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For more information, call the Big Spring Salvation Army at 267-

# WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

☐ Howard College Rodeo, 5 p.m., Big Spring Rodeo Bowl, slack performances, free admission.

Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association, 5:30 p.m., RSVP office, 501 Runnels.

☐ American Legion Post 506, 6 p.m. Call 263-

□ Rackley-Swords 379, Vietnam Vets of America, 7 p.m., 124 Jonesboro Rd. ☐ Masonic Lodge 1340

meets at 7:30 p.m. at 2101 Lancaster.

FRIDAY

□ AMBUCS, noon at the Brandin Iron. □ ABC Club, noon at the Brandin Iron.

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

☐ Howard College Rodeo, 7 p.m., Big Spring Rodeo Bowl. Admission \$5.

Spring City Senior Citizens Country and Western Dance will be 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

**SATURDAY** 

☐ Howard County Scottish Rite Club meets at 7:30 a.m. at the Masonic Lodge, 21st and Lancaster.

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# "Reflecting a Proud Community"

# County library to direct some funds toward comic novels

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Buffy the Vampire Slayer may be patrolling the halls of the Howard County Library this summer.

The campy series is one of many comic novels the library will be investing in with the \$2,500 award it received from the Texas Book Festival this year.

"We plan to use the money



young adult sections," said Howard County librar-Hollis McCright.

Comic or graphic novels are formatted McCRIGHT comic book style to tell a

to update our story and can range from dren's librarian Karen traditional super hero stories to non-fictional titles.

According to an article by Robert G. Weiner of the Lubbock City-County Library, this literary form of style has proved to be very popular from children to adults and helped increase the library's circu-

Among other titles chil-

McIntyre plans to order are Superman, Dragon Ball Z, the Ultimate X-Men and ·Tomb Raider.

"They also have the Left Behind series for kids," said McIntyre

Money from the book festival award will also be used to update computer, history and fictional areas of the library's young adult sec-

The Texas Book Festival raises funds each year that are awarded to libraries across the state. Funds are to be used for books and materials that reinforce the written word.

The comic novels are expected to be on the shelf of the Howard County Library by summer, officials said.



Community leaders and heads of United Affordable Housing development company met at the site of the planned Limestone Ridge Apartment Complex Wednesday morning to hold a groundbreaking ceremony. Shown, from left, Frances St. Claire of State Sen. Bob Duncan's office, Randy Spivington of UAH, Mayor Russ McEwen, County Commissioner Bill Crooker, Crossroads Housing Director Paul Pryor, Big Spring Housing Authority Director Mark Gentry and UAH President Kent Hance.

# Officials break ground at construction site for apartment complex

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

Community leaders and members of the United Affordable Housing development company officially broke ground Wednesday on a new income-restricted apartment complex in the north part of Big Spring.

The Limestone Ridge apartment complex, set to be built near the intersection of Interstate 20 and U.S. Highway 87 just south of the Big Spring State Hospital, will consist of 76 units.

The apartments, designed accommodate Spring's hourly-wage workers, will have an income restriction allowing only those making 60 percent or less of Big Spring's median income to move in.

UAH President Kent Hance said the company decided to build in Big Spring after noticing a lack of affordable housing in

"One day we left Odessa and were driving back to Dallas and went through Big Spring, and we said, 'We ought to see what they have available here," he said. "So we pulled off and just drove through town, and we realized there wasn't any affordable housing that was new. So we decided to run a study. We hired a marketing company to see

there was a strong demand." UAH has done well focusing its efforts on small towns, Hance said.

if there was a demand, and

they came back and said

"I think that many times non-metropolitan areas get overlooked and we have really done well by going to

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Juanice (Jean) Lancaster, left, an ex-World War II Army nurse, poses here with her sister Lou Ornelas. Ornelas, through a donation to the University of Texas at Tyler. named the school's new health and kinesiology wing after

# Tribute to a sister's love: Health care wing named after Big Spring woman

By ANDREIA MEDLIN

Features Editor

When Juanice (Jean) Lancaster got the news, her reaction was one of disbe-

"I thought I was gonna faint," said the 78-year-old Big Spring resident.

But the news wasn't about some tragedy or illness, the kind of news to dread. Instead, because of the closeness and love that they share, Lou Ornelas made sure her sister, Jean, would

be forever remembered. At the University of Texas at Tyler, a new educational and recreational facility is being built with the help of

Jean's sister and late brother-in-law, Lou and Joseph Ornelas.

When the couple donated \$1 million in the fall of 1999 to start a fund-raiser for the new facility it was with the promise that the health and kinesiology wing would hold the name Jean

Although the decision was made three years ago, the secret was not revealed to Jean until two weeks ago.

"She didn't tell me until after she had gall bladder surgery. It was like 'I had surgery and oh, by the

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# Bush says Sharon keeping promise withdraw from Palestinian cities

WASHINGTON (AP) -President Bush said today that Israel is keeping its

promise to withdraw troops from Palestinian cities and turned up the pressure on Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat crack down on terrorism.

"Mr. Arafat did condemn terrorism and now we will hold him to

account" and demand that he take action against terrorists, Bush said.

The president assessed the crisis in the Middle East in a meeting with Secretary of State Colin Powell, who returned hours earlier from a mission to the region. Joined by Vice President Dick Cheney, National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice and White House Chief of Staff Andrew Card, the president shrugged off criticism that

Powell's mission had failed. "One trip by the secretary

of state will not prevent that from happening," Bush said, stressing his efforts to stem violence. "But one trip by the secretary of state laid out the framework and path to achieve peace.' "We will continue to do

that," Bush said.

The president praised Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon as "a man of peace. I'm confident he wants Israel to be able to exist at peace with its neighbor.' Two weeks after demand

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# Home sweet home

# Airman glad to be on leave after stretch in Afghanistan.

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Reporter

Like any Big Spring native who's been away from town for an extended period of time, Landon Wegner is glad to be home.

Wegner is probably more glad than some, however; the 20-year-old Air Force airman first class has been serving his country with the 16th Special Operations Wing in Afghanistan. The airman is home on a

month's leave. "It feels good, a relief," he said, adding that while overseas, he worked 12hour shifts every day. "We never got a day off.'

Wegner's job Afghanistan was to inspect airplanes and get them ready to fly, he said.

"I'm a crew chief on the AC-130H Vector gunship," he said. "Pretty much that means I check the planes before they go up and make sure they're mechanically sound and if anything's wrong with them I fix them up and let the flight crew know they've got a good plane to fly.

Wegner's actual location



Airman First Class Landon Wegner works on a report for his sergeant during his month's leave in Big Spring Tuesday. Wegner, a Big Spring native, is home from a tour of duty in Afghanistan on a combat aircraft.

is officially "undisclosed,"

he said. "I can't actually say where I was at," he said. Even though his location

must remain a mystery,

Wegner said it had few of

the comforts of home.

"It's a lot better here," he said. "It was cold, there was a lot of dirt and dust everywhere. I didn't have

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# **OBITUARIES**

# Carmen M. Corralez

A rosary and vigil for Carmen M. Corralez, 71, of Midland, formerly of Big Spring, will be 7 p.m. today at Reyes-Garcia Chapel. Funeral mass will be 2 p.m. Friday, April 19, 2002, at St. Ann's Catholic Church with Father Arturo Pestin officiating. Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery.

Mrs. Corralez died Tuesday, April 16, at a Midland hospital.

She was born in Big Spring on June 23, 1930. She married Rufino B. Corralez Sr., on May 23, 1953, who preceded her in death. She was former coowner of Parker's Liquor Store for several years and a homemaker. She was a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church.

Survivors include three sons, Rufino M. Corralez Jr., Moses M. Corralez and Jimmy M. Corralez, all of Midland; three daughters, Dora L. Lopez, and Sulema Garza, both of Midland, and Clara Orosco of Odessa; two brothers, Pat Martinez of Big Spring, and Gilbert Martinez of Odessa; and 15 grandchildren.

Arrangements are under the direction of Reyes-Garcia Funeral Home in Midland.

# Juanita Ortiz

Juanita Ortiz, 87, of Big Spring, passed away on Tuesday, April 16, 2002, at Scenic

Mountain Medical Center following a short illness.

A vigil service will be held at 7:30 p.m., today at Myers & Smith Eunoral Home

Services are 9 a.m. Friday. April 18, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Burial will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park. Juanita was born on

March 30, 1915, in Candelaria. She had lived in Big Spring for 50 years, moving here from Pecos. She was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church. She was employed as a maid at the Settles Hotel for 23 years. She is survived by one

son and daughter-in-law, Lupe and Essie Ortiz of Big Spring; six brothers, Francisco Chavez of Artesia, N.M., ricardo Chavez of Stanton,

## **MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME** & CHAPEL 24th & Johnson 267-8288

Tommie Butler, 91, died Sunday. Graveside services are 2:30 PM today at Trinity Memorial Park.

Grace Jones, 89, died Thursday. Services are pending.

Juanita Ortiz, 87, died Tuesday. Vigil services are 7:30 PM today at Myers & Smith Chapel. Services are 9:00 AM Friday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Burial will be in Mt. Olive Cemetery.

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thoughtfulness would be an understatement as she describes her feelings on the event. "I'm thrilled to death. It's Francisco (Pancho) Chavez of Odessa, Abel Chavez of Pecos, Miguel Chavez of Odessa nd Pedro Chavez of

the most exciting thing that can happen," said Jean. " If she had built an entire building for me I couldn't have been more surprised."

# **BUSH**

Balmorhea; sis sisters,

Petra Porras of Parker,

Ariz., Maria Tercero of

Odessa, Paula gomez of

Midland, Eva Baeza and

Rosa Dominguez, both of

Pecos; three grandchildren,

Brianda, Angelica and

Gabriel Ortiz; and two

great-grandchildren;

Dominic Ortiz and

Kristiana Gutierrez; and a

number of nieces and

Pallbearers are Jose

Chavez, Jabor Chavez,

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Funeral service for Grace

Jones, 89, of Big Spring is

pending with Myers &

Smith Funeral Home. Mrs.

Jones died today, April 18,

**Mildred Denton** 

Funeral service for

Mildred Denton, 79, of Big

Spring is pending with

Nalley-Pickle & Welch

Funeral Home. Mrs. Denton

died Thursday, April 18,

2002, at a Plano hospital.

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And the fact that the build-

ing will hold health-related

classes is no coincidence.

Jean served in World War II

as an Army nurse, per-

formed group polio nursing

and took care of people who

work. I usually had bruises

Being a retired registered

nurse — her license is still

current — has been benefi-

cial for the Lancasters. She

has been caring for her hus-

band Jim. who served in the

Air Force before becoming

general manager of Big

Spring Cable in 1962, who

diagnosed

Parkinson's 20 years ago

and now requires 24-hour

He continues to live at

"We have sitters around

the clock. They've been

coming for about three

Although she now loves

Big Spring, her son Steven

lives next door and works at

ALON while her daughter

Pamela lives in Austin, she

wasn't exactly happy when

she and her husband first

moved here. "I cried. I

thought it was the ugliest

place I'd ever seen," she

But the couple stayed and

made their home in Big

Spring and over time her

feelings changed. "I've loved

it. My son lives next door

and I just love it," she said.

UTT was one in a long list

of other philanthropic

endeavors made by Jean's

sister, including two build-

ings at Baylor that hold the

names Ryan Lancaster, the

late brother of Lou and

Jean, and after Lou's late

husband, Joseph. The new

Salvation Army in Tyler

was also built with the help

Jean's honor didn't come

without a little sisterly

prodding as she explained,

"I teased her about the other

buildings and when she

opened the one in Dallas,

the nursing building, and

named it after her I said

'I'm the nurse, you should have named it after me."

Her gentle hint didn't go

The ground-breaking cere-

mony was held on March 25

for the Patriot Center where

the Jean Lancaster building

will be located and is

expected to be completed in

To say that Jean is appre-

ciative of her sister's

of the Ornelas'

unheeded.

late 2003.

The generous donation to

said.

home with outside help.

years now," said Jean.

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explained.

**SISTERS** 

Feliciao Moralez Jr.

Smith Funeral Home.

Grace Jones

nephews.

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ing that Israel withdraw its troops immediately, Bush said he was satisifed that Sharon was acting in good faith. "History will show that

they responded," Bush said. "He gave me a timetable and he met the timetable."

Johnny Yanez, Ramon He said he understood Chavez, Bobby Coroba, and why Israel was keeping troops in Bethlehem and in Arrangements are under Ramallah. the direction of Myers &

Bush said the Israeli offensive on Ramallah is understandable because five suspects in last year's assassination of Israeli Tourism Minister Rehavam Zeevi are believed to be holed up in a basement inside Arafat's compound.

"I can understand why the prime minister wants them brought to justice. They shuld be brought to justice if they killed this man in cold blood," Bush said.

These people are accused of killing a Cabinet official of the Israel government. I can understand why the prime minister wants them brought to justice," he said. "They should be brought to justice if they killed a man in cold blood."

Neither Bush or Powell said what steps they plan to build momentum from the secretary's trip. Powell said

Arafat must "not only denounce violence but take actions against those" who commit terrorist acts.

Bush praised Powell of laying out a vision of hope for a region that was at a "boiling point" two weeks

were in iron lungs.
"It was very difficult CIA Director George ned to him your hands through tiles into allowed. Tenet probably will go to the region next week, but a final decision will be made turn the patients, but I was after Powell's White House mostly a psych nurse," she meeting, an official said.

The United States hopes to "restart the clock" to conditions that were in place before the Passover bombing that killed 28 people in Netanya on March 27. It was after that suicide bombing that Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon sent troops and tanks into Palestiniancontrolled cities, and the worst fighting of the 1 1/2year-old Palestinian uprising has followed.

In the pre-March 27 plan, Israel would get a resumption of Tenet-led security talks, and the Palestinians would receive assurances that the political process is not far behind, said the official, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Another top official said the region will get a steady stream of visits from U.S. officials prodding the parties toward political and security negotiations.

Bush is trying to find a way to give Israel hope for an end to terror while giving Palestinians, in return, a reason to believe they will get their own state and land gains, the official said.

After Bush returned to the White House on Wednesday from his visit to Virginia, he met with Lebanese Prime Minister Rafiq Hariri, who urged Bush to continue Middle East peacemaking.

"We believe that without the help of the United States, the region is going to face a lot of problems," Hariri said.

Wednesday night, Vice President Dick Cheney made an appearance at an Israeli Embassy celebration of the 54th anniversary of Israeli independence.

Standing before hundreds assembled under tents, Cheney said, alluding to Powell's mission, believe we are making progress." Numerous members of Congress attended.

Cheney recalled 11 years ago, when he was secretary of defense during the Persian Gulf War, and being comforted by the knowledge that Iraq did not have nuclear weapons to use against the U.S.-led coali-

Iraqi President Saddam

# BIG SPRING ROUND THE TOWN

Hussein might have had such weapons had Israel not knocked out an Iraqi nuclear facility with an airstrike in 1981, Cheney

# HOME

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the conveniences of a nice bed and the food wasn't that good. We had two meals a day that were given to us. There was actually like a hot meal, and then for lunch we had an MRE, a Meal, Ready to Eat. It's a kind of ration. It's really not very good."
Other amenities were

even worse, he said. "The toilets were outhouses, so if you had to go to the restroom while you were

asleep, you had to get all dressed up and walk about the length of a football field to go to an outhouse," he said. "Showers aren't that hot. They're cold. You didn't take showers all that often because the place where I was at, there were like 4,000 people there and there were only two different shower facilities."

The airmen did the best they could for recreation. he

"There wasn't much to do during our spare time," he said. "Usually we played cards or listened to music. We had lots of magazines and books and stuff. We had telephones to use, but if you could get through, you were lucky.

Although he was never in danger of being attacked, Wegner did witness a terrible accident during his time overseas.

"A forklift driver ran over a few guys, and that was pretty scary," he said. "I helped out on that. It basically happened right in front of me. The guys were pretty much knocked out. I'l just stayed with them There was one guy that was kind of going hysterical and I think he was probably starting to go into shock and I helped to keep him calm. He actually died a few days later. They were Army personnel and they were actually on their way home. They were walking out to their plane."

There were a few bright spots during his tour, he said.

"The Tampa Buccaneer cheerleaders came while I was there. That was probably the most interesting thing that happened, the best thing that happened," he said. "They put on a show for us and did their little cheers and everything. They did a couple of songs and had some dances and some of the guys got pictures.'

Wegner is optimistic about the war on terrorism. 'We're making a lot of

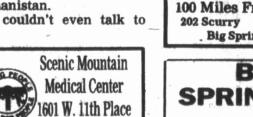
progress. I think we're going to get the guy, and we're going to get rid of the terrorists for sure," he said. "There's not going to be anything left once we do get finished, but it's going to be a long process."

Wegner's grandmother Sherry Wegner said she's glad to have him home. "Oh, yes," she said. "We

just love this kid. He is absolutely wonderful. Ms. Wegner said she cried

when she first found out her grandson was bound for Afghanistan.

"I couldn't even talk to





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him on the phone withoutcrying," she said. "Naturally I was scared to death. We're very proud of

# HOUSING

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the smaller areas. We've kind of developed a niche,' he said. "The apartments here will be just as nice as you will find in any major city. We'll have a beautiful club house, we'll have a lot of amenities that people will find very helpful. We have 76 units and we feel like if those fill up fast, we'll do a phase two which will be another 76 units." The project is good for Big

Spring as well as UAH, he said. Mayor Russ McEwen

agreed. "It's important in so many varied ways," the mayor said. "It's new construction which is always good. It's always good to see something positive going on. But it also provides us with a market for low-income housing. The people that are running it, they look for good quality folks, they take care of their property and they don't put up with any nonsense from their tenants, so it's a win-win type of situation for us." The apartments are being

developed as a partnership between Crossroads Development Housing Corporation, the Big Spring Housing Authority and UAH, said Paul Pryor, director of CHDC.

"We're looking on having our first occupancy around he said. September," "We"re planning to be finished somewhere around the end of November into December."

# **POLICE**

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity from 8 a.m. Wednesday until 8 · JAMES NEWSOM, 44,

of 611 Aylesford was arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct - language. · JENNIFER GAMBLE, 26. of 633 Settles was arrest-

ed on an Ector County war-· SAMMY PENA, 22, of 208 N. Nolan was arrested

on a capias warrant. ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported in person at the police station and in the 1000 block of N.W. Second Street.

 MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 1700 block of East FM 700, the 1000 block of South Birdwell Lane, the 3700 block of Calvin Street and the 500 block of West Eighth Street.

 LOUD PARTY/NOISE was reported in the 900 block of Northwest Second Street. DISTURBANCE OR

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## FIGHT was reported on Park Avenue.

 CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported at the East Fourth Street Fast Stop in the 1500 block of East Fourth Street. The convenience store reportedly sustained \$300 damage.

# SHERIFF

**The Howard County** Sheriff's Office reported the following activity:

· JOSEPH HOLT, 23, of 2600 Oaklawn Boulevard was arrested on a charge of issuance of a bad check. · STEPHEN JOEL **MUNDELL**, 47, of 104

Lincoln was taken to the **Howard County Jail after** being arrested by the Department of Public Safety on a charge of possession of marijuana less than two ounces.

• RICKY DELL HAIR, 28, of 1001 Longshore Road was arrested for a parole viola-

 DAVID ARNULFO GARZA, 38, of 1317 Kindle was arrested on a motion to revoke parole.

· ADOLFO GARZA, 19, of 807 Rosemont in Big Spring was taken to the Howard County Jail after being arrested by the Big **Spring Police Department** on a charge of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle. DOG BITE was reported

in the 100 block of Merrick · ASSAULT was reported

in the 100 block of Jalico Road. MINOR ACCIDENT

was reported at the FM 700 and Interstate 20 untlerpass. STOLEN VEHICLE was reported in Big Spring.

· A JUVENILE WITH A KNIFE was reported at Coahoma Elementary School. The weapon was reportedly a butterfly-style

 VICIOUS DOGS were reported at the Suburban East trailer park.

# FIRE/EMS

The following is a summery of EMS and Fire Department activity 8:09 a.m. — 6200 block of

Walter Rd., medical call, service refused. 8:43 a.m. - 1000 block of NW First, medical call, one

patient transported to

Scenic Mountain Medical Center. 10:22 a.m. - 600 block of Ayelsford, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.

10:56 a.m. - 600 block of Tulane, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.

12:00 p.m. — 1400 block of Shepherd Ln., medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.

8:32 p.m. - 2000 block of Virginia, trauma call, one patient transported to SMMC.

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suggest that Issa 44, was involved activity. "It is prematu so, to say he's with 9-11," s Perry, special charge of the FI office. "There is tion whatsoever with terrorism."

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# Four Canadian soldiers killed in errant U.S. bombing

WASHINGTON (AP) - An American F-16 fighter mistakenly dropped at least one laser-guided bomb on Canadian soldiers participating in a nighttime live-fire training exercise in Afghanistan. Four soldiers were killed and eight injured, Canadian officials

The soldiers were the first Canadians killed in a combat zone in a half-century.

It appeared the pilot didn't know he was flying over an area restricted for training - and so fire from the training exercise made him believe he was under attack, officials at the Pentagon

Eggleton, who called the deaths shocking, said Thursday that one of the injured had life-threatening wounds and the other seven were in stable condition.

U.S. and Canadian officials said they don't know what went wrong in the attack that occurred at 1:55 a.m. local time Thursday (5:25 p.m. EDT Wednesday) near Kandahar, a former Taliban stronghold. The two countries planned a joint investigation.

"As to the circumstances of what appears to have been a terrible accident, clearly there are many questions that the families, and all Canadians, expect to have answered," Canadian Prime Canadian Defense Minister Art Minister Jean Chretien said in a

Chretien said President Bush had called to offer his condolences. The White House did not issue a formal statement on the incident Wednesday evening, beyond noting that Bush had telephoned Chretien.

Canadian defense officials said their soldiers were on a training exercise about 10 miles south of their Kandahar base. A U.S. Air National Guard F-16 dropped one or two 500-pound, laser-guided bombs, U.S. and Canadian military officials said.

Canada's defense chief, Lt. Gen. Ray Henault, told reporters in Ottawa that the U.S. fighter jet was not involved in the training

was recognized as a training area and the aircraft were using very strictly controlled routes.

"How this can happen is a mystery to us. Without a doubt, there was a misidentification," Henault

Officials said the site of the accident was a former al-Qaida training camp now used daily by coalition forces for live-fire exercises

Canadian defense officials said two of the wounded soldiers had life-threatening injuries, one had very serious injuries and five suffered serious injuries.

Canadian forces are fighting alongside U.S. and European troops seeking to hunt down rem-

exercise. Henault said the area nants of Osama bin Laden's terrorist organization and holdouts from Afghanistan's former ruling Taliban militia.

At the Bagram air base in Afghanistan, Maj. Bryan Hilferty, a U.S. military spokesman, offered his condolences to the victims.

"We do everything we can to mitigate risk," he said. "We try to make sure we have all sorts of procedures, tactics and techniques in place to mitigate risk. But unfortunately, it's an inherently dangerous business.'

At the Kandahar air base, where both U.S. and Canadian forces are posted, the American and Canadian flags flew at half staff Thursday morning.

# Tanzanian pilot whose name found on document in Afghan cave being held on immigration charge

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) - ATanzanian who overstayed his visa after taking lessons to fly commercial airliners in Florida was detained on an immigration charge after his name was found on a document in an Afghan

cave, the FBI said. Officials said Wednesday there was no evidence to suggest that Issaya Nombo, 44, was involved in terrorist activity.

"It is premature, grossly so, to say he's connected with 9-11," said Frank Perry, special agent in charge of the FBI's Raleigh office. "There is no information whatsoever to link him with terrorism."

Nombo, who was arrested by federal agents Monday in Apex, a Raleigh suburb, earned a license to become a commercial pilot from Voyager Aviation in Titusville, Fla. His name appeared on a document printed off Voyager's Web site and found in an Afghan cave. U.S. and allied soldiers have been combing caves abandoned after battles with Taliban and al-

Qaida fighters.

Other details of the case also attracted interest, and led to an urgent FBI order to find and question Nombo, Perry said.

The U.S. Embassy in Tanzania was bombed in 1998, an attack blamed on al-Qaida and suspected terrorist mastermind Osama bin Laden. Several of the hijackers in the Sept. 11 attacks had taken flight lessons in Florida, including how to pilot commercial airliners. Some of the hijackers had overstayed visas allowing them to stay in the United

Perry said it's possible someone in Afghanistan copied Nombo's name from the Web site without knowing him personally. The home page for Voyager Aviation's Web site includes a congratulatory note to Nombo and two other students for completing their training.

The names of other foreign nationals as well as Americans were found in same place in Afghanistan and all were

being checked by investigators, Perry said.

Two U.S. officials in Washington, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Nombo was found with a counterfeit green card and

Social Security card. His visa, issued for students attending technical schools, required that he leave the United States by Aug. 23, 2001. Immigration officials believe he left Florida after his flight training and moved to North Carolina. Perry declined to comment on those details.

After U.S. intelligence officials discovered Nombo's name on the document in Afghanistan, the INS checked the name against its records and discovered the expired visa, a U.S. official said. Authorities tracked him to North Carolina.

Perry said Nombo was in custody of the Immigration Naturalization Service.

Voyager Aviation owner Gary Evans confirmed that Nombo earned his airline transport pilot license at the school, but declined to say when or give details.

Voyager Aviation, which Evans said has moved to Merritt Island, Fla., since Nombo attended, says on its Web site that training received by Nombo cost \$1,620 and requires 1,500

hours of prior training. Evans said the airline transport pilot license is the highest level of commercial pilot certification, and is earned only "after you've got a good few years' experience.

Also on Wednesday, a man who spent time with some of the Sept. 11 hijackers pleaded guilty in U.S. Court District Alexandria, Va., to two counts of document fraud unrelated to the attacks.

Eyad M. Alrababah, 29, of Bridgeport, Conn., came forward Sept. 29 to federal authorities after seeing mug shots of the hijackers. He told the FBI that he had spent time with the hijackers, but did not know of their plans. He has been detained since then, initially as a material witness.

# Farm talks stall again, senators press for bailout

WASHINGTON (AP) -As talks on a new farm bill stalled Wednesday, two Republican senators declared it was time for Congress to consider passing a one-year bailout for

"The clock has expired, and it is time for us to admit what most farmers and ranchers already know: It is too late to pass a farm bill that can apply to this year's crop," said Sen. Pat Roberts, R-Kansas.

Roberts and Sen. Tim Hutchinson, R-Ark., proposed separate bailout packages, each totaling about \$7.35 billion. Congress has passed similar bills every year since 1998 to compensate for a sharp drop in the prices of grain, cotton and soybeans. Last year's bill gave farmers \$5.5 billion.

"The reality of the situation is that without assurances of additional support, many of our farmers will not be able to get their crops in the ground this season," Hutchinson said.

Congressional negotia-

tors have struggled for weeks to work out an overhaul of farm and nutrition programs that could take effect for this growing season. A series of on-again, off-again private negotiations that started last Friday have not resulted in a deal, however, and they were off again after a brief meeting Wednesday.

The lead House negotiator, Rep. Larry Combest, R-Texas, scheduled a public session for Thursday for House members and Senators to air their differences. "We have a lot of members who have certain feelings," he said.

The negotiations have stuck on a variety of issues, including crop subsidy rates, which Senate Democrats want to set at higher rates than the House negotiators and Bush administration do. Senate Democrats have been pushing for a guarantee on corn of about \$2 a bushel, compared to \$1.95 for the Republican-controlled House. The current

# Confession: Quarrel led to slaying that had been unsolved for 18 years

PEORIA, Ill. (AP) - A accused King of making parked in West Peoria. and man convicted in an extortion plot that ended with the death of America's foremost atheist has confessed to killing an acquaintance in an unrelated case that went unsolved for 18 years.

David R. Waters, 54, is serving 20 years in federal prison in Kansas for his role in the deaths of 76-year-old American Atheists founder Madalyn Murray O'Hair, her son and her granddaughter.

On Wednesday, Peoria County State's Attorney Kevin Lyons said he agreed to give immunity to Waters. a Peoria native who is dying of hepatitis, in exchange for his confession in the 1984 shooting death of acquaintance Billy King Sr.

"I am not persuaded that David Waters could be punished any greater if he were convicted here," he said.

Waters told officials that King asked for his help in beating a man who had

officials are trying to figure

out who taped a picture of

Osama bin Laden inside the

overhead bin of an airplane,

delaying a flight and

prompting a search of the

Administration spokesman

Wednesday that the agency

Saturday incident, which

stalled the departure of a

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advances on his wife, Lyons said. Waters told investigators he agreed, but then accused King of making advances on his girlfriend. He and Waters argued and King was shot to death.

Peoria County Sheriff Chuck Schofield said investigators have long known Waters was among the last people to see King alive and considered him a suspect. But the crime unsolved until Waters confessed from prison, Lyons

Lyons said word of Waters' involvement in the King case reached investigators about a year ago and two sheriff's deputies were sent to interview him in prison. Since then, he said, they've tried to corroborate his story.

King, 36, was shot five times, including in the back of the head, and his body was stuffed under the back seat of his van. The van was

Bin Laden picture found taped inside airplane

McAllen-Miller

International Airport termi-

Clabes said the plane was

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Monitor of McAllen for

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the body was not discovered for days, Lyons said.

At the time, Waters' girlfriend provided an alibi but has since changed her story, Lyons said.

O'Hair, her 40-year-old son, Jon Garth Murray, and her 30-year-old granddaughter, Robin Murray O'Hair, disappeared from San Antonio in 1995 along with \$500,000 in gold coins. Waters, who had worked as O'Hair's office manager, led police to their dismembered bodies in a grave about 120 miles west of San Antonio

Investigators say Waters masterminded the scheme. He admitted that he did "threaten and commit physical violence" to the three victims.

O'Hair was an outspoken atheist for decades and pushed for the 1963 U.S. Supreme Court decision banning organized prayer in public schools.

An airport supervisor told

tape used to hang the pic-

ture of bin Laden is used by

a cleaning crew that cleans

the plane's carpet. The pic-

ture was found inside the

door of the overhead lug-

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Mike Olson, the airport's

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**OUR VIEWS** 

# Run is fun, benefits our state park

p for a walk? There's none more scenic than the "Master the Mountain" Fun Walk/Fun Run, which takes place Saturday at Big Spring State Park.

The event is held annually in conjunction with the Health Fair, which is held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

"Master the Mountain" activities include a 5K fun walk, a 5K fun run and a 10K race. That means there's something for everyone, from the casual stroller to the more serious competitor.

The cost is \$10 to participate and you can register the morning of the event. Funds raised are used for park maintenance and activites. The entry fee includes a T-shirt. Preregistration begins at 8; the events follow at 9.

Big Spring State Park is a favorite spot for walkers year-round, but especially in the spring through the fall. Its uphill, winding roads along the 200-foot bluff make for a challeriging expen ence, but it's the panoramic view that keeps walkers and runners coming back.

If you're up for a good walk, or maybe some competitive fun, consider making your way to Big Spring State Park on Saturday morning. It's good, healthy, family fun for a good cause.

Your Views

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# Language of the Middle East unclear

are confused and misled about the facts of the Middle East because they don't understand the language of Israeli propaganda.

A terrorist is any Palestinian who wants to end the Israeli occupation. A militant is anyone the Israelis kill. If they shoot you, you are, by definition,



a militant, even if you're only 6 months old or 10 years old or 80 years old. The Israelis never kill anybody but militants, so all of the more than 70 Palestinian children 15 and vounger shot dead by Israeli soldiers are militants. Most civilized countries don't think militancy is a capital offense.

Unfortunately, members of the press often adopt the language of propaganda. They report that the Israelis have killed 20 militants. In fact, they don't know that. They themselves have never seen the 20 dead people. For all they know, they might be Palestinian nuns or pacifists. A good reporter will

just report what he knows: The Israelis say they have killed 20 Palestinians.

Recently, one of the Fox Network's foxy blondes belligerently demanded of a Palestinian spokesman why Yasser Arafat had not made a speech in Arabic demanding an end to terror. When the Palestinian finally got a chance to talk, he told her what everybody who follows the Middle East already knows: Arafat has condemned terrorism in speeches made in Arabic. The spokesman even gave the blond cutie two specific dates and occasions.

But what's important to us, as consumers of this bilge on television, is this: I think it is a most safe assumption that the lady, ordinarily quite pleasant and giggly, does not speak Arabic, does not understand spoken Arabic and does not monitor radio and television broadcasts in Arabic. So the question is, how would she know whether Arafat had ever made a speech in Arabic on any subject? The answer is that she doesn't, yet she adamantly and obnoxiously asserted that he had not condemned suicide bombings in Arabic. Where did she get that information? From Israeli propaganda.

It could be that these younger folks who are instudio types are just naive. Perhaps I can help them.

All governments lie. Some governments lie on some occasions, some lie on many occasions, and some lie on all occasions. The Israeli government is a world-class liar. You can count on almost anything it says as being all false, or partly true and partly false; or true but out of context.

The members of the Israeli government are also the most self-centered people on earth. To them it is unacceptable for any Israeli to die, but perfectly OK if any number of Palestinians die. How little value they place on Palestinian life is illustrated by a sentence an Israeli court gave a Jewish settler. His sentence was a fine and community service. What was his crime? He had knocked down a 10year-old Palestinian boy, put his booted foot on the child's neck and beaten him to death with the butt of his military pistol. But as one of the right-wing rabbis is now saying openly, a Jewish life is more valuable than a gentile life.

President Bush, perhaps the most naive American. wants everyone to call suicide bombers murderers. I won't. They are martyrs. Those young Palestinians have done exactly the same thing so many young Americans have done willingly sacrificed their lives for their country's freedom. If they are murderers because they kill civilians during a war, then Mr. Bush's own father is a mass murderer. His war and his embargo have murdered tens of thousands of innocent men, women and children in Iraq. Young Bush is apparently planning to murder more. To paraphrase the killer in the movie "Unforgiven," "We are all murderers, kid."

The irony is that while Bush keeps yapping at Arafat to stop the violence, Bush himself refuses to stop the much greater violence inflicted on the Palestinian people by Israel. In case he hasn't noticed, there are, to use his favorite phrase, innocent men, women and children dying in the occupied territories because of Israeli state terrorism practically every day

Instead of playing selfrighteous semantic games, Bush should devote his energy to stopping the killing by everybody, including us. He should strongly support freedom for the Palestinians. That's the only way the Israelis will ever have security. And he should abandon the idea that the way to stop killing is to kill.

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# Ripping off your fellow Americans

s scams go, this one's a whopper. More than 100,000 Americans have filed claims with the

Internal Revenue Service for \$2.7 billion in nonexistent tax credits for slave reparations in the last two years alone. What's even more amazing, the IRS has mailed



LINDA CHAVEZ

checks totaling more than \$30 million to those making the false claims. And what's being done about it? Not nearly enough.

The scandal came to light last week when an IRS official testified before the Senate. The inspector general for tax administration, David C. Williams, told a Senate committee that the IRS has now developed a computer program that will catch future miscreants and has begun collection against those who got checks from the govern-

One individual collected a half million dollars from the government.

The government is also suing some individuals who prepared false claims for others for a fee. And the IRS has announced that starting this week, anyone who files such a claim and does not withdraw it may be fined \$500. According to the

Washington Post, which broke the story over the weekend, several current and former IRS employees tried the scam themselves. While an unnamed government official told the Post that one IRS employee is under investigation for helping process the claims, most of the other insiders were low-level employees working in processing centers. But what about the tens of thousands of others who applied for these bogus reparations?

Most of the news stories have treated those who put in the false claims as victims, too. But I have my doubts.

Sure, there may have been some people, especially the elderly or poorly educated, who believed the flyers and other promotional material telling them they

were entitled to compensation as descendants of slaves. Most of the claims were for \$43,209 per individual, what a 1993 article in Essence magazine suggested was the modern equivalent of "forty acres and a mule," proposed after the Civil War — but never adopted — as compensation to freed slaves.

But I'm betting that many who filed claims knew exactly what they were doing. Is it merely a coincidence that nearly all the claims have been filed in the two years since reparations have become the new "civil rights" demand? Many of the claimants probably felt entitled to scam Uncle Sam by virtue of their "victim" status.

The rhetoric of the reparations movement is all about "the debt" owed by the United States to the descendants of slaves. So why not try to collect? Why wait for Johnnie Cochran and the other high-profile African American lawyers suing major corporations for slave reparations? Why wait until Congressman John Conyers can convince his Congressional colleagues to pass legislation to compensate blacks for

their suffering? Just fill in the line on your form 1040, and count on the IRS to be too big and overburdened to notice.

The problem, of course, is that this is no different than stealing — in this case from fellow Americans, including other African Americans. This is no "victimless" crime. When individuals or corporations cheat on their taxes, it costs the rest of us who pay our fair share.

The reparations tax cheaters aren't the first politically motivated scam artists or thieves. Back in the '60s and '70s, groups on the Left robbed banks, armored cars and other cash-rich targets, and justified their actions by claiming to be modern-day Robin Hoods.

In the '80s and '90s, some right-wing militias urged followers to withhold their taxes, and some even printed up phony money and checks, arguing the government had no authority to stop them.

But in the end, it's greed that motivates these activities, and no amount of righteous rhetoric justifies ripping off your fellow Americans.

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# Missing minister wants death certificate voided, estate returned

ABILENE (AP) — A minister who claimed to have amnesia when he resurfaced after a 16-year disappearance has gone to court to have his death certificate reversed and his estate returned to him.

Wesley Barrett "Barre" Cox disappeared 1984 while driving from Lubbock to Abilene, and he was presumed dead after his ransacked car was found off a remote highway. He was married, had an infant daughter and was a family minister at MacArthur Park Church of Christ in San Antonio.

He was recognized in December 2000 while in the pulpit of a Dallas gay church, where he was using the name James Simmons and auditioning to be pastor. Simmons has said he is gay, has amnesia and does not remember a wife and Simmons wins his suit. daughter, who now live in Franklin, Tenn.

The application for "reversal of presumption of death and for restoration of estate" was filed March 25 in Gray County where Cox was ruled legally dead on Aug. 23, 1991.

The suit seeks a ruling that Barre Cox is alive and entitled to the return of his estate, as well as any profits from it since he was declared dead and any further

Beth Cox, who never remarried after her husband's disappearance, told the Abilene Reporter-News that she used all the money to raise their child and would have to declare bankruptcy if

After her husband was declared dead, she received lease payments on part of a ranch owned by the Cox family in the Panhandle. She also received some money when the ranch later was sold.

"He's saying, 'I want all that back," Beth Cox said.

She has said she wonders whether Simmons really has amnesia or faked his abduction and forged a new life after realizing he was gay.

Her attorney, Ed Bailey of Nashville, said Simmons filed suit after Tennessee began proceedings to collect back child support payments for the couple's daughter, who turned 18 on Jan. 1.

But Bailey said that happened

only after Simmons failed to reach an agreement the past year with his former wife about paying for their daughter's education.

"We had really hoped he would be more responsive to his responsibilities as a parent," Bailey said.

The child support case has been transferred to Dallas. A hearing will be held June 7.

Simmons became pastor of a newly created church in Garland, near Dallas, last year.

He was named pastor of White Rock Community Church, a predominantly gay and lesbian congregation in Dallas, in January 2001, but resigned a month later after he failed to receive a twothirds vote of confidence he requested.

The vote, which Simmons sought after widespread media attention cast doubt about his story, was 106-76 in his favor, 15 votes short of the two-thirds support needed.

Simmons said he was found badly beaten in a car trunk in a junkyard near Memphi's, Tenn., although he does not remember the name of the town, the hospital that treated him, or the name of the family who found him.

No police or hospital records have been found to verify his account. Simmons said he had no memory of his former life, so he tried to start over and moved around the country, working in Virginia before attending seminary in California.

# Doctors say strep throat bacteria becoming resistant

The Associated Press

Amid growing concern that overuse of antibiotics is making some bugs immune, doctors have documented the first large outbreak of antibiotic-resistant strep throat at a Pittsburgh elementary school.

Some doctors suspect the resistant germs may have spread to other parts of the country — and may have developed resistance to more than one antibiotic.

"It's important for us to find out how widespread is," said lead researcher Dr. Judith M. Martin of the Division of Allergy, Immunology and Infectious Disease Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh.

was detected early last year at a private school, where roughly half the strep throat cases were found to be untreatable with erythromycin. All 46 children who were sickened by the resistant strain or infected but without symptoms were successfully treated with

other drugs. "It definitely went from one kid to another in the school and it also spilled over into the community," Martin said. "Where it started, I don't know."

Until now, antibiotics have easily killed group A streptococcus, the bacteria that cause strep throat and life-threatening septic infections, so doctors at the hospital were startled by its

The jump in resistance sudden, widespread resistance to widely used erythromycin. The drug is commonly given to people allergic to penicillin and to other patients.

Doctors suspect the strep bacteria also are becoming resistant to other popular drugs in the same antibiotic family, the macrolides. Their use is growing because they require only one dose a day, compared with three for many other antibiotics.

The study was reported in Thursday's New England Journal of Medicine.

Dr. Chris Van Beneden, an epidemiologist at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, said the CDC plans to investigate what factors might have led

to the problem.

"It may be occurring in other places across the country," she added.

Dr. Lincoln P. Miller, head of the Newark infectious disease outpatient clinic at University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, said the findings show doctors should limit use of all macrolide drugs.

"This is an important article because it indicates the impact of our antibiotic use on the bacteria around us," Miller said. "I would hazard a guess and say (this resistance is) fairly widespread."

Doctors have warned for at least a decade that antibiotics are losing their punch because overuse is making some germs immune.

# 'Bubble boys disease' children may have been cured in France

The Associated Press

Four little French boys who spent the first months of their lives in sterile isolation are now living and growing normally at home, thanks to a gene therapy experiment that appears to have cured them of a deadly disorder known as "bubble boy disease.'

In the most striking success yet for gene therapy, doctors in Paris essentially gave healthy new immune systems to the four babies, who were born with the rare, genetic immune dis-

The disease left them unable to fight off infections and dependent on constant antibiotic treatments. Now the boys, followed for up to 2 1/2 years, are thriving. They've even been immunized against some childhood diseases shots that previously

would have killed them. A fifth boy had his immune system partially

repaired and is improving with other treatment.

"This is the first instance in which an otherwise fatal disease has been treated with gene therapy as the only treatment and the disease was reversed," said Dr. Jennifer M. Puck, head of the immunologic genetics section at the National Human Genome Research Institute.

"This is exciting and it's important."

The doctors reported initial success with the first two patients two years ago; the update with additional cases in Thursday's New England Journal of Medicine shows the thera-

py is still working.

Sonia Skarlatos, gene therapy coordinator at the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute, said the results do not prove the immune systems bovs' have been permanently repaired, but it is the longest-lived success in gene therapy so far.

# Review: Gunman Harris, not police officer, killed teen

GOLDEN, Colo. (AP) Nearly three years after the massacre at Columbine School, Brian Rohrbough is satisfied that he knows who killed his

"I believe for the first time in three years we have the very first plausible explanation for what happened to my son," Rohrbough said.

The cause of Daniel Rohrbough's death has been the source of a heated dispute between his father and law enforcement. Brian Rohrbough has alleged Denver police Sgt. Daniel O'Shea accidentally killed his son, while police maintained it was teen gunman Eric Harris.

On Wednesday, authorities released the results of an independent investigation led by El Paso County Sheriff John Anderson that determined O'Shea was not

deadly shot was fired. It also Rohrbough's body was a "textbook match" to Harris' weapon.

"The murder of Daniel Rohrbough at Columbine High School on April 20. 1999, was undeniably caused by gunman Eric Harris

doubt," the report said. Rohrbough, 15, was among 12 students and a teacher initial response to the killed by Harris and Dylan attack. Klebold during the rampage in suburban Littleton. The gunmen then killed themselves in the school library.

would not be available for comment. But police Chief Gerry

Denver police said O'Shea

Whitman said he welcomed the findings.

"It is also tragic that Sgt. O'Shea has been subjected to public accusations claim-

yet on the scene when the ing that he took a life, when in fact he courageously found that the bullet in risked his own life to save others," Whitman said.

The investigation was conducted by the El Paso County sheriff's office and detectives from Colorado Springs at the request of the Jefferson County sheriff's department, the lead agency beyond any reasonable in charge of responding to the attack. El Paso County's deputies had no role in the

> Jefferson County investigators had reported in May 2000 that Rohrbough was shot by Klebold, then corrected themselves a year later to say Harris killed Rohrbough.

Rohrbough's parents, left with questions over who killed their son, filed a lawsuit alleging O'Shea accidentally killed Rohrbough.

The lawsuit was dis-

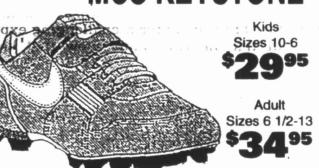
missed in U.S. District Court but is pending at the 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeal. Rohrbough's relatives will review the full report before deciding on their next step, said their lawyer, Barry Arrington.

In a 34-page executive summary, El Paso County sheriff's investigators indicated that Harris was the only person who could have shot Rohrbough from the angles matching the wounds on his body.

Rohrbough was shot before 11:30 a.m., based on witness accounts cited in the report. O'Shea arrived on the scene just before

State Rep. Don Lee of Littleton said he will seek to convene a legislative panel investigate Columbine massacre, saying the report left some questions unanswered.

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# Dispute over language in play causes cast, director to quit

CONROE (AP) — Decades after La Grange's infamous Chicken Ranch was shut, its story, which offered "lots of good will and maybe one small thrill," continues to raise eyebrows

The director and cast of "The Little Best Whorehouse in Texas," set to open May 31, walked out Tuesday night on rehearsals of the play based on the infamous bordello when the theater's board told them it wanted profanity eliminated from the script.

To remove the words without permission from the play's owner would be a copyright infringement and eliminate meaning from the musical, director Dave Feranchak argued before deciding to step down.

His 38-member cast, which included about a dozen teachers and a number of teen-agers, followed him out the door.

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The play is based on a bordello that operated in the central Texas town of La Grange for more than a century until 1973 when then-Gov. Dolph Briscoe shut it following a number of television reports.

Officially called "Edna's Fashionable Ranch Boarding House," it became better known as the "Chicken Ranch" because during the depression chickens were accepted as payment for services.

it isn't the content of the play, but the language in it' that the theater's board thought would be offensive, said cast member Erin Bishop, an English teacher at Hauke High School in Conroe.

"It is an issue of legality versus morality," Bishop said Wednesday. "In the story, the thing that really causes the sheriff to lose his battle is that he swears so

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badly on TV. Then as now, the people are more offended by the use of the swear word than they were by the broth-

Marvin Zindler, who did the reports on Houston television station KTRK which led to the bordello being closed in the 1970s, said he doesn't think the swear words the sheriff used are necessary to tell the story.

Zindler said when he aired his report the swear words were bleeped out and he was careful not to use the word "whorehouse." He instead called it a "bawdy house."

"I have seen 40 versions of 'The Best Little Whorehouse In Texas' and they leave out a lot of stuff," Zindler said Wednesday. "You could use your imagination for some of those scenes. I think they could say 'God dang piss ant' ... and they are still going to give the same

impression. Feranchak said the theater's 12-member board, of which he is a member, presented him with a motion Tuesday night requiring his resignation if curse words weren't removed from the production.

# Did you take

The diet drug Fen-Phen was marketed under several names including Redux, Pondimin, Fenfluramine, or Dexfenfluramine. If you took these diet drugs, you should know that it may not be too late to opt-out of the nationwide class action for the purpose of pursuing a lawsuit against the drug company individually

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# READER'S CORNER

The filaree is comin' on Uncle George stopped by the house as he went to the mailbox, "Saw a spot of filaree down to the lower pasture this morning." Those words were like money in the bank.

Filaree meant that soon we could stop feeding cake. It meant that everything would start to grow and green up soon. It meant the cows would have good winter weeds for their new babies.

George and I fed every other day, an old man who loved his cattle and his land and a young woman who loved his nephew and was trying to help in the struggle that is a cow-calf operation in West Texas.

We had had a couple of droughty years but this winter had brought us rain and snow a plenty. Only thing, there wasn't much for the cows to eat. So here we went, a town gal and an old cowboy usually with a baby or two in the truck. We were shaking out cubes, tossing hay and counting. Looking for sore spots, sickness or weak calves. I was sure glad to see that filaree so I could have my days

He went to the nursing home. Another winter, another calf crop, only now it's only the town gal and her youngest to shake out the cake, toss the hay and count the cows to see if they all come to dinner. We eat crackers and drink coffeemilk and I search for filaree in the low spots.

Winter came again -Gene and the wetback load the truck for me each evening. After everyone has left for school and work "Little next morning George" and I start feeding.

We watch for the deer and turkey that hang back half hidden in the mesquite. They are hungry too and have learned the sound of

the truck's horn. The turkey and the deer will be among the first to spot the filaree and fail to come when the horn sounds. No need when the filaree is comin' on.

He sits in the dirt and weeds (filaree) at the off side of the loading chute, tears streaking down his cheeks. At 2 1/2 he's the youngest cowboy on the gather today. Every time a calf is thrown and gone over by the hands, he cries new tears with the calf.

I try to lead him away to help with the chuck, but no, he sits right there, bawling and pulling up filaree to chew on, thinking it will choke down tears.

It's all gone now. The land, the cows, the family and the friends that made up our place, our ranch. I'm a town gal again.

We've had a good cold wet winter and just today I noticed filaree in amongst the winter weeds and grass in my yard. I'll not mow over it too soon. I want to see it bloom. I like to know the filaree is comin' on. Jaynet Smith

The Blind Man

They call him blind but he sees more than some with seeing

will ever see For the blind man does

not judge a man by his color for the blind man sees all men

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The blind man loves with his heart and not his eyes

To him all of God's people are beautiful Ugly is not a word he

Oh, if only those who can truly

see could be more like the blind man who loves with

heart and not his eyes Lana F. Anguiano

**His Assurance** There's not much for certain

In this day and time, and It sure makes me thankful That Jesus is mine. No matter what changes In this insecure land. We can always be lead By The Savior's own hand.

There's no "What if" or 'Maybe'

You just have to know, God will never forsake you

While you're down here below. The one thing we're

assured of Is that God's Word does not change

His love is forever That's why Jesus came.

There are rumors and

And bad things all around, But if we're walking with God

We're on solid ground. Oh be not afraid, All things He can do. Stand firm on His Word. Knowing it's all that is

In an insecure world Where all seems to be loss No matter what happens Remember the cross. As long as there's time He'll never leave us alone. If time here should end Then He'll take us on home.

God is able to keep us Against the evil at hand. Do not fear what may come

Be not afraid of man. God's word never changes We can rest in that fact. Let our faith hold us steadfast

And never look back.

God gives us His peace Even in a troubled land,

We have His assurance We're kept by His hand. Martha Anderson Peugh

On Top of Signal Peak I climbed up on a moun-

On top there was a peak saw ten thousand-Indians I could hear their dancing

I drifted off to dream land In a deep and peaceful sleep

I could see their camp fires burning I could hear their war drums beat

Ten thousand stars a shin-Shone up on me there that

night. I could hear those Indians chanting,

Dancing round their camp fire bright

I looked down and saw a Moss Creek crystal clear with water sweet

From way upon the mountain On top of Signal Peak

The Indians sent their signals from top of Signal Peak

They drank the clear pure

water. flowing in the clear Moss

I saw ten thousand moon beams. that joined them in their

dance, dancing high upon the mountain

you could hear those Indians chant.

When I awoke at daylight in the east the sunrise glowed

There was nothing there but ashes from a camp fire long ago.

The Activity Department Volunteer

Bernice Reed Jones

Volunteers are an important part of an activity program in the long-term care facility. We all know how it makes us feel when we have the touch of a person, a warm smile.

Think how it must make the older person feel in a nursing home to have that from us. Just the simple act of sitting for a few hours and visiting with them means a lot to them, giving them quality of life.

Someone to share a story from their lives with. For some of them that is all they

No family to come and see them, so we must become their friend. Giving them a purpose.

Something to look forward As society progresses we

forget who was here to move us into what we call the new millennium and how they set the standards for us.

So if ever you find some time to spare volunteer it to a LTCF and visit with them. You never know who you may make smile today. Isy Blas Curiel, AD

A Sweet Sound I called Him by name He heard my cry He cradled and rocked me my tears He did dry

more often than once shouted my Savior's name and since He has answered I'll not be the same

I call Him for mercy for strength & for peace I call on my Savior when He feels out of reach

He hears my voice & He knows me by name and since Jesus touched

I'll not be the same He's here like a rock

every time that I call not once has He failed to soften the fall

His name and His voice are precious sounds to my

I'm careful and ready and keep Him right here

I know that one day in the future we'll meet and the sound of my name in His ears... will be sweet Jeanette M. Valle

# Big Spring Health Fair good for all

Spring is an excellent time to perform important evaluation the type that benefits your all-around

health. Howard County residents have the perfect opportunity to receive a

WALKER comprehensive evaluation of sorts during Saturday's Big Spring Health Fair 2002 at

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Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Screenings and evaluations, including body fat assessment, blood pressure, blood sugar and cholesterol will be offered on-site. Free materials. informational small gifts and prizes also will be handed out to visitors. And many demonstrations will be conducted between the hours of 10 a.m.

Gardener's program. The United Blood Services Bloodmobile will be set up for donations, and donors can give in the name of Matt Wynn, Coahoma Elementary School student who is living with cancer.

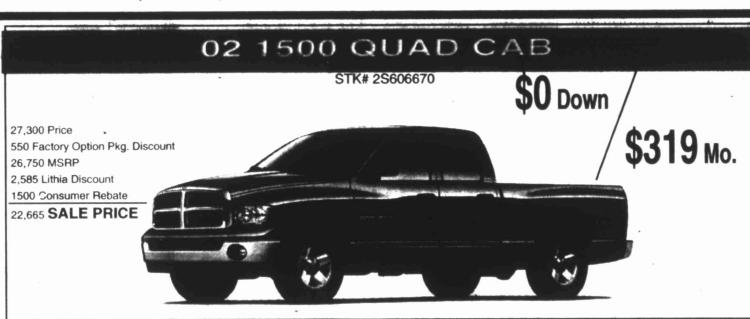
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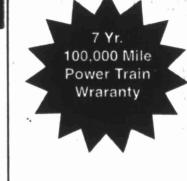
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Nearly 60 booths from Big Spring and surrounding area businesses and organizations will be set up on the floor of the coliseum. The event is free and open to the public.

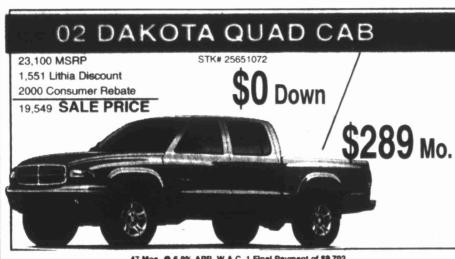
This is a perfect opportunity for someone who may be curious about certain aspects of their health care to visit with professionals who deal with different diseases on a day-to-day basis. The health fair does not substitute a visit with a health care professional, but it is a good opportunity for all of us. We'll see you there.





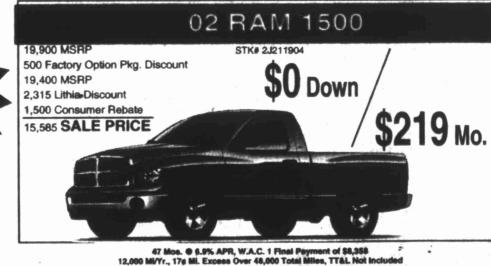


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## Hawks split twinbill with Hardin-Simmons

College's Howard Hawks' record stands at 27-18 overall following a Wednesday afternoon doubleheader split with Hardin-Simmons University's junior varsity at Jack Barber Field.

The Hawks won the twinbill opener 8-6 before suffering a loss by the identical score in the nightcap.

Howard will try to improve its 9-10 mark in Western Junior College Friday play Saturday, hosting El Paso Community College's Tejanos in doublehead-

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Games will begin at noon on both days.

## Bulldogs post 13-3, non-district romp

Coahoma's Bulldogs evened their season record to 9-9 overall Tuesday with a 13-3 demolition of Abilene Christian.

Anthony Herrera chalked up the pitching win for the 'Dogs.

The Bulldogs currently own a 3-1 record in District 3-2A competition.

## Coahoma boosters set to meet Monday

The Coahoma Athletic Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the Coahoma Elementary School cafeteria.

Members will be selecting officers for the 2002-2003 season, as well as planning for the upcoming athletic banquet.

All members are encouraged to attend. For more information, call Diane Herrera at 263-9759.

## 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.

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Western Junior College Athnletic Conference softball and baseball standings through April 17:

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Howard	14-6
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El Paso	3-13
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# Cowboys have sights set on two players with No. 6 pick

scouting combines, campus visits, office interviews and private workouts: Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones has narrowed his list of choices with the No. 6 pick in Saturday's draft to two names.

"One of the two ought to be there," he said. "That's with some luck, some expectations."

Considering Dallas is coming off a second straight 5-11 season, the team could use help anywhere. But Jones insists that he expects to draft starters with his top pick and his second one, the 37th choice, and the key vacancies are on defense, primarily in the secondary.

Texas cornerback Quentin Jammer is the odds-on favorite to be atop Jones' list, but he's also likely

up choice is probably either Oklahoma safety Roy Williams or Miami cornerback Phillip Buchanon.

Jammer has the size and speed befitting a choice that high. The knocks on the others are that Williams' position rarely gets picked in the top 10 and Buchanon is just shy of 5-foot-10.

The Cowboys had the fourthranked defense in the NFL last season, but Jones has been upgrading the unit in hopes of generating more turnovers and sacks.

Dallas signed defensive tackle La'Roi Glover, linebacker Kevin Hardy and cornerback Bryant Westbrook, plus re-signed safety Darren Woodson, linebacker Dat

DALLAS (AP) - After all the to go in the top five picks. The back- Nguyen and defensive tackle if he's available. Brandon Noble.

Jones said the signings give him the flexibility to take the best player available, and he amended his line about finding starters to say he wants players who will play a lot of snaps. But other statements at a news conference Tuesday pointed away from picking an offensive player in the first round - even when factoring in the usual predraft bluster.

He said he's comfortable with a quarterback trio of last year's top pick Quincy Carter, veteran Ryan Leaf and recently signed Chad Hutchison, a former Stanford standout who has spent several years playing baseball. So that would eliminate Oregon's Joey Harrington

Asked about taking someone to break in as Emmitt Smith's replacement, Jones said, "if we drafted a running back with that second pick. that would be the intention." Dallas also will be looking for a tight end, but sixth is too high, especially in a draft that's considered deep at the position.

The one exception is receiver. Joey Galloway and Raghib Ismail are the starters, yet the Cowboys could use a bigger target, such as Tennessee's Dante Stallworth, as they implement a West Coast scheme brought in by new offensive coordinator Bruce Coslet.

"I'd say we're fortunate this year

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# Lady Hawks sweep OC

## By JOHN A. MOSELEY

Managing Editor

After having dominated Odessa College's Lady Wranglers with a 7-0 win in the first game of a crucial conference doubleheader Wednesday, Howard College's Lady Hawks found the visitors refuse to go quietly in the nightcap.

In fact, the Lady Hawks were twice forced to come from behind before claiming an 11-6 win at Foundation Field that improved their record to 37-17 on the season, but more importantly left them one game behind Midland in the Western Junior College Athletic Conference softball standings with a 14-6 mark.

Now the Lady Hawks become avid supporters of the Lady Wranglers, who will close out the season this weekend with a fourgame series against Midland.

"It all comes down to what we do this weekend," Lady Hawkenhead coach Dawn Wuthrich acknowledged. "We've got four games here this weekend against El Paso and Midland has to play Odessa.

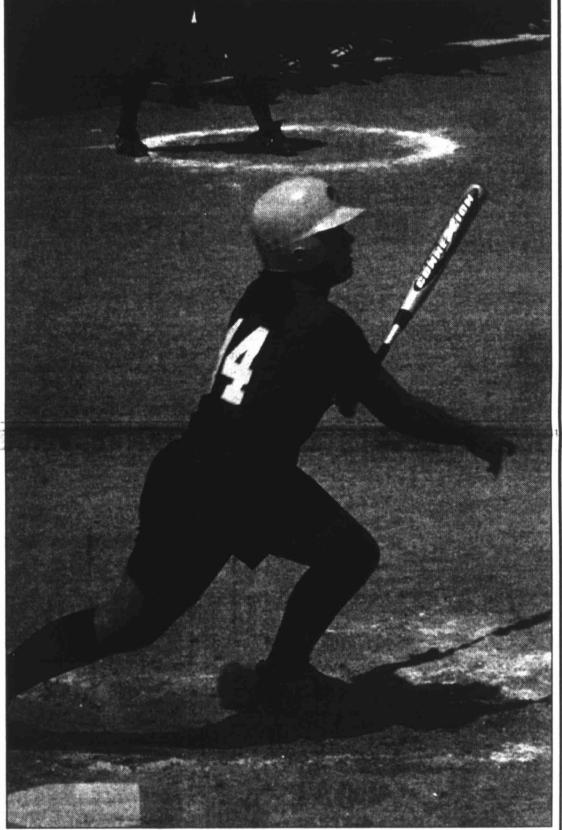
"If we sweep El Paso and Midland splits with Odessa, we win the conference championship," explained. "If Odessa wins one and we sweep, it's a tie and we share the No. 1 conference seed at the regional tournament."

Asked whether the Lady Hawks had a more difficult weekend task Midland, Wuthrich stressed that neither team can afford to be overly confi-

"I don't know which team I'd rather play, to be honest," Wuthrich said. "El Paso and Odessa are a lot alike. They're both dangerous. If you don't take care of business, either one of them can jump up and bite you. I'm just glad we're not finishing up with Midland because we've split every time we've played them."

The Lady Wranglers' showing in Wednesday's second game lent credence to the Lady Hawk boss'

warning. While Howard seemed to cruise in the opener, scoring one run in the first inning and six more in the second frame before cruising to the 7-0 win behind the pitching of Jennifer Reed, they had their hands full in the finale.



Howard College's Samantha Ward follows through and watches the ball sall into the outfield for a double during the third inning of the Lady Hawks' 7-0 win over Odessa College in the first game of a doubleheader sweep at Foundation Field Wednesday. Ward would add a two-run homer in the Lady Hawks' 11-6 victory in the second game.

Howard jumped out on top 2-0 in the first inning of the second game when Reed, batting for starting pitcher Amanda Michael, ripped a one-out double to right, advanced to third on a fly out by catcher Diana Faulkner and scored on a single by first baseman Breanna Bohls.

A two-base throwing error by Lady Wranglers shortstop Kari Rolls on a

ground ball off the bat of Naomi McNeely allowed Bohls to reach third and left fielder Samantha Ward followed with an RBI sin-

But Odessa took the lead almost immediately, capitalizing on three hits and a couple of Lady Hawks errors to make it 3-2.

Howard retook the lead in the bottom of the third. Reed led off with an infield

single and moved to second on a sacrifice bunt by Faulkner. Bohls then doubled to left to tie the game and scored to make it 4-3 on a two-out single to left by shortstop Rose Tirre.

Howard errors would play a key role in Odessa's three-run, two-hit rally in the fourth that put the Lady Wranglers on top, 5-4.

See HOWARD, Page 2B

# Rangers defeat Anaheim

ANAHEIM, Calif (AP) -Whatever Texas Rangers pitching coach Oscar Acosta said to Ismael Valdes before his ejection must have worked, because the next 13 Anaheim Angels went down in order.

Valdes threw so well Wednesday night, he didn't need much advice. The right-hander allowed a run and three hits over 7 1-3 innings in his 200th career start, a 4-1 victory that ended the Rangers' fivegame losing streak.

Acosta went to the mound after Valdes (1-2) gave up a single by Garret Anderson and a walk to Scott Spiezio with none out in the fourth. When the conversation dragged on, plate umpire Alfonso Marquez went to break it up.

Acosta, already frustrated about his bullpen's 8.0 ERA, was not about to waste an opportunity to challenge Marquez on the dimensions of his strike zone — and became combative enough to get himself tossed.

"Oscar didn't say anything bad. He just basically requested that the umpire call the pitches equally,' Valdes said.

"I thought I was pretty consistent on the outside corner, and (Marquez) was giving me the corner in the beginning of the game. But then he got a little tighter with it. Oscar just asked him to be consistent, and he threw him out of the game."

Valdes (1-2) did not allow another baserunner until the eighth, when he hit David Eckstein on the left hand with his 107th and final pitch as Eckstein squared to bunt.

It was the fourth time that the 5-foot-8 shortstop has been plunked, after being hit a league-leading 21 times last season — the most ever by a rookie.

"If he had gotten him out, he'd have stayed out there till somebody got on base," Rangers manager Jerry Narron said. "It was an outstanding outing and a just huge lift for our club.'

Valdes ended a personal streak of six losses in as many starts dating back to last September Anaheim. The Angels' only run came on Orlando Palmeiro's RBI single in the second.

# Raptors, Pacers make playoffs; Spurs win Midwest Divsion The ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Written off for dead sever-

al times in the final month of the season, the Toronto Raptors and Indiana Pacers proved their doubters wrong.

With victories Wednesday night on the final day of the NBA regular season, the undermanned Raptors and the revamped Pacers made it to the playoffs with the help of one last major meltdown by the underachiev-

ing Milwaukee Bucks.
The Raptors joined the 1996-97 Phoenix Suns and the 1976-77 Chicago Bulls as the only teams in the history of the NBA, NHL and

-major league baseball to endure a 13-game losing streak and still advance to the postseason.

"We never gave up. We didn't look at our record and say we were out of it," Toronto forward Jerome Williams said.

The Raptors clinched a playoff spot by defeating Cleveland 103-85, while Indiana got in with a 103-80 victory over Philadelphia. Milwaukee, which controlled its fate, was blown out by Detroit 123-89.

It was an eventful night around the NBA, one that began with no team knowing who its first-round playoff opponent would be.

The San Antonio Spurs ning the game." got a big late basket from rookie Tony Parker to defeat the Utah Jazz 86-84, clinching the Midwest Division title and the No. 2 seed in the West.

The two-time defending champion Los Angeles Lakers defeated Sacramento 109-95, a key victory since it gives Los Angeles the homecourt advantage against every other team.

"All in all a pretty good year for us," Lakers coach Phil Jackson said. "I think we finished relatively strong. The night was about playing the game, finishing the season, doing what we have to do which was winThe playoffs

begin Saturday with Detroit-New Jersey, Utah-Sacramento, Seattle-San Antonio and Orlando-Charlotte. Sunday's games will be

Philadelphia-Boston, Minnesota-Dallas, Portland-Los Angeles and Toronto-Detroit. In Wednesday's other

Charlotte beat games. Chicago 112-106, Miami topped Orlando 103-89 Minnesota defeated Denver Seattle 104-90. downed Memphis 109-94, Phoenix beat Dallas 89-76, Portland topped Houston 92-79, Boston defeated Atlanta 89-81, New Jersey edged New

York 99-94 and Golden State downed the Los Angeles Clippers 107-103.

### Raptors 103, **Cavallers 85**

At Toronto, Morris Peterson and **Jerome** Williams each scored 22 points and Antonio Davis had 21 for the Raptors, who won 12 of 14 after Vince Carter announced he would have season-ending knee surgery. Toronto, which plays Detroit in the first round, lost 17 of 18 before Carter's announcement.

"I want to thank you for sticking with us when we

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**NBA PLAYOFFS** 

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Friday, April 26
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Philadelphia 1, Ottawa 0, OT, Philadelphia

4, Detroit 3. OT. Vancouver leads

Orlando at Charlotte, TBA, if necessary

NHL PLAYOFFS

Thursday, April 18

Montreal at Boston, 6 p.m.

N.Y. Islanders at Toronto, 6 p.m.

Chicago at St. Louis, 6 p.m.

Los Angeles at Colorado, 9 p.m.

Friday, April 19

Vancouver at Detroit, 6 p.m.

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Atlanta 33
Cleveland 29
Chicago 21
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## HIGH SCHOOL POLL

The Top 10 high school basebi the five UIL classifications as det	
Texas High School Baseb	all Coaches
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Class 5A	
1. Sugar Land Elkins	21-0
2. Flower Mound	22-0
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5. Lufkin	18-
6. Austin Bowie	19-3-1
7. Corpus Christi Carroll	20-3
8. Round Rock Westwood	22-
9. Carrolton Smith	17-
10. Sugar Land Dulles	16
Class 4A	
1. Crowley	21-
Canyon Randall	18
Southlake Carroll	18-6
4. Hewitt Midway	21-
5. Brenham	18-5
6. Austin Anderson	194
7. Port Neches-Groves	18-
8. Calallen	22-
	22-
9. Saginaw Boswell	
10. Frenship	18-6
Class 3A	
1. LaGrange	193
2. Sinton	19-4
3. Forney	17-
4. Seminole	16-3
5. Lorena	18-
6. Yoakum	17-
7. Kennedale	18-
	18-2
8. Lake Worth	
9. Little Elm	16-3
10. Lubbock Cooper	17-
Class 2A	
1. Celina	21-1
2. Lockney	16-0
3. Clifton	21-
4. Leon	17-3
5. Deweyville	18-2
6. Harmony	18-
7. Hughes Springs	16-2
	18-3
8. Wall	
9. Central Heights	16-
10. Arp	22-

## COLLEGE BASEBALL

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The top 25 teams in the Collegiate Baseball poll with records through April 14 (voting by coaches, sports writers and sports information

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	Record
1. Clemson	30-4
2. Alabama	32-5
3. Stanford	25-8
4. Rice	31-8
5. Wake Forest	28-6
6. Georgia Tech	30-5
7. South Carolina	28-8
8. Wichita State	24-8
9. Mississippi	29-8
10. Houston	27-10
11. Florida	26-12
12. North Carolina	25-13
13. Florida State	34-11
14. Texas	31-10
15. Oklahoma State	25-9
16. Texas A&M	28-13
17. Baylor	27-12
18. Florida Atlantic	32-6
19. Cal State Fullerton	23-12
20. Nebraska	23-13
21. Long Beach State	23-10
22. Arizona State	24-13
23. Richmond	32-4
24. Stetson	31-5
25. Southwest Missouri State	24-6

# AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	9	4	.692	-
New York	9	7	.563	1 1/2
Toronto	6	8	.429	3 1/2
Tampa Bay	5	8	.385	4
Baltimore	4	10	.286	5 1/2
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	11	3	.786	_
Chicago	9	5	.643	2
Minnesota	9	6	.600	2 1/2
Kansas City	5	7	.417	5
Detroit	2	11	.154	8 1/2
West Division				
	w	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	13	3	.813	
Oakland	8	7	.533	4 1/2
Anaheim	5	9	.357	7
Ananemi		11	.267	8 1/2
Texas	4	11	.201	0 1/2

Detroit 7, Tampa Bay 6 N.Y. Yankees 7, Baltimore 1 Kansas City 16, Minnesota 3 Chicago White Sox 7, Cleveland 2 Texas 4, Anaheim 1 Seattle 7, Oakland 4

Today's Games

Kansas City (Suppen 1-1) at Minnesota (Milton

2-1), 12:05 p.m Tampa Bay (Rupe 1-1) at Detroit (Weaver 0-2), 1:05 p.m. Anaheim (Ortiz 1-1) at Oakland (Hiljus 1-1),

Baltimore (Erickson 1-1) at N.Y. Yankees (D.Wells 2-0), 6:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Colon 3-0) at Chicago White Sox (Ritchie 0-1), 7:05 p.m. Friday's Games

Toronto at N.Y. Yankees, 6:05 p.m. Baltimore at Tampas Bay, 6:15 p.m. Cleveland at Minnesota, 7:05 p.m. Boston at Kansas City, 7:05 p.m Detroit at Chicago White Sox, 7:05 p.m. Texas at Seattle, 9:05 p.m. Anaheim at Oakland, 9:05 p.m.

# NATIONAL LEAGUE

	w	L	Pot	GB
New York	9	6	.600	
Montreal	8	7	.533	1
Florida	7	7	.500	1 1/2
Philadelphia	7 7 7	8	.467	2
Atlanta	7	9	.438	2 1/2
Central Division				
	W	L	Pot	GB
Pittsburgh	9	5	.643	_
St. Louis	9	6	.600	1/2
Cincinnati		7	.500	2
Houston	7	7	.500	2
Chicago	5	9	.357	4
Milwaukee	3	12	.200	6 1/2
West Division				,
	W	L	Pct	Q8
San Francisco	10	5	.667	_
Arizona	10	6	.625	1/2
Los Angeles	8	7	.533	2
San Diego	8	7	.533	2
Colorado	5	11	.313	5 1/2

Pittsburgh 3, Milwaukee 2 Los Angeles 6, Colorado 3 St. Louis 8, Arizona 4 Montreal 15, Chicago Cubs 8 Philadelphia 7, Florida 5

Houston 7, Cincinnati 2 San Diego 5, San Francisco 3 Today's Games Houston (Oswalt 2-0) at Cincinnati (Reitsma 0-

0), 6:05 p.m 1), 6:05 p.m St. Louis (Kile 0-0) at Milwaukee (Figueroa Q-1), 7:05 p.m.

San Diego (Tollberg 0-2) at Los Angeles (Daal 1-0), 9:10 p.m.

1-0), 9:10 p.m.
Friday's Games
Cincinnati at Chicago Cubs, 2:20 p.m.
N.Y. Mets at Montreal, 6:05 p.m.
Philadelphia at Pittsburgh, 6:05 p.m.
Florida at Atlanta, 6:35 p.m.
San Francisco at Houston, 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis at Milwaukee, 7:05 p.m.
Colorado at Arizona, 9:05 p.m.
San Diego at Los Angeles, 9:10 p.m.

# NBA

	W	L	Pot	
z-New Jersey	52	30	.634	
x-Boston	49	33	.598	
x-Orlando	44	38	.537	
x-Philadelphia	43	39	.524	
Washington	37	45	.451	
Mlami	36	46	.439	

Saturday, April 20 N.Y. Islanders at Toronto, 2 p.m. Los Angeles at Colorado, 2 p.m. Phoenix at San Jose, 2 p.m. Phoenix at San Jose, 2 p.m. Chicago at St. Louis, 2 p.m. Ottawa at Philadelphia, 6 p.m. Sunday, April 21. Carolina at New Jersey, 2 p.m. Montreal at Boston, 6 p.m. St. Louis at Chicago, 6 p.m. Detroit at Vancouver, 9 p.m. Monday, April 22. Philadelphia at Ottawa, 6 p.m. San Jose at Phoenix, 9 p.m. San Jose at Phoenix, 9 p.m.

32 38 40 40 41 49 53 61 9 17 21 29 .354 .256 .707 .695 .610 .537 Tuesday, April 23

Boston at Montreal, 6 p.m.

Carolina at New Jersey, 6 p.m.

Toronto at N.Y. Islanders, 6 p.m.

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Vancouver at Detroit, 6 p.m., if necessary

# **TRANSACTIONS**

CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS TBA BASEBALL

American League
DETROIT TIGERS—Placed 2B Damion Easley on the 15-day disabled list. Recalled OF Craig Monroe from Toledo of the International League. NEW YORK YANKEES—Signed LHP Bill Pulsipher to a minor league contract.

OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Recalled RHP Mike Fyhrie from Sacramento of the PCL.

TEXAS RANGERS—Optioned LHP John Rocker to Oklahoma of the PCL.

National League FLORIDA MARLINS—Placed RHP Julian Tavarez on the 15-day disabled list. Called up RHP Hansel Izquierdo from Portland of the Eastern League.

NEW YORK METS—Purchased the contract of

RHP Pete Walker from Norfolk of the International League. Optioned RHP Tyler Yates Norfolk.

SAN DIEGO PADRES—Designated LHP Juan Moreno for assignment. Purchased the contract of RHP Matt DeWitt from Portland of the PCL.

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BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
NBA—Suspended Atlanta Hawks G Jason
Terry and Orlando Magic FC Don Reid for one
game and fined Terry \$10,000 and Reid \$7,500
for fighting in an April 16 game.
ORLANDO MAGIC—Placed C Patrick Ewing on

the injured list. Activated G Jeryl Sasser from the injured list.
PHILADELPHIA 76ERS—Placed F Corie Blount on the injured list. Activated F Damone Brown

LA. Lakers at Portierio,
Thursday, May 2
Indiana at New Jersey, TBA, if necessary
Toronto at Detroit, TBA, if necessary
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Little at Secramento, TBA, if necessary from the injured list. SACRAMENTO KINGS—Placed G Bobby Jackson on the Injured list: Activated G Brent Price from the injured list.

National Football League BUFFALO BILLS—Agreed to terms with LB

CAROLINA PANTHERS-Sign CB Fred Vinson Waived RB Terrell Willis.

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DETROIT LIONS—Signed TE Mikhael Ricks.
ST. LOUIS RAMS—Agreed to terms with P
Mitch Berger on a one-year contract.

TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS—Agreed to terms
with TE Ken Dilger and WR Karl Williams on
three-year contracts. Released WR Drew
O'Connor, WR Frank Plos r, WR Frank Rice, C Elmer Bench and LB

National Hockey League
NASHVILLE PREDATORS—Signed C Greg
hinson and D Bill Houlder to contract exten-

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# **HOWARD**

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Only two spectacular running catches at the wall in center field by Veronica Owens kept the game from getting completely out of hand.

"She (Owens) saved our bacon right there, Wuthrich admitted. "Those were just two incredible plays. If I had to pick and MVP for this game, it would have to be Veronica. We might not have been able to come back if she hadn't made those catches.'

The Lady Wranglers' final run, a solo home run by third baseman J.J. Holguin to lead off the fifth prompted Wuthrich to make a few changes.

Reed was called on to replace Michael in the pitcher's circle. Michael moved to third, replacing McNeely and Crystal Judkins replaced Zera

pick since taking Russell

Trevino at second.

immediate.

the plate.

and third.

good at 8-6.

The effect was almost

While Reed would give up

a couple of hits, the Lady

Wranglers would never

again threaten and the Lady

Hawks literally exploded at

Faulkner led off the Lady

Hawks' fifth with an infield

single and Bohls reached

base on an error. A double

to left by McNeely, who'd

moved to the designated

player's role, drove in a run

and left runners at second

Bohls scored and tied the

game on a single by Ward,

but Brittany Murray, run-

ning for McNeely, was

forced at third on the play.

Back-to-back RBI singles by

Tirre and Judkins gave the

Lady Hawks the lead for

Howard would add an

exclamation point in the

bottom of the sixth when

The Cowboys traded their last two first-round picks to

Seattle for Galloway, and they traded out of the first round in four of the seven years before that. Jones said he isn't looking to move this time, adding that he's been energized by his highest

Maryland first overall in Jammer, Williams and

Buchanon were among about 20 players interviewed at team headquarters last week. This week, Jones said he's flown his private jet all over the country for one more workout with a select group of candidates. He said the plane's 18 seats were filled with coaches as well as quarterbacks and receivers, which could be another clue that Dallas was examining defensive when Bohls hit into a fielder's choice. But McNeely, who fin-

Faulkner led off with a sin-

gle but was forced at second

ished the day 2-for-4 at the plate, made sure Odessa pitcher Jerri Obrero would suffer her second loss of the day by sending the first pitch she saw out of the park in left-center field. And Ward, who led the way for the Lady Hawks with a 3for-4 showing, made it backto-back home runs, ripping a first pitch that sailed out just inside the foul pole in

All told, the Lady Hawks pounded out 16 hits in the wild win - five of them for extra bases.

The Lady Hawks will take on El Paso's Tejanas in a 1 doubleheader on p.m. Friday.

They'll wrap up the series with an 11 a.m. twinbill on Saturday.

# DRAFT

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in that within that top six, there's players that we ought to pick that should make our fans happy for years to come," Jones said. "There are players who can come in and really make us a better team."

backs or receivers.

The Cowboys have been working toward this draft . since waiving Troy Aikman last March. Jones knew the move would cripple the team's salary cap for 2001 and thus hurt the product on the field. The flip side was having more money to spend in 2002 and the high draft pick.

"This isn't just about starting in February at the combines," Jones said. "It's about culminating and executing what we've put together over 14 months.'

# **NBA**

Continued from Page 1B

were down," Davis said to the crowd after the game. "See you in the playoffs."

Pacers 103, 76ers 80

Brad Miller scored 19 points and Jermaine O'Neal added 18 as the Pacers won their season-high fifth straight game and earned a meeting with the New son, raised his arms in tri-

Jersey Nets in the playoffs.

O'Neal, who carried the

Pacers for much of the seaumph as the Pacers exchanged hugs and highfives

Pistons 123. **Bucks 89** 

At Auburn Hills, Mich., the Pistons led by 20 at halftime and by 36 in the second half. The loss was the final

act in Milwaukee's collapse as the Bucks lost 16 of their final 22 games.

## Spurs 86. Jazz 84

Parker drove the length of the floor and scored on a layup with two seconds left. Tim Duncan had 26 points and 16 rebounds as the Spurs closed the regular season with a nine-game winning streak.



# FISHING REPORT

Here is the weekly fishing report as compiled for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for April 17. (Report also available on Web as www.txfishing.com.)

CENTRAL BROWNWOOD: Water clear; 58 degrees; Black bass to 7.5 pounds are fair on spinnerbalts and soft plastic worms to 12 feet. Striped bass to 25 inches are fair on large slabs in 20 30 feet. White bass to 14 inches are fair on live minnows and silver spoons in 3 - 15 feet. Crappie to 14 inches are fair on live minnows and jigs in 7 25 feet. Channel and blue catfish to 5 pounds are good on live minnows in 10 - 20 feet. Yellow catfish to 16 pounds are good on live minnows and shrimp in 10 - 30 feet.

BUCHANAN: Water clear; 68 degrees; 1016.32'; Black bass are fair to good on crawfish 1/4 oz. Rat-L-Traps, white titanium spinnerbaits and ice Tea Scoundrel worms on wacky rigs in creeks and around the Apple Orchard in 2 - 5 feet. Striped bass are good drifting live bait, trolling Curb's striper jigs and jigging Pirk Minnows from The Willows to Mud Island in 16 - 24 feet. White bass are fair trolling Shad Raps, and jigging 1/4 oz. Pirk Minnows, 2" Lit'l Fishie Shads and live bait in the upper end. Crapple are slow to fair on minnows, Curb's crappie jigs and red/chartreuse 1/32 oz. crappie tube jigs in 4 - 8 feet. Channel catfish are fair on minnows on sandy creek points. No report on flathead and blue

catfish. PROCTOR: Water stained; 58 degrees; 1157.10; Black bass are slow. Striped bass are good on chrome Rat-L-Traps and white/yellow bucktails. Crappie are slow on minnows and jigs. Channel and blue catfish are good on shad and liver. Yellow catfish are fair on shad and perch on trotlines.

SOUTH AMISTAD: Water fairly clear; 65 degrees; 47 low; Black bass are good on Carolina-rigged watermelon seed worms and lizards. Striped bass are fair on slabs and striper jigs up the Rio Grande. White bass are good on slabs up the Rio Grande. Crapple are slow on live minnows up Rough Canyon. Channel and blue catfish are slow on cheesebait. Yellow catfish to 45 pounds are very good on trotlines on live perch.

WEST ALAN HENRY: Water clear; 63 degrees; Black bass to 8 pounds are very good on black/blue and green jigs, soft jerkbaits, and on topwater baits during afternoon. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs. Sharelunker 14 weighing 13.39 pounds was caught on 4/13/02.

ARROWHEAD: Water murky (from wind); 62 degrees; 7 low; Black bass to four pounds are fair in shallows. Crappie are good on minnows and pink or white jigs in Deer Park and Post Oak Creek areas. White bass to 2 pounds are good on 1/8- oz. Chartreuse jigs in shallows. Catfish are good on chicken liver and worms near moving water.

COLORADO CITY: Water clear; 64 degrees; Black bass are very slow. Crapple are very slow. White bass are very slow. Redfish are very slow. Catfish are very slow. Fishing is extremely slow due to a toxic golden algae bloom.

FT. PHANTOM HILL: Water clear; 62 degrees; Black bass are fair. Crappie are fair on minnows. White bass are fair on minnows and jigs. Catfish are good on cutbait and minnows.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water stained; 58 degrees; 17.75 low; Black bass are good on black/blue jigs and brown crankbaits in shallows. Crappie are fair on minnows and roadrunners in 1-6 feet near docks. White bass are slow on minnows. Striped bass are slow. Catfish are good on deep trotlines or juglines baited with shiners and minnows. A new boat ramp has been opened near the dam.

NASWORTHY: Water lightly stained; 61 degrees; Black bass are fair on minnows and spinnerbaits. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs. Redfish are fair on minnows. White bass and striped bass are fair on minnows. Catfish are good on stinkbalt and live bait. Lake is being dredged of 2-feet of silt (3 year project started summer 2000)

OAK CREEK: Water lightly stained; 59 degrees; No boat ramps open. Black bass are fair on minnows. Crappie are good around docks on minnows and jigs. Catfish are fair on trotlines baited with minnows and stinkbait.

OH. IVIE: Water lightly stained; 65 degrees; 20 low; Black bass are good on live bait and watermelon green plastics. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs in shallows. White bass are fair on minnows and jigs. Smallmouth bass are fair. Catfish are good on trotlines baited with minnows, goldfish and cut shad.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water lightly stained; 65 degrees; 5.25 low; Black bass are fair. White bass to 2.5 pounds are very good on upper end of lake. Striped bass are fair. Catfish are fair on live bait and stinkbait,

SPENCE: Water stained; 54 degrees; 8.75 low; Black bass are fair. Crappie are fair. White bass are fair on minnows. Striped bass are fair on minnows and cutbait. Catfish are fair on trotlines baited with shad and cutbait. Fishing is generally slow due to a golden algae bloom.

STAMFORD: Water lightly stained; 56 degrees; 3.5 low; Black bass to 5 pounds are good on crankbaits and minnows. Crapple are good on min-nows and jigs. White bass and striped bass are fair on minnows. Catfish are fair on trotlines baited with shad.

SWEETWATER: Water stained; 62 degrees; 17 low; Black bass are fair on crankbaits, spinnerhalts and live balt. Crapple are good on minnows and jigs. White bass are fair on minnows. Catfish are fair on trotlines baited with live bait and cut-

WHITE RIVER: Water murky; 62 degrees; 18 low; Black bass fair on minnows and crankbaits. Crapple are good near crapple house on minnows and Jigs. Walleye are slow. Catfish are

good on minnows. WICHITA: Water stained; 68 degrees; Black bass are fair on minnows near the Jay Cee area. Crapple are slow. White bass are very good on medium minnows, shrimp, and red/white curitali Road Runners or red/green marabou roadrunners in shallows and fished from bank. Hybrid Striped bass are fair on red/white roadrunners and large min-nows. Channel catfish are fair on



By BETTY DEBNAM

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**Alan:** What invention lets people

walk through walls?

Kathy: What did one entrance think of

the other entrance?

Gail: It was a-door-able!

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Words and names that remind us of electromagnetic waves are

hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or

diagonally. See if you can find: RADIO, WAVES, INVISIBLE, DISH, TRANSMIT, RECEIVE, UNIVERSE, DETECT, ASTRONOMERS,

HOLES, SCIENTISTS, SPACE, TELESCOPE, STARS, BLACK

Mini Spy is talking on her cell phone while doing many other things

that depend on radio signals. See if you can find: •

you guess the common theme or category?

Tina: What is the hardest key to

open the door with?

Tom: A piano key!

GALAXY, MILKY WAY.

Mini Spy

RADIO WAVES

ARE AWESOME!

John: Doors!

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X-ray waves

If we make the wavelengths very close together with a very high frequency, we can make X-rays that enable us to make pictures that doctors use to see what's going on inside our bodies. **Microwaves** 

If we make a wavelength longer, we can make microwaves that we can use to cook 03 our food in our microwave ovens.

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. An antenna picks up the signal and



Setting up airwave rules

These radio wavelengths are so important that the government has set up a special group, or agency, called the \*Federal Communications Commission. (""Federal" has to do with our national government. A commission is a group that decides on important matters.)

The FCC, as it is called, sees that the billions of messages carried through the air on waves don't get all mixed up. For example, each radio station is assigned a special frequency, or wavelength, of radio waves. Stations must be far enough apart in wavelength so that they don't interfere with each other

don't interfere with each other. A frequency of 1500 AM means these radio waves can move up and down 1,500,000 times a second. AM is a special band, or group, of frequencies. To pick up those waves on your

radio, you have to set your dial to 1500. Radio, TV and cable channels must FM is another band get licenses before

they can operate. The FCC assigns them certain

wavelengths, or frequencies. The FCC also sets aside "bands" of radio waves for products such as remote-control garage door openers, radio-controlled

toys and cell phones. If you look on your portable radio, you might see a label that begins:

Gus Goodsport's report

Supersport: Tracy McGrady

THIS DEVICE COMPLIES WITH PART 15 OF THE FCC RULES.

Height: 6-8 Birthdate: 5-24-79 Weight: 210

Tracy McGrady plays guard for the Orlando

He joined the team in 2000. Before that, he

spent three seasons with the Toronto Raptors.

Last season he averaged 26.8 points and 7.5

rebounds per game. He was also chosen to play

After the 2000-2001 season, he was named the NBA's Most

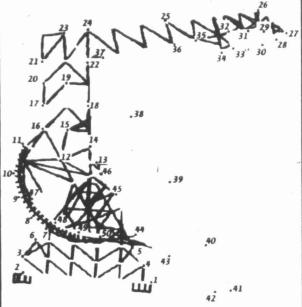
Tracy was born in Bartow, Fla. Two years ago he took some

classes in leadership skills at Rollins College during the off-

season. His favorite actors are Martin Lawrence and Jim

Carrey, and his favorite food is his mother's spaghetti and

Go dot to dot and color this amazing structure located in





• 11/2 cups sugar • 1 tablespoon butter or margarine • 1/2 cup evaporated milk

West Virginia.

semisweet chocolate chips
• 1 cup pecans, chopped • 2 cups miniature marshmallows • 1 teaspoon vanilla

Marit Larsen and Marion Raven

are better known as the two members

of the musical group M2M. Their

most recent album came out a few

They are from Norway and have

been friends since they were 5 years

What to do: 1. Place sugar, butter or margarine and evaporated milk in a medium, microwave-safe bowl. Microwave on high for 4 to 6 minutes, or until mixture comes to a boil. Stir halfway through

Remove from microwave and stir in marshmallows and chocolate chips. Mix well. Microwave 2 minutes or until smooth. Stir halfway through cooking.
Remove from oven. Stir in pecans and vanilla. Mix well.

Spread mixture evenly in a greased 8-by-8-inch pan. Cool and cut into squares. Makes about 16 pieces.

# Meet M2M



Marit, Marion

old. Both girls sing and write songs. Marit, 18, plays the guitar and Marion, 17, plays keyboards. When they were young, they performed in musicals such as "Annie" and "The Sound of Music." In 1994, they recorded

an album of Norwegian children's songs. One of Marit's favorite musicians is Joni Mitchell, and Marion likes Bob Dylan. In her free time, Marit enjoys writing music and Marion likes to go to the movies.

# Collecting Radio Waves From Space 2

# Wow! What a Telescope!

What's way out there in the universe? Scientists are using radio waves to find out.

Of all the different types of electromagnetic waves, radio waves are the longest. They might be as long as a football field or as short as a football.

The radio waves that occur naturally in the universe are not manufactured. They are silent. Scientists don't listen to them: they study them.

A really, really big telescope

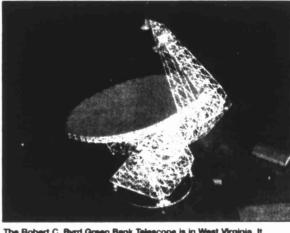
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In the mountains of West Virginia is the largest movable thing on land. It's a radio telescope. There are other radio telescopes in other parts of the world, but this is the largest one that moves



tall as the Washingt Monument. Its dish is about 300 feet across (about the length of a The telescope is talle



The Robert C. Byrd Green Bank Telescope is in West Virginia. It collects radio waves. It can only receive them; it does not send any. It takes a long time for some of the waves to reach Earth. Some of them might be millions of years old before they do.

### What the telescope does The telescope's job is to collect

naturally occurring radio waves. By studying them, scientists can find out what is going on way out in space. Space is filled with radio wave energy. Planets, stars, galaxies and even clouds of dust and gas give off radio waves that can be detected on Earth.

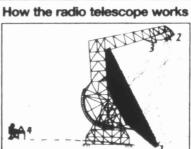
Collecting these waves is important to astronomers. By studying the data the telescope gathers, they can find out information about space that they could get no other way.
With "optical" telescopes, astronomers

can see only what is actually visible. If clouds are in the way, or if the sun is shining, they don't get a good picture. This is not the case with radio telescopes

Quiet, please

Radio signals arriving on Earth from space are very weak. In fact, they are millions of times weaker than the manufactured signals sent out by the radios we listen to. Because these radio waves from space are so weak, radio telescopes must be big and also far away from places where people live

Such things as microwave ovens, radio and TV signals, and computers can interfere with the reception. The big dish enables the astronomers to focus the telescope on small areas.



Radio astronomers collect radio waves from a tiny part of the sky, measure how strong they are, and then move on. As they move from point to point, they slowly build an image of what they are

the main dish.

2. They are reflected to a smaller dish at the top of the telescope (this is called 3. The signals are then sent to receivers

have in your home - only they are much more sensitive). 4. The faint signals from space are amplified (made stronger) and sent to powerful computers that analyze

mages to study.

hem, which allows experts to make

(much like the radio receivers you

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Others naturally respond to

your efforts and go out of

their way for you. Use tim-

ing. Ask the boss for a raise

or ask that special person

out. You'll like the results.

Tonight: Let another know

that you appreciate him or

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

\*\*\*\* You might feel ill at

ease over a personal matter.

Be clear and direct with

your dealings involving a

loved one or friend. If you

feel the need to clarify feel-

ings - there's no time like

the present. Make that

extra effort toward a friend

or loved one. Tonight: Shop

CANCER (June 21-July

**PUBLIC NOTICE** 

The following described aban-doned vehicles will be sold to

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MODEL - Camero

22) \*\*\*\* A friendship could

be developing into a lot

for a card.

# **PUBLIC NOTICE** Howard College has contracted with The Big Spring State Hospital Recycle Program to

surplus property, it will be delivered to The Big Spring State Hospital Recycling Program, 1405 N. Hwy. 87, Big Spring, TX 79720. All who are interested in bidding or may view and submit a bid the first Wednesday of each

Information concerning the auction may be obtained from Dennis Churchwell, Purchaser, Howard College Spring, TX 79720, (915) 264-5167. #3525 April 18 & 19, 2002

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## HOROSCOPE

is another's command.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) \*\*\* Assume a lower profile than normal. You could feel a bit overwhelmed by what is going on with another. Listen to a boss or older relative. This person has key feedback. Go out of your way to touch base with another who might not be feeling up to snuff. Tonight: Continue being mysterious. **VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

\*\*\*\*\* Success comes from many people or meetings. Be willing to work in groups. You might not have all the answers, but you certainly know how to find them. A brainstorming session provides more options than you considered. Tonight: Hop out the door. Join your pals.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) \*\*\*\* Take charge at work if you have any thought of

leaving at a normal time this afternoon. You find that an associate does a reversal when you least expect it. Relax with immediate information. Know what you're seeking. Tonight: Are you ready to the lead actor? Spotlights, please.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) \*\*\*\*\* Your mind certainly isn't present, as you might already be "gone" for the weekend. Why not cut your losses and clear your desk, answer your e-mail and head on out the door? Network if you must stay in the office. Someone finds you to be unusually appealing. Tonight: Split town, if you can.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) \*\*\*\*\* If another could part the waters for you, he or she would! You can count on another's follow-through right now. Ask for more of what you need from those in your daily life. You find their responses to be overwhelming. You might not have realized how popular you are. Tonight: Opt to be with a special friend.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) \*\*\*\*\* You might have work on your mind, but others do their best to distract you. Use some of this jovial Friday spirit to add a creative spark to your work. Make a possibility happen rather than nixing opportunity. Your popularity soars. Tonight: Play

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) \*\*\* Take a hint from Aries' message. You, too, might be happier working from home. Express your profound happiness when dealing with another. Your positive and appreciative manner takes you very far in your dealings. Don't underestimate what a compliment means. Tonight: Make it easy.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) \*\*\*\*\* Your imagination won't hear "no" right now. You will find that if you present your suggestions in a soft, unconfrontational manner, you'll get the type of results you would like. Take a leisurely lunch. Relax with an associate. Tonight: Be a romantic.

**BORN TODAY** Actress Kate Hudson (1979), actress Ashley Judd (1968), actor Dudley Moore

Jacqueline Bigar is on the Internet http://www.jacquelinebigar.com.

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# **She wants her mooching** sister to change her ways

Dear Ann Landers: My husband and I wellknown community activists in small town, where we have lived for 30 years.

ANN

We are not wealthy, but we do a great deal of socializing with professional, well-respected members of

the community. The prob-

lem is my sister, "Helene." Helene works in a lowpaying job, squanders her entire paycheck, weighs 350 pounds, chain smokes and has lost most of her teeth. She recently moved into our town and lives hand-tomouth. I help her when I can, but she is a spendthrift, and no matter what I give her, it is never

I love Helene, but since one of my charitable organizations and asked for free appliances. When she visited a doctor we know, she asked for a discount because she is related to me. I am embarrassed to death by her behavior.

I have asked Helene to stop using my name this way, but she becomes upset and cries, reminds me about her heart condition, and I always wind up apologizing. Helene also insists that I include her in all our social events, saying she is new in town and needs to cultivate some friendships. Helene has nothing in

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common with our friends, and I resent her for intruding in my life. We have never been close, but she is my only sibling, and I feel obligated to help her out. Is there anything I can do about her appalling behavior? — Sister in Florida

Dear Sister: I suspect you are more than a little embarrassed by Helene's appearance, as well as her behavior. Nonetheless, she should not be dropping your name around town, trying to elicit favors from your friends. You also are under no obligation to include Helene in your plans. She needs to make her own friends and stop mooching yours.

Helene must take better care of her health. You said she has a heart condition, is a smoker and is extremely overweight. Talk to her about taking an exercise class at the community center, and urge her to cut she moved here, she has back on the smoking. been dropping my name all Perhaps she has insurance over town in order to get that will cover getting her "favors." She stopped by teeth fixed. If she feels bethelp everyone involved.

> Gem of the Day: What is the difference between a dog and a cat? A dog thinks its owners are family. A cat thinks they are the staff.

> When planning a wedding, who pays for what? Who stands where? "The Ann Landers Guide for Brides" has all the answers. Send a self-addressed, long, business-size envelope and a check or money order for \$3.75 (this includes postage and handling) to: Brides, c/o Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11562, Chicago, Ill. 60611-0562. (In Canada, send \$4.55.) To find out more about Ann Landers and read her past columns, visit the Creators Syndicate web page at www.creators.com. © 2002 CREATORS SYN-DICATE, INC.

# Hispanic labor group sues over key training programs

BROWNSVILLE (AP) - A Hispanic labor association is suing state and federal agencies, alleging federally funded retraining programs aren't assisting non-English speaking workers.

 $\mathbf{E}1$ Paso-based Asociacion de Trabajadores Fronterizos, or Association of Border Workers, claims programs that were set up to help those who lost jobs because of the North American Free **Trade** Agreement have failed.

These retraining programs are not teaching new jobs skills to those workers who speak little or no English which is most of those that work in the garment industry," said Carmen Rodriguez, a labor lawyer with the El Pasobased Texas Rural Legal

"When you have a special population with special circumstances, such as we have on the border, you canne take the cookie-cutter approach," she told the Brownsville Herald.

The lawsuit, brought against the Texas Workforce Commission, the Upper Rio Grande Workforce Development Board and the U.S. Department of Labor. was filed last week in federal court in El Paso last week by the Texas Rural Legal Aid on behalf of the Association of Border Workers and six displaced work-

The workers lost their jobs due to NAFTA and have been through retraining programs, according to the lawsuit.

Rodriguez said the ramifications of the lawsuit could impact thousands of garment workers in the Rio Grande Valley.

Over the last two weeks, Levi Strauss & Co. announced plans to close its Brownsville and San Benito plants, resulting in 1,100 layoffs, and the Williamson-Dickie Manufacturing Co. said it will close its McAllen factory, resulting in 331 lay-

Such workers qualify for help under the NAFTA Trade Adjustment Assistance Program. Rodriguez said the program might work well in other parts of the country, where the native language is English, but not along the U.S.-Mexico border.

"We know from experience that the programs fail to provide effective language-relevant retraining opportunities," Rodriguez said.

"Unlike their Englishspeaking counterparts, who learn real job skills and can become certified for certain Spanish-speaking workers, many of them women, are denied. The little English they learn in the limited time available is insufficient to help them increase their job opportunities. They need retraining with real job skills."

Rodriguez also plained that wage rates for retrained workers are far less than they used to earn. In the apparel industry, garment workers could earn \$10.85 per hour. Following NAFTA retraining, the rate can drop to \$6.15 per hour.

Larry Jones, a spokesman for TWC, acknowledged there had been problems workers required to study English, literacy and work skills in a sequential order, but said nowadays training is combined over an 18-month period.

He said English and literacy skills are usually prerequisites when searching for better-paid jobs.

"The general profile of worker in the apparel industry is someone who needs assistance with English and literacy," Jones said. "They do not have a wide variety of transferable skills. Some are trained only to operate sewing machines. They are obviously going to need a lot of attention and that is the challenge.'

# You say you didn't notice

# until it was too late to do anything about it?

Probably, if you aren't checking the Public Notices columns of this newspaper regularly.

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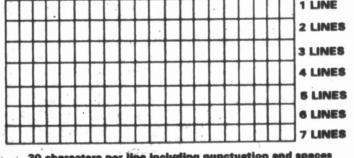
The Public Notices give you access to information you need...about plans for major land use changes...about where roads will go...whose land will be condemned...how your tax dollars will be spent...about court actions that could be important to you, or just plain interesting.

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## NOTICE OF DRAFT DRAFT PERMIT

NO.: O-01550 APPLICATION AND DRAFT Carbon, Ltd., 201 Main Street Suite 3000, Fort Worth, Texas 76102-3131, a Carbon Black facility, has applied to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) for Initial Issuance of a Federal Operating Permit (herein referred to as Permit) Application Number 1550 to authorize operation of the Sid Richardson Carbon Company, Big Spring Facility. The site ed by the application is located at Midway Rd., Mile North of IH-20, 2.5 Mile East of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas. This application was submitted to the TNRCC on May 22, 2000. The purpose of a permit is to improve overall compliance with the rules governing air pollution control by clearly list ments, as defined in Title 30 122.10 (30 TAC § 122.10) The permit will not authorize the site to increase emissions The TNRCC Executive Director has completed the chnical review of the appli cation and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the

must operate. The execu

ance of this draft permit

tive director recommends

draft permit are available for

Floor, Austin, Texas, Midland Regional Office, 3300 North A Street, Building 4, Suite 107 Midland, Texas and at Howard County Library, 500 S. Main, Big Spring, TX. 79720. At the central and regional office, you may also review and copy all other relevant supporting materials for the draft permit MAILING LIST. In addition to

sending a request to the Office of the Chief Clerk, at the address listed below.
PUBLIC COMMENT/NOTICE AND COMMENT HEARING You may submit written ments or request a notice and comment hear-ing on the draft permit. Comments relating to the accuracy, completeness and appropriateness of the permit action may cause a change to

be made to the draft permit

he emission of air ng. The TNRCC may grant a notice and comment hearing on this applica-tion if a written hearing request is filed within 30 cal dar days after publication of this newspaper notice. The purpose of a notice and comment hearing is to provide a opportunity to submit written permit. If a notice and com ment hearing is granted, all individuals that submitted written comments or a hearing

notice of the hearing. This time, and location for the hear

A notice of proposed final action, including a response to comments and identificadraft permit, will be mailed public comments, a hearing equest, or who requested to be on a mailing list for this application. This mailing will also provide instructio for public petitions to me U.S. Agency (EPA) to request eration of the execu tive director's proposed final action. After receiving a peti tion, the EPA may only object to the issuance of a permit with its applicable require ments or the requirements of 30 TAC Chapter 122. Written notice and comm hearing requests and public mitted to the TNRCC, Office of Chief Clerk (MC 105), P.O. of the date of newspaper

ments should be sub Box 13087 Austin, Texas publication of this notice.
INFORMATION: If you need information about this permit application or the per mitting process, please call the TNRCC Office of Public Assistance, toll free at 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TNRCC can be found at our web site at www.tnrcc.state.tx.us. Further information may also obtained from Richardson Carbon, Ltd. at the address in the first paragraph

or by calling Mr. Herb Harless at (817) 338-8386.

# THURSDAY

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## **DENNIS THE MENACE**



"YOU'LL NEED TO PICK UP A GALLON OF MILK WHEN YOU GO TO THE STORE."

## **FAMILY CIRCUS**

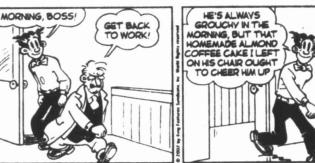


"Maybe Mr. Quan puts his elbows on the table a lot.'

## **HAGAR**



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**WIZARD OF ID** 





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# GASOLINE ALLEY



# **SNUFFY SMITH**





# BEETLE BAILEY





# THIS DATE **IN HISTORY**

## The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Thursday, April 18, the 108th day of 2002. There are 257 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 18, 1775, Paul Revere began his famous ride from Charlestown to Lexington, Mass., warning American colonists that the British were coming. On this date:

In 1906, a devastating earthquake struck San Francisco, followed by raging fires. About 700 people

1921, Junior Achievement, created to encourage business skills in young people, was incorporated.

In 1942, an air squadron from the USS Hornet led by Lt. Col. James H. Doolittle raided Tokyo and other Japanese cities.

In 1942, the first World War II edition of Stars and Stripes was published as a weekly newspaper for U.S. troops in Northern Ireland. In 1945, famed American war correspondent Ernie

Pyle, 44, was killed by

Japanese gunfire on the

Pacific island of Ie Shima,

off Okinawa. In 1946, the League of Nations went out of busi-

In 1949, the Irish republic

was proclaimed. In 1955, physicist Albert Einstein died in Princeton,

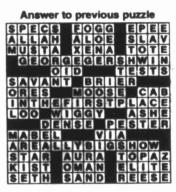
In 1978, the U.S. Senate voted 68-to-32 to turn the Panama Canal over to Panamanian control on Dec. 31, 1999.

In 1994, former President Nixon suffered a stroke at his home in Park Ridge, N.J.; he died four days later at a New York hospital.

Ten years ago: Serbia issued a protest to the United States, accusing Washington of siding with Bosnia-Herzegovina and Croatia in the Yugoslav crisis. Democrat Jerry Brown met with black leaders in Philadelphia while frontrunner Bill Clinton visited a Phillies-Pirates ballgame the two courted

Pennsylvania primary vot-

Today's Birthdays: Actress Barbara Hale is 81. Blues Clarence singer "Gatemouth" Brown is 78. Actor Clive Revill is 72. Actor James Drury is 68. Actor Robert Hooks is 65. Actress Hayley Mills is 56. Actor James Woods is 55. Actress-director Dorothy Lyman is 55. Actress Cindy Pickett is 55. Country musician Walt Richmond (The Tractors) is 55. Actor Rick Moranis is 48. Actress Melody Thomas Scott is 46. Actor Eric Roberts is 46. Actor John James is 46. Rock musician Les Pattinson (Echo and the Bunnymen) is 44.



# Newsday Crossword

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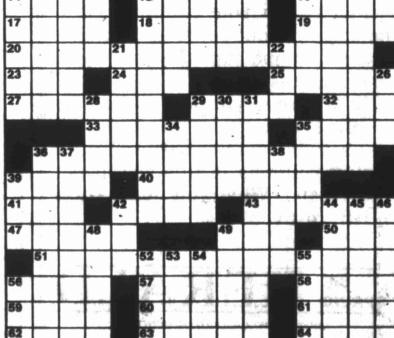
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