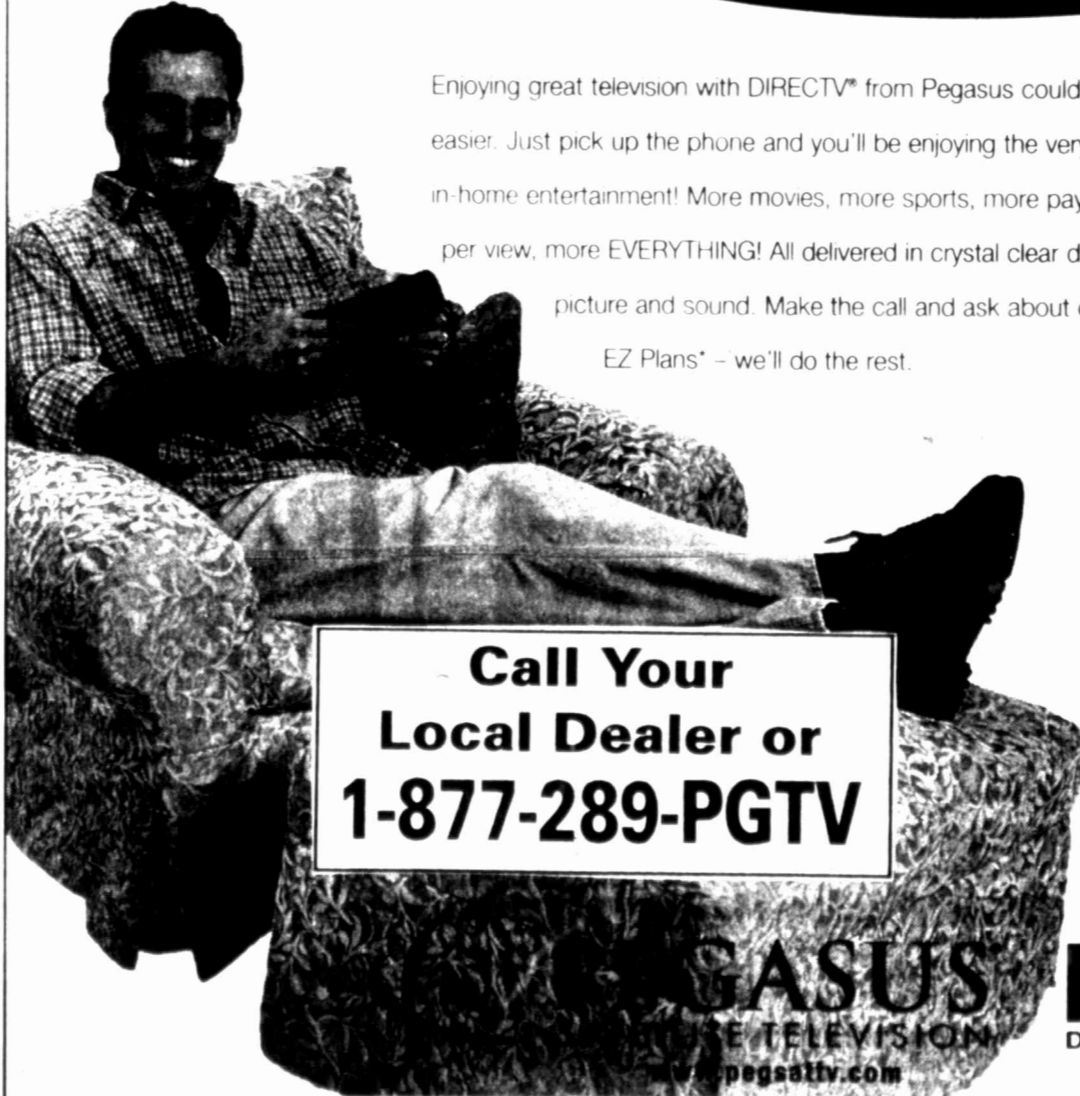
Society of Friends — the formal name of the Quakers — counts about 281,800 members worldwide. Their beliefs differ somewhat from place to place but they share the convictions that all people contain something of the divine and that shared silence is the way to access the inner light.



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Silly Putty named to hall of fame

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The pinkish, stretchy stuff that became known as Silly Putty, along with Tonka trucks, were inducted Wednesday into the National Toy Hall of Fame. The toys join such previous inductees as the Barbie Doll, Frisbee and Mr. Potato Head.

Baby boomer Judy Hillman remembers using Silly Putty to lift images

from the Sunday comics. "It kept your hands busy," Hillman said while touring the Toy Hall of Fame at the A.C. Gilbert Discovery Village in Salem.

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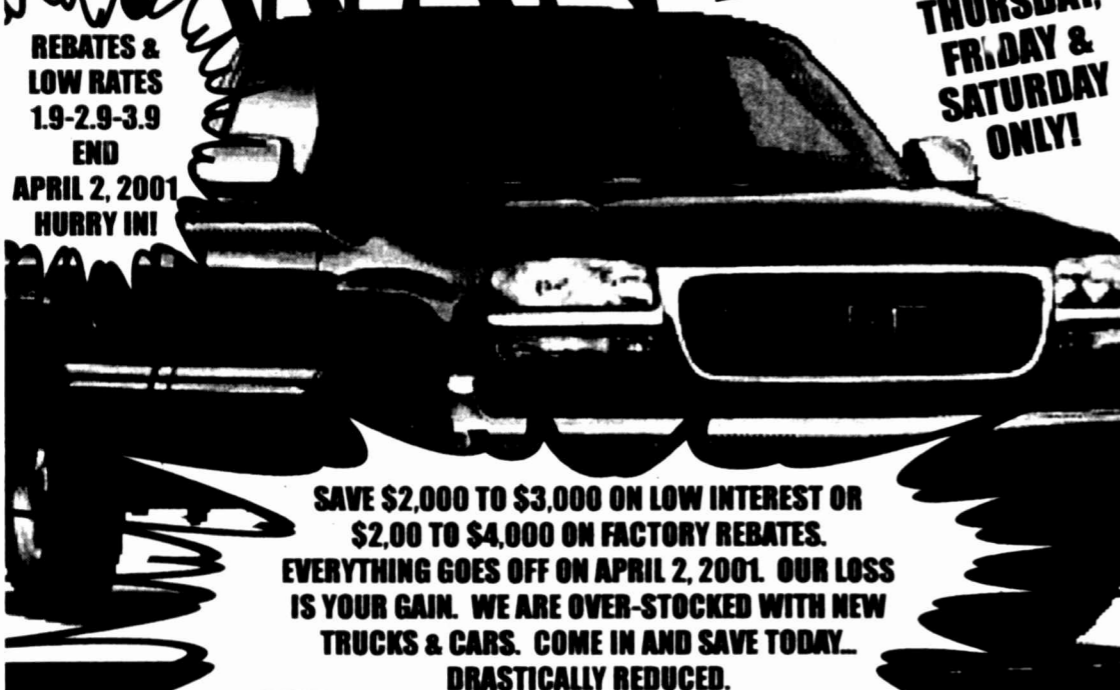
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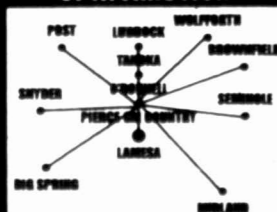
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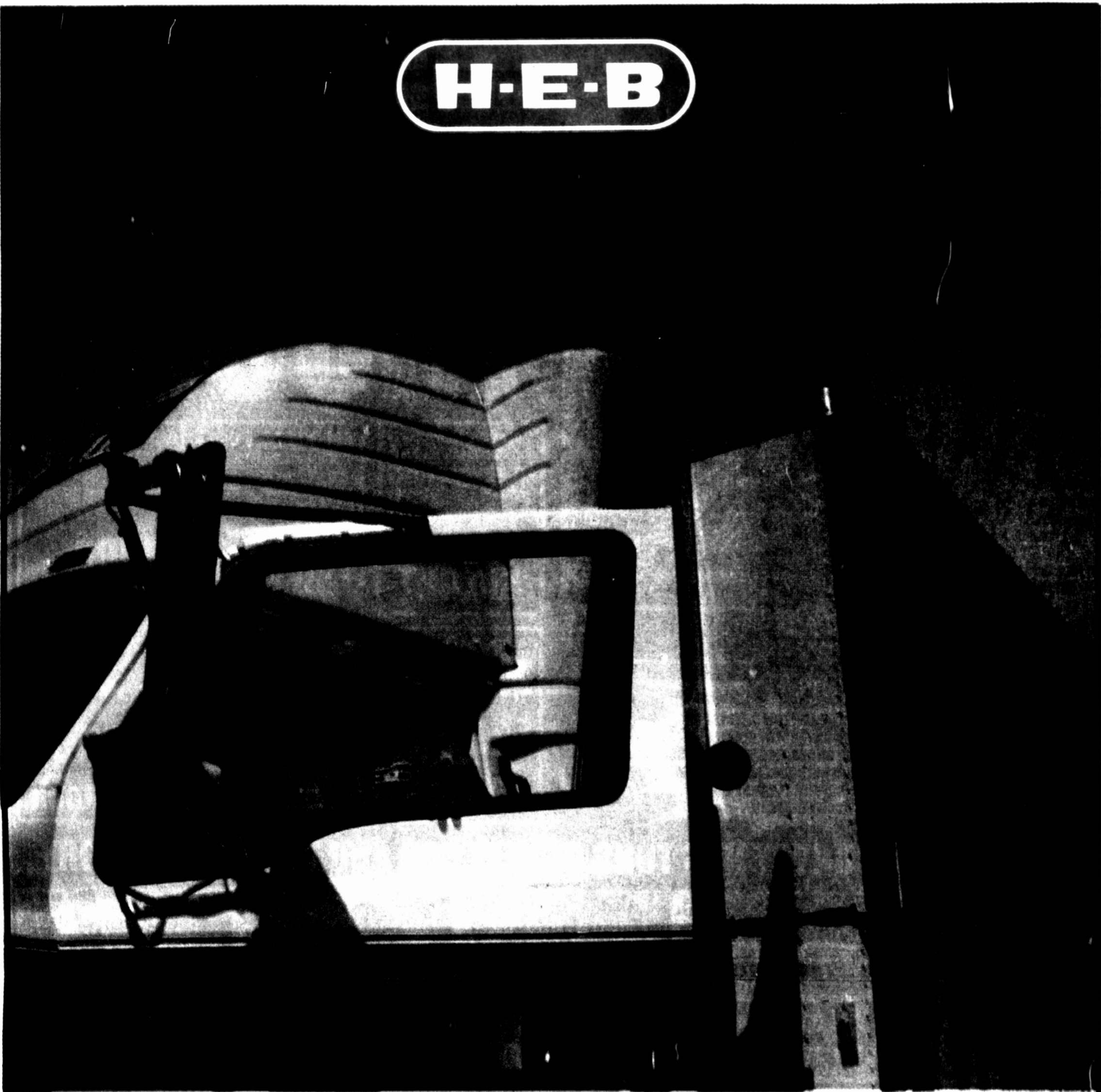
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IN BRIEF

Bamert tosses 5-hit shutout for victory

Big Spring's Steers returned home with a 2-0 win over San Angelo Lake View's Chiefs Thursday.

Clint Bamert went the distance, giving up no runs on five hits while the Steers managed two runs on eight hits.

Coach Pat Loter made a late change in the line-up that seemed to make all the difference, moving Ryan Guinn to catcher and Aaron Olague to first base.

The Steers' District 5-4A record is 2-3 and they will host Levelland Saturday at 2 p.m. at Steer Park.

CHS junior high track team to run today

The Coahoma junior high track team will host a meet at Bulldog Stadium today.

The field events will begin at 4 p.m. and the running events are set for a 5 p.m. start.

Coahoma High School Invitational Saturday

Coahoma High School track teams will host their invitational track meet at Bulldog Stadium on Saturday.

The field events will begin at 9 a.m., running preliminaries are set for 11:15 and the finals start at 2:30 p.m.

Baseball sign-ups will be held Saturday

Baseball sign-ups for players ages 13-16 will be held at the Roy Anderson Complex Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Please bring a birth certificate and the \$40 sign-up fee. For more information contact Sheri Nichols at 263-2917 after 5 p.m.

Athletic department offers physicals

The BSISD Athletic department is offering athletic physicals for anyone in the 6th through 11th grade (7th-12th next year).

The athletic physicals are required for students who wish to participate in Athletics entering the seventh or ninth grades or those who do not already have one.

Physicals will be given at BSHS auditorium Saturday at 9:45 a.m. for sixth graders, 10:30 a.m. for eighth through 11th graders.

IT'S MISSING

Results from the Howard College Rodeo were not available as the Big Spring Herald went to press this morning.

AREA GAMES

TODAY JUCO SOFTBALL

• Howard College vs. El Paso County Community College.

H.S. SOFTBALL

• Coahoma at Odessa Permian.

• Big Spring at Frenship.

H.S. TENNIS

• Big Spring at San Antonio Tournament.

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JUCO BASEBALL

2 p.m. — Howard College Hawks at Clarendon College Bulldogs, KBST 1490.

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL

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6 p.m. — Southwest Missouri St. vs. Purdue, ESPN.

8:30 — Notre Dame vs. Connecticut, ESPN.

NBA

9:30 p.m. — Dallas Mavericks at Lakers, FXS.

Notre Dame's McGraw, Riley sweep AP women's awards

ST. LOUIS (AP) — The day Muffet McGraw became women's basketball coach at Notre Dame was a joyous one for her family — especially her father.

"I don't know who was happier, my husband or my dad," McGraw said, a grin spreading across her face. "My dad hasn't had to buy a beer at the Knights of Columbus since I've been at Notre Dame."

There has been plenty for dad to toast.

Now in her 14th season with the Irish and in her second Final Four, McGraw received The Associated Press coach of the year award

Thursday. She shared the podium with Notre Dame center Ruth Riley, who was voted the player of the year, making it a clean sweep for the Irish.

They make an interesting pair — the 6-foot-5 Riley towers over her coach, who is at least a foot shorter and was a feisty point guard in her playing days at St. Joseph's.

"I think we're both very competitive," McGraw said. "I think our personalities are similar in that we don't like to have a lot of sit-down meetings to talk about what we're going to do. We just want to go out and do it. We're a little impatient

just to get things done."

The Irish have done a lot this season. They gained their first No. 1 ranking in The AP poll, beat Connecticut for the first time, shared the Big East title with UConn and will take a 32-2 record into yet another meeting with the Huskies in Friday night's national semifinals.

This is what Riley hoped for when, as a high school senior in Macy, Ind., she watched Notre Dame in the 1997 Final Four.

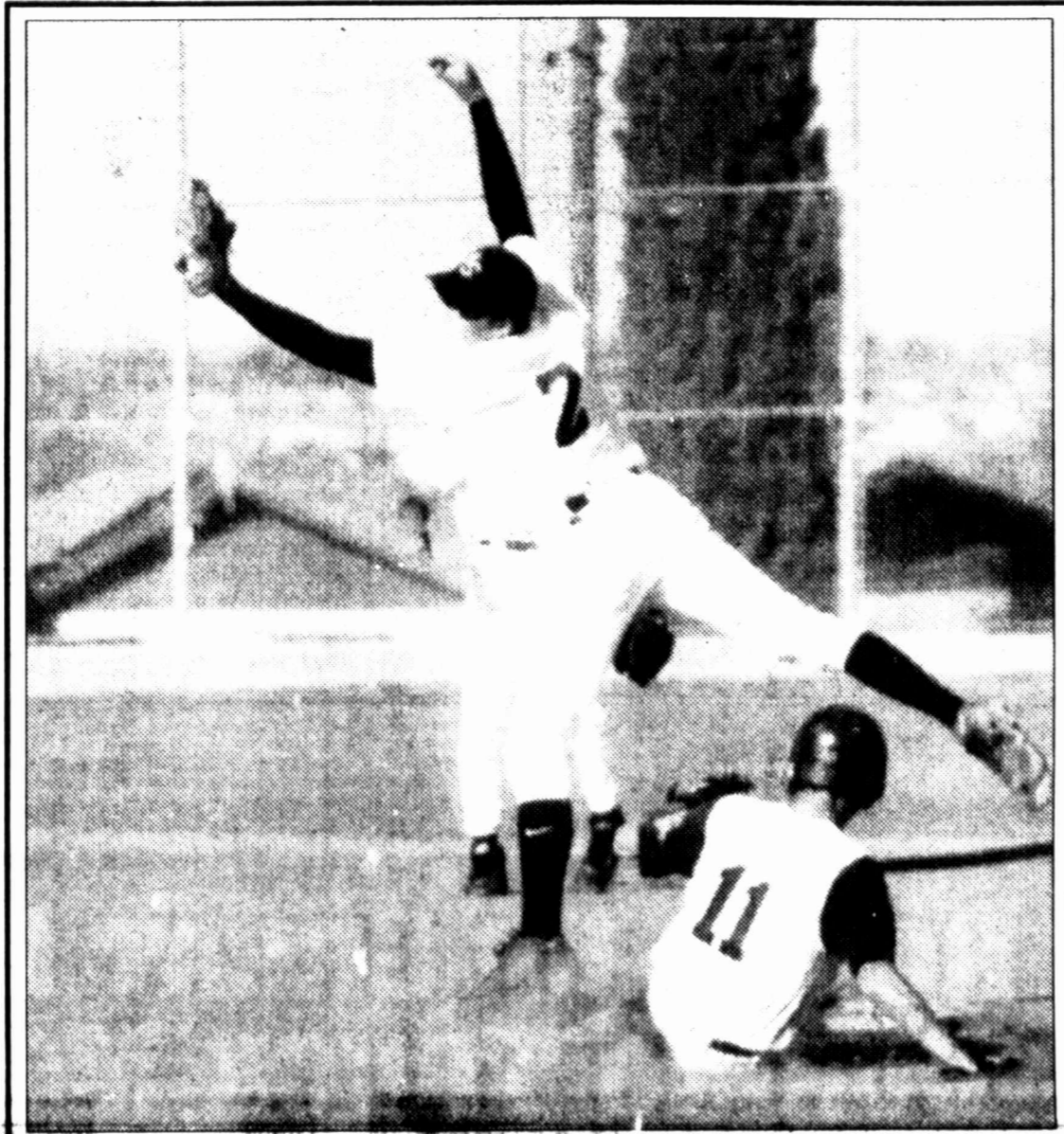
"It was so exciting to watch knowing that was where I was going to go," she said. "You just can't help

but wish that you were a year older and be a part of that already. But I think it showed a lot of potential. It showed me that was possible for where I was going."

McGraw was an overwhelming choice in the voting by AP member newspapers nationwide, receiving 60 votes to 12 for the runner-up, Tennessee's Pat Summitt.

One of the many women's coaches to come out of the Philadelphia area, McGraw got her start at Philly's Archbishop Carroll High School, where she was 50-3 in two

See AWARDS, page 4B



Big Spring's Ragan Phillips reaches for the ball on an attempted force play at second base during the Steers' game against Frenship last week. The Steers beat Lake View 2-0 Thursday in San Angelo and will host Levelland at 2 p.m. Saturday in Steer Park.

Steers linksters facing challenge; Area teams battle

HERALD Staff Report

Big Spring's Steers have their work cut out for them following the first round of competition in the District 5-4A boys' golf tournament.

The first of three district rounds was staged Monday in Levelland, and the Big Spring "A" team posted a 343 total and are seventh in the team standings.

The Steers were led by Isaac Willborn who shot an 80. Jerrod Simmons added a round of 85, Ryan Rodriguez followed with 88, Will Conley shot 90 and Mario Rodriguez finished the round with a 93.

Big Spring's "B" team posted a 384. Clayton Weaver led the way with an 85, Richard Key shot 91, Jacob Castle carded a 101, Jace Williams had a 107 and Rudy Garcia rounded things out with a 110.

The second round of the 5-4A tournament will be played Monday at the Riverside Golf Course in San Angelo.

While the Steers have started district tournament

play, golfers from Coahoma, Forsan and Stanton took part in the Coahoma Invitational Golf Tournament Wednesday at the Comanche Trail Golf Course.

In the tournament's girls division, Stanton had the best finish by a Crossroads area team.

The Lady Buffs' first team finished fourth with a total of 516, as Kenzie Williams led the way with a 125. Shelby Harp was one stroke back at 126, while Amber Langford had a 130, Heather Washington finished at 135 and Karyn Cook posted a 143.

Stanton's second team was led by Ashley Newell with a 116. Kristi Bridges added a 122, Kala Cook had a 133 and Merrida Koonce finished at 155.

The host Bulldogettes finished fifth in the team standings with a 530 total. They were led by Kynzi Roberts who shot 112, followed by Casey Dawson with 135, Kristy Kinard at

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Everett fined \$97,000; Tavaraz, Davis penalized

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Boston Red Sox hope they've reached a truce with Carl Everett. They still have to figure out how to handle that big fine.

The Red Sox, upset that Everett missed a team bus and skipped a workout this week, fined their defiant center fielder \$97,222 and suspended him for Thursday's exhibition game against Minnesota.

The penalty was announced after an hour-long meeting between Everett, agent Larry Reynolds, general manager Dan Duquette and manager Jimmy Williams in Fort Myers, Fla.

Duquette said the meeting provided a chance to address "festering" issues.

"Carl has a better understanding of his role on the team," Duquette said. "We had a candid exchange and I believe the issues are resolved."

Everett also struck a conciliatory note, saying progress was made.

"I'm not worried about fines and different stuff like that," he said. "We've got April through October to worry about."

Reynolds said the fine would be appealed.

The Red Sox applied a three-day penalty to Everett's \$7 million salary and based the fine on a 216-day season the 183-day regular season plus 33 mandatory days of spring training.

The standard formula fines a player for a percentage of his salary only for the regular season.

Gene Orza, No. 2 official at the players association, said the penalties were illegal and laughable.

"It's not going to stand,"

he said. "They're hopeless up there. There are some cases that are so far beyond the pale that you don't worry about them."

Elsewhere, Chicago Cubs pitcher Julian Tavaraz and San Francisco third baseman Russ Davis also were suspended after their spring training brawl this week.

Tavaraz was suspended for five games and Davis for three games, with the penalties to start on opening day. The players were fined undisclosed amounts by Frank Robinson, vice president of on-field operations for major league baseball.

Tavaraz and Davis were to decide Friday whether to appeal.

The suspensions were the first issued during spring training since T.J. Mathews, then with St. Louis, admitted he threw at Bret Boone, then with Cincinnati, in March 1997. Mathews was suspended for six games, lost his appeal and served the penalty in the regular season.

If they do not appeal, Tavaraz and Davis will begin their suspensions on April 2. The Cubs are home against Montreal that day, while the Giants are home against San Diego.

At Kissimmee, Fla., the Atlanta Braves found out Greg Maddux will not be ready to pitch the season opener Monday at Cincinnati. But they also learned he does not have a broken big left toe, as was feared after he was hit by Glen Barker's hard grounder Wednesday against Houston.

"He's still got a lot of swelling, a lot of bleeding underneath the nail," Braves team physician Dr. Joe Chandler said Thursday. "We cleaned it

up this morning and it's just a day-to-day situation."

In Thursday's games, it was Boston 3, Minnesota 2; New York Mets 16, Baltimore 4; Chicago Cubs 7, Anaheim 5; Chicago White Sox 12, Colorado 5; Seattle 7, San Diego 2; Detroit 7, Texas 3; Montreal 4, St. Louis 3; Houston 3, Double-A Round Rock 1; Oakland 9, Triple-A Sacramento 0; and Los Angeles 5, Arizona 4.

Mets 16, Orioles 4

At Port St. Lucie, Fla., Al Leiter extended his spring scoreless streak to 19 2-3 innings.

Leiter, 4-0 this spring, stopped Baltimore on one hit for four innings. Benny Agbayani homered for New York during a 10-run fourth against Chuck McElroy and John Bale.

Cubs 7, Angels 5

At Mesa, Ariz., Sammy Sosa hit his ninth home run of the spring as Chicago beat Anaheim. Sosa connected for a two-run drive off Scott Schoenweis.

White Sox 12, Rockies 5

At Tucson, Ariz., Carlos Lee's three-run homer capped Chicago's six-run fifth inning off Denny Neagle. Todd Hollandsworth, Ron Gant and Ben Petrick hit solo homers for Colorado.

Red Sox 3, Twins 2

At Fort Myers, Fla., Bret Saberhagen pitched three scoreless innings. He allowed one hit in his sec

See BASEBALL, page 4B



Howard College's Ross Ericsson scored 70 points on this ride during Thursday night's opening round of the Howard College Rodeo at the Big Spring Rodeo Bowl. The rodeo continues tonight and Saturday

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SPORTS EXTRA

NCAA TOURNEY
Men THE FINAL FOUR
The Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome
National Semifinals
Saturday
Michigan State (28-4) vs. Arizona (27-7) 4:42 p.m.
Duke (33-4) vs. Maryland (25-10) following first game
National Championship
Monday
Semifinal winners 8:18 p.m.
Women THE FINAL FOUR
The Savvis Center
St. Louis
National Semifinals
Saturday
Purdue (30-6) vs. Southwest Missouri State (29-5) 6 p.m.
Connecticut (32-2) vs. Notre Dame (32-2) 8:30 p.m.
National Championship
Sunday, April 1
Semifinal winners 7:30 p.m.

NBA STANDINGS
EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division
Philadelphia 49 22 690 7
Miami 42 29 592 7
New York 42 29 592 7
Orlando 39 32 549 10
Boston 33 38 465 16
New Jersey 25 48 338 25 1/2
Washington 18 54 250 31 1/2
Central Division
Milwaukee 45 26 686 6
Charlotte 40 31 5 5
Toronto 39 32 549 10
Indiana 32 39 451 19
Cleveland 26 45 366 25
Detroit 26 46 352 20
Atlanta 22 51 301 24
Chicago 12 59 169 33
WESTERN CONFERENCE
Midwest Division
San Antonio 21 24 708 662 31 1/2
Utah 46 27 648 41 1/2
Dallas 42 29 592 81 1/2
Houston 39 33 542 12
Denver 34 38 472 17
Vancouver 21 54 288 30 1/2
Pacific Division
Sacramento 44 22 686 6
Los Angeles 41 25 653 2
Portland 46 26 648 21 1/2
Phoenix 44 27 620 41 1/2
Seattle 42 34 541 10
L.A. Clippers 42 34 541 10
Golden State 17 54 239 31 1/2

CHICAGO BULLS—Activated C Jake Voskuhl from the injured list. Placed C Drogan Tarrac on the injured list.
NEW JERSEY NETS—Signed G Eddie Gill to a 10-day contract.
National Football League
BUFFALO BILLS—Re-signed DB Ray Hill.
CAROLINA PANTHERS—Signed OT Todd Stouffer to a four-year contract.
SAN DIEGO CHARGERS—Signed OL Ed Ellis to a three-year contract and WR Rodney Williams to a one-year contract. Released DL Antonio Simpson.
WASHINGTON REDSKINS—Re-signed LB Kevin Mitchell.
National Hockey League
NEW YORK ISLANDERS—Recalled C Jason Krog from Springfield of the AHL.
MONTREAL CANADIENS—Signed D Ron Hainsey to a three-year contract.
TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS—Recalled C Ayn McCauley from St. John's of the AHL.

Friday, April 6
Corpus Christi at Tupelo
Saturday, April 7
Corpus Christi at Tupelo, if necessary
Sunday, April 8
Corpus Christi at Tupelo, if necessary
Tuesday, April 10
Corpus Christi at Tupelo, if necessary
Series D
Bossier-Shreveport vs. Austin
Today
Bossier-Shreveport at Austin
Saturday, March 31
Bossier-Shreveport at Austin
Tuesday, April 3
Austin at Bossier-Shreveport
Thursday, April 5
Austin at Bossier-Shreveport
Friday, April 6
Austin at Bossier-Shreveport, if necessary
Sunday, April 8
Bossier-Shreveport at Austin, if necessary
Monday, April 9
Austin at Bossier-Shreveport, if necessary

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Championship Round
Thursday
AT Madison Square Garden
New York
Third Place
Memphis 86, Detroit 71
Championship
Tulsa 79, Alabama 60

Thursday's Games
Washington 116, Golden State 100
Atlanta 104, Indiana 93
San Antonio 106, Utah 88
Milwaukee 104, Miami 96
Phoenix 106, Chicago 85
Boston 106, Cleveland 90
Vancouver 89, New York 68
Today's Games
New Jersey at Toronto, 6 p.m.
Golden State at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
Indiana at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Denver at Charlotte, 8:30 p.m.
Orlando at Detroit, 8 p.m.
Cleveland at Utah, 8 p.m.
New York at Portland, 9 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Seattle, 9 p.m.
Dallas at Los Angeles, 9 p.m.

Friday, April 6
El Paso at Odessa
Saturday, March 31
El Paso at Odessa
Sunday, April 1
Odessa at El Paso
Friday, April 6
El Paso at Odessa
Saturday, April 7
Odessa at El Paso, if necessary
Sunday, April 8
Odessa at El Paso, if necessary
Tuesday, April 10
El Paso at Odessa, if necessary

Thursday's Games
Maxwell 6, Tampa Bay 2
Toronto 2, Philadelphia 1
N.Y. Rangers 6, N.Y. Islanders 4
Pittsburgh 5, Chicago 2
Nashville 4, Phoenix 3, OT
Dallas 1, Calgary 0
Los Angeles 3, Columbus 0
San Jose 7, Anaheim 4
Today's Games
Boston at Ottawa, 6 p.m.
Atlanta at Buffalo, 6 p.m.
Washington at Carolina, 6 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Florida, 6:30 p.m.
Dallas at Edmonton, 8 p.m.
Anaheim at Vancouver, 9 p.m.
Saturday, March 31
St. Louis at Pittsburgh, 2 p.m.
Colorado at Los Angeles, 2 p.m.
Detroit at Philadelphia, 2 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at New Jersey, 2 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Boston, 6 p.m.
Toronto at Montreal, 6 p.m.
Minnesota at Nashville, 7 p.m.
San Jose at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Dallas at Calgary, 9 p.m.
Sunday's Games
Carolina at Ottawa, 1 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at Atlanta, 2 p.m.
Edmonton at Chicago, 2 p.m.
Buffalo at Tampa Bay, 5 p.m.
Washington at Detroit, 6 p.m.
St. Louis at Columbus, 6 p.m.
Vancouver at Anaheim, 7 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Reassigned RHP Chad Finner to the RHP. Reassigned RHP Chad Finner to the RHP. Reassigned RHP Chad Finner to the RHP.
CLEVELAND INDIANS—Optioned RHP Sean Driscoll.
TAMPA BAY DEVIL RAYS—Optioned RHP Jason Standridge to Durham of the International League.
NATIONAL LEAGUE
LOS ANGELES DODGERS—Released RHP of R.P. Santiago.
ST. LOUIS CARDINALS—Released OF Quincey Snodgrass.
NEW YORK METS—Placed RHP Eric Carmack on the disabled list.
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association

WPHL

Playoffs Glance
First Round
Series A
Odessa vs. El Paso
Today
El Paso at Odessa
Saturday, March 31
El Paso at Odessa
Sunday, April 1
Odessa at El Paso
Friday, April 6
El Paso at Odessa
Saturday, April 7
Odessa at El Paso, if necessary
Sunday, April 8
Odessa at El Paso, if necessary
Tuesday, April 10
El Paso at Odessa, if necessary
Series B
Lubbock vs. San Angelo
Today
San Angelo at Lubbock
Saturday, March 31
San Angelo at Lubbock
Tuesday, April 3
Lubbock at San Angelo
Friday, April 6
Lubbock at San Angelo
Tuesday, April 10
San Angelo at Lubbock, if necessary
Saturday, April 14
Lubbock at San Angelo, if necessary
Series C
Tupelo vs. Corpus Christi
Today
Tupelo at Corpus Christi
Saturday, March 31
Tupelo at Corpus Christi
Sunday, April 1
Tupelo at Corpus Christi

NHL

Thursday's Games
Maxwell 6, Tampa Bay 2
Toronto 2, Philadelphia 1
N.Y. Rangers 6, N.Y. Islanders 4
Pittsburgh 5, Chicago 2
Nashville 4, Phoenix 3, OT
Dallas 1, Calgary 0
Los Angeles 3, Columbus 0
San Jose 7, Anaheim 4
Today's Games
Boston at Ottawa, 6 p.m.
Atlanta at Buffalo, 6 p.m.
Washington at Carolina, 6 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Florida, 6:30 p.m.
Dallas at Edmonton, 8 p.m.
Anaheim at Vancouver, 9 p.m.
Saturday, March 31
St. Louis at Pittsburgh, 2 p.m.
Colorado at Los Angeles, 2 p.m.
Detroit at Philadelphia, 2 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at New Jersey, 2 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Boston, 6 p.m.
Toronto at Montreal, 6 p.m.
Minnesota at Nashville, 7 p.m.
San Jose at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Dallas at Calgary, 9 p.m.
Sunday's Games
Carolina at Ottawa, 1 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at Atlanta, 2 p.m.
Edmonton at Chicago, 2 p.m.
Buffalo at Tampa Bay, 5 p.m.
Washington at Detroit, 6 p.m.
St. Louis at Columbus, 6 p.m.
Vancouver at Anaheim, 7 p.m.

XFL

Saturday, March 31
Chicago at New York, 7 p.m.
Orlando at Birmingham, 7 p.m.
Sunday, April 1
Los Angeles at Memphis, 3 p.m.
San Francisco at Las Vegas, 6 p.m.

No glass slippers needed for any in this Final Four

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — A warning to anyone who cried when Jim Valvano won, cheered when Villanova stunned Georgetown or felt warm and fuzzy when Danny Manning led Kansas to its improbable title: This is not your Final Four. Those who embrace lovable underdogs have no team to call their own in Minneapolis this week. This year's gathering is for Duke, Maryland, Michigan State and Arizona — four big-name teams from big-name conferences with low seeds and star players. All four spent good portions of the season at or near the top of the polls. "Not only do we have four really good teams, but we have four teams who are playing their best basketball right now," Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski said. "That doesn't usually happen at the Final Four." The Duke-Maryland semifinal Saturday is the fourth meeting between Atlantic Coast Conference rivals who have already played two of the most entertaining games of the season. The Arizona-Michigan State meeting is a pick 'em contest between the defending national champion and the

FISHING REPORT

SOUTH AMSTAD: Water fairly clear, low, black bass are good crankbaits. Texas-rigged lizards, rigged watermelon seed and striped bass are good on slabs up the Rio Grande. White crabs and steeper jigs way up. Crappie are slow. Channel catfish on chesapeake in 30-35 ft are slow on trotlines baited with CENTRAL BROWNWOOD: Water murky, black bass to 6 pounds are fair. 2-8 lbs. No report on striped to 14 inches are slow on minnow. Crappie are fair on minnow. Channel and blue catfish to 7 lbs. Chicken livers and nightcrawler. Yellow catfish to 48 pounds and perch in 2-12 feet. BUCHANAN: Water clear, 10-17 lbs. black crabs, blue pumpkin/chaurette Zilla lizards, Shiner Titanium spinnerbaits, melon Terminator jigs, along flats in 6-8 feet. Striped chrome Rat Traps, live bait jigs around flag island in 12 lbs are good vertically jigging. Blue Horizon Pink Minnows, 2 and chrome Topy Tapp on islands in 8-20 feet. Crappie minnows. Channel catfish are SOUTHEAST GORRE: Water clear, 6 lbs bass are fair on spinnerbaits. Assabassins in 5 feet. Crappie now along the shoreline. Blue catfish are good on spinnerbaits. Shad along creek channel edge. GIBBONS CREEK: Water degrees, black bass are good on spinnerbaits and spinnerbaits. Assabassins are good on spinnerbaits. Line gtbass. Crappie are fair on the shoreline brush. Catfish are good on cut shad in 10-15 ft. HOUSTON COUNTY: Water degrees, black bass to 7 lbs on sour grape Wacky Worms, Lizards and chartreuse/white shallow flats on the shoreline. Channel catfish are good on spinnerbaits. Shad along creek channel edge. LIVINGSTON: Water slight black bass are good on spinnerbaits. Crappie are good on minnow. Channel are very good on live bait, cut baits. Yellow catfish are slow. SAM RAYBURN: Water degrees, 8-10 lb black bass, L-Traps, spinnerbaits and crankbaits in river edges and brushpots and on white jigs. Crappie are fair on spinnerbaits. STEINHAGEN: Water in black bass are fair to good on Rat Traps in 4-12 feet. N bass. No report on white bass. Heavy brush in the river. Yellow catfish and blue crabs. Channel and blue crabs. Stinkbait and cut bait are fair to good on trotlines. TOLEDO BEND: Water m 17-32, black bass are slow. Hogs and watermelon or jugs. Heavy brush in the river. Yellow catfish, wacky worms, flukes, tics in 2-8 feet in flooded by side gtbass lines in the south. Heavy brush in the river. Yellow catfish are good at the mouth of the slough. Yellow bass are good on minnow. Main lake river channel in 14 PANKHOLE BAYLOR: Water clear, bass are slow on spinnerbaits. Crappie are slow. GREENBELT: Water clear, bass are slow on spinnerbaits. Crappie are good on minnow. Yellow catfish are slow. WALLEE: Water clear, Walleye are fair while trolling. MCKENZIE: Water clear, degrees, black bass are slow on jigs and minnows. MEREDITH: Water clear, black bass are slow. Crappie are good on minnow. Smallmouth bass are good on jerkbaits near bluffs and secondary points. Walleye are good on minnows and jigs. PALO DURO: Water clear, bass are slow. Crappie are slow. White bass are slow. minnows. Catfish are slow. WEST ALAN HENRY: Water clear, bass are fair in back of creek. Crappie are slow. ARROWHEAD: Water clear, degrees, black bass are slow on jigs and minnows. BRADY: Water light, fishing reported generally slow. COLORADO CITY: Water clear, degrees, black bass are slow. Crappie are fair on minnow. On shad. Catfish are slow. FT. PHANTOM HILL: Water clear, degrees, 5-10 lb black bass are good on minnows and jigs. Blue catfish are good on cut shad. HUBBARD CREEK: Water clear, black bass are good on spinnerbaits near rocky points and out of the water. A temporary dam (turn at Water paved/caliche road to the east. NASWORTHY: Water clear, black bass are slow. Crappie are good on chicken liver. Bass and hybrids are good. Low ball. Law is being dredged. (3 year project started summer. NOCONA: No report available. OAK CREEK: No boat ramp available. OH LUE: Water light, 13 lb black bass are slow. Crappie are fair on jigs tipped with spinnerbaits. Catfish are fair on road to Combs Park is used. POSSUM KINGDOM: Water degrees, 1.5 lb. Fishing bloom affecting all species. SPENCE: Water clear, bass are good on slabs tipped with jigs. Crappie are slow. CATFISH: Water clear, bass are slow. Crappie are good on trotlines with ramps are open. SWEETWATER: Water clear, low. Black bass are slow. Crappie are slow on minnow. Good on minnows. Channel minnows. TWIN BUTTES: Report used lake is less than 10 p.m. WHITE RIVER: Water clear, low. Black bass are slow. minnows. Walleye are slow. COASTAL NORTH SABINE: Trout, Cakes and plum, red shad. Bass Assabassins, Trout K on the flats adjacent to Flounder and redfish are Louisiana shoreline on mulplastics. SOUTH SABINE: Trout and black Trout Killers, Blue Hogs on the Reef. Flounder, Assabassins, Trout Killers, shrimps and soft plastics on at the HLP Spillway. Sheepshead are good on slings and structure. EAST GALVESTON BAY: good along the Houston shrimp. Trout are good on red shad. Bass Assabassins of water. Trout are fair to good suspending baits on the Bay. WEST GALVESTON BAY: good over shell for drift. Showboats on good. Assabassins, Trout Killers, Diablos, Flounder are good on mud minnows, shrimp, drum, redfish and sheepshead on crabs. TEXAS CITY: Overcast, good from the pier at the shrimp and crabs. Gafftop good on shrimp around the FREPORT: Whiting, sheepshead are good on Flounder are good around Bay on jigs tipped with shad

Boston moves past Indiana in late race for final playoff spot

The ASSOCIATED PRESS
Advantage. Boston Celtics
They gained a one-game advantage over Indiana in the race for the final playoff spot in the Eastern Conference on Thursday night. While the Celtics beat the Chicago Bulls 106-104, the Pacers dropped a 104-93 decision to the Atlanta Hawks, and as a result, Boston moved into sole possession of eighth place in the conference. Boston, looking for its first postseason berth since 1995, travels to Indiana for a pivotal game Friday night. A Boston victory would give the Celtics a two-game lead over Indiana, which plays conference-leading Philadelphia on Sunday. "The biggest part of the season is coming up," Boston's Antoine Walker said. "This is what we live for." "Having an opportunity with 12 games left, to fight for a playoff spot, is unbelievable. I've tried my whole career to make the playoffs. You have to be focused, but it's a good time right now." The Pacers might have a different opinion after stumbling against the Hawks, a team that had lost four straight and 16 of their last '9. "We had to play catch-up," Indiana's Reggie Miller said. "We usually have the other teams playing catch-up." "In a high intensity game like this, you have to be able to seize the moment. We didn't do that." In other NBA games, it was Washington 116, Golden State 100, San Antonio 106, Utah 88, Milwaukee 104, Miami 96, Phoenix 90, Houston 85, and Vancouver 89, New York 68. On Thursday, the Celtics again relied on the scoring of Walker and Paul Pierce. Walker had 23 points, 11 rebounds and 11 assists, his fourth triple-double of the season and ninth of his career. Pierce scored 24 points as the Celtics won their fourth straight. Chicago didn't go easily, however. The Bulls, who trailed by as many as 13 points in the fourth quarter, missed a chance to tie at the buzzer when Ron Mercer missed an off-balance 3-pointer. "It seems like every game is too close for comfort for us," Pierce said. "It hasn't been an easy year." Indiana will go into its game against Boston on the heels of a lackluster second-half performance against the Hawks. Atlanta shot 4-for-5 from 3-point range and 12-for-23 overall in the fourth quarter. "We went with our veterans down the stretch," Indiana coach Isiah Thomas said. "We just didn't get it done after the five-minute mark." Miller scored 24 points, and Jalen Rose and Jermaine O'Neal each added 16 for Indiana. "We played the first half, but not the second half," See NBA, page 5B

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FISHING REPORT

SOUTH:
AMSTAD: Water fairly clear. 61 degrees. 35 low. black bass are good on deep diving crankbaits. Texas-rigged lizards and Carolina-rigged watermelon seed and junebug worms. Striped bass are good on slabs and stinger jigs up the Rio Grande. White bass are good on slabs and stinger jigs way up the Rio Grande. Crappie are slow. Channel and blue catfish are fair on cheesebait in 30-35 feet. Yellow catfish are slow on trotlines baited with perch.

CENTRAL:
BROWNWOOD: Water murky. 61 degrees. black bass to 6 pounds are fair on Rat-L-Traps in 2-8 feet. No report on white bass. White bass to 14 inches are slow on minnows in 5-8 feet. Crappie are fair on minnows in 4-12 feet. Channel and blue catfish to 7 pounds are fair on chicken livers and nightcrawlers in 2-10 feet. Yellow catfish to 48 pounds are slow on shad and perch in 2-12 feet.

BUCHANAN: Water clear. 61 degrees. 101.66. black bass are good on pumpkin/chartreuse Zilla lizards. 1/4 oz. Gold Shiner Titanium spinnerbaits and 1/8 oz. watermelon Terminator jigs along breaklines of creek flats in 3-6 feet. Striped bass are good on chrome Rat-L-Traps. live bait or trolling bucktail jigs around Flag Island in 12-20 feet. White bass are good vertically jigging 1/4 oz. silver or blue Horizon Pike Minnows. 2" Lift Fishie Shads and chrome Fry Traps in creeks and upper islands in 8-20 feet. Crappie are slow on live minnows. Channel catfish are slow on live bait.

SOUTHEAST:
CONROE: Water clear. 65 degrees. black bass are fair on spinnerbaits and Bass Assbaits in 5 feet. Crappie are slow on minnows along the shoreline brush. Channel and blue catfish are good on prepared baits and cut shad along creek channel edges in 12-16 feet.

GIBBONS CREEK: Water stained. 68 degrees. black bass are good on Bass Assbaits and spinnerbaits along the shoreline brush. Crappie are fair on minnows along the shoreline brush. Catfish are good on prepared baits and cut shad in 6-10 feet.

HOUSTON COUNTY: Water cloudy. 57 degrees. black bass to 7 pounds are very good on sour grape Wacky Worms, electric blue Power Lizards and chartreuse/white spinnerbaits on shallow flats on the south side of the lake at the pump station, between the islands and near the marina boat stalls at the creek channel. Crappie to 2 pounds are good on live minnows on the south side of the pump station on grass flats near the shoreline. No report on catfish.

LIVINGSTON: Water slightly off color. 6' high. black bass are good on spinnerbaits. No report on striped bass. White bass are slow. Crappie are good on minnows. Channel and blue catfish are very good on live bait, cutbait and prepared baits. Yellow catfish are slow.

SAN RAYBURN: Water murky. 56-58 degrees. 8.69 high. black bass are good on Rat-L-Traps, spinnerbaits and shallow diving crankbaits in river edges and on points over brushpiles and on white jigs in deeper grass. Crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs. STEINHAGEN: Water murky. 64 degrees. black bass are fair to good on spinnerbaits and Rat-L-Traps in 4-12 feet. No report on striped bass. No report on white bass. Crappie to 12 inches are good on minnows and jigs in 6-14 feet. Channel and blue catfish are good on punchbait, stinkbait and cutbait. Yellow catfish are fair to good on trotlines baited with live perch.

TOLEDO BEND: Water murky. 60 degrees. 172.32. black bass are slow to fair on brush hogs and watermelon or junebug large tubes in heavy brush in the north end and on spinnerbaits, wacky worms, flukes, jigs and soft plastics in 2-8 feet in flooded brush and along outside grass lines in the south end. White bass and crappie are good off the main river channel at the mouth of the sloughs dumping into the main lake river channel in 16-18 feet.

PANHANDLE:
BAYLOR: Water clear. 53 degrees. black bass are slow on spinnerbaits and jigs in the creeks. Crappie are slow.

GREENBELT: Water clear. 52 degrees. black bass are slow on spinnerbaits and live bait. Crappie are good on minnows. White bass are fair on live bait and silver in-line spinners. Walleye are fair while trolling.

MACKENZIE: Water lightly stained. 50 degrees. black bass are slow. Crappie are good on jigs and minnows.

MEREDITH: Water clear. 46 degrees. 1 low. black bass are good on minnows around dusk. Smallmouth bass are good on soft plastics and jerkbaits near bluffs and spinnerbaits on secondary points. Walleye are good on jerkbaits and grubs at dusk. Catfish are slow.

PALEO DUNO: Water clear. 43 degrees. black bass are slow. Crappie are slow on jigs and minnows. Walleye are fair on minnows. Catfish are slow.

WEST:
ALAN HENRY: Water clear. 53 degrees. black bass are fair in back creeks on jigs and spinnerbaits. Crappie are slow.

ARROWHEAD: Water stained. 35 low. 55 degrees. black bass are slow. Crappie are fair on jigs and minnows near the park area. Catfish good on stink bait and minnows. New blue cat fish lake record pending.

BRADY: Water lightly stained. 55 degrees. fishing reported generally slow.

COLORADO CITY: Water slightly stained. 55 degrees. black bass are fair. Rat-L-Traps. Crappie are fair on minnows. Red fish are slow on shad. Catfish are slow.

FT. PHANTOM HILL: Water stained. 56 degrees. 5 low. black bass are slow. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs near the discharge. Blue catfish are good on cut shad and big minnows.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water clear. 52 degrees. black bass are good on crankbaits in 4-7 ft. Traps near rocky points and secondary points. Crappie are slow. Concrete boat ramps are all out of the water. A temporary ramp is open near the dam (turn at Wal-Mart and follow paved/culvert road to the east side of the dam).

NASSORTH: Water stained. 49 degrees. black bass are slow. Crappie are good on jigs tipped with minnows. Channel and yellow catfish are good on chicken liver and shrimp. White bass and hybrids are good on the park area and live bait. Low water dredged 2 feet on site (13 year project started summer 2000).

NOCONA: No report available.

OM CREEK: No boat ramps open no report available.

OH. WIE: Water lightly stained. 51 degrees. 13 low. black bass are slow on spinnerbaits. Crappie are fair on jigs tipped with minnows and spinnerbaits. Catfish are fair on cut shad. The road to Concho Park is under construction.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water lightly stained. 56 degrees. 1.5 low. Fishing is still slow. Toxic algae bloom affecting all species of fish throughout lake.

SPENCE: Water clear. 55 degrees. black bass are good on slabs tipped with live bait and jigs. Crappie are slow. Catfish are slow.

STAMFORD: Water clear. 51 degrees. black bass are slow. Crappie are good on minnows. White bass are good on minnows. Blue catfish are good on trotlines with coy and perch. Boat ramps are open.

SWEETWATER: Water clear. 51 degrees. 14 low. black bass are slow on spinnerbaits. Crappie are slow on minnows. White bass are good on minnows. Channel catfish are good on minnows.

TWIN BUTTES: Report temporarily discontinued lake is less than 10 percent of capacity.

WHITE RIVER: Water stained. 54 degrees. 17 low. black bass are slow. Crappie are good on minnows. Walleye are slow.

COASTAL:
NORTH SABINE: Trout are fair to good on Cornies and plum, red shad and pumpkinseed. Bass Assbaits, Trout Killers and Sand Eels on the flats adjacent to the Intracoastal. Flounder and redfish are fair to good on the Louisiana shoreline on mud minnows and soft plastics.

SOUTH SABINE: Trout are fair to good on red and black Trout Killers, Bass Assbaits and Huggo's on the Florida. Flounder are good on the Louisiana shoreline on plum and red shad plastics tipped with shrimp. Redfish, sheepshead and black drum are good on live shrimp off the causeway pier and at the jetty.

BOLIVAR: Trout are fair to good on the shore lines and at Rollover. Bass on live shrimp. Redfish and black drum are good at Rollover. Bass on crabs and live shrimp. Whiting and gafftop are good along the beachfront on fresh dead shrimp.

TRINITY BAY: Trout are fair to good while wading protected reefs on Top Dogs, Super Spooks, Catch 2000s and Cornies. Redfish are good on shrimp and soft plastics on the shorelines and at the H&P Spillway. Black drum and sheepshead are good on shrimp around rock pilings and structures.

EAST GALVESTON BAY: Trout and gafftop are good along the Houston Ship Channel on live shrimp. Trout are good on plum/chartreuse and red shad. Bass Assbaits in 10 to 12 feet of water. Trout are fair to good on topwaters and suspending baits on the Bolivar shoreline.

WEST GALVESTON BAYS: Trout are fair to good over shore. Flounder working protected shorelines on glow chartreuse and plum. Bass Assbaits, Trout Killers, Sand Eels and Eel Diablos. Flounder are good near Snake Island on mud minnows, shrimp and dark jigs. Black drum, redfish and sheepshead are good at the jetty on crabs and live shrimp.

TEXAS CITY: Oversized black drum are very good from the pier at the end of the dike on shrimp and crabs. Gafftop and sheepshead are good on shrimp around the rocks and pilings.

FREEDPORT: Whiting, black drum and sheepshead are good on shrimp at the jetty. Flounder are good around the cuts in Christmas Bay on jigs tipped with shrimp.

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Players wait as rain washes out the first round of BellSouth Classic

DULUTH, Ga. (AP) — The final warmup for the Masters started out as a cold, soggy mess.

The first round of the BellSouth Classic was postponed Thursday because of drenching rain, prompting some golfers to consider dropping out to concentrate on Augusta National rather

than endure a tedious week-end — and possibly beyond — of waiting out the weather.

"No disrespect, but Augusta means a lot more to me than this tournament," said Dennis Paulson, slipping off his spikes after the day ended without anyone completing more than two

holes. Tournament officials called off the entire round and planned to start anew Friday. While temperatures were expected to warm more than 20 degrees into the 60s, there was still a chance of rain through the rest of the weekend. The second round was

rescheduled for Saturday. Officials haven't decided what to do beyond that point, so players such as Paulson took a wait-and-see approach with the Masters looming next week.

"I don't want to withdraw," Paulson said. "But I don't know what I'm going to do right now."

While Tiger Woods, Vijay Singh and David Duval are not playing in the BellSouth, the Atlanta-area tournament still attracted a strong field that includes Ernie Els, Davis Love III and defending champion Phil Mickelson.

It remains to be seen how many of those players will

still be around at the end, though there were no immediate withdrawals after the opening round.

Assuming he makes the cut, Paulson said he might be willing to play in the BellSouth through Monday. His position on the scoreboard will influence his decision.

AWARDS

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seasons. "I just loved playing so much that when that was over, I was looking for something else to do that would keep me in basketball," McGraw said. "Plus, I was a sociology major. Who could find a job in that field?"

"So I went into coaching and I knew from the first practice this is my passion. I love the game and I needed to stay in coaching."

McGraw is 408-158 in 19 seasons as a college coach, the first five at Lehigh. She has 12 20-win seasons at Notre Dame, and this sea-

son's team set a school record for victories.

Riley, who edged Southwest Missouri State's Jackie Stiles 30-26 for the player award, has been a large part of McGraw's success. Nearly impossible to defend 1-on-1, Riley averages 18.4 points and 7.7 rebounds. She shoots 63 percent from the field, averages three blocks a game and can pass out of double-teams with the skill of Bill Walton.

"She's one in a million," McGraw said. "I don't think there's ever been a player like her, somebody who has done so much for our program at both ends of the floor."

Thursday's award was the latest in a string of accolades for Riley, who was a unanimous All-American, an academic All-American and the Naismith Award winner. Wednesday, while her team was flying to St. Louis, Riley flew to Minneapolis to appear on an ESPN awards shown, then was flown to St. Louis to rejoin her team.

"It's kind of hard since we're still playing. All you're thinking about is this weekend and the games we have to play," Riley said.

"At the same time, you're receiving all these awards. It's a little emotional and a little draining."

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ond impressive outing in five days for Boston.

Expos 4, Cardinals 3

At Jupiter, Fla., Alan Benes pitched two scoreless innings and hit an RBI triple for St. Louis, then was sent down to Triple-A. Andy Tracy hit a tiebreaking homer in the Montreal eighth.

Tigers 7, Rangers 3

At Port Charlotte, Fla., Jose Macias, Wendell Magee and Shane Halter all homered in the eighth inning to

lift Detroit over Texas.

Mariners 7, Padres 2

At Peoria, Ariz., Stan Javier hit a two-run double and Seattle beat San Diego.

Astros 3, Round Rock 1

At Round Rock, Texas, Shane Reynolds, pitching for Double-A Round Rock, allowed one run on three hits in four innings in the Texas League team's loss to the parent Astros.

Reynolds, who had knee surgery in December, was pitching in a game for only the second time this spring. Keith Ginter hit a two-run

homer in the eighth for the Astros.

Athletics 9, Sacramento 0

At Sacramento, Calif., Barry Zito allowed two hits in seven innings, and Ryan Christenson and Robin Jennings hit two-run homers in Oakland's victory over its top farm club.

Dodgers 5, Diamondbacks 4

At Las Vegas, Angel Pena singled in the winning run in the bottom of the ninth inning for Los Angeles. Chris Donnels hit his team-leading fifth homer of the spring for the Dodgers.



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"We've got a different team in a lot of ways and we kind of took things a day at a time and let them just happen," Izzo said. "Then, we started reassessing our goals at the end of the year, and now we're playing for it."

Arizona (27-7) also went through tough times, slipping to 8-5 in January and stumbling from suspensions and the death of coach Lute Olson's wife.

More recently, the Wildcats have looked like the team picked as the pre-season No. 1. Since Olson

returned from a two-week absence, the Wildcats have gone 17-2.

"They were placed under a lot of adversity this year, and it was not a case of my losing confidence in them," Olson said.

"Sometimes they may have thought that, but it's like I tell them, the day I'm not on them is the day they should start worrying about things."

Duke, of course, is Duke — a program deep in talent and tradition that has been here nine times since 1986.

Its worst moments this year came when Carlos Boozer missed the ACC

tournament and the first two rounds of the NCAAAs with a broken foot.

The Blue Devils (33-4) substituted Casey Sanders and went 5-0. Late in the season, senior guard Nate James struggled, and Krzyzewski replaced him in the starting lineup with freshman Chris Duhon. Duke is 8-0 since that change.

If there's any semblance of an underdog here, it's Maryland (25-10), a 97-year-old program making its first Final Four appearance.

The Terrapins lost five of six in midseason after blowing a 10-point lead in the final 54 seconds against

Duke and seemed in jeopardy of missing the tournament.

But it would be wrong to call the Terrapins a complete surprise.

They were a Top-5 team to start the season. A month after their collapse, however, they beat Duke at Cameron Indoor Stadium, then nearly beat the Blue Devils again in the ACC semifinals, losing 84-82 on a last-second tip-in.

"It's just a one-game deal," Maryland coach Gary Williams said, trying his absolute best to grasp the elusive underdog's role. "not a best-out-of-seven."

NBA

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O'Neal said. "That was the difference."

Grizzlies 89, Knicks 68

Shareef Abdur-Rahim scored 30 points as host Vancouver snapped a nine-game losing streak.

Mike Bibby had 16 points and eight assists for Vancouver, which snapped a seven-game losing streak against the New York and beat the Knicks for the first time since its inaugural season in 1995-96. Bryant Reeves added 14 points and 10 rebounds.

Reserve Charlie Ward had 13 points and eight assists. Allan Houston scored 12 points and Mark Jackson 10 for New York, which lost its second straight.

Spurs 106, Jazz 88

Tim Duncan scored 29 points and Derek Anderson had 23 as San Antonio swept its season series with visiting Utah and dealt the Jazz their third straight loss.

The Spurs beat Utah for the 14th time in 16 games and improved the NBA's best record to 51-21.

Karl Malone scored 24 points for the Jazz.

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141, Lauren Green with a 142 and Elisha Teeler at 149.

Coahoma entered five boys teams, while Forsan and Stanton had two teams apiece. Coahoma's first team rounded out the day in fourth place with a score of 334. Forsan's first team and Coahoma's second team split eighth place at 347;

Stanton's first team finished 10th at 371; Forsan's second team finished at 380; Coahoma's third team posted a 390; Stanton's second team finished at 399; while the Bulldogs' fourth and fifth teams finished with 433 and 452 scores, respectively.

The Bulldogs' first team was led by Jay Chadwell and Stephen Binion who both shot 82, followed by

Travis Hipp at 83, Chase Ward with a 87 and Blane Wright who shot 89.

The second team was led by Matthew Christian's 85. Taylor Parrish and Matthew Marlar both shot 87, while Cory Hill had an 88 and Robert Hollander shot 92.

The third Coahoma team was led by Kelby Kemper's 89. Rickey Richters added a 95, while David Davis had a

99 and Cade Bowlin with 107. The fourth team was headed by Justin Gard's 100, followed by Trevor Bibb's 105, Will Kington's 112 and Jesse Metcalf's 116. The fifth team was led by Cory Mulkey, who shot 95, followed by Jake Smith at 111, Nick Molina at 119 and Brandon Hart at 127.

Forsan's first team was led by Dustin Morgan who

shot 82. Mike Rowden added an 86, Furillo Subia shot 89. Josh Bedwell was right behind with 90 and Jerrod Stevens finished with a 96.

The second team was led by Matt Alexander's 93, Billy Kinsey's 94 and Ty Savell's 95. Brandon Burleson added a 98 and Ross Berry finished at 119.

Stanton's first team was led by Mike Harris, who

shot 87, and Cody Robertson, who had an 89. Jody Robertson added a 96, Jon Cotton carded a 99 and Brad Bryan finished at 102.

The second team was led by Zeke Bryand with an 85, followed by Harry Doshier at 90 and Ryan Kelly with a 109. Brandon Ireton and David Baker rounded the team's scoring with 115 scores.

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ANN LANDERS

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Dear Atlanta: Several others suggested that also. A few readers said a slice of raw onion on the affected area works wonders. Another remedy is to open a vitamin E capsule and pour it on the burn, then cover the skin with a gauze pad. Again, I love the way my readers look out for one another. Bless you, kind souls.

Dear Ann Landers: Tell me, Ann, is it OK for guests at a wedding to change the bride's table arrangements and sit wherever they want?

After planning my wedding down to the last detail to make the day memorable for everyone, it was ruined by some rude relatives. Three couples who were sitting together didn't know the fourth couple at their table, so they moved to another table, making one table too crowded and the other too empty. When it came time to eat, I asked them to please move back to their original table. They refused. This started a huge fight, and they stormed out of the reception. I cried the rest of the night.

Now, these people demand an apology from us, saying we should have let them sit wherever they wanted. I cannot believe their rudeness. I don't want my husband to have lifelong problems with his relatives over this. What do you suggest? -- Need Help in New York

Dear N.Y.: I feel sorry for the fourth couple at the table. I assume they did not know anyone at the wedding or you would have seated them elsewhere.

You do not owe those rude relatives an apology. When there is assigned seating, guests should honor the wishes of the hostess and sit where they have been placed. This comes under the heading of "good manners."

Guests who refuse to do so insult the hostess. Another faux pas is to accept a "wedding and dinner" invitation and not stay for the dinner. The dinner was paid for by the hostess. When she sees empty places, she is sure to be upset, and of course, she will know who folded out.

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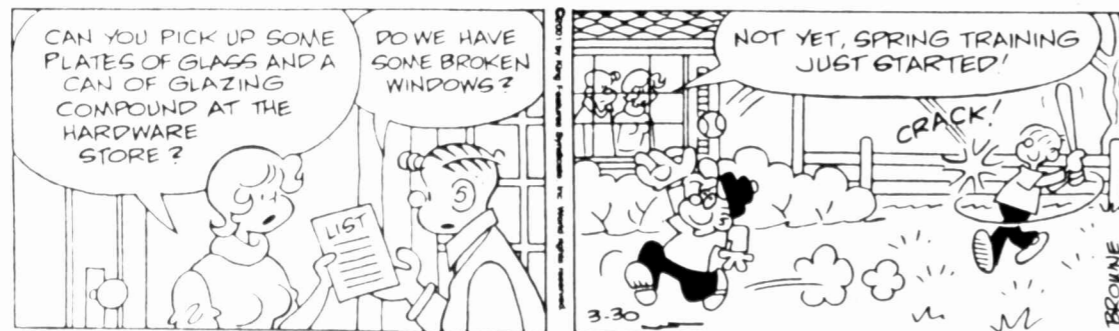
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Friday, March 30, the 89th day of 2001. There are 276 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 30, 1981, President Reagan was shot and seriously injured outside a Washington D.C. hotel by John W. Hinckley Jr. Also wounded were White House press secretary James Brady, a Secret Service agent and a police officer.

On this date:

In 1822, Florida became a U.S. territory.

In 1842, Dr. Crawford W. Long of Jefferson, Ga., first used ether as an anesthetic during a minor operation.

In 1867, U.S. Secretary of State William H. Seward reached agreement with Russia to purchase the territory of Alaska for \$7.2

million dollars, a deal roundly ridiculed as "Seward's Folly."

In 1870, the 15th amendment to the Constitution, giving black men the right to vote, was declared in effect.

In 1870, Texas was readmitted to the Union.

In 1945, the Soviet Union invaded Austria during World War II.

In 1964, John Glenn withdrew from the Ohio race for U.S. Senate because of injuries suffered in a fall.

In 1970, the musical "Applause" opened on Broadway.

In 1973, Ellsworth Bunker resigned as U.S. ambassador to South Vietnam, and was succeeded by Graham A. Martin.

In 1998, Rolls-Royce was purchased by German automaker BMW in a \$570-million deal.

Ten years ago: Patricia Bowman, a resident of Jupiter, Fla., told authorities she'd been raped hours earlier by William Kennedy

Smith, the nephew of Sen. Edward Kennedy, at the family's Palm Beach estate. Smith was later acquitted at trial.

Today's Birthdays: Singer Frankie Laine is 88. Former CIA Director Richard Helms is 88. Actor Richard Dysart is 72. Actor John Astin is 71. Game show host Peter Marshall is 71. Actor-director Warren Beatty is 64. Rock musician Graeme Edge (The Moody Blues) is 60. Rock musician Eric Clapton is 56. Actor Robbie Coltrane is 51. Actor Paul Reiser is 44.

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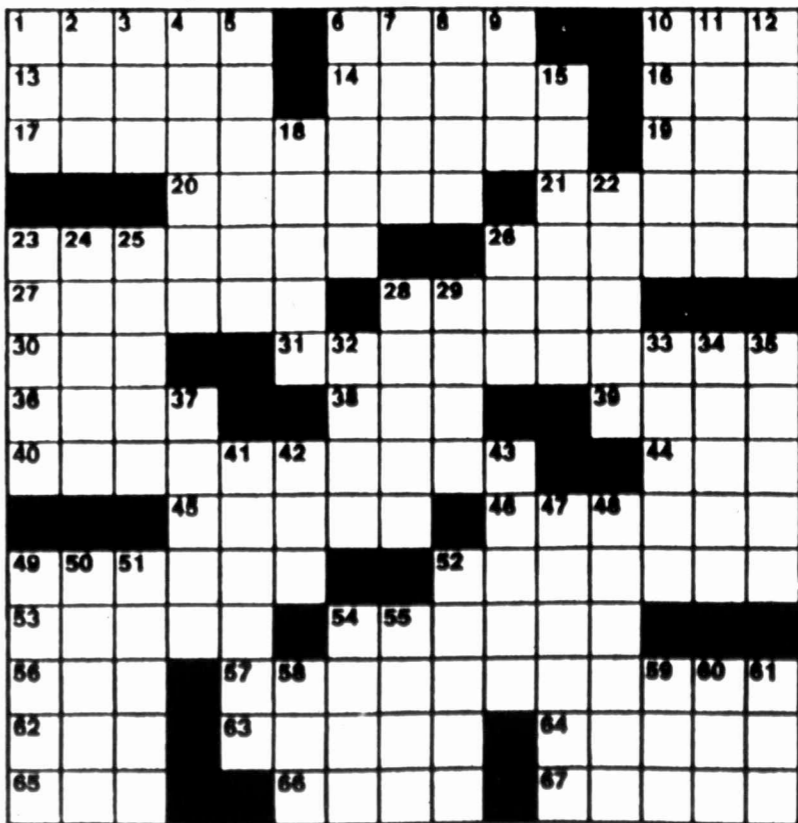
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Newsday Crossword ABUNDANTLY CLEAR by Lee Weaver

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| 1 Pitched roof part | 1 Gal's counterpart | 65 Part of HRH | 15 Food and drink |
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| 10 Autobahn auto | 3 Heat meas. | 67 Bird berths | 22 Word form for "straight" |
| 13 Up to | 4 Rock plant | | 23 Plant over again |
| 14 Gung-ho | 5 The Graduate character | | 24 Soil |
| 16 Spike or Ang | 6 Apple brown ___ | | 25 Prepare Parmesan |
| 17 First part of a quip | 7 Honolulu's island | | 26 ___-Glo |
| 19 ___ the Fanatic (Philip Roth book) | 8 Turkish officials | | 28 Variety show |
| 20 Interruption | 9 Give it the gas | | 29 Hurler |
| 21 Tough question | 10 Consecrated | | 32 Stringed instrument |
| 23 Temporary authority | 11 Confused conflict | | 33 Adored ones |
| 26 Moved suddenly | 12 Very strange | | 34 Dynamite inventor |
| 27 Breadwinner | | | 35 Covered with dirt |
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A supplement to the Big Spring Herald March 25-30, 2001

TODAY: RELIGION

Beyond the pulpit

Ministers' group sets sights on social action, aims for wider reach of faithful service

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

Time was when pastors spoke out about the issues of the day, not just from their pulpits, but in the newspapers and at meetings of governmental bodies.

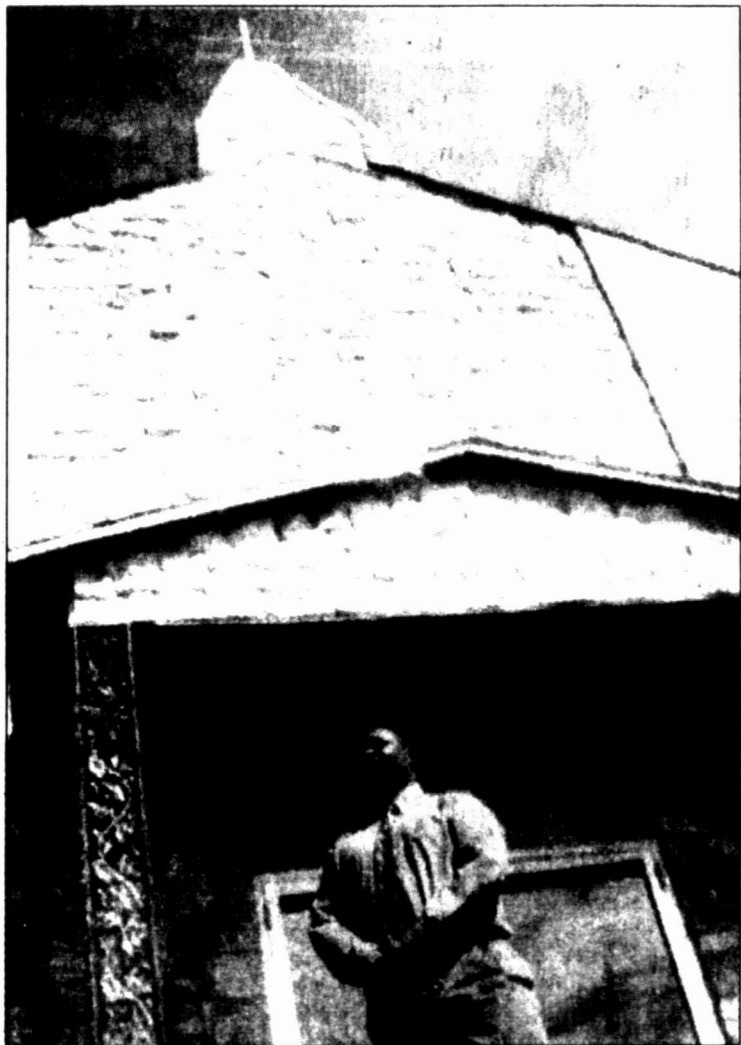
Some local pastors think that time should come again, and they are prepared to put some elbow grease behind it.

The Rev. Steve Stutz, pastor of St. Paul Lutheran Church, hopes to create a movement of social action among the Howard County Minister's Fellowship. The group has been meeting somewhat regularly since the 1940s, but had in recent years seen a decline both in attendance and projects. Their main effort for many years seemed to be a funding drive for the Big Spring High School Bible Class.

Then along came the Jesus Video Project in the summer of 1999. The massive outreach brought together about 60 churches and hundreds of volunteers to distribute a movie about the life of Jesus Christ to every household in Howard County. The minister's fellowship was a major sponsor.

Now the Bible class has split from the group, becoming a separate non-profit organization. That leaves the fellowship open for a new focus — a focus that some say should turn to social action. Stutz took over as president of the group in December.

"Some want it just to be a social group," Stutz said of the lunchtime meetings at which all local ministers are welcome. "Some want to make an impact on the community," he added, placing himself in the latter group.



Stutz cited statistics that show one-fourth of Big Spring residents live in poverty. One-fifth of local households, according to a recent survey, are headed by single mothers. Meanwhile, signs of homelessness and hopelessness can be seen by anyone traveling on local streets.

"These are issues that affect every one of us," Stutz said. "These issues are not going away. Let's make a commitment to doing something about it."

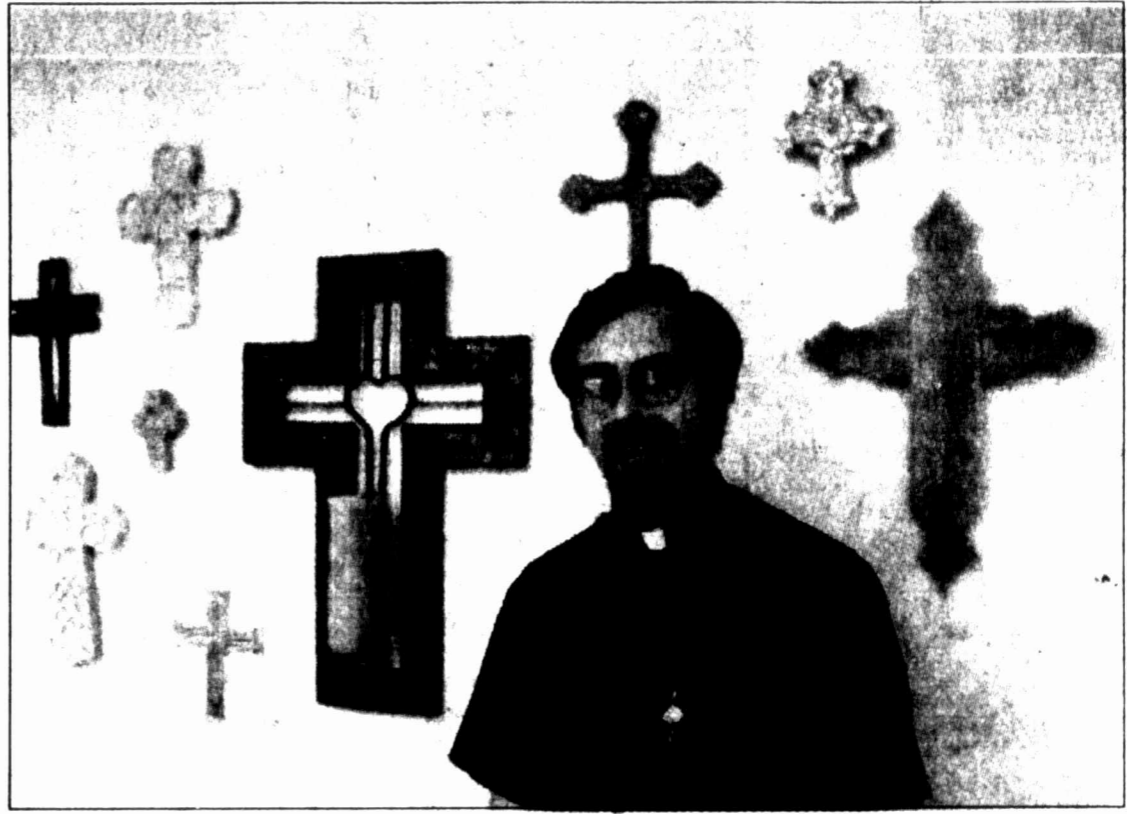
The Rev. Michael Willard, pastor of Mt. Bethel Baptist Church and an active member of the minister group, is behind Stutz.

"If church leaders would really consider some of the things that are discussed, if they would really let it be spoken from our hearts," he said, "(the minister's fellowship) could have a positive impact on our community."

Willard said pastors have an effect on a community, whether they admit it or not.

"Especially in a small community like this, biases are not just in the pool halls, but they are also in the churches," he said, "and we need to deal with these issues."

"We think if we don't deal with them, they will just go away. But they aren't going



At left, Mt. Bethel Baptist Church pastor the Rev. Michael Willard is joining an effort led by the Rev. Steve Stutz (pictured above) of St. Paul Lutheran Church. They are part of the Howard County Ministers' Fellowship, which has set its sights on social action, citing the need for more influence by pastors in the community.

away." And the effect of ignoring our community's problems, he added, would be tragic.

"Homelessness, racism, economic bias...these don't just affect certain segments of our community, they affect us all."

"It's way past due that the church community come to the aid of some of the needs in our city," added The Rev. Roger Huff, pastor of First Church of the Nazarene and an active member of the ministers' group. "There are so many things we could be doing if we would just be willing to break down some of the barriers that we have between our churches."

Stutz said in light of certain governmental policies, including the plan for faith-

based charities, churches need to stay ahead of the game.

"This is something that is coming, and yet there is no central plan in Big Spring to approach that," he said. Yet, in a community this size, such a plan is "doable," he added.

"We can throw a blanket to that cold guy sleeping under the bridge, or we can give him a skill that he can use to get a job," Stutz said. "In a place the size of Big Spring, we can do this. It's just a matter of deciding that I'm going to step outside my comfort zone."

It's not an issue of who gets credit, or which denomination does what, Huff said. "It's about proclaiming Christ."

"God wants to partner with the church," he said,

"and become a force in the community that ministers to the changes that need to take place in people's lives."

All three pastors said ministers, through their fellowship, should send out the call, using not only their own pulpits.

"The folks who are in church on Sunday should hear it," Stutz said. "But what about the other 60 percent of people (that surveys say don't go to church regularly)? They need to hear it, too."

"Pastors have to show leadership," said Huff.

"People will follow to the level of leadership that they are demonstrated. Doing what God called us to do is not an 'us' thing, it's an 'others' thing."

Isaiah 58 meeting needs of community's less fortunate

By CARL GRAHAM
Staff Writer

Isaiah 58 was established on Jan. 22, 1998, to help feed and clothe those in need in the Big Spring area.

The non-profit ministry installed its first board of directors on that same day and opened its base of operations to the public on March 2, 1998. Simply put, Isaiah 58 is a ministry that provides food and clothing at no cost to those who are in need — including single parents, the homeless and senior citizens.

According to Paul Smith, vice-president of operations, it is not uncommon to have at least 20 families come in for assistance on any given day or night. The ministry, located at 107 Runnels, is manned strictly by volunteers who give of their time to assist clients, sort and organize donated items.

"Our volunteers come from all walks of life," said Smith. "They are retirees, housewives, ministers and some who just have some extra time on their hands or time off from their regular job and want to do something to help."

There is no cost for the services the agency provides and there is no detailed process to qualify. The only requirement is that clients come through the door and be interviewed.

Once there, a person or family's needs will be assessed on an individual basis. Food and clothing will be given as the needs of the individual or family are determined.

"We try to help families out once a month," said



Above, Isaiah 58 volunteers Erma Dunne, left, and June Waters sort through clothes donated to the agency. At right, president of the organization Bob Simpson packs a box with food that will be given to a needy person or family.

"We had a situation where our clients were going to get very little, it appeared, but — call it divine intervention if you will — we got a call out of the clear blue and the person on the other end of the phone asked me if we could use some turkeys."

Paul Smith, Isaiah 58

Smith. "There are times, however, when people are unable to help themselves and we work with them if we possibly can to get them through the difficult period."

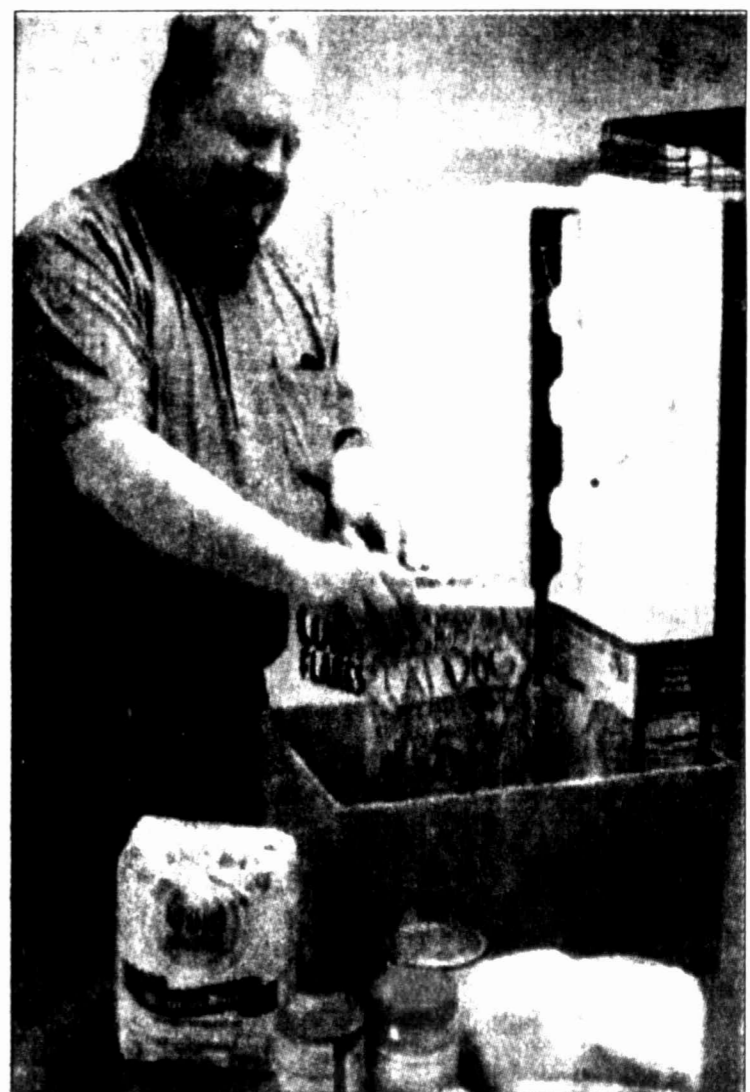
Smith said they are times when God works in mysterious ways.

"Last Thanksgiving our supplies had ran fairly low," said Smith. "We had a situation where our clients were going to get very little, it appeared, but — call it divine intervention if you will — we got a call out of the clear blue and the person on the other end of the

phone asked me if we could use some turkeys."

Smith said it didn't take long to respond to the caller, Pam Welch of Moore Development for Big Spring. She said she had gotten a call from Garland Gandy, general manager of Solitaire Manufactured Homes. Apparently he had extra turkeys after giving all his employees one, and was wanting to give the rest of them to a charitable organization that could use them for a good cause.

"It was an answered prayer and I told her, 'Praise God, we certainly



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Ministry's new face

Women join the ranks of clergy in many denominations

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
Staff Writer

The face of ministry has changed nationally, and in the Crossroads area as well. At least three local women answered their call from God, choosing a career that some might find non-traditional, even controversial.

"I believe God calls all of us to be ministers, everyone in the church,"

said Wanda Hill, local pastor for First United Methodist Church of Coahoma. "I feel he calls some of us to the clergy and he calls women the same as men."



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Hill answered that call while she was in her 50s. A widower when she returned to her hometown, Hill joined Coahoma's First United Methodist Church and eventually became the church's secretary for seven years.

She was first encouraged by her pastor, also a woman, who told her God had more planned for her. Then, Hill said, doors just "kept opening."

When Dianne Brown, minister of First Presbyterian Church studied at Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, she found she was not exactly among the minority.

"Half of my class was women," she said in an earlier interview. "And the median age was 40. The ministry has changed."

Brown joined the ministry after two other careers — one teaching music in public schools and the other as a choir director for a Presbyterian church.

Joyce Havener, an ordained minister for the Assembly of God, recently attended an Assembly of God conference with 1,200 other women ministers.

Women brought Havener into the ministry. She realized her calling when she



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Joyce Havener,
First Assembly of God

was counseling another woman who was going through a divorce.

"We have been enlightened a lot through the years about women in ministry," said Havener. "We have learned to accept both genders as workers in the kingdom. It is not practical to exclude women from the church."

So this Southern Baptist-born and -raised girl started a journey that eventually led to her ordination with the encouragement of her husband, R.T., pastor for First Assembly of God in Big Spring.

A preacher's wife for over 40 years, Havener said she works under the umbrella of her husband's ministry. She said she "ministers to the ill, leads in worship, counsels and always teaches in love." Both Havener and her



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At top, Joyce Havener, an ordained minister in the Assembly of God church, reads the Bible at her desk at First Assembly of God, where she works with her husband. Above, Wanda Hill was in her 50s when she answered the call to serve in the ministry. She is now the pastor for First United Methodist Church in Coahoma.

husband lead seminars for marriage counseling.

Havener and Hill both said they have been encouraged in their calling by their family and friends.

"I have been accepted where ever I was," Hill said. "I am able to help people and preach the word of God, to tell people of the love of God."



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Dorothy Webster, a volunteer with Isaiah 58, a faith-based charitable organization in Big Spring, checks the chart of a needy person who has arrived at the agency for help. The ministry serves single parents, families, senior citizens, the poor and the homeless with food and clothing.

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can," said Smith. "This was going to be a rough Thanksgiving for our clients. The food bank was able to get a few three-pound canned hams at the last minute but the chickens we were supposed to get didn't come in. It was a very welcome surprise to get the call that someone had a little extra and wanted to give them to us."

Smith said as it turned out, he ended up giving out about 550 pounds of whole turkeys to the clients at Isaiah 58.

According to Smith, it takes a minimum of seven volunteers to operate on a daily basis. He said they have around a dozen steady

volunteers that are always around and can be counted on, but they have to operate on a fairly tight budget from month to month.

"We operate on a budget of about \$2,000 a month," said Smith. "On that we have to pay our rent, food purchases through the food bank and other operating expenses. We normally spend about \$500 a month for food alone. The food only costs us about 14 cents a pound, but when factoring in the food that we get free, it only comes to about 10 cents per pound."

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Prayer Chains, sharing of...

By **DEBBIE L. JENSEN**
Features Editor

Local churches care for their own and people all over the community with what is a powerful prayer.

Whether meeting organized rally or regular church service part of a "chain," members say they pray with vigor and it is to ask for relief for a family that has suffered a loss, pray for a community that is in need.

"Prayer is probably the most important thing as a Christian," said Cunningham, Church of the member who co-ordinates the Crisis Prayer Chain.

The chain is active prayer needs that severity from the loved one to members. It is used every day by people members of the chain and many who are not.

"It is open to the community," Cunningham said, "that the chain has operation for members." "And it still works."

When a need is the first call Cunningham makes it to pastor Huff. Then she calls Alice Bilbro, co-ordinator of the chain, who starts the network in motion.

After giving much information needs to pass on Cunningham will head and pray in the chain. "Most of the time and pray right through the day, if that phone," she said, "comes to her mind she might pray again."

Bilbro said not are about asking help with the need. "Sometimes you even asking him you are just praying that he is there for go to in their time," Bilbro said.

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Chains, organized efforts emphasize caring, sharing of concerns, needs and help in crisis

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

Local churches show they care for their own members and people all over the community with what they say is a powerful force — prayer.

Whether meeting at an organized rally, during a regular church service or as part of a "chain," local residents say they pray regularly and with vigor. Whether it is to ask for rain, or help for a family that has suffered a loss, prayer in the community takes many forms.

"Prayer is probably the most important thing we do as a Christian," said Millie Cunningham, a First Church of the Nazarene member who coordinates the Crisis Prayer Chain.

The chain is activated for prayer needs that range in severity from the death of a loved one to money problems. It is used just about every day by people who are members of the congregation and many who are not.

"It is open to anyone in the community," said Cunningham, explaining that the chain has been in operation for many years. "And it still works," she added.

When a need is expressed, the first call Cunningham makes is to pastor Roger Huff. Then she dials Mary Alice Bilbro, co-leader of the chain, who starts the prayer network in motion.

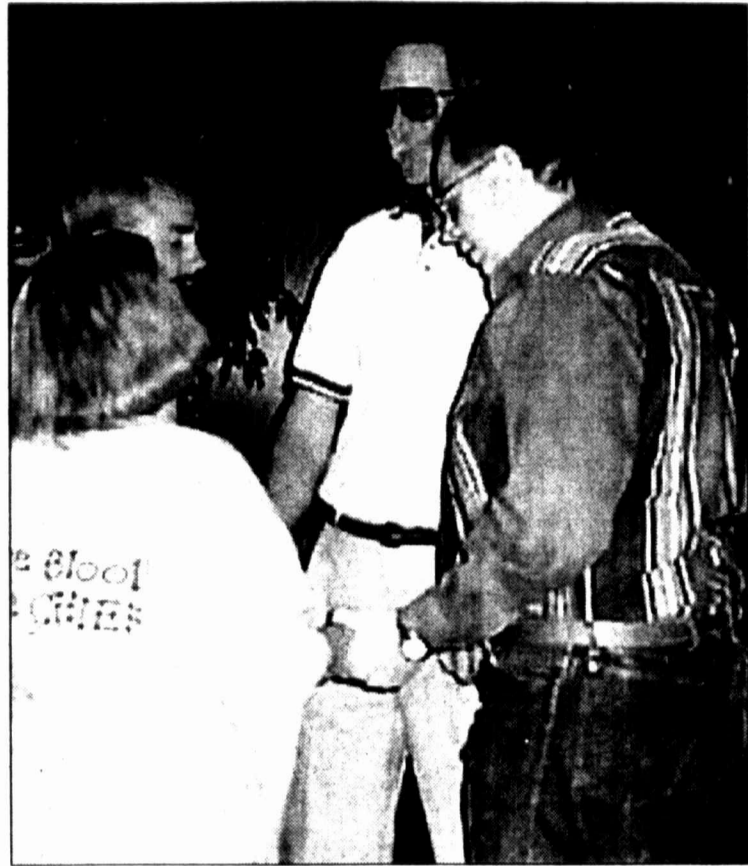
After giving Bilbro as much information as she needs to pass on to others, Cunningham will bow her head and pray immediately.

"Most of the time I stop and pray right there at the phone," she said. Later in the day, if that prayer need comes to her mind again, she might pray about it again.

Bilbro said not all prayers are about asking God for help with the need.

"Sometimes you are not even asking him anymore, you are just praising God that he is there for people to go to in their time of need," Bilbro said.

Some local churches keep



File photo

In the Crossroads area, prayer chains, groups and organized prayer meetings are common. People pray with and for each other in crisis situations as well as in every day life.

up with the needs of their members and other members of the community with bulletin boards, writing in the names of those who are ill or hospitalized. The "Care Board" can be checked regularly by members and updated quickly as conditions and needs change.

Sometimes, names and needs may be printed in the weekly church bulletin or monthly church newsletter. Still more needs, which are preferred kept private, are known only to the pastor, who prays for those needs in a "chain of one."

At Baptist Temple Church, the women's ministry has a prayer chaplain who coordinate a large prayer chain. Word of needs is spread through group captains, who each start the chain of prayer by calling the next on their list.

At any one time, said Kathy Highley, an active member of the group, a person in need could have up to 50 people praying for them.

The Crisis Prayer Chain

run by Cunningham and Bilbro is really three chains. One group of names is available to be used anytime, another has restricted calling hours, and a third is designated for emergencies only. It is the chain members in the latter group that might receive the middle-of-the-night call about a car accident or heart attack, and start praying right away.

While the number of requests that come to the prayer chain can vary greatly, it is a busy undertaking, the woman agreed. An average week might see three or four requests, while an unusual day could bring three or four requests in several hours.

"You sense the pain of the families," Bilbro said. "Sometimes God is the only one who can bring them comfort."

"Prayer is an absolute necessity; it's how we communicate with God," added Cunningham. "We need to do it more often."



Local marchers celebrate Jesus Day, formerly called the March for Jesus, each year with a trek through downtown Big Spring, shown in the photos above and below. This year, the event in June is expected to focus on a day of service. It is only one of many religious events that take place in Big Spring each year, where people show, celebrate and support their faith.

Residents show their faith, have fun in annual events

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

From marching for Jesus to fund-raisers and patriotic music, the Crossroads area has no lack of church-related activities during the year.

Jesus Day, formerly known as March for Jesus, normally held in June, brings hundreds out to walk in celebration of the life and work of Jesus Christ along the downtown streets of Big Spring.

Participants of all ages attend the events and many carry flags, banners or streamers they wave, proclaiming their faith to the community.

Last year, marchers began at the Howard County Courthouse, making a large loop and ending back on the lawn. After the march, the group gathered for praise and worship.

This year, Jack Nixon, organizer, wants to expand the event for a entire day of ministry to the community.

Each year, St. Thomas Catholic Church, Sacred Heart Catholic Church and Immaculate Heart of Mary each holds a festival as a fund-raiser. Games, food,



contests and live music highlight the mid-summer or fall festivals. Often, they also include homemade food such as tamales, enchilada plates, flauta plates and gorditas.

During the year, area churches hold fund-raisers by having community suppers including home-cooked food such as barbecue, salads, desserts and drinks available at a reasonable price. Many churches offer carry out and delivery services.

Locally, gospel music concerts and special appearances by musicians at churches are common.

In June, the First Baptist church holds its annual God and Country Patriotic Concert composed of music celebrating our freedom.

Last year State Rep. David Counts (D-Knox City) was the guest speaker, and all veterans were encouraged to come in uniform.

And summertime also heralds vacation Bible school throughout the Crossroads, where children flock to the churches for crafts, outdoor activities and religious instruction.

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Salvation Army serves as a beacon of hope to many

By SHAYNA M. WADDELL
Herald Correspondent

When the Salvation Army was founded in 1865 in London, it is doubtful that William and Catherine Booth could have dreamed that the small Methodist ministry would someday reach out to 103 countries including Russia.

The ministry was started in order to reach the "lower class" on the east side of London. By this time London had separated itself into two classes, the "high society" and the poor.

An excellent example of William Booth's diligent efforts to bring God's children together occurred when he invited several of the poor to attend services at the Methodist church where he was a minister.

One of his fellow clergymen came to him during the service and said that the people he had invited were not welcome at the church because they did not smell good.

Booth's reply was, "Well, sir, then neither am I." The resounding and most important message that Booth conveyed throughout his entire service with the Salvation Army was that it is not so important what someone is as it is who they are.

In a time where many families have become single-parent and marriages seem disposable, some believe it is because God's laws have too often been ignored both by churches and by society.

Morality, they feel, is at an all-time low. They would say that when people fall outside of God's law, every-



Amy Sanchez, Frances Lafler and Yvonne Qualls, sort and package thousands of toys to be given to needy children. Below, Maj. Ron Alexander holds dolls for the Corps' annual fund-raiser. Church services are held each Sunday and Wednesday at 811 West Fifth Street.



William Booth once said, "You've got to feed their stomachs before you feed their souls."

Alexander explains, "People who are hungry do not want to hear about charity and goodwill until you show them what it means. Then most will be more than happy to hear the message."

"This charity and goodwill should start in our homes with our families," he added, "but sadly, sometimes it does not."

The Salvation Army offers choices and chances for everyone who may have spiritual or physical needs.

The programs that it offers teens are particularly noteworthy.

There is a Corps Cadet program for teenagers. Corps Cadet is a 5-year study of the Bible, the Salvation Army and the community. Bible study for teens is at 6:30 p.m. every Wednesday.

For everyone there are services on Sundays and Wednesdays. Sunday school starts at 9:45 a.m. with the worship service following at 11 a.m. Sunday evening services start at 5 with a brass band practice held after the worship service.

On Wednesday, a Ladies Bible Study starts at 6 p.m. with the worship service following at 7.

While some believe society's morals to be declining, they look to the Salvation Army's beacon of hope to shine light and love into the world.

thing else falters. Even though our society has seemingly become less reliant upon God and more reliant upon self, there are still messengers of the Christian message as there were in the days of the Apostles. Among these messengers

are Maj. Ron and Jo Alexander. The Alexanders have been a vital part of the Salvation Army's spiritual crusade for more than 40 years. Their ministry has been a testimony to the love, hope and encouragement that Jesus Christ can offer in people's

lives. One of the most touching of the stories that Alexander shares concerns a boy who came from a life without much of a chance. This youth is being raised in a home that has no Christian values being taught, but has flourished

under the Ron's wing. "He literally runs across town after tennis practice every Tuesday and Wednesday to the Salvation Army Corps Building where he can attend Bible study," Alexander noted. The youngster's love for the Lord and His word are only one example of the many lives that the Salvation Army has touched, however. In order for the Salvation Army to reach people spiritually, their needs must be met first.

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Faith-based and religious activities for young people are common in the area, such as this lock-in conducted at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum by Christ's Community Church working in cooperation with several other churches.

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Templo Belen offers services in both English and Spanish

By **CARL GRAHAM**
Staff Writer

Templo Belen Assembly of God isn't exactly your typical new church.

In fact, it's not all that new but it has been in a new location now for a little more than a year.

The pastor is Maria Rios, who is assisted by her husband Domingo Rios. The couple has been working hard with members of the congregation during the past couple of years to build the church.

According to Maria, the hard work is starting to pay dividends.

"We are regularly running between 110 to 115 people attending church each Sunday," she said. "We have Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. until around 10:45 and then at 11 we go into our worship service."

The service is bilingual, with both English and Spanish being spoken.

"We have some people who don't speak very much English," said Maria. "Then some of our younger people don't speak a whole lot of Spanish so we just do a bilingual service."

Maria and Domingo stay busy all week with all the ministries they have going on at the church.

"On Monday we have the Royal Rangers group that meets at 7 p.m.," she noted. "This is a ministry for boys from 6 years old to 17. The program teaches the boys about camping, crafts, how to behave and how to get closer to God. It is similar to the Boy Scouts except we are affiliated with the church."

On Tuesday, the church holds its mid-week worship service and prayer meeting. That service begins at 7 p.m.

On Wednesday, when most other churches are having their mid-week services, Templo is conducting its men's and women's group meetings at the church. Those meetings are also held at 7 p.m. The men's group is called "Men's Promise Ministry" and the women just call their group Women's Ministry.

Thursday is set aside for the Missionettes group and the church's prison min-

istry, both of which begin at 7 p.m.

The Missionettes group is for girls in the between 3 years of age high schoolers. The girls are divided into groups according to their age. The older groups are

are named Rainbows and Stars.

Friday has been set aside for the youth of the church. Each Friday at 7 p.m., youth of the church as well as other interested youngsters in the community meet with

youth director Mike Villareal.

"Mike has been doing an excellent job with the youth," said Maria. "He has a good rapport with them and the youth have really been growing."



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Templo Belen Assembly of God isn't new, but its building is. Located at 2205 Goliad. Services are in both English and Spanish and activities are planned throughout the week and weekend.

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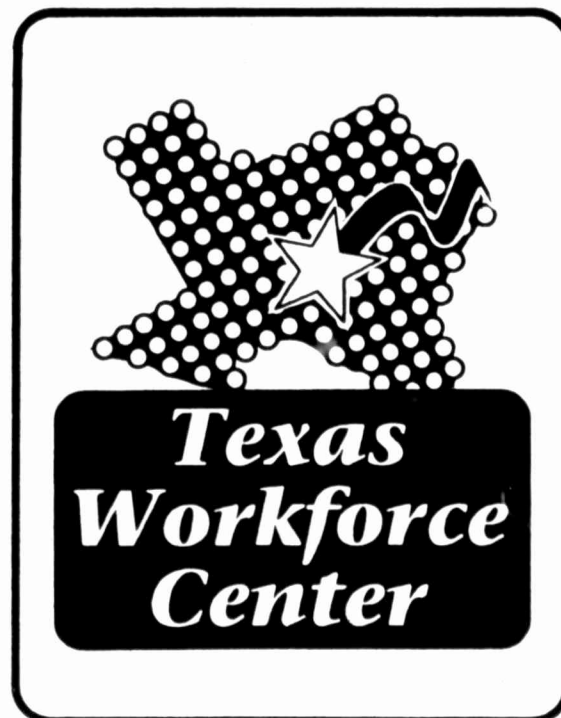
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Job Training Programs:

- Workforce Investment Act
- Trade Adjustment Act
- Choices/Welfare to Work

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CHURCHES

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3900 West Highway 80

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College Park Church of God
603 Tulane Avenue

First Church of God
2009 Main

CHRISTIAN CHURCH
College Heights Christian Church
406 East 21st

CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)
First Christian Church
911 Golia

GOSPEL
Amazing Grace Ministries
Days Inn Patio Room

Big Spring Gospel Tabernacle
1905 Scurry

Cornerstone Church
309 Benton

Living Water Ministries
1008 Birdwell Lane

Miracle Revival Center
600 East FM 700

Spring Tabernacle
1209 Wright St.

Church of the Harvest
1311 Goliad

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
1803 Wasson Road

EPISCOPAL
St. Mary's Episcopal
1001 Goliad

JEHOVAH WITNESS
Kingdom Hall Jehovah Witness

1500 Wasson

LUTHERAN
St. Paul Lutheran
810 Scurry

METHODIST
Bakers Chapel AME
911 North Lancaster

Coahoma United Methodist
Main at Central

First United Methodist
400 Scurry

Iglesia Metodista Unida
Northside
Goliad and Northeast Sixth Street

North Birdwell Lane United Methodist

2702 North Birdwell

Wesley United Methodist
1206 Owens

NAZARENE
First Church of the Nazarene
1400 Lancaster

PENTECOSTAL
Jesus Name Pentecostal Church
1004 Locust

PRESBYTERIAN
First Presbyterian
701 Runnels

First Presbyterian
205 North First
Coahoma

OTHER

Good Shepherd Fellowship
Abrams and Seventh St.

Powerhouse of God in Christ
711 Cherry

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811 West Fifth

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