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VITA workers to help with taxes Monday

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 through 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...

MONDAY

Senior Circle, 4 p.m., SMMC. Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics. People 50 and over invited to participate. Call 268-4721.

Howard County ARC meets at 806 E. Third at the Bingo Hall.

Big Spring chapter and council RAM meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Building, 221 1/2 Main.

District Committee Lone Star of Big Spring, noon, 610 Scurry.

TUESDAY

Intermediate Line Dance classes, 9 a.m., Senior Citizens Center. Call 267-1628.

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

Big Spring Downtown Lion's Club meets at noon every Tuesday at the Senior Center in the Whipkey Room.

Big Spring Rotary meets at noon at the Howard College Cactus Room.

Alzheimer's Association Greater West Texas Chapter meets at 2 p.m. in the Howard County Library, 500 S. Main in the conference room.

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Early voting in party primaries slow-going so far

By **BILL MCCLELLAN**
News Editor

Howard County residents aren't exactly swarming to vote in the Democratic and Republican Party primary elections.

Only 30 people cast a ballot during a special early voting session at the Howard County Courthouse on Saturday.

Five Democratic ballots were cast on Saturday, bringing the total so far to 92. Twenty five Republican ballots were cast; that brings the total number of Republican ballots cast to 271.

In contrast, four years ago

at the same time, 186 Democratic and 414 Republican ballots had been cast.

"You have to take into account that we had opposition in the justice of the peace race and that was the year the county judge had an opponent, too," said County Clerk Donna Wright. "We don't have a county-wide election (in the primaries) this year. That may have something to do with it. Other than that, I have no clue."

There are three locally contested races, though they are not open to all voters in the county. All three are on

Polls located across the county on election day

HERALD Staff Report

When early voting ends on Friday, those who haven't yet cast a ballot in the party primaries will still have an opportunity on Tuesday, March 12.

However, instead of taking advantage of the one-stop early voting both on the first floor of the courthouse, voters will be sent to one of a handful of polls

throughout the county. Those voting in the Democratic primary should know that the number of polling places, has been reduced from 19 to seven this year.

Vote!

That decision — which Republican incumbent Jerry Kilgore is facing challenger Perry W. Gamble.

came from the county Democratic Party's executive committee — was largely to save expenses.

There are some 18,682 registered voters in Howard County, according to the county clerk's office.

Election day polling places are as follows: Democratic Party Precinct Nos. 101-103, 106-

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The winner will face

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Nine-year-old Sara and 7-year-old Cord Mizzles browse the wares of vendors Ray and Norma Cox Saturday at the 33rd annual Gym and Mineral Show. Eighty-one-year-old Norma creates most of the items she sells. The show continues today from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Howard County Fair Barns. Admission is free.

Nature's artwork on display during annual gem show

By **LYNDEL MOODY**
Staff Writer

The next time you start to kick a rock from your path, pick it up and take a closer look.

"Just what's in a rock?" 81-year-old Norma Cox of Hobbs, N.M. mused as she showed a slab of Brazilian agate.

What did the retired Arizona woman see in the swirling earth tone patterns?

A few quick strokes with a paint brush and animal shapes become quite clear. That piece of artistry is among many Cox is showcasing at the 33rd annual Gem and Mineral Show this weekend.

The show continues today at the Howard County Fair Barns from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. featuring vendors from around the country.

Cox, an avid rockhound for 20 years, did not have a fascination for the hobby before she moved west.

"I thought a rock was something you kicked," Cox said, but rolled over on the subject after joining a rock club.

Although both retired, Cox and her husband Ray travel to different gem and mineral shows to sell her works.

"You start out making them and then people like them," she said. "People

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Relay to stage meeting for team captains this week

By **DEBBIE L. JENSEN**

Special to the Herald

If you already have a Relay for Life team, or just think you might want one, Thursday will be a great time to get organized, gather information and have your questions answered.

Thursday at 5:30 p.m. in



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the Parish Hall at St. Paul Lutheran Church marks the first of four team captains' meetings for this popular American Cancer Society fund-raiser.

Relay for Life takes place May 10-11 at Blankenship Field. Teams of family members, friends, co-workers or fellow church-goers will circle the track to collect donations during the 24-hour event. They pitch tents and set up lawn chairs, participating in games and enjoying food and entertainment

KEY MEETING

For: Relay for Life team captains.

When: 5:30 p.m. Thursday.

Where: St. Paul Lutheran Church Parish Hall.

When not walking or running around the track.

Team captains' meetings are a vital part of the planning process, said Gloria McDonald, chair of team

recruitment.

"For new captains, this really helps them through the process," she said. "They usually have lots of questions."

But even for those with experience, the meetings are helpful, she added.

"We do make changes every year, so it's important to come learn about those. And there are hand-outs and information given out that is different at each meeting," said McDonald.

It's at the team captains'

meetings, for example, that armbands are handed out; those are required for team members to leave and re-enter the Relay at night. McDonald said if the captain can't make it, it's a good idea to have someone representing the team present.

Each meeting lasts about an hour, and there are refreshments and door prizes provided to keep the atmosphere fun. The gather

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Campuses to celebrate Texas Public School Week

HERALD Staff Report

Dust off the books, spit polish the floors, Big Spring schools are ready to show off their best for Texas Public School Week.

"Big Spring Independent School District encourages everyone in the community to take advantage of the opportunity during Texas Public School Week to see how our children are learning," said Esthela Aguirre, BSISD assistant superintendent.

"This is a time for our teachers, students and principals to showcase the positive things that are happening in our schools," Aguirre continued.

Big Spring elementary schools have a full slate of activities from parent/teacher association meetings to book fairs. The events start on Monday.

Bauer Magnet Elementary students will dive into the education waters head first Monday and showcase their school during an opening



Marcy Elementary fifth graders Shaunta Lopez, 11, and Klara Sherman, 11, help the school librarian set up for the annual book fair. Monday begins Texas Public School Week and many elementary events to showcase their campus. Washington, Moss and Marcy elementary will hold book fairs next week. The public is invited to browse the selections.

house at 6 p.m. Watch out for readers at Goliad Elementary as students and staff will have

designated times during the day to stop and read. Students are encouraged to wear western clothing.

Parents of first through fifth grade Goliad students

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Coahoma, Elbow join in activities

HERALD Staff Report

Coahoma and Elbow elementary will hold several events during Texas Public School Week.

Elbow Elementary will host a parent/student read night on Tuesday from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

"The atmosphere for this event is going to be casual," Tommy Gibson, Elbow Elementary principal, said. "The hallways and classrooms will be made available for you and your child to find an isolated place to read. If you would like, bring a pillow or something soft, get comfortable and enjoy the reading time with your child."

Parents and children will attend a brief meeting in the gym to get the program started.

Coahoma Elementary will begin the week with a book fair Monday. On

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OBITUARIES

Earline Clanton Lovelace

Earline Clanton Lovelace, 78, died peacefully on Feb. 28, 2002, at her home in Cypress.

She was born in Ira on Jan. 5, 1924, to Claude R. Bishop and Mabel Woolever Bishop. She was a long-time resident of Big Spring and a Methodist.



Earline brought love to everyone she met that will last through eternity. Her happiness was enjoying a stick of gum and an ice cream sandwich with her grandchildren, her great-grandchildren and her many, many friends. She will be missed.

Earline married Morris Clanton on Jan. 5, 1941, in Farwell. He preceded her in death on May 7, 1984. She then married Tommie Lovelace on July 31, 1985, in Big Spring and he preceded her in death on Jan. 24, 1996.

She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Don and Deborah Clanton of Cypress; her son, Lonnie Clanton of Big Spring; grandchildren, Ron Clanton Jr., Kim Ransleben, Paula Hunt, Amy Hill, Annette Clanton, Toby Clanton, Tammie Smith; step-grandchildren, Kathy Anderson and Joe Terry; and 14 beloved great-grandchildren. She is also survived by three sisters, Billie Lesly, Fran Waterbury and Peggy Morgan.

She was also preceded in death by her son, Ronnie Clanton; her grandson, Andy Clanton; her parents; her brother; and three sisters.

Visitation will be held today, March 3, 2002, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Funeral service will be conducted by the Rev. Gene Waterbury at 10 a.m., Monday, March 4, 2002, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with interment at Trinity Memorial Park.

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

Evelyn Lucille Cowley was born on March 3, 1926, to Garrett and Edna Monronev in Casey, Ill., the youngest of three children. During the tough economic times a few years later, Mr. Monronev heard of the oil boom in Texas and moved his family there. After several moves, the

Monronevs settled in the boomtown of Forsan.

Evelyn was tragically stricken with polio when she was 18 years old and would eventually lose the use of her legs and a significant portion of her upper body strength for life. But rather than listen to all the things people were telling her she would not be able to do, Evelyn set about living a "can-do" life.

She found a man who loved her for who she was and didn't care about her disabilities, and wed Robert Dwaine "Bob" Cowley on March 31, 1948. Bob and Evelyn quickly became very active members of their community and church. Defying the conventional thinking of the time once again, Evelyn had a daughter, Brenda Gwen on Oct. 20, 1955, and a son, Steven Brian on April 13, 1960.

Despite being confined to a wheelchair, Evelyn did all the things any mother and housewife did — kept a spotless home, cooked three meals a day, entertained and attended and taught at church. As the children grew, she helped with homework, baked cookies and made sandwiches for the school concession stand. She was there at every football and basketball game and band performance, cheering her children and their friends on. But most importantly, she saw to her children's spiritual upbringing, reading them Bible stories and devotionals every night and imparting to them her deep love of the Lord Jesus Christ.

She and Bob saw both their children through college, careers, moving out and setting up their own homes. When her beloved Bob passed away in August of 1985, the naysayers were at it again — "How can Evelyn survive by herself?" But once again Evelyn surprised everyone and managed just fine for several years until the aftereffects of her polio began to finally take their toll.

But even as her health began to fail, the love that Evelyn had so lavishly bestowed all her life flowed back to her multiplied. Through the very frequent visits and support of her children and the devotion of friends and caregivers in Forsan and Big Spring, she was able to stay comfortably in her own home until the very end.

Evelyn Lucille Cowley has served as an inspiration for many people. Her life was a testament to triumph over tragedy. She was living proof that indeed, with God, all things are possible.

She is survived by her daughter, Brenda Cowley of Amarillo; her son, Steve Cowley of Keller; and her brother, Wayne Monronev of Snyder. She is also survived by her brother-in-law, Howard Bennett of Elba, Ala.; and her sister-in-law, Betty Cowley of Big Spring, as well as numerous loving nieces, nephews and cousins.

In addition to her husband, Evelyn was preceded in death by her sister, Gwen Bennett; her father, Garrett Monronev; and her mother, Edna Monronev. She was also preceded in death by her father-in-law, S.C. "Dutch" Cowley and moth-

er-in-law, Donnie Cowley; two brothers-in-law, Jimmy Hagar and Kenneth Cowley; and two sisters-in-law, Kathryn Hagar and Betty Monronev.

The family suggests memorials to the Texas Polio Survivors' Association, P.O. Box 41325, Houston 77241-1325 or the American Lung Association of Texas, P.O. Box 26460, Austin 78755-0460.

Funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Monday, March 4, 2002, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Jeff Janca, pastor of Forsan Baptist Church and the Rev. Mac Robinson, retired Baptist minister, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

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

Rolinda Johanna Van Westerhoven

Graveside service for Rolinda Johanna Van Westerhoven, 83, of Odessa, formerly of Big Spring, was held at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 2, 2002, at Trinity Memorial Park Peace Chapel in Big Spring under the direction of Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home.

Mrs. Van Westerhoven died on Thursday, Feb. 28, at an local Odessa hospital.

She was born on Aug. 26, 1918, in the Netherlands. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by a sister, Henrica McDougal of Derby, United Kingdom.

Andrew Lynn Belew

Funeral service for Andrew Lynn Belew, 17, formerly of Big Spring, will be held at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 5, 2002, at Frank Holman Auditorium in Lincoln, Ark.

Mr. Belew died on Friday, March 1, 2002.

He was born in Big Spring on Aug. 21, 1984. He was a senior at Lincoln High School where he played football and was a member of the FBLA. He worked part-time at the GAP.

Survivors include his father and step-mother, Gary and Ginger Belew of Prairie Grove, Ark.; his mother, Lois Belew of Springdale, Ark.; one brother, Justin Belew of Twenty Nine Palms, Calif.; paternal grandparents Jerry and Colleen Brock of Prairie Grove, Ark.; maternal grandparents Robert Dovenmuele of North Carolina and Eunice Dovenmuele of Dallas; paternal grandmother Dora Belew; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Memorials may be made to the Lincoln High School Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 479, Lincoln, AR 72744.

Arrangements are under the direction of Luginbuel Funeral Home Inc. of Prairie Grove, Ark.

Joe Puga

Funeral service for Joe Puga, 94, of Stanton, will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, March 4, 2002, at Stanton

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AROUND THE TOWN

Memorial Funeral Home Chapel with Ernie Sanchez officiating. Burial will follow at Evergreen Cemetery. Rosary service will be at 7:30 p.m. Sunday at Stanton Memorial Funeral Home Chapel.

Mr. Puga died Thursday, Feb. 28, 2002, in a Stanton care center.

He was born in Colorado City on Jan. 9, 1908, and married Clotilde Jasso in Stanton in June 1931. He was a self-employed mechanic and a longtime resident of Stanton.

Survivors include his wife, Clotilde Puga of Stanton; a son, Joe Puga Jr. of Odessa; a sister, Carmen Bernal of Andrews; three grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

VOTE

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115, North Side Fire Station, 100 NE Eighth, Precinct Nos. 104-105, Knott Fire Station, 7310 W. FM 846.

Precinct Nos. 202-205, Washington Place School, 1201 S. Birdwell Lane.

Precinct Nos. 207, 405, 407-409, Coahoma Community Center, 300 N. Ave., Coahoma.

Precinct Nos. 302-303, 305, Goliad Middle School, 2000 Goliad.

Precinct Nos. 208, 304, Elbow School, CR 818 and Nichols Road.

Precinct Nos. 401-404, 406, 410, 11th and Birdwell Fire Station, corner of 11th Place and Birdwell Lane.

Republican Party Precinct Nos. 101-115, 202-205, Washington Place School, 1201 S. Birdwell Lane.

Precinct Nos. 207-409, Coahoma Community Center, 300 N. Ave., Coahoma.

Precinct Nos. 208, Forsan School, Forsan.

Precinct Nos. 302-305, Marcy Elementary, 2101 Wasson Road.

Precinct Nos. 401-408, 410, Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, corner of Kentucky Way and Birdwell Lane.

For more information, call the clerk's office at 264-2213.

PRIMARIES

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Democrat Jerry Crawford in November's general election. Republicans Roy Don Beauchamp and Walter Brumley Jr. have squared off in the Precinct 4 commissioner race; the victor will face Democratic incumbent Gary Simer in November. And for Precinct 1, Place 2, justice of the peace, David Mohn and Kathryn Wiseman are running on the Republican ballot. There is no Democrat seeking that office.

There aren't any locally contested races in the Democratic Primary.

Wright said staying open five hours — the early booth was open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday — wasn't a waste of time, however.

"It's our election workday,

so whether we were voting or not, we'd still need to be here. Most people don't have any idea what all goes in to getting ready for an election. And we don't have enough staff to get it all ready next Monday," Wright said.

Election day is Tuesday, March 12, and polls will be open across the county from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m.

Meanwhile, the early voting period continues Monday through Friday, March 8 from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. on the first floor of the courthouse.

Individuals who are older than 65 or physically disabled and parents who have voting-age children in college elsewhere still have time to request a mail-out ballot. The last day the clerk's office can mail out a ballot is Tuesday.

In addition to those local races, there are a number of state government seats up for election.

Howard County residents can cast their primary votes in several state government races.

The race generating the most interest of late has been between Dan Morales and Tony Sanchez for the Democratic gubernatorial nominee. Two other Democrats are also running for that office — Bill Lyon and John Worldpeace. The Democratic nominee will challenge incumbent Republican Rick Perry in November.

The race for U.S. Senator is also drawing a lot of notice prompted by the impending retirement of Phil Gramm.

On the Republican ticket are Douglas G. Deffenbaugh, Dudley F. Mooney, John Cornyn, Bruce Rusty Lang and Lawrence Cranberg. On the Democratic ticket are Ed Cunningham, Ken Bentsen, Victor Morales, Ron Kirk and Gene Kelly.

Other offices on the ballot include those for court justices and board of education members.

RELAY

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ings can also be a good time for teams to publicize fundraisers they have planned, including raffles or meals.

Already, 45 teams have signed up for Relay for Life, which takes the event close to its goal of 68, McDonald said. Team captains — who are responsible for keeping team members organized — should remind each member that they need to raise at least \$50 to get a T-shirt.

And teams can pick a campsite as soon as they pay the \$100 registration fee, McDonald added. For smaller teams or family groups, sponsors can be arranged to help with that fee.

Team captains' meetings continue April 4, April 18 and May 2, always at 5:30 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran.

McDonald said anyone with an interest in Relay

could attend the first meeting to get more information before they decide whether to organize a team.

"There is no obligation just by coming to the meeting, but it is a great time to get the information you need," she said.

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity from 8 a.m. Friday until noon Saturday:

• RICKY EDWARDS JR., 17, of 807 east 16th was arrested for 15 local warrants.

• LISA LANG, 27, of 1105 Maple was arrested for three local warrants.

• BRANDON RAMEY, 22, of 1608 Settles was arrested for four local warrants and a capias warrant.

• SANDRA PAYNE, 36, of 1324 Utah was arrested on charges of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle and driving while intoxicated.

• JAMES THOMPSON, 30, of 400 Willard was arrested on a charge of theft of more than \$500 but less than \$1,500.

• ASSAULT was reported in the 600 block of Douglas.

• DISTURBANCE/FIGHT was reported in the 800 block of east Second, the 700 block of east 11th Place and the 1500 block of south Scurry.

• DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 1100 block of Sycamore.

MEETINGS

STANTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 7 P.M. MONDAY Stanton Independent School District trustees will consider amending the 2001-2002 budget and will hear an update on the district's technology plan. Trustees will meet at the school administration building.

Also on the agenda: • Consideration of realigned voting districts; • Consider Homestead Exemption; • Consideration of classroom teacher contracts, resignations and employment.

COAHOMA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 7 P.M. TUESDAY Coahoma Independent School District trustees will meet in the board room of the administration building, 600 Main, Coahoma for a workshop. Members will set goals for the district's superintendent.

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are welcome to have lunch. Students and faculty of Kentwood elementary will be wearing hats on Monday. Each class will help make a sidewalk chalk ocean mural as students dive into the deep sea of learning.

Monday is first grader day at Marcy Elementary and parents of first graders are welcome to visit their child's classroom and have lunch. Students will be learning about Texas history and singing songs about Texas.

Students will be flip-flopped at Moss Elementary. Author's tea will be held at 1:30 p.m. Design a School poster contest and Door Decoration contest will begin.

Washington students will be wearing their favorite hat Monday.

On Tuesday, S.M. Anderson Kindergarten Center will hold an open house from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

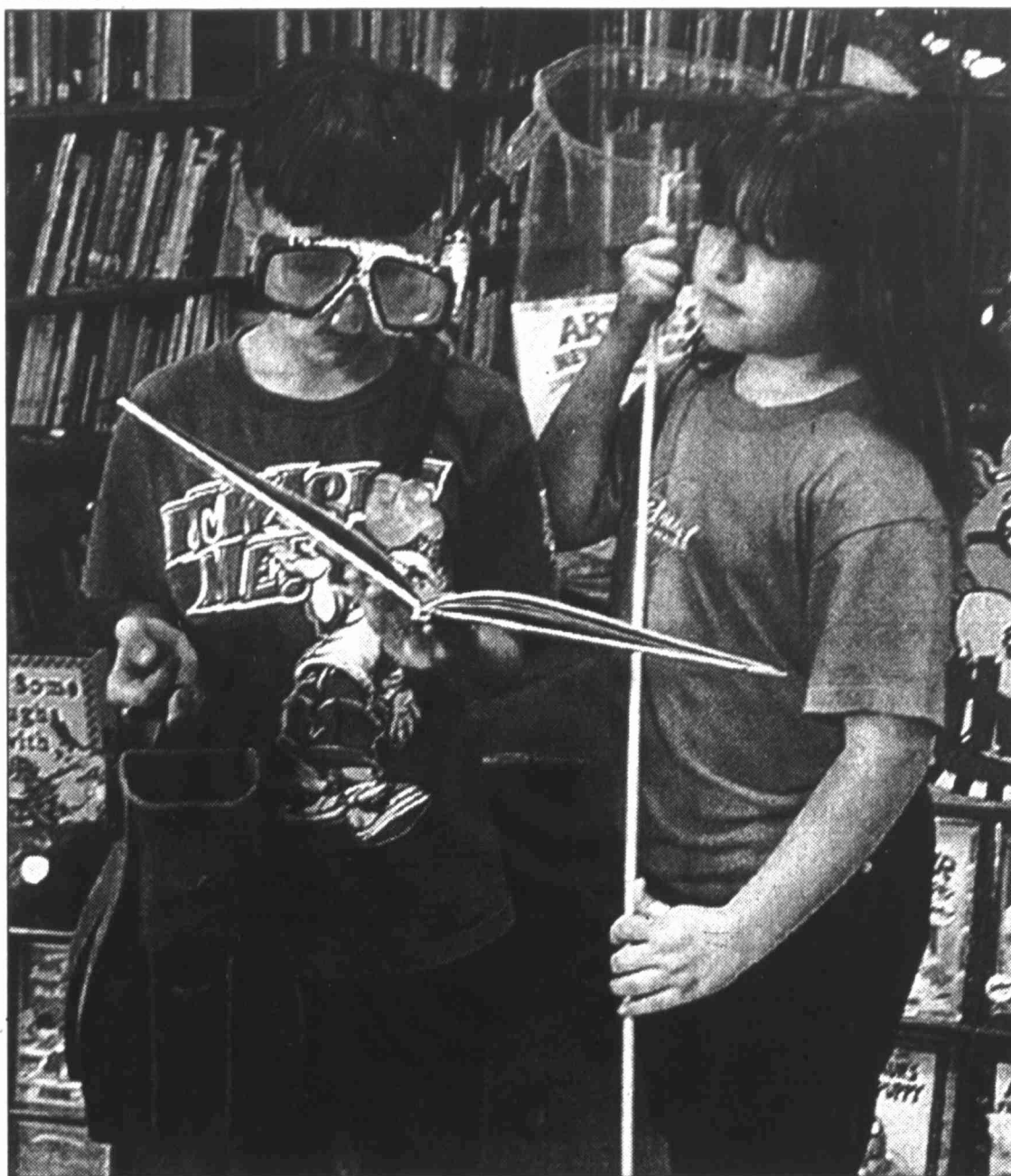
Pull out that favorite T-shirt. Bauer students will be wearing different T's such as touting their favorite college or from their vacation or family reunion.

It's no-pass, no-play at Goliad as students and staff will come dressed in their favorite sports shirt or college shirt. Goliad will have an open house from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Kentwood will be celebrating Texas Tuesday as students are encouraged to dress in western wear and dine outside.

Tuesday is second grade day at Marcy. Parents of second graders are welcome to visit their child's classroom and have lunch. Students will be learning about Texas history and singing songs about Texas. At 6 p.m., the third graders will be performing at the parent/teacher association.

Moss students will patriotic as they wear red, white



HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody
Snorkeling for something good to read, Ryan Deel, 9, and Lindsey, Deel, 9, both fourth-graders at Washington Elementary, search for the right book at the elementary's book fair. The Washington book fair begins Monday and continues through Friday.

and blue. The door design contest will be judged.

Washington students are so super cool as they wear shades, Tuesday. Fifth-graders will perform at the parent/teacher association meeting at 6:30 p.m.

On Wednesday, S.M. Anderson Kindergarten Center students will go western, wearing boots and hats.

Parents of Bauer students are invited to enjoy pastries from 7:45 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. Students will wear their Just Say No T-shirts.

The future is all tied up and secure for Goliad students because of education,

so faculty and students are encouraged to wear ties. Sixth grade parents are invited to eat lunch with their children.

Kentwood will hold an open house for parents at 7:30 a.m. Classrooms will be open for parent visitation. Pastries will be available for parents at 7 a.m.

Wednesday is third grade day at Marcy. Parents of third graders are welcome to visit their child's classroom and have lunch. Students will be learning about Texas history and singing songs about Texas.

There will be some crazy hair at Moss as students cel-

ebate crazy hair day. Design a school posters will be judged.

Also going crazy is Washington Elementary students for crazy socks day.

On Thursday, Anderson students will wear Red, White and Blue Day. Bauer students will dress their best. Goliad students and staff will wear hats or sunglasses to shade out ignorance in view of education.

Kentwood students will be reading in comfort Thursday as students are encouraged to wear pajamas.

Thursday is fourth grade

day at Marcy. Parents of fourth graders are welcome to visit their child's classroom and have lunch. Students will be learning about Texas history and singing songs about Texas.

Moss students will be gone fishing as students dive into book activity in the afternoon. Moss will have an open house at 6:15 p.m. Washington students will have some wild hair.

Friday, Anderson, Bauer, Washington and Goliad students are encouraged to wear their school T-shirt.

Also at Goliad, students will be claiming the war on Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) by wearing war paint on their face. The Golden Mavericks Breakfast is set for 7:30 a.m. and honors first through fifth Golden Mavericks and their parents. Parents are invited to visit the classrooms throughout the day.

Kentwood students will be spending time at the beach Friday as students wear sunshades and Hawaiian shirts and have lunch outside, beach style.

Friday is fifth grade day at Marcy. Parents of fifth graders are welcome to visit their child's classroom and have lunch. Students will be learning about Texas history and singing songs about Texas. Students are encouraged to wear red, white and blue.

Moss will hold a favorite character day. The school will hold an assembly for a puppet show, songs and awards from 1:45 to 2:30 p.m.

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Thursday, the school will host a pancake supper at 5 p.m. followed by an open house from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Coahoma students will be jumping as they take part in the Jump Rope for Heart Event during school hours on Friday. The school will also hold an awards assembly during school hours.

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asked, "why don't you sell your work?" and then you sell them."

Around Cox's booth one can find gems made into bugs, decorated gem trees and in keeping with mystic legend of one famous town in New Mexico, slaps of Brazilian agate the color of midnight blue decorated with a painting of a visiting alien.

From thunder eggs to quartz, amber, jewelry and decorative housewares, the show offers a variety of items to purchase or to admire.

"They're all so beautiful it leaves me speechless," said Peggy Manning of Colorado City. "I believe God created everything and I think he out-did himself. Such beauty."

A number of vendors are also demonstrating ways to cut and shape stone or how to chip arrowheads the old fashion way.

Most vendors make the items they sell, said Jerald Wilson, show chairman for the Big Spring Prospector's Club.

For those who wonder who the real rockhounds are, Wilson gives the public a tip.

"A person who starts out with a pocket of marbles goes looking for rocks," he said. "When he finds a rock, he leaves a marble in its place until he is out of marbles. Once he's lost all his marbles, then he is a rockhound."

The annual event sponsored by the Big Spring Prospector's Club brings in an average of 1,000 to 1,500 people during its two-day run and is free to the public.

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OTHER VIEWS

Don't take chances with floodwaters

Flooding is the most common cause of weather-related deaths in Texas and in recent years has tragically touched the lives of our community. The Local Emergency Planning Commission of Howard County, Big Spring Fire Department and the Fire Marshal's Office wish to remind our citizens of the danger of rising water.

We've all seen the automobile commercials where the mother drives blissfully through the most raging of storms with her child buckled safely in the back seat and emerges on the other side to sunshine and sandy beaches. Sadly, these commercials seldom reflect the reality of such behavior, especially where flooding is at risk. Even four-wheel drive vehicles are not safe in flash flooding.

It is hard for us to imagine the true power of water. The lifting force alone is incredible. Water can displace 1,500 pounds for every foot it rises. In other words, it only takes 24 inches of water to render a 3,000-pound car totally helpless and send it careening downstream. If the car is equipped with power door locks and windows, the potential for being trapped is greater should the water short out the circuit that controls them.

Just as the Texas Department of Public Safety warns you "Buckle Up," your local emergency services wants to warn you not to drive through high water or enter flood-prone areas. When water is running curb deep in the streets, beware of flash flooding. As little as six inches of fast-moving water can knock you off your feet and just one foot of water can cause a compact car to lose control and float away.

The saddest part is the children's lives are lost when parents don't pay attention to flood warnings or try to outrun the rising waters. Low water crossings are dangerous spots when the water is coming over them.

An old West Texas sage once said; "I can overcome ignorance with education; I can't do anything about stupidity."

Don't become a statistic in the next round of flash floods. Pay attention to the warnings and don't take the chance. That errand you "just have to run" or that loaf of bread from the store can wait. No destination or appointment is worth the loss of your life or that of a loved one.

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Making our own independent decisions

Once owned set of books that contained the complete works of Henry James, a famous American novelist. One day I calculated the probable remaining years of my life and the probability that I would read the complete works of Henry James. The result was that I donated the set to the public library.



CHARLEY REESE

I had read just one story, "The Turn of the Screw" — one of the best ghost stories ever written. All attempts to read other stories by James failed. Inevitably, after two pages, I fell asleep. I wish I had realized much sooner in life that it is as important to decide what you are not going to do, not going to read and not going to watch as it is to decide what you are going to do, read and watch. But at 18, one always feels immortal, and time seems endless. Nevertheless, in our age

of information, editing is by far the most important thing we can do. There is more information available than any human being can absorb. There are more books published than can be read, more music produced than can be listened to, more movies made than can be watched and more programs on television than can be seen. And then there's the Internet — an electronic ocean of information.

I used to ponder the fact that every great human being of enormous accomplishment had or has the same 24-hour day and roughly the same life span as I do. What accounts for the difference in output? Well, one thing is natural energy level. I believe that energy is not only life, but high levels of energy are what we call charisma. Some people are seemingly tireless and able to keep the pedal to metal all day long. Most of us cannot.

But certainly another factor in output is focus. Most writers focus on writing, most painters on painting, most soldiers on soldiering. There have been few people like Leonardo da Vinci and Benjamin Franklin who excelled in a number of

fields. It is by choosing what things they will not do that most of the great people have been able to achieve excellence in what they did do.

Even those of us who are not going to make the encyclopedia or become the subject of a college course can benefit from both editing and focusing our own lives. The Franklin Covey system is based on common sense. It consists of setting goals and priorities and then sitting down once a week to apportion your time during the next seven days accordingly. In the "Hagakure," the old samurai advises the young ones to always set aside some time at night to review the day and to plan the next one. It is easy to get caught up in trivial matters while the important ones are allowed to slip and slide by.

The old samurai observed that our lives are constructed moment by moment, decision by decision, like stringing pearls. A 20th-century psychiatrist arrived at the same conclusion. He said our lives are constructed by making decisions that convert possibilities into actualities. Our lives become the sum total of the decisions we

make. In our time, many people and institutions attempt to control our lives in order to pursue their own goals. It's important to understand that and to not allow them, so far as possible, to consume our lives (and incomes) for their own purposes. We can do that by making our own independent decisions about the use of our time and money. Learning to say no is probably one of life's most valuable skills. One trick is to develop the habit of automatically saying no to requests for your time and money. It's always easier to change a no to a yes than to change a yes to a no. I learned that the hard way by too often saying yes, only to regret it later.

Of course, the best way is to decide you are not going to read the complete works of Henry James before you buy the books. That little rule can apply to a lot of things, including marriages. Still, as the old German saying goes, "Too soon old, too late smart."

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Cheney slips into the background

Cheney turned up recently on "The Tonight Show with Jay Leno" and at the closing ceremony of the Olympics, attempting to demonstrate that he is free to come and go from his secure, undisclosed location. He even entertains dinner guests at the vice presidential mansion on Massachusetts Avenue, a few miles from the White House. But when guests go home at the end of the evening, Cheney leaves, too. The only place he has not been sighted is on Capitol Hill, where he was once a regular fixture, twisting arms and jawboning lawmakers to push through President Bush's tax cut.



JACK ANDERSON

Cheney is the first vice president to maintain an office on both the House and Senate sides of the Capitol, and before Sept. 11, he made good use of the space. During the tax-cut debate, senators dubbed Cheney's office the "torture chamber." He would call them in one-by-one to lean on them to support the president. It's fair to say that if Cheney had not applied the direct pressure that he did, the Senate would not have passed Bush's tax cut. The president himself, new to the job, did little lobbying.

Now another big-ticket item in Bush's agenda is being debated, and Cheney is nowhere to be seen. Leno and the Olympics don't count. They are controlled settings, and have nothing to do with pushing through legislation on Capitol Hill, which is what Cheney was supposed to be doing. The energy bill, crafted last year by a Cheney-led task force, is ready made for the veep's personal involvement. Yet he appears to be adopting a laissez faire position.

One possible reason for the transformation in Cheney's role could be security. The administration may have reason to believe there is an ongoing, serious threat to the president and vice president. Keeping Cheney under

wraps is preferable to isolating President Bush, who needs to be visible to reassure the public and project leadership.

There could be a tactical reason for distancing Cheney from domestic legislative battles. This administration appears to have decided that its core priority is the war on terrorism. If Bush gets that right, nothing else matters. Getting tangled up in disagreements over energy policy distracts attention from the war. Bush has framed his energy policy as part of the nation's security needs, but Democrats are determined to fight him on his proposal to drill in the Arctic National Wildlife Reserve (ANWR), and to refocus the plan away from production to more conservation.

Bush is vulnerable on the environment, and Massachusetts Sen. John Kerry, a likely Democratic presidential candidate, is eager to lead a filibuster against ANWR. That would not be positive publicity for Bush or Cheney, both of whom came out of the oil business and have close ties to the industry. Cheney's soft voice and

avuncular smile belie the hard edges of his politics. He is currently embroiled in a standoff with the Government Accounting Office (GAO) over his refusal to release the names of the industry people he met with to formulate Bush's energy plan. Even diehard Republicans wonder at the wisdom of protecting the privacy of these contacts unless the administration has something to hide. If Cheney were to suddenly pop up on Capitol Hill asking for votes and trading favors, he would undoubtedly attract unwanted publicity and renewed scrutiny.

With all the focus on Enron and the misdeeds of its executives, people forget that Cheney is the former CEO of Halliburton, the world's major oil equipment company. Perhaps Cheney has unofficially excused himself from the legislative maneuvering because of his past association. He won't say that. He's too stubborn and proud. That's why he's such a good guest on the late-night shows. He's the perfect straight man.

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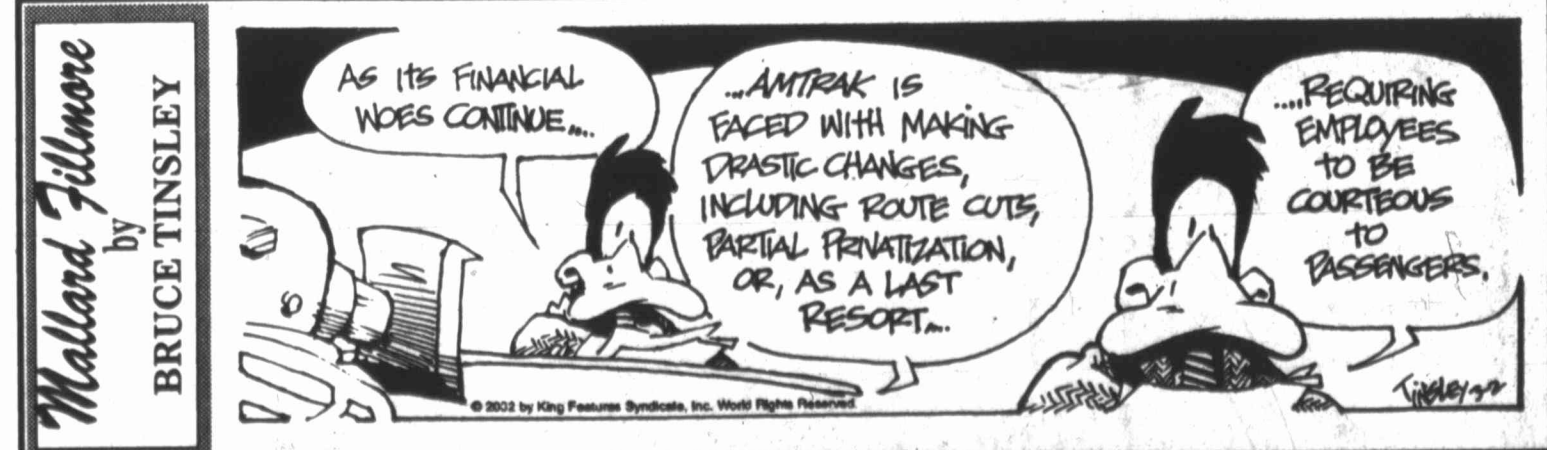
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Democratic candidates for governor debate in English, Spanish

DALLAS (AP) — In a historic event reflecting the large and growing Hispanic population of Texas, the leading Democratic candidates for governor debated in Spanish in a heated exchange that mirrored their contentious primary campaign.

Dan Morales and Tony Sanchez sparred Friday night over affirmative action, their Latino heritage and their past records in business and government.

They first debated in English, and then in Spanish. Both hour-long debates were televised statewide.

The Spanish-language debate was the first time candidates for governor of a state have responded to questions and debated in Spanish, according to the National Association of Latino Elected and

Appointed Officials.

Sanchez, a millionaire businessman from Laredo, went on the offensive as he offered his take on how Morales approaches his ethnic background.

"I think that he's embarrassed and ashamed to be Hispanic," Sanchez said in Spanish. "He has never shown the pride that we have to be Hispanic."

Morales, a former state attorney general, insisted that he was proud to be Hispanic. Although he favored more debates in English than in Spanish and repeatedly said English is the state's primary language, Morales said a Spanish debate was important.

"I'm proud of my heritage," he told reporters after the debate. "But I'm prouder that I am a Texan and I'm an American."

Texas is approximately 35 percent Hispanic, but only about 20 percent of the electorate is Hispanic.

Race and ethnicity came up in both debates, with Sanchez accusing Morales of benefiting from affirmative action, yet denying others the same opportunity it afforded him.

"He went to Harvard. He is the type of individual who does not care about the people below him," Sanchez said during the Spanish-language debate. "There are millions of children that will not have the opportunity he had."

As attorney general in 1997, Morales expanded a federal court order barring the University of Texas law school from using racial preferences in admissions. His decision, extending the ban to

scholarships and financial aid, essentially ended affirmative action at the school.

Morales took aim at Sanchez for his management of Tesoro Savings and Loan in Laredo, which failed in the late 1980s. Morales noted that \$25 million in Mexican drug cartel money was laundered at the thrift in 1983 and 1984.

Sanchez said he did not know about the money laundering. He said he did nothing wrong and that his thrift cooperated with investigators.

Asked by a panel member about his handling of contracts with private attorneys in the state's \$17 billion tobacco settlement, Morales called the case a "tremendous victory" for the state and said every lawyer representing the state performed "valuable work."

One of the attorneys was a friend of Morales' who tried to claim up to \$500 million despite other attorneys' complaints that he did little or no work.

Morales says an investigation into the matter is politically motivated.

Sanchez, who has been reluctant to attack Morales about the tobacco case, commented on the federal probe.

"There's a criminal grand jury investigating him right now," Sanchez said. "He cannot assure us that he's not going to be indicted."

John WorldPeace of Houston and Bill Lyon of Waxahachie also are running in the March 12 Democratic primary but were not invited to participate in the debate.

Ex-CEO Skilling defends himself in TV interview

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former Enron chief executive Jeffrey Skilling defended himself in a television interview and said he might stop cooperating with a House panel that has challenged his testimony.

Lashing back at lawmakers, Skilling accused them of deciding "that I am guilty until proven innocent" in an election year. No one should expect in the aftermath of Enron's collapse that a top executive would have known everything about the company's finances, he maintained in an hour-long interview aired Friday night on CNN's "Larry King Live."

"Does a CEO of McDonald's... close out the cash drawers of every store every night?... You rely on the people within the company," Skilling said.

The energy-trading company careened into the biggest bankruptcy in U.S. history on Dec. 2, brought down by a web of partnerships used to hide more

than \$1 billion in debt and propped up by Enron's own plummeting stock.

Skilling said he could not recall being involved in approving transactions related to the partnerships.

Through his lawyer, Skilling on Friday told the House Energy and Commerce Committee — which is questioning the veracity of his sworn testimony — that he may stop cooperating with the panel's investigation.

If "the tenor of your inquiry slides even farther into a 'show trial' whose only purpose is to convict my client before all the facts are in, then we fail to understand the value in your inquiry," Skilling attorney Bruce Hiler wrote senior members of the committee.

He said lawmakers "repeatedly misstated facts, mischaracterized testimony and... frustrated Mr. Skilling's honest attempts to answer their inquiries by interrupting him at least 73 times" during his Feb. 7 testimony.

Poll: Belief in energy shortage grows, but support for Arctic drilling doesn't

WASHINGTON (AP) — The belief is growing in this country that a real energy shortage exists, says an Associated Press poll.

At the same time, poll numbers suggest the perception of a shortage has not increased support for oil drilling in an Arctic refuge.

The poll's finding that half of Americans accept an energy shortage as fact represents a significant increase from last summer.

The poll, conducted for the AP by ICR of Media, Pa., found 50 percent said they believe the energy shortage is real, and 41 percent doubted it. Only a third felt the shortage was real last summer, while more than half were skeptical.

"If there's not a shortage now, there's going to be," said retiree Richard Buchanan of Massachusetts.

"We're

using up our resources." The shift in public sentiment hasn't affected the level of support for drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. Just over a third favor that Bush administration plan, while more than half oppose it. That's about the same sentiment people had a year ago.

"I'm against it because there are probably enough other sources of energy than oil," said Marguerite Purcell, a medical technologist from Stuartsville, N.J. "I don't think they're pursuing (alternative sources) because of the oil industry and the car manufacturers."

The Senate is set to debate sweeping energy legislation this week. The House already passed an energy bill that would include drilling in the refuge, but that proposal has run into problems in the Senate.

Andrea Yates said she drowned her five children to protect them from damnation, psychiatrist testifies

HOUSTON (AP) — Three weeks after she drowned her five children, Andrea Yates told a psychiatrist that she was failing as a mother and believed she had to kill the children to keep them from going to hell.

"These were their innocent years," Yates told psychiatrist Phillip Resnick. "God would take them up."

Defense attorneys introduced a videotape of the interview into evidence Friday as Resnick took the witness stand in Yates' capital murder trial. Resnick's testimony concluded the second week of the trial; he will return to the stand when the trial resumes Monday.

Yates, 37, is charged with

murder for the June 20 deaths of 7-year-old Noah, 5-year-old John and 6-month-old Mary. Charges could be filed later in the deaths of Paul, 3, and Luke, 2.

Resnick testified that Yates suffers from schizophrenia and major depression that impaired her behavior and thinking, causing delusions, hallucinations and withdrawal.

Yates has pleaded innocent by reason of insanity. She faces life in prison or the death penalty if convicted of drowning her children.

Resnick first met with Yates at the Harris County Jail on July 14, nearly three weeks after her children's deaths.

Resnick told jurors Friday

that from his interviews and a review of police and medical records, he concluded Yates didn't think "what she did was wrong."

"Even though she knew it was against the law, she did what she thought was right in the world she perceived through her psychotic eyes at the time," Resnick said.

Resnick has also testified in the cases of such high-profile defendants as serial killer Jeffrey Dahmer, Unabomber Ted Kaczynski and Susan Smith, who was sentenced to life for drowning her two sons in 1994 in South Carolina.

On the tape, Yates stared blankly at the camera with a clenched jaw, her eyes ringed by dark circles.

At one point in the interview Resnick asked her how she felt about her children.

"I didn't hate my children," Yates responded.

"Did you love your children?" Resnick asked.

She responded after a long pause. "Yeah. Some. Not in the right way though."

Yates said she believed that if she killed her children, the state would execute her, Satan would be eliminated from the world and the children would be saved.

Resnick said Yates began having delusions in 1999 following Luke's birth and attempted suicide twice that year. The voices and delusions again grew intense after Mary's birth in November 2000.

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One American killed, number injured in new assault in Afghanistan

WASHINGTON (AP) — One American was killed and a number injured in an assault on Taliban and al-Qaida fighters regrouping in eastern Afghanistan, the Pentagon said Saturday.

Two Afghan fighters also were killed and an unknown number injured in an operation that began about 9 p.m. EST Friday against members of the terrorist network and non-Afghan Taliban, the Pentagon said.

The casualties came in what a defense official said was the largest ground effort since coalition forces attacked the al-Qaida stronghold of caves at Tora Bora in December.

Also, it was the biggest air mission since January, when warplanes attacked bombed caves and exploded enemy weapons and ammunition for more than a week at Zawahiri — also where intelligence officials said al-Qaida and Taliban were regrouping.

"This mission involved Afghan and coalition service members, but the main effort is the Afghan forces," the Defense Department said in a brief statement.

Not including the latest casualties, four members of the U.S. military had been killed in combat in the U.S.-led campaign that began Oct. 7. A CIA agent was

killed during a prison riot while interrogating detainees. There have been 14 noncombat American deaths, many in helicopter crashes.

It appeared the U.S.-backed Afghans made little headway on the first day of an offensive.

Afghan forces broke off the attack in early afternoon and withdrew, possibly to allow U.S. bombers to soften up Taliban and al-Qaida positions overnight. Heavy bombers could be heard flying toward the area late Saturday.

Even before word of the casualties, the new operation reinforced what the

Pentagon long has maintained — that the war against terrorism in Afghanistan was far from over.

The battle plan called for a combination of American special forces and Army 101st Airborne assault troops fighting alongside Afghan allies on the ground with U.S. bombing support from the air, said Pentagon officials, speaking on condition of anonymity.

The most recent and largest sustained bombing was in January, when warplanes bombed caves and exploded enemy weapons and ammunition for more than a week at Zawahiri —

where intelligence officials said al-Qaida and Taliban were regrouping.

U.S. warplanes opened the new offensive near Gardez, in the eastern part of the country, and were backed by 60 American and 600 Afghans on the ground, Afghan officials said.

The last known ground operation was on Jan. 23 when U.S. special forces raided on a compound where the United States mistakenly believed enemy figures were holed up. The Pentagon has said 16 people who turned out not to be to al-Qaida or Taliban were killed when they resisted. Since then, there have

been small unpublicized raids, said a U.S. defense official, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Coalition troops continue to gather intelligence on pockets of resistance, seizing material and interrogating people during these raids, the official said.

U.S. officials and Afghan sources estimate 4,000 to 5,000 foreigners who fought for the Taliban and al-Qaida remain inside Afghanistan.

"We've said all along that it is not over ... in Afghanistan and that for some time there would be pockets of resistance," Pentagon spokeswoman Victoria Clarke said Friday.

Woman gets life term for killing pregnant niece, removing fetus

YERINGTON, Nev. (AP) — A medical technician was sentenced to life in prison without parole Friday for killing her pregnant niece and carving the fetus from the girl's womb.

Erin Kuhn, 33, earlier pleaded guilty to first- and second-degree murder charges to avoid the death penalty for the June 2000 deaths of Kathaleena Draper, 17, and Draper's unborn baby.

Prosecutors say Kuhn plotted the killing after Draper backed out of plans to allow Kuhn to adopt the baby.

"In over 14 years on this bench this clearly is the most barbaric crime that has ever been presented in this courtroom," Judge Archie Blake said.

Kuhn, who worked in a hospital emergency room in Sacramento, told the judge she had been obsessed for years about having another child. "I was so focused on baby Jeffrey that I did something I didn't think I was capable of."

The judge rejected Kuhn's lawyers' arguments that she was mentally unstable at the time and should remain eligible for release at some point following extensive treatment.

Defense attorney Tod Young said she became fixated on her desire to have more children and be a stay-at-home mother after she developed cancer and had to have a hysterectomy.

President pushes plan for teacher training, recruiting

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush pledged Saturday to work to enlist a new generation of well-trained teachers to help America's children succeed in school and beyond.

Highlighting his education agenda, Bush said in his weekly radio address: "The effectiveness of all education reform eventually comes down to a good teacher in a classroom."

"In our new era of education reform we're asking a lot of our teachers, and we owe them something in return," the president said. "We must treat them as the professionals they are. We must give them our respect and support."

"A good teacher can literally make a lifelong difference," he said.

Bush said America will

need 2 million new teachers over the next decade, and that the budget he approved for this year includes nearly \$3 billion for teacher training, recruiting and hiring.

That is an increase of more than 35 percent over the previous year's budget, he said.

But Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, chairman of the Senate education committee, said Bush's budget "cuts the very programs that recruit new teachers, improve teacher quality and reduce class size."

"Our teachers need real help, not empty words," Kennedy, D-Mass., said in a statement in which he described Bush's education budget as "a severe blow to our public schools."

Bush will focus on teacher recruitment during a trip

Monday to Minnesota, and he intends to feature efforts to improve public school education in a series of public events over the next few weeks.

Aides say they are frustrated that Bush has not gotten more credit and attention for signing a landmark education overhaul bill that stressed school accountability.

The Bush education plan requires schools to test student achievement, monitor teacher quality and close the gap between poor and middle-class students — and white and minority students.

Bush has asked Congress to expand programs that recruit new math, science and special education teachers by forgiving part of their college loans in

exchange for a commitment to teach in poor neighborhoods for at least five years. He also wants to make it easier for people who have been successful in other fields to become teachers.

But he noted that a high percentage of teachers say they feel ill-prepared for their jobs.

"We'll focus on teacher training efforts where the need is greatest — in early childhood education, special education, math, science and reading instruction," the president said.

Through a reading program, Bush said, "We are placing a new emphasis on the most basic of skills and many of our teachers will need training in the best and proven methods of reading instruction."

Slowdown trims list of world's billionaires; Gates still reigns as world's richest person

NEW YORK (AP) — Even the world's richest people feel the sting of a depressed economy and shrinking stock portfolios.

The world's rarefied club of billionaires dropped 83 members this year to 497 as recession and fallout from the terrorist attacks reduced their wealth. The group's combined worth fell to \$1.54 trillion from \$1.73 trillion last year, according to Forbes magazine's 16th annual ranking of billionaires released Thursday.

Among the missing: AOL Time Warner Chairman Steve Case, whose company stock has declined by about half since last year, and Gary Winnick, chairman of Global Crossing, which filed for bankruptcy protection in January.

They led a second year of decline in the number of billionaires since the tech downturn began pressuring the world economy in 2000. The largest drop of 91 came last year.

"Talk about churn, creation and destruction at work," said Louisa Kroll, who edited Forbes' March billionaires issue, which hits the newsstands Friday. "For two years in a row, it's been falling fortunes."

Microsoft co-founder Bill Gates lost \$6 billion last year, but that didn't stop him from being the richest person in the world for the eighth year in a row. With a net worth of \$52.8 billion, Gates remained comfortably ahead of Warren Buffett, who held the No. 2 spot with \$35 billion.

German retailers Theo and Karl Albrecht climbed two notches to No. 3, with a net value of \$26.8 billion. They pushed Microsoft co-founder Paul Allen, ranked

third last year with a value of \$30.4 billion, to No. 4 after he lost \$5.2 billion, partly in the stock market bust.

Oracle Corp. founder Larry Ellison had the fifth spot, while the heirs of the Wal-Mart fortune owned by founder Sam Walton rounded out the top 10.

Only 25 members of the list are under age 40, led by 37-year-old computer founder Michael Dell at No. 18. The highest-ranking rich woman was No. 8, Alice Walton, with assets of \$20.5 billion.

The list was set using stock prices and exchange rates as of Feb. 4.

Among countries, the United States led the list with 243 billionaires, down from 272 last year, with a combined net worth of \$111 billion. One of the bigger losers was CNN founder Ted Turner, now a vice chairman at AOL Time Warner, who lost 50 percent of his net worth to \$3.8 billion. He dropped 62 places on the list to No. 97.

New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg, founder of the financial information company Bloomberg, spent \$70 million of his own money to win his first political campaign last fall. Still, with

assets of \$4.4 billion, he saw his ranking move up 10 places to No. 72, despite losing a total of \$100 million.

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| 4. Allen, Paul G., United States, 49, \$25.2, Microsoft | |
| 5. Ellison, Lawrence J., United States, 57, \$23.5, Oracle | |
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Texas A&M shelves pilot enrollment plan

HOUSTON (AP) — Texas A&M University officials have delayed a plan to automatically admit the top 20 percent of graduating seniors from 250 Texas high schools since legal concerns have not been answered in time for admissions this fall.

"The thought is to not rush this thing and to be sure that if there is a program, it is well-thought out and thorough," Scott Kelly, A&M's deputy general counsel, told the Houston Chronicle for its Saturday editions.

Kelly said Friday that A&M officials may significantly reduce the number of eligible schools to about 100 to try to give the proposal sounder legal and

philosophical footing.

Texas A&M officials have said they hope the plan will make the university more diverse.

In December, A&M regents unanimously approved a proposal for a pilot program to automatically admit the top 20 percent of graduating seniors from 250 Texas high schools that typically do not send many students to the flagship university. Under state law, the university would only automatically admit the top 10 percent of students from other schools.

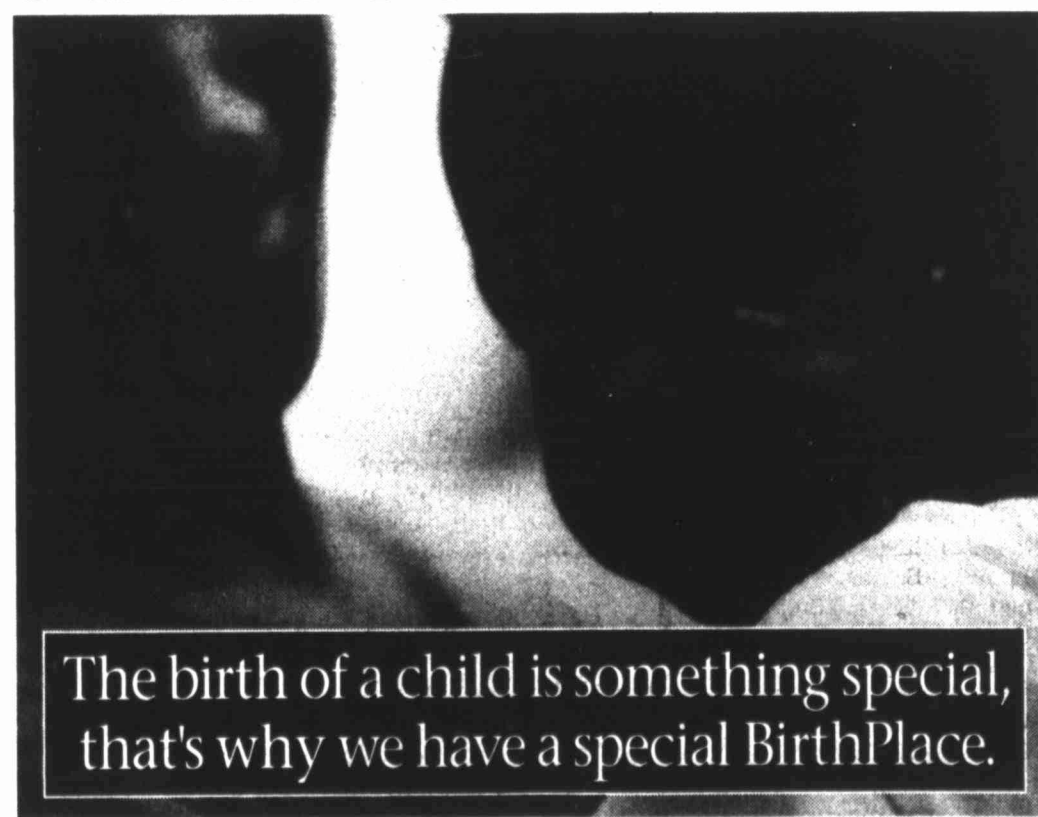
Since most of the 250 schools have predominantly minority enrollments, the proposal was criticized

as a possible violation of the 1996 Hopwood decision that bans Texas universities from using race-based admissions preferences and scholarships.

Texas A&M officials denied that the program was based on race, saying the schools were chosen under criteria they claimed were allowed by the Hopwood decision, such as socioeconomic factors and the percentage of limited English speakers.

Regents informally asked state Attorney General John Cornyn to rule on the constitutionality of the program before implementing it. Kelly said regents would likely take another vote on a final proposal.

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IN BRIEF

Cold weather forces game postponements

Howard College softball and baseball games scheduled for Saturday afternoon have been indefinitely postponed due to bitterly cold temperatures that hit the Big Spring area late Friday night.

The Lady Hawks, who opened Western Junior College Athletic Conference play with Midland College's Lady Chaparrals with a split of two 4-3 games on Friday, were unable to play the second doubleheader scheduled against Midland.

The Hawks, who were also slated to take on Midland College's Chaps at Jack Barber Field, were forced to postpone that doubleheader.

However, Hawks head coach Justin Hays said the doubleheader set for noon today at Christensen Stadium in Midland will be played.

Lady Steers Boosters set Monday meeting

The Big Spring Lady Steers Boosters will meet at 7 p.m. Monday at the BSHS Athletic Training Center meeting room.

Parents of all Lady Steers athletes, cheerleaders and athletic trainers are encouraged to attend.

For more information, call Debbie Churchwell at 267-7538 or Penny Phillips at 263-4847.

Little League umpires needed

Umpires are needed to call Little League baseball games in the Big Spring area this season.

Anyone interested in umpiring Little League baseball is encouraged to contact David Roman at work, 263-1631, or at home, 263-4688, after 6 p.m.

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TODAY JUCO BASEBALL

Noon
• Howard College Hawks vs. Midland College Chaparrals at Christiansen Stadium in Midland (doubleheader).

ON THE AIR

Television

AUTO RACING
2 p.m. — NASCAR Winston Cup UAW-Daimler Chrysler 400, FOX.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Men
Noon — Kansas at Missouri, CBS.
Noon — Regional coverage, teams TBA, ABC.
2:30 p.m. — North Carolina at Duke, ABC.
3 p.m. — Big 10 Conference, teams TBA, CBS.
7 p.m. — Virginia at Maryland, FXS.

Women
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GOLF
2 p.m. — PGA Genuity Championship, final round, NBC.

TENNIS
4:30 p.m. — WTA State Farm Championships, finals, ESPN.

3 p.m. — U.S. Indoor Championships, ESPN.

Lady Steers finish tied for first at Concho Belle Relays

HERALD Staff Report

SAN ANGELO — Big Spring's Lady Steers piled up 149 points Friday, matching the production of District 4-4A rival Lubbock Estacado to share the team championship of the Concho Belle Relays.

Originally scheduled for Saturday, the meet was moved up a day due to the threat of inclement weather. In addition the meet's format was changed to finals only with all competitors being ranked by their times.

With running and field events staged at the same time, Lady Steers head coach Jay Kennedy decided not to enter contestants in the long

jump and triple jump.

As a result, when the Lady Steers boarded their bus to return home, they believed they'd finished as runners-up to the Lady Matadors. However, meet officials discovered a scoring error showing both teams with 149 points, while San Angelo Lake View's Maidens were third with 106 points. Brownwood's Lady Lions were fourth with 104.

The majority of Big Spring's points came in the three relays, where they were first in each event. Cycelye Tuitt, Airianne Brown, Jeneane Richard and KaRissa Magers combined to win the 400-meter relay with a time of 49.8 seconds, while Magers, Tuitt and

Brown combined with Rachelle Guinn to take the 800-meter relay in a time of 1:45.7.

Magers, Guinn, Richard and Brown closed the meet by combining for a 4:11.7 time in the 1,600-meter relay.

Several of the relay participants also figured in the individual standings, as well. Guinn winning the 100-meter hurdles, while Richard motored to first place in the 400 meters with a time of 63.9 seconds. Tuitt added a second-place finish in the 200 meters.

The Lady Steers also got first-place finishes in the high jump and the discus. Brittany Raney topped the high jump field with a 4-foot, 10-

inche leap, while Cierra Butler won the discus, leading a trio of Big Spring competitors that finished in the points. Amber Mays was third in the discus, while Amisha Vanderbilt was fifth.

Vanderbilt finished second in the shot, and Ashley Smith was fourth.

Other important points came from Chelsea Churchwell, as she finished third in the 300-meter hurdles and sixth in the 800 meters.

In distance events, Priscilla Franco finished fourth in the 1,600 meters, while Ashley Martinez was fourth in the 3,200 meters and sixth in the 1,600. Andrea DeLeon rounded out Big Spring's point production with a fifth-place finish in the 3,200.

Dunbar claims region title

By VALERIE AVERY

Special to the Herald

It was an all-Fort Worth affair Saturday in the finals of the Region I, Class 4A Boys' Basketball tournament at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

And No. 4-ranked Fort Worth Dunbar was the team that got its ticket punched for another trip to Austin with a hard-fought, 74-65 win over District 7-4A rival Polytechnic.

Dunbar made it to the regional finals with an 80-52 thumping of District 3-4A champion Canyon. Poly had a tougher time in its semifinal contest Friday with a 56-47 win over 4-4A champion Lubbock Estacado.

Dunbar's Flying Wildcats — winners of the 1993 Class 5A state championship — are making their 11th trip to state in large part due to 6-4 senior post Steven Thomas. The UT-Arlington signee notched a double-double with 20 points and 13 rebounds in the regional title game.

Dunbar, up 35-26 at half-time after a quick 14-6 start behind two three-pointers from 6-1 senior guard Andre Smith, continued to dominate as the 'Cats shot 50 percent from the field in the first 16 minutes.

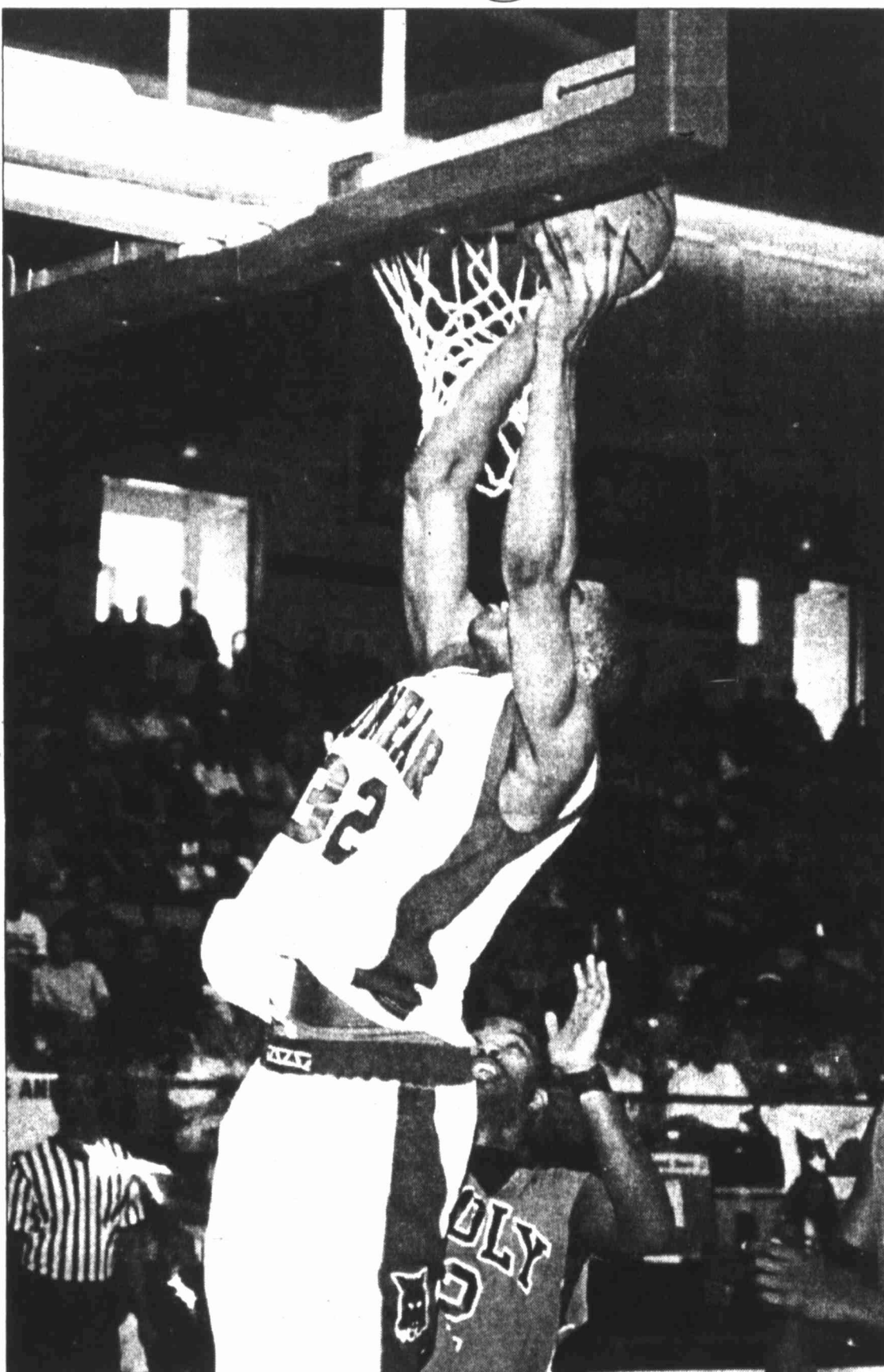
The Parrots suffered, hitting just 23.3 percent and going 7-for-30.

Longtime Dunbar coach Robert Hughes (1,246-245 in 43 seasons at I.M. Terrell and Dunbar, and winner of four state championships — one at Dunbar) said the difference in the second half was Thomas.

"He just didn't get many touches in the first half," Hughes said. "We have to get the ball into Steve Thomas. And he was really inactive in the first half. In the second half, he just got game."

Smith made up for Thomas' lack of scoring in the first half hitting his first four treys. All-tourney selection Smith finished the contest 5-of-6 from the charity stripe and blocked four shots in a 19-point out-p.

The Parrots, who trailed 35-26 at halftime, came to life after intermission as senior guard Dezmon



Fort Worth Dunbar's Jeremis Smith (32) scores from close range during the first quarter of Saturday's Region I, Class 4A Boys' Basketball Tournament championship game at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Smith and his Dunbar teammates will take their No. 4 ranking to Austin next week for the Class 4A UIL State Tournament after posting a 74-65 win over Fort Worth Polytechnic's Parrots in the final.

Harris hit two big shots and nailed a three-pointer to knot the score at 39 with 4:37 remaining.

Sixth-man award winner Lance Jackson, who finished with 12 points, made a field goal giving Dunbar

the lead at 41-39. All-tournament selection Steve Thomas hit a bucket and two free throws for a 45-42 lead for Dunbar after three quarters.

Poly's shooting woes hit them at the start of the

fourth quarter, as the Parrots missed their first seven shots and committed three turnovers. Poly was without the services of starting guard Marvin

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Bulldogettes dominant in Ft. Stockton meet events

HERALD Staff Report

FORT STOCKTON — Coahoma's Bulldogettes didn't have to compete in adverse conditions Saturday at the Fort Stockton Prowler Relays because the meet's finals were canceled due to inclement weather.

But the Bulldogettes had fared so well during the preliminaries that their times allowed them to dominate in the meet's small school division.

And they did that with star sprinter Rachel Williams competing in the division with Class 3A and Class 4A athletes.

Regardless of where they were competing, the Coahoma athletes were impressive.

Williams took first place in both the 100 meters, 200 meters and 400 meters in Division II — posting a time of 12.63 seconds in winning the 100 and 26.7 seconds in topping the 200 field.

And in the 400, Williams posted a meet record of 61.74 seconds.

Meanwhile, her teammates were taking five first-place finishes in Division I, chipped in six second-place performances and added in a couple of thirds and one fourth.

The Bulldogettes swept the shot competition with Casi Thompson winning the event with a 34-2 1/2 heave, while Valerie Cortez was second and Courtney Dawson finished third.

Dawson followed that by winning the discus with a toss of 101 feet, 2 inches. Lauren Nichols was second at 100-4, while Cortez was fourth.

Crystal Atkinson added a win in the high jump with a leap of 4 feet, 8 inches and then was second in the 800 meters.

Atkinson teamed with Lauren Yeater, Mendy Morgan and Sarah Collom to finish second in the 400-meter relay with a time of 55.36 seconds. She, Collom, Morgan and Jamie McCre

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Lady Bulldogs repeat as Class 4A state champions

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Dallas Lincoln once again came to the Class 4A state final with the formidable reputation of the best team with the best individual talent.

And once again, Plainview left with the state championship behind one of the most dazzling individual games in years.

Alesha Robertson exploded for 34 points on 12-of-13 shooting from the floor and Plainview cruised to its second straight 4A title with a 68-40 blowout victory over Lincoln that played like a repeat of the teams' title matchup in 2001.

Lincoln came in with a roster loaded with talent. Six-foot-4 forward Tiffany Jackson is considered one of the top juniors in the country and scored 12 points in what many figured would be her showcase game.

But it was Robertson who lit up

Robertson made 12 in a row and finished one point shy of the 4A championship record and had outscored Lincoln's entire team with just over three minutes to play. She also had a team-high nine rebounds.

It didn't take long for Plainview to dismantle Lincoln's reputation. The Lady Bulldogs shot 13-of-20 (65 percent) in the first half and connected on 11 of 13 free throws. Robertson was 6-of-7 from the floor in the first two quarters for 19 points. Lincoln scored just 18 points as a team in the half.

Chelsi Welch hit a pair of free throws, Robertson converted a 3-point play and Tojijay Thompson hit a 3-pointer in a 10-0 run that put Plainview up 18-10 in the first quarter.

Plainview kept firing away in the second when Robertson hit a 3-pointer and followed with a backdoor layup that made it 31-14.

Thompson then provided the per-

fect Plainview to consecutive state titles.

Fully stretched out on her stom-

ach to grab a loose ball, Thompson rolled it ahead to Sarah Hawk who quickly passed upcourt to Elyse Newland for an easy layup that made it 33-14.

There was no letup in the second half.

After Jackson hit a short jumper for Lincoln (24-6), Robertson answered on the other end and Hawk eased in a layup to finish off a Newland steal on the inbounds pass. Lincoln, meanwhile, struggled to get anything close to the basket, going scoreless for nearly five minutes as Plainview built the lead to 49-20.

Even after Lincoln closed the quarter with a pair of 3-pointers, Robertson answered with her own at the start of the fourth.

Lincoln shot just 17-of-52 from the floor and 4-of-12 from the foul line.

Class 3A Championship
Llano 67.

Sonya West scored 27 points and grabbed 17 rebounds as Llano took

advantage of a nightmarish game from Texarkana Liberty Eylau standout Aarica Ray to win the Class 3A state championship 67-51 Saturday.

West dominated under the basket and was named championship game MVP in leading Llano (32-6) to its first state title. Llano also converted 31 of 46 free throws to overcome 25 turnovers.

Jamila Ganter scored 18 to lead Liberty Eylau (29-6).

Liberty Eylau was considered the favorite with Ray, a Louisiana Tech signee and one of the state tournament's top players. She scored 30 in the semifinals but never found her touch in the final, finishing with 12 points on 3-of-19 shooting before fouling out with 3:47 left in the game.

With Ray misfiring, Llano led 17-11 after one quarter with seven points from West.

Liberty Eylau tied it at 23 in the quarter with a free throw before Llano closed the half with a

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Ellis dunk lets Red Raiders post 91-89 comeback win over Baylor

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Andy Ellis scored 28 points, slamming home the game-winning shot with less than a second left as Texas Tech came back to beat Baylor 91-89 on Saturday.

After John Lucas missed a 3-pointer for Baylor with about 5 seconds left, Kasib Powell grabbed the rebound and passed to Ronald Ross, who missed a contested layup. But Ellis caught the ball in midair, his 10th rebound, and stuffed it in with nine-tenths of a second left.

The Red Raiders (21-7, 10-6 Big 12), completing their first regular season under coach Bob Knight, overcame a 10-point deficit in the final 13 minutes. They remained in contention for a first-round bye in next week's Big 12 tournament.

Tech ran off the court thinking the game was over. The Red Raiders were called back after officials reviewed television replays and determined that Baylor (14-15, 4-12), which has lost six straight games, had time for one more play.

The inbound pass by R.T. Guinn, who had contested Ross' shot and appeared to foul the shooter, was knocked down by Andre Emmett.

Emmett had 27 points and 10 rebounds for the Red

Raiders and Powell had 25 points. Three other players combined for Tech's final 11 points.

Guinn had 22 points, including four 3-pointers, and 13 rebounds and Lawrence Roberts also scored 22 points to break the Big 12 freshman scoring record. Lucas had 19 points with five 3-pointers.

Roberts has 475 points this season, one more than Texas A&M's Bernard King scored as a freshman two years ago.

Ellis' inside basket over Guinn with 2:52 left made it 86-85. That ended a 7-0 run that gave Texas Tech its first lead since midway through the first half.

After Roberts' putback off the glass, Ellis hit a 3-pointer with 1:43 left. Guinn's putback of Lucas' missed 3-pointer tied the game at 89 with 1:04 left.

Lucas had a shot blocked by Nick Valdez, but Tech then had a turnover before the final sequence.

Baylor has led 69-59 when Lucas made a layup with 12:42 left. It was seven minutes more before Ellis made a 3-pointer, the first of the game by Tech, to cut the lead in half, 78-73.

Baylor led 46-42 at halftime, and 3-pointers were the difference. The Bears made 8-of-16 treys and Texas Tech missed all nine of its

long-range shots in the first half.

The Bears finished 14-of-31 from three-point range, falling one short of the school record 265 in a season.

Tech made all three of its 3-pointers after halftime.

No. 5 Oklahoma 82, Colorado 71

Hollis Price scored 23 points and had some key steals in the second half as No. 5 Oklahoma overcame a sluggish start and then held off Colorado for an 82-71 victory on Saturday.

The win gives the Sooners (24-4, 13-3) second place in the Big 12 behind top-ranked Kansas and keeps alive their hopes for a possible No. 1 seeding in the NCAA tournament.

Quannas White, Aaron McGhee and Jason Detrick each had 12 points for Oklahoma.

James Wright had 16 points for Colorado (14-13, 5-11), which has lost six of seven, while Michel Morandais had 14, Nick Mohr 13 and Blair Wilson 10.

Oklahoma made just five of its first 21 shots as Colorado frustrated the Sooners with 2-3 zone defense.

The Buffaloes built a 13-6 lead with 12:45 remaining on a 3-pointer by Wilson

and a transition jumper by Morandais.

Colorado led 22-17 when the Sooners went on a 14-1 run, fueled by Price's 3-pointer and a layup after a turnover.

Oklahoma led 40-31 at halftime and stretched it to 59-47 before Colorado got within 66-61 on a 3-pointer by Wilson and a layup by Mohr.

No. 11 Kentucky 70, No. 8 Florida 67

Gerald Fitch, playing for the first time since being suspended for disciplinary reasons, hit a 3-pointer with 33 seconds to play to give No. 11 Kentucky a 70-67 victory over No. 8 Florida on Saturday.

The Wildcats (20-8, 10-6) secured a first-round bye in next week's Southeastern Conference tournament as the Eastern Division's No. 2 seed, while the Gators (21-7, 10-6) will have to play in Thursday's opening round.

Fitch, who was suspended for the Arkansas game for attempting to use fake identification at a nightclub and then held out of the Vanderbilt game after being reinstated, gave the Wildcats a 68-67 lead.

Florida's Udonis Haslem got the ball underneath the basket but his shot was blocked and he came down out of bounds with the

rebound with 13 seconds remaining.

Cliff Hawkins made two free throws a second later to put Kentucky up 70-67. Matt Bonner's long 3-pointer with two seconds left then bounded off the rim.

Tayshaun Prince scored 13 points and grabbed six rebounds in his final game at Rupp Arena.

Fitch and Marquis Estill each added 10 points for the Wildcats, who have won 37 of their last 38 games on senior day.

Brett Nelson scored 23 points to lead Florida, which dropped to third in the Eastern Division, while Bonner had 16, Justin Hamilton had 13 and Haslem 11.

No. 7 Gonzaga 82, Loyola Marymount 64

Dan Dickau overcame a slow start by making two clutch shots midway through the second half that helped No. 7 Gonzaga beat Loyola Marymount 82-64 Saturday in the opening round of the West Coast Conference tournament.

Dickau finished with 17 points and Gonzaga (27-3), seeking its fourth straight conference tournament title and automatic NCAA berth, won its 12th straight game. The Lions (9-20) lost for the 15th straight time to Gonzaga.

Dickau, the conference player of the year, scored just two points and played only 11 minutes in the first half. He committed consecutive fouls eight minutes into the game.

Dickau had just nine points by midway through the second half, when Loyola Marymount went on a 6-0 run. Andy Osborn made two straight hook shots to cut Gonzaga's lead to 52-46 with 10:05 to play.

Gonzaga's two big men, Zach Gourde and Cory Violette, each scored 16 points and Violette had 10 rebounds. Bankhead and Alex Hernandez each scored 11 points.

McNeese St. 62, Stephen F. Austin 37

Chauncey Bryant scored 12 points, shooting 3-for-4 from 3-point range, and had 7 assists to lead McNeese St. to a 62-37 victory over Stephen F. Austin Saturday.

Ben Perkins added 12 points for McNeese (19-8, 17-3 Southland Conference), which had jumped out to a 34-15 lead by halftime. Percy Green and Jason East each scored 10 for Stephen F. Austin (13-14, 10-10).

McNeese, which finished first in the league and gets a first-round bye in the conference tournament, got 10 points Saturday from Raynell Brewer.

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10-3 run keyed by Micah Milliorn's consecutive 3-pointers.

It got worse for Ray in the third. She missed her first shot of the third quarter and picked up her fourth foul on the rebound.

West converted a 3-point play and ended the third with another rebound and putback that made it 48-34.

Ray finally got untracked in the fourth with a pair of 3-pointers. The second cut the lead to 56-46 but Ray fouled out 12 seconds later and Llano steadily pulled away from the foul line.

Jackie Froehner scored 17 points and Milliorn added 15 for Llano.

Class 2A Championship Buffalo 48, Abernathy 43

Vakesha Turner scored 14 points to go with eight rebounds and six assists in leading Buffalo past Abernathy 48-43 Saturday to win the Bison's first Class 2A state championship.

Turner scored Buffalo's last four points, including two free throws with 14.1 seconds left to preserve the victory.

Jennifer Brock led Abernathy with 25 points, including a 15-of-18 effort from the foul line. But her 3-pointer to tie in the final minute rattled in and out of the rim.

Shoshana Arbor scored 12 points for Buffalo (31-8). Meredith Tullis added 14 for Abernathy (25-9) but fouled out with 2:40 left when her team trailed 40-39.

Buffalo led 21-17 at halftime behind six points each from Turner and Tigre Randle. Abernathy was just 4-of-24 from the floor in the first two quarters but stayed in it on Brock's 13 points and 9-of-12 foul shooting.

Tullis picked up Abernathy's offense in the third with six points on three baseline jumpers before Stacey McGill's 3-pointer maintained Buffalo's four-point lead at 36-32 going into the fourth.

Abernathy, whose only lead came at 3-2 in the first quarter, pulled within 40-39 before Tullis fouled out and Randle hit two free throws to push the lead back to three.

Brock scored Abernathy's final seven points but committed a key turnover when she was called for traveling. Turner then buried a floater in the lane to make it 46-41 with 1:36 to play.

Class 1A Texas Cup Brock 46, Nazareth 38

Nazareth can have its tradition. Brock will be just as happy with bragging rights for a year.

Kenzie Cole hit all four of her 3-point attempts in guiding Brock to a 46-38 win over Nazareth on Saturday in the Class 1A Texas Cup, the mythical championship for Texas' smallest schools.

The University Interscholastic League last year split Class 1A into two divisions and Brock (Division I) and Nazareth (Division II) won their respective state championships on Thursday.

And while Brock (37-2) has just a single state title compared to Nazareth's national record of 16, Brock can claim to be the best of the small-fries at least until next year.

Cole scored 14 points and grabbed seven rebounds for Brock, which made all seven of its 3-pointers and outrebounded Nazareth 37-23.

Nazareth was just 11-of-44 from the field and 7-of-29 from 3-point range. Guard Stephanie Thiel, who has signed to play at Texas, and Wendy Black each scored 13 for the Swiftettes (33-3).

Brock opened up a 26-13 lead behind Cole's three 3-

pointers and a brick wall of a zone defense that held Nazareth to just 5-of-26 shooting in the first half. Nazareth missed its first 12 shots and couldn't get any attempts near the basket as eight of the shots came from the 3-point line.

Nazareth was just 2-of-18 from long range in the first half while Brock made all four of its attempts.

Nazareth resurrected its offense in the third with four 3-pointers, including a pair from Lesley Brockman who had missed her first five.

The Swiftettes cut the deficit to 40-33 on Mandy Hoelting's 3-pointer with 5:52 left and got within five on Black's two free throws with 32 seconds left.

Emily Osina sealed the win for Brock when she converted a 3-point play on a putback layup and free throw for the final points with 21 seconds to play.

Brock's only two losses this season have been to Class 5A Lubbock Coronado and Plainview the 2001 4A state champs.

CLASS 4A CHAMPIONSHIP

PLAINVIEW 66, DALLAS LINCOLN 40
PLAINVIEW (35-1): Robertson 12-13 8-10 34, Welch 2-7 6-6 10, Hauk 4-7 0-0 8, Thompson 2-7 3-4 8, Newland 3-4 0-0 6, Reinart 0-2 2-4 2, Williams 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 23-41 19-24 68.

DALLAS LINCOLN (24-6): Jackson 5-12 2-6 12, Butler 2-7 0-0 6, Sands 3-10 0-0 6, Burns 2-4 2-2 6, Smith 2-10 0-2 4, Green 2-4 0-0 4, Smith 1-2 0-2, Williams 0-2 0-2 0, Payton 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 17-52 4-12 40.

Score by Quarters: 15 21 13 16 - 68
DALLAS LINCOLN 10 8 12 10 - 40
Three-point goals: Plainview 3-11 (Thompson 1-2, Welch 0-2, Robertson 2-2, Newland 0-1, Hauk 0-2, Reinart 0-2), Lincoln 2-15 (Sands 0-3, Smith 0-3, Burns 0-1, Butler 2-7, Williams 0-1).

Fouled out: None. Rebounds: Plainview 34 (Robertson 9), Lincoln 27 (Jackson 8). Assists: Plainview 17 (Newland 5, Hauk 5), Lincoln 7 (Butler 3). Total fouls: Plainview 9, Lincoln 18. A-8,333.

CLASS 3A CHAMPIONSHIP

LLANO 67, TEXARKANA LIBERTY-EYLAU 51
LIBERTY-EYLAU (29-6): Garter 7-14 3-4 18, Ray 3-19 4-4 12, Pettit 3-8 0-1 9, Walker 3-3 0-2 6, Hams 2-2 0-0 4, Ellis 1-2 0-0 2, Chatman 0-

2-0 0, Watson 0-9 0-0 0. Totals 19-59 7-11 51
LLANO (32-6): West 8-14 11-19 27, Froehner 5-10 7-8 17, Milliorn 3-5 7-11 15, Gonzales 0-1 5-6 5, Choate 1-6 0-0 2, Phillips 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 17-37 31-46 67.

Score by Quarters: 13 13 8 17 - 51
LLANO 17 16 15 19 - 67
Three-point goals: Liberty Eylau 6-23 (Ray 2, 8, Watson 0-5, Garter 1-1, Pettit 3-7, Chatman 0-2), Llano 2-4 (Milliorn 2-3, Choate 0-1). Fouled out: Liberty Eylau, Ray, Garter, Ellis, Henry.

Rebounds: Liberty Eylau 27 (Ray 4, Garter 4, Ellis 4), Llano 43 (West 17). Assists: Liberty Eylau 9 (Garter 4), Llano 12 (Choate 5). Total fouls: Liberty Eylau 31, Llano 15. A-5,167.

CLASS 2A CHAMPIONSHIP

BUFFALO 48, ABERNATHY 43
Buffalo (31-8): Turner 6-13 2-2 14, Arbor 5-12 2-4 12, Randle 1-4 6-7 8, Dawkins 1-2 5-6 7, McGill 1-6 0-2 3, Rodell 1-3 0-0 2, Robinson 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 16-41 15-21 48.

Abernathy (25-9): Brock 5-16 15-18 25, Tullis 7-12 0-0 14, Perez 1-8 0-0 2, Davis 1-3 0-2 2, Harmonson 0-1 0-0 0, Riley 0-6 0-0 0, Bryant 0-8 0-0 0. Totals 14-54 15-18 43.

Score by Quarters: 9 8 15 11 - 47
Abernathy 2 11 13 12 - 38
Three-point goals: Brock 7-7 (Kayece Cole 2-2, Osina 1-1, Kenzie 4-4), Nazareth 7-29 (Brockman 2-9, Garter 0-1, Thiel 1-7, W. Black 2-5, Hoelting 2-5, M. Black 0-2). Fouled out: Nazareth, Hoelting. Rebounds: Brock 37 (Osina 10), Nazareth 23 (Thiel 8). Assists: Brock 10 (Kayece Cole 3, Krystal Cole 3), Nazareth 7 (Hoelting 2). Total fouls: Brock 13, Nazareth 17. A-5,346.

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Park debuts in Rangers' 4-3 exhibition win over Cincinnati

PORT CHARLOTTE, Fla. (AP) — Chan Ho Park allowed three hits and two runs in his Texas debut, throwing 51 pitches in the Rangers' 4-3 exhibition victory Saturday afternoon over the Cincinnati Reds.

Park, who signed a five-year, \$65 million contract as a free agent after six years with Los Angeles, surrendered a run-scoring double to Todd Walker and a RBI single to Adam Dunn in the

third inning. Park walked two and struck out three.

"It's the most pitches I've thrown in my first game," Park said. "I would like to throw 100 pitches before the end of spring training."

John Rucker also made his Texas debut, walking one and striking out one in an inning of work.

Herbert Berry broke a 4-4 tie for Texas with a run-scoring single in the fifth inning off Mike Judd. Mike

Young knocked in two runs with a second-inning double, and Mike Lamb had a run-scoring single for the Rangers.

Adam Dunn produced a run for Cincinnati with a sacrifice fly.

Jose Acevedo opened for the Reds. He surrendered three hits and two runs in two innings.

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Spring Training Notes:
• Catcher Ivan Rodriguez

departed Texas camp Saturday morning to fly to Puerto Rico to be with his ailing mother, Eva Torres, who has been hospitalized in San Juan. "If it had to happen, I'm glad it happened during spring training. I expect to play a lot of baseball, but I only have one mother," Rodriguez said. He is expected to return to camp Monday.

• The Rangers scratched scheduled starter Kenny

Rogers from Sunday's start against the Minnesota Twins in Fort Myers as a precautionary measure because of tightness in his left elbow during the past few days. "If it was the regular season, I would start," said Rogers, who is scheduled to make a start Friday. Hideki Irabu is scheduled to start in place of Rogers.

• Cincinnati center fielder Ken Griffey Jr. is expected to be sidelined through the

weekend because of a stomach viral infection.

• In a B game played Saturday morning, Texas defeated Cincinnati, 6-4. Kevin Mench hit a three-run homer off Chris Reitsma in the third inning for the Rangers. Texas scored three runs in the first inning off Reds starter Jose Rijo. Jeremy Gonzalez and Mario Ramos pitched two scoreless innings for the Rangers.

Arkansas buying out Richardson contract

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. (AP) — Arkansas bought out Nolan Richardson's contract for \$3 million Friday, capping a week in which the outspoken coach complained he was treated differently because he is black.

Richardson won the national championship in 1994, took Arkansas to the title game the next year and led the Razorbacks into the postseason 15 of the last 16 seasons. But they are 13-14 this season and could miss the postseason for the first time since his first year at Arkansas in 1985.

Richardson had no comment and referred questions to Little Rock civil rights attorney John Walker, whom he hired this week.

"We believe it's time for a change in leadership for the best interests of the basketball program," said athletic director Frank Broyles.

Arkansas had the option of buying out Richardson's contract for \$500,000 for each of the remaining six years of his seven-year pact. Sports information director Kevin Trainor said a clause would allow the school to stop paying Richardson if he took a job with another school.

The announcement followed two days of talks between the 60-year-old coach and the university, including a session Friday with two lawyers for the school and Richardson's lawyer and agent.

Broyles said Richardson assistant Mike Anderson would take over as interim coach, adding that the school would begin seeking a replacement when appropriate.

Arkansas faces Vanderbilt on Saturday in its final regular-season game, and will play in the Southeastern Conference tournament. It is unlikely the team would make the NCAA tournament, but an NIT bid might still be possible.

Chancellor John White, who had been a Richardson supporter, said the decision was difficult.

"He has made many valuable contributions to the University of Arkansas and has provided exemplary service to causes and charities throughout the state," White said in a statement. "His legacy will last forever, but it is now time to look to the future."

Members of the school's board of trustees were notified of the decision after it was made. Trustee J. Thomas "Tommy" May said he supported it.

"We regret the turmoil that surrounds this decision, but sometimes change is in the best interest of all parties," May said. "I think that Coach Richardson has given us 17 years of great basketball here in Arkansas ... and certainly we all hate that it must end in this manner."

In 22 years as a head coach, including five years at Tulsa, Richardson has a 508-206 record.

At Arkansas, he was 389-169, winning five conference championships — three in the Southwest Conference and two in the SEC.

At Tulsa and at Western Texas Junior College in Snyder, he won NIT and national junior college titles.

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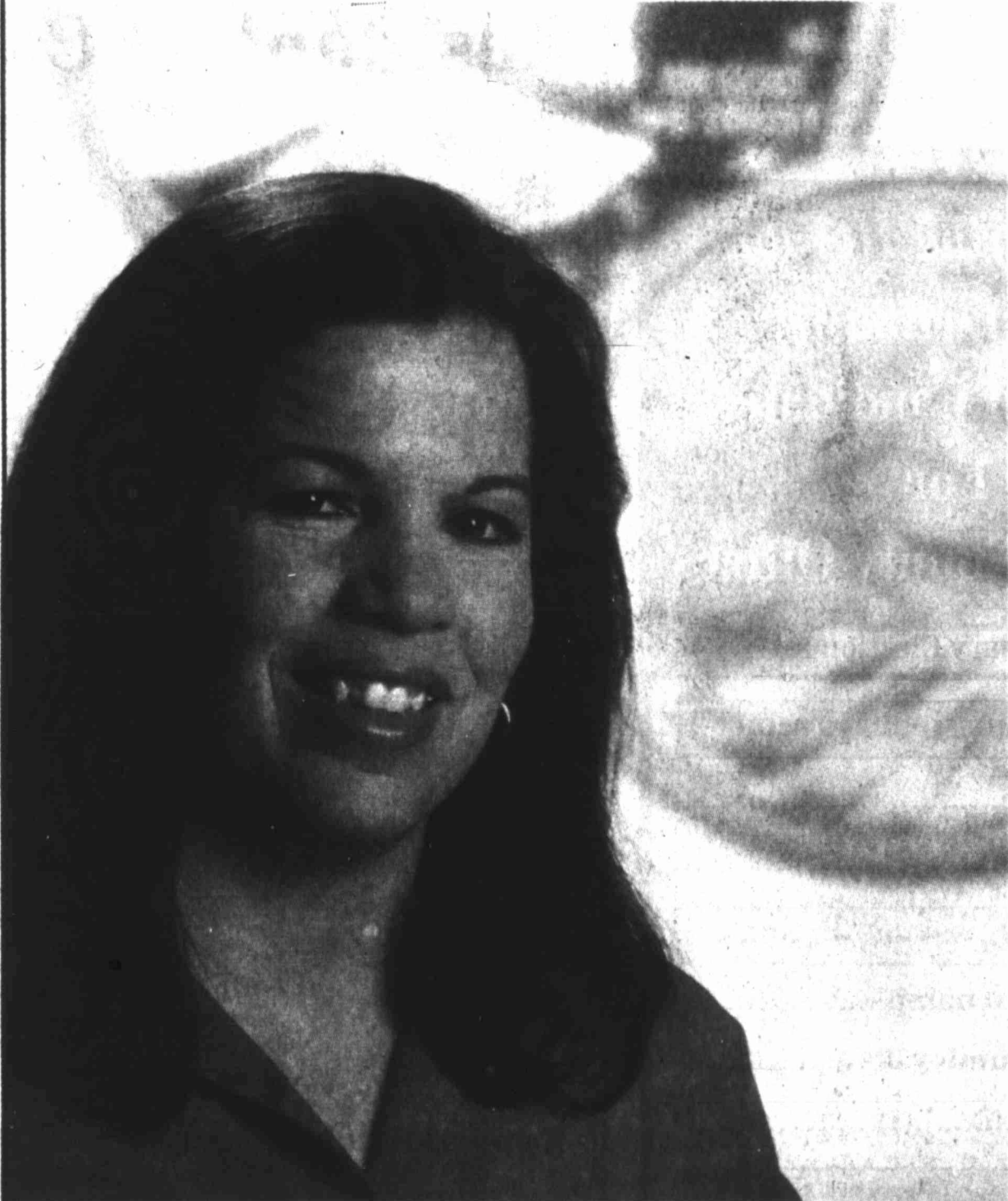
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"These days, people seem to be more aware and more appreciative of the contributions that women have made. The women who have inspired me most are Amelia Earhart, the famous pilot—and my mom. She was in the Air Force and she led me and taught me by example—she's very supportive. I'm proud of her. I'm also proud to be an American woman. I'm also glad that the people at H-E-B really go out of their way to make everything equal for everybody. For instance, because of the open attitude here, I had no trouble getting my job driving an 18-wheeler, which I love."

Dorian Lugo

Driver/Transportation & Delivery Operations
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Women's History Month was created to spark an interest in uncovering the many stories of American women—of all classes, cultures, and ethnicities—who have contributed to the growth and strength of our nation. At H-E-B, we believe in Diversity—and that each and every person counts. We are committed to providing an environment where we respect and value the individuality of each and every person we come in contact with. We invite you to learn more about inspirational American women this month—and every month of the year.



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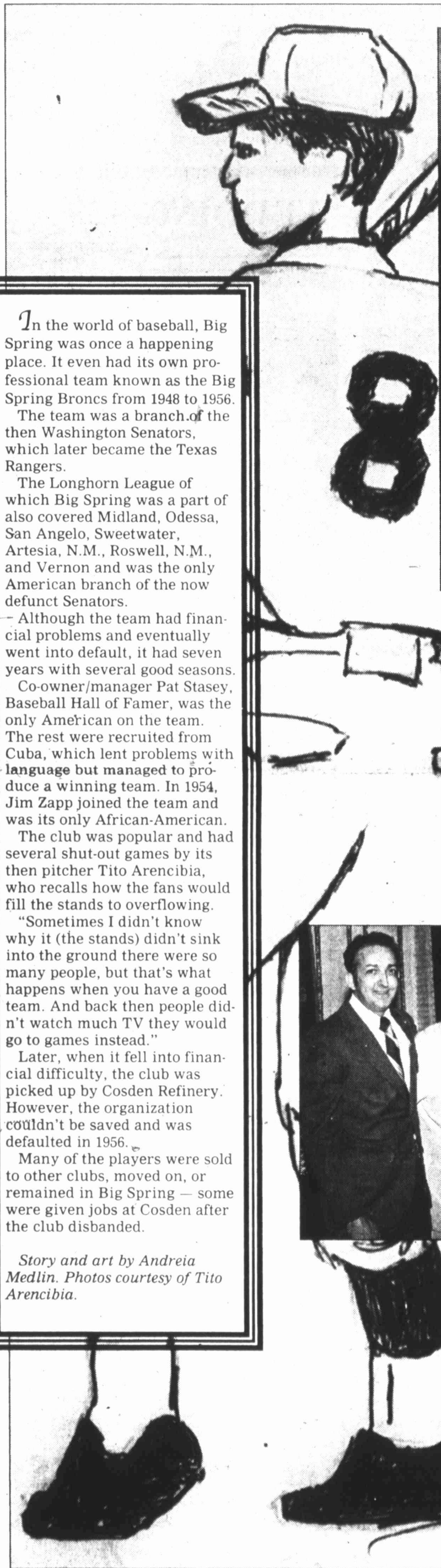
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Big Spring's infamous professional baseball team — The Big Spring Broncs



In the world of baseball, Big Spring was once a happening place. It even had its own professional team known as the Big Spring Broncs from 1948 to 1956.

The team was a branch of the then Washington Senators, which later became the Texas Rangers.

The Longhorn League of which Big Spring was a part of also covered Midland, Odessa, San Angelo, Sweetwater, Artesia, N.M., Roswell, N.M., and Vernon and was the only American branch of the now defunct Senators.

Although the team had financial problems and eventually went into default, it had seven years with several good seasons.

Co-owner/manager Pat Stasey, Baseball Hall of Famer, was the only American on the team. The rest were recruited from Cuba, which lent problems with language but managed to produce a winning team. In 1954, Jim Zapp joined the team and was its only African-American.

The club was popular and had several shut-out games by its then pitcher Tito Arencibia, who recalls how the fans would fill the stands to overflowing.

"Sometimes I didn't know why it (the stands) didn't sink into the ground there were so many people, but that's what happens when you have a good team. And back then people didn't watch much TV they would go to games instead."

Later, when it fell into financial difficulty, the club was picked up by Cosden Refinery. However, the organization couldn't be saved and was defaulted in 1956.

Many of the players were sold to other clubs, moved on, or remained in Big Spring — some were given jobs at Cosden after the club disbanded.

Story and art by Andrea Medlin. Photos courtesy of Tito Arencibia.



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Five of the nine players of the Big Spring Broncs, including Tito Arencibia, second from left. At left is one of the original programs for the Longhorn League All Stars Championship.

Bottom left are Arencibia, Al Valdez, Danny Valdez and Tommy Hart.

Below is an early photo of Al Valdez when he played in Cuba before coming to the United States.



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Big Spring State Hospital Valentine's Day fund-raiser success

Our Valentine's Day fund-raiser was done in the name of love...love for the people who received the red, white, sweet and fragrant surprises and love for our nearly 200 patients at Big Spring State Hospital.

Approximately 500 people were delighted with candy, flowers, decorative crafts and singing telegrams during the most romantic day of the year. And nearly \$6,000 minus expenses was raised to give our patients the little extras, which

make a hospital stay more pleasant.

An event of this magnitude could not have been pulled off without the help of 90-plus volunteers, and particularly the organizational skills of chairman



BILLIE
RUSSWORM

Karen Brewer. Karen spent months organizing, crafting, baking, cooking, planning, calling and asking for donations.

Karen is a super volunteer with great visionary skills.

A few last-minute recruits were enlisted to work late the night before Valentine's Day: Thank you Nancy Crenshaw, Mary Jennings, Johnny Russworm and Terry Jenkins.

One of our recent emphases at the Volunteer

Services Council has been recruiting people who can assist us only on special occasions or when they have free time. Big Spring resident Sue Haugh took us up on our offer and came out and baked cookies, prepared homemade candy and fashioned bows for Valentine's Day.

I'll say one thing about our 230-plus volunteers — they don't like to be idle.

While we were clearing out our office of all the Valentine's Day supplies, the volunteers who are

heading up our largest fund-raiser — the "Denim and Diamonds Gala" — were moving in their working materials.

Big Spring's social event of the season will be April 26 at the Big Spring Country Club. Invitations to the reception and dance we be sent out in early March.

A volunteer workday is scheduled for 10 a.m. Wednesday, February 27, at the Community Relations office to prepare the letters. The invitations

should reach everyone by March 1. If you are interested in Denim and Diamonds and don't receive a letter, please call 268-7271.

We are pleased that Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys will be performing at the dance.

The Volunteer Services Council Board will meet at 12 p.m. March 7 in the Community Relations office.

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Wilda Langford, who works with Wal-Mart Supercenter will join the board as an advisory member.

Hats off to new volunteer Jeannette Thomas, who did a tremendous job with the Valentine's Day fundraiser, and to Debbie Liles, who will be working at The Chalet Resale Shop.

The Chalet, 1107 E. 11th Place is holding a winter clearance sale in preparation of the arrival of spring apparel. The Chalet is a great place to shop and a wonderful place to take items you no longer need. The Chalet also takes household items and furniture. They are open Monday through Friday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

"A Whole Lot of Volunteering Goin' On!" Is the theme of the Volunteer Services State Council's 44th Annual Volunteer Conference April 12-14 in Abilene. Big Spring State Hospital's Volunteer Services Council will be co-hosting the event as hundreds of volunteers throughout the state will join together for fellowship, networking and workshops. The prestigious state awards also will be announced and Big Spring State Hospital hopes to bring home its share. Volunteers who are interested in attending this meeting who have not sent in reservations should do so immediately.

Our Relay for Life team, "Mind, Body & Soul" continues to forge ahead. They will serve a brisket meal at the Feb. 28 Brown Bag Luncheon at 12 p.m. The cost is \$5.00 a plate. Team members already have exceeded their goal and continue to work hard. Their latest project is a cookbook. Be watching for its publication in the near future.

Big Spring State Hospital will conduct a blood drive Tuesday March 26 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Allred Building Auditorium. To schedule an appointment, call Melvin Berry at 268-7372.

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What's cruisin' at the Howard County Library

I was cruising down the Mystery aisle (actually my goal is to start in the A's and go through to the Z's) and found a different "twist" of a sleuth.



HOLLIS McCRIGHT

Elizabeth Eliot is a Friend, a member of the Quaker sect. (If you remember your history, William Penn was a wealthy Quaker who came to America and settled the state of Pennsylvania.)

Anyway, in Irene Allen's book "Quaker Testimony" Elizabeth becomes involved in murder. Sheldon and Hope Laughton refuse to pay war taxes. When the IRS plans to repossess their house due to their debts, the Friends gather around to lend moral support. Elizabeth was to stay with Hope but finds Hope dead of a gunshot wound.

Determined to find the identity of the murderer, Elizabeth uses her quiet wisdom and perseverance to find the person who killed Hope. The Library also has "Quaker Witness" and "Quaker Silence" by Allen.

Do you ever think that Texas has more than its share of oddball people? How many of you have an "eccentric" aunt, uncle, granny, or cousin? Well, Biggie Weatherford would fit in that category. Biggie is the wealthiest woman in Job's Crossing in East Texas and probably would

SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER

MONDAY-Chicken fried steak, potatoes, green beans, salad, milk/rolls, fruit.

TUESDAY-Chicken, noodles, broccoli & cheese, salad, milk/cornbread, pie.

WEDNESDAY-Steak fingers, macaroni & tomatoes, squash, salad, milk/rolls, coboler.

THURSDAY-Meatloaf, potatoes, blackeyed peas, spinach salad, milk/cornbread, fruit.

FRIDAY-Roast, potatoes, green beans, gelatin salad, milk/rolls, cake.

WESTBROOK ISD

MONDAY-Mini corn-dogs with mustard, cheese wedges, ranch potato wedges, fruit cup, milk.

TUESDAY-Frito pie with cheese, pinto beans, peaches, cornbread, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Spaghetti with meat sauce, black-eyed peas, spinach, jello, garlic bread, milk.

THURSDAY-Burritos with chili & cheese, tossed salad, corn, apple crisps, milk.

FRIDAY-Beef stew with vegetables, cheese or peanut butter sandwiches, crackers, banana pudding, milk.

BIG SPRING ISD

MONDAY-Corn chip pie, blackeyed peas, mixed fruit, fruit juice, milk.

TUESDAY-Popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, pears, hot roll, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Mexican jambayla, salad, corn, apple, milk.

THURSDAY-Oven fried

MENUS

chicken, macaroni & cheese, fruit cobbler, hot roll, milk.

STANTON ISD

MONDAY-Hamburger or cheeseburger on bun, french fries, beans, lettuce & tomato, pickles, peaches, hot roll, milk.

TUESDAY-Spaghetti w/meat sauce or salisbury steak, green beans, salad, salad dressing, apple-sauce gelatin, french bread, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Chicken nuggets or steak fingers, mashed potatoes, broccoli & cheese, peaches, hot rolls, milk.

THURSDAY-Baked chicken or meatloaf, whole potatoes, fried okra, fruit cocktail, hot roll, milk.

ELBOW ELEMEN-TARY

MONDAY-Burrito, corn, salad, fruit, milk.

TUESDAY-Chicken fajitas, salad, fruit, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Bar-b-que on bun, chips, veg-gies, fruit, milk.

THURSDAY-Taco/cheese, salad, spanish rice, fruit, milk.

FRIDAY-Cheeseburger, french fries, salad, fruit, milk.

COAHOMA ISD

MONDAY-Cheeseburger, tater tots, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, oatmeal cookies, milk.

TUESDAY-Pizza, tater tots, fresh fruit, milk. Teachers only: Salad or baked potato

WEDNESDAY-Spaghetti w/meat or chili dogs, corn, bread, fruit, milk.

THURSDAY-Tostado or corn-dogs, pinto beans, salad, fruit, pickle spears, milk.

SANDS CISD

MONDAY-Hamburgers, lettuce, pickles, tomatoes, french fries, wacky cake, milk.

TUESDAY-Bar-b-que ribs, potato salad, ranch style beans, cobbler, hot rolls, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Frito pie, pinto beans, salad, cornbread, pudding, milk.

THURSDAY-Burritos-chicken salad, salad, sliced potatoes, fruit, milk.

FRIDAY-Pizza, salad, corn, currios, milk.

FORSAN ISD

MONDAY-Pizza, corn, salad, pudding, vanilla wafers, milk.

TUESDAY-Chili cheese fries, ranch style beans, salad, cookies/fruit, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Cheeseburgers, french fries, salad, pickles/onions, cake, fruit, milk.

THURSDAY-Stew, cornbread, corn, fruit, crackers, milk.

FRIDAY-Fajitas/cheese, ranch style beans, spanish rice, salad, sherbet, milk.

HUMANE SOCIETY



Pictured is Bandit.

Bandit is a sheltie mix and is 1 1/2-years-old. He is neutered and is current on all his shots. He gets along well with other dogs and cats and loves to run and play ball with kids.

He is also very sweet and loveable so come out to the shelter and adopt him or one of his many friends.

Adoption hours of the shelter are 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

The shelter is closed Mondays.

Special note: All dogs and cats presently available for adoption at the

Howard County Humane Society have received their vaccinations, including rabies.

Current adoption prices are \$18 for dogs and \$9 for cats.

All pets come with a two week trial period.

For more information call executive director, Tim Jones or co-managers, Barbara Carter or Suzi Garza at 267-7832.

WEDDING



Angela Sturm and Sean Harper Buchanan, both of Bryan exchanged wedding vows Dec. 29, 2001, at First United Methodist Church with Dr. David Ring officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Gary and Lesia Sturm and the granddaughter of Martin and Lenita Frya and Evangeline Sturm.

The groom is the son of Sam and Linda Buchanan of Big Spring and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Ruggles.

Organist was Mike Mitchell.

The bride was given in

marriage by her father, Gary Sturm.

Maid of honor was Crystal Sturm, sister of the bride.

Friends of the bride carried a single rose to compose a special arrangement. Maria Huff, Kim Yanez, Amy Mayes, Marisa Smith, Licia Robertson, Matt Fleharty, Hollie Shirey, Cara Stephens, Cindy Kilgore, Jennifer Cadena and Kensley Jones composed a rose bouquet during the ceremony.

Flower girl was Haley Land of Garland, second cousin of the bride.

Best men were Andrew Tippen and Ernest Crenwelge.

Ushers were Jason Phillips and Michael Barkley, cousins of the bride.

A reception was held at Garrett Hall.

The bride is a 1998 graduate of Big Spring High School and a 2001 graduate of Texas A&M University. She will attend Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

The groom is a graduate of Big Spring High School and is currently attending Blinn Junior College.

After a honeymoon at Biscuit Hill Bed and Breakfast in New Braunfels the couple will live at Bryan until May when they will then move to Houston.

ENGAGEMENT



Jessica Sanchez and Orlando Olague Jr., both of Grand Prairie will exchange vows April 6, 2002, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Big Spring.

She is the daughter of Mike and Josie Sanchez of Big Spring and the granddaughter of Aida Sanchez of Big Spring.

He is the son of Orlando and Priscilla Olague of Big Spring and Diego and Elva Olague of Big Spring.

ANNIVERSARY

Marvin and Lola Lamb celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Feb. 17, with a weekend at a honeymoon suite in Lubbock provided by their children.

He was born in Quitman, Ark. and she was born in Big Spring.

The couple met in Lubbock where she was attending Draughans Business College and he worked for Southwestern Bell Telephone Co.

They were married Feb. 17, 1952, at a little country church in the Valley View community. It was the first marriage performed in the church, the first ceremony

performed by the pastor, and the first and only marriage for the couple.

They have two children, Donna Love of Big Spring and Jerry Lamb of Lewisville; four grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

The couple have lived in Big Spring since 1955, having transferred from Lubbock.

He retired from Southwestern Bell in 1983. They also owned and operated Big Dipper Donut Shop for 14 years. They enjoy travel and the rock-hounding hobby.

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BIG SPRING Sunday, Michah C to announce her brother Cowan, on 1:34 p.m. Midland M weighing ounces an inches lor parents a Kelly Cow On hand bundle of grandpare (Dodad) Debbie (M of Big Sp (Papa) (Grammar Stinnet. Great-gr Aubrey N Spring, F Gresset of Twila Wil and Eva Lubbock. Paid Chloe Ya girl, born 3:56 p.m. Weighing ounces an long. Parents a and Petra N Grandpar and Cecilia Maitr name SAN ANT tostado. Ye slice of jalap So simple monumenta Back in Ignacio " assembled he had no 60 years la appetizer w his nicknam word. At that t Anaya was restaurant Rudolfo De Victory Ch Negras, Mex the border" says his son Jr. of Eagle As Anaya story, Mam group of 10 wives, wh were stati Duncan Air across the b the Victory senior Anay the cook, action. "My father and he sa quick and fi you." He kitchen, pic grated some - Wisconsin round one under the broiling un browns the pulled them ple minutes put on a slic The name Anaya Jr. s Finan, who WH W Denis Wood o Coahom received he six month pin for the vocational nursing program a Wester Texa College. Monies ho who have first six m studies.

STORK CLUB

Micah Cowan would like to announce the arrival of her brother, Logan Michael Cowan, on Jan. 15, 2002, at 1:34 p.m. Logan arrived at Midland Memorial Hospital weighing 8 pounds, 15 ounces and measuring 20 inches long. Logan's proud parents are Michael and Kelly Cowan of Odessa.

On hand to welcome our bundle of joy were Logan's grandparents, Wayne (Dodad) Gressett and Debbie (Memo) Rieger, both of Big Spring, and Merle (Papa) and Lornea (Grammar) Cowan from Stinnet.

Great-grandparents are Aubrey Neighbors of Big Spring, Faye and Phillip Gresset of Odessa, Jack and Twila Wilson of Stinnett and Eva Outhier of Lubbock.

Paid announcement

Chloe Yasmine Martínez, girl, born Feb. 25, 2002, at 3:56 p.m.

Weighing 7 pounds, 11 ounces and is 21 inches long.

Parents are Matt Martínez and Petra Mier.

Grandparents are Frank and Cecilia Mier and Felix

Martinez all of Big Spring.

Jason Ryan Gonzales, boy, born Feb. 8, 2002, at 11:43 a.m.

Weighing 6 pounds and 18 inches long.

Parents are Jason and Eva Gonzales. Grandparents are Margie Palacios and Rudy and Olivia Hernandez all of Big Spring.

Mireya Alexis Velasquez, girl, born Feb. 24, 2002 at 2:05.

Weighing 5 pounds, 14 ounces and 19 1/2 inches long.

Parents are Andrea Juarez and Samuel Velasquez.

Grandparents are Luz M. Juarez of Big Spring, Frank L. Juarez of Dallas and Elva and Carlos Velasquez of Midland.

Serenity Mariah Rivera, girl, born Feb. 22, 2002 at 11:45 a.m.

Weighing 6 pounds, 10 ounces and 19 1/2 inches long.

Parents are Veronica and Ronnie Rivera.

Grandparents are Marcy and Rudy Rivera of Big

Spring and Gwynette Lozano and Rafeal Ortiz of Midland.

Cruz Martínez Jr., boy, born Feb. 16, 2002, at 9:09 a.m. Weighing 6 pounds, 1 ounce and was 18 1/2 inches long.

Parents are Cruz and Rebecca Martínez. Grandparents are Lu and Henry Sanchez and Patsy Garza, all of Big Spring.

Bethany Natilia Delbosquez, girl, born Feb. 20, 2002, at 2:05 a.m.

Weighing 7 1/2 pounds and was 21 inches long. Parents are Christopher F. Delbosquez and Erica Bustamante.

Grandparents are Mary H. Delbosquez, Frank F. Delbosquez, Elias Bustamante Jr., and Virginia H. Bustamante.

Callie Cate Baker, girl, born Feb. 15, 2002, at 8:10 a.m. Weighing 7 pounds, 13 ounces and was 21 inches long.

Parents are Windy Hale and Craig Baker. Grandparents are Donnie and Linda Baker of Big Spring, Barbara Hale of Big Spring and the late Donnie Hale.

Maitre d's nickname becomes household name for simple appetizer: the nacho

SAN ANTONIO — A fried tostado. Yellow cheese. A slice of jalapeno.

So simple. So delicious. So monumental.

Back in 1943, when Ignacio "Nacho" Anaya assembled the first nacho, he had no idea that nearly 60 years later, this simple appetizer would have made his nickname a household word.

At that time, the senior Anaya was working at a restaurant owned by Rudolfo De Los Santos, the Victory Club in Piedras Negras, Mexico, just across the border from Eagle Pass, says his son Ignacio Anaya Jr. of Eagle Pass.

As Anaya Jr. recalls the story, Mamie Finan and a group of 10 to 12 officers' wives, whose husbands were stationed at Fort Duncan Air Base, traveled across the border to eat at the Victory Club. When the senior Anaya couldn't find the cook, he went into action.

"My father was maitre d' and he said 'Let me go quick and fix something for you.' He went into the kitchen, picked up tostados, grated some cheese on them — Wisconsin cheese, the round one — and put them under the salamander (a broiling unit that quickly browns the top of foods). He pulled them out after a couple minutes, all melted, and put on a slice of jalapeno."

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The name of the snack, Anaya Jr. says, came from Finan, who called the plate of cheese and chile-topped chips Nacho's Especiales.

of cheese- and chile-topped chips Nacho's Especiales. The name was later shortened to simply "nachos."

Anaya Sr. went on to work at the Moderno, which is still in business today, as well as his own Nacho's Restaurant in Piedras Negras.

In 1960, Anaya Jr. looked into helping his father, who died in 1975, claim ownership of the nacho.

"I talked to a lawyer in San Antonio. He said there's not much you can do after 17 years. It's in the public domain," Anaya Jr. says.

As a tribute to his father, Anaya Jr. serves as a judge for an annual nacho competition held in Piedras Negras the second weekend each October. There, nachos are topped with everything from huitlacoche to caviar. But his favorite remains the original nachos like his father made, though he gives high marks to beef and chicken nachos topped

with guacamole.

"That's a whole meal," he says.

Anaya Sr.'s granddaughter, Cristina de Los Santos of San Antonio, says her grandfather died when she was in elementary school. But she remembers the legend of Nacho, and his nachos, as family lore.

"When I was little, my family would always tell me the story," she says. Better yet, when she would go to her grandfather's restaurant in Piedras Negras, he would make nachos for her.

"I didn't like cheese. He always made me bean nachos," she says.

De Los Santos says her father, Anaya Jr., like her grandfather, "makes nachos real good. He makes them the original way."

Though she doesn't have a recipe, she describes the process as follows: Tortilla chips, cut in triangles, are fried in what she calls shortening, not oil. The fried chips are salted, then topped with yellow cheese. The chips are run under the broiler, then topped with a slice of jalapeno.

Although she's a fan of many types of nachos and occasionally orders them when dining out, the ones she gets today taste far different from those her grandfather made.

"The chips are different," she says. "They're not homemade chips like he used to do. Or maybe it's the hands of the chef."

Ambitious artworks appear in unlikely places

ABILENE — (AP) — Lunchtime in the Sweetwater High School cafeteria finds students gulping down food, talking to friends and planning after-school adventures.

Caught up in their fast-paced worlds, students ignore Mrs. Shaw's murals hanging on a cafeteria wall. They've seen the three murals before. They're there. That's that. How much longer until the bell rings?

Though students don't seem to notice, the murals portray a simpler time in education. They have captured an era when phonographs represented new technology and the Bible stood next to textbooks.

Mrs. Shaw's murals, and murals in five other Big Country towns, are some of the area's oldest, most ambitious works of art, and they are found in unlikely places. They are not on display in art museums, but in post offices, a history museum, a district court building and the high school cafeteria.

Mrs. Shaw's murals Lois Hogue Shaw, who died last year at age 104, painted three murals in 1945 to hang in the halls of Sweetwater's Newman High School. They were moved to the present high school cafeteria when Newman was torn down in 1967.

All aspects of school life are represented in the murals — academics, athletics and the arts. Girls are shown cooking and sewing, while boys are grooming a cow and plowing.

Over the years, additions have found their way onto the murals. A flag saying "Seniors 48-47" has been added to the flagpole. A mustache has been penciled on a student. Spit wads have splattered against the murals.

Still, the murals have stood up well. They even survived an attempt by a

new cafeteria manager a few years ago to have them removed to give the room a more modern look.

"They were down for about two days, but there was an outcry in the community for them to be put back up," Principal Terry Pittman said.

Pittman noted that many traditions depicted in the murals, such as the Yucca Gloriosa yearbook and the Pony Express newspaper, haven't changed. Plus, the football team is still scoring touchdowns in the Mustang Bowl, though not in leather helmets.

Baker mural While the Sweetwater murals reflect the time when they were painted, a mural in Colorado City tells the town's history.

The mural was painted in 1959 for the Baker Hotel, then the pride of Colorado City. When the hotel closed in 1968, the mural was rescued from the hotel, now a rotting eyesore.

The mural was in the Colorado City Civic Center until last year, when it was moved to the Heart of West Texas Museum. To fit the nooks and crannies at the museum's entrance, the mural was sliced into sections, but that was better treatment than it got at the Civic Center.

"When it was at the Civic Center, people would tape and thumbtack things to it," museum volunteer Nell Holman said.

Cowboy Dance Many Anson residents believed artist Jenne Magafan disparaged their community when her Cowboy Dance mural was unveiled in 1941 at the post office. Controversy arose because Magafan deviated from the sketch submitted for approval.

A whiskey jug was the offending embellishment placed in the mural's corner.

The town newspaper, the

Western Observer, noted when there had never been an open saloon in Anson and that townfolk consistently voted against liquor stores. That holds true six decades later.

"The mural adds a little character to our building," said Byrd, the Anson postmaster. "It's a treasure we feel fortunate to have in our post office."

O Pioneers Peter Hurd's fresco O Pioneers has been in the Big Spring post office, the Howard County Library and, for the last three months, the 118th District Courtroom Building. At 6 feet by 23 feet and plastered on the wall, the mural hasn't moved, but the tenants of the building have changed.

The mural was out of sight for about two years as the building sat vacant once the library checked out.

If not for the mural, the district courtroom might still be in the courthouse, Big Spring architect Phil Furquerson said. The Dora Roberts Foundation was interested in seeing the mural preserved and displayed, he said, so it provided half the funding to convert the building for use as the courtroom.

The 1938 fresco shows a homesteading family with the inscription, "O Pioneers, Democracy rests finally upon us and our visions sweep through eternity."

Big Spring residents were used as the models for the five people in the mural, said library director Hollis McCright, who wrote a history of the mural. During work on the mural, each morning a 3-foot square area of plaster was applied to the wall.

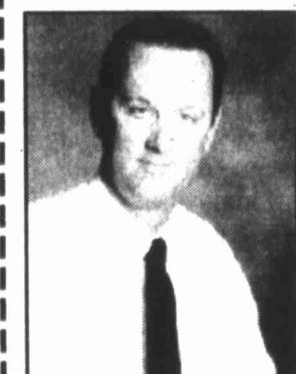
While the plaster was wet, Hurd applied pigment directly to the plaster with water. This allowed the color to crystallize and set into the plaster.

WHO'S WHO

Denise Wood of Coahoma received her six month's pin for the vocational nursing program at Western Texas College. Pinning ceremonies honored students who have completed the first six months of their studies.



Church News and Club News should be turned in by Wednesday noon before the Friday they are to appear and will run as space allows.



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Oilman says thanks to UT with \$150 million gift

AUSTIN (AP) — A retired Texas oilman has dedicated his estate worth an estimated \$150 million to the University of Texas in what is being called the largest gift ever made to a single public university. The donation by John "Jack" Jackson, who graduated from UT in 1940, is a testament to the role the school played in his life, university president Larry Faulkner said Saturday. Jackson, 88, had planned to attend the announcement but was

ill and could not make the trip, Faulkner said. "Jack Jackson is a person who is deeply committed to Texas, the society of Texas, the idea of Texas, this university," Faulkner said. "He has great belief in the very positive effects that this university brought to his life." After high school, Jackson knew he wanted to go to UT. But when he tried to register, he was told to look elsewhere. "They told him that he didn't

have what it took at that time," Ed Fjordbak, president of the Communities Foundation of Texas, said. "He was told to go to Temple Junior College and study there until he was prepared to handle UT." Jackson heeded the advice, returned to UT and graduated with a petroleum geology degree. Shortly after, he discovered oil fields that brought him wealth and used that money to buy tracts of farmland in the Dallas area.

Morris named CEO of Cosden Federal Credit Union on FM 700 in Big Spring

David Morris has been named the new CEO of Cosden Federal Credit Union on FM 700. He comes to Big Spring from Amarillo where he was president of the Amarillo Postal Employees Credit Union. Morris has 18 years of banking and credit union experience. He holds business and master's degrees from

West Texas A&M in Canyon. He has served as director of the Texas Credit Union League, director of the Alumni Association of West Texas A&M and treasurer of the US/Mexico Sister Cities Association. He was the Tascosa chapter of the American Business Women's Association "Boss of the Year."

Reggie Franklin prepares to cut the red ribbon celebrating five years of business for Franklin and Sons, 408 Runnels, in Big Spring. Also pictured are Bonnie Franklin, left, Terry Franklin and Randy Robledo. The company is also celebrating 40 years of business in Stanton. Attending were representatives of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce and the Big Spring Ambassadors.



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New rules

Plain language levels the playing field for everyday consumers

Special to the Herald

Borrowing money is about to become much less intimidating for Texans. Plain language model contracts, written at a seventh-grade reading level, were recently approved by the Finance Commission of Texas for use with signature loans of \$500 or less. The use of plain language makes it substantially easier for borrowers to understand a contract's terms as well as borrower rights and obligations.

The Finance Commission approved the model contracts and accompanying rules for loans of \$500 or less at its Feb. 22 meeting. Within the next 18 months, the Finance Commission will consider plain language versions of consumer installment loan contracts, certain home equity loan contracts, motor vehicle sales financing contracts. "Consumers who enter into plain language contracts are in a much better position to make sound financial decisions," said Consumer Credit Commissioner Leslie Pettijohn. "As an added benefit, the lenders' uniform use of model contracts over time allows consumers to become even more familiar with the terms and conditions of these contracts."

The plain language project is spearheaded by the Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner (OCCC). The agency is creating plain language model contracts for all lenders it regulates, working with a drafting committee of attorneys who represent both consumers and lenders. Effective May 1, lenders who make loans subject to Texas Finance Code Chapter 342, Subchapter F will need to either use the model contract for their loans or submit their own version of a plain language contract to the Consumer Credit Commissioner for review by May 1.

Startling results: clause clocks in at 1,400 percent more readable

Loan contracts are often confusing and difficult to understand, putting consumers at risk of making poor financial choices. Simplifying contracts can have a huge impact: According to a 1996 Ford Motor Credit press release, borrower complaints and questions decreased by half when the company introduced a plain language version of their auto financing contract. A before-and-after comparison of a traditional and plain language contract yields some impressive numbers. For example, the plain language version of a sample sentence has 40 percent fewer words and scores 14 times as high on the Flesch-Kincaid readability test, earning it an eighth-grade reading level designation. A 1992 adult literacy survey showed that about half

of US adults read at or below the eighth-grade reading level.

Traditional:

Upon any such default, and at any time thereafter, Secured Party may declare the entire balance of the indebtedness secured hereby, plus any other sums owed hereunder, immediately due and payable without demand or notice, less any refund due, and Secured Party shall have all the remedies of the Uniform Commercial Code.

Plain language:

If I break any of my promises in this document, you can demand that I immediately pay all that I owe.

Larger loans up next

Up next for adoption are consumer installment loans of \$500 to \$12,000, typically made by finance companies under Texas Finance Code Chapter 342, Subchapter E. The drafting committee plans to propose the model contracts and accompanying rules for these loans at April's Finance Commission meeting and anticipates adoption at the June meeting. Lenders making these loans will need to either use the contract models or submit their own plain language contracts to the Consumer Credit Commissioner for review by Sept. 1.

Work will then begin on model contracts for home equity lenders licensed under Texas Finance Code Chapter 342, Subchapter G. Rounding out the project will be the model contracts for motor vehicle sales financing under Chapter 348 of the Texas Finance Code.

Project background

The plain language project arose from the Sunset Commission's 2000 recommendation that the OCCC require its regulated loan licensees to provide consumer loan contracts written in plain language. The 77th Legislature made that recommendation law in Senate Bill 317. Development of each type of contract takes the drafting committee roughly three months. When the model is complete, the OCCC presents it at the next Finance Commission meeting and then allows at least 30 days for public comment on the proposed model. Adoption will typically take place at the subsequent Finance Commission meeting.

The Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner regulates non-depository lenders in Texas, such as finance companies, home equity lenders, junior lien mortgage lenders, payday lenders, and signature loan companies. The agency's mission is to regulate the credit industry and educate consumers and creditors, thereby producing a fair, lawful, and healthy credit environment for social and economic prosperity in Texas.

Mulching a necessity for most gardeners

For most gardeners, mulching is a necessity that involves questions about what type to use, how much to use and when to mulch. Mulch is virtually any material laid on top of the soil to reduce evaporation and weed germination. Certain mulches have characteristics which make them desirable in particular situations.



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Cypress bark mulch is often preferred because it tends to mat down and does not blow in the wind or float. Larger bark chips will often float away if it rains heavily or the soil is over watered. Shredded pine bark, which is readily available at most nurseries, has done very well. There are many forms of mulch, some more economical than others. An economical way to mulch is to save grass clippings from the lawn. It is best to make sure they are dried before applying them as mulch. Many people also use leaves from their trees. They last a very long time and can be applied in a

very thin layer to the ground. Where mulch is effective, the real question is how deep to mulch. In our area, four to six inches of mulch should be utilized to be most effective. Mulch applied too deeply can suffocate plants in clay soils. Four to five inches of mulch is the depth that is the most effective in stopping water from leaving the soil, and any water that is applied will filter down through the mulch and create a stronger root system. Most gardeners will mulch in the winter season because there is less going on for them, but it is never

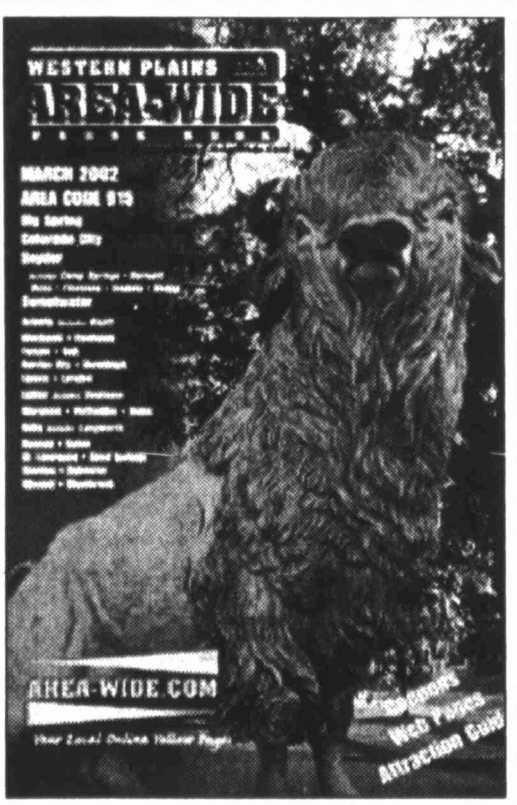
too late to mulch. Springtime is obviously a great time to garden, when lots of vegetables and annual flowers are being planted. This is obviously a great time to mulch. Mulching can prevent some freeze damage in some instances during the winter as well. It is also important for gardeners to periodically check on the condition of their mulch. It is critical to understand that mulch does break down, decreasing the depth of the mulch. Check the mulch in your flowerbeds. If you don't have any, you should put it out immediately.

Tribute to white buffalo highlights newest Area-Wide Phone Book cover

Special to the Herald

A Tribute to the American White Buffalo dons the 2002 Western Plains Area-Wide Phone Book. The memorial to the legend of the white buffalo stands proudly in Snyder's downtown square. Distribution begins March 7. "More than 54,000 of the new directories will be delivered by the time distribution wraps up at the end of March," said Vicki Stout, assistant market manager for the Western Plains Area-Wide Phone Book. The phone book includes listings and city maps for Big Spring, Colorado City, Snyder and Sweetwater with added coverage including six counties and 31 communities. An updated Web Pages section, showcasing Internet

advertisers with their web and e-mail addresses, is located in the front of the book. The popular coupon section and green cross-reference pages are back, along with the attraction guide and calendar of events page. "We think folks will appreciate the popular telephone cross reference section again this year," said Stout. Associated Publishing Company (APC), with headquarters in Abilene, publishes and distributes over 939,000 Area-Wide Phone Books to businesses and residents in 10 Texas markets, covering 65 counties and serving close to 1 million people. For more information concerning book delivery, call 800-588-1756.



Environmental program draws area interest

The Colorado Headwaters Geographical Priority Area (GPA) has met with positive conservation results for private landowners. Producers in Borden, Scurry, Mitchell, Howard, Nolan and Dawson counties have taken an interest in the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) since the GPA was developed in 1999. Participating producers have utilized the conservation technical



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assistance and program cost share through the USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and the Howard Soil and Water Conservation District to carry out conservation measures on their land. The primary resource concerns are aimed at improving water quantity and quality. The program criteria has enabled the GPA producers to achieve conservation applications impacting 127,696 acres. Some of the conservation measures completed have been through the use of brush management, range seeding and prescribed grazing. By establishing these practices, producers have made accomplishments in sediment reduc-

tion to reservoirs, increased water yields to reservoirs and permanent vegetation. Water erosion has been addressed through the use of conservation cropping systems, permanent vegetation and terracing. GPA goals are specified to: 1. Reduce excessive erosion on 70 percent of the cropland and 50 percent of the rangeland in the watershed. 2. Positively impact the storage capabilities of Lake J.B. Thomas, Lake Colorado City, Lake Champion by extending their useful life expectancy by the reduction of sedimentation entering the structure. 3. Treating 40 percent of

the rangeland be re-establishing high quality grass cover. 4. Installing water erosion control measures on 70 percent of the cropland in the watershed. 5. Reduce nutrient loading by 50 percent. Eligible cost-share practices are all structural and vegetative practices that will meet NRCS technical standards and specifications. EQIP contracts range from five to 10 years. All the practices will be eligible for a maximum of 75 percent of the established average cost of the practice. Producers interested in submitting an application for EQIP should contact Eddy Spurgin at the USDA-NRCS field office in Big Spring or call 267-1871.

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Arguio, Priscilla...
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Arredondo, David...
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Arnold, Chrystal...
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711, Odessa...
Arvizto, David...
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Aguilar, Yolanda...
Avina, Lorie...
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Ballard, Kimme...
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Way South, Richardson...
Chavarria, Pedro...
Chavera, Arnulfo...
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Chism, John...
Christensen, Gary...
Big Spring...
Cisneros, Ramon...
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Cortez, Gustavo...
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Crick, Don...
Crossman, Ashley...
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Cruz, Caesar...
Dagle, Marvin...
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Dawson, Stacey...
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Dean, William...
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Dearick, David...
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DeJesus, Bobbie...
Diaz, Nelba...
Drive, Austin...
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Edgington, Rodger...
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Edwards, Cheyenne...
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Edwards, Henry...
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Elliott, Amy...
Ellis, Samuel...
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Elison, Charles...
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Flores, Nancy...
Flores, Irene...
Flores, Isaac...
Flores, Richard...
Ford, Paul...
Fowler, Sharon...
French, Ellen...
French, Linda...
Fuller, John...
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Garcia, Ricky...
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Garrett, Chesley...
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Lengua...
Gibson, Nicole...
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Gilbert, Jody...
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Gomez, Cheri...
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Gonzales, Cerissa...
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Gonzales, Eunice...
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Gonzales, Frank...
Gonzalez, Carlos...
Stanton...
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Anderson, Tonya, 244 W. Loop N., 250 No. 611, Midland
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Arguio, Prissiliana H., 12th Street, Apt. 22, Seagraves
Armentarez, Senaida, 510 Abrams, Big Spring
Arnold, Chrystal Lorraine, 9614 Dixon, Lubbock
Arnold, Thyrta, 2201 Rocky Lane Road No. 711, Odessa
Arzoo, David R., USS Yprkton (CG48), FPO AA
Aguilar, Yolanda, P.O. Box 1411, Lamesa
Avena, Loree, 901 Scurry, Big Spring
Balderaz, Bernard, 3304 W. 80 Apt. 44, Big Spring
Ballard, Kimmie C., 521 E. Mission, Crowley
Banks, Ivy R., 291 Scarborough No. 409, Conroe
Barragan, Martina, 509 N. Fifth, Lamesa
Batchelor, Dana, 2300 S. Eighth No. 24, Lamesa
Beck, Linda, 1713 Worley Rd., Banner Elk, N.C.
Beli, Joshua, 1962 Tuscola, Snyder
Bennett, Amber Brooke, 900 Southeast 3001, Andrews
Bennett, William Brent, 5502 County Road 6300, Lubbock
Benton, Forest Eugene, 111 W. 19th St., Big Spring
Bochnicka, John, 538 Westover No. 260, Big Spring
Botello, Marlene, 2004 Nolan, Big Spring
Bowers, Delores "Juanita", P.O. Box 924, Big Spring
Brown, Jason, 1510 Johnson, Big Spring
Brown, Robbie, 1106 1/2 N. Main, Lamesa
Browne, Amy N., P.O. Box 737, Coahoma
Bryan, Randy, P.O. Box 783 or 317 W. CR 112, Snyder
Bullard, Charles B., 307 Allen St., Copperas Cove
Bullard, James, 202 Fourth, Palestine
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Calcutt, Gloria, 1104 N. Bell Drive, Big Spring
Cantu, Pete J., 2605 Enti, Big Spring
Cantu, Sherice Hasty, 8094 Magnolia, Sao Angelo
Capellito, Rebecca, 3102 40th St., Snyder
Carl, Curtis, P.O. Box 390, Big Spring
Carpenter, Oren R., P.O. Box 736, Colorado City
Carrillo, Florencio, 1600 Kentucky Way, Big Spring
Carrisalez, Mary Helen, 903 Ave. O, Snyder
Carter, Mrs. M., HC 71, Box 73 or P.O. Box 2771, Coahoma
Carter, Terry, P.O. Box 2771 or 151 11th Place, Big Spring
Cavazos, Anthony, 2435 N. Central Express Way, South Richardson
Chavarrina, Pedro, 1210 Marip, Big Spring
Chavera, Arnulfo Jr., 1810 Mingo, Big Spring
Chavera, Arnulfo Sr., 1111 E. Fourth St., Big Spring
Chavez, Angel (Amber), 508 Aylesford, Big Spring
Chavez, Susan, P.O. Box 494, Big Spring
Chism, John, 4105 Dixon, Big Spring
Christensen, Gary Don, 2717 Central Drive, Big Spring
Cisneros, Ramon, 623 McEwen, Big Spring
Clabough, Kerme, 2613 N. Midland, Roswell, N.M.
Clark, Edward, 65345 FM 444, Colorado City
Clark, Stanley L., 1901 Eubanks Road, Big Spring
Cochran, Lacy D., 538 Westover Road, Big Spring
Cole, Dale, P.O. Box 877, Coahoma
Cole, Tamme Colleen, 3608 23rd St., Lubbock
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Cooper, Melody Ann, P.O. Box 391, Coahoma
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Cortez, Gustavo, 206 Carver Drive, Roswell, N.M.
Cox, Donna Lynn, 1607 State, Big Spring
Crick, Don, 186 Las Lomas, Rio Grande City
Crossman, Ashley, 634 Tulsa Road, Big Spring
Crow, Cindy, 1310 Tucson, Big Spring
Cruz, Caesar Santa, P.O. Box 344, Van Horn
Daigle, Marvin Keith, 1403 Park, Big Spring
Davenport, Russell E., 1300 S. Taylor, Amarillo
Dawson, Stacey Lee, 2101 Johnson St., Big Spring
Dean, William Joseph, 5726 Ranch Road 33, Big Spring
Deanick, David Wayne, 1707 Morrison, Big Spring
DeBlanc, Roy E., 1066 Cutler Road, Osyka, Miss.
DeJesus, Bobbie, 904 E. 14th St., Big Spring
Diaz, Nelba Delrosino, 10600 McMillan Drive, Austin
Dickson, Krista A., 6917 Todd, Sachse
Dodson, Jimmy, 405 51st St., Snyder
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Edmonson, Doyle Dee Jr., 1741 Purdue, Big Spring
Edwards, Cheyenne R., 3705 Connally or HC 76 Box 136C, Big Spring
Edwards, Henry Franklin, 615 Snyder, Big Spring
Egan, Lance, 3109 Peyton Ave., Snyder
Elliott, Amy, 408 Sleepy Top, Glenn Heights
Ellis, Samuel Jack, 3304 W. Highway 80 No. 48, Big Spring
Elison, Charles Wesley, 3906 Connally, Big Spring
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Fields, Nancy, 1204 Lindberg, Big Spring
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Flores, Isaac Jr., 841 Carver St., Abilene
Flores, Richard, 603 N. Eighth St., Lamesa
Ford, Paul, 501A W. Kiowa, Hobbs, N.M.
Fowler, Sharon Kay, 1711 Alabama
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Fuller, Johnnie, 3801 23rd St., Snyder
Futrelle, Deborah, 2515 Fairchild, Big Spring
Galindo, Linda, 4675 Oakwood No. 332, Odessa
Gambao, Steven Valencia, 4000 W. Highway 80 No. 1, Big Spring
Garay, Juan D., 517 Royal Crest Drive, Mesquite
Garcia, Gloria H., 1510 Av. R Apt. 4, Lubbock
Garcia, Jerardo H., 5101 N. A Street No. 103, Midland
Garcia, Michael W., 538 Westover Road or 1203 Stanford, Big Spring
Garcia, Noe, P.O. Box 181, Loran
Garcia, Petra, 609 1/2 N. Avenue P, Lamesa
Garcia, Ricky, 500 25th St., Snyder
Garby, Danny, 1911 Hudson Ave., Midland
Garrett, Chesley Wayne, 2611 E. 24th, Big Spring
Garza, Angel A., 501 E. 15th, Big Spring
Garza, Priscilla Gutierrez, P.O. Box 42, Lenorah
Gibson, Nicole Marie Ivie, 605 W. 17th St., Big Spring
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Gonzales, Eunice Torres, 1607 Tucson, Big Spring
Gonzales, Frank Jr., 704 N. Elgin, Lamesa
Gonzalez, Carlos P., 403 N. Bougard, Stanton
Gonzalez, Edna R., 501 N. 12th St., Lamesa
Greco, Benjamin, 2609 Wasson Road No. 38, Big Spring
Green, Cody, P.O. Box 1348, Big Spring
Gruza, John, 914 E. Sixth St., Big Spring
Guttery, Melissa, 3310 S.F. Austin, No. 58, Brownwood

Resendez, Guadalupe, 945 Clifford, Odessa
Reynolds, Elton R., P.O. Box 1142, Colorado City
Rich, Larry D., 1909 Lindley, Graham
Rieser, Katherine, 2105 Gilmore Ave., Snyder
Riggins, Beila M., P.O. Box 1292, Snyder
Riley, Shawn, 710 E. 13th St. or 4409 Elder, Big Spring
Rios, Fidel, 1219 San Felipe, Alice
Rivera, Krishna N., 2020 Mattie Woods La, Colorado City
Roach, Gene D., 1685 W. Mt. Springs Road, Cabot, Ark.
Roberts, Doris P., 3303 Auburn, Big Spring
Roberts, Mrs. Raymond, P.O. Box 251, Garden City
Roberts, Rosa Rangel, P.O. Box 2785, Big Spring
Rocha, Elena, 1507 Ave. E., Snyder
Rocha, Luis, 2281 Waco St. Apt. 22, Snyder
Rocha, Vicki H. (Virginia), 2208 26th St., Big Spring
Rodriguez, Gloria, 3313 Cuthbert, Midland
Rodriguez, Nancy, 306 N.E. 11th St., Big Spring
Rodriguez, Joel, 1601 E. Third, Big Spring
Roe, Alvin Sr., P.O. Box 373, Robert Lee
Romolo, Joshua Karian, 2609 Wasson Road No. 42, Big Spring
Rosales, Chris, P.O. Box 216, Odessa
Rudd, Matt A., 17059 Hwy 46, W. Lot, Spring Branch
Rudd, Jesse Jr., 1303 Garda Big Spring
Salinas, Elizabeth, 1303 N. First St., Lamesa
Sanchez, Debbie Ann, 538 Westover #260, Big Spring
Sanchez, Lisa Marie, 2010 26th St., Lubbock
Sanchez, Stephen, 4419 Humble, Odessa
Sanders, Handolph K., 110 460 Grenway Rd., Kingsford Heights
Sandoval, Stephanie, 6213 Augusta National Drive, Austin
Savies, Christopher Shane, 202 W. Sixth St., Fort Worth
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Seivera, Joey, 2006 Ave. L, Snyder
Serna, Jeannette, 6 Eagle Pt., Roswell, N.M.
Simpson, Karla, 3527 102nd St., Lubbock
Singleton, Teresa, 1701 Rannels, Big Spring
Smales, Gary Lee Jr., 1705 Alabama, Big Spring
Smith, Allan Lee, 2104 Morrison, Big Spring
Smith, Carol, 2566 Sirmmons Ave., Abilene
Smith, Jeremy Ryan, 4405 N. Garfield No. 613, Midland
Smith, Mary, 303 S. Main, Big Lake
Smith, Rosemary, 711 E. 15th, Big Spring
Sois, Reynaldo, 1306 N. 9th St., Lamesa
Sparks, Jersey, 5115 FM 1205, Coahoma
Speights, Wanda, 3601 Andrews Highway, Odessa
Stanhope, Stella, 1315 Mulberry, Big Spring
Stanton, Elvis Eugene, 1806 Winston or 609 Hobert, Big Spring
Stapp, Katrina, 5509 Longshore, Big Spring
Stockard, Marvin, 2401 E. Marcy No. 103, Big Spring
Stone, Marsha A., 820 S. Meridian, Oklahoma City
Storck, Ronald, 1303 Baylor, Big Spring
Stroman, David A., P.O. Box 50221, Amarillo
Suter, Kimberly, 43115, Esmond Drive No. 811, Odessa
Sweeney, Timothy A., 538 Westover Road No. 239, Big Spring
Taylor, Joshua Eric, P.O. Box 120, Coahoma
Terry, Rebecca Jane, 2206 Nolan St., Texilo, Shan, 2609 Wasson Road No. 5, Big Spring
Thomas, James Russell, 3102 N. Muskogean, Odessa
Thompson, James Patrick, 2106 Forest Oak Lane, Lake Jackson
Thompson, Sharon A., 3210 Drexel, Big Spring
Thompson, Theresa L., 120 Wallace St., Colorado City
Timmerman, Angela M., 5280 Professional Drive, Apt. 347, Wichita Falls
Tomlin, Christopher Lance, 2609 Wasson Drive No. 25B, Big Spring
Torres, Christine, 2101 Lakeview, Circle, Lewisville
Torres, Ponciano III, 4201 S. Austin St. Apt. B, Midland
Torres, Cynthia, Rt. 5, Box 166M, Kilgore, Tm. Matt, 2808 23rd St., Snyder
Trubon, Evangeline, 406 E. Cedar, Midland
Urbe, G. Gina, P.O. Box 123, Big Spring
Valdez, Teresa, 2324 10th St., Lubbock
Valenzuela, Maria, 1466 Lillias St., Abilene
Valenzuela, Mary T. L., 3008 E. Rio Grande, Victoria
Valle, Amado Gonzales, 118 Davis Road, Big Spring
Velasquez, Jose Olger, 1605 Glenwood Drive, Midland
Vek, Eugene, 1007 Wood, Big Spring
Velazquez, Vital L., 2023 W. 6th, Odessa
Vidalas, Shawn Lee, 1205 N. Lincoln, Odessa
Viera, Meliton, 1303 Lamar Ave., Big Spring
Viera, Preciliano III, 1425 E. Sixth St., Big Spring
Villa, Manuela L., 1218 W. 3rd, Big Spring
Villafraico, Feissa, 301 E. Peck, Midland
Villarejo, Paul, 206 SW Ave. N, Seminole
Wagner, Cynthia, 1406 Anson Ave., Abilene
Walde, Elene, 4503 Versailles Dr., Midland
Waldo, Dwight, 3405 E. Hwy 35, San Angelo
Ward, Sam, Route 3, Box 278A, Colorado City
Ward, Thomas, 405 Max St., Spur
Watson, Shawn, 139 Normal Ave. Apt. D11, Kutzowen, Pa.
Watson, Steven, 2306 Thorpe Road, Big Spring
Watson, Tommy D., 2613 Dow Drive, Big Spring
Welch, J.B., 3311 SCR 1206, Midland
Westmoreland, Myron Deway, 1000 Gotland, Big Spring
Wilburn, Fred, 3307 Drexel, Big Spring
Wilkinson, Donald, Scott, P.O. Box 5253, Uvalde
Williams, Jason, Lima Co., 315 Wpnis, Camp Pendleton, Calif.
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Willis, Marva Dean, 2802 S. County Road 1082, Midland
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Wlrges, Joseph A. IV, 53893 Way, N.

Bloomfield, Nev
Woodfin, Anna E., 2609 Wasson No. 38, Big Spring
Wren, Gregory S., 9532 Desert Hill Lane, El Paso
Ybanez, Lucia C., P.O. Box 1393, Lamesa
Zellis, Tamika E., 4775 Oakwood No. 509, Odessa
District Court Filings
Camilo C. Garza Jr. vs. Felicia Chavarrina Garcia, divorce
Sears, Roebuck and Co. vs. Tony Uranga, foreign
Calvin McLeod vs. San Juanita McLeod, divorce
Cathy Ann Schleich vs. Roger Eugene Schleich, divorce
Pedro L. Dear vs. Kelly W. Dear, divorce
Bobby O. Ortega vs. Kathy D. Ortega, divorce
Susan Gail Castaneda vs. Martin G. Castaneda, divorce
WFS Financial Inc. vs. Gilbert W. Senter, accounts, notes and contracts
Michael Becker vs. Vickie Chehovits, injuries and damages - motor vehicle
Mary Flores vs. Luis A. Flores, divorce
Jerry Shaw and Joy Shaw vs. Rheem Manufacturing Co. and Timmco Corp., injuries and damages
Martha Crenshaw vs. Al Long, family protective order
Cecilia K. Barber vs. State Office of Risk Management other
Stacey L. Penny vs. Carlos Rodriguez Penny, family non-support
San Juanita McLeod vs. Calvin McLeod, family protective order
Desirae Lauren Savell vs. Eladio Lopez Zubiate, family paternity/legitimation
Erlinda R. Hernandez vs. Carlos Hernandez, family paternity/legitimation
Leascomm Corp. vs. Jimmy G. Hopper d/b/a Jimmy G. Hopper Enterprises, foreign
Katherine Scott vs. Toby Billy Sr., family paternity/legitimation
Rafael Almudova vs. Dayco Products Inc., injuries and damages
Brenda Gutierrez vs. Silberio Gutierrez, divorce
Ackerly Oil Company Inc. d/b/a Tro Fuels vs. Mariano Gonzales d/b/a M. Gonzales Trucking, accounts, notes and contracts
County Court Rulings
Judgment and Sentence, Anthony Keith Sneed, Failure to identify, \$250 fine, \$310.25 court costs, 30 days in jail
Revocation of Probation, Juan Jose Rodriguez, Possession of Marijuana two to four ounces, \$300 fine, \$360.25 court costs, 16 days in jail
Revocation of Probation, Charlie Jake Turner, Driving While License Invalid, \$250 fine, \$360.25 court costs, 15 days in jail
Revocation of Probation, Richard Brandon Hailford, Assault/Family Violence, \$500 fine, \$360.25 court costs, 90 days in jail
Probated Judgment, Francis M. Overton, Possession of Marijuana under two ounces, \$750 fine, \$260.25 court costs, 24 hours community service, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, six months probation)
Probated Judgment, Health Davis, Driving While Intoxicated, \$1,500 fine, \$275.25 court costs, 24 hours community service, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, six months probation)
Probated Judgment, Jose Luis Menoz, Driving While License Suspended, \$250 fine, \$260.25 court costs, 24 hours community service, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, six months probation)
Revocation of Probation, James Turbbo, Unlawfully Carrying a Weapon, \$250 fine, \$360.25 court costs, 90 days in jail
Probated Judgment, Simon Martin Sanchez, Driving While Intoxicated, \$1,500 fine, \$276 court costs, 24 hours community service, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, 12 months probation)
Judgment and Sentence, Martin Alvarado, Burglary of a Vehicle, \$500 fine, \$311 court costs, 60 days in jail
Probated Judgment, Roland Vasquez, Display Fictitious Motor Vehicle Inspection Certificate, \$250 fine, \$261 court costs, 24 hours community service, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, six months probation)
Judgment and Sentence, James D. Turbbo, Evading Arrest, \$250 fine, \$261 court costs, 90 days in jail
Probated Judgment, Marc Wesley Schmidt, Possession of Marijuana under two ounces, \$300 fine, \$261 court costs, 24 hours community service, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, six months probation)
Probated Judgment, Philip Arnold Price, Driving While Intoxicated - Second Offense, \$2,500 fine, \$275.25 court costs, license suspended for 365 days, 80 hours community service, 10 days weekend confinement, automobile alcohol detection device, 365 days in jail (jail time suspended, 24 months probation)
Judgment and Sentence, Derrick D. Wilbert, Possession of Marijuana under two ounces, \$300 fine, \$261 court costs, 180 days in jail (jail time suspended, six months probation)
Judgment and Sentence, Juan Paul Garza

Guerra, C&Capital Relocation Inc. Property Lot 2 Bk. 17, College Park Estates No. 2, Date filed Feb. 8, 2002
Grantor: Chuck Rosenbaum, Grantee: Juan L. Guevara and Elisa S. Guevara, Property N45 feet of the S/90 feet of Lots 4 and 6, Bk. 16, Cole and Strayhorn Addition, Date filed Feb. 11, 2002
Grantor: Don C. Finkenbinder, Grantee: Lee Harris, Property Lot 8, Bk. 34, College Heights Addition, Date filed Feb. 11, 2002
Grantor: Sandy Solis, Grantee: Royce and Cynthia M. Isias, Property S/1 foot of Lot 17 and N/59 feet of Lot 16, Bk. 1, Mar Heights Addition, Date filed Feb. 12, 2002
Grantor: Gary and Deborah Partlow, Grantee: Robert and Wynne Warner, Property Lot 13, Bk. 6, Monticello Addition, Date filed Feb. 13, 2002
Grantor: Donald Wayne Crittenden, Grantee: Richard D. and Loyda Sorensen, Property Lot 4, Bk. 2, Western Hills Addition, Date filed Feb. 14, 2002
Grantor: Ron Brooks, Grantee: Rodney and Carolyn Brook, Property S/180 acres out of SW/4 of S. 29 Bk. 30, T. 1 N., R. 18 P. RR Co. survey, Date filed Feb. 14, 2002
Grantor: Dorothy Gay, individually and as independent executrix of the estate of C. A. Crittenden, deceased, Grantee: Clay Harris, Property Lot 5, Bk. 16, Cedar Crest Addition, except a small triangular tract in the SW corner thereof, Date filed Feb. 14, 2002
Grantor: Hugh W. Covert and Leta B. Covert, Grantee: Hugh W. Covert and Leta B. Covert, trustees of the W. & L. B. Covert Living Trust, Property E/8 feet of Lot 11 and all of Lot 12, except the E/8 feet, Bk. 6, Highland South Addition, Date filed Feb. 15, 2002
Warranty Deeds With Vendors Liens
Grantor: Paul M. Howell, Grantee: Ruben A. Hilaro and Margie M. Hilaro, Property Lot 7, Bk. 2, Stardust Addition (1504 Onele), Date filed Feb. 6, 2002
Grantor: Glenda F. McCrea, Grantee: Mary L. Farmer, Property Lots 3 and 4, Bk. 2, Edgemere Subdivision Sec. 4, Bk. 32, T. 1 S., T&P RR Co. survey, Date filed Feb. 6, 2002
Grantor: A.E. Kelley, Grantee: Victor H. and Margie S. Garcia, Property Lot 11, Bk. 34, Original Town of Big Spring, Date filed Feb. 8, 2002
Grantor: Gay Neil Morgan, Grantee: Frank Long, RR Co. survey, except four tracts, Date filed Feb. 15, 2002
Grantor: Gay Neil Morgan, Grantee: Frank Long, Property Surface estate only of NW/4 of Sec. 42, Bk. 27, H&C survey, Date filed Feb. 15, 2002
Grantor: Nolan D. and Jeanene Box, Grantee: John Haynes, Property Lot 11, Bk. 25, College Park Estates, Date filed Feb. 15, 2002
Grantor: Chuck Rosenbaum, Grantee: Mary Ann Guevara, Property Lots 17 and 18, Bk. 12, Washington Place addition, Date filed Feb. 15, 2002
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Bidders must submit a Cashier's or Certified Check issued by a bank satisfactory to the Owner, or a Proposal Bond from a reliable Surety Company, payable without recourse to the order of the City of Coahoma, Texas, in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the bid submitted as a guaranty that the Bidder will enter into a contract and execute bonds in the forms provided within fifteen (15) days after notice of award of contract to him. Bids without the required check or Proposal Bond will not be considered.
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Bidders are expected to inspect the site of the work and to inform themselves regarding all local conditions. Information for bidders, proposal forms, specifications and plans are on file in the office of the Mayor, City Hall, City of Coahoma, Texas, and at the office of Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc., Consulting Engineers, 5214 Thomason Dr., Midland, Texas 79703.
Copies of the plans, specifications and contract documents may be secured at the office of Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc., Consulting Engineers, 5214 Thomason Dr., Midland, Texas 79703 (Phone (915) 697-1447) for a price of Thirty-five Dollars (\$35.00) for each set of plans and specifications. The deposit is NON-REFUNDABLE.
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All contractors/subcontractors which deliberate, suspended or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation on federal assistance programs may not undertake any activity in part or in full under this project.
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The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the child's interest which will be binding upon you, including the termination of the parent-child relationship and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the child's adoption.
If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unreturned.
The officer executing this citation shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, March 3:
Actions count this year. You often get tangled in your thoughts and become immobilized. You could have a difficult time seeing the forest for the trees. Rather than getting caught up in difficult situations, use your resources to help sort through problems. Detach from your intuition, which is off this year. Use your intellect. Research more and find answers. If you are single, a foreigner might be unusually appealing. This person will open doors for you. In any case, travel proves to be significant for all Pisces born today. If attached, plan on an exotic trip that both of you have wanted to take for a long time. SCORPIO sees life from a far different perspective.
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) **** Deal with others on a one-on-one level. Your ability to sort out confusion needs to come out, unless you find the present chaos a bit amusing and unharmed. Plans runs amok with ease. Listen carefully. Tonight: Add more romance to your life.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) **** Others knock on your door, but you might not understand what people want from you. Misunderstandings run rampant, even with pre-arranged plans. Confirm a rendezvous with others. Make sure you see eye-to-eye on plans. Tonight: Go along with someone's desires.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20) **** Make an effort to make someone happier. You might not be able to understand what is going on with this person. Get into a project or hobby and relax. Once everyone calms down, you feel a lot better. Get plenty of R&R while you can. Tonight: Consider heading to bed early.
CANCER (June 21-July 22) **** Use your ingenuity to bypass a problem that makes you a bit uncomfortable. Someone might not be able to conceptualize or understand what is happening here. Pitch in and make choices for this person. Tonight: Say that you're going to sleep early.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ** Even though you might want to take off, you need to stay close to home and deal with someone head-on. Work on this key relationship. Though you might have difficulty ironing out a wrinkle or two, this person appreciates and will remember your efforts. Tonight: Make it easy.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) *** You're out of sorts, though you might not recognize it. Calm down through a exercise or a favorite sport. Let your mind go and stop analyzing a situation too carefully. You know what works to calm you down. Sort through confusion later. Tonight: Join a friend for dinner.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ***Honor your priorities financially, despite someone's encouragement to go for it. You'll feel a lot better in the long run. A child or loved one takes exception to nearly anything you do right now. Make a phone call and catch up on someone's news. Tonight: Relax at home.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)**** Recognize that you don't see a family member realistically. Because of this illusion, often decisions run askew. Realize what you want from someone. Be clear, or this person could honestly misunderstand your wishes. Confusion surrounds the home front. Tonight: Whatever makes you happy.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ** Take the day off for yourself. You need some extra time to relax and enjoy yourself. Friends and family might miss you, but everyone needs to recharge sometimes. Curl up with a good book or enjoy a favorite movie. Munch on your preferred treat. Tonight: Do your own thing.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) **** Anything is possible as long as you make sure those involved have the same understanding as you. Aim for cohesion. A call might not be returned. Don't worry about it right now. Enjoy those you are with. Maximize the moment. Tonight: Where you most want to be.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) **** Others turn to you for answers, but you might be more confused than many others. You're best off letting others know that you might not be sure. An open approach draws admirers and keeps others apprised of what is happening. Tonight: Get a head start on tomorrow.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) **** Make an effort with an in-law or someone at a distance. Choose to keep your opinions to yourself. You might get a different impression given time and some thought. Give 100 percent. Organize friends and a loved one for the movies or some other easy entertainment. Tonight: Catch up on e-mail.
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Teen's hurtful behavior should be temporary

Dear Ann Landers: My daughter, "Emily," used to be an absolute joy — she was responsible, an honor student, did volunteer work and was active in our church. She started college a year ago, and that's when everything fell apart.
Emily met a 24-year-old man at her part-time job and dropped out of school. Her behavior changed completely. She became rude and disrespectful, and wouldn't listen to a word I said. I checked her belongings for drugs, but found nothing. I asked her to go for counseling, but she laughed in my face. She stopped calling me "Mom" and treated me terribly.
Six months ago, Emily and I had a big argument, and she moved in with her boyfriend's family. I sent her a gift for her birthday, but she didn't thank me. Last month she stopped by, but she was so nasty I

what a mess it is. Please don't burn any bridges because you are hurt and angry. Since personal contact is so painful, send notes to Emily now and then, letting her know you love her and that your door is always open. If she becomes rude in your home, by all means, ask her to leave, but please don't make it a permanent decision. Over time, she may change her tune. I'll keep my fingers crossed.
I know she is 19 and legally an adult, but is there anything I can do to get my sweet daughter back? I don't know this version of Emily, and I don't like it. My heart is breaking, Ann. Please help me. — Ready to Give Up in Romeville, Ill.
Dear Romeville: It is not unusual for a 19-year-old to become rude and disrespectful. With time, she should outgrow it.
Emily is entitled to live her own life, regardless of