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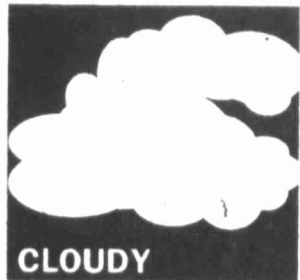
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## WEATHER

Tonight:



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## VITA helps prepare taxes on Mondays

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

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

### TODAY

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

### THURSDAY

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

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

□ Coffee Club meets at 10 a.m. at Gale's Sweet Shoppe.

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

□ Genealogical Society of Big Spring meets at 7:15 p.m. at the Howard County Library.

### FRIDAY

□ AMBUCS meets at noon at the Brandin Iron.

□ ABC Club meets at noon at the Brandin Iron.

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

□ Spring City Senior Citizens country and western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. All area seniors are invited.

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## Deadline approaching to apply for scholarships at Howard College

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Howard College has a number of scholarship opportunities available but the deadline to apply is fast approaching.

"We award in excess of \$500,000 a



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year for scholarships," Ann Duncan, the college's director of enrollment management, said.

The college has scholarships for a variety of students.

"We have scholarships based on academics and based on majors," she said. "We have scholarships based on helping with the yearbook and scholarships for music, for theatre."

April 1 is the deadline to

apply for scholarships at Howard College and is also the priority deadline for anyone applying for federal financial aid at the college.

"The college receives fund blocks of money and only gets so much in certain types of financial aid," Duncan said. "Meeting the priority deadline will help the student to receive the most and best money. The longer someone waits after

April 1, the chances are that

the gift aid money could run out."

Application forms are available at the Student Assistance Service Center in the Administration Building. The center is open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday.

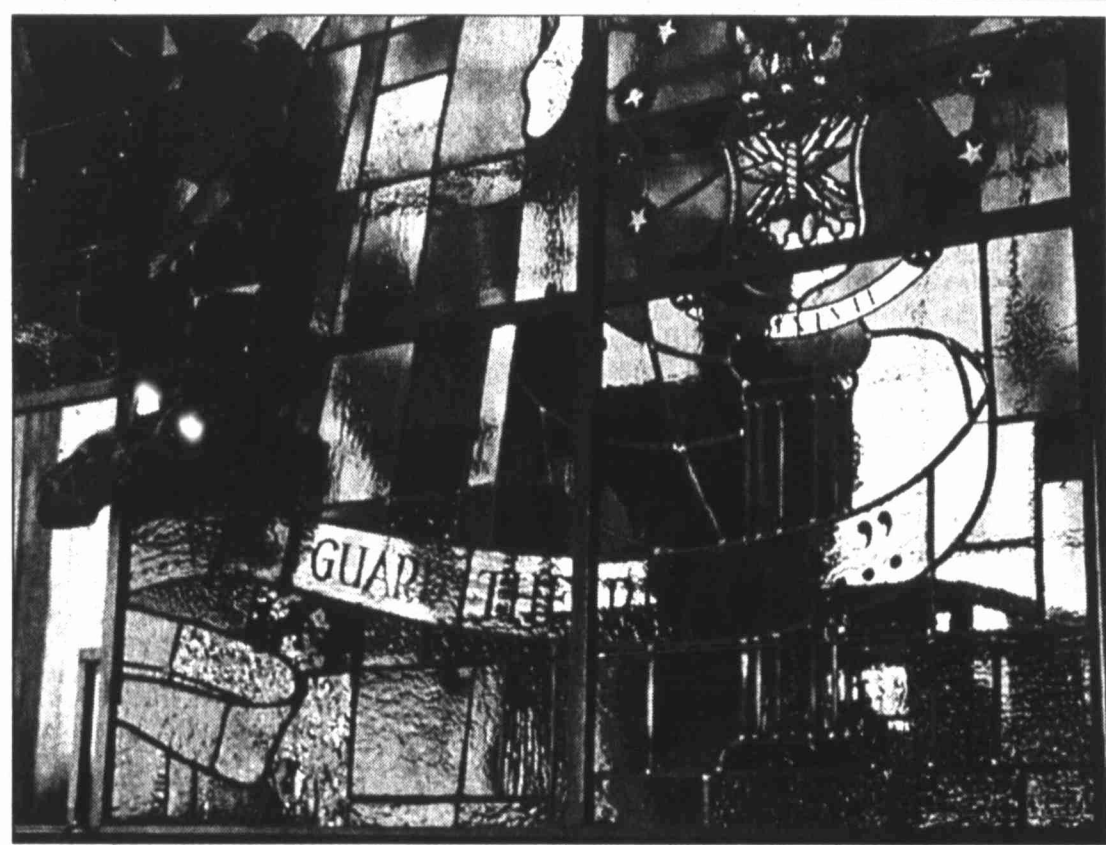
Employees offer help to people applying for financial aid or scholarships. The completed financial aid

forms can be filed via Internet at the center.

Duncan urges students to complete their 2001 tax return quickly because the information from the form is needed for the financial aid application.

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance workshops can make helping to complete those 2001 tax returns a little faster for students.

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Bill Brooks, owner of The Design Place, front, helps Ronnie Hipp lift a stained glass panel to Gary Nelson at Hangar 25 Air Museum. The panel is the last piece of the stained glass window — which once graced the Webb Air Force Base Chapel — to be mounted. Brooks restored the artwork which was saved by a prison crew when the chapel was demolished. The restoration project took about three months. Each piece weighs about 75 pounds. Brooks tracked down the West Virginia company that originally made the window to get replacement glass. Hipp and Nelson are both employees of Quality Glass.

HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody



## Veterans

Two branches of VA to address questions here Thursday evening

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Two branches of the Veteran's Administration will be available to answer questions from veterans and their families at a town hall meeting Thursday at the VA Medical Center.

"Each branch, the VHA (Veteran's Health Administration) and VBA (Veteran's Benefits Administration), will give a 15- to 20-minute presentation on the latest changes that have taken place in their department," Iva Jo Hanslik, community relations coordinator said. "We will then have a question and answer session."

The meeting is set for 6 p.m. in Room 212 of the hospital, 300 Veterans Boulevard, but the meeting place is subject to change depending on the turnout, Hanslik said.

Representatives of two of the three Veteran's Administration branches including Carl Lowe, director of the VA Benefits Administration office in Waco, and members of the



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## FORUM FACTS

What: Town hall meeting.  
Where: Room 212, VA Medical Center.  
When: 6 p.m. Thursday.  
Purpose: To answer questions about the Veteran's Health Administration and Veteran's Benefits Administration.

VHA will be on the panel to answer questions.

"If any question is general and can benefit all the veterans, we will answer the question in an open forum," Hanslik said. "If the questions are about a veteran's particular case, then we will answer them in a one-on-one session. If we don't have the answer Thursday, we will get back with the veterans."

"We will be there until all the questions have been answered," Hanslik said.

The National Cemetery Administration was originally scheduled to have a representative on the panel but had to cancel, Hanslik said.

Veterans will have a chance to watch a video presentation on the NCA during the one-on-one question and answer sessions.

## Kiwanians plan 59th annual pancake feast Friday

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

The Big Spring Kiwanis Club has been perfecting the art of the pancake for nearly 60 years.

Friday marks the 59th annual Kiwanis Club Pancake Supper. The event will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. in the Howard College Cafeteria.

The club will be serving pancakes with butter and syrup, bacon and sausage and milk and orange juice, all you can eat, for just \$5 a person. Tickets are available in advance or at the door, said club President Debra Wallace.

"They can buy them in advance from any Kiwanian or they can buy

them at the door," she said.

Wallace said the pancake supper helps raise money for area children and youth.

"We're having our annual pancake supper," she said. "The funds that the Kiwanis make in town go to support the youth in Big Spring and Howard County. We sponsor the

Key Club at Big Spring High School and then we give scholarships each year."

The 39 local members, with the help of the Key Club, usually serve around 1,500 people during the three hours each year.

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## Master Gardener Program, Dora Roberts Foundation receive awareness award

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

The Howard County Master Gardener Program, along with the Dora Roberts Foundation, recently won the "Growing Awareness" Award for Outstanding Public and Private Partnership in Youth Gardening in the Southwest.

The award was presented to the group at the fifth annual Southwest Region Youth Gardening Conference in February for the area's Junior Master Gardener program, said Texas Cooperative Extension Master Gardener Coordinator Ginger Anderson.

"We're in our third year of our training program. We have 31 master gardeners and 17 that are attending

the training," she said. "We were asked to attend because of our Junior Master Gardener program, which is doing very well."

Anderson said the local JMG program has about 550 students enrolled through a cooperative effort with Texas A&M.

"We're the second largest enrollment in the state of Texas," she said.

Anderson said the award, an engraved stepping-stone, was donated to the Dora Roberts Foundation who will display it.

The Junior Master Gardener program is active in eight local elementary schools and works on such projects as growing pumpkins to show in local fairs, growing colored cotton seeds, building composting

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Guest Conductor Gary Lewis, center, Concertmaster Sue Baer, far left, and other members of the Big Spring Symphony Orchestra take their bows after Saturday night's performance at the Municipal Auditorium. The orchestra performed the overture from "The Creatures of Prometheus" by Ludwig von Beethoven; "Rhapsody in Blue" by George Gershwin; and "Pictures at an Exhibition" by Modest Moussorgsky, orchestrated by Maurice Ravel. Guest Pianist Dr. Cynthia Bauhof Williams of Los Angeles prompted a standing ovation with her performance on "Rhapsody in Blue."

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OBITUARIES

Glen Bray

Funeral service for Glen Bray, 61, of Big Spring will be 10 a.m. Thursday, March 7, 2002, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Dudley Mullins, pastor of East Fourth Street Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will follow at Levelland Cemetery.



Mr. Bray died Monday, March 4, at a local hospital. He was born on Feb. 9, 1941, in Lindsey, Okla. His hobbies included fishing, hunting, playing dominoes and the Dallas Cowboys. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include one daughter, Pricilla Bray of Tucson, Ariz.; three sons, Phillip Bray of Levelland, Otis Bray and Albert Bray, both of Sundown; his mother, Mrs. Obelia Bray of Big Spring; one sister, Gleneva Van Story of Big Spring; two brothers, Delbert Bray of Big Spring and Elbert Bray of Sulphur, La.; and two grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the American Diabetes Association Inc., Texas Affiliate Inc., Western Regional Office, 8008 Slide Rd., Lubbock 79424 or the American Cancer Society Memorial Program, c/o Lucy Bonner, P.O. Box 2121, Big Spring 79720-2121. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Willie P. Bobo

Willie P. Bobo, 65, of Big Spring, passed away on Monday, March 4, 2002, at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock, following a sudden illness.



Service will be 10:30 a.m. Thursday, March 7, at Myers & Smith Chapel with the Rev. Elwin Collom, pastor of First Baptist Church of Coahoma, officiating. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

Mrs. Bobo was born on Feb. 22, 1937, in Tampa, Fla. She married Bobby Bobo on Dec. 3, 1958, in Milton, Fla. They moved to Howard County in 1974 from San Diego, Calif. She was a Baptist and a veteran of the U.S. Navy. Willie was a homemaker and she was a loving wife, mother and the sweetest, kindest, most loving granny in the world. We will miss you and know

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& CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288  
Willie P. Bobo, 65, died Monday. Services are 10:30 AM, Thursday at Myers & Smith Chapel, burial will follow in Trinity Memorial Park.

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& WELCH  
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you will watch over us all. We love you, always.

She is survived by her husband, Bobby Bobo of Big Spring; two daughters, Cindy Langston and Wendy Bobo, both of Big Spring; one son, Jim Bobo and his wife, Anka, of Seattle, Wash.; three grandchildren, Ashley Langston of Big Spring, and Ned and Nik Bobo, both of Seattle, Wash.; four brothers, Jake Lackey and his wife, Barbara of Old Town, Fla., Carl Lackey of Riverside, Calif., Buddy Lackey and wife, Geneva of Keystone Heights, Fla., and Billy Lackey of Lutz, Fla.; one sister, Carolyn Lackey Jones and husband, Ronnie of Lithia, Fla.

She is preceded in death by her parents, James and Agatha Lackey and one son, Bobby Bobo Jr.

Pallbearers are Ronnie Dodson, Roger Andrews, Sonny Davis, Don McKee, Ben Douglas, and Eddie McLain.

Paid obituary

Claudine Madison

Funeral service for Claudine Madison, 85, of Stanton is pending with Gilbreath Funeral Home, Mrs. Madison died Wednesday, March 6, 2002, at a local hospital.

Walter L. Finley

Memorial service for Walter L. Finley, 78, of Big Spring is pending with Ellis Funeral Home in Midland. Mr. Finley died Feb. 26, 2002, after a short illness.

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The free workshops are held on Mondays at the Senior Citizens Center, 1901 Simler Drive from 9 a.m. to noon through April first.

Anyone interested is asked to bring their 2000 tax return, W2s and 1099 forms along with the tax booklet and other documents showing all 2001 income.

For more information about filing financial aid or applying for scholarships call 264-5083.

PANCAKES

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"It's a big crowd that shows up for it; it's all you can eat," Wallace explained. "This is something that (all the club members) participate in. The Key Club helps us. This is the one fund-raiser they help us on as far as clean up and setup. They start working on it as soon as the cafeteria finishes their noon meal."

Wallace said the Kiwanians don't let Howard College students miss their supper.

"This is actually the Friday night before spring break, and if there are any kids still there it's usually just the athletic kids because they're still playing something and we'll feed them for free" she said. "There have been very few years when there have still been any kids left."

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bins and planting trees. Junior Master Gardener curriculums, provided by a grant from the Dora Roberts Foundation, are completely integrated with statewide curriculums and aptitude tests, allowing teachers to use the gardening projects to teach math, science, social studies and other subjects, Anderson said.

Local adult Master

Scenic Mountain  
Medical Center  
1601 W. 11th Place  
263-1211

Gardeners are responsible for landscaping the Heart of the City Park in Big Spring and plan to turn their attention in the near future to the grounds of the Howard County Courthouse and the Howard County Library.

For more information about the Howard County Master Gardeners or Junior Master Gardeners, call Anderson at 264-2236.

Father suing  
daughter's  
friends for  
her Ecstasy  
death

PITTSBURGH (AP) — A man whose daughter died of an Ecstasy overdose filed a \$275,000 lawsuit Tuesday against her friends and a woman who took the teenager into her home, saying they waited too long to get medical help.

Don French alleges four of Brandy French's friends knew she took the drug at a concert and was having difficulty walking and talking, according to court papers.

The lawsuit also names Rosalind Hopkins, whose son Lewis brought 16-year-old Brandy back to the Hopkins home after the concert in May. The teenagers told Mrs. Hopkins that Brandy had been drinking, according to testimony at a coroner's inquest.

French alleged that even though Brandy was unable to talk and her breathing was abnormal, Rosalind Hopkins waited more than three hours to call paramedics, who arrived after midnight and could not find a pulse.

"Her chances of survival got slimmer and slimmer the longer they waited," said John Gismondi, French's lawyer.

Brandy's friends have said the concert was the first time she used Ecstasy. A man accused of selling the pill that killed Brandy is charged with homicide.

French is suing the Hopkins, Michelle Maranuk, Paula Wilson and Robert Sontag, alleging negligence. He also named Clear Channel Entertainment, operator of the concert site, saying employees failed to help Brandy.

Rosalind Hopkins' lawyer refused comment on the case, and an attorney for Maranuk did not return a telephone call to The Associated Press. A representative of Clear Channel Entertainment, based in San Antonio, said company officials were reviewing the case and had no comment. Wilson and Sontag could not be reached. Maranuk's lawyer has said his client believed the drug was not lethal.

Teen's efforts:  
From graffiti  
to mural

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A Central Texas teen-ager who admitted marking a high school bathroom wall with his initials says he

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AROUND THE TOWN

had no idea he could wind up behind bars for such an offense.

But after a brush with a new anti-graffiti law, Rene Quintanilla is channeling his efforts into art, with creation of a mural for an alternative campus.

The arrest of Quintanilla, 17, was the first in the Southside School District under a relatively new law that went into effect more than two years ago making it a felony to put graffiti on school buildings.

"I knew it was wrong," Quintanilla said, "but I didn't know I'd get into that much trouble."

For some youths, especially those arrested and convicted when they are at least 17 years old, the harsher penalty could have lifelong consequences. At that age, the juvenile justice system considers them adults.

An adult with a felony conviction cannot join the military and will have a difficult time finding a job, said Richard Keilholz, principal of Southside's alternative school.

Quintanilla said he was fortunate to have been one month shy of his 17th birthday when police arrested him in December.

And the teen, who spent four hours at the juvenile detention center and was suspended from school for three days, has yet to face a judge. A court may dismiss his case, place him on probation and/or sending him to the Texas Youth Commission. His record will be sealed as soon as he becomes an adult.

BRIEFS

THE MOBILE MEALS PROGRAM, which delivers to the elderly and homebound, needs volunteers to deliver meals.

If you can spare one hour per week to deliver eight or 10 meals, we need you.

About 85 to 90 meals are prepared, packaged and delivered within the city limits of Big Spring. If you can volunteer, please call 263-4016 before 3 p.m.

BIG SPRING AND SURROUNDING counties are in critical need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers of the children in the community who have been abused and neglected.

For more information on becoming foster/adoptive families call Children's Protective Services office at 263-9669 or 1-800-233-3405.

SPRING TABERNACLE CHURCH, 1209 Wright, has free food for the area needy from 10 a.m. to noon every Thursday.

HOWARD COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY is offering adoptions of all adult dogs 1-year-old or older at a special discount of \$9, which includes shots and vaccinations. These

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dogs are neutered. The normal fee is \$18. This special will run through Easter, March 31. For information, contact the humane society at 267-7832.

THE BIG SPRING CHAMBER of Commerce is asking your help in rounding up photos taken during the days of the Big Spring Bombardier School and Webb Air Force Base.

These will be on display the weekend of Oct. 12 when the first Webb Air Force Base Reunion takes place.

People from several are expected to attend.

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

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Halliburton	16.9 -.21
IFCO Systems	.47 nc
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Intel Corp	32.7 nc
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Europacific	26.94 -.15
Prime Rate	4.75 %
Gold	291.55 - 294.1
Silver	4.47 - 4.54

POLICE

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

• ADAM YORK, 17, of 1204 Mulberry was arrested on a charge of minor in consumption of alcohol.

• LOYDEANA WEAVERS, 41, of Lubbock was arrested to hold for the Department of Public Safety.

• THEFT was reported: - At the Star Stop Food Mart in the 2500 block of South Gregg. Items worth \$79 were reported stolen from the store.

- At Wal-Mart. Clothes worth \$15.87 and other merchandise worth \$15.76 was reported stolen, but was

later recovered.

- In the 800 block of East Third Street. Hubcaps worth \$20 were reported stolen from a green 1995 Ford Taurus at the location.

• BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported in the 300 block of West Third Street. Items worth \$30 were reported stolen from a white 1992 Nissan Maxima.

• BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 1300 block of Park Avenue. Someone reportedly broke a window in the rear door causing \$50 damage. Nothing of value was reported stolen.

• CRIMINAL TRIPPING was reported in the 500 block of Westover Road.

• ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in the 1300 block of East 14th Street.

• ASSAULT CLASS C was reported in the 500 block of Westover Road.

• ASSAULT BY THREAT was reported in the 600 block of East Sixth Street.

• MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 1500 block of South Gregg, the 500 block of South Main, the 300 block of South Main and the 1100 block of South Birdwell Lane.

• DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 2500 block of Gunter Circle, the 1200 block of Ridgeroad Drive, the 500 block of Westover Road, the 1000 block of Stadium Avenue, the 300 block of East 23rd Street and the 1300 block of East 14th Street.

• LOUD PARTY/NOISE was reported in the 1700 block of State Street.

FIRE/EMS

The following is a summary of EMS and Fire Department activity

5:45 a.m. — 700 block of E. 15th, medical call, service refused.

5:58 a.m. — 1600 block of Settles, trauma call, service refused.

7:20 a.m. — 2000 block of Virginia, trauma call, one patient transported to Seneic Mountain Medical Center.

4:37 p.m. — 300 block of Main, traffic accident, service refused.

5:55 p.m. — 1600 block of Sunset, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.

CLARIFICATION

Garry Lynn Kinard of Kinard Plumbing and Septic is not the Gary Kinard who was listed in last week's obituaries.

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HERALD Staff

Forty-seven Junior High graders were the National Society on March 7. Seventh graders include: Kat Haley B. Aguilar, Anderson, Ashraf, Ash Angela M. B. M. Burns, Carlisle, Ja Christopher Caleb M. Cox, Kendra Bernadette Abraham I. F. Gonzales, Heinis, Helsley,

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### 60 Big Spring Junior High School students inducted into National Junior Honor Society

HERALD Staff Report

Forty-seven Big Spring Junior High seventh graders and 13 eighth graders were inducted into the National Junior Honor Society on Monday.

Seventh graders inducted include: Katlin L. Abner, Haley B. Adams, Raul J. Aguilar, Chelsea L. Anderson, Mustafa U. Ashraf, Ashley R. Baker, Angela M. Banks, Denielle M. Burns, DeAnna L. Carlisle, Jay C. Carnes, Christopher B. Carroll, Caleb M. Choate, Austin C. Cox, Kendra M. Dutchover, Bernadette Y. Flores, Abraham I. Frando, Manuel Gonzales, Cortney D. Heinis, Christina L. Helsley, Geoffrey R.

Hughley, Colin R. Hunnicutt, Bryan R. Juan, Mallory C. Kennedy and Porscha L. Knowlton.

Also inducted from Big Spring Junior High's seventh grade: Angelica M. Levario, Alyssa L. Mattson, Wendy N. Mayfield, Megan K. McCormick, Morgan B. Metcalf, Amber L. Miller, Taylor G. Parks, Brady S. Phillips, Brinnan K. Pierce, Nicolas I. Portocarrero, Alyssa L. Rains, Tiffany R. Richards, Sydnie A. Robertson, Reinhilde R. Robinson, Nicholas E. Ross, Phillip R. Rubio, Roshan M. Shroff, Amber N. Sleight, Ryan T. Tannehill, Jacob D. White, Crystal R. Worley and Dylan L. Yarbrough.

Eighth graders inducted include: Joshua N. Acuff,

Charles D. Downing, Shawna R. Edwards, Rachel J. Harwell, Lyndsey R. Kelly, Andrew S. Lasater, Anastasia Martinez, Abel D. Morelion, Natasha L. Neighbors, Kasey L. Pointon, Stacie J. Rios, Allan Michael Sheedy and Lorelei D. Weaver.

Big Spring Junior High School's National Junior Honor Society Reporter Kyle Piercefield lights the final candle, representing character, at the society's induction ceremony Monday night in the junior high gymnasium as the society's 60 new members look on.

HERALD photo/Roger Cline



### CBO sees small surpluses, not deficits, as starting point for this year's budget fight

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress' top fiscal analyst is projecting modest surpluses of \$5 billion this year and \$6 billion in 2003 as the starting point for this year's budget fight, a small but politically significant turnabout from the deficits envisioned in January.

The nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office has also concluded that if the new tax and spending proposals in President Bush's budget for next year are enacted, a deficit of \$121 billion would result in 2003. Bush himself has estimated

that would mean a deficit of \$80 billion.

Bush's budget would produce a \$51 billion deficit in 2004, but then generate a stream of annual surpluses totaling \$681 billion in the decade beginning in 2003, the budget office said. That is \$322 billion less than the 10-year surplus the president projected.

The numbers were contained in testimony that Congressional Budget Office Director Dan Crippen planned to deliver Wednesday to the Senate Budget Committee.

In January, CBO foresaw deficits of \$21 billion this year and \$14 billion in fiscal 2003, which starts Oct. 1, before any tax cuts or spending increases are enacted.

Compared to the overall \$2.1 trillion federal budget and the \$10 trillion U.S. economy, a numerical turnaround of that magnitude is tiny.

Nonetheless, the figures are used by lawmakers as a starting point as they begin crafting the year's spending and tax legislation.

And the new surplus projections

are politically significant because they will likely lend momentum to conservatives and other Republicans who want the GOP to push a budget through the House this year that claims to be in balance.

The improvement from just two months ago largely reflects new economic data that suggest the recession is fading or perhaps even over. Stronger economic growth means the government can count on additional revenue and less spending in some programs.

CBO's projections of small sur-

pluses for the next two years assume that no new spending increases or tax cuts are enacted. That is highly unlikely, since added spending for defense and homeland security is a virtual certainty this year and there is bipartisan support to increase spending for farmers, schools and other areas.

To achieve a balanced budget, House Republicans are likely to exclude the \$77 billion price tag for 2003 of an economic stimulus package that Bush says he still supports.

### Influential research firm recommends yes vote on HP-Compaq merger, despite risks

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — With a shareholder vote two weeks away, Hewlett-Packard Co. got a crucial endorsement for its \$22 billion acquisition of Compaq Computer Corp., increasing the companies' chances of completing the biggest merger in high-tech history.

After reviewing piles of documents and hearing personal appeals from HP executives and merger opponent Walter

Institutional Shareholder Services said Tuesday the deal could be an excellent long-term move despite its sizable risks.

HP chairwoman and chief executive Carly Fiorina said she was gratified by the ISS recommendation, but said it doesn't "seal the deal." She declined to predict the March 19 vote.

"We think this is a significant vote of confidence," she told reporters. "The

momentum is clearly moving in our favor."

Walter Hewlett blasted the report, saying ISS "missed the point." In a statement, Hewlett said he still expects the proxy fight to fail because many investors independently evaluating the deal agree with his arguments.

Analysts had said a positive report from ISS would leave HP with a 50-50 chance of winning the

proxy fight, while a negative one would have been seen as fatal for the deal.

That is because more than 20 percent of HP shares, including those held by the Hewlett and Packard families, are lined up against the acquisition, with only about 5 percent in the company's camp.

The report, released after the close of trading on the New York Stock Exchange, sent HP shares down 2.7

percent to \$20.05 in the extended session. Compaq shares rose 5 percent to \$11.12 in after-hours trading.

A narrowing in the gap in the companies' stock prices indicates increasing confidence on Wall Street the deal will happen.

The next big step before the vote would be approval from U.S. antitrust regulators, whose verdict is expected any day now,

Fiorina said.

HP and Walter Hewlett have been locked for months in a bruising, political-style campaign for shareholder support, and it is expected to only intensify as the shareholder vote gets closer.

"ISS clearly has a predisposition to support management and makes a general presumption that boards do the right thing," Hewlett said in his statement.

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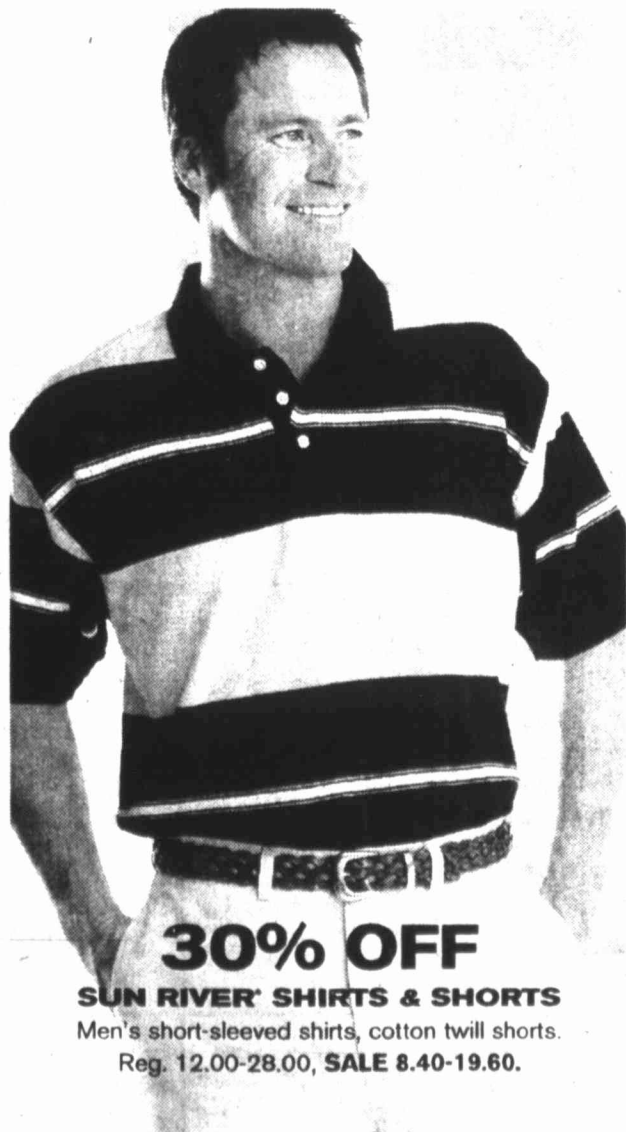
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OUR VIEWS

Don't forget!  
Take time to  
cast your vote

Only a few more opportunities remain for those planning to cast a ballot in the Democratic and Republican party primaries.

Residents are encouraged to take advantage of the early balloting period, which runs from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Friday at the Howard County Courthouse. The final opportunity will come on election day, which is Tuesday. Polls will be open that day from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Work schedules and the like may keep some from voting until election day. That's certainly understandable. We often find that breaking away during office hours is difficult.

There are advantages to voting early, however. How many times, for instance, have you driven by a service station, glanced at your car's gauge and thought, "I can go another 50 miles. I'll do that tomorrow." Sure enough, tomorrow you found yourself standing in near-freezing temperatures, wishing you hadn't put off filling the tank. It's the same with early voting. We think "I'll do that later," only to run out of time. Then on election day, it's either blustery cold or something unavoidable has come up to thwart our plans.

The second advantage is that most of us travel near the county courthouse anyway during our weekly — if not daily — routine. It takes just a minute to run in and cast a ballot. On election day, polls are spread across the county. And while your voting precinct might be closer to your home or work than the courthouse, it's just as likely to be farther. It's possible it will be more crowded, too.

But whether you cast a ballot today, Thursday, Friday or next Tuesday is not our point. We just want to encourage you to cast your ballot. Let your voice be heard.

YOUR VIEWS

**TO THE EDITOR:**  
I believe all eligible voters should exercise their right to vote. I prefer to vote early. However, I have a big problem. Publicity is given about local races; but information about other races is limited or nil. Other people have expressed my sentiment. We desire to be informed voters; but many times we either vote blindly in a particular race or do not vote in that race.

We depend a lot on the newspaper to inform us on all these races; but it is not helpful to us if it

is printed after we have voted in the early voting. I have mentioned this to several people the past two years, but on one seems to do anything about it.

You would be providing a tremendous service by publishing information about all the candidates on the ballot. This should be done prior to the date early voting begins. We wish to be informed, intelligent voters.

Thank you very much.

DEL HARTIN  
BIG SPRING

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Democrats put partisan politics first again

You've got to give it to Tom Daschle. The Senate Democratic

Majority Leader has impeccable timing. Impeccably bad, that is. He chose last week to come out swinging at President Bush's conduct of the war, just as our soldiers were about to go back into combat in Afghanistan, sustaining some of the heaviest casualties of the war so far.

"I think the time has come for us to be asking a lot more questions," Daschle said on "Meet the Press" Sunday. "That is the role of Congress. We're a co-equal branch of government, and I don't think we ought to rubber stamp any president as we get into these very difficult decisions."

While Congress certainly has a role to play in declaring war under our Constitution, the president is still the sole Commander-in-Chief, and, so far, this president seems to have done a darn good job exercising that role.

After the Sept. 11 attacks, the Democrats tried their best to put on a show of bipartisanship.

But it seems to have broken down recently — not because the war has gone badly, but because it's gone so well that the president and his party are enjoying almost unprecedented support from the American people. That's what's got Daschle and the Democrats so worried. But they've picked a particularly awful time to begin playing politics for partisan advantage.

The fighting in Eastern Afghanistan could be the toughest our troops have faced, especially since American ground combat forces are now directly involved. The first American plane was shot down this week in the five-month-old war, and the regrouped al Qaeda forces appear to be heavily armed and willing to fight to the death, now that their escape routes out of the country are being shut down.

Daschle's comments ostensibly were provoked because Democrats don't believe that the president has consulted enough on the overall strategy of the war, including deciding to which additional countries the United States will deploy troops.

The United States has

already sent soldiers to the Philippines to fight Moslem fundamentalists affiliated with al Qaeda there, and may send others to Yemen and the former Soviet Republic of Georgia.

"We're not safe until we have broken the back of al Qaeda, and we haven't done that yet," Daschle complained.

But as the president has made clear time and again — and the American people seem to understand — al Qaeda isn't a neat and discrete army that we can locate in one place and eliminate. Its branches stem throughout the world, on virtually every continent, and certainly al Qaeda-trained forces are in Yemen and are fighting alongside the Chechens in the former Soviet republics.

Daschle also criticized the administration for deploying high-level government officials to secret locations outside Washington in case the unthinkable happened and the national government were destroyed in some cataclysmic terrorist attack. The Democrats' carping on this issue is outrageous. And the media's characterization of the plan as a "shadow government" is even worse. It's nothing of the sort.

At least since the Cold War, the federal govern-

ment has had plans to remove officials to secure locations in case of nuclear attack. It is not just sensible, but downright imperative, that we protect our government from total collapse in the event of a direct hit on Washington.

Given our experience on Sept. 11, when coordinated attacks in two cities destroyed the World Trade Center and severely damaged the Pentagon, can anyone guarantee that our enemies won't be able to do something even more horrendous in the future? I, for one, sleep better at night knowing that the president has made sure that such an attack cannot destroy the federal government's ability to function.

We are dealing with an enemy as ruthless and bloodthirsty as any we've ever faced. They will stop at nothing to destroy us. Thankfully we have a president in George W. Bush who has vowed to fight this enemy everywhere he can find them and to keep fighting until they are defeated.

The Democrats won't help themselves — much less the nation — by making the president's conduct of the war the issue.

Nothing has changed in the last six months, except the Democrats' resolve to put the good of the nation before partisan politics.



LINDA CHAVEZ



Long way in search of a donut

My college roommate lives in Houston. A couple of years ago he was talking to me on his cell phone while ordering two donuts at a Krispy Kreme donut shop.

I told him a donut sounded real good. My mouth watered. He said Krispy Kremes were the best, then went on to tell me how they are made. He described the waterfall of icing each donut passes under in the final stage of creation.

He said few of them make it to the display case because customers are lined up waiting for them. I've heard that in Denver, people stand in line for two hours to get a Krispy Kreme donut. In Arlington, people stand in line for an hour. I just can't imagine that.

Krispy Kreme stores have

bright red lights in their windows that glow when the donuts are hot.

I started hearing about Krispy Kremes in 1987. I was doing a report on Dairy Queen at the time and DQ was considering buying Krispy Kreme and Orange Julius. It was about this time that Krispy Kreme really took off. Today it is listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

I live in a donut desert. My city used to have a couple of donut shops; one locally owned, the other a Dunkin' Donuts. Now the only place you can get a fresh donut here is at Wal-Mart or H-E-B.

Even though I travel a lot, always on the lookout for a Krispy Kreme donut, I didn't have one until last year. I was on Interstate 20 east of Dallas when I saw a big billboard advertising Krispy Kreme donuts. They were available at a truck stop just ahead. I pulled in. The donuts were in a display case, similar to pie cases. I reached in and got one. It was not hot. I got some coffee and settled in, anticipating a real taste

treat. It was good (have you ever had a bad donut?) but didn't give me the thrill I was expecting. I chalked it up to the donut not being hot.

I continued my search for a hot Krispy Kreme. Last weekend I made a speech in Jasper. After the speech we went to Houston to see my college roommate. He insisted on taking us to lunch at a fancy Italian restaurant. We held off on dessert, opting instead to have a Krispy Kreme donut.

We drove miles to a Krispy Kreme store (Houston only has two) and my buddy made a big deal out of telling the man behind the counter we had driven 700 miles to get a Krispy Kreme. The man said, "you drove 700 miles just to get a donut?" He seemed perplexed.

We ordered half a dozen donuts and the counterman gave each of us an extra because it was our first hot Krispy Kreme.

We bit into them immediately.

They're OK, but I think I prefer Shipley's.



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"In Praise of Public Life: The Honor and Purpose of Political Service" by Connecticut's senator Joseph Lieberman offers a sober, even convincing plea that what is right and good about this life often far outweighs the bad.

This is not a memoir, rather reflections on a political life. Lieberman doesn't hide the fact that nightmarish hours, glad-



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handing, fund-raising, and roughhousing over issues that mark the political arena and he is honest about the inevitable painful professional and personal setbacks in his private life.

What makes it all worthwhile, Lieberman maintains, are legislation and constituent service, where by politicians make a real difference in peoples lives.

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There are about 250 Jews in Belmonte, Portugal, where the Jewish movement is strong.

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#### Wilkins left off all-district list

Big Spring's Clarence Wilkins didn't come up as short in District 4-4A all-district balloting, as he did in the typing of the team's list.

Wilkins' name was inadvertently left off the list of the team's honorable mention selections provided to the Herald.

He joined teammate Austin Nutting on the honorable mention list, while Mic Fleming and Arthur Belvin were all-district team selections.

#### Bulldogettes get 7-1 win over Sweetwater

Coahoma's Bulldogettes rolled to a 7-1 win over Sweetwater's Lady Mustangs in non-district softball action Tuesday afternoon behind the pitching of Karen Sterling and Erin Stoval. The win went to Stoval, as they combined to give up five hits and strike out eight.

Stoval helped her cause with three hits, while Ashley Lang had two.

The win improves the Bulldogettes' record to 7-5 going into Friday's 4:30 p.m. game in Lamesa.

The Bulldogette junior varsity won 17-7.

#### Forsan, Coahoma finish 2-3 at tourney

Forsan's Buffs and Coahoma's Bulldogs finished second and third, respectively, in the team standings of the boys' division at the Grape Creek Invitational Golf Tournament in San Angelo on Tuesday.

Coahoma's Bulldogettes did them one better, however, taking the girls' division championship behind the lead of Kynzi Robert's individual medalist round of 89 on the Riverside Golf Club layout.

Teammate Kristy Kinard added a round of 119, while Lauren Nichols had a 131 and Lauren Green had a 140.

Forsan's Queens were fourth with a 551 total. Amber Humphreys had a 125, while Krystal Hughes finished at 131. Lyndsey Allen posted a 143, Rachel Clinton finished at 152 and Lakacia Lewis had a 153.

Forsan's boys were led by James Love's 90, while Brandon Burleson had a 92, Aaron Schaffer and Billy Kinsey added 93s to give the Buffs a 368 total. Josh Bedwell had a 95.

Coahoma, which finished at 382, was paced by Darrick Shifflett's 83 that left him third in the medalist standings.

Cory Mulkey added a 94 for the Bulldogs, while Jake Smith had a 99, Cade Bowlin had a 106 and Grant Bartlett finished at 116.

#### Steers golfers 10th in shortened tourney

Big Spring's Steers finish 10th in the team standings of the weather-shortened Andrews Invitational golf tournament Friday.

Ryan Rodriguez led the way with an 81, while Jerrod Simmons had an 83 and Clayton Weaver finished at 89. Will Conley posted a 92 and Jason Murphree closed with a 102, leaving the Steers with a 344 team total.

#### UGSA registration scheduled at mall

Registration for the Big Spring United Girls

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## Lady Steers open 4-4A play with rout of Estacado

By VALERIE AVERY

Special to the Herald

Big Spring softball coach Dan Arista said prior to Tuesday's District 4-4A opener with Lubbock Estacado he believed the Lady Steers' hitting was improving day by day.

It didn't take long for his players to prove him right.

The Lady Steers erupted for seven runs in the first inning and collected 14 more en route to a 21-0 shellacking of the Lubbock team.

Big Spring improves to .500 on the season with a 7-7 record and an unblemished 1-0 in loop play.

They will continue in their quest to defend their District 4-4A championship with a Friday contest against Frenship at the Big Spring ISD Softball Complex. The first pitch will be thrown at 4 p.m.

The Lady Matadors were

held scoreless in the top of the first inning behind the stellar pitching of Nicole Chesworth.

By the time the dust settled after Big Spring's bats cleared the plate in the bottom of the first, the Lady Steers were up 7-0.

"Last year we would have struggled," Arista said. "We were struggling as far as timing and speed, but this year, I mean you have one, two, three, four, five six, seven hits that inning — a triple, home run and another triple. I just want us to continue what we're doing. I'm happy we're hitting the ball so well."

Sophomore Whitney Hufford drew a walk, and outfielder Melissa Ray hit a single to right-center, setting up scores off of first baseman Laura Olague's triple. Designated hitter

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HERALD photo/Bruce Schooler  
Big Spring pitcher Nicole Chesworth delivers a pitch during the Lady Steers' 21-0 rout of Lubbock Estacado's Lady Matadors in Tuesday's District 4-4A softball opener for both teams. The Lady Steers will play host to Frenship's Lady Tigers at 4 p.m. Friday.

## Lobos too much for Steers

By JOHN A. MOSELEY

Managing Editor

Call it a case of home opener jitters. Call it being overly excited. Call it anything you will, but the bottom line to the Big Spring Steers' 9-4 loss to Monahans' Lobos was that one team got off to a good start and the other didn't.

In fact, Monahans needed nothing more than its first inning production to take control — giving pitcher Noah Miles the cushion he needed to work with extreme confidence on the mound.

Steers starter Brandon Mendoza had no such edge.

Instead, Mendoza opened the game by issuing walks to the first three batters he faced, loading the bases and setting the stage for a four-run Monahans first.

"We knew from the outset that we were going up against a good baseball team," first-year Steers head coach Greg Winder said after seeing his team drop to 2-5 on the season. "You just can't give a team that good the kind of opportunity we game them."

"I don't want to make excuses, but I think Brandon was a little excited about pitching in front of a home crowd for the first time this season," Winder added. "He stepped up there and was throwing the ball just as hard as he could and was wild. That basically gave them all the opening they needed."

Indeed, while Mendoza would strike out Miles, the fourth batter he faced, the fifth batter in the Monahans lineup, left fielder Wesley Eason blasted a 2-0 offering to the fence in center field, driving in three runs.

Third baseman Martin Brito followed with a sacrifice fly to right, driving in Eason and staking Miles to a 4-0 lead. He responded with five innings of one-hit pitching, literally nailing

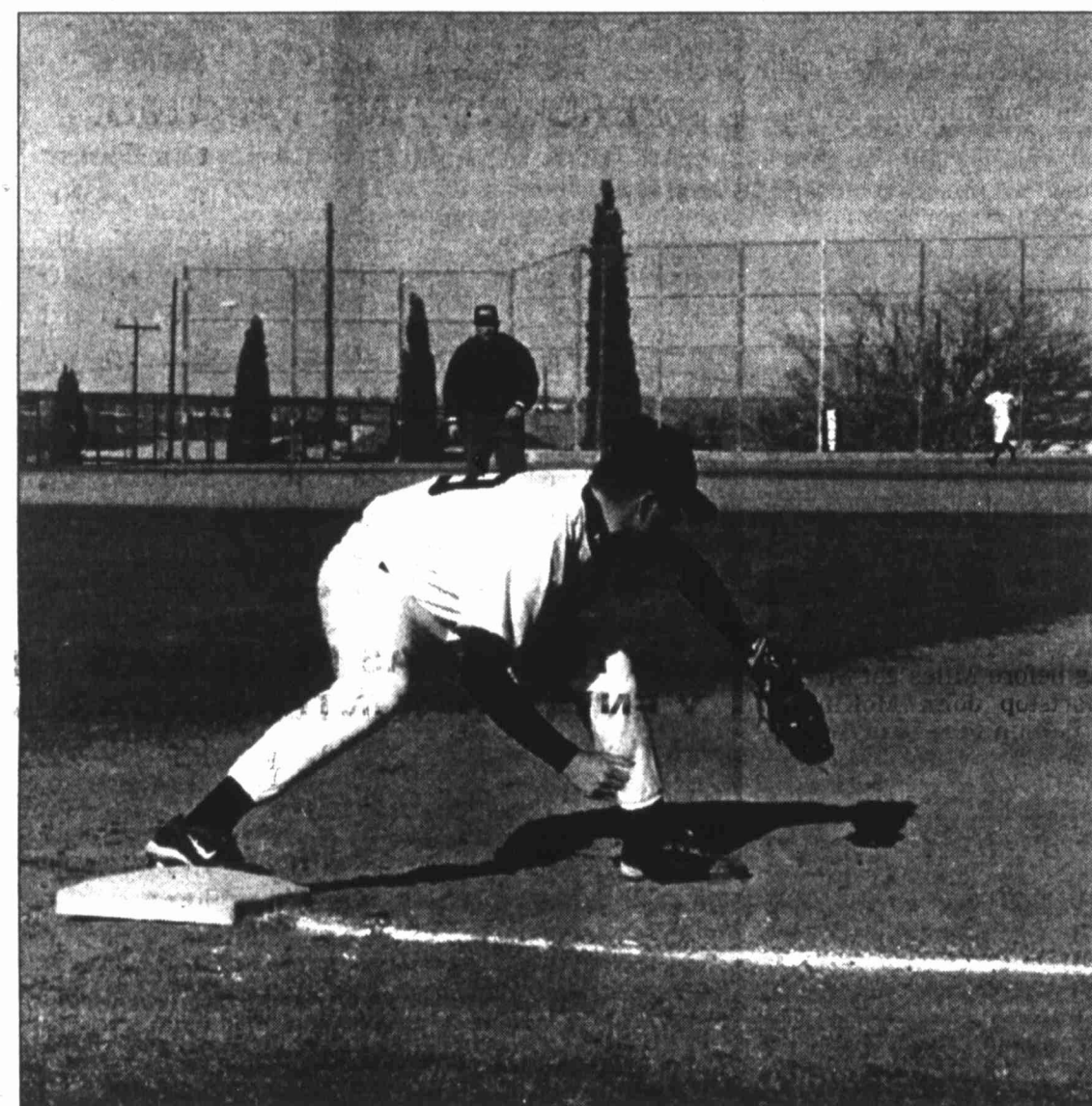
the lid on Big Spring's coffin.

Mendoza didn't finish the first inning, however. He gave way to Eric Chavez with to out in the frame.

Chavez battled the visitors for a couple of innings before running into trouble during a fourth-inning display of power hitting by Monahans.

The Lobos added another four-run inning in the fourth when Miles blasted a three-run homer to left and Brito added an RBI double.

While the Steers were finally able to solve the puzzle Miles delivered from the



HERALD photo/Bruce Schooler  
Big Spring first baseman Zach Phinney makes the stretch and the catch to complete a double play started by Steers' second baseman Reagan Phillips during the third inning of the team's home opener Tuesday against Monahans. Solid defense wasn't enough for the Steers, however, as the Lobos took a 9-4 win.

mound during the final two

innings, the Monahans right-hander was able to go the distance — scattering six Big Spring hits and allowing three earned runs, while striking out nine.

The most effective pitching for the Steers came from Dustin Beauchamp, who worked the final three innings. He allowed just one run on three hits, while striking out two and walking just one.

The Steers were never cowed, however. In fact, they continued to put the ball in play and were all but air-tight defensively,

turning three double plays.

"The good thing is that we never kept battling and played well defensively," Winder admitted. "The frustrating thing is that we're not hitting the ball like we're capable of hitting it. We kept scratching and made a game of it late, we'd just dug ourselves too deep a hole to climb out of."

Big Spring finally got on the scoreboard in the bottom of the sixth when

Nathan Clements led off with a single up the middle and moved to second on a

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## Browns, Dolphins interested in Williams

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — The New Orleans Saints are talking seriously to the Cleveland Browns and the Miami Dolphins about trading star running back Ricky Williams.

"One way or another, we want to have something done this week if it's going to get done," New Orleans coach Jim Haslett said Tuesday.

Rick Spielman, the Miami personnel director, said Monday that the Dolphins had made an offer. On Tuesday, an NFL management source, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Cleveland had renewed its offer to Saints general manager Randy Mueller for the 1998 Heisman Trophy winner.

The Saints, who used their No. 1 pick last season on running back Deuce McAllister, have been trying to trade Williams for months.

"Ricky met with Randy the week after the Super Bowl. Randy said he wasn't sure what would happen and that they were just looking at their options," said Leigh Steinberg, Williams' agent.

"We're just interested bystanders at this point. Of course, Ricky's position is he's happy in New Orleans. He'd be happy to stay, but if he's traded, he'd be happy to play for another team. ... Any of the team that have been mentioned as desirable places to play."

Former Saints coach Mike Ditka gave up all of the team's 1999 draft picks for Williams, who has irked the team by skipping offseason workouts and who was stopped last week by police for speeding at 126 mph.

Williams has rushed for 3,129 yards in his first three NFL seasons.

## KU's Williams edges Knight as Big 12 coach of year

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — A disheartened Roy Williams came home one night and told his wife it was time to start thinking about getting out of college coaching.

He was tired of the recruiting race, weary of megalomaniacal high school stars, sick of greedy parents interested not so much in an education for their kids as getting them to the NBA.

"I got home one night and told Wanda maybe it was time to take another look at some of those other job offers," said the popular University of Kansas coach.

But then came salvation in the form of three kids named Drew Gooden, Kirk Hinrich and Nick Collison. Suddenly, his job fun again, Williams was reinvigorated and ready to give all his energy to the challenge.

Those three had reminded him that there really were loving parents and good kids out there, and some of them could even play lights-out basketball.

All three signed with the Jayhawks. Now three years later they are the key components of what's probably Williams' best team in 14 years at Kansas.

The Jayhawks are ranked No. 1 in the nation, coming off the first unbeaten conference season in Big 12 history (16-0) and certain to be a No. 1 seed in the NCAA tourney.

And Williams is The Associated Press Big 12 coach of the year. In balloting by 24 media representatives, he edged out Bob Knight, the former Indiana coach who in just one season has turned Texas Tech (21-7, 10-6 Big 12) from a loser into a winner.

"I'm extremely flattered," said Williams, whose Jayhawks are 27-2 overall heading into this week's Big 12 tournament.

"I'll be sure to thank my team." As announced earlier, the media panel also made Gooden, the league leader in both scoring and rebounding, a unanimous choice as Big 12 player of the year. Texas point

guard T.J. Ford drew all but one vote for freshman of the year and Oklahoma's Ebi Ere outpolled Ivan McFarlin of Oklahoma State for Big 12 newcomer of the year.

Williams' decision to stay at Kansas may turn out to be one of the best things ever to happen not only to the Jayhawks, but the profession as well. With a 14-year record of 382-91, he has the third-highest winning percentage of active Division I coaches with at least five years of experience.

"Roy Williams is a great coach," said Oklahoma's Kelvin Sampson. "For his players to be up night after night and withstand every challenge in the league they have this year is really unbelievable. It also says a lot about the kind of kids he's brought into his program."

Iowa State coach Larry Eustachy says there should be no argument as to who is the Jayhawks' most valuable player.

"That team has a special togetherness that I haven't seen since I've

been here. And it starts with Roy,"

Eustachy said. "They work hard."

"Roy Williams is the MVP of that team," he added. "I think Roy is definitely a candidate for national coach of the year."

The Jayhawks hadn't gone unbeaten in the conference season since the 1970-71 team was 14-0 in the old Big Eight. They kept their Big 12 record perfect despite a couple of late-season close calls on the road — edging Nebraska 88-87 on Feb. 24 and then beating traditional nemesis Missouri 95-92 in the conference finale a week later.

"Roy has done a special job," Eustachy said. "You know he likes his team when his coat stays on and his tie isn't loosened. The last couple of years, his coat used to come off. His tie would get loose."

"He's brought this group together as any team is together that I've ever played against."

Williams drew 14 votes from the panel of sports writers and broadcasters, while Knight got 10.



# Olajuwon has bittersweet return to Houston with Raptors

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Things went about as expected in Hakeem Olajuwon's return to Houston. The Dream received a warm ovation, and his Toronto Raptors lost again.

The former Rockets star wasn't a factor as Houston handed Toronto its 12th

straight loss, 112-109 Tuesday night. He saw Steve Francis, the current star in Houston, lead the Rockets' second-half turnaround and finish with 35 points.

Vince Carter tied his season high with 43 points as the Raptors tied Miami and Cleveland for the second-longest losing streaks this

season. Houston had the worst, losing 15 in a row.

But this wasn't a night for concentrating on the negative. Olajuwon deserved better.

"It was nice and I enjoyed it very much," said Olajuwon, who led Houston to two NBA titles in his 16 seasons there. "It was the right thing to do and I

appreciated it a lot."

The 39-year-old Olajuwon had only seven points and seven rebounds in 25 minutes.

"I would have loved to have won the game, but now you have to move on," he said. "It was a very warm welcome. It was something I looked forward to and now I'm glad it is over and we

can move on."

But Toronto, which acquired Olajuwon in a trade last August, is spiraling out of the NBA-playoff race.

"We've lost so many games in a row that this was an important game for us to win," Olajuwon said. "And when I play Houston, I want to win."

Toronto couldn't, despite building a 17-point lead that Francis and Cuttino Mobley

erased in the second half.

"He shot the ball very well," Carter said of Francis.

Elsewhere, it was San Antonio 109, Golden State 88; Dallas 81, Phoenix 77; Seattle 97, Minnesota 83; the Los Angeles Lakers 101, New Jersey 92; Washington 115, Chicago 90; Miami 93; Detroit 91; Indiana 111, Orlando 98; New York 102, Milwaukee 89; and Cleveland 103, Atlanta 96.

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Alex Watkins' home run down the third base line brought in Olague and put Big Spring up 4-0 with barely 13 pitches under Estacado starter Olivia Soto's belt.

Outfielder Jamie Long's triple brought in second basemen Bridget Cain and Trista Casey who had earlier singled.

Long scored on Chesworth's single, before Hufford hit a line drive to the shortstop and Erica Stewart popped up to Seto to end the onslaught.

Estacado fell one, two, three in the top of the second as Lady Mats center fielder Nikole Ramirez chopped at one of Chesworth's change-up pitches for the easy pitcher to first baseman out.

"If we continue to do what we've been doing, we'll be able to put ourselves in a situation to win if we have some offense and limit our

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single to left by center fielder Lee Gillihan.

It looked as if Miles would get out of the jam, but Steers designated hitter singled down the line in left with two away, plating Clements and Gillihan, trimming the lead to 9-2.

And in the bottom of the seventh, Miles appeared to tire — issuing his only walk of the game to lead off hitter Landon Adkins and then hitting Zach Phinney with a pitch.

## BRIEFS

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Softball Association program is scheduled from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. each day this week through Friday and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, as well as on Saturday, March 15.

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mistakes in defense. I feel like we did that today," Arista said. "I also had a chance to put other players in there. I really didn't have the chance to do that last year, to rotate players in and out."

Big Spring followed the first inning whitewash with six runs in the second inning, five in the third and three in the fourth. The game was called after five innings on the 10-run rule.

Chesworth got the win, while Soto took the loss for Estacado.

Several players hit RBIs in the contest: Long, Olague, Stewart and Chesworth had three; and Watkins had two.

"We work every day on being competitive," Arista said. "We go into each game trying to be competitive."

That is my goal. I want our girls to put themselves in the situation to win the game. Our hitting last year was OK, but it seemed as if

our timing was off in the game. I really felt we needed to concentrate on our hitting. And we've done a good job so far."

Arista's 23-7 area champions' squad will be in the thick of the district race with strong competition from Snyder, San Angelo Lakeview and Andrews, who beat the Lady Steers 2-0 in regional competition last year.

Big Spring has played a tough pre-district slate in the competitive Fort Worth Brewer Tournament, West Texas Classic in Midland and Lubbock's Prairie Dog Classic.

The Lady Steers' next district opponent, Frenship, is an improved team over last year, Arista said. Being back-to-back district champions will put a mark on the

Lady Steers' fore lead and Big Spring must be ready for every opponent, including Frenship.

"They're up and coming, they really are," Arista said of the Lady Tigers. "They are going to be competitive. They got beat the other day 16-0 by Snyder, and then we turned around and beat Snyder 7-3 during the tournament in Midland."

"But you can't underestimate anybody. If you start thinking that you're real good, anyone can creep up and beat you. That's the way this game is. I've seen it all the way around. I think we bring tout the best in every team."

"At this point, we're just going to keep on trucking," Arista said. "We're not going to change anything."

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Machine, kerosene  
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Car Parts Dept has a  
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Applications for  
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Full and Queen  
mattress, dinette table,  
Freezer and lots of  
misc.

2008 Nolan B.  
Efficiency all Bills paid  
\$235/mo \$150/dep  
264-6006 or 263-1792

PUBLIC NOTICE

The County of Howard,  
Texas, will hold a Computer  
Accuracy Test as required by  
Sec. 127.091 to 127.100 of  
the Texas Election Code. This  
test is conducted to ascertain  
that the equipment will accurately  
count the votes cast on punch-  
card ballots for the  
Democratic and Republican  
Primary Election to be held  
March 12, 2002.

This computer accuracy test  
will be held at the County  
Clerk's Office of Howard  
County, City of Big Spring, on  
March 9, 2002, at 3:00 P.M.  
Pat Underwood  
Presiding Judge  
Central Counting Station  
#3473 March 6, 2002

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Local Employee  
Committee (LEC) of the State  
Employee Charitable  
Campaign (SECC) is accept-  
ing applications from (IRS-  
501(c)(3) Health and Human  
Service Charitable  
Organizations, including feder-  
ations of such organizations,  
desiring to participate in the  
Midland-Odessa 13-county  
campaign area of the 2002  
SECC. Call the current cam-  
paign manager at 915-685-  
7709 for application kits. Ap-  
plication kits will be provid-  
ed automatically to organiza-  
tions that participated in 2001.  
Application instructions differ  
and are provided in each kit.  
Deadline for United Way mem-  
ber agencies is April 3, 2002,  
for other organizations April  
10, 2002.

#3472 March 5 & 6, 2002

PUBLIC NOTICE

TEXAS NATURAL  
RESOURCE  
CONSERVATION  
COMMISSION  
NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF  
APPLICATION AND INTENT  
TO OBTAIN AIR PERMIT  
PROPOSED AIR QUALITY  
PERMIT NO. 50209

APPLICATION Alon USA,  
L.P., P.O. Box 1311, Big  
Spring, Texas, 79721 has  
applied to the Texas Natural  
Resource Conservation  
Commission (TNRCC) for  
issuance of Air Quality Permit,  
No. 50209, which would  
authorize modification to an  
existing Asphalt Process  
Facility at the Big Spring  
Refinery located on Retinery  
Road at Interstate Highway  
20, Big Spring, Howard  
County, Texas. The following  
air contaminants will be evalu-  
ated for authorization: organic  
compounds, nitrogen oxides,  
carbon monoxide, sulfur dioxide,  
and particulate matter less  
than 10 microns in diameter.  
This application was submitted  
to the TNRCC on January 16,  
2002. The application is avail-  
able for viewing and copying  
at the TNRCC central office,  
the TNRCC Midland regional  
office, and the Howard County  
Library, 500 South Main  
Street, Big Spring, Texas. The  
facility's compliance file, if any  
exists, is available for public  
review in the Midland regional  
office of the TNRCC.

The TNRCC executive director  
has determined the application  
is administratively complete  
and will conduct a technical  
review of the application.

**PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC  
MEETING** You may submit  
public comments a request  
a public meeting or request  
a contested case hearing to  
the Office of the Chief Clerk  
at the address below. The  
TNRCC will consider all public  
comments in developing a  
final decision on the applica-  
tion. The deadline to submit  
public comments is 30 days  
after newspaper notice is  
published. After the deadline  
for public comments, the exec-  
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If only comments are received  
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with notice of the executive  
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the interests which the  
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tested case hearing will only  
be granted based on disputed  
issues of fact that are relevant  
and material to the  
Commission's decision on the  
application. Further, the  
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during the public comment  
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A person who may be affect-  
ed by emissions of air con-  
taminants from the facility is  
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If requesting a contested  
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mit the following (1) your  
name (or for a group or  
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resentative), mailing  
address, daytime phone  
number, and fax number, if  
any; (2) applicant name and  
permit number; (3) the state-  
ment (Use request a con-  
tested case hearing;" (4)  
a specific description of how  
you would be adversely  
affected by the application  
and air emissions from the  
facility in a way not common  
to the general public; (5) the  
location and distance of your  
property relative to the  
facility; and (6) a description  
of how you use the property  
which may be impacted by  
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, March 7:

Aim for more of what you  
want this year. Your sense  
of direction opens new  
doors. Use an innate skill  
or talent, perhaps involving  
others, to gain financially.  
Your assets go far past  
material ones. Your creativ-  
ity helps you drive a hard  
bargain. If single, romance  
definitely will play into  
your year. A friend might  
be a bit jealous or put off by  
your good luck. Don't take  
it personally. This person  
also needs more in his or  
her life. If attached, your  
mutual domestic life will  
add many rewards to your  
life. You, however, could be  
doing so much at once that  
you feel spread too thin.  
Prioritize your life, and  
your relationship will bene-  
fit. CAPRICORN remains  
your pal.

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) \*\*\*\* Stay on top of work.  
Strong resources back your  
ideas; use them to ensure  
your plan. Opportunities  
strike from out of the blue.  
Readjust your schedule, if  
need be. Right now, go with  
Lady Luck and the promise  
of success. Tonight: Work  
as late as necessary.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May  
20) \*\*\*\* Your energy and  
enthusiasm mix, making  
you a driving force at work  
or at play. Read between  
the lines when dealing with  
another. Speak your mind,  
but also do a better job of  
listening to what another  
says. Don't be overly sensi-  
tive. Tonight: Relax to  
music or a movie.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)  
\*\*\*\* An offer might be too  
good to be true. Investigate  
what you think is going on  
through observation, listen-  
ing and doing adequate  
research. A friend comes  
through, leaving positive  
feelings and perhaps an  
occasion for celebration.  
Tonight: Spend quality time  
with a loved one.

**CANCER** (June 21-July  
21) \*\*\*\* Carefully revise  
your opinions involving an  
associate and an opportu-  
nity. Zero in on what you  
want. Remain positive and  
direct in your dealings  
involving a dear friend.  
Surprises surround meet-  
ings and groups in general.  
Don't hesitate. Tonight:  
Accept an invitation.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)  
\*\*\*\* An associate drives a  
hard bargain, or so he or  
she thinks! You know you  
have what it takes to meet  
this demand. Reach out to  
someone. Do your best to  
contact a loved one at a dis-  
tance. Indulge in an in-law.  
Hop on the Internet for  
additional information.  
Tonight: Work late.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)  
\*\*\*\* An associate thinks  
carefully about a problem  
and has strong feedback.  
Review a matter that is  
close to your heart with a

trusted friend. Detach from  
the passion and intensity.  
You come up with wonder-  
ful answers. Tonight: Start  
the weekend early.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)  
\*\*\*\* Others give you the  
benefit of the doubt. Listen  
carefully to a partner who  
might not be as easygoing  
as you are. Strong passion  
surrounds this relationship.  
Nothing is halfway here.  
Don't say "yes" to a profes-  
sional option unless you  
can maintain your personal  
commitments at the same  
time. Tonight: Talk with a  
family member or loved  
one.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov.  
21) \*\*\*\* Reach out for  
another at a distance.  
Extremes mark your deci-  
sions. A co-worker opens  
the door, allowing a new  
option. This person might  
want more than a friend-  
ship here. Tread carefully.  
You might be more alluring  
than you're aware. Tonight:  
Consider a weekend get-  
away.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-  
Dec. 21) \*\*\*\* Expenses go  
slightly out of whack.  
Think in terms of gains. A  
child or loved one shares  
the depth of his or her feel-  
ings. Be gracious when  
handling this person. A  
partner could feel jealous or  
possessive. Indulge some-  
one, and he or she indulges  
you. Tonight: Treat another  
to a good time.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-  
Jan. 19) \*\*\*\* You're all  
smiles. Others seem to pave  
your path to success and  
happiness. Another, howev-  
er, has expectations. Use  
your creativity, and you'll  
discover more about what  
someone desires from you.  
A family member helps you  
sort through options.  
Tonight: Whatever makes  
the Goat smile.


**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb.  
18) \*\*\* You don't have to be  
a major participant; you  
will be a major recipient.  
Sit back and think more  
about what you want from  
a situation. Sugar goes  
much further than vinegar.  
Be careful revealing your  
frustration. You might  
inadvertently cause your-  
self a problem. Tonight:  
Rest up.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March  
20) \*\*\*\* Carefully listen to  
another who could be on  
the warpath. Refuse to be  
angry. Rather, express your  
gentleness and caring.  
Review a decision that  
impacts your long-term  
desires involving a friend-  
ship. You might decide to  
buy something special for a  
loved one. Tonight: Follow  
your friends.

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Lendl (1960), weather  
reporter Willard Scott  
(1934), artist Piet Mondrian  
(1872)  
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Painkiller addiction puts  
hobby out on the street

Dear Ann  
Landers: My  
husband is  
addicted to a  
powerful  
painkiller,  
which he was  
given after  
back surgery  
two years ago.  
"Dan" tried  
several times  
to get off this  
highly addictive drug, but  
nothing worked. He is still  
addicted.  
I threatened to leave him,  
but he begged for my  
forgiveness, and I could not  
refuse. Unfortunately, he  
kept sneaking around to  
find ways to get more of the  
drug. Dan told different  
doctors that he is in pain  
from his previous back  
surgery, and they have  
actually prescribed small  
amounts of this very same  
painkiller. He is manipula-  
tive and clever, and the  
doctors don't bother to  
verify his version of the facts.  
When he wound up in the  
hospital last week, vomit-  
ing blood, one doctor had  
the nerve to blame ME for  
Dan's addiction.



ANN  
LANDERS

We have a young son, and  
I do not want him exposed  
to his father's behavior. I  
cannot live with my hus-  
band anymore, but no one  
else will take care of him,  
including his parents. After  
the last episode, I threw  
him out, but my conscience  
is bothering me. He is prob-  
ably living on the streets.  
What should I do? - Wife  
of an Addict in Maryland  
Dear Addict's Wife: There  
is nothing you can do  
unless your husband is  
willing to get professional  
help. Some of those  
painkillers are more addic-  
tive than heroin. A desire  
to quit is helpful, but not  
enough. He may need hospi-  
talization along with coun-  
seling to overcome his  
addiction. If you can get  
Dan into a drug-treatment  
program, I recommend it.  
You can also contact Nar-  
Anon, an organization for  
family members of drug  
addicts. Send a long, self-  
addressed, stamped envel-  
ope to: Nar-Anon World  
Service Group, Box 2562,  
Palos Verdes Peninsula, CA  
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6 PM	News	King of the Hill	News- Lehrer	Home Videos	News	News (CC)	News	Friends (CC)	Intrusa	Movie: The	Mad TV (CC)	Movie: Crocodile	(CC)	Channels	Update With	Law & Order	Animal Mum	Pretender	Eye Spy				
7 PM	My Wife-Kids	That '80s	American	World's	60 Minutes II	My Wife-Kids	Ed (CC)	Ripley's Be-	Amigas y	Star Trek	Mad TV (CC)	Movie: Red	Movie: Meet	Movie: Meet	Christian	Biography	Engineering	NBA Basket-	Monster Mach				
8 PM	Draw Carey	Bernie Mac	Salsa Caliente	Magc III	Billy Graham	Drew Carey	West Wing	Movie	Salomé	(7:50) Movie:	Star Trek III: The	Movie: In the	(CC)	(CC)	Light of the	American	Impossible	geles Lakers	Junkyard				
9 PM	Downtown	Cops (CC)	Fury	Whose Line?	48 Hours (CC)	Downtown	Law & Order	(CC)	Don Francisco	Point (CC)	Search for	Men	Soul Food	Six Feet	Hour of	City Confi-	Skyscraper at	(CC)	Building the				
10 PM	News	Jerry Springer	700 Club (CC)	News	News (CC)	News (CC)	News (35) Tonight	Ripley's Be-	P Impacto	Big Man on	Star Trek	Colors	Resurrection	Monica in	Hour of	Law & Order	Justice Files	Movie: Twilight	Monster Mach				
11 PM	Platycally Inc	Suddenly	Road to	Wonder Years	Show (CC)	Ent. Tonight	Show (CC)	Movie: Cocktail	En las Me-	So Weird	Next Gener	Running Red	White (CC)	Update With	Biography	Engineering	Zone: The	Junkyard	Wargames				
12 AM	Paid Program	Spin City (CC)	Wealth (CC)	Guthy-Renker	Show (CC)	(12:06) Oprah	Night (CC)	Fraser	Maria la del	Zorro (CC)	Baywatch	Movie: The	Movie:	Rage in	Faith Pleases	American	Impossible	Movie:	Building the				

### DENNIS THE MENACE

"I WONDER WHEN WE'RE SUPPOSED TO START LIKING GIRLS?"

### FAMILY CIRCUS

"I cleaned my room! Does anybody want to look at it before it gets dirty again?"

### HAGAR

"IT'S YOUR BIRTHDAY - WHAT DO YOU WANT FOR BREAKFAST?"  
"OH, BOY! Uh - FIRST I'D LIKE..."  
"IN 25 WORDS OR LESS"

### BLONDIE

"LET'S HAVE A BET ON WHOSE ROPE COMES FIRST! YOUR DOLLAR AGAINST MY SANDWICH."  
"I WOULDN'T WANT TO TAKE YOUR SANDWICH, ELMO."  
"WHAT KIND OF SANDWICH IS IT?"

### B.C.

"HI, GUYS. WHAT'S UP?"  
"SUN A GUN. YOU CATCH US AT WHAT WE ARE DOING."  
"YES WE BRING BOOKS OUT OF SECRET LAIR!"  
"BUT WHAT IF IT RAINS?"  
"WHERE ARE YOU GOING?"  
"WE PUT BOOKS RIGHT BACK."

### WIZARD OF ID

"WOULD YOU PREFER A 'WINDSOR,' A 'FOUR-IN-HAND' OR A BOW?"  
"SMIFF AND I THOUGHT 'THE HANGMAN WITH A HEART' WAS JUST PRISON YARD SLANG."

### GEECH

"COULD I HELP YOU?"  
"I'M LOOKING FOR AN ANNIVERSARY GIFT FOR MY WIFE."  
"WHICH ANNIVERSARY IS IT?"  
"THE ONE I FORGOT LAST WEEK."  
"THEN I'D RECOMMEND SOMETHING REALLY BIG."

### HI AND LOIS

"OKAY, TRIXIE, READY!"  
"SWISH WHIP TAPE TUG WHOOSH!"  
"YEGGGS... 18 SECONDS! WOO - HOO!"  
"WHOOPEE, A NEW SPEED RECORD!"

### GASOLINE ALLEY

"Joseph! Wake up, sleepy head!"  
"I'm not used to staying up so late!"  
"We're having a secret meeting tonight! Mum's the word!"  
"What's the password?"  
"I just told you! Mum!"

### SNUFFY SMITH

"JUGHAID, RUN THIS DOWN TO TH' MAILBOX, AN' DON'T FERGIT TO PUT TH' FLAG UP!"  
"YES, MA'AM, AUNT LOWEEZY!!"  
"SMIF"

### BEEBLE BAILY

"OKAY, LET'S GET THIS GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE GOING..."  
"SOMEONE SHOULD TAKE MINUTES"  
"WELL, DON'T LOOK AT ME, I DON'T EVEN HAVE A WATCH"

## THIS DATE IN HISTORY

**The ASSOCIATED PRESS**  
Today is Wednesday, March 6, the 65th day of 2002. There are 300 days left in the year.  
Today's Highlight in History:  
On March 6, 1836, the Alamo in San Antonio, Texas, fell to Mexican forces after a 13-day siege.  
On this date:  
In 1834, the city of York in Upper Canada was incorporated as Toronto.  
In 1853, Verdi's opera "La Traviata" premiered in Venice, Italy.  
In 1857, in its "Dred Scott" decision, the Supreme Court held that Scott, a slave, could not sue for his freedom in federal court.  
In 1933, a nationwide bank holiday declared by President Franklin Roosevelt went into effect.  
In 1935, retired Supreme Court Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes Jr. died in

Washington.  
In 1944, U.S. heavy bombers staged the first American raid on Berlin during World War II.  
In 1957, the former British African colonies of the Gold Coast and Togoland became the independent state of Ghana.  
In 1981, Walter Cronkite signed off for the last time as principal anchorman of "The CBS Evening News."  
In 1983, in a case that drew much notoriety, a woman in New Bedford, Mass., reported being gang-raped atop a pool table in a tavern called Big Dan's; four men were later convicted of the attack.  
In 1987, 189 people died when the British ferry Herald of Free Enterprise capsized off the Belgian port of Zeebrugge.  
Ten years ago: Personal computer users braced for a virus known as "Michelangelo," set to trigger on March 6, but only scattered cases of lost files were reported.  
Five years ago: A gunman stole a million-dollar

Picasso portrait ("Tete de Femme") from a London gallery. (The painting was recovered and two suspects arrested a week later.)  
Today's Birthdays: TV personality Ed McMahon is 79. Conductor Sarah Caldwell is 78. Former FBI and CIA director William Webster is 78. Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan is 76. Soviet cosmonaut Valentina Tereshkova is 65. Country singer Doug Dillard is 65. Sen. Christopher Bond, R-Mo., is 63. Actress-writer Joanna Miles is 62. Actor Ben Murphy is 60. Opera singer Dame Kiri Te Kanawa is 58. Singer Mary Wilson (The Supremes) is 58.

## Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS**  
1 Do some woolgathering?  
6 Leave slack-jawed  
10 Chest muscles, briefly  
14 Le \_\_, France  
15 Braxton or Morrison  
16 "I smell \_\_!"  
17 Waker-upper  
19 Robert De \_\_  
20 Bolshevik  
21 "What a surprise!"  
22 Like Spock  
24 Magic word  
26 Like spun glass  
27 Actor Villechaize  
29 Neighbor of Yugo.  
30 Freight-train hopper  
33 Claimant's cry  
35 Picnic meal  
39 Colossal, filmwise  
40 Milker's support  
42 Skater Lipinski  
43 Americans, to Brits  
45 Indy winner Luyendyk  
46 Thunder god  
47 Actor Danson  
49 San Antonio shrine  
51 Cover like a canopy  
55 Like skim milk  
59 "Horse-feathers!"  
60 Boars and bulls  
61 A person  
62 "Within" word form
- DOWN**  
2 In better health  
3 Weasel out of  
4 O'Hare abbr.  
5 Couch potato's aid  
6 Normandy town  
7 Overly  
8 "I give up!"  
9 Inventor Tesla  
10 It's pressed in fear  
11 Susan Lucci role  
12 Gem weight  
13 Ripped off  
18 Guitar-book diagrams  
23 Fish feature  
25 Crack infantry group  
26 Kerr of film  
28 La Dolce \_\_  
30 "Pay attention!"  
31 \_\_-Locka, FL  
32 Grain holder  
34 Garden-store buy  
36 Slangy negative  
37 \_\_-Magnon  
38 Kramden laugh syllable  
41 Tilted  
44 O'Casey or Connelly  
48 Deepen, as a canal  
50 Pilgrim to Mecca  
51 West Indies sorcery  
52 I Love Lucy star  
53 John of song  
54 Actor Richard  
56 \_\_ length (photog's concern)  
57 Spot for a bracelet  
58 True-false et al.  
60 Can't stomach  
64 Overhead trains  
65 Starter for acetylene

## STAY CALM by Fred Piscop

Edited by Stanley Newman

Answer to previous puzzle

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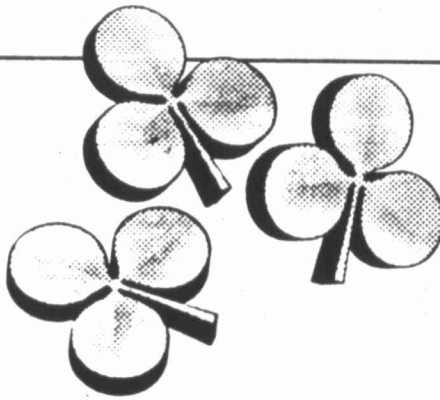
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By BETTY DEBNAM

It's Newspaper in Education Week

# Yo! Newspapers!

### A newspaper rap

The newspaper will help you succeed  
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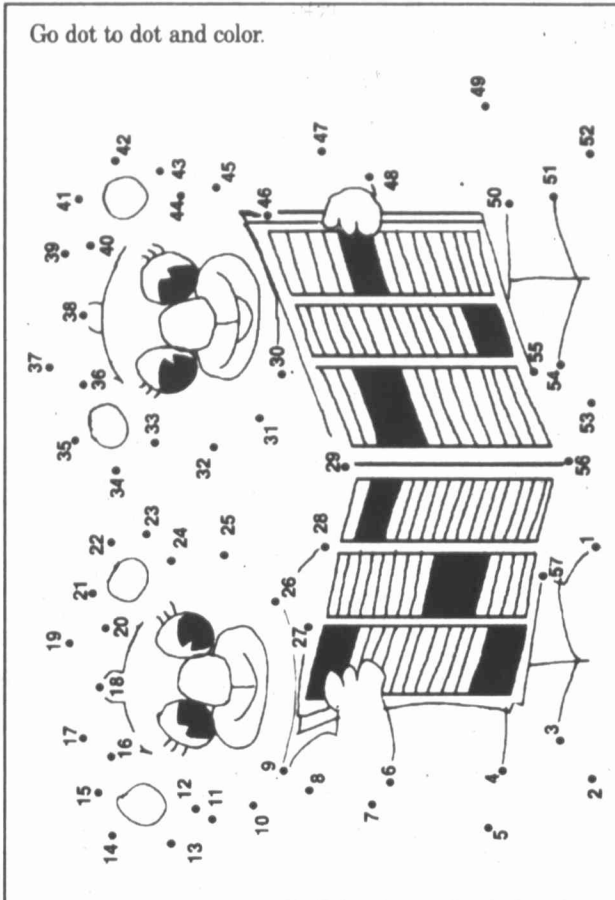
Newspapers are being used in many classrooms across the country.

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NIE Week, March 4 through 8

- When you want to watch **TV**, Check the schedule for what to see.  We've found that readers of most any age, Always enjoy your paper's **Mini Page**.
- When you don't want to be a bore, Check the sports section for the score.  To find out what is wisest to wear, The **weather report** is where?
- When you want to know what to cook, The food section is where to look.  To find out an **event in your town**, Newspapers are the best source around.
- When you are looking for a bargain to buy, The newspaper ads are the first place to try.  To find out **what's happening worldwide**, News is on the front page and also inside.
- Letters to the editor** are one way to find What other people have in mind.  To find out where to put your dough, The **business section** is where to go.
- The **obituaries** are the best way To find out who has passed away.  When you want to laugh and have fun Find out on what page the **comics** run.
- For the **classifieds** we clap and cheer, When seeking a new car or career.  All through life you are in a better situation, When papers are part of your education!



Go dot to dot and color.

### Rookie Cookie's Recipe

#### Mushroom Quiche

**You'll need:**

- 1 cup mushrooms, sliced
- 1/2 cup cheddar cheese, grated
- 1/2 cup milk
- 4 eggs, beaten
- 1 unbaked pie shell

**What to do:**

1. In a medium bowl, combine mushrooms and cheese. Mix well.
2. In a small bowl, combine milk and eggs. Mix well.
3. Add egg mixture to mixture in medium bowl. Mix well.
4. Pour into pie shell.
5. Bake in a preheated 425-degree oven for 30 minutes or until done. Serves 6-8.

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#### Supersport: Tasha Schwikert

**Birthdate:** 11-21-84 **Birthplace:** Las Vegas, Nev.

Last year's national championship winner in gymnastics was Tasha Schwikert. She was also the bronze medal winner at the World Championships. When she was little, she dreamed of competing in the Olympics. Her dream came true when she competed in the 2000 Olympics in Sydney, Australia.

Tasha began gymnastics in 1990 and joined the national team in 1997.

She comes from a family of athletes. Her mother played tennis and her father played basketball. Her sister, Jordan, is also a gymnast.

Tasha is a junior in high school. She hopes to study medicine in college. She likes reading, shopping and swimming.

### Meet Enrique Iglesias

Since his first album came out in 1995, singer Enrique Iglesias has become one of the top-selling Latin performers.

Enrique, 26, was born in Madrid, Spain, and moved to the United States when he was 8. He grew up in Florida with his father, singer Julio Iglesias. His mother is from the Philippines.

He studied business at the University of Miami before deciding he wanted to try a singing career.

Enrique lives in Miami and has two dogs. He likes listening to music and going to movies. He also likes water sports, including surfing, wind surfing and jet skiing.

### MIGHTY FUNNY'S Mini Jokes

All the following jokes have something in common. Can you guess the common theme or category?

**Jeff:** If you drop a letter in the mud, what do you call it?  
**Craig:** Blackmail!

**Lynn:** What are the best letters to read when it's hot?  
**Drew:** Fan mail!

**Karen:** What happens when you cross a tomato, some cheese, and a mail carrier?  
**Sandra:** A pizza that delivers itself!

### Yo! Newspapers!

**TRY 'N FIND**

Words and names that remind us of newspapers are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward. See if you can find: **NEWSPAPER, ADVERTISEMENT, WEATHER, READ, ARTIST, PRODUCTION, EDITOR, HEADLINE, REPORTER, ACTIVITIES, ARTICLE, PRESS, STORY, WRITE, TYPE.**

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### Mini Spy ...

Mini Spy and Rookie are enjoying the morning paper. See if you can find:

- bucket
- number 3
- eyeglasses
- olive
- letter Z
- snake
- kite
- key
- elephant face
- tin can
- carrot
- letter D
- pencil
- man in the moon
- cone
- lima bean
- safety pin
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- word MINI
- duck

## Education in Newspapers



Reading The Mini Page and your local paper alone and with your family are wonderful ways to get the newspaper reading habit that will last a lifetime.



The week of March 4 through 8 is Newspaper in Education Week. This is a special week set aside to remind kids and their teachers at home and at school of how much there is to learn by reading newspapers.

The Mini Page is the first step for many kids into their local newspaper. We have asked our Mini Page characters to give us some newspaper exercises. Can you find these characters in other places in your Mini Page?

**NEWSPAPERS CAN HELP YOU SHOP FOR GROCERIES.**  
Rookie Cookie is our food and recipe expert. She is a little deer in the kitchen.  
To do: On the day that your newspaper prints its food section, circle all of the foods that you especially like. Compare the prices from different stores.  
To do: Look at our Rookie Cookie recipe in The Mini Page. Pretend that you are doubling the recipe. What would your new measurement be?

**NEWSPAPERS CAN HELP YOU LEARN TO READ AND WRITE!**  
Alpha Betty is our reading and writing expert.  
To do: Cut out pictures that interest you. Make up your own story to go with a photo.  
To do: On a separate sheet of paper, make a list of 10 colorful words and expressions you see in ads. For each word, can you think of a synonym (or word that means the same)?

**NEWSPAPERS CAN HELP YOU LEARN TO SOLVE MATH PROBLEMS.**  
Casey Count is our math expert.  
To do: On several pages, circle all of the numbers that you see. Which ones are the highest? Which ones are the lowest?

**NEWSPAPERS HELP YOU DISCOVER THINGS ABOUT YOUR WORLD.**  
Mini Spy is our investigative reporter. She likes to discover interesting people, places and things.  
To do: A noun is a word that names a person, place or thing. Make a list of five places, people and things found in your newspaper.

**NEWSPAPERS HELP YOU TO PRACTICE SOLVING PUZZLES.**  
Peter Penguin is our outstanding puzzle maker.  
To do: Cut out several headlines. See if you can make a new sentence out of them.

**THE NEWSPAPER'S COMICS SECTION CAN MAKE YOU LAUGH.**  
Mighty Funny is our joke expert. He keeps us laughing.  
To do: Circle all of the question marks you see in the comics. Circle all of the other forms of punctuation you see. Look through your newspaper for more.  
To do: Cut away the balloons on a comic strip. See if you can make up new words for the characters to say.

**NEWSPAPERS CAN HELP YOU INCREASE YOUR VOCABULARY.**  
Basset Brown is an excellent speller who loves to learn new words.  
To do: Go on an ABC scavenger hunt. See if you can find three words beginning with all of the letters of the alphabet, starting with A and going to Z.

Next Week: The Mini Page celebrates Women's History Month with a story about Eleanor Roosevelt, a woman who changed the role of presidential first ladies forever.

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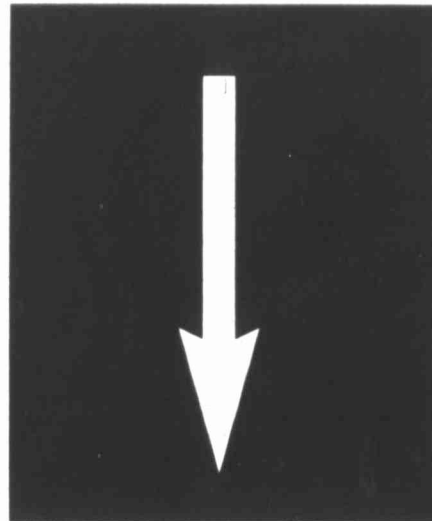
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