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## VITA helps prepare taxes on Mondays

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance volunteers have begun assisting local residents with their 2001 income tax returns.

The volunteers will be at the Senior Citizens Center, 1901 Simler Drive, from 9 a.m. to noon every Monday though April 1.

Those interested are asked to bring their 2000 tax return, W2s and 1099 forms along with their tax booklet and other documents showing their 2001 income.

For more information, call Dorothy Kennemur, VITA volunteer, at 398-5522 or 267-1628.

#### WHAT'S UP...

**TODAY** 

☐ Fraternal order of Eagles Aerie meets at 7 p.m. at the Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third.

#### THURSDAY

Gideons International, Big Spring Camp U42060, Herman's Restaurant at 7 a.m.

□ Senior Citizens Center art classes, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. for people 55 and over.

□ Coffee Club, 10 a.m. at Gale's Sweet Shoppe. ☐ Kiwanis Club meets at noon in the Howard

College Cactus Room. Rackley-Swords chapter 379 Vietnam Vets of America, 7 p.m., 124 Jonesboro Rd.

☐ Masonic Lodge 1340 meets at 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster.

#### FRIDAY

☐ Signal Mountain Quilting Guild, meets from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281. Bring a lunch. ☐ AMBUCS meets at noon at the Brandin

□ ABC Club meets at noon at the Brandin

Iron. ☐ The Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon at the **Howard College Cactus** 

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# Gem show promises lots of fun, educational exhibits

By BILL McCLELLAN

**News Editor** 

For 32 years, Big Spring has been the site for the Gem and Mineral Show. Make that 33 years, come Saturday.

"We hope to have a super good show this year," said Jerald Wilson, show chairman for the Big Spring Prospector's Club, which puts on the event.

Beginning at 9 a.m. on Saturday and again at 10 a.m. Sunday, citizens are invited to look over some 50

special displays, enjoy live demonstrations on rock shaping, select from a wide variety of unique items offered by the many vendors and have something to eat or drink at the snack bar. The show will be held at the Howard County Fair Barn off FM 700 and runs through

Best of all, admission is

5 p.m. both days.

"We have a brochure we pass out at the door to everyone. Businesses take out ads in the brochure and

#### SHOW FACTS

What: Big Spring Prospector's Club Gem and Mineral Show.

Where: Howard County Fair Barn.

When: 9 a.m.- 5 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday. Admission: Free.

that is how we are able to pay for the show and to let the public in for no charge,"

One lucky visitor will walk away with a special prize — a blue topaz cut in the Star of Big Spring cut. There will also be hourly door prizes.

"I'm pretty excited about seeing some material from a new exhibitor this year, a lady from Oregon, Janice Lamm," said Wilson. Oregon has a lot of good agate and jaspers. There are some very rare materials there that are truly beautiful and she's bringing some

J.E. "Swose" Alexander will give demonstrations on making arrow heads out of

Øthers include Bill Myers of Keller who will have some manufactured items and a line of polish; Nolen Niabuck of Terra Firma, a Wisconsin company that produces synthetic items that look natural; and John and Ruth Sparks of Brownfield, whose business

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# Back to the Middle Ages

## Reenactment group gets council OK for city park

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer Big Spring is going to take a trip straight back to the Middle Ages next

The time warp will be March 22 through 24, when about 350 medieval lords and will ladies arrive in town for a weekend of tournaments

month.

**BLACK** 

and pageantry. The Society for Creative Anachronism, a group devoted to recreating medieval culture, will hold a camping event between the tennis courts and the lake at Comanche Trail Park that weekend.

The public is invited to come out and watch the proceedings.

"The main thing that's going to be going on that day is a tournament to determine who's going to be the next king of Ansteorra. the kingdom that includes Texas and Oklahoma," said



Members of the Society for Creative Anachronism battle in a recent competition. The reenactment group received permission Tuesday from the Big Spring City Council to hold a camping event at Comanche Trail Park in March.

the local SCA chapter.

Black said contestants two-out-of-three, singleelimination tournament involving a recreation of sword-and-shield combat using safe rattan weapons.

"We're safer than any other sport I can think of,"

Robert Black, an official of he said. "We're safer than and Colorado. football."

The event will also will face each other in a include arts and crafts displays in the Dora Roberts Community Center, he

Black estimates the event will draw around 350 participants from Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico

"Our king and queen competitions are events," he said, "In fact, they're probably the biggest events we have, other than an interkingdom war.' Speaking for the SCA,

Black obtained permission

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# Bee

# County's top spellers go head to head on Thursday

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

The words will be flying Thursday at the Big Spring Junior High Cafetorium.

That's where the top 10 young spellers in Howard County will meet to test their abilities against each other in the 2002 Howard County Spelling Bee.

The competition, sponsored by the Big Spring Herald, will start at 4:30 p.m. at the school, 624 E. Sixth St.

The 10 contestants qualified for the county-wide bee by proving their skill in school contests. Contestants range from fourth through eighth grade.

The winner of the county competition will advance to the regional Spelling Bee March 9 in Lubbock's McInturff Conference Center. The winner of that contest will advance to the national bee May 26 through June Washington, D.C.

This year's Howard County Spelling Bee contestants include Victoria McDowell, eighth grade, Forsan Junior High School; James Dunn, eighth grade, Big Spring Junior High School; Rebecca EcEndree, seventh grade, Coahoma Junior High School; Eric Welch, sixth grade, St. Mary's Episcopal School; ; Philip Tackett, sixth grade, Goliad Elementary School; Doporto Leos, fifth grade, Bauer Magnet Elementary School; Ventura Gomez, fifth grade, Washington Elementary School; James Bowen, fifth grade, Moss Elementary School; Jake Hernandez, fourth grade, Marcy Elementary; and Hannah Weber, fourth grade, Kentwood Elementary.

# Under fire, Enron's Skilling defends himself

Senators said they didn't believe him. Former colleagues continued to contradict him. Yet, ever the salesman, former Enron Corp. chief executive Jeffrey Skilling defended himself at length and combatively before Congress.

Putting himself at potential legal risk for the second time this month, Skilling testified Tuesday at a Senate hearing and dominated the scene during a five-hour appearance with

Big Spring

man arrested

Big Spring businessman

Daniel Ray Heckler was

arrested by federal mar-

shals Monday after his bail in a odometer tampering

and conspiracy case was

Heckler and Jim McNutt,

both of Red Barn Auto Sales

in Big Spring, were indicted

Dec. 12 in U.S. District

Court in Abilene on charges

of conspiracy involving the

interstate transportation of

altered securities, odometer

tampering and aiding and

David Guinn, Heckler's

attorney, said he planned to

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by marshals

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

revoked.

abetting.

President-Chief Operating Officer Jeffrey McMahon.

McMahon acknowledged that, with massive shredding of financial documents said to have occurred at Enron's Houston headquarters, "I don't believe we know what records are destroyed.

Watkins, separated from Skilling at the witness table by his lawyer, told the Commerce Senate Committee she had no doubt Skilling was aware of the an Enron vice president, problems posed by Enron's

Sherron Watkins, and use of partnerships that opportunity to "salvage" the were largely buttressed by company stock, contrary to normal accounting practices.

> Sharply disputing Watkins, Skilling denied he had misled former Enron Chairman Kenneth Lay, who recently resigned.

> "I never duped Ken Lay," Skilling declared, using Watkins' wording.

Watkins characterized Lay in harsher terms than \$66 million of company she had at a House hearing earlier this month, saying Tuesday that he missed an

company when she warned him of problems last sum-

Skilling maintained he was unaware of improper financial transactions with a web of outside partnerships that kept more than \$1 billion in debt off the energy-trading company's balance sheet and eventually brought it down.

Skilling, who cashed in stock, resigned abruptly in

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The Maddux Student Center at the SouthWest **Collegiate Institute for** the Deaf is in the process of being renovated. The \$785,000 project includes addition of cafeteria facilities and a complete overhaul of the building's auditorium, said SWCID Provost Ron Brasel. "The whole interior of that building is being renovated to better fit the needs of the students on our campus," he said.

change after no. 312

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#### **OBITUARIES**

#### Lusia C. Cortez

A vigil service for Lusia C. Cortez, 80, of Big Spring will be held at 7 p.m. today,

Feb. 27, 2002, at Myers and Chapel. Funeral mass will be at 4 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 28, at St. Thomas Catholic

Church with burial at Mt. Olive Memorial Park. Mrs. Cortez died on

Tuesday, Feb. 26, at a local hospital following a short illness.

She was born on Dec. 13, 1921, in Martin County and was a lifetime resident of Big Spring. She married Amando B. Cortez on Aug. 8, 1949, in San Angelo. He preceded her in death on March 6, 1972. She was a member of St. Thomas Catholic Church.

She was a homemaker and was a custodian at Webb Air Force Base and latter Citizens Federal Credit Union retiring in 1985 due to ill health.

-She is survived by three sons, Jose C. Arispe of El Paso, Antonio C. Arispe of Big Spring and Amando B. Cortez Jr. of Greeley, Colo.; two daughters, Martha Hernandez of Big Spring and Yolanda Gonzalez of Victoria; three brothers, Simon T. Correa Sr. and Pete T. Correa, both of Big Spring, and Ventura T. Correa of Irving; 13 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; four sisters, Maria Florez of Bryan, Rebecca Rodriguez and Eloisa Correa, both of Big Spring, and Natalia Mata of Duncanville.

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

#### LaVerne Starrett Waldrep

Funeral service for LaVerne Starrett Waldrep, 82, of Lubbock was held at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 19, 2002, at White Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Hollis Shumake officiating. Burial was held in Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park under the direction of White Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Mrs. Waldrep died at her residence on Sunday, Feb. 17, after a lengthy illness.

She was born on July 11, 1919, in Crosby County. She had been a resident of Lubbock since 1942, moving to Lubbock from Dickens.

She married Earl Lee Waldrep Sr. on July 3, 1942, in Lubbock. He preceded her in death on Jan. 30,

#### **MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME** & CHAPEL

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Lusia C. Cortez, 80, died Tuesday. Vigil service will be at 7:00 PM Wednesday at Myers and Smith Chapel Funeral Mass will be at 4:00 PM Thursday at St. Thomas Catholic Church with Burial at Mt. Olive Memorial Park

#### NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH **Funeral Home** Trinity Memorial Park 906 Gregg St.

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1975. She was a homemaker most all of her life, working with her husband at Waldrep Supply Company. She latter went to work at Furr's Cafeteria for many years then retired in February 2000 after working as an elderly caregiver.

She was very active with George Bean and O.L. Slaton Schools helping with the PTA, Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts. She was a member of Trinity Baptist Church in Lubbock.

Survivors include one son, Earl Lee Waldrep Jr. of Lubbock; two daughters, Anna Sue Meyer of Magnolia and Rita Cagle of Lubbock; four sisters, Melba Jackson of Big Spring, Zella Harris, Loneta Reid and Ava Mauldin, all of Lubbock and six grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Leatherwood School Scholarship Fund, 8207 Brentwood Ave., Lubbock

#### Juanita Janice Henson

Juanita Janice Henson, 64, of Stanton, died on Monday, Feb. 25, 2002, at her resi-

dence. Funeral service will be at 2 p.m. today, Feb. 27. 2002, at Church, Stanton, with



tor, officiating. Assisting will be the Rev. Arnold Tonn, pastor of Spring Tabernacle Church in Big Spring. Internment will follow at Evergreen Cemetery.

She was born on June 25, 1937, in Howard County married Edward "Sonny" Henson on Nov. 26, 1952, in Stanton. Mrs. Henson was a retired bar-

She loved gardening and especially loved her family She was a member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Edward "Sonny" Henson of Stanton; a son daughter-in-law, Wesley and Teresa Henson of Water Valley; a daughter and son-in-law, Valerie and Leon Zarate of Lamesa; a sister Glenda Sappelt of Shreveport, La.; five granddaughters and one greatgranddaughter.

Arrangements are under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home. Paid obituary

#### Tommye Walker **Keisling**

Funeral service Tommye Walker Keisling, 76. of Sherman, formerly of Midland and Big Spring, is pending with Gilbreath Home. Funeral Mrs. Keisling died on Tuesday, Feb. 26, in Sherman.

#### Hattie Gilbert

Funeral service for Hattie Gilbert, 90, of Granbury, formerly of Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Mrs. Gilbert died on Tuesday, Feb. 26, in a Granbury care center.

#### SCA

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Tuesday night from the Big Spring City Council to hold the event in the area where camping is not normally allowed, saying that the group has no problems with the contract drawn up by

City Attorney Jean Shotts. "Not at all," he said. "I contacted our corporate office to let them get in touch with you and get you an insurance certificate for your records."

The city is requiring a \$500,000 insurance policy to be posted for the event. The contract also requires the group to provide security during the event and to thoroughly clean the area afterwards.

#### **SHOW**

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R.J. Wire Rapped Jewelry, features, well, just what the name says.

Others include Melissa Veale, owner of White Buffalo, which features silverwork and unusual items; Ray and Norma Cox of Hobbs, N.M., who sell a general line of items; and a familiar face at the show, silversmith Jay Ross. Dealers offering crystals and other interesting items will also be on hand.

"We'd like to invite everyone to come out. It's going to be a real good show. It's something for everyone. It's fun and it's educational," said Wilson.

#### **ENRON**

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August around the time that Watkins was warning Lay of potentially serious accounting problems. The company, which was ranked the seventh-largest in the country, crumbled Dec. 2 in the biggest bankruptcy in

U.S. history. Watkins says Skilling, along with Enron's auditor, Arthur Andersen LLP, and its outside legal advisers, misled Lay and Enron's board of directors.

Lay and several other for mer Enron officials have invoked their Fifth Amendment right against potential self-incrimination and refused to testify to Congress.

Millions of investors nationwide lost money, and thousands of current and former Enron employees lost the bulk of their retirement savings — in accounts loaded with Enron stock when the company failed.

A dozen congressional committees, the Justice Department and Securities and Exchange Commission are investigating Enron's collapse and Andersen's role as its accounting firm.

ing the role of Wall Street case, was unavailable for analysts, many of whom comment Tuesday and this continued to recommend Enron's stock as the company spiraled toward bankruptcy last fall. Analysts can have potential conflicts of interest in a system in which they are compensated | Brownfield. for helping their investment firms get lucrative business arranging mergers or stock offerings for the same companies the analysts cover.

At Tuesday's hearing, Skilling said, "I have not lied to Congress or anyone else." He insisted that because the Andersen auditors had blessed the complex transactions, believed them to be proper.

McMahon's said he was transferred out of his job as treasurer shortly after he complained to Skilling about the partnerships in a meeting on March 16, 2000.

Skilling countered that, as he remembered it, he and McMahon had discussed the latter's compensation, not problems with the partner-

ships. "I don't believe you when you say you didn't know what was going on," Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., told Skilling. She engaged him in a heated exchange over his sale of Enron stock at a time he was urging employees to buy as much as possi-

A videotape was played of an Enron employee meeting in 1999 that showed Skilling displaying his salesmanship. He nodded in agreement and smiled broadly when another company executive responded "absolutely" to an employee's question, "Should we

## BIG SPRING ROUND THE TOWN

invest all of our 401(k) in Enron stock?'

Even at Tuesday's hearing, Skilling was still selling

touting cutting-edge financial ideas that would have worked out beautifully if things had been different.

He reminded the senators of "the enthusiasm that there was (over) broadband applications," calling an Enron project in that area "a very exciting concept." "People were so enthusias-

about this," exclaimed, hammering each word for emphasis. He conceded, though, that "several million people" overestimated the potential for the broadband business.

Meanwhile, a former Enron treasurer, Ben Glisan, has given Justice Department prosecutors an outline of what he knows about the financial transactions involved in Enron's downfall, people close to the criminal investigation said Tuesday. Glisan's move could lead to an immunity agreement with Justice to avoid criminal prosecution.

Glisan, later fired from Enron, assisted Enron's former chief financial officer, Andrew Fastow, and executive Michael Kopper in the transactions with the partnerships.

## **ARREST**

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appear before the judge in the case today to find out why his client's bail was revoked and to try to have it reinstated.

Guinn said he didn't know what his chances of success.

"I know the government will oppose it vigorously,' he said.

Denise Williams, U.S. Congress also is examinattorney assigned to the morning. A representative with the U.S. Marshay Service confirmed that was arrested Heckler Monday and is currently in Terry County Jail in

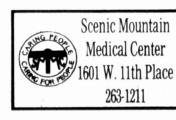
## FBI tests for fingerprint experts are 'joke,' expert testifies

PHILADELPHIA (AP) -The FBI's tests for fingerprint examiners are "a joke" because the examples are far easier to read than typical crime scene prints, an expert testified.

"If I gave my experts these tests, they would fall (down) laughing," Allan Bayle testified Tuesday, the second day of a federal court hearing on the validity of fingerprints as evidence.

Bayle is a one-time Scotland Yard fingerprint analyst whose work led to a conviction in the 1988 bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland. He now works as a private consultant. Bayle's testimony was

intended to discredit gov-



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ernment witnesses who said FBI examiners almost never err when linking the tests' make-believe crime scene prints to their maker.

The government wants to convince U.S. District Judge Louis H. Pollak to rethink his Jan. 7 decision barring experts from testifying that fingerprints lifted from a crime scene match those of a particular defendant.

Bayle said the fingerprints on the FBI's long-secret proficiency exams are far clearer than the often smudged and incomplete prints from real-life crime scenes.

"To give this to an expert is a joke; it's too easy,' Bayle said.

Pollak said in his ruling that fingerprint evidence has not been scientifically tested, that its error rate has not been calculated and that there are no standards for what constitutes a match.

The ruling is believed to be the first of its kind, and legal experts say it opened the door for other courts to consider the issue. If left to stand, it could ultimately change the way evidence is gathered and presented in court.

Tuesday, Pollak On recalled to the stand FBI fingerprint expert Stephen Meagher, who testified Monday that he knew of no examples of an FBI examiner testifying about an erroneous identification.

Pollak said experts may testify about and compare fingerprints from a crime scene with a defendant's, but can't declare a match.

## BRIEFS

**HOWARD** COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY is offering adoptions of all adult dogs 1-year-old or older at a special discount of \$9, which includes shots and vaccinations. These dogs are neutered. The normal fee is \$18. This special will run through Easter. March 31. For information, contact the humane society at 267-7832.

MELANIE GAMBREL, OWNER OF the Pet Connection, has been diagnosed with breast cancer and has no insurance. She will have surgery Thursday in Midland.

A fund to defray medical expenses has been set up at First Bank of West Texas located on FM 700. To make a donation call

the bank at 267-1113 and ask for the Gambrel account.

VFW POST 2013 WILL be having a chili supper Saturday from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Post, 500 Driver Road. There will be chili and all

the fixings at \$5 per plate with dessert and drinks included. For more information call 267-5290.

THE BIG SPRING **CHAMBER** of Commerce is



asking your help in rounding up photos taken during the days of the Big Spring Bombadier School and Webb Air Force Base. These will be on display

the weekend of Oct. 12 when the first Webb Air Force Base Reunion takes place. People from several are

expected to attend. If you have photos, please bring them by the chamber. They will be copied and

returned to you.

#### **POLICE**

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity from 8 a.m. Tuesday until 8 a.m. today:

 MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 800 block of East Third Street, the 600 block of Circle Drive and the 1800 block of South Gregg Street.

 MAJOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 1000 block of South Gregg. NEIGHBOR DISPUTE

was reported in the 1800 block of Grafa Street. DOMESTIC DISTUR-BANCE was reported in

Highway 80. ASSAULT CLASS C was reported in the 700

the 2900 block of West

block of Creighton Street. BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 1800 block of South Owens. The front door was reportedly forced open and \$600 worth of jewelry was reported stolen.

 BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported in the 1700 block of Alabama Street. Someone reportedly entered the vehicle through an unlocked front door and stole \$400 worth of vehicle parts or accessories. POSSESSION OF

**MARIJUANA LESS** THAN TWO OUNCES IN A DRUG FREE ZONE was reported at Big Spring Junior High School in the 600 block of East Sixth Street and at the **Alternative Education** Program School in the 1900 block of Goliad Street.

## FIRE/EMS

The following is a summery of EMS and Fire Department activity.

Tuesday 9:57 a.m. — 1400 block of west Third, trauma call, patient refused service.

10:02 a.m. - 16 miles north on Highway 87, traffic accident, one patient was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center. one patient refused service. 11:41 a.m. — 2900 block of

patient transported to SMMC. 4:46 p.m. — 1800 block of north Highway 87, medical call, patient transported to

Lawrence, medical call,

the VA Medical Center. 7:21 p.m. — 1000 block Gregg, traffic accident, one patient transported to SMMC, five patients refused service.

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# Amendment easing identification requirement threatens election bill

The Senate's \$3.4 billion proposal to upgrade the nation's voting system is in jeopardy because of a dispute over a proposed identification requirement for first-time voters.

Lawmakers are expected to vote today on a Democratic amendment that would allow voters to guarantee their identities by signature, matched by records on file with state or local election officials.

House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., said House and easier to cheat," Sen.

and Senate leaders discussed the bill, among other legislative issues, with President Bush over breakfast this morning at the White House.

Republicans have complained that a signature is not enough to deter fraud. They want to keep provisions in the bill that require first-time voters to present photo identification or proof of address, such as utility bills and paychecks, when they show up to vote.

"It would be easier to vote

Kit Bond, R-Mo., said of the of each and every citizen to aren't typical middle class included the more strict said. identification provisions in his bill in response to election-year problems in his own state that included dead aldermen and a dog being registered to vote.

Sen. Conrad Burns of Montana, R-Mont., insisted the requirement was not burdensome, noting that citizens have to use identification for everything from boarding a plane to picking up a theater ticket. "It boils down to the responsibility

Democratic proposal. Bond be in a position to vote," he

Democrats said the requirement would disenfranchise poor and elderly

'The outcry that occurred in Florida was not because of fraud," said Democratic Sen. Charles Schumer of New York, a sponsor of the amendment. "It was because of disenfranchised voters. For one reason or another, they could not vote.'

The bill as written "disenfranchises so many who

Americans," Schumer said, noting that half the states already allow some form of signature verification system. "The poor person doesn't have a car, doesn't have a phone, doesn't own a

There are also concerns that the bill would cause problems for states with vote-by-mail systems like Oregon and Washington

"Putting a photo ID system in place ... is not the way to go," said Sen. Ron sponsor of the amendment.

A group of senators is also complaining about an amendment proposed by Sen. Robert Torricelli that would require broadcasters to offer low-cost political ads to federal candidates.

"The Torricelli amendment is a subsidy for federal candidates," said the letter sent to senators from Burns and Sen. Max Baucus, D-Mont., Jesse Helms, R-N.C., Ted Stevens, R-Alaska and Ben Nelson, D

# Government to weigh computer chip implants

WASHINGTON (AP) -The science of security may soon get under your skin.

A Florida technology company is preparing to seek government approval for a computer ID chip that would be implanted inside the body and could be used to store everything from secret codes to sensitive medical information.

Applied Digital Solutions' new "VeriChip" is another sign that Sept. 11 has catapulted the effort to secure America into a realm with uncharted possibilities and also new fears for pri-

"The problem is that you always have to think about what the device will be used for tomorrow," said Lee Tien, a senior attorney for the Electronic Frontier Foundation, a privacy advo-

cacy group.

"It's what we call function creep. At first a device is used for applications we all agree are good but then it slowly is used for more than it was intended," he said.

The company also is developing another implant device that would work in conjunction with the VeriChip to allow satellite tracking of an individual's every movement.

The tracker is already attracting interest across the globe for asks like foiling kidnappings, the compa-

Applied Digital, based in Palm Beach, Fla., says it soon will begin the process of getting Food and Drug Administration approval for the VeriChip, and intends to limit its marketing to companies that ensure its

human use is voluntary.

"The line in the sand that we draw is that the use of the VeriChip would always be voluntarily," said Keith Bolton, chief technology officer and a vice president at Applied Digital. "We would never provide it to a company that intended to coerce people to use it."

More than a decade ago, Applied bought a competing company, Destron Fearing, which had been making chips implanted in animals. Those chips were bought mainly by animal owners wanting to provide another way for pound workers to identify a lost pet.

Chips for humans aren't that much different.

But company officials say they were hesitant to market the chips for people because of ethical questions

 until the Sept. 11 terror attacks.

"It's a sad time ... when people have to wonder whether it's safe in their own country," Bolton said.

The makers of the chip also foresee it being used to help emergency workers, for instance, diagnose a lost Alzheimer's patient or access an unconscious patient's medical history. Getting the implant would

go something like this: A person or company buys the chip from Applied Digital for about \$200 and the company encodes it with the desired informa-

tion. The person seeking the implant takes the tiny device — about the size of a grain of rice, to their doctor, who can insert it with a large needle device.

## shows promise in initial testing

New experimental AIDS vaccine

SEATTLE (AP) - A new vaccine that is perhaps the most closely watched experiment in all of AIDS research is showing promise in early human testing, but researchers caution they are still years away from proving it works.

The approach, called prime-boost, is highly effective in monkeys. Until now, scientists were unsure whether the same would be true in people.

Results released Tuesday at the 9th Annual Retrovirus Conference in Seattle suggest the immune system response in people is identical to that in newly vaccinated monkeys, which are able to withstand exposure to the

Experts believe a vaccine is the only way to stop the worldwide AIDS epidemic, which has already killed 20 million people and infected 40 million more. But the search has been frustrating, because the virus has evolved elaborate and effective strategies to elude the body's usual defenses against microbes.

Volunteers in the earlystage testing of Merck & Co's experimental vaccine have not been put to the crucial challenge of exposure to HIV, and proving the vaccine does its job will require testing on large numbers of people who are at risk of catching it through sex or drug

# Deputy who shot Special Forces soldiers says he feared his life was in danger

FAYETTEVILLE, N.C. (AP) -A have I known them to come out in wake of the deadly mix-up. sheriff's deputy said he believed his life was in danger when he mistakenly killed one soldier and wounded another during their Green Beret training exercise.

Deputy Randall Butler said the soldiers were in civilian clothing, and he had no way of knowing they were taking part in a roleplaying exercise when he shot

"I feared that they were trying to ikill me,". Butler told The Charlotte said. "He didn't even budge." Observer. "I have known in the log Army officials said Tuesday past: that soldiers would be train. . they have adopted new procedures ing in our wooded areas. Never in Green Beret training in the

public like this."

In Saturday's accident, 1st Lt. Tallas Tomeny was killed and Sgt. Stephen Phelps was wounded. Phelps was in fair condition Tuesday, Army officials said.

Even as ambulances and more police officers arrived at the scene, Butler said, the soldier he wounded did not mention the

"He never said a word," Butler

Among the changes, soldiers will no longer wear civilian clothes during role-playing exercises outside Fort Bragg, and no role-playing will involve civilian law enforcement agencies, said Col. Charles King, commander of the 1st Special Warfare Training Group, Airborne.

Military officials said the shooting resulted from a breakdown in communications. Butler, who was unaware of the off-base exercise, stopped a pickup carrying two soldiers who were wearing jeans and flannel shirts and carrying a duf-

fel bag containing a disassembled

The soldiers apparently thought the deputy was part of their roleplaying exercise and tried to disarm him, officials said.

Butler will not be charged. In addition to the changes in

procedures, Army officials have met in person with sheriff's departments in each county where the exercises occur, King said.

The Special Forces also will conduct an internal investigation to determine what can be done to

Training will continue in the

current "Robin Sage" exercise, the final step in the qualification course for soldiers seeking the coveted Green Beret. Robin Sage is run four times a year in central North Carolina.

Butler said his thoughts and prayers are with the soldiers' families. At night, he wakes up periodically and relives the trauma, he said. He added that he was eager to return to work and resume his daily routine.

He also said it was wise to end the practice of allowing local prevent such accidents, King said. authorities to participate in the Robin Sage exercise

## Secret Service lost security document for Cheney during Winter Olympics

WASHINGTON (AP) -Secret Service acknowledged that an agent shopping for souvenirs left behind a document outlining security plans for Vice President Dick Cheney's appearance at the Winter Olympics.

The agency said Tuesday the papers were meant for law enforcement's eyes only, but contended the temporary loss did not constitute a major security breach.

"Even if this thing were released, it would not compromise our overall security plan," said Agent Brian Marr, a Secret Service spokesman.

Marr said an agent left the papers, which described the assignments of 17 Secret ·Service personnel, at a store while making a purchase near the Rice-Eccles Stadium in Salt Lake City, where the Olympics closing ceremony was held Sunday night.

The damage was limited by the fact that the 17 were a fraction of the hundreds of agents helping protect the site, Marr said

The store owner returned it to the Secret Service office in Salt Lake City, Marr said.

"We were relieved to have it returned by the shop owner," said Mark Camillo. Secret Service agent in charge of his agency's operations at the games. "Those are our eyes and ears out there."

Marr would not identify the agent or agents involved and could not say what discipline might be imposed. Another Secret Service official said two agents were at the shop when the document was left behind.

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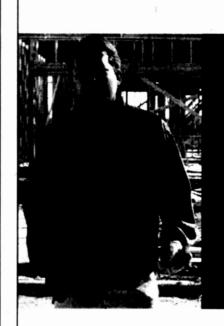
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OUR VIEWS

# Make plans to attend 'Rhapsody'

omething really special is coming to the Municipal Auditorium on Saturday. Guest pianist Cynthia Bauhof Williams will join the Big Spring Symphony for a performance of George Gershwin's "Rhapsody in

Williams, who hails from the Los Angeles area, performs regularly with members of the Los Angeles Philharmonic, Pacific Symphony and Long Beach Symphony.

Conducting the orchestra will be Gary Lewis of the Texas Tech University School of Music. Many will recall he directed the symphony's Christmas program.

Following the performance, the public will be invited to meet Williams and Lewis at a reception at the St. Paul's Lutheran Church Parish Hall.

Saturday's performance — the third of the season — will begin at 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for senior citizens and \$5 for students.

Tickets for the concert can be purchased in advance at the Big Spring Symphony Office, 808 Scurry Street; Blum's Jewelers in the Big Spring Mall; Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, 215 W. Third; Dunlap's, 111 E. Marcy; First Bank of West Texas, 1810 FM-700; Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry; and Faye's Flowers, 1013 Gregg.

Be sure and make plans to attend Saturday. The Big Spring Symphony is one of our greatest treasures, and appearances by such notable talents as Williams and Lewis add to what will undoubtedly be a remarkable evening.

#### OTHER VIEWS

Americans see the 'Saddam problem' with different eyes and interests from most of their European and Arab coalition partners.

There are worthy arguments on both sides. (President) Bush's critics see the Iraqi despot as 'contained' and capable of unleashing regional mischief only on a limited, tolerable scale.

They see a frontal military strike — particularly because of the casualties and human suffering that would result, but also because of its political explosiveness and the potential costs to the world economy - as too risky and therefore irresponsible.

Bush, apparently joined in opinion away from home only by former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, considers Saddam (Hussein), who not only set fire to oil fields in Kuwait but also

opinions.

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used poison gas on his own people, to be incorrigible.

Bush faces two problems in justifying an attack and its political and military preparations.

For one, there is no 'smoking gun' that directly links Saddam to the Sept. 11 attacks. .

The other problem is the danger that, with the conflict between Israel and the Palestinians currently burning out of control, an attack on Iraq could ignite a widespread firestorm.

That is what Saddam and his loyal confidence man Tariq Aziz presumably will be counting on if, like 12 years ago, they deny, cover up and feign willingness to compromise while setting impossible conditions exactly what led to the Gulf

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#### Better way to commemorate Black history black students. Only about "allowed the Daily Cal to

ike clockwork, the debate over slave reparations is heating up again to coincide with the end of Black History month. Last week, USA Today ran a lengthy,

front-page article touting new evidence that some of America's most prominent private companies may have profited from slavery, including the

newspaper's

LINDA CHAVEZ

own publisher, Gannett, which published advertisements for the sale and return of slaves prior to the Civil War. Already, a group of prominent black scholars and attorneys have announced they will sue those corporations they allege made money from slavery, even if indirectly.

The reparations debate has the potential of replacing affirmative action as the most volatile race issue in America, with Americans deeply divided on the topic. USA Today's own polls show that large majorities of black Americans believe that companies that profited from slavery should apologize, pay reparations to the descendants of slaves and establish scholarships for

a third of whites, on the other hand, think a formal apology from the corporations is necessary or that the companies should establish special scholarship funds. And barely onein-10 whites favor paying direct monetary repara-

Now, a new book by

author and activist David Horowitz, "Uncivil Wars: The Controversy Over Reparations for Slavery," takes on not just the controversial issue of reparations, but the motives of those who are promoting the cause. Horowitz is the founder and president of the Center for the Study of Popular Culture. Last year, he tried to place ads in some 71 campus newspapers listing "10 Reasons Why Reparations for Slavery Is a Bad Idea — And a Racist One, Too." Only 28 student newspa-

pers actually printed the ads, but the campaign sparked a furor on college campuses across the nation. Protesters, including faculty and administrators at some of the nation's most elite colleges and universities, denounced Horowitz, calling him everything from a racist to a fascist. Many of the campus editors who agreed to carry the ad issued public mea culpas. The editors of University of California at Berkeley newspaper apologized that they had

become an inadvertent vehicle for bigotry."

When Horowitz traveled around the country debating reparations, he became the object of even more abuse. On some campuses, he had to hire security guards to ensure he would make it on and off stage safely.

I can sympathize with Horowitz, having faced similar abuse on college campuses, where I've been shouted down, threatened, and, on one occasion, punched for criticizing racial preferences and bilingual education.

So what exactly did the ad say that provoked such outrage against Horowitz? As he points out in his book, the most controversial items had to do with his assertions about the success blacks have enjoyed in the United States. Admittedly, Horowitz made his point provocatively. Since the reparations debate was largely initiated two years ago by Randall Robinson in his book "The Debt: What America Owes to Blacks," Horowitz asks, "What About the Debt Blacks Owe to America?'

He notes, accurately, that American blacks "enjoy the highest standard of living of blacks anywhere in the world," and he says that "in the thousand years of slavery's existence, there never was an anti-slavery

movement until white Anglo-Saxon Christians created one.

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Horowitz's purpose is not to defend slavery or even America's terrible history, but to recognize that what is unique about the American experience is that the United States rejected an institution that was inhumane and that many white Americans including 140,000 Union soldiers — were willing to give their lives to do so.

"For all America's faults, African-Americans have an enormous stake in this country and its heritage. It is this heritage that is really under attack by the reparations movement. The reparations claim is one more assault on America, conducted by racial separatists and the political left," Horowitz writes.

It is unlikely that reparations claims will go anywhere in the courts, despite the efforts of high-profile lawyers involved with the movement, including Johnnie Cochran and Harvard's Charles Ogletree. And Congress shows no interest in pursuing the issue legislatively. Which leaves reparations as a debating topic — but one that has the potential to inflame racial animosities and divide Americans. Surely there is some better way to commemorate Black History Month than to reignite the reparations debate each February.

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# He had an intelligent pet owl

the only one with a pet owl. Ron George Irad one when he was growing at around Commerce.

"It was a parred owl," says Ron.

"Most remarkable." Unlike Harry Potter's owl named Hedwig, Ron called his owl Tex. Ron says this was before the

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hawk and owl protection act went into effect in . 1965. Ron knows about things like that. He's deputy director of the Texas Parks and Wildlife

"My brother got Tex out of a nest before it could fly. He brought it to the house and put it on a perch outside the kitchen window."

The owl became a member of the family in a big hurry.

"It would sit on that perch quietly during the day, then in the evening when it got hungry it would call a real soft feeding call two or three

Ron can make the sound of the call. I can only describe it as the sound of a hungry owl.

"If somebody didn't come out to feed it, it would fly over and land on the screen window. It would land at the bottom of the window and walk up the screen flapping its wings. Then it would fly back to its perch."

His mother was pretty quick to get out there with the owl food after that.

"That owl lived in the yard and flew around the property. It didn't know how to hunt. Didn't need to, since we fed it. One time it caught a small snake about a foot long and brought it to its perch by the kitchen window. Tex was real proud of it and showed it off. He carried it around for a day or two before it actually ate it."

Ron milked cows in those days and would walk up to the barn early in the morning. He didn't carry a flashlight, since he knew the trail by heart.

"I was walking up that trail one morning way before daylight and the owl flew up behind me and got directly over my head. I

there. Owls are totally silent on the wing. Then it came out with a piercing, loud call that really scared me. I threw my hands up in the air and the milk bucket went flying off and I reached up, touched some owl feathers and then felt something land on top of my straw hat. I put my hand up there and it was a cold, wet piece of liver. It was the owl's food from the night before. He hadn't eaten it. I guess owls have

a sense of humor.' Tex didn't have anything to do with strangers. When somebody would come, he would leave. But he had a fetish for steering wheels.

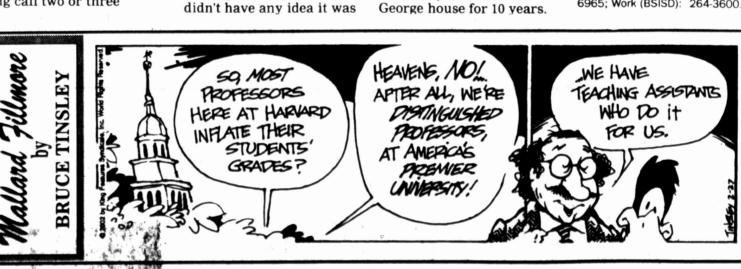
"One day we had a plumber who did some work, then went to his pickup to leave. He came running back to the house telling us there was an owl sitting on his steering wheel. We told Tex to get off and he did.'

When Ron's wife started coming around, Tex didn't take to her at first. "He swooped down at her

a couple of times. Tex got in her face once, then she whacked him with her hat and it didn't bother her any more after that.' Tex stayed around the



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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Wednesday, Feb. 27, 2002:

Often you're unsure as to what direction to proceed in with personal situations. You question how much to give. As you work on establishing boundaries, exercise more sensitivity with those in your life. You find that many of your long-term desires change substantially as a result. You can count on your attractiveness to bring many opportunities to you. If single, you will have your share of admirers. Making a good choice stars as your issue. If you are attached, your relationship will transform, taking you in a new direction together. Learn to be a better listener. Also, establish a better way to discuss

ly benefit from developing a which could be a problem new way of dialoguing. VIRGO challenges you.

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 high in intensity. Mix this combo with care. Your selfexpression could come out with others. Tonight: in a less-than-positive manner. Ask someone for support or to pitch in and help. Don't make more of an incident than need be. Tonight: Get a good night's sleep.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) \*\*\*\* Express your happiness with someone. This person needs positive feedback from you. Use your unusual perspective to problems. You both mutual-clear out excess work,

on some level for you. Relate on a one-on-one level for success. Tonight: Play the night away.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) \*\* Pressure builds. In some way, you could feel as if you're in a pressure cooker. Scheduling takes skill right 19) \*\*\* You could easily be now. Build in a little extra zapped of energy, yet score time for confusion and, if need be, a problem. Manifest your calm manner

Vanish as fast as you can.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) \*\*\*\* Speak your mind if you wish, but don't be surprised at others' reactions. Uproar appears to be the nature of the moment. You cannot change those around you, but you might detach. Hop on the Internet. Make phone calls. Tonight: Swap war stories.

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

Listen to someone's feedback, especially about funds. Nix risking for the moment, but explore options. No commitment works right now. Someone expresses his or her caring in an unusually meaningful manner. Let someone take the lead. Tonight: Play it low-key

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \*\*\*\* The Full Moon emphasizes you. Though usually you're more than pleased to be the center of attention, right now you might not be. Flak arrives from different sources. You might wonder what to do as a close associate or friend goes on a tirade. Tonight: It's your decision.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) \*\* Step back and let others take the lead. Someone will challenge any conclusion you reach right now.

Debate ideas, perhaps only with yourself. Do what you can with your door closed. You get much more accomplished this way. Be open to others' input. Tonight: Let your computer or television keep you company.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) \*\*\*\* Your friends and associates seek you out. Your help and insight might be needed. The tone you choose and what you say determines how your message is received. Lighten up about a key friendship in your life. Act with caring. Tonight: Where the fun is.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) \*\*\* Pressure builds around work. You have your plate full. Answering to someone could be exhausting. Listen to the feedback you get from those who care a lot about you. Good news surrounds the home front. Focus on the positive in your life. Tonight: Work late.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) \*\*\*\* Integrate news

that comes forward Someone might not have the same way of looking at a situation as you have. Laughter surrounds communication later on when you swap war stories of the day. Flow with uproar. You can't change it. Tonight: Take a drive and visit with a friend.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) \*\*\*\* Reach out for an important financial adviser. You might not be getting all the information you need. Think through a decision that surrounds a long-term goal with care. How important is this really? Consider alternatives. Tonight: Accept someone's invita-

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) \*\*\*\* Someone plays into your hands if you simply sit out of a problem. Adapt your plans accordingly, realizing a change could be most appropriate. Be thoughtful with a loved one who could be having a hard time. Give others space. Tonight: Smile away.

#### **Poison Control Centers launches new hotline**

Dear Ann Landers: Last year, more than two million people called poison control centers for an emergency. Most poison exposures happen at home,



and more than half of them involve children under 6 years of age.

Please let your readers know that the American Association of Poison Control Centers has launched a new national, toll-free hotline. By calling 1-800-222-1222, anyone in the United States is automatically connected to their local poison treatment and prevention experts, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. All services are free and confidential, and available for the hearing impaired and non-English

Specially trained nurses, pharmacists and physicians will provide immediate emergency help to callers. If medical treatment is needed, the poison center will call an ambulance and advice provide Emergency Medical Service

workers when they arrive. Your readers can also call the hotline anytime for advice about poison prevention. The experts at the hotline center are ready to answer a wide range of questions about poisonous plants, how to use pesticides safely and how to poison-proof one's home. Please encourage your readnumber on their tele-Association of Poison tomer or not. Control Centers

Dear Rose Ann Soloway:

me with this priceless information. Please, dear readers, write down the hotline number and put it near every one of your phones. It could make the difference between life and

waitress and seven months pregnant with my fourth child. I have to work through my pregnancy because I need the money. You would not believe how many people poke, prod, rub, squeeze and grope my stomach. The restaurant is crowded, and it is difficult for me to back away from these touchy-feely types. And you would be amazed at the rude and nosy comments I hear.

One customer rested his ear on my belly. Another asked me to turn around so she could see how big my backside was. I have been told that I am irresponsible. that I should get my tubes, tied, and asked if all my children are from the same

If I don't talk about my condition, the customers sit through a two-hour feasay I am rude and complain to the manager. What is wrong with them? They are all old enough to know better. How can I make them Still Pregnant in stop? —

Dear Flo: Smile politely and ignore the rude comments. They don't deserve a response. If someone touches vou, firmly remove the offending hand (or ear), and say sweetly, "Sorry, but I am very sensitive to being touched." As long as you ers to post the new hotline say it with a smile, it should work. Meanwhile, phones. It can help save notify the manager, and someone's life. — Rose Ann enlist his help. No one has American out your permission. cus-

Dear Ann Landers: I have read several letters in your

Thank you for providing column about abusive mothers. You always tell the writers to keep working on the relationship. I agree.

My mother was controlling and verbally abusive. If things weren't done to her satisfaction, she would punish me by pulling my hair Dear Ann Landers: I am a until I cried. When I married, her nasty behavior toward my family eventually led us to stop seeing her.

Then my mother became terminally ill. I made peace with her because I didn't\* want to feel guilty. She died in our home, and I would not have had it any other way. Even though I did not like my mother, I did love her. I know in my heart what I did was right for both of us. — Guilt-Free in California

Dear Guilt-Free: I hope your mother managed to let you know how grateful she was. Bless your kind and forgiving heart.

Dear Ann Landers: Would you please tell me why people insist on bringing their young children to adult movies? These kids are 2 or 3 years old and not able to ture. I love kids, Ann, but they don't belong at movies they cannot possibly understand, at a time when they ought to be in bed.

Last week, a toddler sitting in front of me was so frightened by a scene in the film that she screamed for the rest of the movie. One mother spent at least 10 minutes scolding her children for making noise and telling them how "disappointed" she was because they couldn't sit still. What idiot parent thinks her toddler can sit still for 90 minutes or more?

These children ruin the G. Soloway, RN, Associate the right to touch you with-film for the rest of the audience. Meanwhile, the kids are not enjoying the movie, and their parents are frazzled trying to keep them

quiet. There are plenty of movies made specifically for young children, and parents can take little ones to a matinee, where the noise be tolerated. Otherwise, tell them to hire a baby-sitter. — Fed Up in Pasadena, Calif.

Dear Fed Up: I do not regommend bringing a child under the age of 3 to a movie of any kind. Children between the ages of 3 and 8 should be taken to age-appropriate children's films, and only during daylight hours.

Too many parents overestimate their child's ability to sit still. Please, folks, be considerate of other moviegoers. Hire a baby-sitter. If you cannot do that, stay home and rent a video. The kids will grow up soon

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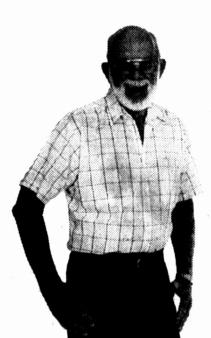
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# IN BRIEF

#### **Bowe Butler shines** in spring scrimmage

Former Big Spring Steers football star Bowe Butler was one of several standouts in last weekend's spring practice game at Charleston Southern University.

Butler, a freshman linebacker, came up with one of three pass interceptions, and drew praise from coaches in spearheading the defensive squad which dominated play during the annual "Buc Blast" game.

#### Region I, Class 4A boys' field now set

The field for this weekend's Region I, Class 4A boys' basketball tournament at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum is now set.

The tournament will get under way with Lubbock Estacado taking Fort Worth Polytechnic at 6 p.m., followed by an 8 p.m. tip between Canyon and Fort Worth Dunbar.

The winners of those games will square off at 2 p.m. Saturday for the regional championship and a trip to the UIL state tournament in Austin.

#### Lady Hawks' softball games postponed

Howard College's Lady Hawks have been forced to postpone their Western Junior College Athletic Conference games with Odessa College due to inclement weather.

Those games were set for Tuesday and today. They will be rescheduled for a later date.

That means the Lady Hawks' conference opener will come Friday when they play host to Midland College's Lady Chaparrals in a doubleheader at 1 p.m.

#### Little League sign-up scheduled

All boys and girls between the ages of 5 and 12 interested in playing on a Big Spring Little League team can sign up from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. today through Friday at the Big Spring Mall.

The final registration session will be 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday.

Players must bring their birth certificate.

#### Lady Steers Boosters set Monday meeting

The Big Spring Lady Steers Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday at the Big Spring High School Athletic Training Center meeting room.

Parents of all Lady Steers athletes are encouraged to attend. For more information, call Debbie Churchwell at 267-7538 or Penny Phillips at 263-4847.

#### Industrial softball league sets meeting

The Big Spring Men's Industrial Softball League will hold a meeting at 7:30 tonight at John Wesley's.

Anyone interested is encouraged to attend. For more information,

call Sally Grant at 268-4728 or 393-5237.

#### Softball tournament scheduled in Stanton

The "Pre-Spring Bash for Cash Men's Softball Tournament" has been scheduled for March 2-3 in Stanton.

Fees are \$110 per team. The deadline for entries is Thursday.

For more information. call Michael Paul at 631-4361 or call Jose at 631-2846.

# Cowboys reportedly ready to offer deals to Noble, Nguyen DALLAS (AP) - Cowboys defencing can, so we can keep things going in mum tender offers to their other quarterbacks Anthony Wright and

sive tackle Brandon Noble and linebacker Dat Nguyen have reportedly been extended \$1.227 million offer sheets for the 2002 season in a gesture that indicates Dallas plans to build around the restricted free agents for the team's future.

"It obviously means they don't want to let me go, which is always a good thing," Noble told The Dallas Morning News in Wednesday's editions. "We need to keep this defensive group together as long as we

the right direction."

Dallas finished the 2001 season Football League by allowing just 287.4 yards per game.

The Cowboys, by giving Noble and Nguyen a tender offer of \$1.227 million instead of the minimum of \$563,000, will be compensated with a first-round pick by any team that by the Cowboys. signs Noble or Nguyen, a linebacker.

restricted free agents: receiver Darrin Chiaverini, cornerback ranked fourth in the National Duane Hawthorne, tight end Mike Lucky and center Ben Fricke.

> If another team signs these players, the Cowboys will be compensated with a draft pick, depending on where these players were drafted. However, only Lucky was drafted

The Cowboys have also made minimum tender offers to their excluClint Stoerner, punter Micah Knorr, wide receivers Ken-Yon Rambo, Randall Williams and Reggie Swinton, kicker Tim Seder, linebacker Louis Mackey and tight end James Whalen. Those players have no choice but to sign Dallas' offer, which varies depending on the players' years in the NFL.

Exclusive rights free agent kicker Jon Hilbert was not offered a new contract by Dallas and thus, The Cowboys have made minisive rights free agents. They are becomes an unrestricted free agent.

# Hawks still in must-win bind

By VALERIE AVERY

Special to the Herald Howard College must take care of business against New Mexico Military Institute and hope that Clarendon College has saved its best game for last

against Midland College. If both scenarios play out Thursday night, the Hawks will slip in as the fourth seed in the Region V Tournament in Lubbock next month.

Howard tips off at 8:50 p.m. (Big Spring time) in Roswelll, N.M.

"If I'm educated properly, we have to win and Midland has to lose, and that's the only way that I've been made aware to be in the playoffs," Hawks head coach Chris Jans said.

"This is the same scenario we were in before we played South Plains College (Monday night). We are in the same situation. We're in a survival mode. And we have to hope Clarendon beats Midland."

Both situations are possible, Jans said. Clarendon forces opponents to forego game plans by playing a helter-skelter offense and suffocating defenses. If their shooters are on, it's anyone's ball game.

But Jans is less concerned about Clarendon and than what his squad can do Thursday in Roswell.

If it mirrors anything like Monday's performance against No. 5 South Plains College, the Hawks should be in good shape.

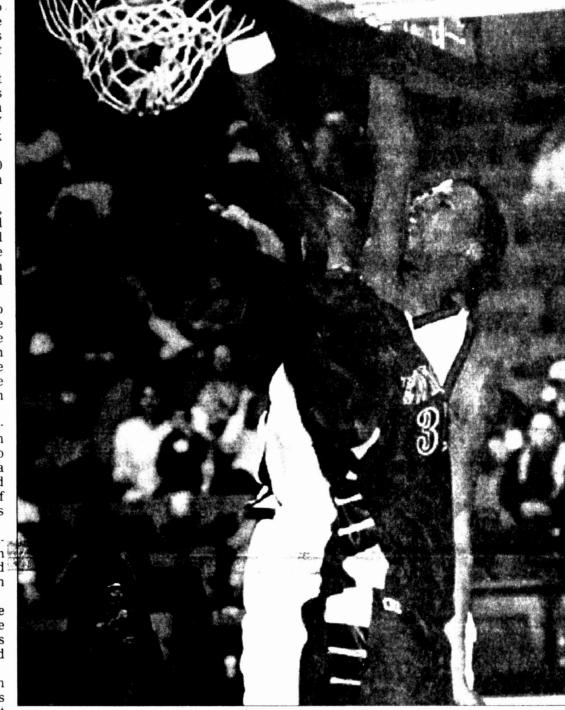
"We were pleased with our effort with South Plains going in to play NMMI, but it's a whole different environment. We need a much better effort if we want to have a chance to compete and win the game in the

end." Howard handily defeated the 26-3 Texans, 76-63, behind strong scoring performances by Jared Fears, Van Jamison, Dominique Brown, Maushae Byles and Rodney Blackstock. Zach Moss grabbed 12 boards in the win, which moved Howard to 7-6, one game behind 8-5 Midland which beat Odessa College

Monday in overtime. NMMI was the only other conference opponent to hand the Texans a loss this

Jans' charges spent most of Tuesday nursing tired bodies and shooting on their own.

"We'll really go at it (today). I just felt like we needed a day off to prepare for the game and a pretty



Howard College's Zach Moss slams a dunk over a New Mexico Junior College defender during action at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Moss and his teammates head into their regular season finale Thursday needing to beat New Mexico Military Institute and hope Clarendon beats Midland College if they are to qualify for the Region V tournament this

rough trip," Jans said in explaining the Hawks' light schedule Tuesday afternoon.

NMMI hasn't lost at home in Western Junior College Athletic Conference play this year, and Jans has heard the gym is usually a tough place to play. The Bronchos will be comfortable and confident shooting in their home environment.

The last time the two met at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, Howard jumped out to an 18-3 lead but dropped a 73-67 contest, despite Byles' coming-out party, hitting five threepointers.

Howard led 34-32 at halftime, but the Hawks allowed NMMI to get back into the game.

"It was probably by far the worst effort at home and we were really disappointed at that time and really struggling at that time," Jans said of the gam that was sandwiched in three-game skid.

Guards Travis Degroot and Curtis Marshall hurt Howard by scoring in douworking on ways to contain the explosive guards.

"We're going to do some things to give ourselves a would have thought we different look defensively would have a chance that and give them some prob lems," Jans said. "It's just some things I've been thinking about since we Military game, if we don't played them last to put us do our part and really focus in a better situation."

For a team that at one

play, the turnaround has been fueled by dedication in the gym during practices and games

"We feel like we need to redeem ourselves. We can contribust us. We can't ce 're anything but our in games. And that's what we talked about with our kids,\* Jans noted, sayble figures. The Hawks are ing the Midland-Clarendon game was something the Hawks can't control.

"When we were 3-5 who meant something? South Plains meant something to us, and going into the on us and try to win that game, then we haven't time sat 3-5 in conference—taken care of business."

# Aikman is happy with new careers

WACO (AP) - Troy Aikman's new careers as a broadcaster and father have made him content with the fact that he probably won't play football again.

"There's a general perception that I'm looking to get back into the league, and that's really not true," Aikman said Tuesday night before his induction into the Texas Sports Hall of Fame.

"I'm very happy doing what I'm doing with Fox and I'm happy right now in my personal life with my family," he said. "It was a really good year for me and it would take a pretty good situation football-wise for me to get out of that and back on the field."

Aikman's induction into the Texas hall comes just a year after the Dallas Cowboys, the team he led to three Super Bowl championships, cut him because of salary and health concerns. He officially retired a month after his release.

Aikman was one of sever inductees. The others were NFL Hall of Fame defensive back Dick "Night Train" Lane, Pro Bowl linemen Bruce Matthews and Mike Munchak, NASCAR racing brothers Bobby and Terry Labonte and former major league first baseman Norm Cash.

Lane, who died last month in Austin, and Cash were honored posthumous-

Since his retirement, Aikman said he has been contacted by "a few teams" to gauge his level of interest in playing.

"I'm certainly not going out of my way trying to figure out where I can latch on with a team," Aikman said. "If I had wanted to play, I could have played last season and be with a team right now."

Aikman instead anticipates returning to the broadcast booth with the Fox network in the fall.

In the meantime, he and wife, Rhonda, are preparing for the birth of another daughter. They have a 6month-old daughter together and a 12-year-old daughter from her previous mar-

Much has changed for Aikman since this time last

See AIKMAN, Page 3B

# East Carolina stages one of season's biggest upsets

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

East Carolina waited until the last couple of weeks of the college basketball season to provide one of the biggest upsets.

The Pirates held No. 9 Marquette to six points in the final 12 1/2 minutes Tuesday night for a 51-46 victory, the first over a Top Ten team in the program's 42 years.

"You can't put a price tag on what this win does for our basketball program," said East Carolina coach Bill Herrion, whose team clinched a spot in next week's Conference USA

The Pirates (12-16, 5-10) played in the Colonial Athletic Association last season and made the move to the higher profile Conference USA.

"I doubted whether we could compete in this league before we got in it," Herrion said. "I told everybody we had to figure out how wide the

gap was here. Can we even get on 81, Providence 65. the floor and function in this league?'

They did against the Golden Eagles (23-5, 12-3), who were coming off a last-second loss to No. 4 Cincinnati that snapped a 12-game

winning streak. "East Carolina plays as hard as anybody in this league, and that includes us, Cincinnati — you name it," Marquette coach Tom Crean said. "We didn't play for 40 minutes, and when you don't play for 40 minutes in this league, you are not going to succeed. We need to understand that — this time of year more

than any time." In other games involving ranked teams Tuesday, it was No. 5 Oklahoma 89, Iowa State 75; No. 8 Florida 68, Tennessee 62; No. 10 Pittsburgh 73, Seton Hall 66 in overtime; No. 15 Illinois 70, No. 25 Indiana 62; Michigan State 81, No.

Travis Holcomb-Faye had 12 of his 15 points in the second half when the Pirates held Marquette to 19 points on 35 percent shooting.

Dwyane Wade led the Golden Eagles with 19 points, four in the second half.

East Carolina trailed by 12 points with 12:37 left when it went on an 11-0 run. Marquette scored the next four points, but Holcomb-Faye hit a 3-pointer and then a runner on the baseline with 4:29 left to tie it at 44.

Moussa Badiane and Kenyatta Brown scored on layups to put the Pirates up by four. Marquette closed to 48-46 with 36 seconds left, but Holcomb-Fave hit a free throw and Badiane rebounded Scott Merritt's miss on the front end of a 1-and-1 to set up a dunk by Brown that sealed

"I don't think there was any intimidation," Brown said. "We're 18 Ohio State 76; and No. 22 Miami not scared to play anybody.

Intimidation wasn't ever a factor.' Crean wants to make sure his team knows what the next few weeks hold.

"We've got to step up and keep understanding we can have a lot of season left," Crean said. "We've got a chance to be pretty good and a chance to keep improving, but I don't think we've gotten a lot better this week.'

No. 5 Oklahoma 89, lowa St. 75

Aaron McGhee had 26 points and 10 rebounds, and Hollis Price added 24 points as the Sooners (23-4, 12-3 Big 12) capped a 16-0 home season and extended their home winning streak to 22 games.

McGhee has seven double-doubles in the past nine games and has scored 20 or more points in six of the past seven.

See ROUNDUP, Page 3B

TOP	25 -	MEN

_	The top 25 teams in	The Associated Press
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3	Duke (7)	25-2
	Cincinnati	26.2
5	Oklahoma	22.4
	Alabama	23.5

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#### TOP 25 - WOMEN

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7. Southern Polytech, Ga.	
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9. Cumberland, Ky.	
10. Faulkner, Ala.	
11 Carroll, Mont.	
12. Azusa Pacific, Calif.	
13. Southern New Orleans	
14. Houston Baptist, Texas	
15. Olivet Nazarene, III.	
16. Edward Waters, Fla.	
17. Columbia, Mo.	
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19. Science & Art., Okla.	
20. Wayland Baptist, Texas	
21. Westmont, Calif.	
22. Martin Methodist, Tenn.	
23. Oklahoma City	
24. Lewis Clark State, Idaho	
25. Dillard, La.	

#### NAIA - WOMEN

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1. Oklahoma City (12)	29
2. Southern Nazarene, Okla.	26
3. Union, Tenn.	29
Montana Western	26
5. Campbellsville, Ky.	25
6. Houston Baptist, Texas	27
7. Central State, Ohio	25
8. North Georgia	27
9. Oklahoma Baptist	24
10. Georgetown, Ky.	23
11. Cumberland, Ky.	20
12. Mobile, Ala.	26
13. Lambuth, Tenn.	23
14. Brescia, Ky.	24
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17. Fresno Pacific, Calif.	24
18. Life, Ga.	18
19. Oklahoma Christian	19
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## NHL

Thursday's Games

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Philadelphia	34	15	6	3	77	181	13
N.Y. Islanders	29	19	7	3	68	171	160
New Jersey	26	21	9	3	64	147	14
N.Y. Rangers	27	26	4	3	61	167	18
Pittsburgh	22	26	6	4	54	134	16

# Big Spring Herald **Paid Listing Of Political Candidates** For **Howard County Offices**

**Primary Election** 

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## **County Commissioner Precinct 4**

Roy Don BeauchampR
Walter H. Brumley JrR
Gary Simer(I)D

#### Justice of the Peace Precinct 1, Place 2

Kathryn WisemanF	_
David MohnR	

All above listings are paid political advertising If you are running for office and are not listed, please call Christy Hernandez at 263-7331

#### **IUCO - MEN**

17. Sheridan, N.Y.

19. SW Mississippi CC 20. Arkansas Fort Smith

1. NE Oklahoma A&M (6) 2. Gulf Coast, Fla. (1)

Seward County, Kan. Jefferson, Mo. Trinity Valley, Texas

6. Okaloosa Walton, Fla

Copiah-Lincoln, Miss. Arizona Western Midland, Texas South Plains, Texas

. Iowa Western CC . Meridian, Miss

13. Western Nebraska CC 14. Ricks, Idaho

Cowley County CC, Kan
 Weatherford, Texas

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15. Wabash Valley, III 16. Seminole C.C. 17. Tyler, Texas 18. Chattanooga St. Tech

NBA

Orlando Philadelphia

Central Division

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Toronto

Atlanta

Dallas Minnesota

Utah Houston

Denver

Memphis Pacific Division

L.A. Lakers Portland Seattle L.A. Clippers

Golden State Tuesday's Games

Seattle 109, Cleveland 89 L.A. Lakers 99, Milwaukee 89 Orlando 112, Chicago 97 San Antonio 99, Phoenix 91

L.A. Clippers 94, Houston 84

Portland at Washington, 6 p.m. New Jersey at Charlotte, 6 p.m. Seattle at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m. Chicago at Detroit, 6:30

L.A. Lakers at Minnesota, 7 p.m. Denver at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.

San Antonio at Cleveland, 6 p.m. New York at Miami, 7 p.m. Memphis at Utah, 8 p.m.

Dallas 104. Memphis 91 Sacramento 107, Utah 81

San Antonio

JUCO - WOMEN

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		Toronto	32	18	5	4	7
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2. Coffeyville, Kan. (5)	27-1	Southeast Divi	sion				
3. San Jacinto, Texas (1)	27-1		W	· L	T	OL	Pt
4. Dixie, Utah (1)	26-2	Carolina	24	22	11	5	6
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6. Arizona Western	26-2	Tampa Bay	20	30	6	3	49
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13. Southern Union, Ala.		Chicago	33	19	9	0	7
	27 2	St. Louis	31	18	7	3	7
14. Spartanburg, S.C.	26-4	Nashville		26		0	56
15. Wabash Valley, III.	25.4	Columbus	15	34	8	2	40
16. Daytona Beach CC	24.5	Northwest Divi	sion				

Northeast Division

Detroit	42	11	- 6	2	92	190	129
Chicago	33	19	9	0	75	173	16.
St. Louis	31	18	7	3	72	165	139
Nashville	23	26	10	0	56	144	15
Columbus	15	34	8	2	40	118	175
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Colorado	33	20	7	1	74	160	12
Vancouver	28	25	6	2	64	182	159
Edmonton	26	23	10	2	64	152	14
Calgary	23	24	9	3	58	138	15
Minnesota	18	27	10	5	51	135	179
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Minnesota	18	27	10	5	51	135	175
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Los Angeles	28	20	8	3	67	160	136
Phoenix	26	22	8	4	64	155	160
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5-3	New Jersey 4, N.Y. Rangers 3
5.2	Atlanta 2, Buffalo 1
6-2	Ottawa 5, Montreal 2
2.4	Detroit 4, Tampa Bay 3, OT
4 4	Toronto 4, Carolina 1
0.8	San Jose 5, Nashville 1
4-4	Calgary 2, Colorado 2, tie
4.3	Phoenix 5, Dallas 1
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33	St. Louis 4, Vancouver 4, tie
	Today's Games

Los Angeles at Pittsburgh, 6:30 p.m. Detroit at Florida, 6:30 p.m. Philadelphia at New Jersey, 7 p.m. Montreal at Chicago, 7:30 p.m. Minnesota at Anaheim, 9:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games Carolina at Boston, 6 p.m. Ottawa at N.Y. Rangers, 6 p.m. Pittsburgh at Columbus, 6 p.m. San Jose at Washington, 6:30 p.m. St. Louis at Calgary, 8 p.m. Nashville at Edmonton, 8 p.m. Phoenix at Colorado, 9 p.m. Dallas at Vancouver, 9 p.m.

#### TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
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American League
BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Signed OF Melvin
Mora, C Fernando Lunar, LHP Erik Bedard, LHP
Matt Riley, RHP Rick Bauer, RHP Steve Bechler,
RHP Mike Paradis, RHP Luis Rivera, RHP John
Stephens and OF Tim Raines, Jr. to one year con-

National League
FLORIDA MARLINS—Traded Brevard County of the FSL to Montreal for Jupiter of the FSL. Named Doug Davis minor league field coordina-tor, Wayne Rosenthal pitching coordinator, John Mallee hitting coordinator. Randy Whisler infield coordinator. Paul Fournier coordinator of strength, conditioning and rehabilitation, and Mark Brown minor league equipment manager.

Named Dean Treanor manager. Matt Stark hit Named Dean Treanor manager, Matt Stark hitting coach, Dick Such pitching coach and Sean Bearer trainer for Calgary of the PCL. Named Eric Fox manager, Tom Signore pitching coach, Matt Raleigh hitting coach, and Gene Basham trainer for Portland of the Eastern League. Named Johnny Rodriguez manager, Scott Mitchell pitching coach, Jose Zapata hitting coach, and Liam Frawley trainer for Jamestown of the New York Pann League. Named League Named League.

Penn League Named Jesus Campos manager, Jeff Schwarz pitching coach, and Tom Donovan hitting coach for the Marlins of the Gulf Coast League. Named Luis Dorante manager of Jupite

League. Named Luis Dorante manager of Jupiter of the FSL and Steve Phillips manager of Kane-County of the Midwest League.

HOUSTON ASTROS—Agreed to terms with 3B Morgan Ensberg, OF Jason Lane, C. John Buck, LHP Greg Miller, RHP Ryan Jamison, RHP Brad Ludge, RHP Brandon Puffer, RHP Rodrigo Rosamo and RHP Tom Sheam on one year contracts.

LOS ANGELES DODGERS—Agreed to terms with C Paul Lo Duca on a three year contract.
MILWAUKEE BREWERS—Agreed to terms with
RHP Paul Rigdon and INF Marcos Scutaro.
BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association CLEVELAND CAVALIERS—Placed C.F. Chrishm on the injured list. Activated F. Brianinner from the injured list.

DENVER NUGGETS—Signed C Menk Bateer.
SACRAMENTO KINGS—Placed G Mateen
Cleaves on the injured list. Signed F Chucky.
Brown to a 10 day contract. UTAH JAZZ - Activated F Donyell Marshall

from the injured list. Placed G Quincy Lewis on WASHINGTON WIZARDS-Placed G Michael Jordan on the injured list. Activated II-C Kwame Brown from the injured list.

#### FOOTBALL National Football League

DENVER BRONCOS—Agreed to terms with WR d Smith on a seven-year contract. INDIANAPOLIS COLTS—Named Ron Meeks efensive coordinator and John Teerlinck defen-

NEW YORK JETS Released LB Marvin Jones

d DL Shane Burton. SAN DIEGO CHARGERS—Re-signed WR Tim right to five-year contract.

TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS—Released LB Jeff Gooch, S Eric Varice and P Mark Royals.
WASHINGTON REDSKINS—Named Chip Morton

#### rength and conditioning coach. COLLEGE SCORES

#### MEN'S GAMES

Miami 81, Providence 65 Pittsburgh 73, Setori Hall 66, OT SOUTH

East Carolina 51, Marquette 46 Florida 68, Tennessee 62 South Florida 88, Houston 57

Illinois 70, Indiana 62 Michigan St. 81, Ohio St. 76 SOUTHWEST Colorado 92, Texas A&M 77 Oklahoma 89, Iowa St. 75 Texas 96, Texas Tech 71

#### WOMEN'S GAMES

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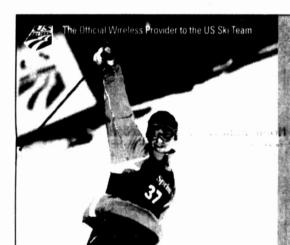
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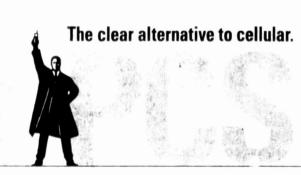
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# Jordan's surgery leaves Wizards short-handed

Doug Collins doesn't know whether Michael Jordan will miss five games, five weeks or the rest of the season — or whether M.J.'s career is over.

The Washington coach is certain of one thing, however. The immediate outlook for the Wizards just turned a deep shade of bleak.

"The things that we do with Michael, we necessarily can't do with the team now. We have to do a lot of different things," Collins said. "We're going to find out who we are. What if Michael doesn't play next year? I've got to do a better job than I've ever done."

The Wizards announced Tuesday that Jordan will have arthroscopic surgery this week on his ailing right knee. He was placed on the

ond time in his career and will have to miss at least games. starting five Wednesday night at home against Portland. The length of his rehabilitation won't be known until after the operation.

The Wizards are 0-2 this season without Jordan, who is averaging a team-high 24 points. They have lost five straight and seven of eight since the All-Star break to drop to 27-28.

Centers Jahidi White and Brendan Haywood are also hurt and probably won't play Wednesday. Richard Hamilton, the team's second-leading scorer, has a sore groin. The toughest part of the schedule, a brutal West Coast road trip, is coming in March.

"Everybody's going to

injured list for only the sec- wait for us to collapse, and everybody's going to wait for us to fold up the tent," Collins said. "I've got to be the leader of the ship more than ever. I have to be positive. I can't let corners be cut, and I can't let us make alibis. If we're going to lose games, I want it to be that we're prepared, that we're ready, that we compete."

Jordan's knee has been giving him problems since he began workouts a year ago in preparation for his second comeback.

The injury initially was diagnosed as tendinitis, and he had fluid drained from the knee at least three times, most recently before a game at Miami on Saturday. He also banged the knee in a collision with teammate Etan Thomas 2 1/2 weeks ago.

Doctors are now concerned there might be a more chronic, arthritic condition in the knee.

"If it's a cleanup, hopefully he could be back," Collins said. "If it's something a little more severe, then we'll have to wait and see. You can't just keep sticking a needle in that joint and draining out fluid and then try to play. That's going to continue to irritate that

Jordan committed to play two seasons when he returned to the court last fall. He also said he planned to play all 82 games this season, a mild surprise considering he had to overcome broken ribs, back spasms, wrist tendinitis and the knee injury in the previous six months. He also lost about 30 pounds.

#### **ROUNDUP**

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Tyray Pearson scored 20 points for Iowa State, which had won three of four, but is 0-10 on the road.

#### No. 8 Florida 68, Tennessee 62

Brett Nelson made all four of his 3-pointers in the last 11 minutes to help the (21-6,Southeastern Conference) keep their slim hopes alive for the regular-season title.

If Alabama beats Auburn on Wednesday, the Crimson Tide win the championship outright.

Marcus Haislip scored 17 points for the visiting Volunteers (13-15, 6-9).

#### No. 10 Pittsburgh 73, Seton Hall 66, OT

Brandin Knight scored 19

points, including six in the 12-0 run to close overtime, and the Panthers (24-4, 12-3) clinched first place in the West Division of the Big East

Donatas Zavackas added 15 points, including a 3pointer with 3.4 seconds to go in regulation that forced the overtime, as the visiting Panthers won their sixth straight game.

John Allen had 18 points for Seton Hall (12-16, 5-10), which lost its fifth straight and seventh of eight.

#### No. 15 Illinois 70, No. 25 Indiana 62

Frank Williams had 24 points in his final home game, and the Illini (22-7) won their seventh straight and helped create a fourway tie for first place in the Big Ten.

## **AIKMAN**

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year when Cowboys owner Jerry Jones was making his decision to let go of the quarterback who was the first player he drafted after buying the team in

Jones was in attendance for the Tuesday night ceremony, and spent time speak-

ing with Aikman. "I'm here to recognize and substantiate in any way I can the great contributions that Troy Aikman made to the success of the Dallas Cowboys," Jones said. "It's quite an honor.'

Jones has called the deci-

the hardest he has ever had to make.

In 2000, his final season, Aikman missed five games with injuries and was knocked out of three more in the first quarter. He suffered four of his 10 concussions in his last 20 starts.

The Cowboys waived him March 7, one day before owing him a \$7 million bonus and seven-year contract extension. Jones still took a \$10 million hit on his salary cap last season, but no longer is hampered by that contract.

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sion to cut Aikman one of 32,942 career passing yards with 165 touchdowns. He is the Cowboys career leader in passing yards, touchdowns. completions (2,898) and attempts (4,715).

His 90 wins in 1990s are the most by any quarterback in any decade. Aikman also won his first seven playoff games and 10 of his first 11, and was the MVP of his first Super Bowl, after the 1992 season. "I'm proud of what our

teams accomplished and I'm happy with how my career went," Aikman said. "But once I announced my retire-Aikman, the No. 1 overall ment, I haven't given a lot pick in that 1989 draft, had of thought to what I accom-

plished as a football player. That time of my life is gone.'

Lane, an undrafted free agent, played 14 NFL seasons with the Los Angeles Rams, Chicago Cardinals and Detroit Lions from 1952-65. He was an aggressive tackler whose signature hit a clothesline-type move dubbed the "Night Train Necktie" — was banned by the league.

Lane, an Austin native, was inducted into the NFL Hall of Fame in 1974, and his 68 career interceptions remain among the most in league history.

Matthews and Munchak

were teammates with the Houston Oilers from 1983-93.

Munchak, the first offensive lineman selected in the 1982 draft, played 159 games in 12 seasons with Houston and went to the Pro Bowl nine times before retiring after the 1993 season.

Matthews just finished his 19th season, all with the same franchise. He played 16 seasons with the Oilers, then remained with the team when it became the Tennessee Titans. He made 11 consecutive Pro Bowls, and holds Oilers' records for games played (348), consecutive games played (184) and started (181).

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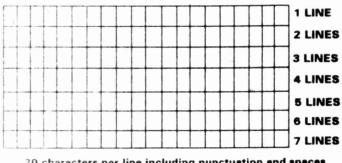
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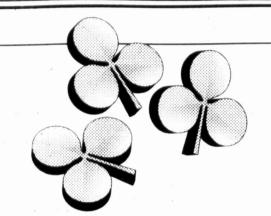
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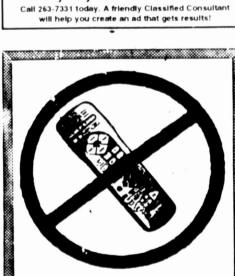
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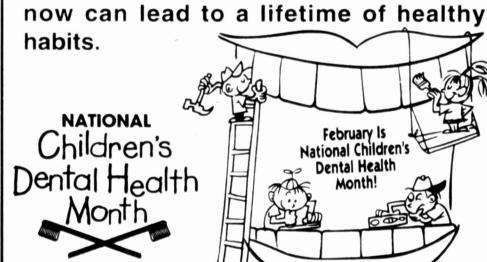
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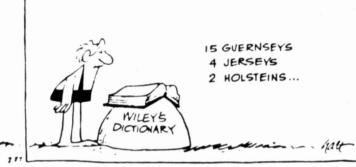




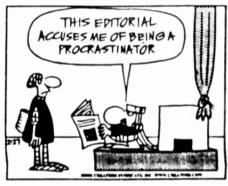


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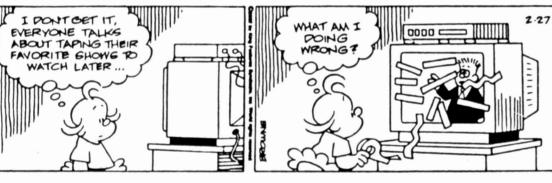
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# **IN HISTORY**

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Today is Wednesday, Feb. 27, the 58th day of 2002. There are 307 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in

History: One hundred years ago, on Feb. 27, 1902, American

author John Steinbeck was born in Salinas, Calif. On this date: In 1801, the District of

Columbia was placed under the jurisdiction of Congress. In 1807, poet Henry Wadsworth Longfellow was born in Portland, Maine.

In 1861, in Warsaw, crowd protesting Russian occupied the hamlet of rule over Poland; marchers were killed. In 1922, the Supreme

Court unanimously upheld the 19th Amendment to the Constitution that guaranteed the right of women to

In 1933, Germany's parliament building, the Reichstag, caught fire. The Nazis, blaming Communists, used the fire as a pretext for suspending

civil liberties. In 1939, the Supreme Court outlawed sit-down strikes.

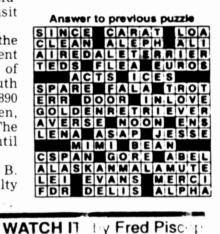
In 1960, the U.S. Olympic hockey team defeated the Soviets, three goals to two, at the Winter Games in Squaw Valley, Calif. (The U.S. team went on to win the gold medal.)

In 1972, President Nixon and Chinese Premier Chou En-lai issued the Shanghai Communique at the conclusion of Nixon's historic visit to China.

In 1973, member's of the Russian troops fired on a American Indian Movement Wounded Knee in South Dakota, the site of the 1890 massacre of Sioux men, women and children. (The occupation lasted until May.)

1982, Wayne B. In Williams was found guilty of murdering two of the 28 young blacks whose bodies were found in the Atlanta area over a 22-month period.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Joanne Woodward is 72. Actress Elizabeth Taylor is 70. Consumer advocate Ralph Nader is 68. Actress Barbara Babcock is 65. Actor Howard Hesseman is 62. Actress Debra Monk is 53. Rock musician Paul Humphreys (Orchestral Manoeuvres in the Dark) is 42. Basketball player James Worthy is 41. Actor Adam Baldwin is 40. Actor Grant Show is 40. Rock musician Mike Cross (Sponge) is 37.



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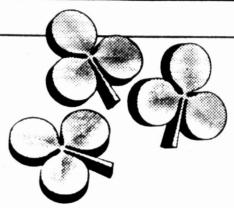
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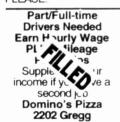
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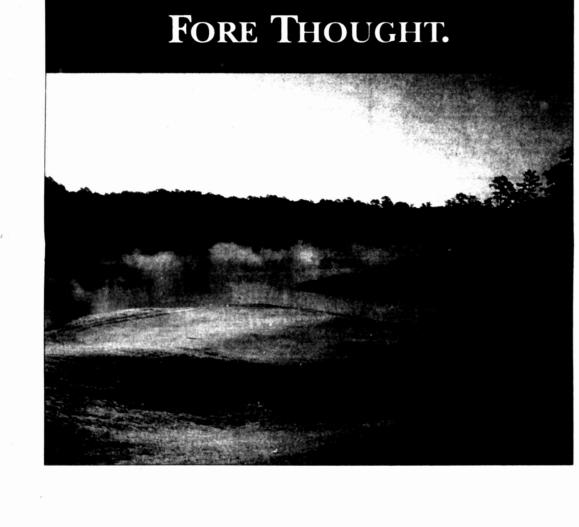
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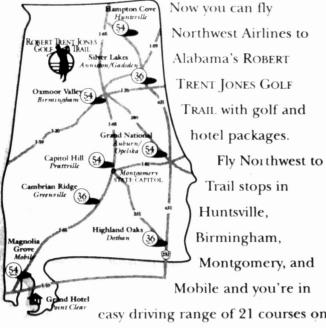
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