

**SUNDAY**

April 1, 2001

**WEATHER**

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**Volunteers needed for Trash Off**

Volunteers are needed for the 16th annual Don't Mess with Texas Trash-Off, scheduled for Saturday.

Pat Simmons, coordinator, said some 120 individuals have signed up to help but 300 are needed. She is seeking any volunteers to help out, whether it be individuals, groups or organizations.

Individuals and groups can be assigned to an area, or can choose an area of the community they'd like to clean up.

Hefty bags are available and can be picked up by calling Simmons at 263-4607 or by picking them up Saturday morning at the rear of 911 Scurry Street, the State National Bank parking lot.

**WHAT'S UP...**

**MONDAY**

Senior circle, 4 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics. People 50 and older are invited to participate.

Howard County ARC, noon meeting, 806 East Third, Bingo Hall. Contact Letha Nixon for more information.

Texas Tech Exes meeting at 6 p.m. Big Spring Evening Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E. Third. Call Janis Dean.

Gospel Singing, 7 p.m., Kentwood Center, 2805 Lynn. Guest singers from Stanton, Midland and Colorado City.

Big Spring Chapter and Council, RAM meets at 7:30 at the Masonic building, 221 1/2 Main.

**TUESDAY**

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

Coahoma Senior Citizens luncheon, 11 a.m., Coahoma Community Center.

Big Spring Rotary Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.

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**'Empowering Communities' program, parade planned**

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN  
Features Editor

On Wednesday morning, victims of crime will have a new voice of support.



Perez

Victim Services, the local agency that aids victims of violent crime, is sponsoring a special program called, "Empowering

Communities: Everyone Has a Role." Its goal is to highlight April as a time for greater awareness of crime, including sexual abuse, spousal abuse, child abuse and murder.

"Everyone does have a role in preventing crime, that's why that theme was chosen this year," said Linda Perez, assistant director of Victim Services. "It's our theme nationwide."

On Wednesday, Victim Services, with sponsors HEB Grocery Stores and

Coca-Cola, plan a program that will include speakers, symbolism and a parade around the Howard County Courthouse.

The event begins at 11:30 a.m. on the courthouse lawn. Big Spring High School's choir students will perform, and two crime victims will speak. One of them, Bonnie Wheat, will also sign copies of the book she wrote about coping with the murder of her daughter, "God Gives a Song."

Law enforcement from all five counties served by Victim Services will join crime victims in a parade around the square. Victims of crime will be encircled in a "Ring of Hope" for the parade.

Every two minutes during the program, a balloon will be released, marking the frequency with which a woman is abused or battered in this country. Big Spring mayor Russ McEwen will present a proclamation in support of Victim Services.

Crime victims who want to participate in the Ring of Hope should call the office, 263-3312.

"We'd like to see many people in the community come out for the program, and just show their support," Perez said. Flyers have been sent to local organizations and churches asking that they be represented, she added.

"This is the first time it's being done, but we hope it will become an annual event," Perez said.

**San Juan student crowned Miss SWCID**

By LYNDEL MOODY  
Staff Writer

Luz "Anabel" Montelongo was crowned Miss SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf (SWCID) 2001 Friday during a pageant held at the activity center on campus.

Montelongo, who is from San Juan, will represent SWCID at the Miss Deaf Texas Pageant on Sept. 12-16 at San Antonio.

Lydia Esquedia, Miss SWCID 1999, crowned Montelongo after the announcement of the winner.

Six SWCID students competed in the various contests, which included business/casual wear, a talent show, evening gown wear and an interview process.

The contestants' talents ranged from poetry to song and dance and energized the packed audience that sat in bleachers and chairs to watch the event.

Julle Martinez of Lubbock was named first-runnerup; second-runnerup was Latonya Franklin of Brenham.

Third-runnerup was Jill Dowda of Hermitage, Ark.; she was also presented the Best Talent award. Dowda's talent was dance.

Miss Congeniality was Veronica Aquirre of Lubbock. Nada Thomas of Macon, Mo., also participated.

The contestants were judged on a point system. Judges were Olugbenga Aina, director of Diagnostic Center; Lori Cummings; Leslie Earnest, English instructor; Tonja



HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Contestant Jill Dowda, left, Lydia Esquedia, Miss SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf 1999, and the newly crowned Miss SWCID 2001, Luz "Anabel" Montelongo, pose for pictures. The pageant was held Friday on the SWCID campus.

Kesterson, recreation director; and Edward Tagge, education diagnostician.

Beverly Buchanan and Vasant Limaye sponsored the event. Pageant coordinator was

Lana Coker, National Association of the Deaf members who are also SWCID students helped with the production of the pageant. They were Eric

Martinez, Otis Kellam, Betty Dang, Erin More, Paul Brockman, Zant Kellam, Pethai Leela-Apiradee, Marisol Eschevarria, Melva Zapatta and Veronica Aquirre.

**Six Big Spring High students gain region trip**

HERALD Staff Report

Big Spring High School advanced six students in University Interscholastic League competition from the District 4-4A Academic Meet, held Friday at Howard College.

Nathan Smith placed first in spelling and vocabulary. He will be joined by Janae Giles and Chris Correa, other members of Big Spring High School's spelling and vocabulary team, which also placed first.

First through third place individuals and first place teams advanced to regional

competition, scheduled later this month at Angelo State University.

Also advancing from Big Spring were April Ward, who placed second in both news writing and headline writing; Brent Moore, who was third in current issues and events; and Melissa Flenniken, who was third in computer applications.

Amber Dunlap was fourth in poetry interpretation and will service as first alternate to region. Brittney Barrow was sixth in the event. Eric Gamble was fifth in prose interpretation.

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**One-act play performance set Monday at high school**

By LYNDEL MOODY  
Staff Writer

Big Spring High School one-act play students will hold a production of their University Interscholastic League contest play "What I Did



HAYNES

Last Summer," on Monday. "This is the first public performance of the show," said Tim Haynes, theater instructor. "We go to area competition on Friday and we are doing a public performance to get the students ready to perform in front of an audience again."

"What I did last Summer," a play by A.R. Gurney, takes place at the end of World War II and is based

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**BSHS**

Motivational speaker will talk with community, students, staff

By LYNDEL MOODY  
Staff Writer

Dr. Maria R. Montano-Harmon will be speaking to Big Spring High School students, teachers, parents and the public this week to motivate the community about education.



RITCHEY

"Our objective is for her to motivate students, parents and then teachers with teaching strategies that will reach the students," said principal Michael Ritchey.

High school faculty members will meet with Montano-Harmon in two groups with day-and-a-half seminars for each group during the first three days of the week.

She will focus on developing academic English competence across the curriculum and quality verbal communication.

On Tuesday, she will speak with the community at 7 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

"She will be talking with the community but focusing in on the parents and their role in seeing that their child does their part at home," Ritchey said. "Parents have to realize how important it is in supporting their children to receive a good education."

Montano-Harmon has 30 years of experience in junior high, high school, adult education and on the university level. She has worked with policy makers at state-wide conferences in California, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas and is a published author.

On Thursday, two consultants from Region 18 will speak to the students. Rodney Walker of the Texas Safety Center will speak to on respect and violence.

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**Banking Center announces two personnel promotions**

HERALD Staff Report

O.L. Cooper, executive vice president of First Big Spring Banking Center, has been promoted to president of the State National Bank of West Texas in Azle.

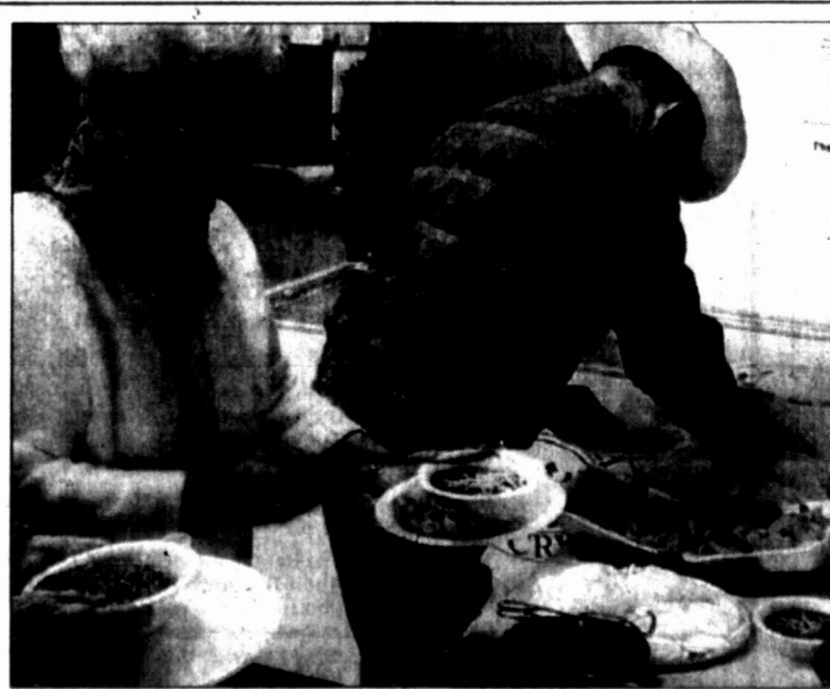
He will be replaced at First Big Spring Banking Center by Ron Brooks, current vice president. The promotions were announced Friday by Jimmy Taylor, First Big Spring Banking Center chairman of the board, and will take effect in mid-April.



COOPER BROOKS

"I have enjoyed the association with my customers, employees and acquaintances in Big Spring, said

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J.D. and Bonnie Hyden help themselves to "fixin's" to go with the chili they purchased at the Vietnam Memorial fund-raiser Saturday. A dance followed. All proceeds went toward the upkeep of the memorial.

HERALD photo/ Carl Graham



## Ag commissioner lauds Big Spring for attempting to increase technology

HERALD Staff Report

Texas Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs, in Big Spring Thursday for the Ag Appreciation Luncheon, said is impressed with the local community's efforts to keep up with increasing technology.

"Big Spring hustles like no one I have ever seen," she told a group of about 500 people at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

"I have to tell you that your economic development director, Kent Sharp, made a presentation in Austin about broadband Internet, and it just wowed them. They (legislators) are still talking about it," the commissioner said.



COMBS



SHARP

Sharp, executive director of Moore Development for Big Spring, gave testimony in Austin last week on the Texas Universal Broadband Access Act of 2001.

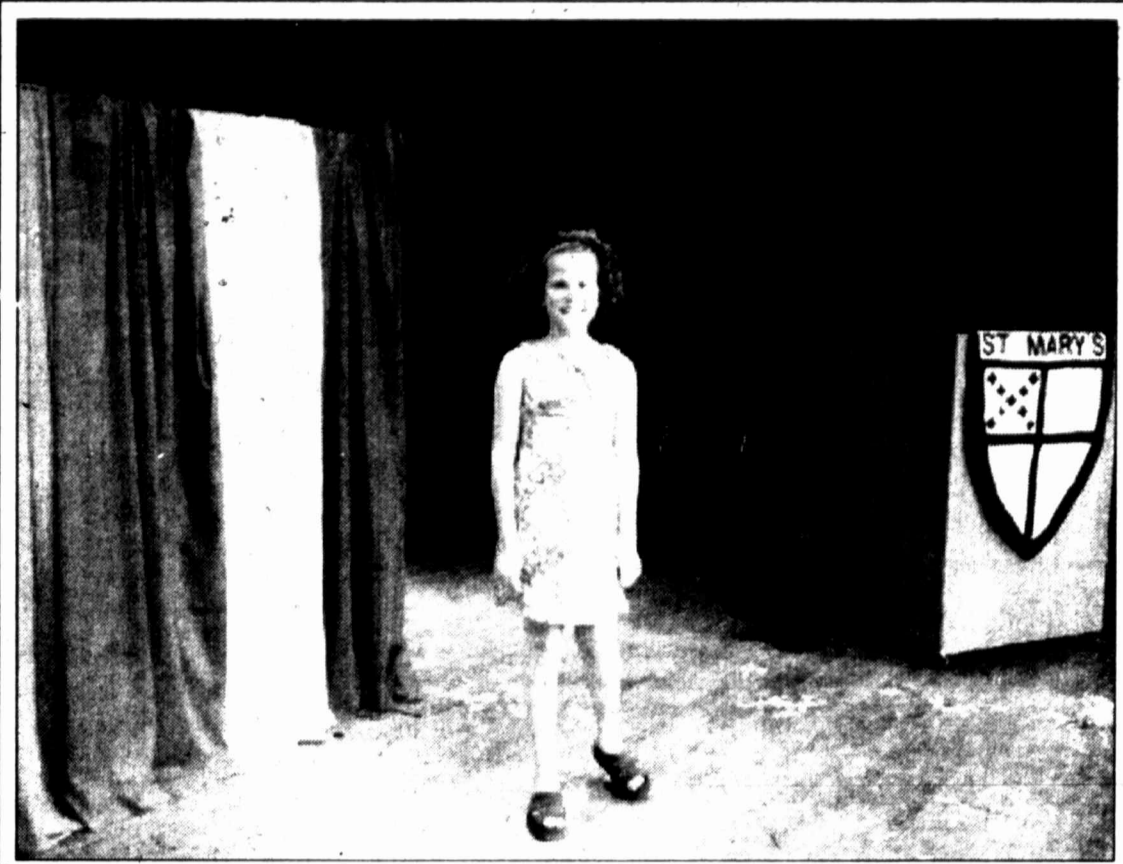
It is an act being considered by the 77th Legislature designed to ensure that rural areas have access to technological services comparable to those in urban areas. It is controversial, primarily because major

providers of those services complain it will cause them to lose money.

Sharp is promoting the idea that a local cooperative of city, county, schools and other entities in the area pool resources to bring high-speed Internet to Howard County. Members of those entities met on Tuesday, and will gather again in a week or two.

"Why should we (agricultural interests) care? E-commerce. Because it is really going to be important to be able to advertise and sell our Texas stuff over the Internet in the future," Combs said.

"And if Big Spring is left behind, it will be out of the game. It's really important what Big Spring is doing," she said.



HERALD photo/Carl Graham  
Elizabeth Wheeler shows off a dress at the "Kaleidoscope" children's fashion show benefit for St. Mary's Episcopal School on Saturday at Dora Roberts Community Center.

## Stanton Junior High students win trophy in TXU solar car races

Herald Staff Report

Students from Stanton Junior High School proved that speed isn't the only measure of a winner in the regional solar model car races.

The team won a trophy and a \$50 cash prize for their school in the category of Best Use of Recycled

Material at the event, held at Midland High School on March 24.

"Creative thought is vital to our energy future as scientist research and develop renewable resources," said Mike Nieto, Big Spring manager for TXU Electric & Gas, which sponsored the event.

"As a national leader in the use of clean, renewable

resources, we are proud to recognize these students for showing initiative and leadership."

Stanton students participating were Henry Armendaraz, Bobby Ramos, Joe Hinojosa, Debbie Moreno, Bobby Decker, Veronica Erives and teacher Glenn Huddleston.

Jason Castrejon and Kyle McCarty helped build the

car but were not able to attend the race.

TXU supplied middle schools in its region with kits for the students to build and design model cars with solar powered engines.

The purpose of the event, Nieto said, is to teach the students about alternative energy sources.

Teams competed by racing their constructed model

cars down a 75-foot track.

Entries were also judged in four construction categories: overall creativity, use of school mascot, use of recycled materials and most creative car design.

Crossroads participants included:

From Big Spring Junior High School: Brad Fuqua, Jason Vela, Kate Smiley, Darryl Newberry and Mark

Sanchez and teacher Jamie Seago.

Ernesto Muniz and Heather Vassar helped to build the car but could not attend the event.

From Coahoma Junior High School: Cory Wilson, Orrin Mansfield, Tyler Fowler, Darrick Shifflett, Donnie Robertson and teacher Kaye Barr.

### BSHS

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Andy Sustaita will speak on communication, listening and problem solving.

The week will be capped by a job fair with many representatives of the healthcare field speaking to the students about the shortage of healthcare workers, Ritchey said.

Howard College will be on hand to give information on how students can earn an education in the medical field.

### ONE-ACT

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on the recollections of a young man during a summer vacation in Canada when the father was at war.

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

ing the play at the UIL area contest in Snyder on Friday against six other school plays, including Snyder High School's production of "Taming of the Shrew."

The one-act production advanced to area contest on Tuesday at district competition and several BSHS students walked away with awards.

Ana McLaughlin and Toryn Haynes were named to the all-star cast while Lacey Knight and Haley Haynes received honorable mention.

Jeremy Knight earned the outstanding lighting/technician award.

The cast and crew includes McLaughlin, Amanda Sheedy, Haley Haynes, Toryn Haynes, Lacey Knight, John Giles, Samantha Loper, Brent Moore, Holli Cobb, Brandi Hutchison, Jeremy Knight, Laura Schnake, Devin Collier and Chris Wightington.

### UIL

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Jason Baker, Eloy Leal and Brent Moore placed as an alternate in current issues and events team competition.

Snyder High School dominated the meeting, scoring 407 team points. Andrews was second with 294, followed by Big Spring with 161.

Earlier in the week last week, Big Spring High School's one-act play cast and crew advanced from district competition to the area contest, set for Friday at Worsham Auditorium in Snyder.

### BANKING

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Cooper. "I have built some strong relationships here and they mean a lot to me." Cooper took over as presi-

dent of First Big Spring Banking Center in November 1996. Previously,

he was president of Norwest Bank in Big Spring. He is president of the Moore Development for Big Spring board, secretary-treasurer of the Big Spring Rodeo Association board, is on the tax abatement committee and is a member of the Big Spring Rotary Club.

He has three daughters: Tiffany Jones, a Big Spring kindergarten teacher; Tara, a student at Texas Tech; and Trina, of Spring.

"Cooper said he will leave Big Spring with mixed emotions.

"It's a promotion, sure, but I hate to leave so many good friends I've made since coming here from Denver City in 1995," he said. "Big Spring has become my home."

Brooks, a member of a long-time Howard County farming family, has been with the bank since November 1996, when he moved from Norwest Bank, where he was assistant vice president.

"I am delighted to assume the position as head of this bank, which has shown constant growth since it opened nearly six years ago," said Brooks, who was a sales rep-

resentative and dealt in agricultural finance for John Deere before going into banking.

"O.L. Cooper had been a great teacher and a friend. I will strive to continue the bank's progress that he started."

Brooks has a degree in business agriculture from Texas Tech University. He is on the Howard County Fair board and superintendent of the Howard County Livestock Show. He is the business representative to the Plains Cotton Growers, headed in Lubbock.

He has one son, Jess.

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EDITORIAL

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FIRST AMENDMENT

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About power bases and polarization

Polarization is taking root in the executive branch, as strong-willed individuals, each with his own power base, vie for the philosophical direction of the Bush administration.



JACK ANDERSON

"Dick, what do I say to that?" Bush's timing was impeccable, his delivery was smooth, and the laughs in the hotel ballroom were heartfelt.

back to the Ford administration. A rift has already opened between the Rumsfeld-Cheney axis and Secretary of State Colin Powell.

ment. When the president reversed his campaign pledge to reduce carbon dioxide emissions, a major contributor to global warming, Whitman reacted with a terse "no comment" that spoke volumes.

OUR VIEWS

Expo, lunch were again very deserving

The Crossroads area took the opportunity to recognize some of its hardest-working families last week with the West Texas Ag Expo and Appreciation Luncheon and did a bang-up job.

YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR: Many thanks to Carl Graham and the Big Spring Herald for the nice piece on the Area-Wide Phone Book cover.

Flenniken, Christina Guinn, Joseph Bumbulis, Stephanie Stewart, Doug Willberg, Mic Fleming, Austin Nutting and Amber Dunlap.

TO THE EDITOR: On March 23, Kentwood Elementary held their Jump Rope for Heart event for the American Heart Association.

Plus, a huge thanks goes to Daphne Castilaw, parent, who contacted all the above businesses and picked up these donations for us.

TO THE EDITOR: I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of Big Spring Main Street Inc. to commend the Big Spring Rotary Club and the Greater Big Spring Rotary Club for undertaking the responsibility to construct and maintain "Rotary Park."

TO THE EDITOR: "This is the best show in town," "You should charge admission," "You have a wonderful dance floor and building," "You have delicious meals," "You really sponsor a great Line Dance Festival," are some of the comments we have had from many visitors who came to town to attend our Fifth Annual Line Dance Festival held at the Spring City Senior Center on March 7.

new widows and widowers find companionship and new friends at the center as well as a hot nourishing meal. There are many activities provided at the center.

to go for a night of good entertainment. We average 73 to 100 dancers form Big Spring and surrounding towns. Without that Friday night dance, many seniors would have no place to go for entertainment except out of town.

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Plane

DECATUR (A plane carrying a crashed shortly airfield east of injuring at least no one, a Depart official said.

Bodies

WICHITA FALLS The bodies of a number of people exhumed from County and a part of an invest what authorities an unusually h of deaths at a hospital.

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### Plane carrying 22 people crashes; no fatalities

DECATUR (AP) — A single-engine plane carrying 21 skydivers and a pilot crashed shortly after takeoff from an airfield east of Decatur on Saturday, injuring at least five people but killing no one, a Department of Public Safety official said.

"It was traumatic. But I was expecting to see a lot worse," said Danny Timmons, a jumpmaster who was in the hangar at the private field from which the plane took off.

Timmons said he heard the crash at about 12:30 p.m. and ran three-quarters of a mile through mud, losing both shoes, to find most of the skydivers already out of the plane.

The plane, piloted by Tom Bishop, was about 150 feet in the air when it banked to the right, leveled off, and

struck the ground tail-first before skidding into a grove of trees, the Wise County sheriff's office said.

"If he hadn't been flying, I believe there would be dead people," Timmons said of Bishop. "He brought it down in the safest manner he could."

Timmons said most of those on the plane were experienced skydivers who jump each weekend.

He said injuries were mostly broken legs and ribs.

Bishop and his wife, Jean, own Skydive Texas which is based at Bishop Airport, a private airfield between Decatur and Denton. It was not known if Jean Bishop was on the plane. Decatur is 40 miles northwest of Fort Worth.

No one answered the telephone at

the company office.

Texas DPS spokeswoman Tela Mange said the injured were taken to hospitals by helicopter. One person was listed in serious condition, three were stable and one was fair, she said.

"My heart just fell," said Renee Thrasher, a Bishop family friend who drove to the crash site. "They're wonderful family friends. Jean has been there when I've needed anything. The whole family has."

Marty Deiss, who lives less than a mile from the field, said she had seen many skydiving trips taking off and landing. "I would have no problem flying with them," she said.

The FAA spokesman said the airplane was a 1956 Dehavilland, fitted out for parachuting.

### Sophomore fatally shot outside Indiana high school

GARY, Ind. (AP) — Students were gathering in front of Lew Wallace High School for the last day of classes before spring break, a day featuring a talent show, when a gunshot blast sounded in the parking lot.

Neal Boyd, a 16-year-old sophomore, dropped to the ground as students scattered. The gunman then fled, witnesses told police.

"They said he walked up to him (Boyd), shot him once, walked away, then pulled up his hood and started running," said Gary Police Officer Jeff Tatum, who is stationed at the school.

Donald Ray Burt Jr., 17, a former student at the school, was taken into custody about 45 minutes later and was charged with murder, Lake County prosecutor Bernard A. Carter said.

Police Chief John Roby told The Associated Press that the suspect admitted shooting Boyd and told

authorities where he hid the gun.

"It was a one-on-one incident," Roby said.

"Basically what happened, the 17-year-old walked up to the 16-year-old and put a gun to his head and fired one shot," he added.

After the shooting, Tatum ran to the scene, where he found Boyd trying to get up after he was shot.

"He was saying, 'Help me, help me,'" Tatum said. "It wasn't very clear, but you could understand what he was saying."

The school is in a middle-class neighborhood about three blocks from the boarded-up storefronts that line the main street in Gary, a city notorious for its high crime.

Gary School Superintendent Mary Guinn said Boyd was a quiet student with academic promise who was taking college preparatory classes.

### Bodies to be exhumed in hospital investigation

WICHITA FALLS (AP) — The bodies of an unknown number of people will be exhumed from Montague County and elsewhere as part of an investigation into what authorities have called an unusually high number of deaths at a North Texas hospital.

"There are going to be developments in the next 60 to 90 days in the case," Montague County District Attorney Tim Cole told the Wichita Falls Times Record News. "We will begin exhuming bodies for autopsy, and a major part of the investigation should be concluded."

Authorities will be seeking orders during the next 30 days to exhume the bodies of some patients who died in December and January at Nocona General Hospital, Cole said. Cole did

not know how many bodies would be exhumed or where else besides Montague County the exhumations would occur.

Nocona General chief executive officer Chuck Norris said the hospital initiated an investigation on Feb. 6 into an unusually high number of deaths at the facility in December and January.

At the same time, a cache of the drug Mivacron, or mivacurium chloride, vanished from the hospital.

Nocona Police, Texas Rangers and the FBI are investigating the disappearance of the drug, which is used to stop the natural breathing process in order to insert a breathing tube.

"The investigation has involved numerous interviews of hospital employees, former patients and their

families, review of documentation and medical records and other matters that cannot be released at this point in the investigation," Cole said.

Cole said law enforcement officials do have a suspect in connection with the case. He declined to identify the person.

"At this point, it is a murder investigation," he said. "We do not know 100 percent that murder occurred."

Meanwhile, a Nocona man on March 23 filed a civil lawsuit against the hospital and one of its former nurses. In the civil suit, plaintiff Donnelly Reid alleges that the nurse injured him by giving him the wrong drug.

Reid also accused the nurse of "negligently" and "recklessly" administering a drug to him that had not been ordered by his doc-

tor and led to injuries he sustained on Feb. 18.

The suit also contends that the hospital knew that doses of the drug were missing from the hospital and had been "negligently and/or recklessly" administered to other hospital patients before the same drug was administered to him.

### Fans gather to honor slain Tejano star

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — Thousands descended on Corpus Christi Saturday to mark the sixth anniversary of the death of Tejano music star Selena.

"Just look out here," Nicola Jones said, motioning to people gathered around the Selena statue on Shoreline Boulevard. "You can see she touched people of all ages and races."

Jones traveled from England to remember the star, who was shot and killed by Yolanda Saldívar on March 31, 1995, at a Corpus Christi motel. Saldívar, former president of Selena's fan club, was convicted of murder and is serving a life sentence.

Fans left notes and flowers at the statue and the grave of the singer, whose full name was Selena Quintanilla-Perez. Others spent the afternoon listening to her music at a park and talking about her impact.

"I think everybody saw what a great talent she was and how sad it was that it ended so soon, and they want to keep it going as long as they can," Tammy Schelp of Kansas City told the Corpus Christi Caller-Times.

For some, the commemoration is an annual event.

"We always drive over here," said Sammie Monsiveiz of San Antonio, who donned a hat covered with pins featuring Selena's face. "We've been fans for

ever. She made me proud to be a Mexicana."

For some fans, Selena's music transcends language.

Renaé Owings of Kansas City said she doesn't know Spanish, but she knows all of Selena's songs.

"I can sing them word for word, but I don't know what I'm singing," she said, laughing.

The pilgrimage is not enough for some of the late

singer's devoted fans. Boogie Roberson and his wife, Meredith, wanted to live closer to the site of Selena's remembrances.

Last month, they moved to Robstown, which is west of Corpus Christi.

Roberson has Selena's face tattooed on both shoulders and his back.

"I got the tattoos," he said, "so I'll always have her with me."

Dennis Teeters and Kraig Durrett will be leading in Revival beginning April 1-4, 2001 at Central Baptist Church. Brother Dennis is the pastor at FBC Lamesa and Kraig is the Music Minister at East Fourth Street Baptist Church in Big Spring. Central Baptist Church is located in the Elbow Community at 5108 Nichols Road and the phone number is 398-5469. Join us for this exciting opportunity!

- The schedule and special activities are listed below:
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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, April 1:**

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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) \*\*\* Heated discussions cannot open a closed mind. Wait for a better opportunity to get your point across. Time spent working on a complex matter pays off. Ask someone to help with

family affairs. Deal with interruptions quickly, and return to what you should be focusing on. Tonight: Join the real world. **TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) \*\*\* Why wait for someone else to make the first move? If the time seems right, go for it. A restaurant atmosphere can enhance conversation. Listen with a sharp ear, and read between the lines. Put others first now. Your time will come. Tonight: Dream a little. **GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) \*\*\*\* You can be convincing by the end of the day if you let go of earlier disagreements. Music will lift your mood. If your mind wanders, try to pull it back to reality. Being practical takes effort now. Patience brings rewards. Tonight: End the weekend with a social engagement. **CANCER** (June 21-July 22) \*\*\*\* Home and family matters occupy your mind. You might have to look at things differently or go out of your way to resolve matters. Even when you think you have things settled, something else occurs. Eventually, there will be peace. Be as helpful as you can be. Tonight: Kitchen duties.

mentioned the conversation to your husband, please don't. It would make him uneasy in Emily's presence and serve no useful purpose. P.S.: Sounds as if Emily needs Alcoholics Anonymous.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) \*\*\*\* Success comes to those who wait, and you have been waiting. Even an early disagreement with your partner can't ruin this day. A surprise visit from a friend might add to your enjoyment. If plans change, learn to go with the flow. Enjoy socializing during breaks. Tonight: A meeting of like minds. **VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \*\*\*\* You think your idea sounds great, but others might have doubts. Once you make a slight change, acceptance can be overwhelming. Implementation of your idea might require someone else to take credit initially. Before long, those in authority will recognize your ingenuity. Tonight: Reward yourself. **LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) \*\*\*\* Try your best to get along with others. Smoothing over the rough

edges in a relationship proves to be successful. Listen to your inner voice for help. Romance can blossom where it's least expected. Don't let shyness hold you back. Tonight: Argue only with yourself. **SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) \*\*\*\* Hooray! Others finally let you take the lead. However, you won't be able to do things exactly your way at first. Expect an emotional roller-coaster ride for a while. Eventually, you can be influential -- as long as you are willing to compromise. Tonight: Gamble for fun, but don't risk much. **SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) \*\*\*\* Rearrange your schedule to accommodate another person. Expect delays and detours. Eventually, you'll get where you want to go. Patience is the key word

now. Enjoy the trip instead of worrying about the destination. The time for quiet communication nears. Tonight: Others will follow your lead. **CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) \*\*\* What change are you resisting? If you can't agree with others now, you might find yourself going it alone. An expected future expenditure might make you cautious about spending. Others will understand if you share your concerns. Tonight: Work out that problem. **AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) \*\*\* Examine your actions if someone calls you an instigator. Are you stirring the pot unnecessarily? Others cannot adjust as quickly as you can. Family members yearn for stability from you. Don't disappoint them. Find ways to slow

your adventurous desires. Tonight: Work on your stamp collection. **PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20) \*\*\*\* Trust your luck. Taking a chance can yield a modest prize. Modify your goals for heightened success. Not everyone dreams like you do. Develop expertise with technology. While you often leave routine matters to others, pay attention now. Tonight: Share yourself with others. **BORN TODAY** Actress Debbie Reynolds (1932), actress Jane Powell (1929), actress Ali MacGraw (1938) For America's best extended horoscope, recorded by Jacqueline Bigar, call (900) 740-7444, 99 cents per minute. Also featured is The Spoken Tarot. Callers must be 18 or older. A service of InterMedia Inc., Jenkintown, Pa.

**Boss' wife makes indecent proposal**

Dear Ann Landers: My husband has a very good job with a fine company. We were transferred recently and are enjoying our new surroundings. However, I am faced with a problem I don't know how to deal with.

The boss' wife (I'll call her "Emily") is a sweet person, but she drinks a little too much. The four of us were having dinner last week, and while in the ladies room, Emily suggested that the four of us have a weekend at their place in the woods, which is about 50 miles from our home. I said, "That sounds lovely." Emily then said, "Your husband is very attractive. How do you like Jim?" (That's HER husband.) I was taken aback by the question and replied, "He is a very nice person." Emily then said, "How about trading partners during the weekend?"

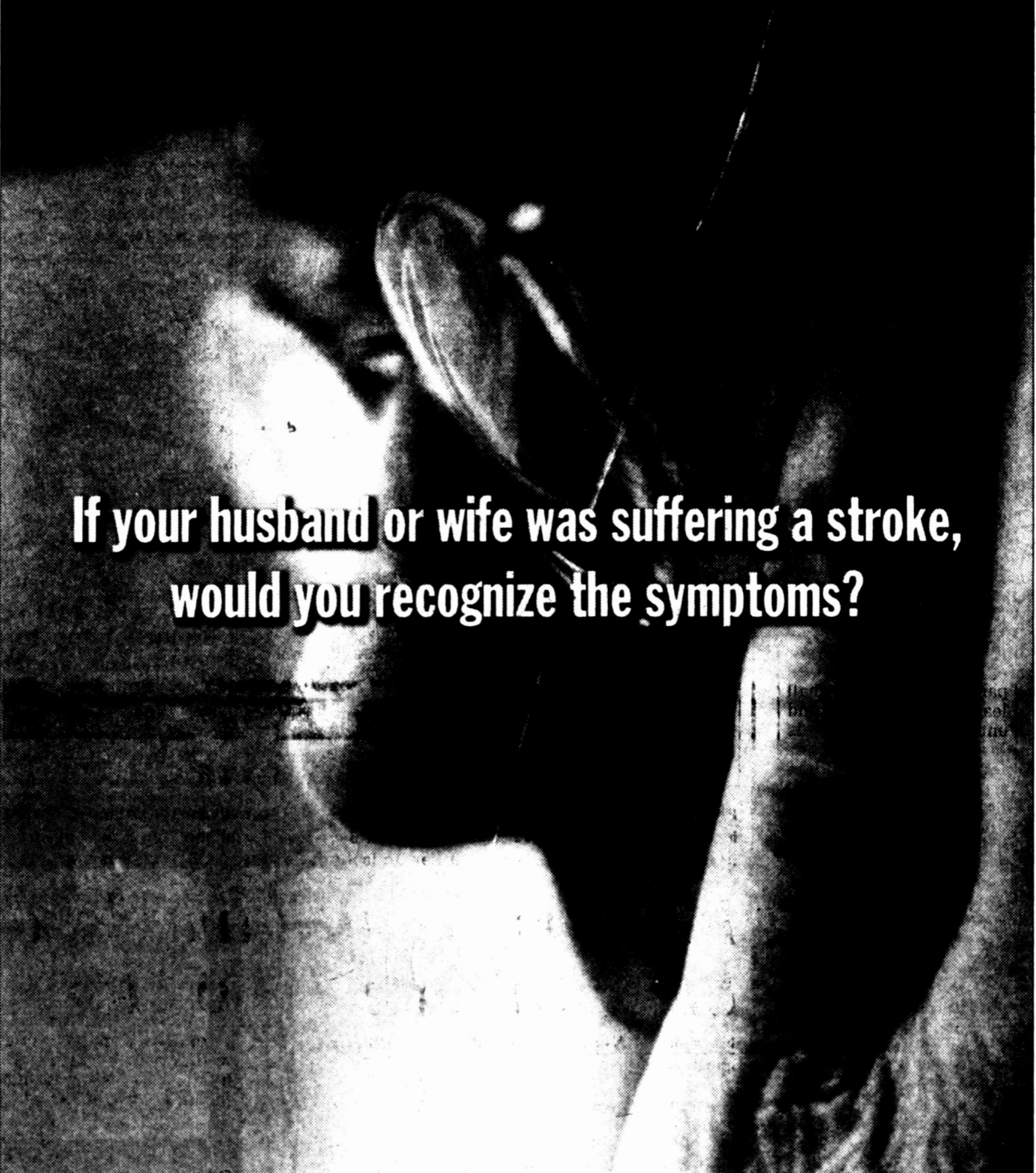
Ann, I've never been so shocked in my life. I told her I didn't think it was a very good idea. She then snapped, "Well, then, the weekend is off." I was stunned. We walked back to the table in silence.

I don't want to jeopardize my husband's position, but now I feel uneasy around Emily. How do I handle this? -- No Name, No City

Dear No Name: Carry on as if the conversation never took place. Emily will probably not bring up the subject again. If you haven't



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### IN BRIEF

#### Hawks split series with Clarendon

Howard College's Hawks suffered a 3-2 loss to Clarendon but recovered in game two Friday to take a 5-4 win over the Bulldogs. The Hawks split the second doubleheader Saturday, posting a 6-5 win before dropping 7-6 to Clarendon.

The Hawks' season record is 27-11-1, 10-6 in conference. The Hawks will return to Jack Barber Field Friday for a weekend series against New Mexico Junior College.

#### Swim lessons offered at the YMCA Monday

Parents can register their children for swim lessons at the YMCA, set to begin Monday through Tuesday.

Classes will be held at 6 p.m. and will meet two nights each week.

Beginner and intermediate level classes are open for children age 3 to 5 and 6 and older.

For more information, call the YMCA at 267-8234.

#### Women's softball seeking players

The Big Spring United Girls Softball Association is seeking women 20 and older to play fast pitch softball.

Registration is \$30 and teams are now forming.

For more information, call Alicia Buzbee at 264-0216

#### Industrial league softball sign-ups

For anyone wanting to participate in the softball league, the sign-up and entry fees deadline is Friday, April 6.

The entry fee is \$385 and there is a 20 roster sign-up limit.

For more information, contact Sally Grant at 393-5237 or 268-4728.

#### Comanche Trail will hold golf tournament

The Comanche Trail golf course men's golf association will hold a two-man team match play tournament Saturday and Sunday.

For more information call 264-2366.

#### Re-certification class offered at YMCA

There will be a re-certification course Saturday for current lifeguards at the Big Spring Family YMCA.

The cost is \$35 plus additional fee for the book.

The class registration is limited to 12 people. To register come by 801 Owens St. or send registration fee to the YMCA, P.O. Box 1428.

#### Little league softball umpires needed

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

For more information contact Pat at 264-0634.

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## Lady Hawks safe in first with weekend sweep

By KAMILAH WARD  
Sports Writer

It's enough that the Howard College Lady Hawks are sitting in first place in the Western Junior College Athletic Conference standings, just one game ahead of Midland College. Or that they have won nine of their last 10 games. But to top it all off, they swept their weekend series against El Paso Community College.

Friday set the tone for the remainder of weekend as the Lady Hawks posted a 7-6 win over El Paso's Tejanas. Both teams came out swinging but it was Howard College that carried the bigger bats in the end.

Brandy Smith started out for the Lady Hawks, giving up six runs on eight hits through seven innings.

The Lady Hawks took a 4-1 lead in the fourth but a big fifth inning for the Tejanas tied the game on an RBI triple to center field by Jaimie Price.

The Tejanas made a game of it in the seventh on a pair of RBIs by

Price. But the Lady Hawks rallied back in the bottom of the seventh as Breana Bohls collected a pair of RBIs on her double to left field to win the game.

Smith also pitched a three-hit shutout in the tail-end of the Lady Hawks Saturday doubleheader, collecting her second win of the series. Laughlin Hoskinson was the lone scorer in that game as the Lady Hawks won 1-0 and finished the game with four hits and one error.

DeShaun Drake was the winning pitcher as the Lady Hawks posted a 10-7 win in Friday's second game.

Drake also scored three runs for the Lady Hawks and finished 3-for-4 at bat. Diana Faulkner was brilliant behind the plate and at bat as she went 4-for-4 in the game.

Drake also picked up a win Saturday as the Lady Hawks posted a 3-1 victory in game one. She collected five strikeouts and received a lot of help from her fielders, particularly Brittany Murray, who made a big catch at the wall for the Lady



Howard College's Devon Melby slides safely to third during the Lady Hawks' Friday doubleheader. The Lady Hawks are currently in first place in the conference with a 10-2 record and will face Midland College Friday.



Big Spring's Ragan Phillips takes a swing during the seventh inning Saturday, driving in the winning runs for the Steers in their 4-3 win over Levelland. The Steers move to .500 at 3-3 and will travel to Plainview to face the Bulldogs at 6 p.m. Tuesday.

## Phillips, Beauchamp lead Steers in late 4-3 victory

By KAMILAH WARD  
Sports Writer

Call it a come back in dramatic fashion. But whatever you call it — know that Ragan Phillips and Dustin Beauchamp had a hand in the Steers' 4-3 come-from-behind win.

The Steers were coming off a 2-0 win over Lakeview's Chiefs where Clint Bamert's fire arm delivered a five-hit shutout. The Steers' head coach Pat Loter made some infield changes which put Aaron Olague at first base and made Ryan Guinn the battery for Big Spring.

The end result — a two-game winning streak for the Steers and a .500 record in district play.

The Steers topped their road victory in San Angelo with a thriller at home in Steer Park. The afternoon chill didn't come close to freezing this team after taking an early 1-0 lead in the

second inning on a run scored by Olague.

The Steers fell behind 3-1 after the Lobos scored a couple of runs in the third and another run in the sixth on Jesse Rodriguez' RBI double. But the Steers' starting pitcher for the day, John McKinnon, stuffed the inning for the Lobos with two big plays before being relieved by Beauchamp.

Beauchamp, the right-handed sophomore, got his first win of the season after going an inning and 1/3, giving up no runs, one hit, two strikeouts and no walks. Of course McKinnon had done a nice job at the mound, giving up three runs on nine hits, just an inning shy of going the distance for the Steers.

"I was real comfortable in the seventh after I made it through the first inning," said Beauchamp after the win. "We were real anxious to hit the ball."

Sometimes anxiety works well in a big way as the hits started rolling in during the sixth inning after the Steers jammed the bases and brought in Phillips for the score on Olague's sacrifice fly.

The Steers were able to maintain and build in the seventh as Beauchamp got a nice start. He reached first on an error by the third baseman and a too second on a wild pitch. Justin Belcher stepped in for Bamert after he reached base on balls, followed by Jason Choate.

All the Steers needed then was one solid clutch hit and that's just what they got from Phillips, who finished 2-for-4 on the day and earned a couple of game-winning RBIs as his single to center field brought in Beauchamp and Belcher for the win.

The Steers will travel to Plainview to take on the Bulldogs Tuesday.

## Delgado, Pudge take center stage; A-Rod happy to avoid it

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (AP) — Carlos Delgado is having so much fun preparing for the major league opener in his homeland that he can't stop smiling.

Fellow Puerto Rican Ivan Rodriguez has been so busy that his eyes are red and his voice is hoarse.

Almost overshadowed by it all is Alex Rodriguez, the most talked about player of the offseason. And the \$252 million shortstop is appreciating his relative anonymity while it lasts.

"I know Pudge hasn't slept too much, I know he's tired," Alex Rodriguez said Saturday as his Texas Rangers prepared to play Delgado's Toronto Blue Jays on Sunday. "I'm kind of glad they're getting all the promotion down here. I'm really enjoying that part of it."

This is the third straight year major league baseball has taken its first game away from traditional sites. San Diego and Colorado opened the 1999 season in Monterrey, Mexico, and the Cubs and Mets played two games in Tokyo last season.

The locals on this baseball-loving island are extremely excited to be the hosts this time. They also know how to enjoy themselves at games, which should make for a carnival-like atmosphere at Hiram Bithorn Stadium.

"I've played many games in that stadium, but this is going to be a little bit sweeter," Delgado said. "I'm so happy I'm a part of it. I'm going to enjoy every moment."

It'll be especially memorable for Buck Martinez, who will be making his managerial debut for Toronto in a stadium where his playing career got a huge boost in winter ball in 1970.

"The passion you sense in the stands is something you don't see on a regular basis in the major leagues," he said. "This is very special for our team, for Puerto Rico and for all baseball

fans. This is a very important venue for us all. This is a big show for baseball."

Alex Rodriguez, whose contract has made him a big show wherever he goes, is happy to be only a piece of the action rather than the focus — which will come soon enough.

"This is a beautiful place. I'm overwhelmed by the love of the game in Puerto Rico. It's almost like a religion. To me, it would be a dream to do this one day in the Dominican Republic," said Rodriguez, whose roots are in that part of Latin America.

The city of San Juan and MLB have poured hundreds of thousands of dollars into upgrading the stadium, which is named after Puerto Rico's first major leaguer. Bithorn was a pitcher who broke in with the Cubs in 1942, five years before Jackie Robinson's debut.

Hall of Famer Roberto Clemente is Puerto Rico's most famous baseball product. An advertising poster around the stadium shows him walking alone on a field with the catchphrase, "Bienvenido a casa" — or, "Welcome home."

Vera Clemente, his widow, and Orlando Cepeda, another Hall of Famer from the island, will throw out the first pitch. They'll then turn over the mound to Texas' Rick Helling (16-13, 4.48 ERA last season) and Toronto's Esteban Loaiza (10-13, 4.56).

Despite the excitement, Delgado said he's looking forward to the game starting so he can forget where he is and concentrate on what he does best. Coming off a season in which he made a run at the Triple Crown, he has a modest goal for the opener.

"I want to get a hit in my first at-bat to get it out of the way," said Delgado.

Delgado was baseball's highest paid player from Oct. 20, when he signed a \$68 million, four-year deal, until Rodriguez signed Dec. 11.

## Indiana wins, no matter who wins women's final

ST. LOUIS (AP) — The NCAA women's championship matchup might create new interest in the movie "Hoosiers."

No matter what happens, the state of Indiana is a winner in Sunday night's final. Notre Dame and Purdue, schools only 107 miles apart, will play in the first in-state final in the 20-year history of the tournament.

"I think it's great," Notre Dame coach Muffet McGraw said. "I think it's great for basketball in Indiana. We've both got some great Indiana players."

Notre Dame forward Kelley Siemon said she's seen "Hoosiers," the true story of a small-town Indiana high school team that won

the state championship in the 1950s, "a ton of times. But not as many times, I'm sure, as Ruth has."

The 6-foot-5 Ruth Riley, the only Indiana product on the Notre Dame roster, is the Associated Press Player of the Year.

Purdue (31-6) has more of a local flavor, with five in-state players. That includes All-American Katie Douglas and fellow starters Kelly Komara and Shalicia Hurns.

The Irish advanced to the final for the first time in school history, erasing a 16-point first-half deficit to beat defending champion Connecticut 90-75. That's the biggest comeback in women's Final Four history.

Purdue, the 1999 winner, shut

down the Jackie Stiles show, holding the nation's leading scorer to 22 points in an 81-64 victory.

Stiles, who set the NCAA career scoring record earlier this month, entered with a 30.6-point average. She was held to seven points in the first half as Southwest Missouri (29-6) fell behind by 17 points.

"You never want something as good as this to end," Stiles said. "You never prepare yourself for this moment."

Adding more flavor to the championship game matchup is the way the teams got to this point. Notre Dame swapped the No. 1 rating with Connecticut during the regular season. Purdue is ranked ninth and advanced as a No. 3 seed from the

Midwest Regional despite winning the Big Ten regular-season title.

Many viewed the UConn-Notre Dame game, a battle of top seeds, as the true title game.

"Everybody's probably counting Purdue out," said Douglas, who had 25 points and seven rebounds. "We like being the underdog. Keep making us the underdog because we've been successful so far."

McGraw wanted to play down that angle.

"At this point, the national final, I don't think either team is the underdog," McGraw said. "I think it's just two great teams going at it."

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# NBA close to getting into the zone as board meets to make rule changes

NEW YORK (AP) — Whether it's a box-and-one, a triangle-and-two, a 2-1-2 or some other variation, zone defenses have long been a staple of college basketball. Not so in the NBA.

Though pro teams have been known to resort to quasi-zone tactics, the league's rules have never permitted zones.

That could change next season.

With scoring and TV ratings in decline as teams increasingly rely on isolation plays, the NBA Board of Governors discussed a package of changes Friday, including doing away with complicated illegal defense

rules. "This is going to a different place for the game," commissioner David Stern said. "We're trying to ensure the game will have more movement, passing and a faster pace."

The proposals: scrap the illegal defense rules; institute a defensive 3-second rule, whereby defenders would be allowed to stay in the lane for 3 seconds unless they were within arm's length of an opponent; give teams 8 seconds instead of 10 to bring the ball past midcourt; redefine incidental contact to cut down on touch fouls; and allow players to touch the ball while it

is on the rim. "I came away persuaded," deputy commissioner Russ Granik said. "You're never certain exactly what the results will be with rule changes, but it's worth taking a chance here."

The changes are meant to discourage teams from gearing offenses toward isolation plays in which a majority of a team's players stand idle on the weak side to draw defenders away from the ball.

That trend has helped fuel a decrease in points over the past decade. Teams are averaging 94.6 points, down about three points per game from last season.

"I'm all for it with some guidelines, simple guidelines. I guess it would get us to playing some basketball, have more movement of the ball and take away the isolation, or at least some of it," Dallas coach Don Nelson said.

Not everyone shares that view, though.

"I hope it never happens. That would be the worst," New York's Latrell Sprewell said. "They're worried about scoring, but if you have a zone, can you imagine a team like Miami, for instance, with Alonzo (Mourning), (Anthony) Mason and Brian Grant sitting in the paint? You'd

never get a layup, and would have to shoot jumpers all day long. Guys would become better shooters, but you wouldn't have the same plays."

Phoenix Suns owner Jerry Colangelo, who headed the committee that drew up the proposals, said there would have been the necessary two-thirds support had there been a vote Friday by the league's 29 ownership groups.

Instead, teams will have a chance to weigh the suggestions before voting in about two weeks. If approved then, the changes would take effect next season.

"They're putting all these rules in there for the fans, trying to get low scores, trying to get high scores," Celtics guard Kenny Anderson said.

"Maybe they should put the 3-point shot at the foul line."

In other developments Friday: — A committee of seven owners was appointed to examine Memphis' viability as an NBA city. They have 120 days, though Granik said he thought it would take half that time. The owners of the Grizzlies and Hornets asked for permission this week to relocate to Memphis for next season.

# Gooden retires, Detroit loses Meluskey to injury for season

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

On his final day as a player, Dwight Gooden preferred to focus on his future, rather than dwell on his once-glorious past.

Unable to make the New York Yankees' opening day roster, Gooden announced his retirement Friday at age 36.

"It's a sad and enjoyable day," he said at the team complex in Tampa, Fla. "I've enjoyed a great career. It's been a joyous ride. I have no complaints."

"I'm looking forward to getting my second career started, that's being home with my kids and watching them do things," he said.

Gooden, who signed a minor league contract in December, was 0-1 with a 7.90 ERA in six games this spring.

Gooden finished up with a 194-112 record and a 3.51 ERA, striking out 2,293 in 2,800 2-3 innings. He also threw a no-hitter.

The Yankees will keep Gooden in their organization in an undetermined role.

Gooden burst on the baseball scene like a comet, quickly becoming the sport's brightest star.

With an explosive fastball and sharp curve, Gooden made the All-Star team in 1984 and became the NL Rookie of the Year. The next year, he became the

youngest player — at 20 — to win the Cy Young Award after going 24-4 with a 1.53 ERA.

In 1986, Gooden was part of the New York Mets' team that won the World Series.

"He was special, no question about it," said Mel Stottlemyre, who was Gooden's pitching coach with the Mets and Yankees.

But Gooden's career quickly took a downward turn, wrecked by drug problems and shoulder trouble.

"A lot of times during my career, I always thought what if this would have happened," Gooden said. "Last night when I came to this conclusion and today, I wasn't going to say what ifs. I was going to enjoy the

moment and look back on all of the great things I've done throughout my career."

Gooden signed with the Yankees last June 11 after being released by the Tampa Bay Devil Rays in late May.

Gooden went 4-2 in 18 games for New York. He pitched in one game in both the AL division series and AL championship series, but did not play in the World Series victory over the Mets.

While the Yankees were not counting on Gooden this season, the Detroit Tigers were hoping for a big contribution from Mitch Meluskey.

Instead, the catcher that

Detroit expected to provide some offensive punch will miss the season because of a shoulder injury.

Meluskey, acquired from Houston in a six-player deal that included Brad Ausmus during the offseason, will have surgery to repair looseness in his right shoulder. He hit .300 in 117 games with the Astros last year.

The Tigers didn't know Meluskey's shoulder was bothering him until mid-March. Two years ago, when he was with the Astros, his season ended in May because of surgery to correct a similar problem.

The team will now rely on highly regarded prospect Brandon Inge as their starting catcher.

Inge, 23, has no major league experience and had been tagged as the starting catcher at Triple-A Toledo. He was optioned to the Mud Hens on March 16, but was brought back to the Tigers' camp after Meluskey was examined Monday.

In other games, it was Milwaukee 5, Chicago White Sox 4; Minnesota (ss) 6, Yankees 2; Texas 13, Minnesota (ss) 5; Baltimore 4, New York Mets 3; Cleveland 3, Atlanta 2 in 12 innings; Kansas City 9, Florida 6; Cincinnati 3, Philadelphia 0; San Francisco 2, Seattle 0; Chicago Cubs minor leaguers 4, Chicago Cubs 2; Houston 8, Boston 5; and Anaheim 7, Arizona 6.

# Harvick wins Jani-King 300 Young Phelps breaks record

FORT WORTH (AP) — Kevin Harvick, already with a Winston Cup win since taking over for the late Dale Earnhardt, turned a favor from his Busch teammate into a victory Saturday in the Jani-King 300.

When Mike Skinner first let Harvick by for the lead at the end of lap 66, the plan was to get Harvick the points for leading before let-

ting his fellow Richard Childress Racing driver back in front.

But Skinner, subbing for the injured Mike Dillon, quickly dropped back to fourth, and Harvick stayed in the lead for 51 laps. He lost the lead only because of two pit stops, and came out for a restart to show the way for the final 40 laps and finish .246 seconds.

"Mike was just trying to

help us out and give us five extra points, and then we were going to let him go back by," Harvick said.

After taking the checkered flag at Texas Motor Speedway, Harvick turned his Chevrolet around for a reverse victory lap. He waved three fingers out his window — the same tribute he gave to Earnhardt after his first Winston Cup win, three weeks ago.

AUSTIN (AP) — Michael Phelps' sights are still set on the clock.

Now that the 15-year-old has become the youngest American male swimmer to set a world record, winning the 200-meter butterfly Friday in the USA Swimming Championships in 1 minute, 54.92 seconds, he wants to keep improving on his time.

"My goal coming into this

meet was to break the world record," said Phelps.

He finished fifth in the Sydney Olympics. "My goal now is to keep getting faster and faster. I think I can cut a second by the world championships."

Phelps, a sophomore at North Towson High School in Baltimore, broke the record of 1:55.18 set by Olympic gold medalist Tom Malchow in June in

Charlotte, N.C. Phelps and Malchow, who was second Friday, will represent the United States in the FINA World Championships this summer in Japan.

"I knew something was going to happen off the third wall," Phelps commented. "I was surprised how close I was to Malchow, and that helped me come home."

## NCAA

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between the teams, and Purdue leads the series 9-3. But Notre Dame won this season's only matchup, 72-61 at home Dec. 9.

"They're a much better team than they were in December," McGraw said. "Hopefully, we are too. I think it's going to be a great game."

The teams have met twice in the NCAA tournament, with each team winning once. Notre Dame prevailed in the first round in 1996 and Purdue won in the Midwest Regional semifinals in 1998.

Notre Dame's Niele Ivey had 21 points and Riley rebounded from a poor first half with 18 points and seven rebounds. Riley got two early fouls and was limited to 12 minutes in the first half, getting only three points and one rebound.

"We just decided to come together and do it," Ivey said. "We had 20 more minutes regardless of what the

score was. It was 0-0 coming back out there."

Ivey sprained her left ankle and was on crutches after the game. McGraw said Ivey would not practice today, but Ivey said she'd be fine.

The Irish shot 57 percent after the break and finished 8-for-11 from 3-point range for a surprisingly easy trip to the final. They've had only one close call in the tournament, an eight-point victory over Vanderbilt in the Midwest Regional final.

Notre Dame held freshman Diana Taurasi, who had been carrying Connecticut lately, to 1-for-15 shooting.

"We definitely were keying on Taurasi," McGraw said. "We thought about a box-and-one, but she missed some shots at the start and we decided to take our chances."

Douglas and Camille Cooper, who were starters on Purdue's 1999 title team, starred in the semifinals. Cooper had 16 points and 10

rebounds, her seventh double-double of the season.

Purdue had one of its most dominating inside performances of the season, and the best by far in the tournament, against Southwest Missouri State. The Boilermakers had 21 offensive rebounds, scoring on numerous second chances, and had a 47-29 overall advantage.

Rebounding hadn't been a strong suit earlier in the tournament for Purdue, which was outrebounded by UC-Santa Barbara and Louisiana State in the first two rounds, were even with Texas Tech and had a 37-34 edge against Xavier.

"Our game plan was to face them and get them out," said Southwest Missouri forward Carly Deer, held to two rebounds. "We kind of threw that out the window."

"They are big and athletic, and, you know, we just didn't execute the blocking out that we would have liked to have."

## LADY HAWKS

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Hawks. The Lady Hawks' Valerie Goetz, Devon Melby and Faulkner scored runs for Howard while Lori Henderson was the lone scorer for El Paso.

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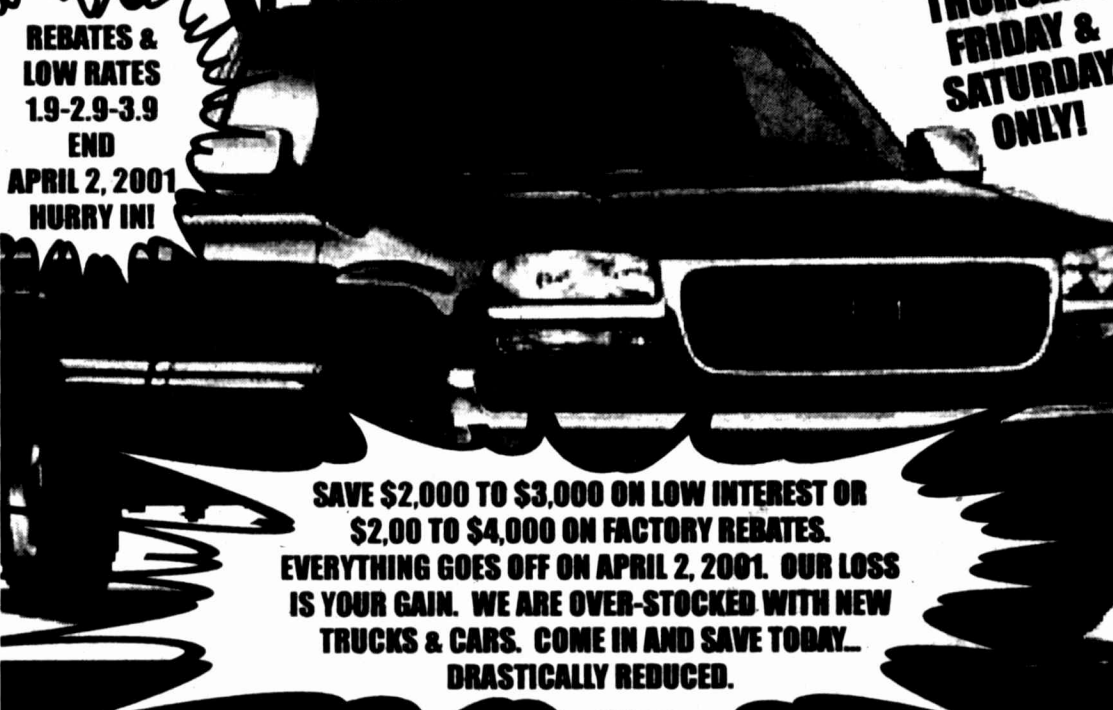
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By DEBBIE L... Features Edit... Terry McD... band, fath... leader who v... estate appra... Texas count... In 1999, he... title: Cancer... survivor.

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### This 'China Marine' has some fine memories

There is something prestigious about being a "China Marine." You know, like that movie, about the Boxer rebellion with Charlton Heston and Ava Gardner.

I do rate that China Service Medal with the Chinese junk on it. Later, I found out that this medal was the same one awarded to those China Marines who were involved in it, so I wear it proudly on both my Greens and my Dress Blues.



AL SCOTT

Back in '45 when we boarded ship, we all thought that we were headed stateside. Not so. Three days out, the scuttlebut (rumors) emerged. We were headed for the Gulf of Tunku.

The rumors were right. Our ship plowed through those chilly waters of North China, and when we arrived, literally thousands of Chinese were on the dock, waving U.S. flags. The Chinese had been under Japanese rule for many years and it was quite a welcome.

We Marines and Navy had spent many months on Okinawa where our pay had been withheld for a time. This, of course, was remedied when what we had coming was posted on our company bulletin board. It was surprising; we were all wealthy.

We settled in the Russian sector of Tientsin in a two-story warehouse building. So PFC Al Scott enjoyed precious liberty evening and weekends. It was great fun.

A fine Chinese gentleman, Mr. Chieu, sort of adopted me. The Chinese religion was usually Buddhism or Shintoism, but Mr. Chieu claimed to be a Christian. He was and lived up to it; I will never forget



him.

Later (and I like to brag about this), I actually walked on the Great Wall. The Buddha in the photo above, though, did not come with me. I obtained it from the late George Gatloff after twisting his arm a little.

# Moving earth

At Circle Six Ranch Baptist Camp, they plan to leave heaven where it is, but they are moving plenty of earth these days.

The camp, six miles north of Stanton on Highway 137, is owned by six Baptist Associations, including Big Spring Baptist Association.

In past years, most of the camp's business took place during the summer, when children from area churches gathered for activities and week-long stays. Occasionally an all-church retreat or adult group would schedule a weekend at the camp during the fall or spring.

But now, with the growing popularity of Walk to Emmaus, a spiritual development program for adults in various denominations, the camp has found a new mission: Two-thirds of its business now takes place during the "retreat season" from August to May.

"Almost every Thursday through Sunday is booked with adult groups," said assistant manager James Levings. There are 30 Emmaus Walk groups scheduled to use the camp in 2001; of the camp's \$500,000 a year budget, \$200,000 comes from the retreat season.

"We're blessed with year-round work," said manager Bill Bridges. He said increased use of the facility has necessitated an increased staff and has made way for some new construction projects.

On the wall in the main office hangs an artist's rendering of the new conference center, a facility that will be useful for adult or youth groups meeting at Circle Six. It was one of three buildings the camp broke ground for on Jan. 4.

Since most of Circle Six "campers" are now adults, the camp is also making a transition from cabins to more motel-type or dorm rooms. An additional set of 16 of those rooms is under construction now.

Other construction plans include a gymnasium and sports complex with a concession stand that should be in place by the summer. The new gym will give young campers a place to play and congregate while allowing adults and other groups to use most of the meeting rooms.

The staff size was recently increased from two families to three. Currently Bridges and his wife, with Levings and his wife, take care of many of the day-to-day operations, and they are interviewing for the third family.

The planned work will be funded mostly through donations, although they camp may borrow some money to get started. To save money, the camp is getting much volunteer construction help. Groups such as Campers on Mission and Texas Baptist Men Camp Builders, along with camp staff, will do 90 percent of the work.

Another sign of growth is an expansion of the horsemanship program. Currently, the camp offers a horseback riding program that will increase to 15 horses. They recently acquired a 15-stall barn, and a new colt named Blaze was recently born at the camp.

Last summer, the staff began performing a wild west show for the children at camp; it was such a hit, they plan to continue it. A ropes challenge course has also been a popular attraction for about three years.

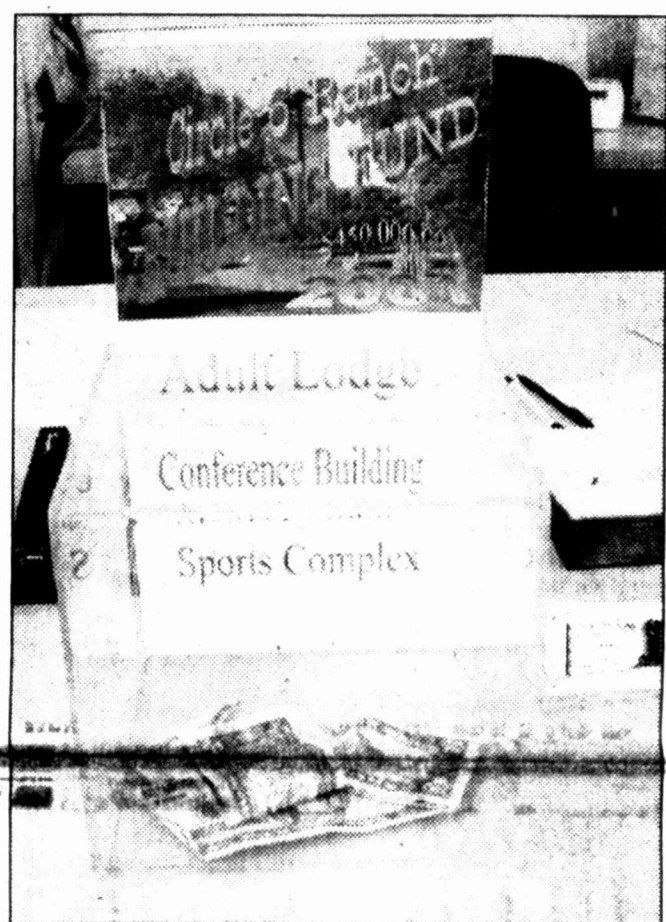
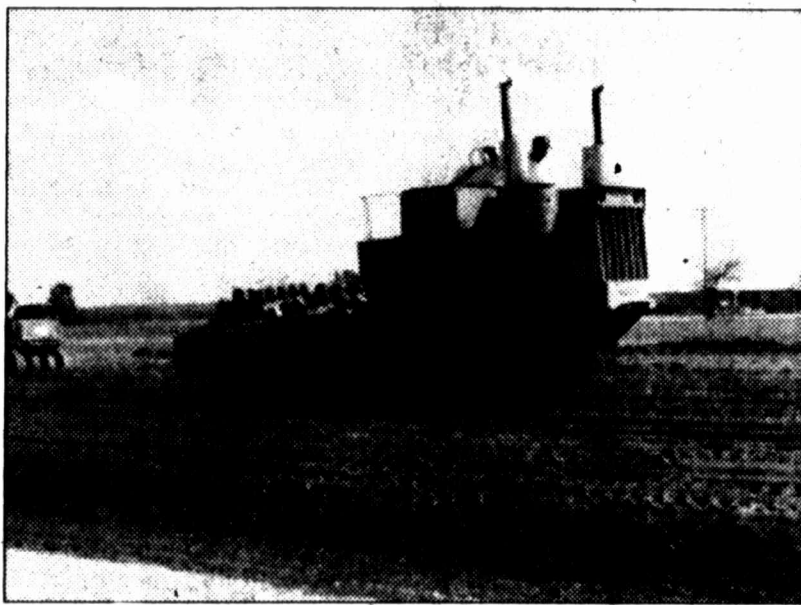
Renovations and improvements are still ongoing in the cafeteria, which had to be expanded to accommodate the growing weekend visitors throughout the year.

At a ceremony in January to kick off the new construction,

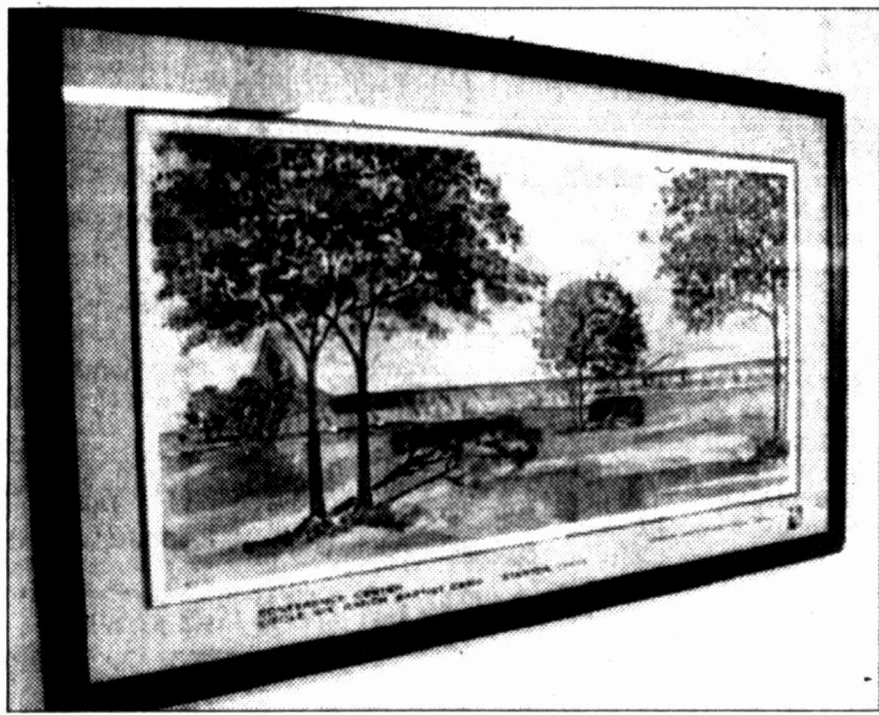


At left, James Levings, assistant manager of the Circle Six Ranch Baptist Camp, stands near piles of dirt that have been moved in preparation for construction of a new gymnasium. The project is one of several planned in coming months, thanks to growing use of the camp by church organizations throughout the area. Below, left, dirt work has also begun on a set of 16 motel-type rooms. Below, a box in the front office collects donations for the renovation project. At bottom, an artist's drawing of the planned conference center.

HERALD photos/Debbie L. Jensen



**Want to help Circle Six grow? Donations can be sent to: Circle Six Ranch Baptist Camp, P.O. Box 976, Stanton 79782. For more information, call the camp at (915) 458-3467.**



Bridges said the new buildings will further the camp's mission. "With the Lord's help, and many people supporting the project with finances and prayers, we are looking forward to the opportunity to minister to many more people with these buildings in place," he said during the ceremony. Bridges said the camp is likely to continue to grow, change and renovate as needs develop. "If it is a ministry need, we try to fill it," he said. "And it seems to be working."

—Debbie L. Jensen

## McDaniel's faith carried him through battle with colon cancer

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN  
Features Editor

Terry McDaniel is a husband, father and civic leader who works as a real-estate appraiser in 20 West Texas counties.

In 1999, he added another title: Cancer survivor.

"I went to have a normal physical," explained McDaniel, a frequent volunteer with the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce. After several other tests, the doctor performed a digital exam of the prostate, which is done through the rectum. He saw



MCDANIEL

blood. The physician's first question was, "Have you ever had a colonoscopy?" While McDaniel had had a similar exam — the flexible sigmoidoscopy, he had never had the colonoscopy, the most comprehensive screening test for colon cancer.

"Everyone is scared of the colonoscopy," McDaniel said. "Anytime you envision someone running a camera inside you ... Well, you get the idea. You just don't want to do it."

At his physician's urging, however, McDaniel had the first of four colonoscopies the next day in Lubbock. After taking a huge dose of a powerful laxative the day before to clean out the colon, the test was performed while McDaniel was under sedation.

A four-centimeter polyp was found, and biopsied. It was cancerous.

With his friends and family around him, McDaniel began deciding what to do next. With help from Dr. Dickie Stanley, he located a surgeon in Dallas who was described as the best in the state.

On Jan. 29, 1999, 18 inches of McDaniel's colon was removed.

Describing himself as a very religious person, McDaniel said he gives complete credit for his survival to a higher power.

"I was totally healed by God," he said. "We caught it so early."

As soon as the diagnosis was in, friends, family and community members began to pray. They prayed that the surgeon would get all

### RELAY FOR LIFE

A community campout to fight cancer is planned May 11-12 at Blankenship Field. Volunteer members of teams will walk around the track to collect pledges. The money goes to the American Cancer Society. Teams are forming now; call Linda Billington at 399-4408, or Gloria McDonald at 263-1234.

the cancer, that radiation or chemotherapy would not be necessary, and that the operation would not require removal of McDaniel's entire colon — a possibility when colon cancer is found.

Further, they prayed that McDaniel would not suffer pain and that recovery would be quick.

He was out of the hospital in four days, and on the seventh day, he was back at work appraising a house. Regular tests have shown him cancer-free ever since.

"We totally believe that every prayer we lifted up was answered," McDaniel said.

And while close friends and family know about his amazing recovery, colon cancer is not a frequent subject of discussion.

"This is just not something people talk about," he said. "But there is something people need to know about it. If you catch colon cancer early, it is totally curable. If you don't, it can kill you in a heartbeat."

The American Cancer Society used the month of March to promote awareness of colon cancer, the second leading cancer killer in America.

They are urging more widespread testing for the cancer, using one of four methods that depend on the age, risk factors and needs of the patient.

- Some guidelines include:
- Fecal occult blood test is recommended annually;
  - Flexible sigmoidoscopy, which allows doctors to see about one third of the colon, is recommended every five years;
  - Barium enema; or
  - Colonoscopy, most complete methods of testing, are usually performed if symptoms are present or as recommended by a doctor.

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# WEDDINGS

## York-Nelson

Jennifer York of Stephenville and Greg Nelson of Big Spring exchanged wedding vows March 17, 2001, at the Chapel on the Bosque in Stephenville with Frank Briscoe officiating.

The bride is the daughter of David and Janeth York of Stephenville.

The groom is the son of Grady and Doris Nelson of Brownwood and Patsy Nelson of Muskogee, Okla., and the grandson of Valta Brock of Big Spring.

Tawnya Menzdorf played piano.

Andi Andrews-York, sister-in-law of the bride, served as matron of honor.

Mark Hall, cousin of the groom, served as best man.

A reception was held at Hillcrest Church of Christ.



MR. AND MRS. GREG NELSON

She is a 1995 graduate of Stephenville High School and has a paramedic certification from Howard College.

He is a 1985 graduate of Big Spring High School and has a paramedic certification from Howard College.

Following a wedding trip to Austin, the couple made their home in Big Spring.

# GETTING ENGAGED



Misty Hein of Big Spring and Jason Martin of Dickens will exchange wedding vows on Friday, June 8, 2001, at East Side Baptist Church with Doug Shelley, pastor, officiating.

She is the daughter of Lawrence and Angela Hein of Big Spring and the granddaughter of Dale and Bonnie Hein of Big Spring.

He is the son of Jack and Janet Martin of San Angelo.



Aimee Stephens of Roswell, N.M., and Brent Hill of Stanton will exchange wedding vows June 9, 2001, in Roswell, N.M., at the Country Club Road Church of Christ.

She is the daughter of Rick and Tammy Stephens of Roswell, N.M.

He is the son of Diana and Byron Hill of Stanton and the grandson of Bob and Bobbie Hill of Stanton and Juanita and Bill Adams of Knott.



Cheryl Platte and John Reed, both of Big Spring, will exchange wedding vows May 19, 2001, at Baptist Temple Church with Bill Brooks officiating.

She is the daughter of Larry and Jackie Platte of Big Spring.

He is the son of Bob and Judy Reed of Big Spring.



Catherine Ojeda and Matthew Vizcaino, both of San Angelo, will exchange wedding vows May 19, 2001, at First Christian Church with Leo Free Living Water Ministries, and Carroll Kohl, retired pastor of St. Paul Lutheran Church, officiating.

She is the daughter of Hector Ojeda of Dallas and Wendt and Catherine Wendland of Big Spring and the granddaughter of Floyd and Ethel Pringle.

He is the son of Moises (Bo) and Heidi Vizcaino of Big Spring.

# HUMANE SOCIETY



Pictured is Spot - White with black spot on tail and ear, medium-length hair, 6 months old, female, spayed.

**Ojoe** - Gray Tabby, 8 weeks, male.

**Ginger** - Orange Tabby, 8 weeks, female.

**Sunkist** - Orange Tabby, 8 weeks, female.

**Kelly** - Tortoise shell, 8 weeks, female.

**Tiger** - Brown Tabby, 6 months, male, neutered.

**Jet** - Black, 6 months, male, neutered.

**Badger** - Brown Tabby, 6 months, male, neutered.

**Lucy** - Gray Torti, 6 months, female, spayed.

**Ethel** - Black Torti, 6 months, female, spayed.

Many, many more - come see!!

Special note: All dogs and cats presently available for adoption at the shelter have received their vaccinations, including rabies.

All pets come with a two week trial period. Call the shelter at 267-7832 for more information.

# WHO'S WHO

Ryan Miracle has achieved the rank of Eagle Scout. His Eagle Court of Honor was Sunday, March 25, in the sanctuary of the First Presbyterian Church followed by a reception in the fellowship hall.

Ryan began as a Cub Scout in 1991 and advanced to Boy Scout in 1994. He is a member of Troop 7 and is serving as Assistant Scoutmaster.

Ryan's Eagle project was to build a swing for wheelchair-bound students at Moss Elementary.

Ryan has attended camp at Buffalo Trails Scout Ranch and Hughes Aquatic Base numerous times. He has served on the staff at Hughes for Cub Camp three summers.

Ryan is a senior at Big Spring High School, where he serves as head student athletic trainer. He has played percussion in the Honor Band and is currently a field drummer for the Sons of Confederate Veterans Civil War reenactment group.

Ryan earned an academic letter for his GPA and is an active member of First Presbyterian Church. He plans to attend Texas Tech University in the fall, majoring in mechanical engineering.

Ryan is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Miracle of Big Spring and the grandson of Mrs. Elizabeth Miracle of Kermit.



MIRACLE

# ON THE MENU

**SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER**

**MONDAY**-Chicken, noodles, mixed vegetables, salad, milk/rolls, fruit.

**TUESDAY**-Steak Fingers, potatoes, carrots, salad, milk/rolls, applecrisp.

**WEDNESDAY**-Liver & onions, potatoes, broccoli, salad, milk/rolls, cobbler.

**THURSDAY**-Pork chops, baked potatoes, green beans, salad, milk/rolls, fruit.

**FRIDAY**-Enchiladas, rice, beans, salad, milk/cornbread, cake.

**FORSAN SCHOOLS**

**MONDAY**-Frito pie, salad, ranch style beans, cinnamon crisps, fruit, milk.

**TUESDAY**-Corndogs, tater tots/salad, pork & beans, pineapple cake, milk.

**WEDNESDAY**-Hamburgers, french fries, salad, pickle/onions, brownies, applesauce, milk.

**THURSDAY**-Bar-b-que sandwich, chips/pickles/onions, fruit cobbler, milk.

**FRIDAY**-Soft burrito, ranch style beans, salad, fruit churros, milk.

**STANTON SCHOOLS**

**MONDAY**-Hamburger or cheeseburger on a bun, potato puffs, hamburger salad, pears.

**TUESDAY**-Pizza (baked potato), green beans, salad, peaches, french bread.

**WEDNESDAY**-Beef taco, taco shell (corndog), pinto beans, lettuce & tomato applesauce, cornbread.

**THURSDAY**-Steak fingers (chicken nuggets), mashed potatoes, cream gravy, peas & carrots, pears, hot rolls.

**FRIDAY**-Tuna salad sandwich (toasted cheese sandwich), potato puffs, vegetable soup, apples.

**SANDS SCHOOLS**

**MONDAY**-Bar-b-que on bun, french fries, ranch style beans, cake, milk.

**TUESDAY**-Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans, hot rolls, peaches, milk.

**WEDNESDAY**-Beef & cheese enchiladas, pinto beans, salad, cornbread, cobbler, milk.

**THURSDAY**-Chicken nuggets, sliced potatoes, june peas & carrots, hot rolls, fruit, milk.

**FRIDAY**-Beef & cheese lasagna, salad, ranch style beans, fruit, batterbread, milk.

**COAHOMA SCHOOLS**

**MONDAY**-Chicken fried steak (corndogs), gravy, corn, potatoes, rolls, milk.

**TUESDAY**-Hamburgers, spicy fries, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, cobbler, milk.

**WEDNESDAY**-Homemade burritos (ham & cheese sandwiches), tater tots, salad milk.

**THURSDAY**-Taco beef pie (burritos), pinto beans, salad, milk.

**FRIDAY**-Pizza, tater tots, apples, milk. Teachers only: salad or baked potato.

**BIG SPRING SCHOOLS**

**MONDAY**-Crispy chicken sandwich, potato rounds, pork & beans, mixed fruit, milk.

**TUESDAY**-Ravioli, carrot sticks, fried okra, pineapple jello, hot roll, milk.

**WEDNESDAY**-Mexican jambalaya, salad, corn, grapes, milk.

**THURSDAY**-Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, english peas, pears, hot rolls, milk.

**FRIDAY**-Hamburger, salad, french fries, ranch style beans, chocolate cake, milk.

**GARDEN CITY SCHOOLS**

**MONDAY**-Bean/cheese burrito, salad, fruit, salsa.

**TUESDAY**-Chicken strips, cream potatoes, green beans, peaches, hot roll.

**WEDNESDAY**-Soft taco, salad, pinto beans, cake.

**THURSDAY**-Bar-b-q on bun, chips, pickles, fruit, cookie.

**FRIDAY**-Peanut butter/pimento cheese/tuna sandwiches, cheetos, apple slices.

## Watson-Williams

Angela Leigh Watson and Juan Earl Williams Jr., both of Big Spring, exchanged wedding vows March 17, 2001, at Mount Bethel Baptist Church with the Rev. Michael Willard, pastor, officiating.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Watson of Slaton.

He is the son of Bernice Williams of Big Spring.

Vocalist was Shawn E. Williams.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Fred Watson.

Daria Eden Johnson served as maid of honor.

Markquin E. Williams served as best man.

The bride is a 1987 graduate of Monterey High School.

The groom is a 1984 grad-



MR. AND MRS. JUAN EARL WILLIAMS JR.

uate of Big Spring High School and is employed by the VA Medical Center as a registered nurse.

The couple plans a late honeymoon trip to Las Vegas, Nev., and will make their home in Big Spring.

# STORK CLUB

Kasim Brice Louis Redding, March 24, 2001, 2:52 p.m., seven pounds five ounces and 20 inches long. Parents are Rod Puga and Allison Redding. Grandparents are Johnny and Judy Puga and Carolyn and John Redding, all of Big Spring.

Cameron Lane Woodard, March 23, 2001, 12:15 p.m., six pounds 13 ounces and 20.5 inches long. Parents are William and Dorothy Woodard. Grandparents are Jeronimo and Mary Puga of Big Spring and Eligio Viasana of Avondale, Ariz., J.C. and Dolly Woodard of Big Spring; and the late Shirley Edmondson.

Hana Elise Stanislaus, March 21, 2001, 10:03 a.m., six pounds four ounces and 19.5 inches long. Parents are Brenden and Loretta Stanislaus of Big Spring. Grandparents are Ron and Barbara Stephens of Big Spring and Doug and Gwen Stanislaus of Sand Springs.

Chesney Jade Gillespie, March 21, 2001, 2:12 p.m., six pounds six ounces and 20 inches long. Parents are Heath and Amanda Gillespie. Grandparents are Terri Fuqua and Rodney and Roe Fuqua all of Big Spring, and Tony and Angela Gillespie of Knott.

Che'ly LeAn Bolton, March 20, 2001, 4:52 p.m., nine pounds two ounces and 22 inches long. Parents are Kristy Morrow and Tommy Bolton. Grandparents are Karan and Don Wilcher and Bobby Morrow, all of Big Spring.

Matthew L. Yanez, March 19, 2001, 11:02 p.m., seven pounds 3/4 ounce and 20.5 inches long. Parents are

Laura and Lorenzo Yanez. Grandparents are Arthuro and Rosa Yanez and Roberto and Maria Franco, all of Big Spring.

Maranda Lee Ann Chappell, March 20, 2001, 5:44 p.m., eight pounds two ounces and 19.5 inches long. Parents are John and Kimberly Chappell. Grandparents are Barbara and Jean Quernheim and Eva and Buck Chappell.

C.J. LeShawn Harris, March 14, 2001, 10:15 p.m., seven pounds four ounces and 20 inches long. Parent is Kinshay Harris. Grandparents are Charlie Turner and Wanda Allen of Big Spring.

## NEWCOMERS

Newcomers to Big Spring welcomed recently by Joy Fortenberry and the Newcomer Greeting Service include:

Britt and Shelly Hayes, daughter Kailey, of Midland. He is employed by Forsan ISD as business manager.

Steven Carroll of Abilene. He is employed by the National Federation of Independent Business.

Shane and Melinda Franco, son Anthony, of Pecos. He is employed by R.B. Testers.

Dennis and Sheena Dallas of Boulder, Colo. He is employed by Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Kathy Lujan of Bonners Ferry, Idaho.

Dolly Dannenbaum and son Austin of Tulsa, Okla.

Albert and Cindy Munoz, son Mark of San Angelo. He is the assistant manager for Advance Auto Parts.

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ous physical program; received practical parachuting training by jumping from 34 foot and 250 foot towers; and in the final week made five static-line parachute jumps, including one night jump from an in-flight aircraft.

Ralston is the son of Tom L. Ralston of Big Spring. He is a 1998 graduate of Big Spring High School.

# IN THE MILITARY

Marine Corps Lance Cpl. Seth T. Ralston has graduated from the three-week airborne training course at the Army Airborne School, Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga.

During the training the student underwent a rigor-

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## Mexican regulators investigating safety complaints

LAREDO (AP) — A border trucking scam has allowed Mexican drivers to gain commercial licenses without having to submit a required medical examination, investigators say.

The inquiry comes as federal transportation officials work to finalize regulations for Mexican trucks operating in the United States under the North American Free Trade Agreement.

Transportation regulators and others have raised concerns about potential safety hazards associated with allowing tractor-trailer rigs

on U.S. roads even though they have not had to meet the same standards as their counterparts north of the border.

Investigators in Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, just across the Texas border, uncovered an operation in the Federal Transportation office, part of the Secretariat of Communications and Transportation, involving the alleged sale of commercial drivers' licenses.

Undercover agents offered money to clerks in the Federal Transportation Office in exchange

for applicants not submitting a medical examination required as part of the licensing procedure, said Arturo Camara, an administrator in the Secretariat of Social Development.

"We have received complaints concerning the issuance of federal drivers' licenses without fulfilling the prerequisites the federal government requires," Camara said.

Agents who arrived in Nuevo Laredo and began interviewing truck drivers already holding federal drivers' licenses started the investigation. No arrests have

been made so far.

A local driver, Jose Luis Guerrero Reyes, was accompanied to the transportation office by a federal anticorruption agent to request a commercial license. Guerrero Reyes explained that he needed to see a medical staff member since he failed a previous exam due to taking medication.

When Guerrero Reyes said he did not want to undergo another medical examination, the clerk responded that the driver would not need to take the medical exam if he would pay 2,000 pesos — or

\$205 — to expedite the authorization to receive the license.

Because the federal license actually costs 999 pesos, or \$102.50, an investigator called the difference between the solicited money and the actual fee a "bribe."

After the pair paid the clerk, an investigation by nearby agents began.

Under NAFTA, Mexican trucks were allowed to operate on U.S. highways by January 2000. But the Clinton administration had refused to comply with the treaty, citing safety concerns.

## Bob Brock dealership earns key award

By CARL GRAHAM  
Staff Writer

Chalk up another award for local automotive dealership Bob Brock Ford-Lincoln-Mercury-Nissan, located at 500 West Fourth.

It is the recipient of brand new recognition program award called the Blue Oval Certification.

Randy Gee, sales manager, said the award was earned through a cooperative effort by every employee on staff.

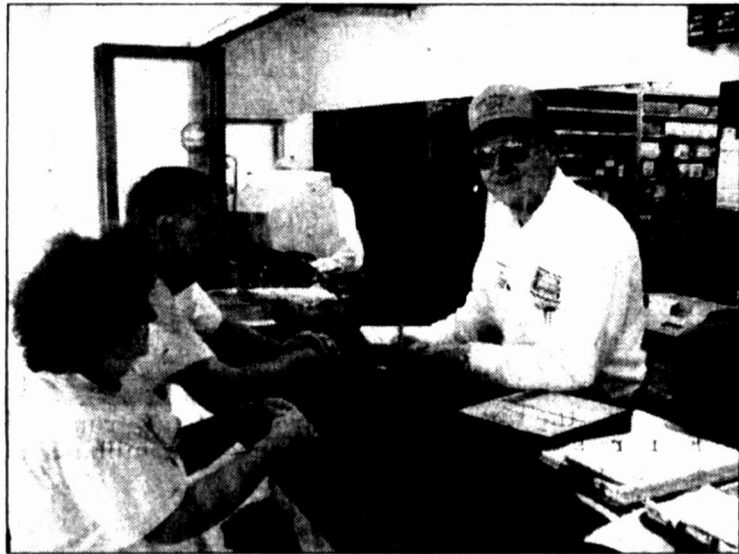
"To receive this award you have to be able to demonstrate that your customers believe in you," said Gee. "I believe that we have shown through this award that we have earned that trust and that respect from our customers."

"We were only the second in the Permian Basin to receive this award and one of only a few in Texas that has passed all three phases, the Lincoln Premier Experience, the Mercury Advantage and the Blue Oval Certification."

In an official notification from the Ford Motor Company, James G. O'Conner, president of Ford Division, said the award challenges dealers to look at their business in a different light.

"It is obvious that you and your team accepted this challenge and put your enthusiasm into accomplishing this goal," O'Conner stated in the notification.

"Your performance in the areas of customer sales and service experiences, technology, customer follow-up, resolution of concerns and commitment to your employees will contribute



Above, salesman Arthur Barrera shows Roy and Sue Scott of Midland a new Ford van. At left, Don Belew helps Bill and Darlene Griffin with a part. And below, Gary Prater, a member of the service department at Bob Brock Ford for 28 years, is one more reason the dealership achieved Blue Oval Certification.

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to increasing owner loyalty, enriching the value of the Ford brand and your franchise."

The letter stated that in their achieving the status of Blue Oval Certified that Bob Brock Ford has made a commitment to making each day the best that it can be both personally and for those customers who made the award possible.

"We all believe that together, we are the foundation behind the satisfaction

of every customer we touch," O'Conner continued.

"Thank you for building such a strong foundation at Bob Brock Ford Inc. and making every customer's visit a best in class retail experience."

A recognition package from Blue Oval Certified headquarters will be arriving at the dealership within the next few days, along with a commemorative plaque.



## Luring Boeing

### Dallas-Fort Worth officials huddle to plan team pitch for major aircraft maker

GRAPEVINE (AP) — A confident Gov. Rick Perry said Friday that Dallas-Fort Worth is probably the front-runner to land Boeing Co.'s headquarters, and he urged officials of rival cities to cooperate in luring the aircraft maker.



PERRY

In making the case for Dallas-Fort Worth, Perry repeatedly noted that Texas doesn't have state corporate or personal income taxes. He also said the region's central location and home to Boeing customers American and Southwest airlines gave it an edge over fellow finalists Denver and Chicago.

"I would think they would look at Dallas-Fort Worth as the favorite. I don't think this is close," Perry said.

Perry held out hope the shift of 500 corporate jobs to Texas would be just the tip of the iceberg.

"The vision is, of course, we would love to have not just the world headquarters but the entire Boeing production line," he said.

About 78,000 of Boeing's 198,000 employees work in Washington, most of them at production facilities in the Seattle area.

Chief executive Phil Condit has insisted that the headquarters is moving precisely to get away from Boeing's major divisions. Washington officials have grasped that statement as proof the company will keep production jobs in the Seattle area.

"I'm hopeful that Gov. Perry isn't hoping for 80,000 people to lose their jobs," said Dana Middleton, spokeswoman for Washington Gov. Gary Locke.

Perry said Boeing told it will visit Dallas-Fort Worth April 25-26 and pick a new home by mid-May. Brian Reardon, a spokesman for the Illinois Department of Commerce and Community Affairs, said Boeing is to visit to Chicago April 18-19.

Boeing declined to confirm those dates. Spokesman John Dern said the company, which has hired

Cushman Realty and Ernst & Young to help its search, might not be ready to publicly announce its new site by mid-May.

On Friday, representatives from about two dozen North Texas cities met and supported funneling information for Boeing through an ad hoc group led by economic-development officials from the state, Dallas and Fort Worth.

"A separate approach wouldn't be productive," said Ronnie Morrison, president of the chamber of commerce in the Dallas suburb of Plano, a likely bidder. "I don't think Boeing wants a tag-team approach, with people coming at them from all different angles."

Officials conceded that the unity could crumble if Boeing made it known it favored Texas began looking at sites in more than one city.

"There will be a certain amount of intraregional competition. I think that's a given," said Reid Rector, a Fort Worth chamber official. "But I'm confident the unity will not fall apart."

Perry told the local officials, "I know every single community represented here this morning would like to be the chosen site. It's important for us to remember if Boeing chooses Texas, all of us will be major beneficiaries."

Perry said he would form a task force of North Texas government and business leaders to draft a marketing strategy to attract Boeing.

Dallas-area officials have grasped that statement as proof the company will keep production jobs in the Seattle area.

Perry couldn't resist a reference to Rodriguez, who left the Seattle Mariners in December to sign with the Rangers.

"Let's seal another deal with Seattle and sign Boeing to a long-term contract," he said.

## Local RN lobbies on behalf of nurses

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN  
Features Editor

Local registered nurse Nancy Schraer, community liaison with Community Care Hospice, recently returned from a trip to Austin to lobby on behalf of the Texas Nurse's Association.



SCHRAER

"I felt like we got an ear," said Schraer, who represented the Big Spring chapter of

the organization. She attended a day-long seminar called, "Texas Needs Nurses," and then spent another day talking with representatives to discuss the growing nurse shortage in the state.

"The average age of nurses in Texas is 45," Schraer said. "And we don't have the new nurses coming in that we need."

Schraer said the number of graduates of registered nurse programs must double in order to fill growing vacancy rates. The association gives several reasons for the shortage, including growing demand, low pay

and lack of school faculty to teach nursing students.

The association is urging legislators to increase funding to expand schools of nursing, simplify Medicaid and increase some provider fees, offer tuition assistance and take other steps to deal with the problem.

Schraer visited the offices of State Rep. David Counts and Sen. Robert Duncan to discuss the issue.

"I spent 15 minutes with Rep. Counts and an hour with his administrative aide, Lisa Lindner," she said. "I talked along the line of improving the workplace environment for nurses."

Schraer said she also talked to Cindy Stokes, dean of the Howard College nursing department, about the issue. More than 1,000 nurses and nursing school administrators attended the meetings, she said.

"For so long we have ignored what the teachers needed," she said.

"What if we ignore what nurses need now? What kind of health care system will we have?"

## IN THE NEWS

JILL REED, a bookkeeper employed with STATE NATIONAL BANK, has been recognized as the employee of the quarter. She is the head of the bookkeeping department at the bank.



REED

She and her husband Johnny have been married 17 years and have two children, daughter Stacia and son Jarrod.

Her husband is employed at NAPA AUTO PARTS.



Awards of recognition were presented during the West Texas Ag Expo and Appreciation Luncheon Thursday. The Agribusiness of the Year award was presented to Feagins Implement. Pictured at left accepting the award from Texas Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs are Gibson and Eveleta Feagins. At right, named as the Farm Family of the Year was the Maxwell Barr family. Pictured are Maxwell and his wife Kaye, left, and daughter Meridith.

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**Monday April 2nd: 9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.**  
Internet computer class taught by Gloria Hopkins, secretary of the Friends of the Library. Class space is limited to 12 people so please register early at the library.



**Thursday April 5th: 4:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.**  
Puppet Show  
Come hear how storybook characters got their jobs, listen to a new twist on an old fairytale and see what other trouble our puppets can get into.

**Tuesday April 3rd: 10:00 a.m.**  
5th graded Signal students will be doing research on historic landmarks in Big Spring. Special guest are scheduled to appear.

**Reception**  
Come meet our new Library Director **Hollis McCright!** RSVP and County employees will be hosting this reception.  
**Tuesday, April 3 2:00 pm-4:00 pm**

**Friday April 6th: 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.**  
Amnesty Day  
This is "Free Friday" for all the late books. Bring in your overdues and have all the fines forgiven. Books must be turned in by 5:30 that day to earn "forgiveness."

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