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MS Walk set for Saturday in Big Spring

The annual MS Walk, benefitting more than 950 sclerosis multiple patients in the West Texas area, will be held Saturday at Comanche Trail Park.

Registration is 9 a.m. at the Old Settlers Pavilion and the walk will begin at 10 a.m.

In case of inclement weather, the walk will be moved to the Big Spring

For more information, call Kenda Dulaney at (915) 522-2077.

WHAT'S UP...

☐ Fraternal order of Eagles Aerie Ladies Auxiliary meets at 7 p.m. at the Eagles Lodge, 703 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.

□ American Legion Ladies Auxiliary will have their regular meeting on April 18 at 6 p.m. at 3203 West Hwy 80.

☐ Masonic Lodge 598 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 219 Main.

FRIDAY

☐ Signal Mountain Quilting Guild, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281. Bring a lunch.

☐ AMBUCS meets at noon at the Brandin

☐ ABC Club meets at noon at the Brandin Iron.

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

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Former Dallas Mayor wins Democratic bid for U.S. Senate

Democrats in Texas have chosen their nominees for November elections, the party is hoping to make history. Its goal: to elect the state's first black senator and first Hispanic governor.

Four weeks after Hispanic candidate Tony Sanchez won the Democratic nomination for governor, former Dallas Mayor Ron Kirk defeated teacher Victor Morales in a runoff Tuesday and became the first black candidate to be nominated

U.S. Senate.

With 99 percent of precincts reporting, Kirk had 370,063 votes, or 60 percent, and Morales had 250,034 votes, or 40 percent.

"I feel great, absolutely relieved and exhausted," Kirk said after he won the Democratic nomination Tuesday night. "This just shows what happens when you spend the time and energy to meet with the people and go back again and understand their issues.

DALLAS (AP) - Now that to represent Texas in the And I think Tony Sanchez' endorsement really made a difference."

Sanchez, who originally refused to back either candidate, threw his support behind Kirk on the eve of the runoff. Some analysts believe that helped Kirk cut Morales' into support among Hispanics.

"Sanchez just kind of kicked the door open and the flood came in," said Cal Jillson, political science

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HOW HOWARD COUNTY VOTED

Democratic Runoff United States Senator Ron Kirk: 161 Victor Morales: 95

Republican Runoff Justice, Supreme Court, Place 2 Dale Wainwright: 88 Elizabeth Ray: 52

Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 1

Tom Price: 77 Tim Taft: 58

Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 2 David Richards: 67 Paul Womack: 65

Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 3 Cathy Cochran: 89 Guy Williams: 47

Sextuplets Big Spring relatives are excited over new arrivals

By ANDREIA MEDLIN

Features Editor

Local relatives of the Kansas woman who gave birth to sextuplets are excited about the new arrivals and keep updated on the progress of the babies daily.

"We are all real excited and everybody is doing great as far as we know,' said Becky Rau, Eldon Headrick's great-aunt.

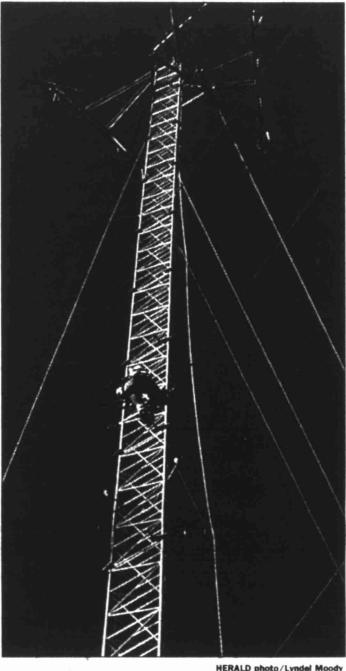
Eldon's wife, Sondra, 33, gave birth to the three boys and three girls by Caesarean section Saturday afternoon at Via Christi Regional Medical Center-St. Joseph in Wichita.

"Sondra hopes to move into the housing unit there at the hospital in the next few days. It's been fun and we're glad it's over for them. Especially for Aubriana because she hasn't been able to be with her mother," Becky comment-

Although 4-year-old Aubriana has missed her mom she, too, is excited about her new brothers and sisters and had planned for their arrival in her own

"Aubrianna thinks they're wonderful and has been able to see them a couple of times. Her grandmother told me while

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Taylor Communications employee Craig Bowlin climbs a 300-foot tower being constructed on U.S. Highway 87 near Forsan to be used for voice stream service. According to Deren Wilcox, construction coordinator of Clear Shot, the owner of the tower, the company is constructing 65 to 75 towers in the San Angelo, Big Spring and Lamesa area. Construction of a tower is already completed in Ackerly.

Foundation hopes to use interest to improve community

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

Have you ever wanted to make a donation to improve the community, but weren't sure how to

go about it? At the Big Spring City Council meeting Tuesday evening Charles Beil presented information about newly-formed Big Spring

BEIL Area Community Foundation.

The group, modeled after several others around the state and nation, plans to accept and invest donations from the community and fund grants for the betterment of the community with the investments' inter-

"Basically it's an entity that collects tax-deductible donations from any entity,' Beil said. "It can be somebody that wants to create a \$100 memorial to a deceased person. If it's a major gift from an estate or another source, that's acceptable. The money then is invested and the revenue, the proceeds are invested in the betterment or the enhancement of the community."

The foundation will accept both unrestricted funds, proceeds which will be controlled by the foundation's board of trustees, and funds with restricted uses, Beil said.

"The primary thing that the foundation looks for is called 'unrestricted funds,' because the proceeds from the investment of those funds are used at the discretion of the grants committee to fund a grant from the community," he said. "The primary priority will be something to enhance the quality of life in this com-

By accepting restricted funds, the foundation will serve to direct the interest from the donations as the donor wishes, Beil said.

"It can serve as a receptacle for people who want to establish a scholarship fund for instance, or they want to support a particular agency, such as United Way, eternally. In other words, these are called 'donor-designated funds,' where the donating entity says 'take these, invest them, but we want the proceeds from this fund to support this particular interest of ours.' In that regards it's a community service. It serves as an umbrella for a lot of little splinter activities like that."

The Foundation has already been formed and is currently waiting on confirmation of its non-profit sta-

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Coahoma stick horse rodeo to include lots of bull Thursday

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

T.C. Long will be bringing a lot of bull to the Coahoma Elementary Stick Horse Rodeo on Thursday more than 2,000 pounds worth.

This will be one of many rodeo performances for the 19-year-old and his two Brahman bulls. Long has performed at rodeos in New Mexico, Texas and sometimes Oklahoma.

"It's something I've always wanted to do," Long said.

Long also performs at Baptist church camps using the animals as a way to keep the children interested while talking about the Lord, he "I will give services off the big

one," he said. "It keeps them interested and the kids stay with you." His big Brahman bull Snapper is

about 2,100 pounds. Long rides on

the bull's back.

Long will also lets children ride on Snapper's back and pet the massive yet cuddly animal. Because of the limited space at the Coahoma gym, Long does not plan to let the kindergartners ride Thursday.

Long said he doesn't make to much money performing with the bulls and plans to eventually become an orthodontist. Even in another line of work, Long does See RODEO, Page 2

hope to continue performing with the bulls.

"To see the look in those kids eves makes it all worthwhile," he said.

The Coahoma Stick Horse Rodeo begins 9 a.m. in the big gym on the Coahoma Elementary campus, 400 Ramsey Ave. Admission is free to the public. Little cowpokes compete in every

BSHS students will be honored at Governor's ceremony at ASU

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

Ten Big Spring High School students traveled to San Angelo today and will be honored at the Governor's Academic Excellence Awards Ceremony at San Angelo State University.

The event is part of the Texas Celebrations of Educational Excellence program, now in its eighth year and honors students in grades 9 through 12 who have excelled academically in the foundation areas of the state curricu-

One of the 10 BSHS students is Nathaniel Smith, a senior who is being honored for his achievement in the National Merit Scholarship program. Smith was named a finalist in the program, a prestigious honor based Smith's work on the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test as a

The other nine are being recognized for attaining top honors on Texas Assessment of

Academic Skills test. They include Chelsea Helsley, 12th grade; Brittney Barrow, 11th grade; Mary Strain, 11th grade; Samantha Newton, 10th grade; Jessica Ray, 10th grade; Camilla Painter, 10th grade; Brennan Bailey, 9th grade; Regan Creswell, 9th grade; and Paige Gainey, 9th

Hosted by the State Board of Education and Texas colleges and universities, the event honored about 14,000 students statewide in 2001.

Across the state, students were honored for achievement in math, English, science, history and foreign languages as well as accomplishments such as outstanding grade point averages, honor roll inclusion, Academic Decathlon, competitions and University Interscholastic League academic honors as well as National Merit and TAAS achievements.

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These Big Spring High School students will be honored at the Governor's Academic Excellence Awards Ceremony today in San Angelo. Senior Nathaniel Smith will be recognized for his accomplishment as a National Merit Finalist, while the others will be recognized for earning top honors on the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills test. Shown are Smith, left; Cheisea Heisley, Brittney Barrow, Mary Strain, Samantha Newton, Jessica Ray, Camilla Painter, Brennan Bailey, Regan Creswell and Paige Gainey.

Finette Johnson

Finette Johnson, 72, of Big Spring, passed away on Monday, April 8, 2002, at

Scenic Mountain Medical Center following a sudden illness.

Graveside service will be 3 p.m. Thursday April 11, at

Mt. Olive Memorial Park with the Rev. Walter McCall, Odyssey Hospice chaplain, officiating.

Finette was born on March 26, 1930, in Hamlin. She married Vernon Johnson on April 12, 1958, in Stamford. She had lived in Big Spring since 1959 and she was a Baptist. She was a homemaker and had worked as a bookkeeper and notary for Art J. Lloyd for several years and she had been a member of the DAVA for a number of vears.

She is survived by her husband, Vernon Johnson of Big Spring; two daughters, Sandra Heffington of Tow and Dr. Barbara Behne of El Paso; three sons, Harry McDowell of Three Rivers, David Johnson of Apple Valley, Minn., and Duane Olyer of Big Spring; 25 grandchildren; and 31 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be David Heffington, David Johnson, Sean George, Dennis **Heffington** Jr., and Danny Ray Jones.

She is preceded in death by two sons, Rick Johnson and Ross Olyer II and two grandsons, Danny Heffington and Micah Olyer, one sister, Leona Rankin and one granddaughter, Lena Miller.

Arrangements are under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel. Paid obituary

William Baker

Graveside funeral service for William Baker, 72, of Big Spring will be 10 a.m. Thursday, April 11, 2002, at Mt. Olive Memorial Park with chaplain Walter McCall of Odyssey Hospice officiating.

Mr. Baker died Saturday, April 6, in a Snyder nursing home.

He was born on Oct. 1, 1929, in Clyde. He was raised in Clyde and had lived in Big Spring for most of his life. He had served in the U.S. Army from 1951-1954. He was a truck driver. He was a Baptist.

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

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KIRK

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professor at Southern Methodist University. "It does suggest that the Democratic party has gotten its wish. It's got a vibrant team at the top of its ticket that are mutually supportive of each other.'

Kirk, a former Texas secretary of state, now faces a grueling battle against GOP nominee Texas Attorney General John Cornyn.

The winner will succeed retiring Republican Phil Gramm. Since Democrats hold a one-seat edge in the Senate, every close race this year is potentially pivotal.

In the end, Kirk's money and his party favorite status hoisted him to victory over Morales, a part-time campaigner who was grossly underfunded.

Morales, who in 1996 crisscrossed the state in his pickup truck in a bid to unseat Republican Sen. Phil Gramm, left his campaign party in Austin on Tuesday night without conceding defeat. He told supporters he had no regrets.

"In terms of feeling down or sad, you're going to have to look someplace else," Morales said, as he continued to bash the Democrats who backed Kirk. "I thoroughly, completely distrust the Democrat Party leadership.'

In other races: -- Texas Supreme Court, Place 2: In a GOP race, State District Judge Dale defeated Wainwright District Judge Elizabeth Wainwright faces Ray. Democrat Jim Parsons of Palestine in November.

-- Criminal Court of Appeals, Place 1: Incumbent Republican Tom Price defeated appellate Judge Tim Taft. Price faces Democrat John W. Bull of San Antonio, a municipal judge. -- Criminal Court of

Appeals, Place 2: Paul Womack, the Republican incumbent, defeated visiting appeals court e Richards David Weatherford Womack lill Democrat face Montgomery, a San Antonio

in November -- Criminal Court of Place 3: incumbent Republican Cathy Cochran of Houston defeated attorney Guy Williams of Corpus Christi. Cochran, appointed by Gov. Rick Perry in September, faces Democrat J.R. Molina, a Fort Worth attorney, in the fall.

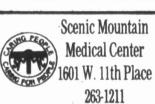
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tus, Beil said.
"The only delay we've had currently is awaiting our tax-exempt status from the (Internal Revenue Service)," Beil said. "We're about 60 days into that application procedure. We have no reason to believe that it will not be approved because there are over 500 of these foundations existing in the country and they all exist with something similar, with tax-exempt authority." Beil said he was happy with the reception from the

city council. "I thought they were very positively responsive about it," he said. "They made comments such as 'Great,' and 'Visionary,' and that at

an appropriate time they'd be happy to endorse it as the city government."

The Foundation is governed by a seven-member board of trustees. The current board includes Beil,





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president; John Ferguson, vice-president; **James** Welch, secretary-treasurer; Billye McLaughlin; Stanley Partee; Sue Partee; and

Myra Robinson. The foundation is seeking suggestions or ideas from the community at large. To make such suggestions, contact any of the trustees. Beil can be reached at 263-8350 or chasbeil@centramedia.net.

In other business, the council:

· Approved an emergency reading of an ordinance appointing election judges, determining their rate of pay and establishing an early voting board for the May 4 city election.

· Approved increasing Comanche Trail Park Swimming Pool rates from \$1.50 to \$2 instead of to \$2.50 as originally budgeted.

· Approved a change order in the Hangar 25 construction plans to spend an addition \$990 in Department of Transportation grant funds and \$12.38 in city funds to stabilize a stained glass window at the hangar.

 Approved accepting two grants for McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark mainte-

· Approved on first reading a resolution authorizing negotiations on a pool operations contract with the YMCA.

Continued from Page 1

Christmas shopping with Aubrianna she disappeared for a minute and when she came back she had picked out six little pairs of shoes for the babies," Becky said.

However, Aubrianna wasn't the only one who wanted to do something for the babies. After having her own baby in December, Eldon's sister began pumping milk and saving it for tributed to this article. the newborns.

While the family in Big Spring (Melanie Ussery, Becky's sister and greatgrandparents LeRoy and Continued from Page 1 Jane Headrick) looks forward to e-mail messages and Each year, 24 of the state's photos about the babies, colleges and universities Becky expressed some dis- host the event on their cambelief about the event.

this happening to other people, but you never think it students could happen in your family," she said.

The sextuplets born are State Board of Education. growing stronger, with only one of the six still breathing with help from a respirator, doctors said.

Five of the six babies were taking breast milk through Continued from Page 1 a feeding tube by Tuesday and the baby on a respirator thing from stick horse broncould be weaned from the machine as early as this morning, Dr. Katherine Schooley said. The sextuplets are also being treated for jaundice, a common malady with premature infants.

The babies — Ethan Roy, Melissa Sue, Grant Douglas, Sean Edward, Jaycie Patrice — will remain at the hospital for four to five weeks, doctors said. Their mother is expected to go

home in a few days. "She sacrificed her own comfort, her health, and potentially, her life," said Eldon Headrick, 32, referring to his wife. "She is very special."

The Headricks used fertility drugs before conceiving the sextuplets. They live about 40 miles west of Noon quotes provided by Edward Wichita in the town of Rago, Jones & Co.

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which until Saturday had a population of 12.

Headrick carried the children for 31 weeks, the longest any woman in the United States has carried sextuplets, Dr. Van R. Bohman has said.

Only 96 sets of sextuplets have been born worldwide since recording began in the early 1900s, doctors at the hospital said. Headrick had been in the

hospital for 93 days, and doctors said they decided to go ahead with the delivery Saturday because one of the babies appeared to be "stressed" in the womb. Doctors had told the cou-

ple the pregnancy could be aborted or reduced by four, giving the two remaining fetuses a better chance of survival. Bohman said there were

about 50 people, including 10 doctors, in the delivery room for the surgery, with another four or five doctors outside offering encouragement.

baby weighed Each between 2 pounds, 10 ounces and 3 pounds, 11 ounces and all squealed when they were

"All six babies were born in rapid succession, all being very active and screaming and carrying on, letting us know that they were here to stay," Bohman said.

Across town, the mother of the quadruplets born Friday was discharged from the hospital on Tuesday. The babies are doing well and are expected to-stay in the hospital three to four weeks, doctors said.

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co riding, to stick bull riding, barrel racing and many other rodeo events.

Guests will include Long and his Brahman bulls, professional rodeo announcer Ben Clements; and Wacey Cathey, former professional bull rider. Country musician Jody Nix, a Coahoma Linette, and Danielle High School alumni, will play with the Best Little Band in Texas.

Miss Teenage Rodeo Texas Cassie Graham plans to make an appearance. Quail Dobbs, former professional rodeo clown and current Justice of the Peace for Coahoma, will again be at this year's rodeo.

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POLICE

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

 ALBERT MARTINEZ JR., 24, of 2614 Fairchild was arrested on a charge of driving with an invalid license. • DESRIE SAVELL, 23, of

5001 Dawson St. was arrested to hold for the Howard County Sheriff's Office.

 JUAN LOYA FLORES, 49, of 602 N.W. Fifth Street was arrested on two local warrants.

· AARON EDWARD HENDERSON, 41, of 2107 Carl St. was arrested on charges of fraud and posses sion of a controlled substance, and for two local warrants.

 MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 1200 block of Mulberry Avenue, the 2600 block of Albrook Drive, the 400 block of South Main Street and the 2000 block of Simler Drive.

 MAJOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 1800 block of South Main Street.

 DRAGRACING/RECK-**LESS DRIVING** was reported in the 1700 block of Laurie Street and the 1000 block of South Birdwell Lane. CRIMINAL MISCHIEF

was reported in the 1000 block of South Lancaster Street. A green 1996 Pontiac Grand Am reportedly sustained \$300 damage in the incident. • DISORDERLY CON-

DUCT was reported in the 300 block of South Owens The Big Spring Police

Department reported the following activity over the weekend: • ASSAULT: 6

 ASSAULT/FAMILY VIOLENCE: 2

FIRE/EMS

The following is a summery of EMS and Fire Department activity

7:15 a.m. — 1200 block of Ridge Road, medical call, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

7:47 a.m. - 3200 Parkway,trauma call, one patient transported to SMMC.

8:17 a.m. — 2000 Virginia, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC. 10:20 a.m. — 300 block of

East Third, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC. 11:50 a.m. — 3200 Parkway, medical call, one

patient transported to 1:32 p.m. — 200 block of North Goliad, medical call,

one patient transported to SMMC. 1:42 p.m. — 2100 block of Main, medical call, one patient transported to

SMMC.

1:50 p.m. — 500 block of Ayelsford, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.

2:26 p.m. — 800 block of West 18th, trauma call, one patient transported to SMMC. 4:03 p.m. - 2000 block of

Rickabaugh, medical call,

one patient transported to

SMMC. 4:24 p.m. - 1800 block of Main, traffic accident, one patient transported to SMMC.

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Texas DPS seeks tougher requirements for driver's licenses

HOUSTON (AP) - What a difference a year makes.

Last spring, the Texas Legislature passed a bill that would have made it easier for illegal immigrants to get driver's licenses. Gov. Rick Perry vetoed

Now, the Texas Department of Public Safety is trying to make it more difficult to get a driver's license.

"After Sept. 11, there has been a re-examination," DPS spokeswoman Tela Mange said.

A hearing on the DPS' proposed ing written records of immigrants' administrative rule change drew a standing-room-only crowd of about 70 people Tuesday at the state Capitol. Opponents of illegal immigration applauded the effort to tighten regulations, which they see as a way to make it more difficult for people in the country illegally to stay here.

But critics - including representatives of the Austin Police Department — said security would be enhanced by offering driver's licenses to immigrants, establishresidences in the United States.

The proposed regulations would make it impossible for people who have a foreign passport to get Texas driver's licenses unless they also have verifiable identification issued by the U.S. government. Refugees, some foreign students and other immigrants — except those from Canada — would be excluded from getting the state identification.

The proposed changes in Austin come as Texas, like the rest of the

nation, grapples with new concerns about proof of identification. In the wake of the terrorist attacks, the federal government and many states are beginning to look for ways to ensure safety while still helping immigrants. California is considering a provision that would allow undocumented workers to get drivers' licenses that would identify them

as illegal immigrants. Opponents of illegal immigration applaud the effort to tighten regulations, which they see as a

way to make it more difficult for people in the country illegally to

Giving an illegal immigrant a driver's license "is very close to aiding and abetting a crime," said Bill Toney, an Austin resident.

State officials say the proposed changes come in response to the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. Some of the terrorists obtained driver's licenses from various states, which they then used as acceptable photo identification to board the planes they crashed.

Investigation finds Interior Department employees abused government credit cards

WASHINGTON (AP) -The Interior Department is changing its policies and retraining employees on use of government-issued credit cards after an audit found employees used them to pay their rent, withdraw money at casinos and buy jewelry and furniture.

Almost three-quarters of the department's 79,000 workers have government credit cards, and the agency's inspector general found myriad problems with use and oversight.

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"The department and its bureaus do not have sufficient controls in place to minimize abuse of the charge card," the report said. Some reviews of purchases "were done inadequately or in a perfunctory

on a regular basis, and some were not done at all.'

Interior spokesman John Wright said Tuesday the department is working to the audit, which was completed in late December. The agency is in the

process of training its credit card purchase screeners and this month will begin training all cardholders on appropriate use of the cards. Interior Department employees with government-issued cards made more than 2 million purchases for \$675 million in

fiscal years 1999 and 2000. The department now prohibits employees from receiving cash advances management of its credit through wire transfers on card system.

matter, some were not done their credit cards. It is reviewing whether fewer employees should have cards and whether their credit lines, now generally \$2,500 for purchase: should solve problems identified in be lowered. That analysis is to be completed in Augus

And officials noted that 40 employees have been fired since 1998 for credit card abuse.

"We take these credit card issues very seriously and are working aggressively to improve our guidelines to address this matter,' Wright said.

The audit was completed a year after the Clinton administration gave the Interior Department a "Hammer Award" for good

Officer found dead after allegedly killing five

DOVER TOWNSHIP, N.J. February rampage in (AP) — A police officer wanted in a shooting rampage that killed five people was found dead of a selfinflicted gunshot wound Wednesday about 15 miles away, authorities said.

Edward Lutes, a Seaside Heights police officer for 15 years, was found dead in his car in Barnegat Township, Dover Township Deputy Chief Vincent Pedalino said.

Lutes was wanted for a shooting late Tuesday night in Dover Township, a New Jersey shore community that is still reeling from a

which a retired police officer allegedly killed four people, including his granddaughter.

Police said Lutes shot five of his neighbors, including two people who lived next door to Lutes and three who were in a house across the street. Lutes later went to nearby Barnegat Township and shot Seaside Heights Police Chief James Costello, police said.

Costello was in satisfactory condition Wednesday at Jersey Shore Medical Center in Neptune.

Another person was injured and taken to Community Medical Center in Toms River. It was not immediately known where the victim was at the time of the shooting or how they were injured.

Authorities did not say what they though was the motive for the shootings.

The first shootings happened about a mile from the street where John E. Mabie allegedly killed his granddaughter and three neighbors on Feb. 21 as he went from house to house shooting a .38-caliber revolver.

Bush administration sides with House on farm subsidies

Congressional negotiators Bush administration say say they want to finish work quickly on an overhaul of agriculture and nutrition programs, but first they must resolve a dispute over how to subsidize grain and cotton farmers.

A House-Senate conference committee resumed negotiations Tuesday for the first time in nearly a month, but the talks immediately bogged down.

Senate Democrats believe the bulk of farm payments should be tied to swings in price-setting system. crop prices and production. Despite the differences, crop failures should occur.

more money should go toward fixed annual payments.

"At the end of the day, we've got to settle this out," said lead Senate negotiator, Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa.

The lawmakers also disagree over a Senate-passed plan to create a \$2 billion subsidy program for dairy farmers. Much of the money would go to farmers in the Northeast as compensation for the end of a regional

WASHINGTON (AP) - House negotiators and the the lawmakers scheduled further negotiating sessions on today and Thursday.

> The administration has been critical of both a bill passed by the Republicancontrolled House last fall and a rival version that Democrats pushed through the Senate in February.

Chuck Conner, the White House's farm policy specialist, told negotiators Tuesday the Senate Democrats' subsidy plan would stimulate excess crop production and could leave farmers with too little money if widespread



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OUR VIEWS

Make plans for a great little rodeo

ne of the most enjoyable and unique events involving children is held right here in the Crossroads area each year, and if you've never seen it, we encourage you to make sure you do.

Old "hands" and new fans who walk into the Coahoma Elementary School gym about 9 a.m. Thursday will find themselves in a rodeo arena little people style. It's the 24th annual Coahoma Elementary Kindergarten Stick Horse Rodeo, and it's as colorful and exciting as any rodeo you'll ever find.

The children work hard for this event — the first-ever and longest-running of its kind. They practice on their stick horses, learn dance routines and songs and wear their western "finest." Through it all, they get some good lessons in teamwork and responsibility. Mostly, they have a lot of fun. So do the adults.

Teachers and high school volunteers help. This rodeo is passed on from generation to generation.

Many parents in the Coahoma area can recall taking part in the rodeo as kindergartners.

Like other rodeos, the stick horse rodeo is not without some celebrities. There is, of course, cofounder and former professional rodeo clown Quail Dobbs. He meets with the youngsters to answer questions about rodeo in general, gives them some tips and shows the young clowns how to put on their makeup. Wacey Cathey, world champion rodeo cowboy; Cassie Graham, Miss Teenage Rodeo Texas; and Jody Nix, professional musician and West Texas country music icon; are among the other celebrities who will be on

The event is colorful, exciting and great fun. We hope you can find it in your schedule to join the 300 to 400 people who pack the gym. It's a treat you'll remember always.

That's 9 a.m. Thursday at the large gym on the Coahoma Elementary School campus. Ride 'em, cowboy!

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Finding comfort at the beauty shop

go to a beauty shop, not a salon. There's a difference.

At a salon you get a style; at a real beauty shop you get a style, plus marital advice, politi-

cal punditry, comfort food and all the latest gossip. "How did you ever find

this? It's like something out of a movie," my astute teenage niece Chelsey said when I took

JOHNSON her along to the shop in a little house behind a house in the Middle of Nowhere, Mississippi.

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Chelsey, normally hard to impress, was thinking, of course, of "Steel Magnolias," the movie that made all us females long for getting our curls with the girls, to find a place to think pretty in pink. This shop isn't exactly Hollywood, but it has characters worthy of Tennessee Williams or Beth Henley.

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people would rather be in

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shop for nearly 15 years. Every time somebody in town looked extra good, I'd ask who was responsible.

Inevitably, the wellcoiffed subject would answer, "Oh, I go to Debbie Henderson," and then toss her head in nonchalance. "Can you get me in?" I'd

"I don't think she has any vacancies" was the stock reply.

Finally I found a friend whose husband grew up next door to Debbie, the wizard with the scissor.

My friend used her influ-

"Don't be late and don't cancel," she warned. I had heard horror stories about women who messed with Debbie's appointment book. They were never again seen alive, much less with a good do.

Naturally, I was late for my first haircut. "I'm sorry, I'm sorry," I said rushing inside.

"Just don't let it happen again," Debbie deadpanned. "If you're in the hospital, get on up out of the bed."

Debbie is a flambovant. blond beauty, head piled high with curls, trademark rhinestone glasses perched on a perfect nose, a Sweet

An education in education

speech, "I'm kinda nervous

and I've always heard that

to get you more relaxed.

you need to picture your

audience sitting out there

naked. I'm having trouble

visualizing that, so would

you please start taking off

your clothes." I gave him

One of my students wrote

a critique about a speaker:

'Dr. Allen arrived very

promptly at 1 p.m. to 2:15

In my writing class, a

girl wrote about anthrax:

nasal passage, which is

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tion." I wrote on her paper:

"Wow! Some passage. And

somebody ought to investi-

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same paper, wrote: "People

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disease by eating under

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Potato Queen personality. Someone once suggested Debbie computerize her records, go high-tech with her burgeoning business.

"I'd rather be a legend than high-tech," she said. Debbie's mother, Earline, started the shop 35 years

The building, which remains small, was so tiny to begin with that customers waited in their cars outside until young Debbie was sent to fetch them.

Debbie started cutting and fixing hair at age 15. She was a natural. It's not about false flattery or simpering ways or the-customer-is-always-right. It's about cutting to the shape of the head. It's about passion for the job — and hon-

"You're not as young as you were when you wore your hair long," Debbie tells me every visit when I ask for more length. I argue with her — but only under my breath.

Over supper one night a family that frequents Debbie's shop was discussing current affairs when someone mentioned what a mess the economy would likely be in if Alan Greenspan ever retired.

On the first day of spring

I asked my students, "How

many of you think spring

is the best time of year?"

About half a dozen hands

went up. I asked everyone

who raised their hands in

born. They were all born in

the spring. I then asked the

class, "How many of you

think fall is the best time

were born and they were

of year?" A few hands went

up. I asked them when they

all born in the fall. One girl

then asked me, What about

me? Fall is my favorite sea-

I've asked many teachers

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ry, the topic was Henry the

Eighth. One female student

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"Henry the Ape. I don't

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"Forget him!" the teenage daughter said. "What would happen to all of us if Debbie quit?"

The flip side of this beauty-shop coin is operator Vickie McGee - pretty, too, but as serious as Debbie is crazy, always absorbed in some book or pelitical brouhaha. She's earnest Sissy Spacek to Debbie's diva.

As soon as you enter, a determined Vickie seems to take your philosophical temperature with tricky questions that have only one right answer.

"How do you feel about Kathy Lee?" she asked me on my first visit, just like

that, off the wall. And later, "Do you like Barry Manilow?"

I have no feelings about Kathy Lee and I don't like Barry Manilow.

I think I flunked Vickie's

But I got a piece of cake anyway, from an old card table loaded with food that Debbie set up to hold treats brought in by faithful customers who remembered Vickie's birthday.

I don't know how old Vickie is, but it's a good sign that Debbie still allows her to keep her hair long.

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Host of new titles hits the shelves at Howard County Library

Library has received lots of new fiction, biographies, mysteries and few science-fiction books.

To get them all in. I am only doing a list-

ing of titles. These books can be found on the New Book Shelf.

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McCright

New fiction books that we have received are -"Coldheart Canyon" by Clive Barker; several romances, Sandra Brown's "Thursday's Child," Julia Garwood's "Mercy," "Starting Over" by Robin Pilcher and "Moonlight Becomes Her" by Meagan McKinney.

Two political thrillers "Separation of Power" by Vince Flynn and "Executive Privilege" by Jay Brandon, Robert Ludlum's new book "Sigma Protocol" and a very dark, threatening book by

Stephen Hunter "Pale Horse Coming.

There are two volumes of short stories — "Don't Mean Nothing: Short Stories of Vietnam" by Susan O'Neill and "Hateship, Friendship, Courtship, Loveship, Marriage," by Alice Munro.

New Science Fiction books that the Library has received is Book 2 of the Antrax series, "The Voyage of the Jerle Shannara" and Diana Gabaldon's "The Fiery Cross.

One of my favorite genres is mystery and one of the perks (sorry) is getting to read them before they go on the shelf!

A few weeks back I wrote about the "Biggie" series little ole grandmother who lives in East Texas who solves mysteries.

The library has received three additional books, "Biggie and the Mangled Mortician," "Biggie and the Quincy Ghost," and "Biggie and the Meddlesome Mailman."

Metzler, Joe Lansdale's (another Texas writer), "Captains Outrageous," Lisa Gardner's "The Next Accident," a new copy of Tom Clancy's "The Hunt for Red October," "Whispers in the Dark" by Eleanor Taylor Bland, "Death of a Celebrity" by M.C. Beaton, and finally Susan Wittig Albert's

newest book, "Bloodroot." In this China Bayles mys tery, China is called to her mother's home state Mississippi to solve a family secret.

We have also received a boxful of new biographies. "If You Believe" by Cher, "The Autobiography of Quincy Jones" by Quincy Jones, "Vernon Can Read" by Vernon E. Jordan, Jr. which will take you from the days of the Selma marches to his career with the Urban League.

Say what you will, Bobby Knight can keep a conversation going. A few weeks ago, I wrote about Knight's career as told by John Feinstein in "A Season on the Brink."

Now Bobby is on a multicity tour touting his book

"Knight: My Story." He has also been on Jay Leno's Tonight Show and ESPN's sports shows. Come see how the two books com-

Don't you just love men in makeup? Read all about Gene Simmons' career with KISS in "Kiss and Make-Up."

Did you know that Simmons real name is Chaim Witz and he was born in Haifa, Israel? Find out more about him in his

Morris Udall will long be remembered for his contributions to the environment and his unflagging efforts for his home state Arizona.

His untimely death from complications due to Parkinson's disease was a tragedy.

Read about his life in "Mo: the Life and Times of Morris K. Udall" by Donald W. Carson and James W. Johnson.

Robert Flynn from Chillicothe has gathered an eclectic collection of essays on growing up Baptist in a small West Texas town and how that upbringing prepared him for life. Or did

Class strives to make reporters sound like they're from nowhere

LUBBOCK (AP) -Whitney Wyatt knows that growing up in Childress, Texas, has bequeathed her with a unique way of speaking. But she doesn't intend to let her twang get in the way of a career in broadcasting.

The 21-year-old Texas Tech University student took a five-week class that helped her and four others learn the finer points of speaking to the camera.

"They told us to stress the 'ing' and the vowels because that's what Texans have trouble with," Wyatt såid. "I think you can get away with that in Lubbock. but if you want to go to the bigger markets, you can't get away with it."

Most students don't even realize they have an accent, said Dennis Harp, one of five course instructors and an associate director at the **School of Mass** Communications.

"I think it affects their credibility if they come off sounding like a hick," Harp said. "They need to sound professional. I think it also affects their ability to sound authoritative." Since Harp began the

once-a-semester class last fall, he has learned that students don't respond to repeated verbal reminders as much as they do when they hear themselves on tape.

"People work out of this," he said. "It's catching it when they're doing it."

Other tips about making it in the business seem easier to get across, Harp said. "It's easy enough to get

them to dress properly, but when it comes characteristics like language, it's more difficult," he said. "Some of them you think they're never going to get through

Another instructor, Tom Barnett, said he borrows from comedian George Carlin to help students understand the goal. Carlin used to do a skit where he was a weatherman on television and would say, "Hi, I'm from nowhere."

Wyatt said college students need to hear about how broadcasting works in the "real world.

"It's exactly what we need," she said. "A lot of credibility falls back on how you speak."



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Hollis McCright writes a regular column on what's new at the Howard County Library.



School PTA president, presents Nancy Black, PTA parliamentarian with a Texas Lifetime Fix Membership. Nancy has been a PTA officer at Bauer for six years and was selected to receive this award by the executive

UPCOMING EVENT

The First Christian Church will host a book review by Jimmie Smith on "Gloria," by Jane Roberts Wood.

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The book review is cohosted by the Neighbors and Newcomers Club of Big Spring and the Christian Women's Fellowship Church.

The event will be held at 2 p.m. April 13 at the First Christian Church fellowship hall.

The public is invited and there is no charge to attend the review

and tea. However, a love offering will be taken. For more information contact Evanell Truszkowski at 267-7417.

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Annual YMCA support campaign raises \$24,000 were awarded to the team

HERALD Staff Report

Under the leadership of board president Raul Marquez, the YMCA board of directors has completed its annual support campaign with more than \$24,000 in contributions.

The YMCA holds the campaign annually to underwrite financial assistance given to families who want to participate in YMCA activities but cannot afford to pay. The majority of financial assistance is given to families with children who need afterschool and summer school supervision.

"Much of the financial assistance is requested during the summer months when school is out and parents need help daily watching their children," said Pete Thiry, YMCA executive director.

Last year, the YMCA approved 106 scholarships totaling more than \$30,000 in financial assistance.

The campaign was organized so that board members were placed on one of five teams. Serving as team captains were Duane Thomas, Charles Myers, Allan Johnson, Troy Tompkins and Marquez. Each team had a goal to raise at least \$5,000. Prizes



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Steers suffer 9-5 loss at Estacado

Big Spring's Steers gave up six early runs to Estacado's Lubbock Matadors and were never able to recover in a 9-5 loss in District 4-4A baseball action Tuesday.

The loss left the steers with a 3-6 record in district play and 6-13 overall. The Steers will travel to Andrews on Friday for a 5 p.m. game against the

Rhodes records ace at BSCC tournament

Mustangs.

Jeff Rhodes of Big Spring recorded a hole-inone Saturday during the Scramble 3-man Tournament at the Big Spring Country Club.

Rhodes used a 7-iron in chalking up the ace on the 165-yard No. 13 hole on the BSCC layout.

Those witnessing the shot were Morris Rhodes, Dr. Jim Matthews, Roddy Caffy, Stan Haney and Ellis Britten.

Teen League sign-ups Thursday-Saturday

Teen-age League baseball registration will be conducted from 5 p.m. until 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday and from noon to 5 p.m. Saturday at the Roy Anderson Complex located on the north service road of Interstate 20.

Tryouts will begin at 5 p.m. Saturday and the league's draft will follow. The registration fee is

\$65 per player. For more information. call Darrell or Sheri Nichols at 263-2917.

Individual offering help earning fees

Gene Piercefield of Big Spring is offering youngsters who do not have the money to pay for Teenage League baseball registration and player fees and opportunity to earn the money they need.

Piercefield will provide the youngsters with the equipment and gasoline needed to earn the money by mowing lawns.

Those wanting to take him up on the offer, as well as those wanting lawns mowed, can call him at home at 267-4205 or on his mobile phone, 466-1998.

Astros stay perfect In NL minors action

The National Little League minors division Astros remained unbeaten Tuesday with a 10-5 win over the Tigers. Ryan Flores provided 2-

hit pitching and Joshua Rodriguez delivered a 3run, inside-the-park homer. Jacob Acosta went 3-for-3 at the plate, while Wayland Leach, Payton Parker and Flores all went 2-for-3.

Michael Gonzales and Brandon Good had the Tigers' hits.

ON THE AIR

Radio

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL 6:40 p.m. — Oakland Athletics at Texas Rangers, KBST-AM 1490.

Television **PRO BASKETBALL**

7 p.m. — Miami Heat at Boston Celtics, TNT.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

6 p.m. — Atlanta Braves at Philadelphia Phillies, ESPN2.

9 p.m. - Los Angeles **Dodgers at San Francisco** Giants, ESPN2.

HOCKEY

6 p.m. — Philadelphia Flyers at New Jersey Devils, By CONNIE EDGEMON

Special to the Herald

Big Spring head tennis coach Sara Corse and assistant coach Taff Winnick returned from Tuesday's coaches meeting very pleased with the seedings and the draw for the District 4-4A Tennis Tournament set for Friday and Saturday in Levelland.

The tournament will be a single elimination affair. When a singles player or doubles team loses, they are out of the tournament.

The only exception will be in the finals where the losers in the semifinals play each other for the regional alternate's slot.

Six of the eight Big Spring varsity players were seeded for the tournament during the coaches' meeting. Freshman Veronica Villarreal is

seeded No. 1 in girls' singles. Junior Jay Shroff is seeded No. 1 and

No. 3 in boys' singles.

In girls' doubles, juniors Mindy Partee and Megan Roffers are seeded third. In boys' doubles, seniors Derek DeHoyos and Alex Edgemon are seeded No. 2 and seniors Michael Roffers and Brian Wingert are seeded fourth.

Matches will begin at 8 a.m. Friday with girls' singles. Jessica Rodriguez plays No. 2 seed Katie Cariens of Levelland in the first round. Villarreal has a bye in the first round and will play her first match at 2 p.m. against the winner of the match between Frenship's Kali Drachenburg and Kara Brumley of Snyder. Subsequent girls' singles rounds are scheduled for 5 p.m. Friday and will resume at 9 a.m. on Saturday.

play Chesser's teammate Tyler Guthrie. Subsequent boys' single rounds are scheduled for 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Friday and, like the girls' division, resume at 9 on Saturday morning.

Girls' doubles are scheduled for an 11 a.m. start Friday when Heather Parnell and Lauren Chesworth will play Haddock and Easthorn of San Angelo Lake View. Partee and Roffers will take on Lake View's Mechley and Whitlock. Rounds will follow at 3:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Semifinal play begins Saturday morning at 9.

Boys' doubles begin at 12:30 p.m. Friday with Roffers and Wingert meeting Koenning and Stone of Plainview. DeHoyos and Edgemon drew a bye in the first round and Boys' singles begin at 9:30 a.m. will meet the winner of the match Friday. Smiley will meet Brandon between Snyder's Best and Gorman

and Plainview's Fagan and Lafont at 3:30 p.m. Subsequent boys' doubles matches will be played at 6:30 p.m. and 9 a.m. Saturday.

While there is a scheduled time for every round, play will determine when the matches actually begin. Those planning to attend should arrive earlier than the scheduled starting time.

"We have a great draw," Corse said following the meeting. "We have an excellent opportunity and if the team performs to the level I know it can, I'm confident the outcome will be positive. We're ready for this tournament. We have prepared for this all season long and are looking forward to seeing what the team can do.'

Varsity matches are scheduled for Levelland High School and junior varsity matches will be played at South Plains College.

Mavs

Lady Steers rally for win

By JOHN A. MOSELEY

Managing Editor

Nothing is quite so dangerous as a wounded adversary, and that is just what Big Spring's Lady Steers faced Tuesday afternoon when Snyder's Lady Tigers arrived at the BSISD Softball Complex for a crucial District 4-4A softball game for both teams.

The Lady Steers, coming off a 7-0 loss to Andrews' Lady Mustangs and deadlocked with San Angelo Lake View for second place in the 4-4A standings, were trying to avenge their only other loss in district play.

But the Lady Tigers were in the position of fighting for their playoff lives - an upset loss to Frenship on Friday having left them tied for fourth in the league.

And with Lake View and Andrews facing one another later that evening both Big Spring and Snyder knew the winner of heir game would be in much better position by night's

A win by the Lady Tigers and an Andrews victory would leave the Lady Tigers tied with Lake View for the third in the league standings. A loss, however, would all but spell an end

to their playoff ambitions. Big Spring, on the other hand, could fare no worse than remain in a tie for second place with a victory. A loss, coupled with a Lake View win over Andrews, however, would leave the

Lady Steers in third place. As a result, it came as no surprise that both teams lived up to the game's importance - the Lady Steers forced to rally from a 4-2 deficit to claim a 5-4 win and improve to 16-9 on the season and 9-2 in district

play. coupled with That, Andrews' 10-4 win over Lake View, leaves the Lady Steers alone in second place with three games remaining in the regular season.

The loss leaves the Lady Tigers 15-11 overall, 6-5 in 4-4A play and in need of nothing short of a miracle to qualify for the postseason.

Lady Steers head coach Dan Arista was breathing a heavy sigh of relief following the win.

"I knew it was going to be a tough game ... they always are when we play Snyder," Arista said following the tense win. "They have a history of always



Big Spring's Alex Watkins (19) files toward the plate, as Snyder catcher Vanessa Freeman waits on a throw that came too late to prevent the Lady Steers' winning run in a 5-4 victory at the Big Spring ISD Softball Complex. The win, coupled with San Angelo Lake View's loss to Andrews, left the Lady Steers all alone in second place in the District

playing a good game against us."

Big Spring got on the scoreboard first, scoring a pair of runs off Lady Tigers starter Ashley Martinez, who'd tossed a shutout in the two teams' first meet-

First baseman Laura Olague led off the Lady Steers' second inning with a single and was replaced on the base paths by courtesy runner Samantha

Newton. Left fielder Alex Watkins followed with a double to center, putting runners at second and third. Bridget Cain then singled to center, driving in Newton, and Trista Casey grounded to short, scoring Watkins.

Snyder escaped further damage when Martinez got Nicole Chesworth to ground back to the mound. And when Cain was tagged out at the plate trying to score on the play, the Lady Tigers were credited with a double play.

Big Spring's lead was

Lady Tigers turned the striking out twin killing and a pair of Lady Steers errors into a

major momentum swing. Martinez led off the Snyder third by reaching base when Casey mishandled a grounder down the third base line. And when Lady Tigers right fielder Boogie Martinez then bunted but Cain, covering first on the play, dropped the

throw. Both Snyder runners advanced on an Amber Alexander ground out and back-to-back singles by Vanessa Freeman and Dara Chambers allowed the Lady Tigers to take a 3-2 lead.

After designated hitter Missy Vasquez came up with a two-out single, a successful double steal provided the Lady Tigers' final

When Chesworth walked the eight batter she'd faced in the inning, Lady Steers head coach Dan Arista called on Watkins to replace her in the pitcher's circle and the freshman short lived, however, as the righthander responded by

Valerie Hernandez to end the inning.

The Lady Steers wasted no time in regaining the

Right fielder Leina Braxton led off the Big Spring third with a solo home run shot in left-center. Shortstop Whitney Hufford drew a one-out walk and moved to second when Olague delivered a single. Watkins, who finished the game 3-for-3 at the plate, followed with an RBI single to left to deadlock the game and moved to second on the throw to the plate.

Cain atoned for her miscue in the top of the inning with a single that plated Watkins with what proved to be the game-winning run.. The Lady Steers second baseman was 2-for-3 on the day offensively.

From there, Watkins and Martinez waged a pitcher's

Watkins claimed the victory, allowing just two hits

See BIG WIN, Page 7

handle **Blazers** DALLAS (AP) - The Dallas Mavericks know

they're not one of the toughest teams in the NBA. They also know they're one of the best, which is far more important. After being called "soft"

by the Portland Trail Blazers, the Mavericks responded Tuesday night with a 108-96 victory that was won as much with patience as with jump

Portland got four technical fouls - two each on Rasheed Wallace and Scottie Pippen, getting both ejected in the final 13 minutes — and a flagrant foul on Bonzi Wells that helped give Dallas an early boost. The Mavericks, who had

three technicals themselves, avenged one of their worst losses of the season despite being without leading scorer and rebounder Dirk Nowitzki, who has a sprained ankle.

Dallas won for the fifth time in six games and stretched its lead in the Midwest Division to a full game over the San Antonio

Spurs.

"Being soft — if this was boxing, that's one thing. But this is basketball," said center Raef LaFrentz, who had 15 points, 11 rebounds and five blocks. "Sometimes you need to be physical, sometimes you need finesse. This group here, they went for skill rather than physical bruis-

Nick Van Exel had been looking forward to a rematch with Portland ever since a 132-106 loss on March 14. The Blazers led by 46 in that one and several of their players had been rubbing it in to Van Exel.

"I was on the free-throw line when one of their players, I won't say who, said to me, 'Y'all aren't going to do nothing. Y'all got a bunch of white boys," Van Exel said. "We all got to step up. White, black, green — it doesn't matter.

"This team has a great record with a bunch of white boys. Boston had a bunch of white boys and they won a lot of championships with Bird. It really doesn't matter. You just go out there and play and get it

akland in extra innings Rangers blow lead, lose 5-4 to O

Rocker blew the lead, not his top.

Oakland scored a run off Rocker in the ninth in his first save chance for the Texas Rangers to tie the game, and the Athletics went on to win 5-4 in the 11th on Greg Myers' RBI

single Tuesday night. "I'm not consistent at this time of the year. I'm not in midseason form," Rocker said. "Maybe if it was the middle of the season, I wouldn't hang an 0-1 slid-

ARLINGTON (AP) - John reporters that waited him loaded and nobody out. out after the late-night game, Rocker was cordial. At other times since coming to Texas during the offseason, including after his only other appearance before Tuesday, he has made it clear he wasn't in the mood to chat. 'Eric Chavez homered

half, but the Rangers could-

For the small group of despite having the bases

n't score the winning run

Alex Rodriguez, hitting just .186 (.5-for-27), homered with one out in the eighth to put the Rangers ahead 3-2, but Rocker couldn't hold the lead in the ninth.

Rocker struck out Miguel Tejada to start the ninth, but Terrence Long then tripled to left. Mike twice for Oakland, includ-Colangelo grounded out to ing a solo shot in the 10th third before Myers doubled, off Rudy Seanez. Texas ralon a hanging slider like Long hit, into the right-field lied for one run off Billy Koch (2-0) in the bottom

corner to tie it. "He had good command." Rangers manager Jerry Narron said. "He just made

a mistake and got the ball Rocker finally got out of

the ninth when Carlos Pena, a top prospect the Rangers traded to the Athletics this winter, struck out. Pena beat his former team with a ninth-inning homer last week in Oakland.

Pena also hit a three-run homer off Rocker in the ninth inning of the reliever's only other appearance for Texas, a 7-5 win at Oakland last Thursday that wasn't a save situation.

"Pitchers, like Billy; and me, our game is not finesse

and it takes a little while for us to get our command, Rocker said. "It seems if I sit for four or five days, I'm really rusty."

Texas is 1-6 for only the third time ever, and the first since 1987.

The Rangers are already 4 1/2 games behind the AL West-leading A's. Oakland's \$39.7 million payroll is the third-lowest in the league.

Long led off the 11th with a single, moved to second on a sacrifice bunt and scored on Myers' hit off Seanez (0-1). Koch then closed it out with a perfect 11th.

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Tampa Bay	3	3	.500	3	
Toronto	2	5	.286	4 1/2	
Baltimore	1	5	.167	5	
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Cleveland	7	1	.875	-	
Minnesota	5	3	.625	2	
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Atlanta	4	4	.500	1/2	
Philadelphia	4	4	.500	1/2	
Florida	3	4	.429	1	
New York	3	4	.429	1	
Central Division					
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St. Louis	4	3	.571	1 1/2	
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Cincinnati	3	4	. 429	2 1/2	
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Milwaukee	2	5	.286	3 1/2	
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Los Angeles	4 .	3	.571	2	
Arizona	4	4	.500	2 1/2	
Colorado	3	5	.375		
San Diego	3	5	.375	3 1/2	
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Chicago Cubs 2, N.Y. Mets 0 Philadelphia 7, Atlanta 4 St. Louis 6. Milwaukee 5

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Cincinnati (Haynes 0-1) at Pittsburgh (Anderson 1-0), 6:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Glavine 1-0) at Philadelphia (Coggin 0-Arizona (Johnson 2-0) at Colorado (Jennings 0-1), 8:05 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL	
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American League
CLEVELAND INDIANS—Extended its player
development contract with Buffalo of the
international League through the 2006 season.
DETROIT TIGERS—Named interim manager
Luis Pujols manager for the remainder of the
season. Fired Dan Warthen, pitching coach;
Doug Mansolino, third base coach; Ed Ott,
builtings, crach; and Randy lohnons, second Doug Mansolino, third base coach; Ed Ott, bullpen coach; and Randy Johnson, special assistant. Named Steve McCatty pitching coach, Rafael Landestoy first base coach, and Jeff Jones bullpen coach. Recalled INF Oscar Salazar from Toledo of the International League. Optioned RMP Nate Cornejo to Toledo.

KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Called up RMP Nate Field from Ornaha of the PCL.

TEXAS RANGERS—Purchased the contract of LHP Chris Michalak from Oklahoma of the PCL. Transferred LHP Rich Rodriguez from the 15- to the 60-day disabled list. Sent RHP Francisco Cordero to Oklahoma. Optioned RHP Ryan Dittifurth to Tulse of the Texas League.

National League
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ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS—Activated RHP
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Designated C Chad Moeiler for assignment.
ATLANTA BRAVES—Placed RHP Alble Lopez
on the 15-day disabled list. Recalled RHP Keyl
Grybosid from Richmond of the International
League. Acquired LHP Andy Pratt from the Texas
Rangers for LHP Ben Kozlowaki and assigned
Pratt to Greenville of the Southern League.
CINCINNATI REDS—Sent INF Juan Castro to

NBA—Suspended Minnesota Timberwoives C Marc Jackson one game for a flagrant foul against Golden State Warriors G Bob Sura in a

Hational Football League ATLANTA FALCONS—Signed CB Fred Weary.

One-year contract.

DETROIT LIONS—Re-signed G Tony Semple.

HOUSTON TEXANS—Signed G Demingo
Graham and TE Kaseem Sincono.

INDIANAPOLIS COLTS—Signed LB Greg

Fevors.
MinNESOTA VIKINGS—Claimed WR D'Weyne
Bates off waivers from the Chicago Bears.
Agreed to terms with DL Lorenzo Bearfeld:
TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS—Agreed to terms
with WR Joe Jureviclus on a four-year contract.

National Hockey League
ATLANTA THRASHERS—Reassigned G Prederic Casahi to Chicago of the AHL. Recalled G Scott Fankhouser from Hershey of the AHL. CALGARY FLAMES—Recalled D Micki DuPont from Selnt John of the AHL. Reassigned F Ryan Christie to Seint John.

COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS—Assigned LW athleu Darche and C Brad Moran to Syracuse of the AHL.
DETROIT RED WINGS—Assigned C Jason

DETROIT NED WINGS—Assigned C Jason Rilliams to Cincinnati of the AHL. PHILADELPHIA FLYERS—Assigned LW utiliaume Lefebvre and D John Staney to hiladelphia of the AHL. PHOENIX COYOTES—Relieved Marc Potvin of his duties as coach of Springfield of the AHL.

ST. LOUIS BLUES—Ressigned G Reinhard
Divis to Worcester of the AHL.

TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS—Resssigned D
Anders Eritsson and G Mikeel Teliqvist to St.

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	Washington	35	43	.449	15	
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	New York	29			20 1/2	
	Central Division					
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	y-Detroit	47	30	.610	_	
	Charlotte	41	36	.532		
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	Toronto	39	36 38 38	.506		
	Indiana	37	40	.481		
	Atlanta	31				
	Cleveland	28				
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EASTERN CONFERENCE

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x-Philadelphia							187
x-N.Y. Islanders	39	28	8	4	90	228	216
x-New Jersey	38	28	. 9	4			182
N.Y. Rangers	36	36	4	4	80	224	249
Pittsburgh	28	36	7	5	68	191	233
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x-Boston	42	23	6	9	99	229	196
x-Toronto	40	25	10	4	94	232	201
x-Ottawa	38	26	9	- 7	92	237	203
x-Montreal	36	29	12	3	87	205	201
Buffalo		34	10	1	79	205	193
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Carolina	33	26	15	5	86	208	212
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Tampa Bay	26	38	11	4	67	172	210
Florida	22	43	9	5	58	173	240
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Central Division							
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Chicago	40	26	12	1	93	210	201
St. Louis	40	27	8	4	92 69	215	182
Nashville	28	39	13	0	69	190	219
Columbus		45	8	5	55	156	244
Northwest Divisio							
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y-Colorado					96		
Vancouver	40	30	7	3	90	245	208
Edmonton	36	27	12	4	88	198	178
Calgary					77		
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Philadelphia at New Jersey, 7 p.m.
Minnesota at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Edmonton, 8 p.m.
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Boston at Ottawa, 6 p.m.
San Jose at St, Louis, 6:30 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Nashville, 7 p.m.
Los Angeles at Vancouver, 9:30 p.m.

Texas League								
Eastern Division								
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Tulsa (Rangers)	3	2	.600	-				
Arkansas (Angels)	3	3	.500	1/2				
Wichita (Royals)	3	3 3	.500	1/2				
Shreveport (Giants)	2	3	.400	1				
Western Division								
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El Paso (D-backs)	5	1	.833	_				
Midland (Athletics)	3	3	.500	2				
S. Antonio (Mariners)	3	3	.500	2				
Round Rock (Astros)	1	5	.167	4				

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HIGH SCHOOL POLL The Top 10 high school baseball rankings for the five UIL classifications as determined by the Texas High School Baseball Coaches Association and THSB Magazine. Rankings are

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2. Deweyville
3. Lockney
4. Clifton 5. Leon

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9. Central Heights 10. Arp Class 1A Shreveport at Wichita

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 Bosqueville 4. Santo 5. Miles McLeod

RODEO LEADERS

ALL AROUND 1. Cash Myers, Athens, Texas, \$51,532; 2. Jesse Bell, Camp Crook, S.D., \$44,403; 3. Trevor Brazile, Anson, Texas, \$42,980; 4. Chad Klein, Clinton, La., \$22,790; 5. Kyle Hughes,

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Suhn, Brighton, Colo., \$23,588; 3. K.C. Jones,
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BARREL RACING

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BIG WIN

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in 4 1/3 innings of shutout work, striking out six and

walking one. Martinez absorbed the loss, giving up nine Lady Steers hits. She walked three and struck out just one batter.

In the aftermath, Arista made it clear he would be hammering two things home to his team during Wednesday's practice sessions - bunt defense and the need to stay focused.

"Needless to say we're going to spend a lot of time working on our bunt defense," he said, noting that his team's inability to make plays on two bunts had led to the Lady Tigers' third-inning rally.

"But the big thing to remember is that we simply can't afford to relax ... not against anyone and certainly not when we've only got a 2- or 3-run lead. If you do, people are going to come back on you."

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GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ***** Reach out for the pot of gold at the end of the not be too sure about the method of getting there, trust that you'll find the path. Your unusually sober perspective might need some lightening up. Return a long-distance call. Tonight: Get into weekend

CANCER (June 21-July stantially as to what might exploring different avenues.

Tonight: Work late. **LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) *** Right now your imagination knows no limits. Work with a changeable situation. Don't nix another's contributions. Recognize that this person could feel quite limited. Don't add to his or her pressure. Brainstorm and support others' additions. Tonight: Hop on the Net.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ***** Let someone make a work and personal lives. imagination takes no another path. Consider someone's priorities, please.

Tonight: Say "yes" to a

close friend or loved one. **LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) **** Allow another to take rainbow. Though you might charge, even if you often don't agree with this person. An opportunity comes your way that might be too good to be true. Detach and check out this offer on your own. You also might want to hop on the Net. Tonight: Continue riding in another's wake.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 22) **** Everyone turns to 21) **** Pace yourself. A you to find answers. Your family member, perhaps, vision could change sub- wants to play a greater role in your day-to-day life. work concerning feedback Discuss what this might from a partner. Don't take look like. Some of you this person's word as the might be considering a final say-so. Rather, keep home office. Know that anything is possible. Look at new opportunities. Tonight: Clear off your desk.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ***** Your naturally warm ways draw someone closer. Attached Archers could find themselves between a flirtation and a secure partnership. Express your thoughts to a loved one or friend who means a lot to you. Walk a conservative path. Tonight: Romp on

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 Jan. 19) **** When you take an action to enhance your security, someone close responds far more positively than you ever anticipated. Still, be careful of any time, physical or financial commitments you make. You might be closer to burning out than you think. Tonight: Happy at home.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) **** Express your dreams and ideas to others. Let another put concrete form to your self-expression. If someone demands more-solid plans, let this person know that in several days you'll come up with them. Give yourself space Tonight: to create. Brainstorm with buddies.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) *** You see ways to make money that others don't. On the other hand. you could head down a path that could be more problematic than you realize. Listen to an adviser, even if you think this person might be raining on your parade. Tonight: At home.

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Dear Landers: I am to not

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"Howard" believe in tak-I do not

ing care of LANDERS want to work for the rest of my life. I want to stay home and

trouble paying my utility allow them. bill last month and asked Howard to take care of it for me. He did, reluctantly, and said I should never let it happen again. I was appalled at his attitude. He said providing financially for a woman was the same as spoiling her. He also told me I should not expect him to be romantic, because that simply isn't his style.

I think I deserve someone who will spoil me. If Howard truly loved me, shouldn't he be willing to put the necessary energy into doing romantic things for me? I don't want to make a mistake with this relationship, Ann. Please tell me if I should marry Howard or not. Cinderella in Virginia

Dear Cinderella: Don't marry Howard. You two are not compatible. Howard doesn't sound like Mr. Wonderful, but he has been honest and upfront about his shortcomings. Believe me, he is not likely to change. Also, you might want to revise your expectations of having a man "spoil" you. Few men are willing to do this, nor should they have to.

Frankly, dear, you don't sound mature enough to be married. Please take my advice, or you'll be writing again in a few years, telling me how miserable you are.

Dear Ann Landers: Income tax time will be here soon, and I hope you will print this to help your readers, as well as the accountants in your audi-

1. The IRS can give you a refund in as little as five business days by direct deposit. Be sure to use electronic filing if you can. It costs only a phone call.

friend took a certain deduction does not mean you can. 3. Don't ask your accountant to enter false information. You are both responsible for what goes into your tax returns.

4. Add up your receipts for gas or tolls before bringing them to your accountant. Otherwise, you are paying him by the hour to do it for you.

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refunds is a wonderful benefit. Don't be afraid to give the IRS your bank account number.

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tant or tax preparer talk you into using the short form if you need the long

guarantees he or she will not disappear at the end of April.

10. Make sure the accountant or preparer signs the return and your copy with his name, address and Social Security number or preparer identification number. It is required by both the IRS and your state. He is responsible for the return, and if there are major errors, you will want to know where to find him. Thanks,

Accountant in New York Dear New York: I appreciate your taking the time to give my readers some advice on the finer points of filing income tax returns. I hope they pay attention.

Dear Ann Landers: My son is getting married in two months. I am not crazy about his fiancee, but I am trying my best to get along with her. She has asked both of my daughters to be bridesmaids, and they are honored to be in the wedding party. The problem is the bridesmaids dresses she has selected. They are quite sexy, slit down the back to the waist. There is no way to wear a brassiere with these dresses

While the bride is entitled to select what she likes, my 18-year-old daughter considers the dresses immodest and inappropriate. She refuses to go braless. I also have a 12-year-old daughter who is self-conscious about her body and reluctant to wear such a revealing dress.

Should I speak up, or say nothing in order to keep the peace? — Moral Mom

Dear Moral Mom: First of all, there are special brassieres that can be worn under backless dresses. Please consider them.

Second, ask your future daughter-in-law if the dresses can be altered to make them less revealing, or if you can have small, matching jackets made to wear over the dresses. If she refuses to consider these options, talk to your daughters, and let them decide what they want to do. If they choose to bow out of 7. **Have** the Social the wedding party, so be it. Dear Ann Landers: This

children and dependents on its for "Out in the Cold in raise children, and maybe hand. If the numbers are bes Angeles," who has been do volunteer work. I had not listed, the IRS will dis "living with "Kelth" for two years, but was not invited to a family wedding.

I lived with my boyfriend for eight years, and neither of our families ever accepted our partners. I finally 9. Choose an accountant figured out why. If we or tax preparer who is in weren't willing to commit business year-round. That to each other, why should they commit to us? Believe me, if she wants the family to accept-her, she ought to marry the guy. — Learned My Lesson in Japan

> Dear Japan: While a marriage license is no guarantee the relationship will last, it is still the best measure of one's level of commitment. Thanks for pointing it out.

Dear Ann Landers: You recently printed a letter from "New York Parent," which listed ways parents can prepare their children in case of emergency. As a teacher in New York, I thought the guidelines were excellent, but I would like to add two more based on my personal experience:

1. Know your child's grade, class and teacher. If your child has more than one teacher, get a copy of his or her schedule, and keep it with you. You'd be surprised how many parents have no idea what their child does in school. (I have come across a few parents who do not know which school their child attends.)

2. If you need to pick up your child, have photo identification available. Most schools have parents fill out forms at the beginning of the school year, listing which friends or relatives are permitted to pick up the child. We will not release a child to someone whose name is not on the list or who does not provide identification.

Thanks, Ann. I hope it helps. Teacher in Ridgewood, N.Y

Dear Teacher: Thank you for your contribution. I hope my readers will add your ideas to the original

list. Several people wrote to express concern about one

of the original suggestions, stating children should wear identifying information that includes their name and address. They were worried that predators could use this to ensnare a child. Some readers said this information should be memorized, or kept inside a backpack or on a necklace worn inside the child's shirt. My thanks to all who

Dear Ann Landers: I enjoyed the letter about the teenage boy with long hair. When I married 30 years ago, my wife was a beautician, and she cut my hair. After we divorced, I let it grow out, and my mother has hated it for the past 20 Today, I walked into my

doctor's office and noticed he had a ponytail. He is 65 years old and says his 85year-old mother still complains about his hair. -Old Hippie in Louisiana

Dear Hippie: I guess there are some things parents never get used to. If that is Mom's only complaint about her son, she is lucky.

Dear Ann Landers: I. would like to offer my two cents' worth to "Need Advice," whose husband hasn't been interested in sex for 12 years. He told her to find someone else to satisfy her sexual needs and leave him alone. However, "Need Advice" considers her marriage vows to be sacred and does not want to cheat. My wife made a similar announcement four years ago. She gave no reason for her lack of desire and had no interest in resolving the problem. I had two young children at home and did not want to break up my marriage.

My youngest son is now 16, and I have decided to accept my wife's offer to find someone else to satisfy my needs. I am sure a discreet, intimate and loving relationship with another woman will do wonders for me and may even improve my family situation, which is stressful and unhappy. As soon as our son leaves home, I will get a divorce. Please tell "Need Advice" to consider this alternative. -Fresno, Calif.

Dear Fresno: While I cannot condone cheating in a marriage, I understand why you are thinking about taking that road. You say your wife has no interest in resolving the problem. I do hope you will look into counseling for your own peace of mind. It could be a great help.

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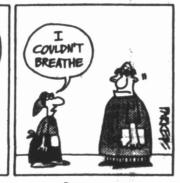




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History: On April 10, 1912, the RMS Titanic set sail from

Southampton, England, on as prime minister of Israel. its ill-fated maiden voyage. On this date: In 1847, American newspa-

was born in Mako. Hungary.

incorporated.

In 1932, German president Paul Von Hindenburg was his Lincoln Savings and re-elected, with Adolf Hitler Loan collapsed (however, coming in second.

In 1952, 50 years ago, the later MGM movie musical Comedian Sam Kinison was "Singin' in the Rain," star-_killed in a car crash outside-

ring Gene Kelly, was first released. In 1963, the nuclear-powered submarine USS

Thresher failed to surface off Cape Cod, Mass., in a disaster that claimed 129 lives. In 1972, the United States

and the Soviet Union joined some 70 nations in signing logical warfare.

announced her resignation In 1981, imprisoned IRA hunger striker Bobby Sands won election to the British perman Joseph Pulitzer Parliament.

and bloody attacks.

In 1925, the novel "The Ten years ago: Financier Great Gatsby," by F. Scott Charles Keating Jr. was Fitzgerald, was first pub- sentenced in Los Angeles to nine years in prison for swindling investors when Keating's convictions were overturned).

Needles, Calif., at age 38. Today's Birthdays: Actor

Harry Morgan is 87. Country singer Sheb Wooley is 81. Actor Max. von Sydow is 73. Actress Liz Sheridan is 73. Actor Omar Sharif is 70. Sportscaster John Madden is 66. Rhythm-and-blues singer Bobbie Smith (The Spinners) is Sportscaster Don Meredith is 64. Reggae artist Bunny Wailer is 55. Actor Steven Seagal is 51. Folk-pop singer Terre Roche (The Roches) is 49. Actor Peter MacNicol is 48. Rock musician Steven Gustafson (10,000 Maniacs) is 45. Singer-producer Kenneth "Babyface" Edmonds is 44.



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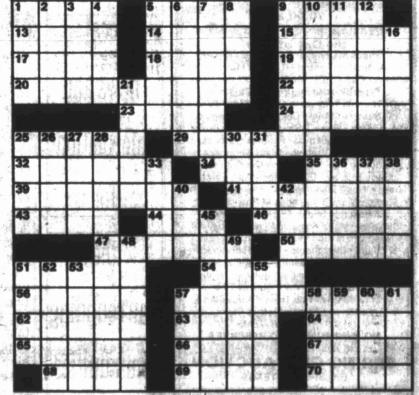
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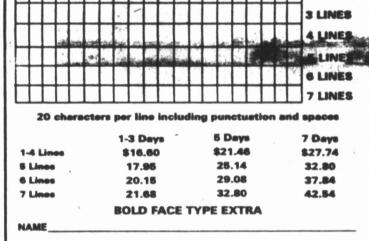
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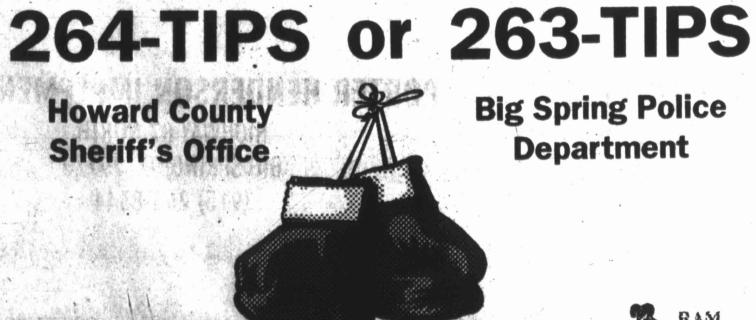
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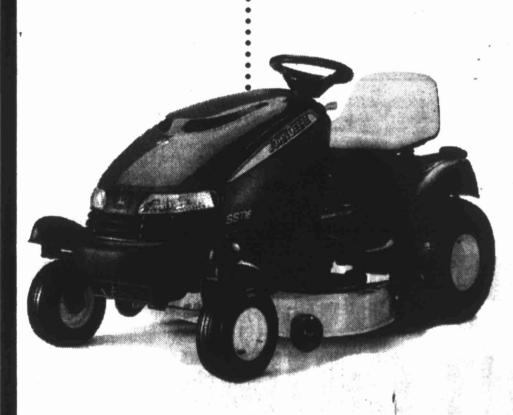
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