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WEATHER

Tonight:



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Master plan to receive review Tuesday

Entities involved in Big Spring's master plan, adopted in 1995, will meet at 9 a.m. Tuesday in the city hall conference room for a comprehensive progress review.

Information from the meeting will be incorporated into town hall meetings to help shape the future of Big Spring. The public will be informed of town hall meeting dates as soon as they are set.

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

□ Texas Tech Exes will meet at 5:30 p.m. at the Sprenberg Building. Plans will be made for annual meeting and scholarship information and applications.

□ DAV chapter 47 meets at 6:30 p.m. at 610 Abrams.

□ Christian Singles Fellowship, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. FUMC youth hall. All singles in community are welcome to come for an evening of fellowship, food and table games.

TUESDAY

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

□ Evening Lion's Club meets at noon every Tuesday at the Senior Center in the Whipkey Room.

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

□ Big Spring Band Boosters, 6 p.m., high school band hall. All band parents are invited to attend.

□ Big Spring Shrine Club meets at 6:30 p.m. for dinner with meeting to follow. First and Goliad. All Masons are welcome to attend.

□ Big Spring Art Association meets at 7 p.m. at the Howard County Library.

□ Big Spring chapter 67 Order of the Eastern Star meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Lodge, 219 Main.

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Portraits, concert planned as Relay for Life fund-raisers

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN

Special to the Herald
Helping fight cancer doesn't have to be tough.

You could enjoy a musical variety show, tapping your toe to a host of performers singing everything from gospel to rock 'n' roll. Or you could just smile and say, "cheese."

Local residents have been hard at work lately, thinking of ways to support Big Spring's American Cancer Society Relay for Life. While Larry Thibeault has

planned the West Texas Musical Revue to benefit the cause, Greenhouse Photography is running a portrait special with proceeds going to Relay.

Scheduled May 10-11 at Blankenship Field, Relay for Life brings the community together for a mass camp-out where teams of family, friends and co-workers walk around the track for donations. Participants also join in games, enjoy entertainment and food during this 24-hour fund-raiser. Zina Wood, co-owner of

Greenhouse Photography, said cancer has touched many lives locally, including some of her own family and friends. Greenhouse is offering an outdoor photography session and 5x7 portrait for a \$25 donation to Relay.

"That's all there is to it," she said. "There's no other cost, and they will make the check out directly to Relay for Life."

To get the special, you need to ask for it when you call to book a photo session appointment. Wood said a

second appointment will be made to view the proofs.

"We'll show you the proofs and you can choose the pose for your portrait," she said. "You can purchase more if you want, but there is no obligation, no 'hard sell' at all."

The portrait must be taken by Friday; appointments can be booked by calling 267-4557.

"We're just thrilled to do whatever we can," Wood said.

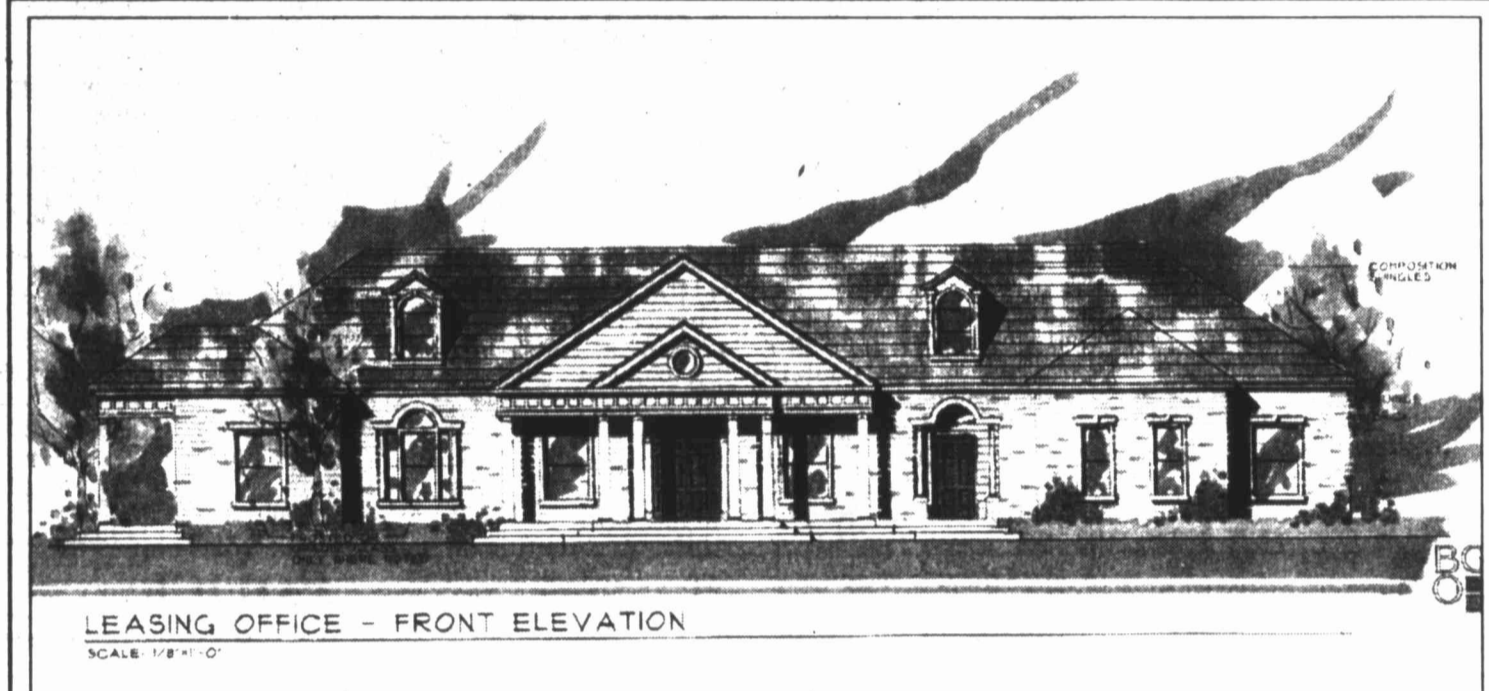
Meanwhile, Thibeault has organized another musical

revue concert, similar to one last August that was also a fund-raiser for Relay.

"It's just a good charitable cause," Thibeault said. "It's worthwhile. My wife knows a bunch of people who have been affected by cancer; I think everyone knows someone."

A variety of singers will take the Municipal Auditorium stage Saturday, at 7 p.m. On the program are Thibeault, Jennifer Mahan Keen, Dave Davis,

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LEASING OFFICE - FRONT ELEVATION
SCALE 1/8" = 1'-0"

Construction of the Limestone Ridge Apartments has begun near the intersection of U.S. Highway 87 and Interstate 20. A groundbreaking ceremony will be held Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. Above, an architect's drawing of the front of the complex.

Groundbreaking ceremony set Wednesday for Limestone Ridge Apartments complex

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

Although work has already started on the Limestone Ridge Apartments, located just north of the Interstate 20 / U.S. Highway 87 intersection, a groundbreaking ceremony



PRYOR

for the housing complex will be celebrated Wednesday.

The ceremony is set for 10:30 a.m.

"It's hard to tell who all may come. We sent out 120 invitations, everybody from (U.S. Sen.) Kay Bailey Hutchison on down," said Paul Pryor, director of Community Housing Development Corporation, a partner in the complex.

Pryor said some site preparation has already begun.

"We've already done some dirt work," he said. "I guess it depends on if you want to call it started."

Pryor said the apartments are targeted for hourly-wage employees.

"There's a fair disparity between the upper rental property and the lower rental property, so we tried to slot this in there to address those needs," he said.

The apartments are designed to allow working families to afford a nice

place to live, Pryor said.

"As far as aesthetics, they're probably going to be the nicest project in town," he said. "There's going to be a swimming pool. There's going to be a computer bank for the residents to go in and use, if they want to use computers. There's going to be a weight room. There's going to be a program room, and we've got different agencies in town that are going to come

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Altercation leaves man in critical condition

HERALD Staff Report

An 18-year-old Big Spring resident is still listed in critical condition at University Medical Center in Lubbock after receiving a blow that may have come during an aggravated assault case police were called to investigate on Sunday.

Authorities are not releasing the names of those involved at this time because of the on going investigation, said Sgt. Roger Sweatt of the Big Spring Police Department.

On Sunday, at about 4 p.m., a 19-year-old Big Spring man reported to police that he was assaulted by two men he knew and that he was hit at least once in the head by a club-like object.

The alleged assault reportedly occurred at a residence in the 1700 block of State.

The victim was taken to Scenic Mountain Medical Center by private vehicle and later released, Sweatt said. His injuries were not thought to be life threatening, according to a press release issued by the police department.

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Take a culinary trip around the world in Big Spring

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

If you dream of globetrotting to exotic locales but don't have the resources to be a world traveler, stay home and give the Big Spring Heritage Museum a try.

Would-be jetsetters can at least experience the exotic culinary delights of foreign lands as the museum hosts the ninth annual "Around the World in 80 Bites" from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. April 27.

Tickets are a bargain compared to airline or cruise ship tickets, a mere \$10, and those attending the event can sample bite-sized morsels from cultures as far flung as Norway, Belgium, Denmark, Mexico, Korea

and China.

"We'll have probably about 20 to 25 volunteers who will have booths, and they'll just be serving different types of foods from different cultures within the United States and then we've got some people that are going to be doing international dishes," said museum curator Beth Purcell. "We've got somebody that's going to be doing Belgian waffles, and the country that they represented is Belgium and Denmark. Then we've got some doing picante sauce, toll-house cookies and Scenic Mountain Medical Center is doing shrimp."

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Sisters Hope Haifmann, 5, left, and Natasha Richards, 11, enjoy a bite to eat of the many dishes available at last year's Around the World in 80 Bites. The ninth annual event will be held at the Heritage Museum from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. April 27. Tickets are \$10 and are available at the museum, 510 Scurry. Special combination tickets for both Around the World in 80 Bites and the Big Spring Symphony Association's "An Evening of Choral Music" are also available for \$15 at the museum.

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Filing taxes is more complex, audits are down

WASHINGTON (AP) — The wealthy and low-income people stand a better chance of being audited than the typical middle-class family, which is paying the lowest share of its income to the Treasury since 1957.

Rich, poor and the middle class all are affected by one tax trend — the 17,000-page, 2.8 million-word tax code is more complex than ever. One estimate is that it now takes 28 hours and six minutes to tackle the Internal Revenue Service's 1040 form and do the necessary record-keeping.

This year's filing deadline is midnight Monday for

most of the country.

IRS data and reports from several tax research organizations depict a tax system that does not treat everyone equally but is, by far, the single biggest source of government paperwork and red tape.

"An abomination," Treasury Secretary Paul O'Neill calls it.

Consider IRS audits. Individuals making \$100,000 or more and those making \$25,000 or less are much more likely to face an audit than the tens of millions in between. High-income people tend to have more complicated returns that invite

more audits; about 0.69 per-

cent of all these returns were audited in 2001.

Those making under \$25,000 usually have simple returns, yet about 0.40 percent were audited last year. That is almost twice the rate of taxpayers in the middle-income range and is largely attributable to the earned income tax credit, effectively a low-income refund program on which the IRS has focused attention to cut down on mistakes and fraud.

When audits related to that tax credit are not included, the rate for those earning under \$25,000 drops

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TAXING FACTS

Facts and figures about this year's income tax filing season, which ends with Monday's midnight deadline in most of the country:

Government revenue from individual income tax: \$994 billion, about 50 percent.

Internal Revenue Service budget: \$9.4 billion.

Total projected individual tax returns: 132 million.

Taxpayers using professional preparers: 69.2 million.

Taxpayers who itemize deductions: 40.2 million, or 32 percent.

Number of tax refunds: 93 million.

Average tax refund: \$1,954 through April 5.

Audit rate for all tax returns in 2001: 0.58 percent.

Words in U.S. tax code: 2.8 million.

Words in the Bible: 774,746.

Sources: Congressional tax committees, the Treasury Department and the Internal Revenue Service.

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OBITUARIES

Lillie Brown

Lillie Brown, a longtime resident of Big Spring, passed away on April 8, 2002, in Sacramento, Calif.

She was born in Jacksboro, Texas, Aug. 31, 1912, to A.J. and Nellie Harris. She was the youngest of six children. She was preceded in death by her husband, E.R. Brown; her daughter, Eloise McMurray; and her son, Richard A. Pachall.

She is survived by her daughter, Peggy Clauss of Sacramento; seven grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; 10 great-great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Lillie was a hairdresser in Big Spring for 50 years and a longtime member of St. Paul Lutheran Church. She will always be remembered as a wonderful and loving wife, mother, grandmother and friend.

Friends are invited to attend a memorial service at St. Paul Lutheran Church located at 810 Scurry in Big Spring. The service will be at 1 p.m. Friday, April 19.

All that knew and loved Lillie are invited to join in the celebration of her life.

Arrangements are under the direction of W.F. Gormley & Sons Funeral Home in Sacramento, Calif.

Paid obituary

Bob Hitch

Funeral service for Bob Hitch, 74, of Big Spring is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Mr. Hitch died Sunday, April 14, at a local hospital.

Fannie Jo Cates

Funeral service for Fannie Jo Cates, 90, of Big Spring is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Mrs. Cates died Sunday, April 14, at a local nursing home.

A.J. Butler

Funeral service for A.J. Butler, 71, of Big Spring is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Mrs. Butler died Sunday, April 14, at a local hospital.

RELAY

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Jimmy Graves, Bruce Beard, Lee Dane, Linda Lindell, D.G. Smith, Darryl Bales and a group known as Big Spring Gospel.

Hosts for the evening of entertainment are Channel 9's morning crew Darrell Ward and Jessica Garate. All seats are \$6 and can be purchased in advance by calling 264-7212. Some members of the Relay planning

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Mrs. A. J. (Tommie) Butler, 71, died Sunday. Services are pending.

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committee are also selling tickets.

Big Spring's Relay for Life brought in a net of \$129,000 in donations last year, making it the most successful in the state for communities of similar size.

CEREMONY

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out and offer programs."

Among the agencies that have expressed interest in using the apartments' program room are Consumer Credit Counseling Service, Howard College and West Texas Opportunities, which have also agreed to offer job transportation for the residents, Pryor said.

The apartments should be completed by fall, he said.

"We're anticipating our first occupancy to be somewhere around mid-September," he said, adding that the complex will probably begin taking residence applications shortly after the groundbreaking.

To qualify, potential residents must meet income requirements.

"Basically it's income-restricted from the standpoint that they have to be 60 percent or lower of the area's median income," he said.

The Limestone Ridge project is a limited partnership between United Affordable Housing of Arlington and CHDC, Pryor said. The project fits well with CHDC's goals, he added.

"One of the main goals was to identify the gaps and needs in housing within Howard County," he said.

"That's what we're trying to do is to find where those gaps are and fill those gaps. We're not trying to be in competition with anyone else. We're trying to fill those gaps."

BITES

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"One volunteer is making authentic New Orleans 'krumkate,'" Purcell said.

"It's a cone type of thing," she said. "You put puddings and things in it."

Big Spring's chefs still have a chance to register to display their skills, Purcell said. There is no charge to operate a booth, and only a few are still available. Chefs will need to prepare about 300 bite-sized servings of their favorite recipe to share with attendees. All chefs will be given a free pass and two extra tickets for friends or family members, said Purcell.

Purcell said the museum's exhibits will be available for viewing during the event.

"We'll have our normal exhibits up," she said.

A raffle for a pair of round-trip Southwest Airlines tickets to anywhere the airline flies is also planned.

Special combination tickets for both Around the World in 80 Bites and the Big Spring Symphony Associations "An Evening of Choral Music" are available for \$15, Purcell said.

"You can come here first and eat, and then walk down or drive down or whatever to the auditorium," she said. "It's like dinner and music."

Last year, about 350 people attended Around the World in 80 Bites, Purcell said. Proceeds benefit the museum's educational programs and exhibits.

For more information or to get tickets, stop by the museum at 510 Scurry or call 267-8255.

TAXING

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to 0.15 percent, the IRS says. For all taxpayers, the audit rate in 2001 was 0.58 percent, a slight rebound from the year before but far lower than in previous years. One reason for that is

the 1998 IRS reform law that attempted to make the agency friendly to taxpayers.

"We don't see the unreasonable and harassing tactics we saw in the past," said Jennifer Prager Sodaro, an attorney who specializes in representing people accused of tax crimes.

The middle class is enjoying the lowest tax burden in decades, according to the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, a government research group focused on the lower and middle classes.

Using government data, the center projects that a family of four making exactly the median income — \$64,600 a year in 2001 — paid 6.8 percent of its earnings in federal income taxes. That compares with 10.3 percent during the 1980s for the same median-income family and is the lowest rate since 1957.

The decline was taking place before Congress passed President Bush's 10-year, \$1.35 trillion tax cut, which further reduced the middle-class burden in the early years of that cut. In his Saturday radio address, Bush said taxpayers have already benefited from \$57 billion in tax relief from that law and "the best news is that tax relief is continuing this year."

Average tax refunds this year are running about 12 percent above the year before, in part because the child tax credit targeted at middle-income people was raised from \$500 to \$600 by the tax relief legislation. The average refund through April 5 was \$1,954.

Taxpayers at all income groups must deal with an ever more complex tax system. The White House budget office estimates that in 2001, Americans spent 1.5 billion hours on federal paperwork — 80 percent of it dealing with tax forms.

Roger Harris, an enrolled agent licensed by the Treasury Department to practice before the IRS, said the 10,000-member National Association of Enrolled Agents is seeing more clients than ever.

H&R Block, the nation's largest tax preparation firm, recently reported a 4.4 percent increase in returns prepared, with fees running 12.1 percent above last year.

"More and more, taxpayers are opting to leave return preparation to the professionals because continued tax law complexity makes it difficult for them to prepare their tax returns with confidence," Harris said.

The single new line on the tax forms about how to account for last year's tax rebate checks of up to \$600 has triggered more than 4 million errors, according to the IRS.

The National Taxpayers Union, a nonpartisan group that advocates lower taxes, calculated the 1040 form preparation and record keeping time, including commonly used schedules, of 28 hours, six minutes. That's an increase of more than an hour compared with last year and 40 percent more time-consuming than in 1997.

The 122 pages accompanying the standard 1040 form is triple the number in 1975.

"Sixty-five years ago its instructions were just two pages long," said David Keating, senior counselor at

A BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

NTU.

Beginning Monday, the Bush administration planned to issue a series of reports on how to simplify the tax code. Many of these proposals might take years for Congress to implement and might encounter resistance if they force lawmakers to make unpleasant political choices among groups now getting tax breaks.

"Only fundamental tax reform might be a strong enough lifeline to save us from drowning in a sea of tax law," Keating said.

Yet advocates for replacing current tax law with a flat tax or a consumption tax have made little progress.

ASSAULT

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At 7 p.m. Sunday, officers responded to call at the fire station on the corner of 11th Street and Birdwell Lane. The victim was an 18-year-old Big Spring man who was reportedly involved in the alleged assault on State Street, Sweatt said.

The man refused medical treatment at the time and later was taken to the emergency room at SMMC by private vehicle.

"He was drifting in and out of consciousness," Sweatt said. "He was mostly not conscious at that time."

According to Sweatt, the 18-year-old suffered a serious blow to the head and was transported to the Lubbock hospital where was last reported in critical condition.

Anyone with information about the incident can contact Detective Jim Rider or Officer Thad Thomas at the Big Spring Police Department, 264-2550, 400 E. Fourth St.

BRIEFS

THE COAHOMA LIONS CLUB is planning its annual city-wide garage sale on May 11 in Coahoma. Deadline to register is May 6. Registration fee is \$15. Register by calling Janie Klinksieck at 394-4395, or stop by The Little Sooper Market.

AGGIE MUSTER WILL BE held on April 21 at the Big Spring Country Club hosted by the Howard County A&M Club. The Aggie Muster will honor all Texas Aggies who have passed away within the last year.

Various activities will include a cocktail reception and dinner beginning at 6 p.m. at the Country Club. The Texas Aggie Ceremony will follow at 7:45 p.m.

For more information contact Muster Chair Linda Luce at 263-0658.

ARE YOU PREGNANT? DO you have a baby? WIC serves pregnant and breastfeeding women and children younger than 5. To see if you or your

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Pepsico Inc	51.23 -.67
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Sears Roebuck	53.1 -.74
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Wal-Mart/Mexico	34.35-34.95
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Europacific	26.83 +.08
Prime Rate	4.75 %
Gold	301.2 -303.15
Silver	4.55 -4.61

POLICE

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

• DAVID CANALES JR., 17, of 806 W. Sixth St. was arrested on a charge of harboring a runaway child.

• TOMASA OROZCO, 39, of 2709 Cindy Lane was arrested on a charge of failure to identify.

• RONNIE WATKINS, 57, of Carlsbad, N.M., was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• JAY CHANCELLOR, 20, of 300 NE 12th was arrested for a Colorado City warrant and on a charge of burglary of a habitation.

• EVELYN MUNOZ, 20, of 2603 Chanute was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

• ROSELYN COMER, 45, of 210 Sycamore was being held at the city jail for the Howard County Sheriff's Office.

• CESAR MARTINEZ, of 202 C. St., Ackerly, was arrested on a charge of driving while license invalid.

• DRAG RACING/RECKLESS DRIVING was reported in the 2900 block of MacAuslan Lane.

• DISTURBANCE/FIGHT was reported in the 900 block of south Lancaster, in the 900 block of Willa, in the 2900 block of west Highway 80, in the 1600 block of Donely and in the 2500 block of March Circle.

• DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in

the 600 block of north Main, in the 3300 block of west Highway 80, in the 2000 block of south Nolan, in the 2600 block of Langely Drive, in the 100 block of north-east Seventh, in the 1100 block of Lamesa Drive, in the 600 block of south Lancaster and in the 500 block of State.

• INTOXICATED SUBJECT/DRIVER was reported in the 200 block of west FM-700 and in the 500 block of Gregg.

• SHOTS FIRED was reported in the 1000 block of south Lancaster.

• HARBORING A RUNAWAY CHILD was reported in the 1500 block of Lincoln.

• BURGLARY OF A MOTOR VEHICLE was reported at the police department.

• UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE was reported at H-E-B where a 1999 white Ford Escort was reported stolen and in the 800 block of south Birdwell Lane where a 1993 green Chevrolet 1500 was reported stolen and later recovered.

• AGGRAVATED ASSAULT was reported in the 1700 block of State.

• ASSAULT CLASS C FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in the 1100 block of Lamar and in the 1200 block of south Johnson.

• ASSAULT BY THREAT was reported in the 200 block of east FM-700.

FIRE/EMS

The following is a summary of EMS and Fire Department activity

6:18 a.m. — 1500 block of East 11th, trauma call, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

9:58 a.m. — 2600 block of Central, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.

1:39 p.m. — 100 block of West 19th, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.

4:10 p.m. — 1700 block of State, trauma call, one patient transported to SMMC.

8:49 p.m. — 1600 block of 11th Place, trauma call, one patient transported to SMMC.

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Sunday's low 57
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Record low 35 in 1928
Average high 79
Average low 49
Precip. Sunday 0.00
Month to date 0.00
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BIG SPRING Monday, April 15, 2002
HAPPY BIRTHDAY Tuesday, April 16, 2002
Those who are frequently served of inspiration together with quickly developing brainstorming have an innate draw interesting people together. When you're clear and direct do not make any chases involving computer this are single, a will heat up c You might think person of your will not know next year. attached, your will become a you visualize. and live you together. GEM tough at times. The Stars Sh of Day You' Dynamic; 4-Average; 2-So-ARIES (March) ***** Carry s innate enthus life into you communicatio helps you build that anything Be sure to convousness durin tion. Discuss with a frivolou Tonight: At a f TAURUS (A 20) *** A discu with a boss c associate. Talk here and now find answers. team could be Don't commit you're not com financially. T treat. GEMINI (Ma ***** You're right now. S What could m ence to you? M ject or item f while the plan the green lig what you wa perspective i Tonight: Anyt ble. CANCER (C

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, April 16:

Those who are around you frequently serve as sources of inspiration. Getting together with others frequently develops into a brainstorming session. You have an innate ability to draw interesting and creative people toward you. When you speak your mind, you're absolutely clear and direct. If you can, do not make any major purchases involving a car or computer this year. If you are single, a relationship will heat up considerably. You might think this is the person of your dreams. You will not know for sure until next year. If you are attached, your relationship will become a lot more as you visualize. Talk, share and live your dreams together. GEMINI can be tough at times.

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) ***** Carry some of your innate enthusiasm about life into your work and communication. A friend helps you build the feeling that anything is possible. Be sure to convey your seriousness during a conversation. Discuss boundaries with a frivolous associate. Tonight: At a favorite spot.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) *** A discussion occurs with a boss or respected associate. Talking about the here and now will help you find answers. Together, this team could be unbeatable. Don't commit to anything you're not comfortable with financially. Tonight: Your treat.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ***** You're empowered right now. Stop. Think. What could make a difference to you? Move that project or item further along while the planets give you the green light. Focus on what you want. Keep your perspective in any case. Tonight: Anything is possible.
CANCER (June 21-July 21) *** Slow down. You're able to make a difference when it counts. Use your instincts with a money matter. Don't listen to someone who might be airy-fairy. Still, you could be tired and dragging. Take some time to yourself to refresh. Tonight: Take your time.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ***** You will not let go right now. You might be a little like a dog with a bone. You know what you want, and you're determined to get it. Others learn from your creativity and determination. Still, look around. Gain a new perspective. Be sure that you have a complete perspective. Tonight: Keep that focus.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ***** Stand up and make your position known. You often push yourself beyond your limits. Think in terms of responsibility. If you're unhappy with the direction in which your career is going, think about taking a seminar or class to develop your skills. Tonight: A must appearance.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ***** Reach out for someone at a distance. Consider signing up for a course or scheduling a vacation. You could be closer to burning out than you realize. Relax by spreading your wings some. New perspectives help invigorate you. Tonight: Hop on your computer.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ***** Carefully listen to someone who often has a lot to share. You might look at this person as if he or she rains on your parade. In any case, there might be a grain of truth in what this person says. Be realistic before you get into trouble! Tonight: Work on your finances.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ***** You have a way of picking and choosing your words. Conceptualize an idea for others who might not be as visual as you. Others could be difficult and testy. You know how to cruise right

over their moods and still gain through your interactions. Tonight: Out to dinner.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) *** Understand that your fatigue could be playing into your work and attitude. Some Goats might be not be tired, but experiencing burnout. Be careful with financial decisions, as you could think one thing and discover another. Tonight: Clear out of work. Do something totally different.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ***** You might be more serious about an emotional matter than another realizes. Also, your imagination could be creating a problem where there might not be one. Lighten up, but definitely schedule an important talk. Tonight: Time for a one-on-one talk.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) *** Deal with a domestic matter head-on. You might want to forget it or, being the typical Fish, turn the other direction. Trust your astrologer. You cannot keep avoiding this issue. How you bring it to the table can make all the difference in another's responses. Tonight: A quiet evening.

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Boston-area priests

Lawyers for those alleging abuse say 450 new clients have come forward

BOSTON (AP) — More than 450 people have come forward claiming they were sexually abused by Boston-area priests as a widening scandal engulfs the nation's fourth-largest Roman Catholic diocese, lawyers said.

"It's just incredible the number of people who are coming forward," said attorney Mitchell Garabedian, who settled with the Boston Archdiocese last month in a lawsuit accusing former priest John Geoghan of abusing 86 victims.

Garabedian said he has taken on 250 new clients who said they were assaulted by Geoghan and other priests. "The Geoghan case has opened up the flood gates," he said.

Attorney Jeffrey Newman said he has taken on 100 new cases since January. He said that after each news report about allegations against particular priests, new clients have come forward accusing those priests

of abuse. Attorney Roderick MacLeish told the Boston Sunday Globe he also has received 100 new clients. A call to his office from The Associated Press was not returned Sunday.

Archdiocese spokeswoman Donna Morrissey also did not return calls Sunday.

Court documents released in January showed Cardinal Bernard Law and other church officials knew Geoghan had been accused of abuse but kept moving him from parish to parish.

Calls for Law's resignation mounted after church personnel records released by MacLeish last week also showed Law and other archdiocese officials knew the Rev. Paul Shanley had been accused of abuse over three decades.

Law, who announced in a letter to priests Friday that he would not step down, did not celebrate Mass at Holy Cross Cathedral on Sunday as he usually does.

In a scene that's become familiar since the scandal began, about three dozen protesters picketed the Cathedral. Some called for criminal charges against Law.

"I'm a psychologist. If I did what he did I'd be in prison right now. I'd have to file a report if I suspected abuse," said Ann Hagan Webb, of Wellesley.

Some worshippers expressed support for Law.

"He should stay on... he's in the best position to take care of this business," said Jim Contrino, a churchgoer at St. John the Evangelist in Quincy. "Someone new would have to start all over."

In another weekend development: In Bridgeport, Conn., a priest accused of sexually assaulting a boy was allowed to continue at his post in the Bridgeport Diocese for more than a year after the allegations became known, the Connecticut Post reported Sunday.

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OUR VIEWS

Master plan proceeding on right track

Community leaders representing the major entities in Big Spring are getting together this week for a comprehensive review of the city master plan that was adopted in 1995. These entities include, but are not limited to, the school district, college district, city, county, Moore Development for Big Spring and the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.



Following this review, city leaders plan to hold town hall meetings and get citizens involved in planning for our community's future.

Many residents will recall the tremendous amount of work that went into the city master plan, which was headed up by Tommy Churchwell. Under his guidance, groups were formed, ideas suggested and discussed, goals established and priorities set. These were placed into a plan for each entity to concentrate on.

At that time, sections identified as being most important to the growth and development of Big Spring were the economy, parks and recreation, water, public schools and the college, local finance and taxation and quality of life.

Through the years, we have all seen examples of how some of these goals have been met. Our water quality has improved greatly, and the city has implemented a "fast track" plan to replace water lines throughout the city. The school district has completed construction of a new junior high school within the past several years, while the college has taken on and continues to take on numerous improvement projects.

The city, with help from other entities, has torn down a number of unsightly buildings, including the Permian Building, Howard House and Apache Bend Apartments. Our parks are probably in the best shape they've been in for some time, with work done to the amphitheater, ball fields and swimming pool.

In short, the master plan has worked, and continues to work. Entities are implementing portions of the plan constantly. However, much still needs to be done. Therefore, the group is getting back together. A logo, which appears above, was drawn up by Gloria McDonald to draw the public's attention to the master plan.

We couldn't be more pleased that this group of entities is meeting again to review the process. Even more encouraging is the fact that this "workshop" will lead to a series of town hall meetings in which the public will be asked for its input. It's the opportunity for every citizen in our community — and surrounding communities, if they wish — to play a part in shaping the future of Big Spring and Howard County.

Let's continued to move forward, Big Spring.

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It's important to stay out of a rut

Did you hear about John Jones? He died some time ago and they inscribed these words on his tombstone: "Here lies John Jones. Died at age twenty-one; buried at age sixty-one."



JIM DAVIDSON

You see, John Jones had been in a rut for 40 years of his life. Here I'm reminded of the way it used to be in our country before we had paved highways. After a big rain, the first few cars or wagons made big ruts which led to the sign "Choose your ruts carefully because you will be in them for the next 20 miles."

I know this for sure, one of the greatest challenges I face each day in my own life is to stay out of the old proverbial rut. Now, just in case the word "rut" isn't in your working vocabulary, what I'm talking about here is the mental state that most of us fall into when

we have performed routine, humdrum activities for so long that we have lost our zest for living. For the person who is in a rut, life is no longer exciting and rewarding, and because it happens so slowly and over an extended period of time, most of us fall into a rut without realizing we are in one.

During seminars and speaking engagements, I've conducted surveys that relate to this, and most adults will admit falling into a mental rut at one time or another in different areas of their lives. This topic is very important because medical studies have shown boredom, a side effect of being in a rut, is a disease more crippling to the human species than most of us realize. The problems of boredom are manifold in our work force, schools, marriages, churches and anywhere else our thinking settles down into a well worn groove.

If you are aware of the problems associated with boredom, have you ever asked yourself why people become bored? While the problem itself may not be easy to solve, the answer is

relatively simple. Whenever you find boredom (people in a rut), you will find the absence of a worthy goal or a great motivating idea.

In my work over the past thirty years, with our nation's public schools I believe

I have found at least a part of the reason why people let themselves fall into a rut. The reasons are different for different people, but for the most part, it goes back to our basic education and our habitual way of thinking. While working with students in the area of communication skills, I have made a very important discovery. When you ask students the question: "What is produced when you link words together?", they will say sentences. When you take it one step further and ask what is produced when you link sentences together, they will say paragraphs. On the surface this may appear too simple to even mention, but the reason many people fall into a mental rut is because the world and every successful enterprise or individual person runs on great ideas.

While it may sound trite, the world does not run on paragraphs. You see, the paragraph only separates the ideas, but it's the good ideas that are contained in the paragraph that makes the difference.

Unfortunately, most schools do not teach students to set goals or look for the ideas in a paragraph that will help serve other people. They only way we can succeed over the long haul, is to find a need and fill it, and this requires each of us to constantly search for new and better ideas.

Going back to my earlier statement, when a person is bored it is simply the absence of a worthy goal or a great motivating idea. Unless we are taught to think along these lines, it's easy to become bored and fall into a rut. The truth is, we don't make exciting plans while we are in a rut, and if we aren't careful the things that are most important will just pass us by.

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Democrats as scarce as bin Laden

Across the length and breadth of this great land of ours, from the mountain to the prairie, from every hill and dale comes the question, "Where are the Democrats?"

They're among the missing, along with Judge Crater and Osama bin Laden. The venerable political organization, the party of Jackson and Jefferson, is not to be found in action.

OTAM — out to all meals. So this is what it's like to live in a one-party country.

Is it possible, remotely possible, that Democrats are frightened by the John Ashcroft-Trent Lott school of "patriotism," which holds that questioning our elected (or even not-so-elected) leaders is tantamount to disloyalty if not treason? That expressing concern about our fundamental liberties helps terrorists? For that line of attack to be treated with anything but the contempt it deserves is itself un-American, not a word I use lightly.

As if the argument is not contemptible enough, one has only to look at the performance of these same definers of "patriotism" as blind obedience when Bill Clinton was struggling to fight a war. When the

Clinton administration was trying to track and kill Osama bin Laden, Republicans gratuitously dismissed the entire effort as an attempt to change the subject from the all-important Monica Lewinsky.

And there we do come to one real reason the Democrats are so quiet. Political opposition in the Clinton years was so shatteringly nasty, no one wants to be seen anywhere near it now. To be accused of being "partisan" now stands for a level of conduct so degraded and degrading, we have forgotten what principled opposition means.

However, President Bush's sex life has nothing to do with the fact that his foreign policy is so inept that all the Arab countries, including our friends and allies the Saudis and the Egyptians, are now siding with Saddam Hussein rather than the United States. You really have to work at it to produce a result that bad.

We still haven't caught bin Laden or any of the other leaders of Al Qaeda, who are presumably regrouping and plotting some fresh horror. We haven't even finished the job in Afghanistan, as we are reminded daily, but the administration seems to have dropped that like a hot rock and gone off to plan invading Iraq — which has no known connection with Sept. 11 — instead. Already we are abandoning Hamid Karzai by refusing to cooperate

with the Brits to maintain order there.

Someone suggested the other day if the Republicans were in the opposition, they'd have an "Osama calendar" updated daily: "It's now 254 days since Sept. 11 and still bin Laden eludes our clueless leaders." But that is precisely the sort of opposition we don't need.

Suggestions for how to fix things are a lot more useful than sitting around complaining about how fouled up things are. How do we get Sharon to accept the idea that the settlers on the West Bank have to go? How about talking the Arab countries into co-funding a Marshall Plan for the West Bank? Why not call in Bruce Urquhart, the U.N. diplomat who settled several wars, as a sort of senior consultant?

And why NOT remind people that Bush was warned over and over that letting the Middle East crisis get worse was folly? Why not point out that suggestions and solutions offered before Sept. 11 were ignored by Bush? Why not explain that the consequences of arrogant unilateralism are simply unacceptable? The old American isolationist tendency is always too ready to conclude, "You just can't deal with Those People."

Of course you can. Disaster is not inevitable, but it can sure be encouraged by inaction. And that includes inaction by Democrats.

From Sept. 12 on, this

administration ignored repeated calls for energy conservation. At a time when all Americans were ready to do anything to help, we could have started a "get out of the SUVs, cut the mileage, carpool, take a bus" campaign. To help one's country in a concrete way like saving fuel, and in turn reducing our dependence on unstable allies and freeing up our foreign policy options, was such an obvious step. And the Bush administration should take all the lumps it's got coming for having failed to do so.

So what did the Democrats do? Nineteen Democratic senators recently voted with the Republicans against requiring automakers to increase gas mileage.

The Middle East is now so volatile an oil embargo is not that unlikely. We could have bought ourselves quite a bit of insurance by now, had we acted promptly.

Many elected Democrats apparently think this administration is so set in its unilateralist ways, there's no point in trying to move on the Kyoto Treaty, or the Nuclear Test Ban Treaty, or the International Criminal Court (which would have been such a useful option for dealing with bin Laden.) Sen. William Proxmire of Wisconsin delivered, over the years, 3,211 speeches on why we should sign the U.N. Convention Against Genocide. It took 19 years. Let's get started.



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Lady Hawks over Lady W

Howard College Lady Hawks swept header Saturday and 7-0 wins over College's Ladylers in Westville College Conference action.

The Lady Hawks improved to 34 season and WJCAC play host the Lady Hawks in a 1 p.m. doubleheader Wednesday.

They'll clinch WJCAC play Friday Saturday with doubleheaders at Pasa College's Tejan twinbills are for 1 p.m.

Hawks suffer in Berger

Frank Phillip Plainsmen took 12-8 wins over College's Hawks at Western Junior Athletic Conference ball action Sunday.

The loss left Hawks at 26-1 and 9-9 in conference. The Hawks will host Simmons University junior varsity doubleheader Jack Barber finished third.

Bulldogettes at 3-2A track

Coahoma's Bulldogettes finished third girls' team Saturday at the 2A track meet. In the process the Coahoma girls' team finished third.

Crystal Atkinson and Rachel Williams tied to compete Region I, Class set for Saturday, April 20. Williams led for the Bulldogettes the long meters, 200 and 400 meters. She finished sixth.

Nichols qualified, winning district champions Roxanne Gordon and Valerie finished third in put and Thor fourth.

Tiffany Re fourth-place in the 1,600 meter, 3,200 meters. Sarah Colton third in the 200 while Mandy fifth in the 100.

The Bulldogettes and 800-meter teams both finished while the 1 relay team was

Baseball Bo will meet

The Big Spring School Baseball Club will meet tonight in Athletic Training room. Members will be planning for a Day program baseball banquet.

Parents of Spring players are urged to attend. For more information call Jim Cleme 1069.

ON THE

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IN BRIEF

Lady Hawks win two over Lady Wranglers

Howard College's Lady Hawks swept a doubleheader Saturday with 2-0 and 7-0 wins over Odessa College's Lady Wranglers in Western Junior College Athletic Conference softball action.

The Lady Hawks improved to 34-16 on the season and 12-6 in WJCAC play and will host the Lady Wranglers in a 1 p.m. doubleheader at Foundation Field on Wednesday.

They'll close out WJCAC play Friday and Saturday with a pair of doubleheaders against El Paso Community College's Tejanas. Both twinbills are scheduled for 1 p.m.

Hawks suffer sweep in Berger on Sunday

Frank Phillips College's Plainsmen took 5-4 and 12-8 wins over Howard College's Hawks in Western Junior College Athletic Conference baseball action Sunday.

The loss leaves the Hawks at 26-17 overall and 9-9 in conference play.

The Hawks were scheduled to host Hardin-Simmons University's junior varsity in a 2 p.m. doubleheader today at Jack Barber Field.

Bulldogettes shine at 3-2A track meet

Coahoma's Bulldogettes finished third in the girls' team standings Saturday at the District 3-2A track meet.

In the process, three of the Coahoma competitors — Lauren Nichols, Crystal Atkinson and Rachel Williams — qualified to compete in the Region I, Class 2A meet set for Saturday and Sunday, April 26-27.

Williams led the way for the Bulldogettes, winning the long jump, 100 meters, 200 meters and 400 meters. She was second in the high jump.

Nichols qualified in the discus, winning the district championship, while Roxanne Gomez was third and Casi Thompson finished sixth.

Atkinson advances to regional as the runner-up to Williams in the long jump. Valerie Cortez finished third in the shot put and Thompson was fourth.

Tiffany Reid added fourth-place finishes in the 1,600 meters and the 3,200 meters.

Sarah Collom finished third in the 200 meters, while Mendy Morgan was fifth in the 100 meters.

The Bulldogettes' 400-meter and 800-meter relay teams both finished fifth, while the 1,600-meter relay team was sixth.

Baseball Boosters will meet tonight

The Big Spring High School Baseball Boosters Club will meet at 6:30 tonight in the BSHS Athletic Training Center meeting room.

Members will be making plans for the Senior Day program and the baseball banquet.

Parents of every Big Spring player are encouraged to attend the meeting.

For more information, call Jim Clements at 267-1069.

ON THE AIR

Television
MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
6 p.m. — Atlanta Braves at New York Mets, TBS.

Tiger makes it back-to-back Masters championships

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — Tiger Woods knew the routine.

Tug the brim of the cap coming up the 18th fairway. Tap in the winning putt. Smile and wave to the gallery. Give mom and dad a big hug. Head to the putting green to pick up the customary green jacket given to the winner of golf's most prestigious tournament.

Woods took home his third Masters championship on Sunday, ousting a superb collection of players to continue his dominance at golf's hallowed grounds.

"Besides Jack Nicklaus, Tiger is the best player (ever)," said runner-up Retief Goosen, a helpless

bystander as Woods cruised to a three-stroke victory. "Give him a couple more years and I think Tiger will be even greater than Jack Nicklaus. It's just a matter of time."

Goosen, the U.S. Open champion, was tied for the lead and was joined by several other stalwarts who looked poised to challenge Woods. Vijay Singh, Ernie Els, Phil Mickelson, Sergio Garcia and Jose Maria Olazabal were in the wings.

"Was Woods worried? Nah. 'I always felt that I had the game that was good enough to win here,'" Woods said.

Woods cruised to victory with a 12-under-par 276 on a toughened-up,

redesigned Augusta National.

The victory gave Woods his seventh major golf championship. He's 11 behind Nicklaus' career record with no one showing much willingness to challenge him.

At the start of Sunday's round, six of the seven top players in the world rankings were on the leaderboard. If there was ever a day for someone to overtake Woods in the final round of a major, this was it.

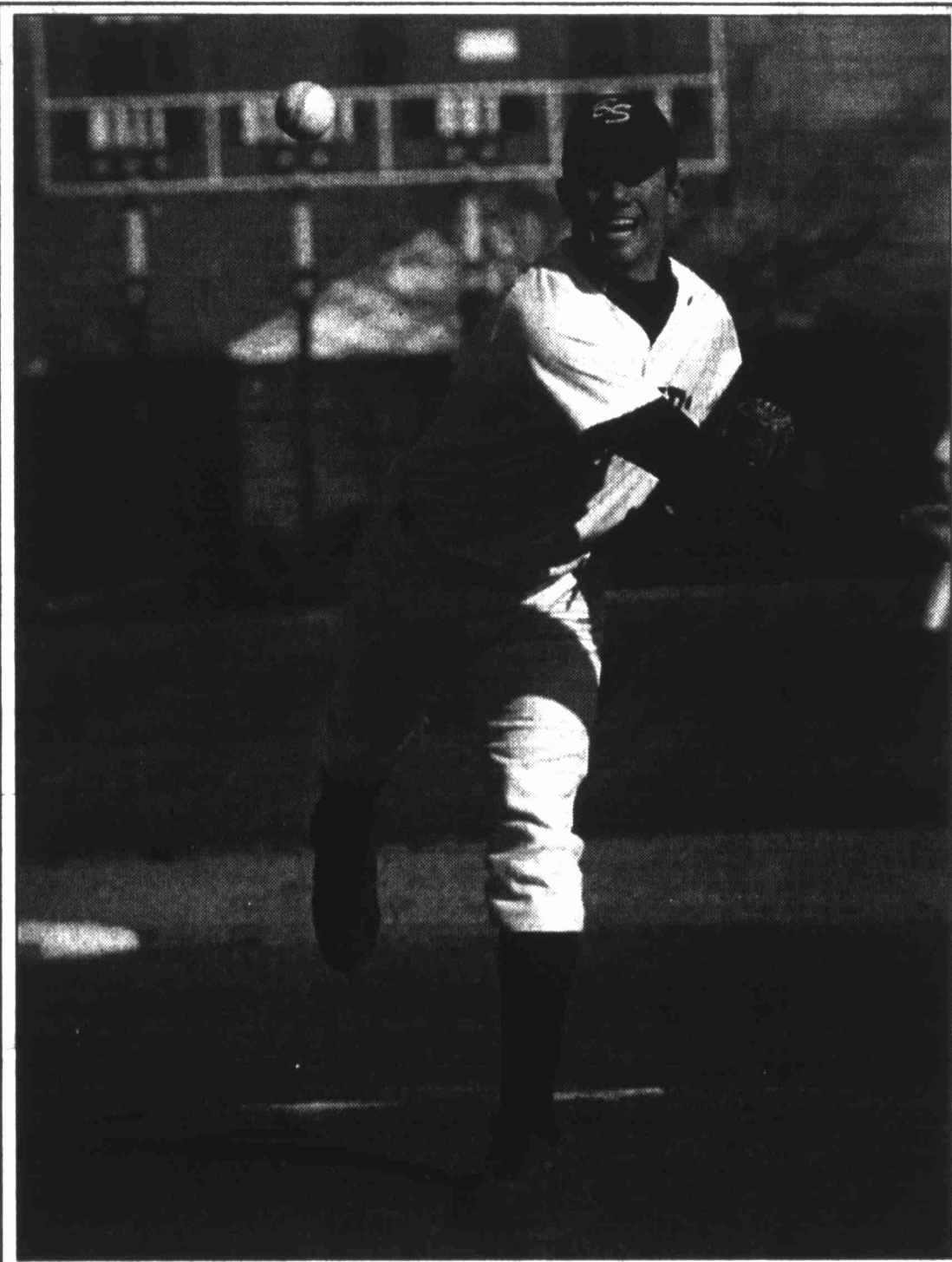
Instead, he had the look of a champion all day, making Woods 7-for-7 when he goes to the final round with the lead in the biggest tournaments.

"The thing about Tiger, he's the

only leader that you don't have any hope that he'll falter," Mickelson said.

Woods seized control with an early burst of birdies and watched his rivals crash in a reckless bid to catch him. The result was another march into history, with Woods becoming only the third player to win back-to-back titles. The first was Nicklaus, followed by Nick Faldo in 1989-90.

"I think we're going to wear this jacket out putting it on you before your career is over," Augusta National chairman Hootie Johnson said as he slipped the size 42 long green jacket over Woods' shoulders.



Big Spring pitcher Jon McKinnon releases a pitch during his and the Steers' first game against District 4-4A powerhouse Andrews. McKinnon came back from that loss to record the win in the Steers' 9-5 upset of the Mustangs on Friday. The Steers will play host to Snyder's Tigers at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Coahoma boys, Lady Buffs win 3-2A golf titles

HERALD Staff Report

Coahoma's Bulldogs and Stanton's Lady Buffaloes claimed team championships Thursday in the final round of the District 3-2A golf tournament.

The Bulldogs posted a team total of 338 on the Comanche Trail Golf Course to finish the 36-hole tournament with a 693 total and a 23-stroke margin of victory over runner-up Forsan's Buffaloes.

Forsan carded a round of 346 as a team over the final 18 holes to finish with a 716 total and a 13-stroke edge over third-place Stanton.

In the girls' division, the Lady Buffs, paced by Kenzie Williams' 96-97, 193 total, finished the tournament with a 445-430, 875 score, six strokes ahead of Plains' Cowgirls, who claimed runner-up status with a 444-437, 881 finish.

Coahoma's Kynzie Roberts finished the tournament with a 84-104, 198 to finish as the runner-up in medalist standings and qualify for the Region I, Class 2A tournament.

In the boys' medalist race, Colorado City's Anthony Munoz claimed the individual championship with an 83-79, 163 total, eight strokes better than the 85-85, 170 turned in by Coahoma's Stephen Binion.

In addition to Binion's 170 total, the Bulldogs got identical scores of 91-85, 177 from Travis Hipp and Chase Ward, while Darrick Shifflett finished with an 88-92, 180 score. Cory Hill rebounded from an opening round of 102 to fashion an 81 on the Comanche Trail layout to finish the tournament with a 183 total.

Forsan was paced by Aaron Shaffer's 95-78, 173 score, while Brandon Burleson had a 91-85, 176 total. Jared Stevens contributed an 87-91, 178 and Billy Kinsey finished the

tournament at 97-93, 190. James Love completed the Buffs' scoring with a 99-92, 191.

The Forsan "B" team finished sixth with a 794 team total, Josh Bedwell leading the way with a 91-87, 178. Ben Breyman chipped in a 108-97, 195 score, while Josh Helmstetler finished at 99-107, 206. Trey Paredez had a 108-114, 222 total and Ross Berry finished at 128-107, 235.

Coahoma's "B" team, which finished seventh with a 796 total, was led by Kelby Kemper's 99-95, 194 and Orrin Mansfield's 107-92, 199. Cory Mulkey added a 110-90, 200 score, while Rickey Richters finished at 106-97, 203 and Pud Bowlin carded a 111-112, 233.

Stanton's "B" squad finished eighth at 876 with Brad Bryan finishing with a 98-93, 191 score and Ryan Kelly chipping in a 99-98, 197 total. Brandon Ireton finished at 102-106, 208 and Tim Fulfer had a 142-138, 280.

In addition to Williams' total of 193, the Lady Buffaloes gbot a 111-110, 221 score from Kristi Bridges and a 117-110, 227 finish from Shelby harp. Amber Langford added a 128-113, 241 total and Heather Washington finished at 121-132, 253.

Coahoma's Bulldogettes, who finished third at 950, had a 123-120, 243 score from Lauren Nichols. Lauren Green had a 128-137, 265 and Natalie Rodgers had a 133-132, 265. Krisy Kinard was one more stroke back at 150-116, 266.

Forsan's Queens, who finished fourth with a 1,053 team total, were paced by Rachel Clinton's 121-126, 247 and Amber Humphrey's 129-125, 254. Lyndsey Allen finished the tournament with a 127-147, 274, while Krystal Hughes had a 141-137, 278 score and Lakacia Lewis carded a 150-148, 298.

Mavericks snap Sacramento win streak

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — During the best season in the Dallas Mavericks' 22-year history, the road has been kind — even the road leading to Arco Arena.

Nick Van Exel scored 27 points to lead four Mavericks with at least 20 as Dallas jumped back atop the Midwest Division and snapped the NBA-leading Sacramento Kings' 11-game winning streak with a 113-100 victory Sunday night.

The NBA's best road team gave the league's best home

team a taste of what might be waiting in the post-season. Dallas, 27-13 on the road, became the only team to win twice at Arco Arena, where most opponents crumble in the face of the Kings' up-tempo style.

"This is possibly a team and a place we'll have to go through to get where we want to go in the playoffs," said Raef LaFrentz, who had 21 points and 13 rebounds. "We'll feel good if we have to come back here."

Firing away from outside

with flair usually matched by the Kings, new Dallas acquisitions Van Exel and LaFrentz combined for 24 of Dallas' 28 points in the fourth quarter as the Mavs simply ran away from Sacramento's half-hearted defense for their seventh win in nine games.

By the final seconds, Van Exel was trading barbs with hecklers in the crowd — and looking forward to a possible playoff meetings between the league's two highest-scoring teams.

Sierra's 5-for-5 leads Mariners to 9-7 win over Rangers

ARLINGTON (AP) — A few of the faces have changed, but one thing remains the same for the Seattle Mariners: They're still road warriors.

Ruben Sierra went 5-for-5 against his former team, including a go-ahead single, to overcome a pair of home runs by ex-Mariner Alex Rodriguez as Seattle won its seventh straight road game with a 9-7 victory over the Texas Rangers on Sunday.

"We were down 5-1, but we battled," Mariners manager Lou Piniella said. "We come from behind, we play good defense, and the bullpen does a heck of a job. We had a good road record last year and it's carried on into this season."

Seattle won an AL-record 59 road games last season, and the Mariners have received a lift from Sierra, whose grand slam Friday beat the Rangers. Sierra's eighth-inning single put Seattle ahead to stay after the Mariners bounced back from a 5-1 deficit.

"What a day Sierra had," Piniella said. "Ruben came up through this organization, and he seems determined to do well against them. Any time you play against your old team, you want to do a little more. I think Ruben has something to prove

against this team, the same way that Alex drove in five runs against his old team."

Sierra was eager to play for the Rangers again in 2002 after earning AL Comeback Player of the Year last season when he hit .291 in 94 games with 23 homers and 67 RBIs. But Texas GM John Hart bypassed Sierra, trading for Carl Everett and signing Juan Gonzalez as a free agent.

Sierra downplayed the revenge angle, however, preferring to dwell on the new start he has with the Mariners. "It's not that," said Sierra, who was 7-for-12 in the first three games of the series. "I'm playing for Seattle now. I have to do my best for them. I'm feeling good at the plate, trying to stay back and go with the pitch, use my hands more."

Sierra's role was upgraded over the weekend when the Mariners learned that DH Edgar Martinez will be out for more than a month due to a left hamstring injury that required surgery.

Rodriguez had a two-run homer in the fourth and a three-run drive in the sixth for his 21st career multi-homer game. Rodriguez and Rangers starter Kenny Rogers were participants in a fourth-inning

triple play, the first in the major leagues this season.

With Sierra at third and John Olerud at first in the fourth inning, Seattle rookie Ron Wright grounded to Rogers, who threw to Rodriguez, forcing Olerud at second.

Rodriguez threw to catcher Bill Haselman and Sierra was retired in a rundown by Rogers. The pitcher then threw to second baseman Michael Young, who tagged out Wright at second base.

Seattle, which had 18 hits, scored eight runs against the bullpen.

"We've already come back seven times in our 13 games," Boone said. "After a while, you get used to it. This team has spoiled me."

With the game tied at 7 in the eighth, Mike Cameron drew a walk from Rudy Seanez (0-2), took second on a wild pitch and scored on Sierra's single.

Pinch-runner Desi Relaford took second on a passed ball and scored on a single by Olerud, who went 4-for-4.

Shigetoshi Hasegawa (2-0) allowed two hits in 1-2-3 relief innings, and Kazuhiro Sasaki got four outs for his third save.

Seattle has won nine of its last 10 against Texas, which at 3-9 is off to its worst start since 1978.

Mariners starter John Halama allowed five runs and eight hits in six innings.

Astros 5, Cardinals 4

Billy Wagner's first save of the season was a big one for the Houston Astros.

Wagner worked a scoreless ninth as the Astros, after leading by four runs in the fifth inning, ended a four-game losing streak and avoided a three-game sweep with a 5-4 victory over the St. Louis Cardinals on Sunday.

Wagner had 39 saves in 41 chances last year, but the 12th game of the season presented him with his first opportunity of this season and he confessed to some anxiety.

"It gets harder when you have to wait longer," Wagner said. "If you get that save right out of the chute, you're OK, but when you have to pitch in a bunch of meaningless games..."

This one snapped the five-game winning streak of the Astros' chief rivals in the NL Central, who have taken two of three from Houston the last two weekends. The teams had identical records last year, but Houston won the division based on head-to-head competition.

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Victim of date rape offers words of warning

Dear Ann Landers: I was recently a victim of date rape. I attended a campus party, and a "friend" offered me a drink. I accepted without a second thought. A few minutes later, I began to feel odd. I don't remember anything else. I woke up the next morning in my dorm room, undressed, and there was evidence that I had been intimate with someone. What is even more scary is that I may have contracted a venereal disease or gotten pregnant by some jerk who took advantage of me.

Please warn your readers, Ann, never to accept a drink from anyone at a party. Women should drink only from cans or bottles they opened themselves and should keep an eye on their drinks at all times. If this letter can help just one woman avoid my nightmare experience, it will be worth the time it took to write. - Coed in Virginia

Dear Coed: I have mentioned the perils of being drugged at parties, but your letter provides a good opportunity to remind my readers once again. There are some unscrupulous predators out there, and it pays to be vigilant. The ground rules are as follows: Do not accept any drink that is already poured, or comes from a can or bottle that has already been opened. Do not take a drink from a common punch bowl. Do not let go of your drink until you are done with it. If you notice one of your friends acting strangely, keep an eye on the situation, and, if necessary, offer to escort her home. (And please remember that too much alcohol, even without added drugs, can lead to plenty of problems.)

'Dear Ann Landers: I am a 15-year-old girl, and I am writing about my dad. He has raised me, my brother and two younger sisters since Mom died. Dad needs a lady in his life, but doesn't have much time to meet anyone. He is tall and good-looking. He has a college degree, is athletic, likes to travel and has a great sense of humor. He cooks, washes our clothes, vacuums, mops, bakes and washes windows. Dad is 50 years old but looks younger. He needs somebody energetic and interesting who can love him and help him take care of us. I know he is lonely. Can you help us find someone for him? - Looking for Love in Michigan

Dear Michigan: Your dad sounds like a sweet guy, but I cannot allow my column to be used as a personal ad. You would be swamped with letters from women all over the country. Introduce your dad to the single mothers of your friends. Suggest that he join Parents Without Partners, a wonderful organization. You sound like a caring and loving daughter, and your dad is lucky to have you. Tell him I said so.

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IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN AS FOLLOWS: TO: ROGERS BROWN ESTATE, DECEASED, CAROL LEE BROWN, CARRIE BROWN, ORA B. PITTMAN, and any of all other unknown owners or persons, including adverse claimants, owing or having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the following described property delinquent to Plaintiffs herein, for taxes, to-wit: (50' X 140') ACRE TRACT OUT OF SECTION TWENTY-SIX (26), BLOCK THIRTY-THREE (33) TOWNSHIP ONE NORTH (T-1-N), TO THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS, MORE FULLY DESCRIBED BY METES AND BOUNDS ON

"A tract of land in Section 26, Block 33, T-1-N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas, described as follows: BEGINNING at a point where the W. Line of said alley, 140' wide, extends Southward along the W. Side of Block 1, DEN-TION ADDITION, to the City of Big Spring intersects the N. Line of Spangburg St. in said Addition; THENCE, Westward, along the N. Line of Spangburg St., 50' to a corner; THENCE, Northward, parallel with the W. Line of said alley, 140' to a corner; THENCE, Eastward, parallel with the N. Line of Spangburg St., 50' to a corner in the W. Line of said alley; THENCE, Southward along the W. Line of said alley, 140' to the PLACE OF BEGINNING."

There is no chain of title from Rogers Brown and wife, Carol Lee or Carrie Brown to Bertha Brown. Who said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$470.00, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and costs thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein. You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, against ROGERS BROWN ESTATE, DECEASED, ET AL as Defendant(s), by AMENDED petition filed on the 12th DAY OF MARCH, 2002, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. SEBASTION BRESERL, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas, 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is T-82-12-4017 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE. Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

Public Notice notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties, and cost allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefore, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, and all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file in said causes by all other parties herein, and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property. You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 13th day of May, 2002 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit. #3498 April 15 & 22, 2002

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MONDAY

APR. 15

Table with 21 columns (stations) and 7 rows (timeslots). Columns include KMID, KPEJ, KERA, FAM, KOSA, WFAA, KWES, WTBS, UNI, DISN, NASH, TMC, SHOW, HBO, KMLM, A&E, DISC, TNT, TLC. Rows include time slots from 6:30 AM to 12:30 AM and program titles.

DENNIS THE MENACE



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FAMILY CIRCUS



"Daddy, when will you start readin' the paper again without lookin' worried?"

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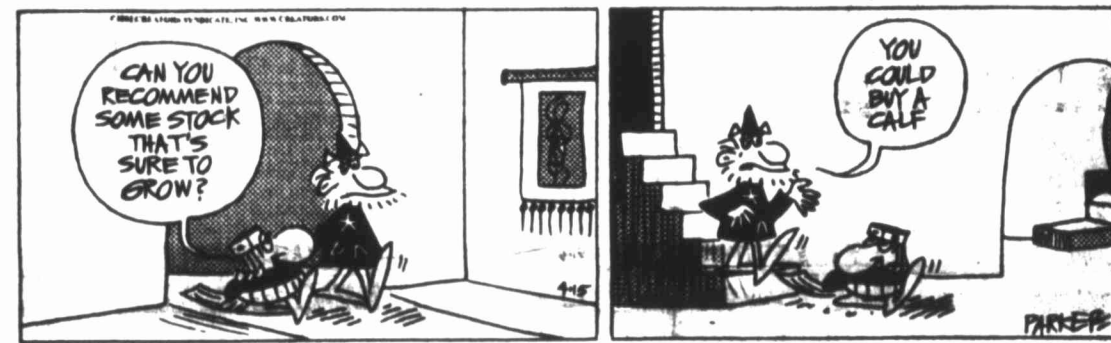
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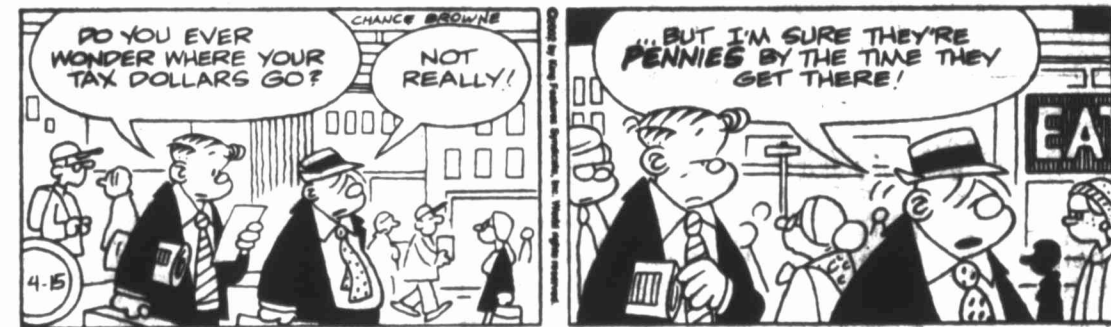
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

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Today is Monday, April 15, the 105th day of 2002. There are 260 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

In the early hours of April 15, 1912, the British luxury liner Titanic sank in the North Atlantic off Newfoundland, less than three hours after striking an iceberg. About 1,500 people died.

On this date:

In 1850, the city of San Francisco was incorporated.

In 1861, three days after the Confederate attack on Fort Sumter, President Lincoln declared a state of insurrection and called out Union troops.

In 1865, President Lincoln died, several hours after he was shot at Ford's Theater in Washington by John Wilkes Booth. Andrew Johnson became the

nation's 17th president.

In 1892, General Electric Co., formed by the merger of the Edison Electric Light Co. and other firms, was incorporated in New York State.

In 1945, during World War II, British and Canadian troops liberated the Nazi concentration camp Bergen-Belsen.

In 1945, President Roosevelt, who had died April 12, was buried at the Roosevelt family home in Hyde Park, N.Y.

In 1947, Jackie Robinson, baseball's first black major league player, made his official debut with the Brooklyn Dodgers on an opening day. (The Dodgers defeated the Boston Braves, 5-3.)

In 1959, Cuban leader Fidel Castro arrived in Washington to begin a goodwill tour of the United States.

In 1989, 95 people died in a crush of soccer fans at Hillsborough Stadium in Sheffield, England.

In 1990, actress Greta Garbo died in New York at

age 84.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Michael Ansara is 80. Country singer Roy Clark is 69. Rock singer-guitarist Dave Edmunds is 58. Actress Lois Chiles is 55. TV producer Linda Bloodworth-Thomason is 54. Actor Michael Tucci is 52. Actress Amy Wright is 52. Columnist Heloise is 51.

Thought for Today: "Political history is far too criminal and pathological to be a fit subject of study for the young. Children should acquire their heroes and villains from fiction." - W.H. Auden, British poet (1907-1973).

Answer to previous puzzle grid with words like JAZZY, SQUAWKBOX, ARIAS, CUMEIFORM, PENNIE, MOTORCADE, ENGIRT, TINY, REN, STIVE, AMIES, FOR, RAVENS, RAMER, DAS, TENG, MILADY, ELOPERS, DEVALUE, CLUEIN, ROTE, KPS, OFTEN, CELINE, OMR, ROLLE, TRAP, ARE, DOLE, REMASH, KOALABEAR, ANITA, INSIDEUSA, RISES, NETLOSSES, SCARE.

Newsday Crossword AFTER MEALTIME by Shirley Soloway Edited by Stanley Newman

- ACROSS: 1 Ink smear in the sea, 5 Subsidized, 10 Capital of Peru, 14 Sitarist Shankar, 15 Opera star Callas, 16 "When I was...", 17 Comic King, 18 Europe/Asia divider, 19 Apple center, 20 Add or divide, 22 Pertaining to punishment, 23 ___ distance (far away), 24 Take apart, 26 Give off, 30 Vincent Lopez's theme, 31 Comic Costello, 32 What fireplaces provide, 34 Flower parts, 38 Crooned a tune, 40 Spinning toy, 42 Director Kazan, 43 Goes in, 46 The Thin Man heroine, 49 Belief system, 50 European peacekeeping grp., 52 Authoritative order, 54 Preside over, 58 "Inka Dinka", 59 Love, Italian-style, 60 Suggest slyly, 63 Tableland, 66 Cash, casually, 67 What winds do, 68 ___ a Kick Out of You, 69 Bit of land in the sea, 70 Fork part, 71 Comfort, 72 The Cloister and the Hearth author, 73 Clairvoyant, DOWN: 1 Bric-a-___, 2 Refrain syllables, 3 Not quite round, 4 Soup container, 5 Act like, 6 Theda of the silents, 7 Pesky kids, 8 Oscar-winner Heckart, 9 Prosecutors: Abbr., 10 Tear roughly, 11 Actress Massey, 12 French revolutionary, 13 Fred Astaire's sister, 21 Provo's state, 22 Lacking color, 25 Bust a balloon, 26 Otherwise, 27 Ghost's sound, 28 Cousin's mom, 29 Consume, 33 Great weight, 35 Inter___ (among other things), 36 Lean to one side, 37 Identical, 39 Produce, as electricity, 41 Lap dog, for short, 44 Very hard to find, 45 Railroad stop: Abbr., 47 Give off, 48 Soon, in poems, 51 Ineffective, 53 Skeptic's thoughts, 54 Ike's mate, 55 Greek letter, 56 Medicinal amounts, 57 ___ Gay (WWII plane), 61 Winter vehicle, 62 "I cannot tell ___", 63 Phone-machine sound, 64 Water pitcher, 66 Former Russian space station.

